



Queen Crowned at Chicago Festival



Esther Hiyama, formerly of Seattle, recently crowned queen of Chicago's first Nisei Festival. Miss Hiyama is shown surrounded by her attendants in the above photo. They are (left to right):

Standing, Margaret Handa and Pat Yamashiro. Seated, Helen Shiba, Miss Hiyama and Fina Wozumi.—Photo by H. Fujita, Chicago.

House Passes Amendment to Law on Soldiers Brides

Will Permit Entry Into U. S. of Japan-Born, Canada Nisei Wives of American Soldiers

WASHINGTON — Marking a milestone in the legislative efforts of persons of Japanese ancestry, the House of Representatives on June 16 passed the amendment to the Soldier Brides act, H.R. 3149, in the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee disclosed this week.

The first public bill directly affecting persons of Japanese ancestry that has passed the House, H.R. 3149 would permit entry into the United States of Japan-born and Canadian Nisei wives of American soldiers.

"We hope this marks the beginning of a new trend for our legislation," Mike Masaoka, national ADC director, declared. "Our next step is to get the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration to approve the amendment."

Under the original Soldier Brides act, persons ineligible to citizenship were excluded from its provisions, thereby preventing the entry of this country of Canadian-born Nisei wives and Japan-born wives of Nisei and other American soldiers.

Repeated representations by the ADC legislative director that the act discriminating against American soldiers and veterans who married Japanese wives brought about the amendment, H.R. 3149, which was introduced by Chairman Frank Fellows of the Subcommittee for Immigration and Naturalization.

Since the amendment limited the act to the "alien spouses of an American citizen by marriage occurring before January 1, 1947," the Washington ADC office again protested that it discriminated against the Japanese spouses.

Reworded to eliminate the date provision, the amendment was reported favorably out of the subcommittee and steered through its course in the House by Congressman Ed Gossett of Texas.

Although the Washington ADC office was apprehensive that the expected Truman veto of the tax reduction bill would defer House action on the Soldier Brides act amendment for some time, Masaoka reported, the amendment was passed unanimously this week.

Honolulu Receptionist Wins 442nd Club's Queen Contest

HONOLULU — Blanche Sadako Jikaku, 20, was crowned queen of the 442nd Veterans Club's "Go for the Gold" carnival on June 7, winning the contest in which each unit of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team which is represented among Honolulu veterans entered a candidate. Miss Jikaku was entered by members of Company E.

Angeline Hopkins, sponsored by the 442nd, was second, while Lorraine Sera, Company F, was third. Others who placed were Harriet Sera of Company L, fourth, and Cortes of Anti-Tank company fifth. Jasmine Kimura, entered by

Company M. Miss Jikaku, a receptionist in a beauty salon, lives with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kamato Jikaku, in Honolulu. She will receive an all-expense trip to Hollywood and other West Coast cities as the grand prize. The 442nd Veterans Club also will give her a complete wardrobe for her trip.

Two of the Nisei queen's brothers served with the 442nd Infantry and one of them, Tommy Jikaku, Company G., was killed in action in Italy. The other, Jacob Jikaku, was injured seriously a few days later.

Arizona City Appoints Kajikawa As Recreation Chief

TEMPE, Ariz. — Bill Kajikawa, head baseball coach at Arizona State college, this week was appointed city director of recreation for the summer by Bert Hallis, chairman of the youth recreation committee.

Kajikawa will be in charge of the recreation area at the Tempe Beach and will serve as coordinator for various activities. The Tempe Beach committee will supply the director's salary for the month of June, after which it will be included in the city budget.

Kajikawa was present at the meeting of the beach committee held on June 6 and reported on the progress made to date for the summer recreation program.

Kajikawa also helped direct the Brooklyn Dodgers three-day tryout camp from June 11 to June 14 at Rendezvous Park in Mesa.

Issei at Seabrook Gets First Papers

SEABROOK, N. J.—Fukuji Sasaki, the unofficial "Mayor" of Seabrook Village, last week became one of the first Issei to receive first papers for citizenship in New Jersey.

Sasaki filed his preliminary questionnaire last November and recently affirmed his declaration of intention at the Common Pleas court in Bridgeton.

Formerly a resident of Florin, Calif., Sasaki was one of the first evacuees to resettle at Seabrook Farms with his family.

Nisei Promoted After Cincinnati Test

CINCINNATI O.—Stogie Toki recently was promoted to senior clerk in the civil service department of the City of Cincinnati after taking a competitive examination with nineteen other applicants.

Gov. Warren Signs Measure Repealing California Law on Separate Schools for Orientals

Sixty-Year Old Law Stricken from Statute-Books By Action of Legislature, Governor; Permitted School Districts to Establish Separate Facilities

SACRAMENTO—One remnant of California's anti-Oriental past disappeared from the statute-books on June 16 when Governor Earl Warren signed a bill repealing the section in the state education code which permits school districts to establish separate school facilities for children of Indian, Chinese, Japanese and Mongolian ancestry.

The bill, sponsored by Assemblyman Glenn Anderson, D., Hawthorne, Augustus Hawkins, D., Los Angeles, and others, was passed in the Assembly by a vote of 60-2. The measure rescinding the law then went to the Senate where it was passed on June 3.

Report Mattoon Refuses Bid to Withhold Cases

Official's Attitude Described as "Adamant" At Recent Interview

SAN FRANCISCO — Requests that further escheat proceedings and trials under the California Alien Land law be withheld until the United States Supreme Court rules on the Oyama test case this fall have been "flatly turned down" by Everett W. Mattoon, deputy attorney general in charge of Alien Land law enforcement, the *Nichi-Bei Times* reported on June 18.

The newspaper quoted Joe Grant Masaoka, Northern California JACL representative who met with Mattoon, that the latter was adamant in his stand for continued prosecutions.

Mattoon told Masaoka and other members of the delegation that all the preparatory work done to date by his staff would be wasted if the present and projected cases were postponed. Howser, who was elected attorney general last year, previously had indicated that he would leave the matter of continued enforcement up to Mattoon.

Chicago Chapter Of ADC Will Open Financial Campaign

CHICAGO—More than \$300 had been received for the Chicago JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee fund before June 15, the opening date of the fund drive, according to Dick Yamada, secretary, who has been employed on a part-time basis during the campaign which will extend through July 15. A door-to-door canvass by teams composed of Nisei and Issei is under way in the Chicago Japanese community which has been divided into ten designated zones.

Yamada, a former instructor at the Boulder, Colo., Naval language school promises a complete list of all contributors to the ADC fund will be published in the near future. Yamada's headquarters are located at the office of the Chicago Resettlers Committee at 1110 N. La Salle street.

For more than sixty years it has been a legal practice in California to establish separate schools for children of Asiatic and Indian descent. Under the law a separate school for children of Japanese and other Oriental ancestry was maintained in the Sacramento delta area until 1939.

The bill signed by Governor Warren also abolished a 1943 amendment to the school segregation code.

In the 1945 legislature an unsuccessful attempt was made by Assemblyman Ben Rosenthal, D., Los Angeles, to repeal the discriminatory provisions in the education code.

It was pointed out in debate on the repeal measure that the law has been used by certain school districts in Southern California to establish separate facilities for children of Mexican ancestry on the basis that they were of "Indian" descent. In the Westminster school case in Orange County, which was taken to the Federal Court, the court ruled that the practice was illegal.

CIO Auto Workers Head Urges Passage Of Anti-Bias Law

WASHINGTON — Walter P. Ruether, president of the CIO United Auto Workers Union, told a Senate committee on June 18 that a Federal anti-discrimination law is the only way to guarantee "full and equal opportunity for the minorities of this nation."

Ruether declared passage of a pending bill which would bar employment discrimination for reasons of race or creed "would represent a victory for the democratic conscience."

"The phrase, 'the right to work,' will remain a cynical and meaningless shibboleth as long as a Negro, Jew, Catholic or any other minority worker suffers the indignity of economic ostracism because of race, creed, color or national origin."

The subcommittee is considering a measure by Sen. Irving Ives, R., N. Y., and others, patterned on the New York anti-discrimination law which will set up a permanent fair employment practices commission.

Favorable Action Seen for Bill to Give Citizen Rights To Parents of Soldier Dead

WASHINGTON—Indicating favorable action on the naturalization bill introduced by Representative Ed Gossett of Texas, the JACL Anti Discrimination Committee announced this week that the Committee of the House of Representatives has reported the bill out with full committee approval.

Next step will be to have the proposed legislation placed on the calendar of the House, the Washington ADC office said.

"We hope that this bill will be placed on the consent calendar so that it can be acted upon before Congress adjourns in July," Mike Masaoka, national ADC legislative director, added.

Two weeks ago the Gossett bill received the approval of the Sub-

committee on Naturalization and Immigration after testimony by Masaoka had brought about an amendment to enlarge its scope.

Introduced by Representative Gossett, Dem., through the efforts of Harry Tanouye, Purple Heart veteran of the 442nd Regional Combat Team, the bill in its original form asked for naturalization privileges for only persons of Japanese descent whose sons died while serving in the armed forces of the United States during World War II.

As amended, the Gossett bill, now known as HR 3555, asks for naturalization privileges for all persons, regardless of race, who are parents of a member of the armed forces of the United States who died in service in World War II.

National Legion Leadership Takes Stand Against Prejudice At Meeting Honoring Nisei GIs

Race-Baiting Statements of "Prominent Legionnaire" During War Does Not Represent Sentiment of Organization, Says-Stockton City Attorney

STOCKTON, Calif.—The national leadership of the American Legion was on record this week as opposed to discrimination against American war veterans of Japanese and other minority group ancestry following a special meeting of the Karl Ross post held on June 14.

Participating in the meeting were National Commander Paul H. Griffith of Uniontown, Pa., Past National Commander Warren H. Atherton of Stockton, California Department Commander Richard Chamberlain, California Department Americanism Director Charles Epperson and City Attorney Bill L. Dozier.

Dozier, chairman of the meeting, noted that a "prominent Legionnaire" in California had made "intemperate race-baiting statements" against Japanese Americans during the war.

"These statements did not represent American Legion policy then, and they do not now," Dozier said.

In a message to American veterans of Japanese ancestry in the program, Dozier said:

"We were happy to have you fighting by our sides as comrades-in-arms, and we want you now as comrades in peace."

A large number of minority group veterans attended the meeting. Nisei and Filipino American veterans contributed to the entertainment portion of the program.

Legion speakers at the meeting stressed that the organization abhors racial, religious and color prejudices.

