



## 42nd Infantry Reactivated Army Reserve as 252 Disabled Nisei Watch Rites

HONOLULU—With 252 disabled Nisei veterans of the unit as special guests, the famous 442nd Infantry Regiment was reactivated as a U. S. Army reserve unit on July 31, a year after its formal deactivation.

The 442nd Combat Team, whose enlisted personnel was composed of Americans of Japanese ancestry from Hawaii and the United States, won seven presidential unit citations and hundreds of other decorations. It was reinstated by Lieut. Gen. E. Hull, the army's commander in the Middle Pacific in ceremonies attended by Major Ingram Stainback of Hawaii and other dignitaries.

The 100th Infantry Battalion, the Japanese American unit to be sent to battle in Italy, was designated as the first battalion of the 442nd Combat Team.

It was indicated that the 442nd unit would be maintained in Hawaii as a reserve unit.

In its campaigns in Italy and southeastern France, the 442nd Battalion suffered casualties including 600 killed or dead of wounds.

As previously announced that effort would be made to get officers of the 442nd to return with the reserve unit.

The 442nd Combat Team originally activated as an infantry unit at Camp Shelby, Miss., in 1943. It was composed of two battalions, a cannon company, the 522nd Field Artillery Battalion and the 232nd Engineers commanded by the command of Capt. King Nakada of Nebraska.

The original 442nd was composed of volunteers from Hawaii and the war relocation centers in other mainland areas. The unit was sent overseas in May, 1944 and was sent into action in June, 1944, under the command of Col. C. W. Miller. In the final Italian campaign elements of the 442nd infantry as a spearhead group on May 5, 1945, the Combat Team under the command of Col. R. Miller. Units of the 442nd were the first to occupy Genoa and Turin.

## California Land Law Filed Against Hindu Farmers

ESNO, Calif.—In what is believed to be the first application to the California Alien Land law against persons of Hindu ancestry, a suit recently filed an escheat against M. S. Migura, Alta W. and others, according to Okawara, attorney.

The defendants own a 160-acre tract which the state charges was obtained in contravention to the Alien Land law.

Identical aliens of Hindu ancestry have been eligible to own land since 1943 when Congress passed a law making them eligible for a naturalization. The farm in question was obtained prior to that time.

## Washington Post Asks Passage Evacuee Claims Legislation

WASHINGTON — The proposal to create an Evacuation Claims Commission to adjudicate business and property losses of evacuees of Japanese ancestry was urged as a "must" on the agenda of the editorial by the Washington Post on July 19.

It has always seemed to this writer that the evacuation of people on account of the actions of their ancestry constituted a blot on the pages of American history," the Post said. "Congress can lighten, if it cannot blot by making amends the material damages inflicted on these people in the name of military necessity."

It would be a pity and an injustice if another session of Congress were to go by without action on the Post added. "For delay is merely postpone justice; it makes the implementation of such much more difficult. In the end, witnesses may die,

## UC to Undertake Study of Evacuee Resettlement

BERKELEY, Calif.—A study of the migration and resettlement of Americans and resident aliens of Japanese ancestry in California will be undertaken by a University of California group, it was indicated this week.

President Robert Gordon Sproul of the university announced that the school had received a grant of \$5,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation for the project.

## Synod Favors Citizenship for Issei Residents

Presbyterian Group  
Urges Repeal of  
State Land Law

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The 96th annual Presbyterian Synod of California asked that aliens of Japanese ancestry be granted the right of citizenship through naturalization in a resolution adopted July 29.

Delegates also urged passage of an evacuee claims bill early in the next session of Congress to compensate persons of Japanese ancestry for losses suffered by the evacuation.

Conference delegates, who numbered 500 in all, also asked that the state of California repeal its anti-alien land law.

The resolutions were adopted at the recommendation of the social education and action committee, headed by the Rev. Graydon E. McClellan of Santa Rosa.

In another resolution the representatives to the six-day meeting asked for the Supreme court ruling on the constitutionality of the Japanese American evacuation.

## Nisei Singer Feted

CINCINNATI, O. — Miss Agnes Miyakawa, who is to sing with the Charleston symphony orchestra this coming season, was feted at a party held by Dr. and Mrs. Yasuo Sasaki of Covington, Kentucky.

Also honored was Miss Miyakawa's sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles Miyakawa, wife of Dr. Charles Miyakawa of Charleston, West Virginia.

facts may become obscure, records may be lost and all the other paraphernalia of proof may become more difficult to secure and evaluate. And, of course, the passage of time means continued hardship for those desperately in need of this compensation to reestablish their disrupted lives. On the agenda of Congress, this legislation ought to be a moral must."

The Post noted that President Truman had stated the case for the evacuee claims bill in a message to Congress when he declared:

"It would, in my opinion, be a tragic anomaly if the United States were, on the one hand, to acclaim and decorate with honors the brave Nisei troops who fought so valiantly and at such sacrifice overseas, while, on the other hand, it ignored and left unredressed the very real and grievous losses which some of them, together with their immediate families, have suffered as a result of Government action in the midst of that same war.

# Senate Tables Evacuation Claims Proposal Until 1948

## House-Passed Bill to Pay Losses Will Be Considered At Next Session in January

WASHINGTON—Despite last minute parliamentary maneuvering to bring the Evacuation Claims bill up for action by the full Senate chamber, the first session of the 80th Congress adjourned on July 27 with H. R. 3999 tabled in the Senate Judiciary committee until next session, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported this week.

The Senate committee "passed over" H. R. 3999, tabling it until next January "because of the amount of money involved and the alleged need for further investigation," the ADC office was informed.

However, the Evacuation Claims bill has been given a high priority on the agenda of the Committee next session, a staff member of the Senate Judiciary committee indicated.

After the House of Representatives passed H. R. 3999 without a single dissenting vote on Wednesday afternoon, July 23, the bill was rushed to the Senate where it was introduced and referred to the Senate Judiciary committee the following afternoon.

Brought up for Judiciary committee consideration in an evening session on July 24, two days before adjournment, the Claims measure was one of three bills recommended to be held over for further investigation next session, the ADC office learned. Other bills considered by the committee at that session were rejected.

"Apparently, the reasons for holding up the bill in committee until next session are threefold," Mike Masaoka, national ADC legislative director, declared.

"The crowded nature of the Senate docket precluded the possibility of obtaining a favorable rule like the one obtained in the House for its consideration before adjournment; the amount of money involved might upset the Republican economy block's promises of real cuts in over-all government expenditures; and the desire to question the attorney general on his ideas as to how he would conduct the claims investigations," Masaoka pointed out.

According to the opinions voiced yesterday by several senators, the traditionally more cautious Senate wishes to question the attorney general as to his facilities for carrying out the spirit of the measure since the House substituted the attorney general as the adjudicator of all evacuation claims, for the three-man commission under the Interior department as provided in the original bill that passed the Senate last year.

"Although the bill went to the Senate during the final three days of the session, we had high hopes that it would be given full Senate consideration since a similar bill last year was passed by that body on unanimous consent," Masaoka said.

With assurances of early consideration next session, however, Masaoka declared that "the Anti-Discrimination Committee will continue to work for the passage of this bill all summer and fall in order to insure its early passage next year."

He added that "we are hopeful that it will be passed early in the session by the Senate since it was given unanimous approval all the way through its consideration in the House—by the Subcommittee No. 2, the Judiciary committee, and the full House chamber."

## British Columbian Will Head Inquiry On Evacuee Losses

OTTAWA—Justice Henry Irvine Bird of the British Columbia Supreme Court last week was chosen commissioner to investigate claims of losses suffered by Canadians of Japanese ancestry during their evacuation from west coast homes in 1942.

## Earl Finch Will Meet with Nisei Veterans in New York

NEW YORK—Earl Finch, friend and counselor to Nisei GIs, will be in New York City from Aug. 3 to Aug. 10 at the Waldorf-Astoria and would like to meet with all Japanese American veterans in the New York area during his visit, it was reported this week.

Mr. Finch recently returned to the mainland from Hawaii where he assisted the 442nd Veterans Club in sponsoring their carnival to raise funds toward a \$250,000 memorial clubhouse in Honolulu.

## Coach Sakamoto Takes Team to National AAU Meet

TYLER, Tex.—Coach Soichi Sakamoto arrived here this week with an eleven-man Hawaii University Swimming Club team which is entered in the National AAU senior men's swimming meet this weekend.

Coach Sakamoto, who has coached several national championship teams from Hawaii, was not optimistic regarding the chances of his present team.

Among the Hawaiian swimmers in the meet is Charles Oda, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team.

## Considers Adoption Of Blue Cross Plan

OAKLAND, Calif. — The East Bay chapter of the JACL is now considering adoption of the Blue Cross hospital plan, according to Wat Miura, secretary.

# Masaoka Speaks on Minority Problems at New York

WASHINGTON — Serving as guest lecturer at the East and West Institute for Teachers at Columbia university this week, Mike Masaoka, national legislative director for the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, talked on "American Minorities: Their Struggle for Civil Rights."

Masaoka told of the situation particularly affecting Negro and Mexican racial groups in this country and declared:

"The fight is not yet won for minorities. Although minority groups have made greater gains during the recent war than they did in the first world war, it means that these groups must work even harder now to try to hold those gains."

The ADC legislative director served as guest lecturer and chairman of a discussion group on minorities at the Institute. Other discussion groups heard speeches on China, Brazil, Russia and Indonesia by leaders of various fields in those countries.

Officially opening the Institute was Pearl S. Buck, Nobel Prize winner and president of the East and West association, who spoke to the entire assemblage on "Where Do Americans Stand?"

In his discussion of various racial groups in the United States, Masaoka told of the recent Race

## Nisei GI Wins 100-Meter Event At Tokyo Meet

TOKYO—Robert S. Watanabe of Sanger, Calif., representing Korea in the U. S. Army's All Pacific track and field meet held in Tokyo recently, won the 100-meter dash in the swift time of 10.5s, only two-tenths of a second slower than the Olympic record.

## Kawakita Case Set Oct. 21 in Federal Court

U. S. District Attorney  
Will Call Witnesses  
From Japan for Trial

LOS ANGELES—Three prosecution witnesses will be called to Los Angeles from Japan in the treason trial of Tomoya Kawakita, 26, accused of mistreatment of American prisoners of war, which will be held from Oct. 21 in Federal district court.

U. S. District Attorney James M. Carter indicated that the three key witnesses will be brought from Japan to testify against the Calixico-born defendant. One of them will be Meiji Furukawa, a prison camp interpreter and a former schoolmate of the defendant.

The other two are Satoru Mori, president of Nippon Metallurgical industries which used prisoner of war labor, and Takeshiro Hayakawa, personnel manager of the Oeyama nickel mine which employed Kawakita.

## Kido, Tanabe Talk To Luncheon Meeting

LOS ANGELES—Saburo Kido, past national president of the JACL, and Eiji Tanabe, regional representative, spoke to members of the naturalization committee at its luncheon meeting July 30 at the Kow Nan Lo.

Kido discussed his recent trip to Hawaii and the financial drive being carried on for the ADC in the territory.

Tanabe talked on legislation in Washington concerning the Nisei.

Relations Institute at Fisk university in Nashville, Tennessee, noting that "everywhere there seems to be a growing awareness for respecting the rights of minorities."

He mentioned the consideration of Congress on more and more bills affecting minorities and listing the establishment of the President's Committee on Civil Rights as a "prime example" of the growing awareness of minority groups' rights.

Telling of the gains made by Americans of Japanese ancestry, Masaoka said: "The magnificent record of the Nisei in the armed services and the fine contributions of Issei to the war effort of this country have earned the respect of all America.

"In the fields of business, professions, civic enterprises, and legislation, among others, doors have been opened to us that were closed by suspicion before.

"Favorable action by the Congress of the United States on legislation affecting persons of Japanese ancestry is evidence of this. Already some of our bills have passed both houses of Congress while others are awaiting final action by just one house.

"This gives real credence to the belief that minority groups are progressing in their efforts to secure equal rights," Masaoka concluded.



## Civil Service Will Drop Use Of "Japanese" Classification in Employee Loyalty Standards

Action Follows Protest Lodged by JACL-ADC Against Racist Policy

WASHINGTON—In answer to a complaint lodged by the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, the United States Civil Service commission this week announced that it will no longer use the word "Japanese" as a classification for the discharging or rejecting of "disloyal" Civil Service employees.

"The Commission will endeavor to find a more appropriate classification . . . in its reports to Congress in the future," William C. Hull, executive assistant to the Commission, declared.

Explaining that the Commission had used the term "Japanese" in connection with its reports on disloyal persons "for the want of a more specific term," Hull stated:

"The five persons referred to in the Commission's report to Congress were found disloyal not because they were Communist, Nazi, or Fascist, but because the individuals demonstrated their allegiance to the Emperor of Japan rather than to the Government of the United States."

(Basis for the ADC protest arose from newspaper dispatches which carried reports that the Commission had classified 66 persons who did not qualify under "loyalty" requirements as "Communists, Nazis, Fascists and Japanese." Five of the 66 had been classified as "Japanese.")

In reply to the protest which decried the use of ancestry and race as the sole factor in the determination of loyalty and cited the record of Nisei soldiers and Issei war workers, Hull commented:

"It is not the desire of the Commission to discredit those persons of Japanese ancestry who were loyal to the United States in the late war with Japan; nor is it the policy of the Commission to classify persons by race who were discharged because of disloyalty."

Hull, in a letter to the Anti-Discrimination Committee, said the "Commission appreciates your bringing to its attention the matter of designating disloyal persons of Japanese ancestry as 'Japanese' in its report to Congress."

## Dr. James Yamasaki Named to Staff of Cincinnati Hospital

CINCINNATI, O. — Dr. James Yamasaki was appointed resident pediatrician on the staff at the Children's hospital in Cincinnati.

Dr. Yamasaki, graduate of UCLA and Marquette university, was a captain in the army in the European theater. He was taken a prisoner of war in the Battle of the Bulge.

## Kawaoka Defeated In First Round Match

KALAMAZOO, Mich. — James Kawaoka, Honolulu, T. H., lost his first round match in the national junior tennis championships to Gilbert Bogley, Chevy Chase, Md., 1946 boys champion, by a 4-6, 4-6 score last week.

## California City Drops Racial Bars in Municipal Housing

LOS ANGELES—A legal victory against racial discrimination was marked up last week when the city of Pasadena abandoned its policy of racial discrimination in the maintenance of municipal housing units for World War veterans.