"The superb work done by the Japanese American soldier, both in Europe and in the Pacific, is equal if not superior to that of any other group in the army."

"Nisei combat intelligence men in the Pacific saved 50,000 American lives," Dozier declared. In the Pacific, he added, 85 per cent of American information used against the Japanese was obtained through Nisei translators and interpreters.

Dozier read a statement by President Truman declaring the fears that prompted the evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast had proved to have been groundless because an overwhelming majority of them proved to be loyal to the United States.

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Two Nisei Elected To Phi Beta Kappa

BERKELTY, Calif.—Two Nisei were among 66 Pay Area students who were elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, national scholastic honor society, according to University of California officials last week.

The Nisei are Mrs. Toshiko Sagamori Yoshida and Shigeo J. Hayashi.

New York JACL Delegates Attend Anti-Bias Conference

By Ina Sugihara.

NEW YORK — Together with more than 350 other delegates from civic, fraternal, labor, religious, national, and racial organizations, representatives of the New York Chapter of the JACL attended a Conference Against Discrimination in Employment here last week. The event, sponsored by the New York Council for a Permanent FEPC, is one of a series of local meetings promoted by the National Council for a Permanent FEPC, who initiated the National Act Against Discrimination in Employment, the fair employment bill in the 80th Congress.

Chapter representatives were Tom Hayashi, president; Ina Sugihara, vice president; Chiz Ikeda, publicity director; Ken Hayashi, and Clara Clayman. Each organization was entitled to two to five delegates.

"Our whole foreign policy depends on our treatment of people here at home," stated Representative Jacob K. Javits (R., N. Y.), one of the bi-partisan sponsors of the act, adding that fair employment is basic in removing discrimination, and this nation is committed to a non-discriminatory policy under the United Nations Charter to which it is a signatory. "The measure in which we treat minori-

UYEDA ENTERS NATIONAL AAU TRACK MEET

LINCOLN, Neb.—George Uyeda of the University of Hawaii, one of two Americans to leap over 25 feet this year in the broad jump, has entered the National AAU senior and junior track and field championships to be held at Lincoln on July 4 and 5.

Willie Steele of San Diego State is the other college athlete to report better than 25 feet.

Uyeda, considered a possibility for the National AAU title and a place on the U.S. Olympics team, jumped 25 feet 5/8 inches in a recent meet in Honolulu.

Salt Lake Issei Ask Congress For Citizenship

141 Sign Petition For Equality in Naturalization Laws

Signed by 141 Issei in the Salt Lake area, a petition to Congress, asking for the extension of the right of naturalization to resident aliens of Japanese ancestry, was sent to Washington by the Servicemen's Family League this week.

Gosuke Tobari, secretary of the group, said that the petition was sent to Mike M. Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee, for submission to Congress.

Mr. Tobari also announced that the Servicemen's Family League, which recently sponsored the erection of a monument in Salt Lake City to the memory of Nisei who died, had donated \$100 to the JACL-ADC fund for legislative activity.

Farmers Union Offers Scholarship to Nisei

DENVER, Colo.—The National Farmers Union is offering an all-expenses paid scholarship to a Nisei at its youth encampment from July 6 to July 14 at Estes Park. Min Yasui, Tri-State director of the JACL, announced last week.

ties in the U. S. will have a great deal to do with the weight that we carry in diplomatic relations throughout the world," he said.

Mr. Javits predicted that the chances for FEPC legislation are better now than they have been for many years, perhaps in the history of this country.

Delegates adopted resolutions supporting the Act in Congress, endorsing the National Council for a Permanent FEPC, and rejecting the affiliation of any totalitarian, nazi, fascist, or communist organizations or their fronts.

Among organizations present were the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, Urban League, American Jewish Congress, American Jewish Committee, Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith, Workers Defense League, Human Relations Commission of the Protestant Council of the City of New York, Catholic Interracial Council, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, Retail and Wholesale Department Store Union, American Veterans Committee, Jewish War Veterans, Workmen's Circle, Metropolitan Christian Youth Council, Students League for Industrial Democracy, and many others.

Coast Evacuation Labeled "Mistake" By Dean Dickinson

SAN FRANCISCO—Edwin D. Dickinson, dean of the University of California's school of jurisprudence and special assistant to the United States attorney general during the war, declared last week that the mass evacuation of 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry from the Pacific coast in 1942 was a "sad mistake." Dickinson told the San Francisco Lawyers Club, "The Federal Bureau of Investigation knew who were the subversives—and nabbed them at the war's outbreak. "There was no need to lock up the innocent."

California Issei Contribute to Citizenship Drive

\$10,000 Given for Legislative Work of JACL-ADC

A check for \$10,000 has been received at the national headquarters of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee in Salt Lake City from the Kikaken Kisei Domei of Northern California, an Issei organization which is working for equality in the naturalization law.

Akimi Sugawara, executive secretary of the Kikaken Kisei Domei group, said that the money was earmarked for use by the Washington office of JACL-ADC "in furtherance of legislative activities."

"We hope the enclosed check will be further assurance to Mr. Mike Masaoka in Washington of the expression of since support being manifested in the work he is carrying on in behalf of persons of Japanese ancestry," Mr. Sugawara said.

He noted that the financial campaign was being continued in Northern California and declared that further remittances were forthcoming.

Nisei Soldier One Of Last to Leave Duty in England

BREMEN, Germany—One of the last few American soldiers on active duty in England, Pfc. T. T. Toyama, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shun Toyama of Maui, T. H., was withdrawn recently and was transferred to Bremen when his unit, a small detachment of the 134th airways and air communications service squadron (AACS) recently was closed down.

Toyama will be transferred to one of the AACS detachments in the U. S. occupied zone in Germany.

Japanese Language Film Will Be Shown At Chicago Hall

CHICAGO—"Shina no Yoru," a prewar Japanese sound film, will be shown to the public, free of charge, on two dates in Chicago, June 24 and 25. Under the joint sponsorship of the Chicago JACL and the Resettlers Committee the showing of this film, made available through the War Department recruiting team for the Military Intelligence Service Language school now visiting Chicago, will be supplemented by recent films of occupied Japan.

The southside showing will be at the gymnasium of the First Baptist church at 935 E. 50th st. on Tuesday, June 24. The northside showing will be at the Olivet Institute, 1441 N. Cleveland, on Wednesday, June 25. The films, beginning with the occupation films, will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m.

Exeter High Names Hirayama as Year's Outstanding Athlete

LINDSAY, Calif.—Fibber Hirayama, Nisei four-sports star for Exeter high school, last week was awarded the "best athlete of the year" award at the school.

Hirayama has been an outstanding member of Exeter's football, basketball, baseball and track teams.

He also is student athletic commissioner and secretary of the Block E lettermen's club.



The Rev. W. Sherman Burgoyne, recipient of one of the Thomas Jefferson awards for his fight against intolerance in Hood River, Ore., and Mrs. Burgoyne were honored on June 7 at a dinner by the Portland JACL. The Burgoynes, who are leaving Hood River in the near future for another post, recently returned from a Nation-wide tour. Those in the photo are: (left to right) the Rev. Mr. Burgoyne, Mrs. Burgoyne, Hide Tomita, toastmaster, and George Azumano, president of the Portland JACL.

Hood River Minister Honored At Dinner by Portland JACL

PORTLAND, Ore.—The Rev. W. Sherman Burgoyne, whose fight for democracy in Hood River on an issue involving Americans of Japanese ancestry won national recognition when he was awarded the Thomas Jefferson award of the Council Against Intolerance in America, was honored by members and friends of the Portland JACL chapter at a dinner on June 7.

The Rev. Mr. Burgoyne, pastor of Asbury Methodist church in Hood River, told dinner guests that the Thomas Jefferson award, a citation for achievement in the advancement of democratic principles, "belongs to you evacuees and to the members of the 442nd Combat Team."

Noting the fact that an award is given to Americans for democratic activities, he declared that "the practice of true democracy should be a common trait among all Americans."

Reporting on his stop in Washington where he noted the work of the JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee and met with prominent government officials and members of Congress, the Rev. Mr. Burgoyne urged all Nisei to join the JACL and to support its program.

Speaking in behalf of the Portland JACL, Paul Oyamada said: "We are striving toward the day when there will be no more discrimination and no need for an organization like the JACL."

Among the guests at the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. E. B. McNaughton of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Sweetland of Molalla, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Oliver, Mr. George Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Linville, the Rev. Myron C. Cole, Dr. Peter Odegard, Mrs. and Mrs. Vern Dusenberry, Mr. and Mrs.

Kaizer, Dr. and Mrs. Max Friedman and Mrs. Robertson. Other guests included delegates to the Pacific Northwest JACL District Council meeting.

Nisei Girl from Honolulu Attends Red Cross Confab

DENVER, Colo.—Pretty Rachel Asato, 15, Honolulu delegate to the National Junior Red Cross Convention in Cleveland last week, having a good time on her return home to Hawaii.

Rachel, a worker in the L.L. Corps of the Salvation Army Honolulu, visited Denver on June 16, enroute to the West Coast.

"I enjoyed meeting young people from all over the country the convention," she said. "They seem very similar to young people in Hawaii. I love the people I've picked up loads of pen pals."

Her purpose in attending the convention, she said, was to discuss Junior Red Cross work with young people of other chapters. She hopes, when she returns home, to interest more students in Junior Red Cross projects.

Nisei War Veteran Wins Art Scholarship

ORANGE, N. J. — Francis Hamabe, a veteran of World War II, was awarded the Providence Art Club scholarship on June 14 "for excellence in the field of painting."

Hamabe is a student at Rhode Island School of Design.

Palo Alto School Students Give Lesson to United Nations

PALO ALTO, Calif. — Students at Palo Alto's Jordan junior high school are giving their elders a lesson in interracial cooperation.

Prejudices against students of minority race groups just don't exist in this school of 800 students where the leaders are chosen for their ability, popularity and all-around citizenship.

Although the percentage of Oriental and Negro American students at Jordan are lower than in the average school, the pupils have elected student managers of Chinese, Negro and Japanese ancestry in the last three elections. The post of student manager is equivalent to that of student body president and is the highest elective office in the student body.

All of these students were elected by huge majorities, running 5 to 1 over their closest opponent, who, in each case, was a prominent white student.

Fourteen-year old Alice Kwok, whose parents are natives of China, was such a successful student manager in the fall term of 1946 that she cleared the way for another of her sex.

When it appeared that Cecil (Bunky) Bowman, of Negro ancestry, would win the post for 1947 spring semester, there was a last-minute talk of a write-in campaign.