Until last week, the city of Pasadena had maintained three housing projects for needy veterans, but segregated Negro and Mexican veterans and their families in the Hammond street housing project. Negroes and Mexican Americans were excluded from the Manzanita avenue project, which was adjacent to the Hammond street unit. The projects were maintained by funds supplied by the federal government.

Last week the family of Boyce Duran, a Negro war veteran, was invited to move into the first vacancy coming up in the Manzanita avenue project.

The action came after a suit was filed by Wesley Glass, Negro vet-

## SAN BENITO JACL REVIVED, ELECTS NEW OFFICIALS

SAN JUAN BAUTISTA, Calif. —The San Benito County chapter of the JACL was officially revived on July 23 when an election of officers was held.

Richard Nishimoto of Hollister will assume the presidency for the balance of the year. He will be assisted by the following, all from San Juan Bautista: Kay Kamimoto, 1st vice president; Isaac Shingai, 2nd vice president; Masao Nishita, treasurer; Glenn Kowaki, recording secretary; Min Sakai, corresponding secretary; George Nishita official delegate; Susumu Masumoto, alternate delegate; George Yamanaka, historian; Tak Kadani, publicity; Eddie Matsuura, publicity in Japanese; Joe Shingai, sergeant-at-arms. Board of governors will be composed of Mrs. Kimi Nishita, Frank Nishita, Akira Teshima, Kay Yamaoka and Sam Shingai.

This is the first change in the cabinet and board since prior to the evacuation, and follows the local community public meeting held recently at which time Joe Grant Masaoka of the Northern California Regional office spoke, as well as Messrs. K. Togasaki, K. Ikeda and A. Sugawara.

## Hatakeda Will Head Eden Township Chapter of JACL

SAN LEANDRO, Calif. — Announcement of the newly elected officers and board of governors of the Eden Township JACL chapter was made at its inaugural dinner at the Club Alabam on Friday evening, July 25.

Tom Hatakeda will head the cabinet as president. Other elected officers are: Henry Wada, vice-president; Lily Kawahara, recording sec.; Aiko Hironaka, Corres. Sec.; Minoru Yonekura, Treas. On the board of governors for the year are: Toichi Domoto, Kay Hirao, Kazuko Okada, Masayuki Saito and Yoshinori Shibata.

The new cabinet was installed by Joe Grant Masaoka, Northern California regional representative.

Ray Kitayama was master of ceremonies for the evening. Mosaburo Shinoda gave a message, representing the parents present. Guest speaker was Phil Matsumura, executive secretary of the United Citizens League of Santa Clara County. Julia Seiji gave a vocal rendition.

After the dinner, dancing was enjoyed for the rest of the evening.

Ex-officio cabinet consisted of Kaneji Domoto, Mitsuteru Nakashima, Yoshito Shibata, Giichi Yoshioka and Fukashi Nakagawa.

## Mary Kasai Leaves On Eastern Tour

POCATELLO, Idaho — Mary Kasai, operator of a school of dancing in Pocatello, left here recently for New York and Chicago where she will attend the conventions of dancing school teachers.

eran, against the city, charging that the city practiced racial discrimination in excluding minority Americans from the Manzanita housing units. Facilities at Manzanita, it was charged, were far superior to those furnished at Hammond.

The suit was filed by Rayfield Lundy, who had the support of A. L. Wirin for the southern California branch of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Efforts made by Pasadena officials to have the suit dismissed were unsuccessful when Superior Court Judge Frank C. Collier overruled demurrers filed by the city attorney.

In its answer to the suit filed by Wesley Glass, the city announced that it does not intend to discriminate against any person because of race or nationality in the administration of any of the housing projects under its charge.

In addition to the American Civil

## Discuss JACL Role in Community



LOS ANGELES—Key leaders in Los Angeles met July 8 and 15 under sponsorship of the JACL to discuss the role the chapter can play in the community. The meetings, called by Frank Chuman, president, were the first in a series of workshop meetings.

Purposes of the workshop series will be to formulate JACL programs in relation to Nisei problems and also in relation to interracial and intergroup activities.

Pictured above are some of the persons at the

meetings: standing, 1 to r, Frank Chuman, and Mrs. G. Raymond Booth, the Rev. Harold Kingsley, Rose Sasajima, Kayo Hayashi, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moody, the Rev. Floyd Covington, Chery Dunbar, Hana Uno, Noboru Ishitani and Henry Ohye. Seated: Kiyoshi Kagawa, Bill Kent, Dora Fujioka, Fuji Fujikawa, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gardner, Jean Emory, Merijane Yokoe, Miss Nakagawa, Dave Nakagawa, Henry Mori, Helen Ohnick, Fred Fertig. Front row: Ken Utsumomiya, Roy Yamakami, Bishop Charles S. Reifsnider, Dr. J. Yamazaki.

## Ku Klux Klan Led Race Hate Campaigns Against Nisei, Kennedy Tells JACL Group

Author Deliberately Joined Klan, Columbians To Get Evidence

CHICAGO—"Prejudice against any people anywhere is a legitimate concern and responsibility of all people everywhere. There can be no divorcing of one minority problem from another."

This is the studied opinion of Stetson Kennedy, author of the controversial book "Southern Exposure," who was a guest and speaker at an informal discussion group under the Chicago JACL's recently inaugurated program, at Hull House, July 22.

Kennedy, who deliberately joined the KKK and Columbians to obtain documentary evidence against these hate groups, related his experiences inside these organizations to 34 persons who attended the discussion of "Fighting Subversive Elements in America." The speaker donned his Klan robe and explained to the group the various signs that the Klan held secret on the penalty of death. During the discussion, Kennedy answered questions concerning the activities of these native fascist groups.

Although the Klan is now apparently dormant in some sections, Kennedy called attention to the potential danger of an instigated revival, recalling that there were more than 5,000,000 klansmen following the first world war.

The Klan, he pointed out, has been in the forefront of anti-Japanese American hate-mongering on the west coast, varying its attacks according to the minority groups to be found in the region in which it operates.

"The problem of guaranteeing the equal rights of all peoples in a democratic society is the same the world over," Kennedy stated, "whether in the south, Chicago, the west coast, Palestine or India."

Kennedy declared that he does not hold with those professional "defenders of the south" who claim that the rest of the nation should keep its hands off problems of race relations in that region.

William R. Simms, in charge of the program of such special discussion meetings of JACL, was host and chairman for the evening. Refreshments were prepared and served by Roxie Takehara, secretary of the JACL-ADC.

In his conclusion Kennedy emphasized the importance of minority groups promoting democracy not only through their particular organizations, but also in collaboration with other groups through broad community-wide organizations aimed at achieving democracy for all citizens.

Liberties Union, the JACL, the American Jewish Congress, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and other organizations participated in the case.

## Chicago JACL Group Now Biggest, Says Chapter President

CHICAGO—"With 431 members, we believe ours is now the largest chapter in JACL," announced Jack Nakagawa, president, as he signed a Chicago chapter check for \$43.10 as Midwest District Council dues of 10c per member. "We are confident," he added, "that our membership will surpass 500 before the year's end."

## Soya Sauce Returns To Bakersfield Cafes

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. — Soya sauce impounded for tests for arsenic content was returned to Bakersfield restaurant tables last week.

Of the 550 gallons of the sauce impounded, however, approximately 120 gallons were found to contain arsenic and will be destroyed, according to Leland Sumner, chief sanitarian.

There have been no cases of illness in Kern county, it was reported, although small quantities of the sauce were consumed, mostly by families of Japanese ancestry.

## Deadline Set for U.S. Senate Report on Immigration Policies

WASHINGTON — Deadline for the report to the full Senate on the sweeping review of the immigration situation of the United States has been set for March 1, 1948, it was reported this week.

Final approval of the measure authorizing the investigation, Senate Resolution 137, was given by the Upper Chamber on the last day of the session.

Three bills of direct affect on persons of Japanese ancestry are being held in abeyance in the Senate pending the review of the immigration situation, according to Mike Masaoka, national ADC legislative director, who declared:

"We hope that this full-dress investigation of the immigration situation by the Senate may give us a better opportunity to present our ideas for the naturalization of all aliens now considered ineligible for citizenship."

The bills now tabled in the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration include H. R. 3566, stay of deportation; H. R. 3555, naturalization privileges for parents of Gold Star and Purple Heart veterans; and S. 1655, removal of race restrictions from the Nationality Act.

Introduced by Senator Chapman Revercomb, chairman of the Subcommittee on Immigration, the Sen-

## Reedley Girl Crowned Queen Of Bussei Fete

Sumiko Nakagawa Wins Contest as 5,000 at Carnival

FRESNO, Calif. — Sumiko Nakagawa of Reedley was crowned Miss Bussei of 1947 by the Central California Young Buddhists association on July 26 at a coronation in the Rainbow ballroom.

Miss Nakagawa reigned over the second annual carnival of the CCYBA on the grounds of the Fresno Buddhist church which was attended by nearly 5000 persons.

The name of the queen was kept secret until the coronation ceremonies, when she entered the ballroom escorted by her court, including four attendants, Fusako Yamamoto of Selma, Betty Harada of Fresno, Michiko Mizutani of Kingsburg and Mary Teramoto of Fowler. Two six-year olds, Patricia Yamabe and Jean Sakata of Fresno were the trainbearers, while Abe, 4, was the crownbearer.

Miss Nakagawa was introduced by Ayako Hosaka of Reedley, last year's queen, and Ben Nakagawa officiated at the coronation. Miss Iwatsubo greeted her as master ceremonies and vocal selections were presented by Misa Asakura.

The winner was selected at queen's tea in the Hotel Sequoia. The judges were Mayor Glen DeVore of Fresno, Shim Hironaka and Dr. Hugh Okonogi.

ate resolution authorizes the Judiciary committee or one of its subcommittees to "make a full and complete investigation of our immigration system."

Prior to its final passage by the Senate, the resolution was amended to enlarge its scope in relation to the investigation of displaced persons and to set final dates for the report to the Senate, the ADC office was informed.

That the resolution was largely directed at immigration policies relating to the entry of displaced persons of Japanese ancestry was pointed out by the ADC staff.

As amended, the measure provides for the investigation of aspects of the displaced persons problem and sets January 10, 1948, as the deadline for the report on the findings and recommendations of the committee on the displaced persons.

Other recommendations which changes in the immigration and naturalization laws must be submitted to the full Senate before March 1, 1948, according to Masaoka, are the resolution.

"It is the March deadline on which recommendations on three bills affecting persons of Japanese ancestry will be made," Masaoka said.



## National JACL Officers to Hold Staff Conference

Will Consider Progress Made in Legislative Program of ADC

An agenda listing immediate problems of the Japanese American Citizens League and the ADC now being drawn up for the special staff meeting of the JACL to be held August 13 to 17 in Salt Lake City, according to Masao Sano, national secretary.

The meeting will also serve to introduce Sam Ishikawa, now of Philadelphia, who will join the national JACL staff later this year, Sano said. Ishikawa will become a new regional representative in New York City.

Ishikawa formerly served with the National Student Relocation Council in Philadelphia and the American Friends Service Committee in Chicago.

While in Chicago he was co-chairman with Togo Tanaka of the legislative committee of the JACL in Salt Lake City. He is presently connected with the Friends Japan relief committee.

The special staff meeting will consider the JACL's ADC program during the past congressional session and will make recommendations for further activity during the next session.

Also under discussion will be the financing of the ADC program during the next year. Recommendations to the national JACL board will be made by staff members on the maintenance of ADC offices and personnel.

The staff will also make recommendations for Mike Masaoka, legislative director of the ADC, as to a possible tour of the JACL's district councils, including those on the west coast, during the next few months.

It is expected that Masaoka will make a tour of west coast cities and possibly Texas in connection with the JACL and ADC activities.

At least two of the four days of the staff meeting will be turned over to Masaoka for discussion of the Anti-Discrimination Committee. Other subjects to be brought up for consideration by staff members include the formation of a Tokyo branch of the JACL, to consist of members of the armed forces and army's civilian workers; financing of a Nisei war memorial in Washington and participation by the JACL in national war dead services in Arlington; and the results of the JACL's deputation committee trip to Hawaii for the ADC.

Keiichi Ushio, chairman of the national convention in Salt Lake City, will confer with the staff during the special meeting.

The meeting will be attended by regional officers and national members.

## EL Chapter Send Delegates to Voters Conference

OAKLAND, Calif.—The East Bay JACL chapter will have representatives at the Oakland Voters' conference August 3 at the Alameda high school, according to Wat Miura, secretary.

The purpose of the conference is to study some of the problems confronting the city and to make recommendations.

Mayor Joseph E. Smith of Oakland will be on hand to greet the delegates. The panel discussions begin at 9:30 a. m. A \$1 registration fee will be charged to cover luncheon expenses. All persons interested are invited to attend.

## Civic Unity Group May Initiate Housing Agency for Minorities

REDWOOD CITY, Calif.—In a recent move against racially restrictive covenants in residential areas, the Redwood City Council Civic Unity last week decided to set up its own housing bureau to see that members of non-white minority groups get the same chance to rent or purchase housing as white residents in San Mateo county if the latter refuse to sell to non-white residents.

More than 100 persons attended the meeting, according to Mrs. Beth Isenberg, executive secretary of the Civic Unity council, declared.

## Bystander Hurt in Holdup



SAN FRANCISCO—Florence Yoshida, 22, of 1150 Turk street, tells her story after being treated for cuts from flying glass fragments after a sensational attempted robbery of the Bank of America at Powell and Eddy streets on July 23.

The bandit, who escaped by shooting his way out of the bank, fled from the scene in a stolen car.

Miss Yoshida, telephone company clerk, was returning to work and entered the foyer through a side door, just as the gunman's last bullet went through the glass in the door through which he just escaped.—Photo courtesy of San Francisco Chronicle.

## Coast Magazine Notes Nisei Have Man-Sized Task in Reestablishing Selves on Coast

A study of California's Nisei today, two years after V-J Day, is made by FORTNIGHT, a California magazine, in its civic affairs department of the July 28 issue.

Titled "California Japanese—The Long Road Back," the article discusses the conditions and events that led first to the mass evacuation of 1942 and then to the return. Nisei Americans still have a "man-sized job" ahead reestablishing themselves, the article states, with housing a particularly desperate problem.

"Restrictive covenants force them into segregated, overcrowded and undesirable areas," says FORTNIGHT. The article points out that in Los Angeles, where 39% of the country's whole Japanese American population resides, restrictive covenants are placed upon 75 per cent of the city's residential districts. It also points out that many Nisei who want to buy homes are having difficulty with title insurance companies, which refuse to guarantee title unless the Nisei can prove his money does not come from an alien father.