"A group of the boy leaders came to me to see if anything could be done," Howard Parter, faculty counselor for student government, said. "They objected to Bunky winning, not because she is a Negro but because she is a girl."

But Bunky won, with 548 votes to the 106 for her opponent.

The student manager for 1947 fall term is Haskins (Chick) Yashima, son of Japan-born parents.

Eighteen Issei Receive First Citizen Papers

Citizens League Aids Resident Aliens in Filing Requests

AN JOSE, Calif. — Although resident aliens of Japanese ancestry still are barred from American citizenship, eighteen Issei in Santa Clara County have received their citizenship papers, the United Citizens League (JACL) reports this week. The Issei received their papers last week in the county clerk's office, Phil Matsumura of the JACL reported. He said the number probably was the highest in the country and noted that the JACL had assisted the Issei group in filing their applications. Those receiving their first papers included Arthur Shingo Nishiura, R. Shibuya, Mountain View; Ken Fujioke, Mrs. Kimi Okida, Dr. George Kawamura, San Jose; John Kojima and Frank Natsus, Santa Clara; Shoji Takekuni, Milpitas; and Santaro Imokawa, Tom Tamari, Cupertino.

Steps Taken for Activation of Alameda JACL Group

ALAMEDA, Calif.—Steps to activate the Alameda chapter of the JACL were taken in June 13 at a meeting at the Japanese Methodist church. Masao Imura is chairman of the temporary committee which has been set up to reactivate the group. Other members of the committee include Chizu Kanda, secretary, and Hanamura, Kay Hattori, Maeyama, Yutaka Nakamura, Sam Narahara, John Towata, Richard Towata and Tak Yamada. More than 30 Nisei attended the meeting and voted to reactivate the Alameda chapter. A temporary committee, which will make arrangements for the initial meeting, was given official approval for the group under the reactivation process is completed. Grant Masaoka, Northern California JACL representative, was the principal speaker of the meeting. The next meeting will be held on June 18.

Toronto Dairy Farm Refuses to Hire Japanese Canadian

TORONTO, Ont. — Action of a dairy farm in refusing to hire an applicant because of his Japanese ancestry was called "cold-blooded" last week by Louis Wiseman, executive secretary of the Canadian Labor Committee to Combat Intolerance. The Japanese Canadian, a student at Ontario Agricultural College, came to Toronto for the job but was turned down by dairy executives with the statement: "Be a Japanese Canadian you will find the surroundings satisfactory." The dairy's manager said the applicant did not know that the applicant was of Japanese ancestry and they asked him to come to Toronto and "turned him down for his own good."

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442nd Veteran Honored



Joe Sase, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, was honored last week at Ogden Depot, Utah, when he was awarded the Army's Silver Star for gallantry in action with the 442nd Infantry in Italy in 1945. The presentation was made by Col. Keith Tatum, commanding officer at Fort Douglas, Ex-Sergeant Sase's mother, Mrs. Kitsuo Sase of Ogden, was on hand for the ceremony.

California VFW Votes Down Resolution Supporting Rights For Parents of Nisei GIs

State Encampment Passes Resolution to Seek Amendment of State Alien Land Law to Protect Property Rights of Japanese American Soldiers

SANTA CRUZ, Calif.—The California state encampment of the Veterans of Foreign Wars last week voted down a revised resolution which would have put the California VFW on record in support of naturalization rights for Japanese alien parents of Nisei servicemen and veterans.

The opposition to the naturalization resolution, presented by Nisei VFW Post No. 8985 of Sacramento and supported by the Golden Poppy Council of the VFW, was led by members of the

Abe Hagiwara Will Take Post with Chicago Committee

CHICAGO — Appointment of Abraham N. Hagiwara as the full time recreational director of the Chicago Resettlers committee was confirmed recently at the executive board meeting at the CYO Nisei Center. Hagiwara, a native of Alaska, has been the boys work secretary of the Cleveland YMCA. He also has been active in the Cleveland JACL. Mrs. Setsuko Nishi, member of the special committee which reviewed all applications, declared "we are very fortunate to have been able to secure a man of Hagiwara's caliber and experience to direct the recreational program."

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guage school of the University of California. Becoming interested during the war in the problems of the Nisei and Issei who were evacuated from their homes, she accepted a position at the Manzanar relocation center where she served on the assistant project director's staff. With the closing of the relocation centers and the resultant housing problems of the evacuees returning to southern California, Miss L'Ecluse later volunteered to assist the social welfare director at the Winona trailer camp in Burbank. Contact with JACL leaders developed her interest in the national program of the group and in 1946 she was elected vice president of the Venice JACL chapter. A graduate of the University of Southern California, Miss L'Ecluse is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She attended the Trojan university on a four-year journalism scholarship.

Americanism committee of the California VFW whose members charged that the naturalization of Issei parents of servicemen would lead to the removal of present immigration restrictions against Japanese aliens. Proponents of the resolution argued that the proposal affected only the resident alien parents of Japanese American servicemen and cited the fact that the National VFW organization, through its legislative representatives in Washington, is sponsoring a bill which will open citizenship privileges to alien parents of Japanese American soldiers and veterans of Japanese ancestry. Introduction of the Alien Land Law amendment proposal by Dr. Yoshizo Harada, commander of the Nisei VFW post, initiated one of the warmest debates of the entire encampment. When several speakers who opposed the resolution declared that the amendment was unnecessary because "the Constitution protects the rights of citizens," Dr. Harada took the floor and read of a list of names Japanese American veterans, together with their combat decorations, whose title to agricultural properties in California now is jeopardized by prosecutions and investigations conducted under the Alien Land law. The resolution to amend the Alien Land law was passed despite strong opposition. The naturalization proposal which was defeated at the June 11 session asked for the amendment of the present laws in order "that alien parents of honorably discharged male and female Japanese American veterans of the armed forces of the United States may become citizens of the United States."

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Cincinnati Nisei Given School Honors

CINCINNATI, O.—Two Cincinnati Nisei received honors last week during commencement ceremonies. Warren Nakazawa of 319 Rockdale avenue gave the valedictory address for the graduating class of the College of Pharmacy of the University of Cincinnati, while Walter Higa received his master of science degree in physics from the Graduate School of Arts and Science of the University of Cincinnati.

Nisei War Veterans Face Job Discrimination Upon Return To Civilian Life, Says Masaoka

Ex-GIs "Tragically Disillusioned" on Coast, JACL-ADC Director Tells Senate Subcommittee; Urges Passage of Federal Fair Employment Act

WASHINGTON—American war veterans of Japanese ancestry, returning from European battlefronts and from combat intelligence service in the Pacific war against Japan, have been "tragically disillusioned" on the Pacific coast in searching for postwar jobs and occupations in keeping with their skill and training, Mike M. Masaoka, legislative director of the JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee, told a Senate subcommittee chaired by Sen. Forrest Donnell, R., Mo., last week.

Japanese American veterans returned to civilian life "with high hopes of obtaining better jobs than they had prior to the war," Masaoka said.

The JACL-ADC representative declared that Nisei and other minority group war veterans still faced racial and religious discrimination in the field of employment and urged the Senate subcommittee to report favorably on anti-discrimination legislation.

"In the Pacific Northwest many Japanese American veterans have been summarily rejected by trade and vocational schools because, in the words of admissions boards, there would be no employment opportunities for them when they completed their education," Masaoka said. "In fact, at one time, the United States Employment Service officer told inquiring veterans of Japanese ancestry that it was a waste of time to look for work in that community. He suggested that they simply apply for the unemployment compensation they were entitled to as ex-GIs."

"In Southern California," Masaoka added, "even Purple Heart wearers who have performed highly technical and specialized work in the service have been forced to accept work as gardeners, clerks and laundrymen. In Northern California, our attention has been called to a graduate engineer who was good enough for the army engineers but not good enough for any of the plants in the San Francisco Bay area. He is now working as a janitor."

"The war was won by freedom's forces because men from all walks of life and all races and religions fought together as a great team imbued with the spirit of equality and the hope of a new and better world."

"What a homecoming we gave to those who risked life and limb for us. These heroes of two years ago are learning day by day that race hate and prejudice did not die with the defeat of Axis arms, that the distinctions of color and birth and religion that they had learned to loathe as symbols of fascism live on right here in their native land that the dreams they dreamed overseas in the foxholes have become nightmares and the ideals for which they fought negated and denied."

Masaoka cited that employment discrimination faced Japanese Americans in many fields, declaring that "our returned veterans are not the only ones who experience difficulties in finding the kind of job that is commensurate with their skills and training."

He cited a report of the Midwest regional office of the Japanese American Citizens League which maintains a job referral service in

Chicago for persons of Japanese ancestry. The Midwest JACL report on employment pointed out that the bulk of job offers received by interested employers are for domestic service where the supply cannot meet the demand.

The non-domestic positions which are offered to Japanese Americans are generally in clerical and factory lines.

"The (Midwest) office has met with little success in placing American citizens of Japanese ancestry in technical, skilled and professional positions for which they are well qualified. Only a very small number have been fortunate enough to secure jobs in line with their training and experience."

This report states, Masaoka added, that most of the Japanese Americans who have secured "white collar" positions are doing clerical tasks where there is little opportunity for upgrading on the same basis as "white" employes. Many large corporations, he added, following "company policy," will not hire persons of Japanese ancestry. According to the Midwest JACL office report:

"There is a marked reluctance and more often refusal on the part of employers to the hiring of Japanese Americans in positions involving 'public' contact work or those involving a measure of responsibility or relatively high salaries."

"We submit these observations as typical of employment discrimination faced by us not only in the Chicago area but generally throughout the country."

In a statement submitted to the committee, Masaoka declared that the AFL Teamsters Union "will not accept the membership of persons of Japanese ancestry" in Seattle.

"We understand that a select few (of Nisei applicants) have been permitted to go to nearby towns and join their locals," Masaoka said.

Nisei Instructor Awarded Ph. D. at University of Utah

James Sugihara, instructor in chemistry at the University of Utah, received the first doctor of philosophy degree in chemistry awarded by the university at ceremonies on June 14 at the field house.

The awarding of the Ph. D. degrees to Mr. Sugihara and to Ewart A. Swinyard in pharmacology marked the arrival of the University of Utah's new graduate school program and are the first such degrees to be granted by the school since its inception in 1850.

Quarters Arranged for Male Guests at MISLS Open House

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif.—Quarters on the post will be provided for all male adult guests attending the "Open House" to be held at the Presidio of Monterey from July 1 to July 3, it was announced. Mess facilities will be provided for all guests. Hundreds of parents, friends and relatives of Japanese American soldiers at the Military Intelligence Service Language school are expected to be among the guests attending the "Open House." Potential Nisei students also are expected to attend.