In business and industry, the article says, California prejudice "is as strong as ever." Although about 80 per cent of the Japanese employables are employed, they are pushed into less desirable occupations, and in San Francisco almost 50 per cent of those employed are domestics.

There is less social discrimination now than before the war, though the young Nisei still finds his life constricted by the same unwritten laws governing other mi-

norities. The article points out that many community groups have made attempts to assimilate the Nisei.

FORTNIGHT discusses the alien land law and the immigration law prohibiting Japanese immigration and bills regarding Japanese Americans which are now in Congress.

"The long years of evacuation and resettlement have shattered the sense of security of many of our citizen Japanese," the article states. "The war brought full realization that they were not, in the true sense, considered American citizens. Some, hard-pressed and bitter when their liberty was taken away, renounced their citizenship. About 1500 of these have been deported to Japan, some 3800 still in the U. S. are trying to regain their citizenship, claiming they renounced it only under 'extreme duress'."

The article concludes: "The Japanese problem is essentially California's problem. How this state lives with her Japanese Americans can affect America's relationship with the whole Pacific Basin."

The cover photo, by Hikaru Iwasaki, is of Toshihiro Masada, whose farm home near Caruthers was fired upon in 1945 upon the family's return. Other photographs illustrating the article were taken by Charles Mace, former WRA photographer.

## Chicago Artists Group Sponsors Exhibition

CHICAGO—Works of 26 Chicago artists, mostly Nisei, are now on exhibition in a show sponsored by the new Gaka Guild at the Art Center, 3831 S. Michigan ave.

The exhibition will continue until Aug. 3.

Among the artists whose works are included in the exhibition are R. M. Beckman, Virginia Bogue, Joe Eto, Si Gordon, Byron Goto, Miyoko Ito, Nori Kenmotsu, Lois Koening, Kay Masuda, Betty Matsumoto, Ben Matsumoto, Mas Nakagawa, Charles Nakata, Ken Nishi, Nancy Omine, Sylvia Omoto, Marion Perkins, Rokin (Mr. and Mrs. Bud Kinoshita), Hide Sato, S. George Tajiri, Mary Takahashi, Mary Takahashi, N. Takihita, Hero Tamura, Hatsuye Toyoshima, Steven Wada and Fumi Yamada.

The Gaka Guild is composed of Nisei and other Chicagoans interested in art. Purpose of the group is to stimulate activity in such fields as photography, industrial art, commercial and fine art, sculpturing and ceramics.

## Rep. Judd Introduces Bill To Eliminate Race Restrictions From Nationality Act of U.S.

WASHINGTON—Introduction into the House of Representatives of a bill to eliminate race restrictions from the Nationality Act was disclosed today by the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

The bill, H. R. 4418, is a companion measure to the joint McGrath-Green bill for naturalization in the Senate, the ADC office said.

Presented to the House on the session, H. R. 4418 was introduced by Representative Walter H. Judd of Minnesota, Rep., majority member of the influential Foreign Affairs committee.

The House bill is identical to S. 1655, according to the ADC office, and would provide for the naturalization of persons legally in the United States.

As with its companion bill in the Senate, H. R. 4418 would amend Section 303 of the Nationality Act of 1940 to read as follows:

"The right to become a naturalized citizen under the provisions of this chapter shall not be denied or abridged because of race."

Based on drafts submitted by the Anti-Discrimination Committee, H. R. 4418 is supported by the National Committee for Equality in Naturalization whose active chairman, Edward J. Ennis, has been cooperating closely with the ADC, according to Mike Masaoka, national ADC legislative director.

"This is the first time that we have had identical bills for naturalization introduced in both the House and Senate," Masaoka stated.

"Both the sponsors in the House and Senate are responsible congressmen who enjoy considerable respect and prestige among their colleagues. They have assured us of their active interest in these bills.

"Introduction of the bills before the Congressional recess provides us an opportunity during the interim to do real educational work, a campaign in which we hope every person of Japanese ancestry will join with us," the ADC legislative director added.

The sponsor of the House bill, Congressman Judd, is a physician and surgeon and served as a medical missionary and hospital superintendent in China for many years. One of the most prominent lay churchmen in the United States, Dr. Judd is now serving his third term in Congress.

## JACL Representative Wins High Honors

PAYETTE, Ida.—Harry Yamada, 17, of Vale, Oregon, returned home with high honors from the American Legion's 11th annual meeting of the "Beaver Boys' State," held June 30 to July 6 at Oregon State college.

Yamada was sponsored by the Snake River chapter of the JACL. The "Beaver Boys State" provides citizenship training for youths 15 to 18.

The only Nisei at the meeting, Yamada was elected mayor of New York City on the Federalist ticket, was nominated for governor, served on the civil service commission board and was also nominated one of the two best mayors.

Yamada has been asked by the state American Legion board to serve as a junior counselor for the 1948 meeting.

## JACL-ADC Wins Fight Against Exit Permits for Issei Group

WASHINGTON — Exit permits will no longer be required for Japanese resident nationals who desire to travel to and from the Territory of Hawaii, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee learned this week.

In a letter from Joseph Savoretti, assistant commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the ADC office was informed that the Justice Department and the State Department have concurred in the acceptance of ADC suggestions to waive the exit permit requirements.

"After consideration of the subject, this Service has recently concurred in a waiver of the exit permit requirements proposed by the Secretary of State in behalf of Japanese nationals who are permanent residents of the United States returning to or visiting the Territory of Hawaii," Savoretti said.

The waiver will apparently be effective immediately, the ADC office said, since Savoretti reported that "the appropriate offices of this Service are being informed ac-

## Masaoka Asks Tax Bureau to Revise Policy

Restrictions Invoked on Issei Traveling from Hawaii to Mainland

WASHINGTON—In a personal representation to the Bureau of Internal Revenue, Mike Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, this week asked for the elimination of income tax filing restrictions on aliens of Japanese ancestry who desire to travel to or from Hawaii.

The ADC legislative director urged the Bureau to re-examine its practices and policies in this regard because "to our way of thinking, there should be no discrimination because of race or national origin in such procedures as these."

Noting that the Bureau requires all Japanese nationals desiring to travel between continental United States and the Territory of Hawaii to produce income tax returns before they may depart, Masaoka declared:

"Action such as your department takes is comparable to that taken in traveling between foreign states.

"We believe that this procedure on the part of your department should be eliminated," he added, "especially in view of the fact that both the State and Justice Departments have concurred in waiving the necessity for exit permits for these same Japanese nationals desiring to travel to or from the Territory."

Citing the cases of several individuals who "were forced to go to a great deal of expense in order to verify the fact that they had filed income tax returns" and who, as a consequence of the delay, were forced to cancel airplane space, Masaoka called for elimination of such practices.

He urged the bureau to amend its directives "so that long-time legal residents of Japanese ancestry need not produce additional documentary evidences than those required of other long-time alien residents of our country."

## Baba Elected Head Of AVC Chapter in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO — Kenji Baba was elected president of the Golden Gate chapter of the American Veterans committee at an election held last week.

Membership in the AVC group is comprised of veterans in the Western Addition district.

Outgrowth of ADC efforts to eliminate exit permit requirements for Issei, the granting of the waiver culminates three months of negotiation between the Anti-Discrimination Committee and the State and Justice Departments, according to Mike Masaoka, national ADC legislative director.