Because of the limited number of hotel accommodations available in nearby communities, particularly in view of the Fourth of July holiday week-end, the program committee for the "Open House" consulted with the commandant of the Presidio to see if arrangements

could be made to quarter all guests who wish to remain on the post for the three days. As a result, it was decided to provide guest quarters for all adult males and, as ladies are not normally quartered on Army posts, a committee was selected to investigate the possibilities of housing them in various Japanese facilities in Monterey. Other possibilities for housing women visitors to the "Open House" are being investigated.

All meals can be obtained during the three-day "Open House" at the consolidated mess call for the nominal cost of 25 cents assessed by all Army establishments.

Persons intending to attend the "Open House" are being asked to contact Tsutomu P. Tekawa, Office of the Technical Director, Military Intelligence Service Language School, Presidio of Monterey, by June 25.

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EDITORIALS:

Legislative Deadwood

A sixty-year old vestige of California anti-Orientalism was erased from the state's statute-books this week when Governor Earl Warren signed the Anderson-Hawkins bill repealing the sections in the education code which permitted local school boards to establish separate facilities for children of Indian, Chinese, Japanese and Mongolian ancestry.

This law never was used to any great extent against Oriental American children in California, although separate schools did exist at one time at Courtland, Walnut Grove and Florin in the Sacramento valley. It was under this law, however, that the San Francisco school board precipitated what became an international incident when it moved to segregate children of Japanese ancestry in a separate school in 1906. Observers of the period believe that the segregation of Japanese students in San Francisco, which followed a widespread race-baiting program, was a diversionary issue created by Abe Ruef, the city's political boss, and Mayor Eugene Schmitz to divert the public's attention from the fact that they were facing prosecution for graft. Aaron Altman, president of the San Francisco school board in 1906, was Abe Ruef's brother-in-law, a fact that lends weight to the thesis.

It is a contradiction that the widest application of the law in California has been against Mexican American children who have been segregated in separate schools in several southern California counties although the statute, as the Federal court declared in the Westminster school district case, does not apply to children of Mexican ancestry. Neither did the law apply to Negro children, although the segregation of Negroes in separate schools is achieved in several urban areas by the practice of residential zoning.

California's legislators are to be complimented in doing away with this piece of legislative deadwood. It is to be hoped, although this will require considerably more moral courage, that they similarly will do away with another outdated piece of discriminatory legislation, the Alien Land law.

Housing Dilemma

As far as non-Caucasians are concerned, the housing crisis on the west coast is complicated by the use of restrictive practices to prevent their occupancy of homes.

Eiji Tanabe, Southern California regional director of the JACL, posed the problem this week when he told a meeting of the National Council for a Fair Employment Practices Commission that 80 per cent of the residential area of Los Angeles was covenanted against occupancy by non-Caucasians. Persons not of the white race may buy houses in these areas but they cannot live in them except in the capacity of servants or caretakers. A similar situation exists in other west coast urban areas.

Virtually all new housing with the exception of government projects is restricted to occupancy by non-Caucasians.

The housing dilemma faced by the public in general is further intensified as far as

minority groups are concerned, by the additional factor of discrimination. This dilemma is illustrated by the yet unsolved problem of 900 returned evacuees at the Winona emergency trailer camp in Burbank, Calif., who have been unable to find individual housing and who must move from Winona by June 30 when the Federal Public Housing Agency's lease on the property expires. The Winona situation seems to call for emergency intervention on the part of the Federal government.

The practice of restrictive covenants is resulting in the forced segregation of non-Caucasians. If the trend continues the only relief will be in the hands of courts. The time must come when restrictive covenants will be declared contrary to public policy.

Land Law Analysis

The March, 1947, issue of the *California Law Review* contains two articles of importance on California's Alien Land law. "The Anti-Japanese Land Laws of California and Ten Other States" by Dudley O. McGovney, professor of law at the University of California, is a comprehensive analysis of the alien land laws directed against resident aliens of Japanese ancestry and other aliens "ineligible to citizenship." Its appearance in the *California Law Review* at a time when the Oyama case, testing the validity of the California law, is before the Supreme Court of the United States is particularly timely.

The second article is "The California Alien Land Law and the Fourteenth Amendment" by Edwin E. Ferguson, formerly the solicitor of the War Relocation Authority.

"The California Alien Land law is a symbol of racial intolerance and prejudice," Mr. Ferguson concludes in his article. "Its genesis and history are part and parcel of the whole sordid spectacle of anti-Japanese agitation in California."

Examining the Supreme Court's 1923 decision which upheld the California law, Mr. Ferguson adds:

"... it should not be enough to indulge in speculative justifications of the law as the Supreme Court did in 1923 or to plead ignorance of local conditions and the 'possibility' of a 'rational basis' for the legislative judgment. Restrictive legislation stemming from race prejudice, particularly against a minority that is unable to participate in the political process, calls for more searching judicial inquiry. Such an inquiry would reveal, it is submitted, that the alien land law is unjust and unjustifiable legislation, and that it clearly violates the rights protected by the Fourteenth Amendment."

Open House

The integral role played by specially trained American soldiers of Japanese ancestry in the defeat of the Japanese military power and in the peaceful and orderly occupation of the defeated nation is stressed by the army in its present campaign to recruit Japanese Americans for the Military Intelligence Service's language school at the Presidio of Monterey.

The activities of MISLS and of its graduates, more than 5000 of whom were Nisei, were blanketed in security measures during the war. The full story has not been told, although individual exploits have been publicized.

During the war the security measures were so stringent that the general public, particularly those outside the Japanese American community, has heard little of the important role of MISLS and its graduates in shortening the struggle in the Pacific. The activities of combat intelligence saved both lives and time during the war and has eased the occupation job in the nearly two years since V-J day.

The importance of Nisei personnel is attested to by the fact that the army has instituted an intensive recruiting campaign to insure that a sufficient number of trained soldiers will be available to finish the duties of occupation.

Now that wartime security measures no longer are necessary the Military Intelligence Service language school is holding an "open house" for graduates, prospective students and for the parents and relatives of students now in training.

It also is to be hoped that a comprehensive report on the activities of MISLS and its graduates will be made available so that the importance of work contributed by 5000 Nisei GIs in the Pacific war may be evaluated in its proper perspective.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

Skeleton in Dave Beck's Closet

A major deterrent to the reintegration of returned evacuees of Japanese ancestry into the economic life of the Pacific northwest has been the attitude of Dave Beck and his powerful AFL Teamsters Union.

Last week in Washington, Mike M. Masaoka testified before a Senate subcommittee on the need for Federal legislation to outlaw race and religious discrimination in employment. "In Seattle," Masaoka told the senators, "we are informed that the all-powerful Teamsters Union will not accept the membership of persons of Japanese ancestry. We understand that a select few have been permitted to go to nearby towns and join their locals but not the major AFL (Teamsters) union. Because of this unfortunate situation, persons of Japanese ancestry living in this community and attempting to do business are seriously handicapped."

Dave Beck is a virtual dictator in his own domain and like Frank Hague of Jersey City considers himself "the law." The national AFL leadership which is generally opposed to the sort of restrictive trade unionism typified by Beck has no control over the teamsters whose status is virtually an autonomous one. In Los Angeles, San Francisco, Minneapolis, Salt Lake and other centers, the AFL has taken the initiative in combating discrimination against Japanese Americans and members of other minority groups but in Seattle, Beck is boss.

Dave Beck and his Teamsters engaged in a campaign of racist vilification against Japanese Americans through their national magazine, *The International Teamster*, which sought to make permanent concentration camps out of the relocation centers by opposing the resettlement policy of the WRA. In 1943 Denver delegates to the western teamsters convention in Santa Barbara were fed the union's anti-Nisei line and precipitated a tense situation upon their return by opposing the employment of Nisei in the Denver produce and wholesale houses.

The Teamsters carried on a continuous fight against the relocation of the evacuees during the war and later opposed the return of the evacuee group to the west coast. On May 31, 1945, the *Hearst Post-Intelligencer* in Seattle reported that business agents of the AFL Teamsters had threatened to "pull their help" from wholesale houses in Seattle's produce row if any of the firms handled produce grown by returned farmers of Japanese ancestry. The *Post-Intelligencer* reported that the Teamsters were keeping a close watch on the "Japanese situation" and were reiterating "the anti-Japanese policy publicly announced by their union's chief, Dave Beck, in several occasions."

Dave Beck, himself, on June 16, 1945, issued a statement in which he declared that the Teamsters Union was "unalterably opposed to the effort that is now being made to rush the Japanese back into the strategic places they once held on the Pacific coast." He added that the Teamsters opposed the return of "foreign-born Japanese" to the west coast "under any circumstances."

"We feel it is a mistake to attempt to force the people of the west coast to accept the returning Japanese, no matter where they were born, while this bitter war with Japan still rages and while our own sons and brothers are still the victims of Japanese barbarity," Beck declared.

The attitude of Dave Beck and his Teamsters has reacted against Japanese Americans in many parts of the country. Beck's racism was mirrored in the action of the Los Angeles Teamsters Union after the outbreak of war in passing a resolution prohibiting persons of Japanese ancestry from membership. More than a 1,000 workers of Japanese descent in the wholesale produce industry were members of the Teamsters Union before the war and the ban was regarded as a major obstacle to the return of the evacuees into the produce industry. As the result of action by rank and file forces in the union, the ban later was rescinded in 1945.

In Indianapolis, where the *International Teamsters* is published, the Teamsters fought against the resettlement of Japanese Americans in the area.

Beck's anti-Nisei racism is not again an issue, this time in Hawaii. Last month Beck and his Teamsters announced a major organizing drive in Hawaii, aimed mainly at the CIO's International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, which, with 30,000 members, is a powerful force today in Hawaii. Political, social and economic life in Hawaii is going into a new era with a big war fund, voted at a Teamsters' convention, and a jurisdictional struggle for the support of Hawaiian workers may be expected.

Whether Beck intends to or not his invasion of Hawaii will see the purposes of the Big Five who has been engaged in a running fight against the ILWU, in the sugar, pineapple and waterfront industries, and in territorial politics as well. The unionism of Dave Beck whose politics are reactionary, are relatively compatible to the Big Five companies who foresee the destruction of their corporate hold on Hawaii's economy and public affairs in the continued growth of the ILWU.