The State Department last month agreed to waive the requirement, Masaoka said, but department officials requested concurrence of the attorney general first. Concurrence was obtained on July 25, according to Savoretti.

"This will eliminate the great inconvenience and hardship brought upon Issei by the requirement for exit permits for travel between Hawaii and continental United States," Masaoka added.

"Often these persons, particularly businessmen, have suffered serious loss and hardship because they have had to cancel transportation reservations at the last minute when exit permits were not issued in time," he pointed out.



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## EDITORIALS:

### Code of Ethics

It is part of the real estate operator's code of ethics that no home in any area designated as a "desirable" neighborhood can be sold to persons of any but "white" ancestry.

His "code of ethics" is surely strangely named. For in its name are committed many sins of inhumanity against individuals who are, in all but race or religion, Americans of worth and integrity and decency.

It was doubtless in extension of this code of ethics that Harry B. Carskadon, Atherton real estate dealer, last month said that Negroes and Chinese should not be allowed to live in the peninsula area south of San Francisco "because there is no cheap land on the peninsula."

It was probably a remark in which many real estate operators concurred. The tendency today in real estate has been to open up increasing areas for residential purposes, all of which are stringently covered by racially restrictive covenants.

But Carskadon's ill-considered remarks, fortunately, were given the wide publicity deserved by any statements so inherently dangerous. And the verbal fireworks he set off still resound throughout the peninsula he tried to save "for whites only."

The indignant replies from persons prominent throughout the peninsula have been reprinted not only in this but also other papers in California. A few of the replies disagreed with the spirit of Carskadon's statements; most disagreed with the substance of it.

This week the Redwood City Council for Civic Unity came forward with a sound, solid proposal of its own to combat not only Carskadon's suggestions but also to fight the spreading evils of the restrictive covenants.

The council proposed that should the south San Mateo realtors' board, for whom Carskadon is spokesman, continue its position of keeping all persons of minority ancestry in racial ghettos, the council would itself provide a housing bureau to provide rental and purchasing opportunities for them. The bureau would, it was announced, be a nonprofit organization to bring together sellers and buyers.

It may be that the Redwood City council will in this way provide an effective way of combatting the code of ethics which denies decent housing opportunities to a large portion of our population.

The plan might well be put into motion in other parts of the country as a method by which the restrictive covenant can be defeated on the local level.

It is fortunate that on the peninsula, as in every other part of the country, there are thousands of persons who have their own code of ethics based upon humanity and decency, instead of dollars and cents and the price of property. It is persons such as these who will, in the long run, decide whether houses and land are more valuable than human dignity.

The question of the racially restrictive covenant is coming to the fore as one of the major social questions of the day. Its illegality must eventually be settled by the courts in the light of the country's growing awareness of the rights and needs of persons of minority ancestry.

This week in "Among These Rights," a newsletter published by the San Francisco Council for Civic Unity, Edward Howden points out that Carskadon's ill-tempered and hasty outburst has resulted in the kind of "trouble" that he predicted would occur if

Negroes and whites were allowed to move into the same neighborhoods.

Says Edward Howden:  
"... only two days after the Carskadon statement had been aired the first threats of 'trouble' descended upon two peninsula families, and a day later one of these families was pressured out of their place of residence... Now... it is very clear that Harry B. Carskadon's irresponsible fight talk has actually encouraged the kind of ill feeling and coercion predicted by CCU's Selah Chamberlain, Jr., two days before. Whether the Carskadons of the bay area will call the shots from here on will depend mainly on whether people of good will are going to make themselves heard decisively and unremittingly on this whole sordid issue."

### 442nd Reactivated

The reactivation of the 442nd Infantry Regiment in Hawaii as an Army reserve unit this week apparently has nothing to do with war scares or international affairs.

Undoubtedly the decision to reactivate the regiment, one of the most famous in American military history, is part of the Army's program of keeping alive famous units. It is held that it is easier to maintain discipline in a unit which has a proud and honorable record than in one which has no history at all. The men who belong to a famous combat organization take pride in the unit's colors and develop a self-interest in maintaining the organization's record.

The 442nd, like the Rangers and the Marine Raiders, earned its reputation the hard way. The record of the 442nd and of the 100th Battalion, which is one of its component units in the new reserve organization, was made the hard way in the hills and mountains of Italy and in the bitter winter of the Vosages in France. The reputation of the 442nd and the 100th Battalion was made at the cost of more than 600 dead and 3600 wounded in battle. It should not be forgotten that these men, who came from the islands of Hawaii and the cities and farms of the mainland United States, fought a two-front war. They fought the enemy in the field and they fought the purveyors of race hatred at home. Their victory over the first foe is a matter of military history and is punctuated with the thousands of decorations awarded to the men of the regiment. Their victory over the second foe has not been as conclusive but the triumph is evident in the everyday lives of the veterans of the 442nd and of all other Japanese Americans.

The reactivation of the 442nd Infantry Regiment at Honolulu this week may be interpreted as a routine Army activity. It is to be hoped that it never will be more than that. The United Nations organization has been created out of this world conflict as an instrument to insure the peaceful arbitration and settlement of all international disputes. It is to be hoped that the peoples of the world will use this instrument which they have fashioned for the purposes of a permanent peace.

### Basic Needs

The New York state supreme court has denied the motion of three Negro war veterans to enjoin Stuyvesant Town, a Metropolitan Life housing project, from practicing racial discrimination in the selection of tenants.

Stuyvesant Town is being built upon land condemned by the city, under a contract between the city and the Metropolitan Life Insurance company. It was because of this that the plaintiffs asked that the project be considered a public undertaking.

In his decision, Justice Felix C. Benvenge said:

"Clearly, housing accommodation is not a recognized civil right. It is neither a violation of any provision of the federal and state constitutions to refuse such accommodations on the grounds of race, color or religion; nor is it a violation of any statutory provision applicable to Stuyvesant Town."

If housing accommodation is so "clearly" not a "recognized" civil right, perhaps it is time that it should be.

The basic needs needs of the individual citizen should be recognized as civil rights—the right to eat, to make a living, to find housing. And in instances where prejudiced public opinion would deny an individual these rights because of race and religion, it appears to us clearly the right and duty of government and the law to protect the individual so discriminated against.

# Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

## Rising Wind in British Columbia

It is nearly two years since V-J day but Canadians of Japanese ancestry still are excluded from the home, businesses, farms and fishing villages from which they were evacuated in the spring of 1942. Although there are definite signs of abatement of the hate which helped engender mass evacuation in British Columbia, the restrictions are still in effect under an interim policy imposed by Prime Minister Mackenzie King's government.

Just as California politicians once dominated American national policy towards persons of Japanese ancestry, a group of British Columbia white supremacists led by Ian Mackenzie, whose election cry was "No Japs from the Rockies to the sea!", continue to wield undue influence on the Dominion government's attitude toward the evacuated Japanese Canadians.

The most unreasonable feature of this Dominion policy has been the refusal to permit the evacuees to return to the coastal area of British Columbia although any possible military justification for the exclusion policy evaporated long before V-J day two years ago. There have been indications that Prime Minister King would have been amenable to a far more liberal policy toward the Japanese Canadians but that political considerations involving the leadership of his Liberal party in British Columbia have forestalled such liberalization. It is the contention of Ian Mackenzie, and the only British Columbian Veterans Minister in the Mackenzie King cabinet, that the Liberal party campaigned on an election promise that evacuees of Japanese ancestry would not be permitted to return to the British Columbia coast and he has threatened to quit his cabinet post if the present ban is lifted. Consequently, Prime Minister King recently outlined the government's interim policy toward the Canadian Nisei which rescinded most of the restrictions on travel and residence which had been invoked against the group but maintained the exclusion policy forbidding the return of the evacuees to their former homes.