Hawaii's workers, being mostly of non-Caucasian descent, are sensitive to any display of racism. It is interesting to note that the ILWU, which has had phenomenal success in organization in Hawaii in the last two years, met an end of anti-Nisei discrimination within the union by suspending three members of a Stockton, Calif., local who had refused to work alongside a returned evacuee who, incidentally, was a former resident of Hawaii. On the other hand, Dave Beck's anti-Nisei past probably will haunt him in Hawaii and may result in the failure of his mission.

The CIO in Hawaii already is exploiting Dave Beck's anti-Nisei statements and a Japanese American business agent of Local 904 of the AFL Teamsters Union has signed his position in protest against Beck's proposed raid against the ILWU. In resigning his post Koichi Imori charged that the Dave Beck raid on the ILWU "has been inspired, if not conceived by Hawaii's Big Five."

In his letter of resignation, Imori declared: "As you know I have been active in organized labor in Hawaii since 1937 and have always worked in the interest of the workers, both organized and unorganized. I have never and will never smash any labor organization, whether they are AFL, CIO or independent, and specifically I do not at this time attempt to wipe out the pineapple workers union who these workers are desperately engaged in a life or death struggle with the Hawaiian pineapple industry."

The trump card in the ILWU hand is an editorial, one of a series which appeared in Dave Beck's *International Teamster* in May, 1945, and which was directed against Japanese American evacuees. The editorial, which lays bare Dave Beck's racist mind, said:

"The brotherhood boys who think the Japs are nice people under the skins, would do well to remember the recent harsh warning of Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt that 'a Jap is a Jap.'"

"The general made this statement in protest of the plan to release American-born Japs in concentration camps for war work on the west coast. If their labor is needed, they should be worked under armed guard like our prisoners are worked in Japan—that those who survived the Japs' tortures and brutalities."

"Experience has proved that Japs cannot be assimilated. They are not sympathetic to our government or to our social ideas. They have low standards of living and are a constant thorn in the side of organized labor. We agree with General DeWitt. A Jap is always a Jap no matter what else he claims to be. Keep them where they can watch them!"

It is an amazing fact that Dave Beck who is responsible for the three paragraphs above has undertaken to raid the ILWU, a large percentage of whose members are of Japanese ancestry. It might also be noted that Beck is seeking to sign up Japanese Americans in Hawaii while refusing to let them work in his home hall of Seattle.

Mr. Beck has been a tough guy for a long time but his racist chickens are coming home to roost.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Nisei Return to Canneries

Denver, Colo. There's cheer on Seattle's Main street this week. Nisei workmen are going up to the Alaska salmon canneries for the first time since the summer of 1941. It means money for the community.

For decades the trek of Orientals from Seattle to Alaska in the early summer was an occurrence as regular as the cycle of salmon returning to their spawning places to spawn. The history of the movement goes back before the turn of the century when Japanese and Chinese immigrant boys shipped for Alaska on old-fashioned sailing craft.

Later the Nisei and the Filipinos edged into the labor market. Oldtime labor contractors waxed fat. Their system was simple: pay cheaply, feed cheaply, work the men hard and pocket the profits.

Going wages in the late twenties were around \$70 a month for a 60-hour week. Overtime, at 25 cents an hour, started after 10 hours. Meals, which the contractor furnished, consisted mostly of rice and vegetables augmented by meat every couple of weeks. Vegetables were scarce, the meager supply shipped in and supplemented by whatever green that could be raised on the spot.

Almost anybody could get a job. Boys of 12, 13 and 14 made up a large percentage of cannery crews and by the time a fellow was 16 he was a veteran hand.

Pay during the depression years dropped as low as \$30 a month. By the mid-thirties unionism was gaining a hold among the workers.

The contractors battled bitterly, for they saw their livelihoods slipping away. In the end the contractors were ousted and the union negotiated directly with the packers.

Pay, working and living conditions had improved greatly by 1941, but then war and the evacuation came along and Japanese Americans were no longer eligible for cannery jobs.

And now they're going back to good summer jobs on the stench and slime of fish, the roar of the chainsaw, the cough of the filler and the staccato chatter of the double sealer.

How the Nisei won back the right to their jobs is a story that needs to be told.

Photographic Success Story

This week's success story is about Hikaru Iwasaki who, before the war, was a bashful little kid in San Francisco. Instead of taking girls out to movies and dances he was putting his dimes and quarters into photographic equipment.

During the war he went to work for WRA and saw virtually all of the 48 states at government expense. When WRA folded, he opened a photographic

studio in Denver. He named it the Wilshire and began looking for business.

Today he is in partnership with Pat Coffey, one of the nation's top magazine photographers, and they have just about all the business they can handle.

The Wilshire did the photos this year for the annuals of a Denver high school and an exclusive women's college. The firm also has industrial contacts, does convention business and takes society wedding photos for one of the city's leading studios on an assignment basis.

In between these jobs, and when the film situation allows, Iwasaki does portraits of everything from babies to glamour girls. He prefers the latter.

Iwasaki is no shrinking violet when it comes to promotion work. Take that high school annual job, for instance. To stimulate interest he offered prizes for those having graduation portraits taken. First prize was an expense-paid five-day trip to Chicago. A radio and a camera were other prizes. The stunt worked.

Iwasaki is a young man going places. He'll continue to go if he can ever learn to get up of a morning.

The Kawakita Case

Tomoya Kawakita's desire to get back to the United States is understandable. Life in Japan was uncomfortable. He and his sister had a grocery store in America. There was plenty to eat in the states, and plenty of ways to make money.

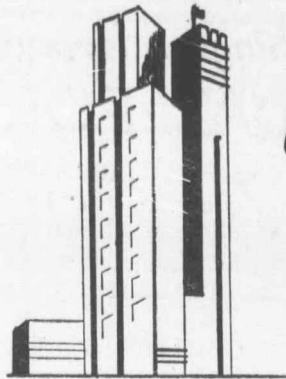
So, apparently, he conveniently forgot a few incidents regarding his wartime activities, applied for repatriation, and came home before a lot of deserving Nisei could even get cleared by the authorities.

Kawakita's stunt might have been okay if an ex-GI hadn't recognized him. That GI couldn't forget, because he had experienced first hand some of the treatment Kawakita had meted out to Americans on the other side of the barbed wire fence at a Japanese prisoner of war camp.

Only the forthcoming court trial will bring out all the facts about Kawakita and his activities. Perhaps he has a case. But it is certain, even before the facts are known, that he jeopardized the futures of thousands of Nisei stranded in Japan.

A number of Nisei who were in Japan during the war collaborated openly with that nation. Most of them were honest enough to admit their activities, regardless of the right or the wrong of their position. They have reconciled themselves to the fact that they forfeited their right to return to the United States when they chose the easy way.

Certainly they are more to be respected than one who sought to save his own skin at the risk of enduring the position of thousands of his fellows.



a Nisei in Manhattan by Roku Sugahara

Nisei; Issei Migration Patterns

The pattern of migration and movement among the Nisei is much similar to that of their parents.

The first Issei landed in Seattle and San Francisco and from these two centers sprang up concentrations of Nipponese. The latest trend, during the 1920s and 1930s, was to migrate further south, to Los Angeles and its environs.

The newest trend is eastward and this has been largely prompted by the evacuation. Although many a former west coast resident has returned to his native stamping grounds, a pronounced number, about one-fourth, have made the eastward jaunt.

Chicago seems to be the most easterly destination for many of the Nisei. There, some 20,000 have found their way and have become established in the huge city.

Manhattan seems a little too easterly for the majority. Chicago seems to meet and suit the demands of most Nisei.

More than one talented Nisei scholar is working on a master's or a doctor's thesis on the relocation of the Japanese during the post-war years.

A decade or more ago, several west coast Nisei earned their MA or PhD on an extensive study of the Issei in America. Today, most of these reports will deal with problems of readjustment of the Nisei.

The Chicago area in particular will furnish a most fertile background in the study of the eastward migration of the Nisei.

Taking a quick cold plunge into the frigid waters of Lake Michigan in Chicago, off the seawall, I couldn't help but think of some gala summer days back in California.

Summer days on the coast would mean swimming and fishing parties at White Point or Brighton Beach. At one time, White Point was the mecca of all Japanese. They had the first swimming pool constructed in the grounds of the resort exclusively for Japanese. The sulphur baths were also quite popular as a cure-all for many pains and ailments.

Many a fervid picnic and memorable fishing party was held off San Pedro and its neighboring area.

I know many Nisei Chicagoans and New Yorkers alike get a little homesick thinking about the good old days on the California coast during the summer.

Even a refreshing dip in the luke-warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico cannot compare with the saucy, bouncing waves on the beaches at Balboa, Hermosa, Redondo, or Santa Monica.

I remember one festive event held on the shores near the San Pedro hills. It was a "luau" arranged by the Hawaii club. A host of cooks repaired to the hills to procure such native delicacies as poi, whole roast pig, and baked fish.

Baseball and football games, foot races, wrestling and just plain bathing were also included in the events of the day. And at night there were songs, a huge bonfire, and a few more rounds of food to complete a most happy and eventful outing.

I guess these are the things that the eastern Nisei will miss with the coming of summer.

Job Situation Best in Chicago

In my opinion, employment opportunities are the best in Chicago. Nisei, as a whole, are receiving higher salaries and better jobs than in most parts of the country. This is the great inducement for the majority staying there.

Around Clark and Division streets a cluster of stores, shops and offices are being successfully operated by the Japanese. In the field of hotels and dry cleaning especially have the Japanese made much ground.

The many huge industrial plants in the Chicago area have numerous Nisei on their payrolls. Several of the more able Nisei have won promotions into better jobs through sheer ability and persistent efforts.

Undoubtedly, in years to come, there will always be a fairly large and substantial Nisei group in Chicago.

There is one large establishment in Chicago called the Fuji Trading company. Its owner and founder, Mr. Nagano, has built this chop suey supply and chop suey product business into one of the largest of its kind in this area.

The building is a huge three-story affair of brick construction, covering half a city block.

It will not be surprising to see several similar large Nisei establishments in the Windy City a couple of decades from now.

The Story of the Horse Called Banzai

Speaking of horses and things, bring to mind the story of Banzai.

This chestnut filly out of Bon Homme-Norma Talmage was owned by the late H. T. Kuwahara of Montebello.

This pioneer Japanese stable raced at Santa Anita and Pomona some 15 years ago and was the forerunner of several others in the following years.

Banzai was a fleet-footed filly with a lot of early speed, but never managed to be in the money at Arcadia.

Now, her son, a 5-year-old colt, called National Park, is running in California and Arizona. Banzai's son, however, has a couple of victories to his credit.

One thing that is quite evident these days at all race tracks is the large number of Japanese followers of the sport.

educated college student made me turn to the hogs and to the road gang, for I learned that words do not suffice for hunger pangs. Evenings were spent reading in the library full of books I never fully grasped. My mind was as backward as some of my sows whose purpose in life was, as far as I could understand, to get fat and serve humanity as bacon and hams.

The urge of getting out into the outside world overcame me and before I knew it I was on the road, pinching pennies and doing odd jobs, sleeping in chairs as well as imposing on my friends. Going from city to city, I landed in a lumber yard doing honest-to-goodness manual labor. I had enough money saved by then so I decided that I didn't like the idea of becoming a

satisfied laborer so I decided to go to college. Imagine me going to college rated as one of the top five in the nation. This glorious and fabulous America even allows an insignificant offspring of an immigrant to attend a state college. Waiting on tables and shoveling coal for room and board, I managed to get by. Working in the freight yards during the summer brought extra cash for my drafting tools. With a couple of years in the east, I suffered from nostalgia and soon found myself in California again. Now here I am attending its university. I am living in the church along with a couple of other GIs and at the same time, blowing square smoke rings now. You see I am the marginal Nisei whom everyone pities for they think he hasn't the guts to admit being one.

Vagaries

Student . . .

Teru Nakano of Ridley Park, Pa., was selected as the outstanding freshman student at the University of Pennsylvania recently. A large number of Issei already have filed citizenship papers although they are not eligible under the present law for final papers. The first Issei to file papers did so back in 1901 in Seattle, 46 years ago. Possible condemnation of much of the present Little Tokyo-Oronozville area in downtown Los Angeles is included in the huge Civic Center plan under consideration by the City Council.

Joseph Clark Grew, last U. S. ambassador to Japan, is expected to take the post of honorary chairman of the Committee for Equality in Naturalization. It's being suggested that a reunion of mainland veterans of the 42nd Combat Team be held in San Francisco later this year. General Mark W. Clark, now commanding the Sixth Army from San Francisco, will be asked to speak to the group. A California Nisei, conversing with a California state official recently, was shocked by the latter's racist attitude, particularly toward persons of Japanese ancestry.

Four Korean Americans, returning from serving in Korea as U. S. Army interpreters and translators, were killed in the recent crash of a C-54 transport near Tokyo. All were residents of Honolulu. There were no Nisei GIs in the plane. Leo Amino has a new show of his sculptured pieces at the Clay club in New York's Greenwich Village. The New York Times called Amino an "inveterate experimenter" and noted that in his new exhibition he has used plastics, "some translucent with effects like glass, alabaster or onyx; others opaque with color worked in."

Return of Japanese Canadian repatriates to Canada was opposed by 83 per cent of the participants in a public opinion poll conducted recently by CKWX, a Vancouver radio station. For the first time in the history of employer-union negotiations in Honolulu in the pineapple industry, two women were among the participants. They are Elizabeth Nishimura and Clara Yoshimura, both employees of Libby, McNeill and Libby and members of the union negotiating committee.

Little Tokyo Childhood: THE MARGINAL NISEI

By JUNCO ASAKURA

So much is being said about the marginal Nisei, but very few admit being one. Perhaps you can classify me as a mal-adjusted frustrated social problem number 1500 for I was brought up in the ghetto of Los Angeles, enjoying the voluntary segregation of my race. I attended Amelia Street school where a number of others have attended, that school across the tracks under the very shadows of the city's gas tanks, condemned by the safety authorities after the initial earthquake that rocked the city. They had kid safety patrols giving mock trials and arresting us when we jay-walked or used profanity. We used to carry our Japanese as well as our tablets for public schools in the regular imported "Boochie" styled knap-sack carrier on our backs.

Our spare time was spent in the local Fuji-kan (Japanese theater) listening to the Benshi (narrator) shriek the narratives of the one eyed powder-faced samurai, Tange-Sazen. The reactment of sword scenes with home-made wooden swords were our favorite pastime, but sometimes we used the real steel blunt-edged swords which usually resulted in a minor cut in some kid's belly.

If it weren't sticks, it was the sling-shots. If it weren't sling-shots, Daisy air-rifles took their place. For additional adventure we went en masse to the Los Angeles river, challenging the boys from "Russian town" across the river to come out and fight. When a few of them started to scramble down the opposite bank to meet us, our leader wasn't around and we ran home.

In grammar school, our "yabo" lingo was so frequently used that the instructors decided to curb it by demanding anyone using it to be reported to the kid's safety council for oral interview. Of course it didn't occur to them that immediately after the closure of the public schools we went across the street to the Rafu Daiichi Gakuen for a thorough indoctrination un-learning what we learned there.

Assembly in the gravel floored yard and a single-filed march into our class room followed with the regular formal salutation to our bespectacled sensei whom I hated. Many times I was slapped by him, Shushin, Fude, Yomekata, Saku-Shun and Lekishi were the principal subjects taught. All this was regular routine for me until I was in high school participating in athletics. I found out that it was im-

possible to be out for football practice and attend Daiichi at the same time, so I made arrangements to attend an all-Saturday session in lieu of the daily classes.

Graduating in winter '42 wasn't much of a graduation for us. It was ironical sitting on the stage listening to the speakers on the subject of the familiar opportunities of democracy when my father, as well as the fathers of some of the others on the stage, were already in Fort Missoula, Montana, interned as "enemy aliens." Not to mention that Santa Anita was getting its barns ready for our occupancy.

I almost welcomed the entrance into Santa Anita for it was paradise compared to the fear and perplexing problems of day-to-day existence. However I was met with utter disappointment when I found that Japanese weren't all honorable and honest as it said in our Japanese school book, but a bunch of "drapes" and cowards beating up single individuals as well as enjoying tossing typewriters on a helpless Korean.

Heart Mountain, Wyoming called me for my next two years of WRA existence. I had always wanted to see real cowboy country, and it was a treat for me to go there. Of course like all childhood expectations, it turned out to be far from a fairy story ending. No one told me that it can get 30 degrees below zero, nor that living on the plains isn't so comfortable.

Since I already graduated high school, my days in Heart Mountain were spent for the betterment of the community. How these residents stressed this stuff called, "Seken no tame," everything from pushing a pen in a warm administration building to the shoveling of garbage. You see, I shoveled garbage and cleaned the hog-pen during my stay there. I was also in the youth program, but the artificial idealism of some semi-

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Washington Report: A DAY FOR THE NISEI

By ESTHER L'ECLUSE

It was a big show for the Nisei last week in Washington. Some might say it was only a little "pond"—being just a sub-committee hearing—but there were three senators present, plus wide representation from the press, and a jammed hearing room. Not bad.

And a Nisei stole the thunder. Even from such seasoned and respected speakers as patriarchial Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

Mike Masaoka was eloquent. In fact his was "the most eloquent testimony of the hearing," Senator Forrest C. Donnell said in thanking the JAACL Anti-Discrimination legislative director for appearing.

Testimony concerned the National Act Against Discrimination in Employment but before Masaoka was through, the legislators had heard about the magnificent record of the 442nd, the evacuation, a plea for naturalization, and other points particularly affecting Nisei and Issei.

He was the last speaker and you could taste the tension. Antagonism had flared between some of the senators and some of the speakers and the room was buzzing with indignant comments and knowing, apprehensive looks.

Senator Allen J. Ellender of Louisiana had been baiting witnesses with loaded questions on segregation laws and intermarriage and Masaoka, as well as everyone else, was wondering what questions would be thrown his way.

He played it smart. He concentrated on the veteran and what he had done and what discrimination he now faced. And it left the senators with nothing to say.

Nothing but good things, that is. For Senator Ellender made the first comment at the conclusion of Masaoka's speech. And he said, with a grin: "I think Mike should have been a lawyer."

There were no questions at all. And there was a good feeling once again in the room.

Masaoka had done a simple thing. He had taken the emphasis away from the conflicts between white and black and had put it on a patriotism angle. And everyone responded.

Yes, it was a great day for the Nisei.

Plan Formation Of ADC Group In Motor City

DETROIT, Mich.—Issei leaders met at the International Institute on June 11 to discuss the formation of an ADC chapter in Detroit. The meeting was called at the request of Peter Fujioka, president of the Detroit chapter of JAACL.

Scotty Tsuchiya, special representative of the National JAACL office, spoke on the JAACL—Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Following a unanimous decision to support the JAACL-ADC, Taizo Kokubo was elected chairman of the new ADC group, with Nobuo Togasaki as vice-chairman. Other officers will be elected in a meeting of this group in the immediate future. The treasurer of the JAACL chapter, Shu Miho, will also act in that capacity for the ADC during the door-to-door campaign to be conducted by Issei and Nisei.

Methodists Name Ministers for Coast Churches

LOS ANGELES — Ministerial appointments for the coming term were named by the Japanese Provisional Conference of the Methodist church when it met in its eighth annual session May 28 to June 1 in Los Angeles.

The conference also passed a special resolution asking that Congress pass a naturalization law against granting citizenship rights for persons of all nationalities, regardless of race, color or creed.

The resolution noted that the Nisei served "bravely and sacrificially without reservation" in both the European and Pacific theaters of war and that Japanese residents in the United States were loyal and law abiding residents.

The Rev. Bishop James C. Baker was the speaker during the Sunday morning worship service. Following the service Bishop Baker conducted an ordination service for Waichi Oyanagi of the Los Angeles church, who was ordained to the order of deacon in the Methodist church.

The conference named the following ministers to their respective churches: Channing A. Richardson of Newcastle, superintendent; I. Haratani, Alameda; S. A. Stewart, Arizona circuit, Mesa, Arizona; K. Imai, Bakersfield; J. R. Fuji, Berkeley; Paul Hagiya, Berkeley; James K. Sasaki, Denver Community church and northern Colorado, to be assisted by George Uyemura; K. Imai, Dinuba.

Y. Tsuda, Florin; S. Uemura, Fresno, Selma and Reedley; I. Inouye, Hood River, Ore.; T. Agatsuma, Idaho, east circuit; J. Fujimori, Livingston; N. F. Yasaki, Loomis and Marysville; Y. Yamaka and Samuel Takagishi, Los Angeles; H. John Yamashita, Oakland; Sadao Masuko, Ontario, Ore.; M. Mitani, Oxnard; Y. Osuga and J. V. Martin, Palo Alto; F. M. Hayashi, Portland; M. Ohmura, Riverside-Union; W. Oyanagi, Sacramento; S. Shimada, San Francisco.