In contrast to the Liberals and the right-wing Progressive Conservatives who have opposed the return of the Canadian evacuees to the coast for political reasons and the silence of the extreme left-wing Labor Progressives in British Columbia on the question, the Canadian Commonwealth Federation (CCF), a strong third party with social and economic objectives which are not unlike that of the Roosevelt New Deal, has consistently fought for justice for the Japanese Canadian group. The CCF in British Columbia has not bowed to political advantage or expediency in its stand on the Japanese Canadian question and it remains the only political party which is openly opposed to British Columbia's denial of the right of franchise to Canadian citizens of Japanese ancestry for reasons of race. As a result the "Japanese question" has been used by political opponents against CCF candidates in local British Columbia elections but the fact that CCF candidates have been successful in many of these elections indicates that the CCF stand may be closer to the actual feelings of the people of British Columbia than the uncompromising hatred of Ian Mackenzie and the racist cabal.

Behind the racism in British Columbia are economic considerations similar to those which fostered two generations of racist opposition against persons of Japanese ancestry in California. In fact, there appears to have been considerable liaison between the hate-mongers of Canada and California. There also is little to choose between the objectives of the former White Canada Association in Vancouver and such groups as the Joint Immigration Committee, the Native Sons and the Asiatic Exclusion League in California.

Behind the present opposition in British Columbia are the individuals and groups who have taken over the dry goods and hotel businesses of Japanese Canadians in Vancouver, the truck farms in the Fraser Valley and the fishing boats on the coast. The early disposition of the tangible assets of the Japanese Canadian evacuees through forced sale procedures, as well as

the refusal to permit the evacuees to return, are indications that racists in British Columbia hoped to achieve the complete destruction of the economic structure built and maintained by persons of Japanese ancestry in the province. This purpose has been achieved to a large extent and accounts for the large percentage of refugees from Canadian Issei for repatriation to Japan.

The dispersal program sponsored by the Mackenzie King government has resulted in the relocation of nearly half of the evacuees in Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec. In most of the provinces the evacuees have been able to obtain only marginal employment and the success of dispersal program cannot be gauged until the great majority have found permanent employment which is consistent with the needs of the group.

Forty years ago, on Sept. 1907, there was a major outbreak of violence against persons of Japanese ancestry in Vancouver. Those forty years the racists maintained a consistent opposition against the granting of equal rights to persons of Japanese and other Asiatic ancestry. The fundamental right of citizenship the right to vote, has been denied to Canadian citizens of Japanese origin in British Columbia, though a similar restriction is invoked anywhere else in the Dominion. But last spring, the British Columbia legislature finally granted the right of franchise to citizens of Chinese and East Indian descent, withholding the vote from the Japanese Canadians. The right of persons of Chinese and East Indian ancestry to vote municipal officers in British Columbia has not yet been extended but the Victoria Council is expected to bring up an amendment for East Indians when the United British Columbia Municipal Council meets in the fall.

Charles Shaw, Vancouver correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor, noted in a recent report that "the fact that persons of Japanese origin—or even persons of Chinese ancestry—are not mentioned in Victoria's recommendation has drawn considerable criticism from those who contend that British Columbia's official attitude regarding Orientals is muddled, solete and indefensible."

Mr. Shaw reported that "there is still strong feeling against Japanese" but added that there are many in the province who believe that "over the long term, British Columbia cannot justify its discrimination against Japanese." The News-Herald, one of Vancouver's three dailies, commented on the continuing ban against the return of Japanese Canadian evacuees in a recent editorial: "The only unit of this whole continent where natives, if they have had Japanese ancestors, are not allowed to live in the place of their birth."

"The suggestion that only Indians and Chinese be permitted to vote in municipal elections along with other non-Asiatic minorities. All Canadians, no matter what the color of their skin should have the first right of citizenship—the free vote."

The fact that a Vancouver newspaper now espouses the cause of equal rights for all Canadians reflects the changing attitude of the people of the province.

Another new and powerful force on the side of fair play for the Japanese Canadians is that of Gen. G. R. Pearkes, member of the House of Commons in Nanaimo in the House of Commons who has declared that in his opinion the Japanese Canadians evacuated will be allowed to return to the evacuated area. Gen. Pearkes says that he believes that the people of Canada will see the law barring certain areas of the country to certain Canadians repealed or drastically amended.

After forty years the racists are on the way out of British Columbia.

### Opens Law Practice

LOS ANGELES—Frank P. [Name obscured] man, Los Angeles attorney, week announced his association with the firm of Wirin, Kimbrell and Okrand for the general practice of law.



# Report From Washington Was Touch and Go Last Week On Capitol Hill for Proposal to Indemnify Evacuee Losses

By ESTHER L'ECLUSE

It was touch and go last week on the "Hill" for the Evacuation Claims bill.

In Congress the pressure was on and weary and irritated congressmen were trying to push through a mountain of legislation before the adjournment Saturday.

Lobbyists were swarming over the "Hill" (as the Capitol is known); the Senate and House were holding sessions from 10 a. m. until 6 or 7 o'clock in the evening; and typewriters were humming furiously in the Senate and House office buildings far into the night.

Through the aid of friendly congressmen, a special rule had been passed on July 17 for the Evacuation Claims bill—a rule that would allow one hour of debate on the measure by the full House.

The problem was to have the rule called up so that action could be taken.

"Acts of God" intervened twice, and for almost a week it looked as though H. R. 3999 would not get to the floor of the House this week.

First, the brother of Congressman John W. Gwynne died on July 17 and the Iowa representative flew to his home state to attend the funeral. That meant the bill could not be brought up until he returned. Gwynne, as chairman of the subcommittee that considered H. R. 3999, had to be present, under House protocol, at the full debate on the bill.

On Monday, July 21, the Evacuation Claims bill was brought up on the Consent calendar of the House, as a routine measure, and once again was "passed over without prejudice"—a move that meant no further consideration of the bill in this session unless done so under a special rule.

Then, on Tuesday, July 22, the uncle of Congressman Francis Walter died, and the Pennsylvania representative returned to his home to attend the funeral. Although Congressman Gwynne had returned, the absence of Walter, minority leader in Subcommittee 2, left the bill without one of its strongest and most active supporters.

The morale of the ADC office was running low. Passage of the bill by the House early in the week meant a good chance that the bill would be given Senate consideration this session. But time was running out.

Each day members of the ADC staff sat out the session in the gallery on the chance that H. R. 3999 would be called up. There was order in bills coming up now; they were being called up at the discretion of the majority leader of the House.

On Wednesday morning the situation looked dark. The majority leader of the House seemed to be calling up only bills of major importance to the country or those that were highly controversial.

It took three staunch men—Congressmen Michener, Gwynne and Walter—to save the day, the week and the Evacuation Claims bill from a lapse.

They conferred with Speaker of the House Joseph Martin and majority leader Charles A. Halleck and received assurances that the bill would be called up that afternoon. Then they planned the floor strategy, for not only offense was needed on the bill but also a defense to combat possible criticism of the measure.