J. Yokoi, San Gabriel and Imperial valley; Y. Osuga, San Jose and Mountain View; Y. Oshita, Santa Maria-Union; L. E. Suzuki, Seattle; J. R. Fuji, Sonoma county parish; F. W. Heckleman, S. Yawashima, southern California for Japanese service; Taro Goto, Spokane; S. Niwa, Tacoma; Oyote So, Vacaville and Suisun; Y. Tsuda and assistant, Miss Anna Williams, Walnut Grove; Miss Alice Finlay, Wapato, Wash.; S. Kuwano and H. V. Nicholson, West Los Angeles; Masagi Goto, west Idaho.

Special appointments: Hideo Hashimoto, left without appointment to attend school; S. Tanabe, to Detroit conference; and Y. Sasaki and C. Y. Horikoshi to Rock River conference.

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Army Language School Team Will Meet S. F. Presidio Nine

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif.—The hard-hitting Military Intelligence Service Language School baseball team will vie with the powerful Presidio of San Francisco nine in one of the highlights of the coming "Open House" program to be held at the Presidio of Monterey on July 2nd, the Office of Special Services reported this week. Slightly favored over the local lads, the Presidio nine is reputed to be one of the top teams in the Bay area.

Five of the players are currently pasting the horseshoe at a .300 or better clip; first sacker "Pops" Fukuyama, catcher Shunie Miyamoto, rightfielder Ray Atkins, centerfielder Willie Matsuo and third sacker Satoru Tsufura.

Presently sparking the team are Fukuyama, Miyamoto and Atkins, who all boast a potent baseball background. Clean-up man, Fukuyama, formerly played with the

L. A. Nips, a semi-pro outfit before the war. A graduate of Lehigh he also cavorted on the diamond at Meiji University in Japan returning to the states in 1946. Miyamoto, who is from Hawaii, used to play in the Island's league, the Hawaii League. He got a whiff of major league ball last summer when he caught for a team playing the barnstorming major league all-stars. Atkins formerly

The MISLS roster includes the following players: Shunie Miyamoto, Gabby Yamamoto, "Pops" Fukuyama, Dick Hitomi, Katsumi Yamamura, Takashi Kawashima, Masaru Kusaba, Takashi Taniguchi, Satoru Tsufura, Ralph Oshida, Kiichi Iweda, George Maruki, Willie Matsuo, Ray Atkins, Hisao Matsumoto, Edie Imamura, Tom Hosokawa, Buster Kawamura, Frank Matura, Melvin Muramoto, James Tanigawa, "Lefty" Hirose and George Goto.

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Togo Tanaka Will Discuss Relocation at Chicago Meet

CHICAGO—Is the Los Angeles Nisei likely to be more neurotic than the Chicago Nisei? Does the settler in Philadelphia and New York enjoy a better income for a comparable job than the returnee in San Francisco? What are post-war Japanese American organizations doing, and what are their leaders thinking and saying?

A summary of Nisei activity across the country during two years since closing of the relocation centers will be made at the Chicago JACL meeting Thursday, June 26, at 8:00 p. m. in the Woodruff Wilson Room, International Nations Center, 84 East Randolph, by Togo Tanaka, book editor. His topic will be "Our Little Nisei Mentality: How We Got That Way." The meeting is open to the public and members are urged to bring their friends.

Supplementing a report drawn from current sources of information, the speaker will make comparisons against a background of pre-war experiences as English editor of the Rafu Shimpou and his subsequent research on Japanese American organizations at the University of California evacuation and Resettlement study.

For his Chicago data, Tanaka will base his report on his experiences in personally interviewing over two thousand resettlers who arrived in Chicago in 1943-45 while he was assigned by the American Baptist Home Mission Society to relocation work.

During the past four years, Tanaka has traveled throughout the Midwest and East to fill speaking engagements for the American Friends Service Committee, Baptist Home Missions Society, National Conference of Christians and Jews and the lecture bureau of the International Relations Center.

As editor for the American Technical Society, Tanaka is co-author with Alma Meland of Minneapolis

of a textbook in remedial English and editor of a speech book to be published this fall. He has been affiliated in an editorial capacity with the Ziff-Davis Publishing Company, and is also a contributing columnist for the Colorado Times of Denver. Tanaka is a member of the Chicago chapter of JACL.

Miyamura, Hanagami Wins Bouts with Mainland Stars

HONOLULU—Yoshi Miyamura, Hawaii flyweight, decided John Arduini, Washington, D. C., in a three-round feature event on June 13 of a series of bouts pitting the National AAU boxing team against leading Hawaiian amateurs.

After 21 bouts mainland AAU all-stars held a big margin over the Hawaiians, winning 16 contests.

Mokey Hanagami, Honolulu, National AAU flyweight champion, defeated John Arduini of Washington in one of the few Hawaiian victories.

In other matches Nobu Miyashiro dropped a verdict to lightweight Andy DePaul of Pittsburgh, while bantamweight Roy Masuda was a winner by decision over Art Gonzales of San Francisco.

James Masuda of Honolulu lost his bout to Robert Bell of Cleveland, National AAU featherweight champion.

Monterey Minatos Win Track Meet

SAN FRANCISCO—The Monterey Minatos, paced by triple-winner Mits Sakaniwa, won the first postwar Northern California Nisei track and field meet on June 15 at Kezar stadium.

Monterey scored 56 points, while the Parlier Cardinals were second with 44½ and Sacramento A.C. third with 31.

Sakaniwa won the 880, mile and two-mile events.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeru Nakamura a boy in Oakland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Iwanaga of Yuba City a boy on June 12 in Marysville, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kurihara a boy on June 12 in Marysville, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Yoshio a boy on June 13 in Lodi, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Matsu-moto, Walnut Grove, Calif., a boy on June 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Watanabe a boy on June 13 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Sakoda a girl on June 11 in Lodi, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Makabe a girl, Naomi June, on June 11 in Loomis, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Tsukahira, 3347 South Wakefield St., Arlington, Va., a girl, Margaret Mine, on May 31.

To Mr. and Mrs. Iwao Hashiguchi a boy, Keith Randle, on May 29 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mike Imoto a boy, Ronald Jr., on May 31 in Lindsay, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy I. Sakiyama a boy on June 1 in Fresno, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Fujitani a girl on June 3 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kaz Sakamoto a girl on June 11 in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Seiki a boy on June 13 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kokan Oshiro a boy on June 7 in Florin, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lester Katsura a boy on May 31 in Chicago.

DEATHS

Mitsuo Mabuchi, 65, on June 14 in Ogden, Utah.

Iwakichi Mayeda, 70, on June 9 in Pocatello, Idaho.

Tazo Otsuji, formerly of San Pedro, Calif., on June 4 in Denver.

Shingo Suzuki, 58, on May 26 in Santa Maria, Calif.

Mrs. Ino Takahashi on May 31 in Chicago.

Thomas Koichi Kido on June 10 at Boulder, Colo.

MARRIAGES

Fumiko Mikami to Asami Matsuura on June 3 in Minneapolis, Minn.

Kimiye Tsuneda to Masao Tanisaki of Lodi on June 6 in Dinuba, Calif.

Etsuko Ishimaru to Takeshi Wakimoto of Lodi on June 1 in Stockton, Calif.

Yoshiko Taniguchi to Masao Baba of Fresno on June 12 in Oakland, Calif.

Yoshiko Morioka of San Francisco to Dr. Hideo Nakano on June 14 in New York City.

Yayoi Nishikawa of Brentwood to James Nakano on June 14 in San Francisco.

Sadako Kitano to Lieut. Katsumi Kawaguchi, both of San Francisco, June 7 in Yokohama, Japan.

Hoshino Matched Against Henry Davis

HONOLULU — Harold (Homicide Hal) Hoshino, hard-hitting Nisei featherweight from Pendleton, Ore., is matched with Henry Davis in his third comeback fight on June 27 at Honolulu stadium.

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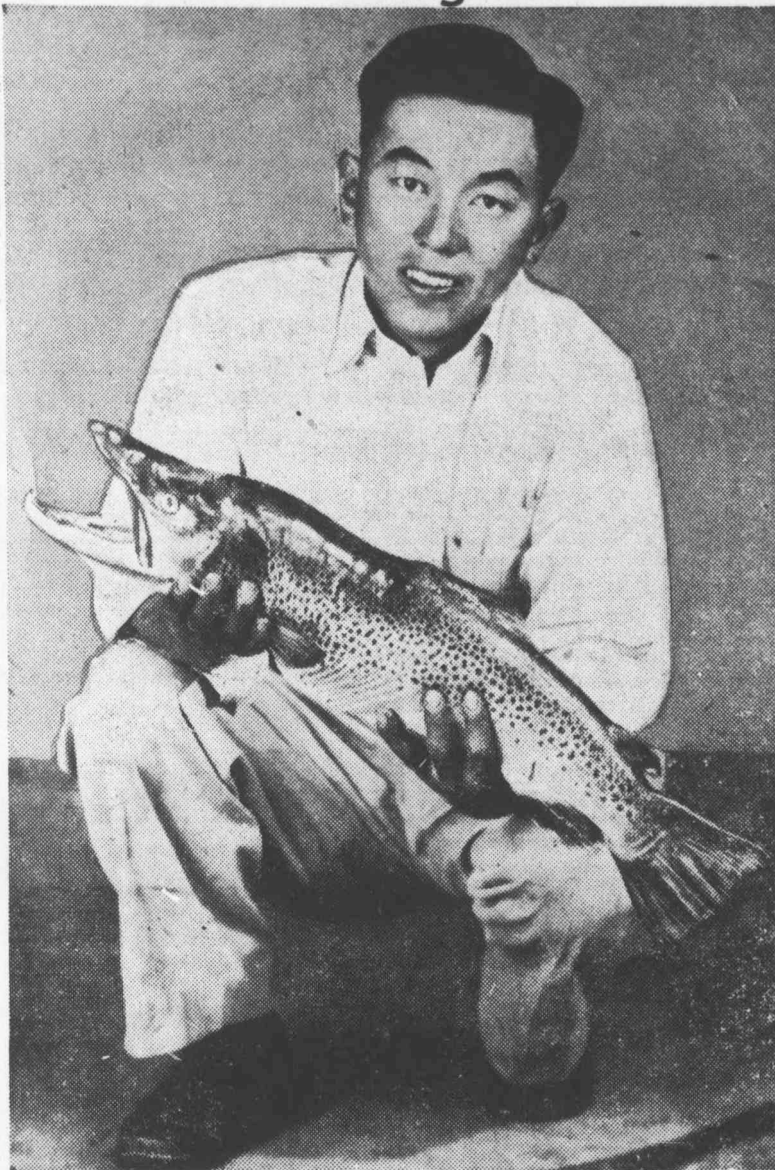
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Nisei Wins Fishing Contest



George Uyeno of Denver, winner of the Denver Post-Dave Cook fishing contest, exhibits the six-pound, eight-ounce German brown trout which he caught in Antero reservoir. Uyeno won a rubber boat for bringing home the biggest fish of the contest. —Photo from the Denver Post.

Seattle Bowling Tournament Planned

SEATTLE—In conjunction with the 4th of July baseball tournament in Seattle, Main Bowl will sponsor a sweepstakes for Nisei bowlers on Saturday, July 5, at 8 p. m.

The scratch tourney will be open to all Nisei keggers. Four games will be rolled across eight alleys and the entry fee will be \$2.00 per man plus bowling. There will be a cash award for each 5 entries.

A mixed doubles sweepstakes will go on at 7 p. m. as a special attraction. Deadline for entries will be Wednesday, July 2.

Sumi Haji Weds Takashi Kuriyama

SPOKANE, Wash.—Miss Sumi Haji was married to Takashi Kuriyama on June 14 at the Japanese M.E. church with Rev. T. Goto officiating.

Miss Hiroko Haji, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor, while Miss Shizu Mano was the bridesmaid.

A reception followed the wedding ceremony.

The couple will make their home in Seattle where the bridegroom is a pre-medics student at the University of Washington.

Baby Shower Given For Mrs. Shimasaki

WASHINGTON—A baby shower was given by Mrs. Mike Masaoka at her home for Mrs. Ira Shimasaki, who has been serving as secretary for the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Those present were Mesdames Jun Hino, Harold Horiuchi, Jack Hirose, Robert Iki, John Kitasaki, Jack Komai, Henry Nimani, Jack Murata, Thomas Takeshita, Ben Yoshioka; and Misses Kendo Nogaki, Chisato Ohara, Sada Onoye, Dorothy Suzuki, Susie Tsuda, Kazumae Ichuiji.

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Kawakita, Charged With Act Of Treason, Will Demand Trial Be Held in Tokyo

LOS ANGELES—Tomoya Kawakita, charged with treason for his mistreatment of American prisoners of war in a Japanese prison camp, will demand trial in Tokyo, his attorney, Morris Lavine, declared on June 16.

Lavine won a one-week continuance in Kawakita's arraignment on a Federal grand jury indictment by telling U. S. District Judge William C. Mathes he would attack jurisdiction of the Federal court here in the case. He said, however, that he had been employed too recently to have the necessary papers prepared.

"We will contend," Lavine contended, "that Kawakita should be tried in Japan where he can subpoena witnesses in his own defense. The entire theory of American justice is that a person accused of a crime should be tried at the place and in the district where the alleged offense was committed."

Lavine added: "This theory was further expounded by Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson in preparing for the war criminals trials in Germany. In that instance, Justice Jackson declared that war

criminals should be tried at the scene of the alleged crime and this theory has been universally accepted.

Kawakita, a native of Calexico, Calif., is accused of torturing and mistreating American prisoners while foreman of a nickle mine camp on Honshu. He went to Japan in 1939 to attend school and the FBI has charged that he won permission to return by declaring that he had no part in the Japanese war effort.

His arrest followed a report from a former prisoner at the POW camp that he recognized Kawakita in a Los Angeles store.

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Pvt. Ben Masaoka Scholarship Fund Available to Ex-GIs

The Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka memorial scholarship of \$200 is again being offered to a Nisei veteran or to a member of a family who lost a brother or a father in the war.

The scholarship was established last year by Pvt. Masaoka's mother, Mrs. Haruye Masaoka, to perpetuate the memory of her son, a volunteer in the 442nd Combat Team who was killed during the rescue of the "Lost Battalion" in France.

The scholarship is intended to augment the government schooling allowance for ex-GIs. It was divided last year between two veterans of the 442nd Infantry, Toshi Mimura of Hawaii and Harry Abe of New York City.

Applicants are being asked to contact the JACL's national headquarters, 415 Beason building, Salt Lake City 1.

Yoshimasu Elected Head of Club 100

HONOLULU—Eddie Yoshimasu, formerly a lieutenant in the 100th Infantry Battalion and at present a captain in the Hawaii National Guard, recently was elected president of Club 100, composed of veterans of the 100th Battalion.

Yoshimasu succeeds Bob Taira.

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Tak Maruyama Will Attend Encampment For Citizenship

Takuya Maruyama, a veteran of World War II and a student at the University of Utah, was announced this week as the recipient of one of the four National JACL scholarships to the Encampment for Citizenship, a six weeks experience in democratic education at the Fieldston school in New York.

Maruyama served with the army in Germany in 1945 and 1946.

At the University of Utah he has been active in the American Veterans committee and other organizations.

Denver Mother Fatally Injured In Truck Accident

DENVER, Colo. — Mrs. Tsurue Muramoto, 56, mother of four children, died of multiple fractures and shock on June 16 at Denver General Hospital after she had been struck by a truck while standing in a safety zone at W. Colfax ave. and Quitman st.

Two other women were injured by the truck which was driven by Edward R. Hodapp, 54. Hodapp told police he was swatting a bee which flew into the truck cab a half-block before the accident and did not see the three women in the safety zone.

He said the first he knew he had struck anyone was when he heard the women scream and felt the impact.

The three women, employes of St. Anthony's hospital, were on their way home when hit.

Hodapp was charged with driving through a safety zone, speeding, reckless and careless driving.

Denver JACL Will Hold Graduation Ball

DENVER — College and high school graduates of the Class of '47 and their dates will be guests at the Denver JACL graduation ball June 21, 9:00 p. m., in the Denver Turnverein Club's Coronado Hall, 1570 Clarkson Street.

"We anticipate as many as 100 graduates to accept this invitation," remarked George Masunaga, president of the Denver JACL chapter which is sponsoring the dance. "Moreover, we expect college and high school students to come to the dance to honor these graduates."

Admission charge will be \$2.00 per JACL member couple and \$2.50 per non-member couple. Harry Wilson's seven-piece orchestra will be on hand to serenade the anticipated capacity crowd.

WANT ADS

WHEREABOUTS OF MR. HIRO YAMASAKI, last known address to be Detroit, Mich., is urgently being sought by Miss Marion Mandell, 2116 W. Concord Place, Chicago 47, Illinois.

PERSONAL: Tokuji Uehara, formerly of U.S. Army and later of Chicago, is asked to communicate immediately with Toku Uehara, Camp 2, Waiakea, Hilo, Hawaii, in regard to important business matter.

ADDRESS WANTED: Emiko Ichinokuchi, formerly of Long Beach, Santa Anita and Jerome, Ark., and recently of Chicago. Please contact S. O. McCoy, Central YMCA, 530 Oregon st., El Paso, Texas.

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Jack Kawano Elected as ILWU Delegate to CIO Convention

SAN FRANCISCO—Election of Jack Kawano, Hawaiian Nisei labor leader and president of the Territorial ILWU Council, as one of the ILWU's four delegates to the National CIO convention was announced this week at ILWU headquarters here.

Kawano received 19,000 votes in the elections held by ILWU unions in the mainland United States, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Alaska. His total was the second highest of the seven candidates for the four seats at the national convention.

Kawano also was elected to the International executive board of the ILWU in a separate election held by Hawaiian locals of the CIO union. Yasuki Arakaki, another Nisei candidate, was defeated.

Kawano Reelected President of Hawaii Territorial Council

HONOLULU, T. H. — Jack H. Kawano was reelected president of the Territorial Council of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union (ILWU-CIO) at the semi-annual sessions held in Honolulu recently.

The Territorial Council has jurisdiction over 30,000 ILWU members in Hawaii.

Pedro A. Racels was reelected secretary-treasurer.

Other officers elected included: Bert Nakano (Hawaii) first vice-president; Kiyoshi Fukushima (Maui), second vice president; Constancio Alesna (Kauai) third vice president; Harry Shigemitsu (Oahu), fourth vice president.

The new trustees are Primitivo Queja, Kauai; Thomas Yagi, Maui; Ernest Elia, Molokai; Pedro de la Cruz, Lanai; Kano Sato, Oahu; and Elias Domingo, Hawaii.

Lieut. Sakai Heads MISLS Recruiting Drive in Midwest

CHICAGO — Second Lieut. Paul Sakai is now in Chicago to recruit Japanese Americans for service in the Military Intelligence Service of the U. S. Army.

He is being accompanied by Tech. Sgt. George Hachiya.

Lieut. Sakai is the only Nisei infantryman to participate in the invasion of North Africa in Nov., 1942, and served with the 47th Infantry Regiment.

He later returned to the United States and graduated from the Military Intelligence Service Language school at Camp Savage. He was commissioned at Camp Lee, Va., in Dec., 1945.

Chicago Buddhists Will Hold Carnival On Fourth of July

CHICAGO—The Chicago Buddhist church will hold its third annual carnival on July 4 and 5 at 5487 S. Dorchester Ave.

The carnival will end with a dance from 7:30 p. m. on July 4 at Shotwell hall, 55th and Blue stone.

Many new concessions are being prepared for carnival visitors. Various refreshments also will be available.

Appoint Takeno As Tri-State JACL Official

Appointment of Roy Takeno to succeed Min Yasui as Tri-State regional representative was announced this week by Hito Okada, national president of the JACL.

The appointment will be effective on July 1.

Takeno has been working with the Tri-State in February of this year, assisting Yasui on the JACL financial campaign.

The new regional representative is a graduate of the University of Southern California. He was the editor of the California Daily News in Los Angeles at the time of the evacuation and later edited the Manzanar Free Press and the Rocky Shimpo in Denver.

Min Yasui, now in the practice of law in Denver, will enter Denver university for graduate work.

Takeno's work will cover the states of Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska. His first assignment will be to accompany Masao W. Satow, national secretary of the JACL, on a trip to Nebraska.

Satow will speak to a Nisei group in Scottsbluff on June 27 of the JACL program. Mr. Satow noted that a donation of \$515 has been received for the work of the JACL and the ADC from residents of the Scottsbluff area through the Rev. H. Kano.

The two JACL officials will follow the Scottsbluff activity with a meeting in Omaha where they hope to initiate a new JACL chapter.

Mr. Satow is to continue on to Chicago where he will confer with Tats Kushida, Midwest JACL representative, and with Mari Sabuwa, chairman of the Midwest District Council, regarding the JACL Midwest workshop which is scheduled to be held early this fall.

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