Surprisingly enough, even to the congressmen who steered the bill through the House, the defense was not needed.

Out in the gallery in force that afternoon, the ADC staff members sat tensely, awaiting their "turn at bat." The bill that preceded the H. R. 3999 debate was hotly contested. It involved an expenditure for \$5,000,000 and there was much opposition.

"The 80th Congress, after all, is an economy-minded Congress," said one of the legislators kept insisting.

The ADC staff members squirmed a little. H. R. 3999 called for an expenditure of \$10,000,000.

There was a general "let down" feeling at the conclusion of the two-hour debate and vote on the preceding controversial bill. Then the ADC staff members leaned forward attentively, for Congressman Lawrence J. Brown of Ohio was saying:

"Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 305 (for the Evacuation Claims bill) and ask for its immediate consideration."

We were in!

The ADC staff scanned the floor closely. Were the known opponents to minority legislation present? It might evolve into a battle if they were disposed to fight the Claims bill.

Congressman Adolph J. Sabbath, minority leader of the House Judiciary committee gave the bill a good send-off.

"Justice requires that we adjudicate the losses of those citizens and others of Japanese origin who proved loyal during the war and, through no action or fault of their own, were removed from their homes, which resulted in financial loss or damage to them," Sabbath said.

Then Congressman Earl C. Michener, chairman of the House Judiciary committee, took over and "recognized" in rapid succession Congressman Gwynne of Iowa (important chairman of Subcommittee 2), Joseph Farrington of Hawaii, Sam Hobbs of Alabama, Homer Angell of Oregon, Jacob K. Javits of New York, Walter of Pennsylvania, Angier Goodwin of Massachusetts, and Abe McGregor Goff of Ohio.

It was smooth. No opposition, no arguments, no debate.

In the gallery a little drama was taking place. As each speaker finished, the ADC director, seated in the men's gallery, would nod and smile to the other staff members in the adjoining gallery in answer to inquiring glances.

"Yes, he's a friend," the nod would convey.

Only once did the floor proceedings take a dangerous turn. That was when Congressman Goff got up to defend General DeWitt. In an earlier speech, Representative Walter had said that the evacuation order was "an order that probably should never have been issued."

"While I am in favor of the bill, I rise to speak solely in case there is any criticism, actual or implied, against the military commander who issued the order, who, in this case was General DeWitt, an able and efficient officer, now retired."

Congressman Gwynne smoothed that little flurry with a brief assurance that "the reporting out of this bill involved no criticism whatever of the people who enforced this law."

Although the "defense" speakers, including some California congressmen, were all primed to answer any other questions, including policy questions, should they arise, there was no opposition. Later the congressmen admitted to being a little disappointed at the smooth sailing.

"We were saving some of our best answers for the opposition," said one smilingly remarked.

Scarcely twenty minutes after the calling of H. R. 3999, Congressman Michener addressed the Chair, saying:

"Mr. Speaker, there is obviously no opposition to this bill. I

## Bill Hosokawa:

# FROM THE FRYING PAN

### Something More Than Sukiyaki

Denver, Colo. "Pardon me," the woman said as we stopped at a dime store counter. "I'm visiting in Denver from Cozad, Nebraska. We had a lot of Nisei boys working for us, and they told us about sukiyaki. Can you direct me to a good place here in Denver?"

She had us stumped for a moment. Lamely, we began: "Well, there are a lot of places on Larimer street."

"No," she said. "I'd like the names of a few specific places. I might not get the right one if I went just anywhere."

So we named a few sukiyaki houses and hoped she would like them. For you see, Denver hasn't a single place, so far as we are aware, that specializes in sukiyaki and provides the kind of environment tourists want.

Sure, there are the hashhouse type of sukiyaki parlors galore. But none with class, with glamour and appeal and atmosphere. You need something more than "suki-yaki" painted across the plate glass, a revolving fan and a jukebox to attract the quality trade.

Someone, it seems, is missing a bet by not building up Denver's eating opportunities. We're mile high, we're provincial, we're allegedly cool and colorful, but we can't eat like the San Franciscans do.

There are some joints—and not too swank either—that serve good steak. Mountain trout, too. But can we get good Italian food? No, not the real kind that tickles your palate and melts from sheer goodness in your mouth. You have to contend with wan soup and spaghetti that has been left in water so long the sauce has to be fired up with pepper to make it palatable.

Can you get Russian food, like real sour cream borscht served hot with cabbage and tomatoes? And Russian pickles and saddle of lamb roasted over charcoal? No, indeed.

That goes for French dishes and German sausages and a lot of other foods we like to think about.

### Chinese Food in Denver

The Chinese are doing a little better. There are several restaurants here that serve better than passable Chinese meals, either Canton or Tokyo style.

move we suspend the rest of the time and put the matter to an immediate vote."

In the gallery the ADC staff members sat still and tense as H. R. 3999 came to a vote. It was over quickly. The "aye" in approval was loud, but the absolute silence on the "no" was even louder. The bill had passed. Unanimously.

Congressman Walter smiled.

But for the dignity of the assemblage, the ADC staff members would have clasped their hands in the traditional boxer's winning salute in response.

It was mid-afternoon now, but there was still work to be done.

The Senate Judiciary committee was scheduled to convene at 10 o'clock the next morning for its final meeting of the session. But before H. R. 3999 could be considered by that group, it had to be referred to committee by the full Senate.

That meant H. R. 3999 had to be introduced in the Senate this afternoon. Even Speaker Martin did not know how that might be done, but he referred Congressman Walter to the clerk of the House, who did know.

Following instructions, Walter and the ADC director hurried downstairs to the subterranean offices of the Embossing department. Although the Embossing clerk was five days behind in his schedule, he agreed to make up a rough draft of the bill. Walter then made arrangements to have Speaker Martin sign the draft that afternoon and send it to the Senate to be introduced just before adjournment.

In the meantime Chairman Michener of the House Judiciary committee telephoned Senator Alexander Wiley, chairman of the Senate Judiciary committee, and asked that H. R. 3999 be placed on the agenda for the Thursday session.

By Wednesday night the stage was set and ADC staff members went to bed elated over the day's work but apprehensive for the morrow.

On Thursday they were snafued.

First they learned a new clerk in the House had balled up arrangements on H. R. 3999 and had casually left the bill to be taken over to the Senate on Thursday morning by the regular messengers. Then they found that the Judiciary committee had held a long forenoon session without considering H. R. 3999.

Fortunately, the committee was scheduled to reassemble at 3 p. m. to continue the session. At 11 o'clock that night, it was still in session.

Bad news piled up.

On Friday the ADC staff learned that H. R. 3999 had been considered in the late afternoon and evening meeting of the committee and had been "passed over" until next session.

It was a let-down. Prospects had seemed bright for favorable action by the Judiciary committee.

The staff members felt a little better when they learned that H. R. 3999 was one of the three bills given relatively favorable treatment by the tired and harried committee. Other bills considered at that session were flatly rejected.

Although but a day and a half remained, the ADC staff considered various parliamentary maneuvers to bring H. R. 3999 out onto the Senate floor for action.

It was possible, but reluctantly the staff discarded the ideas.

To incur the disfavor of the Judiciary committee members by going over their heads on this bill would be to endanger passage of other vital measures in the Senate next session.

On Saturday the 80th Congress closed its doors on the first session and brought to a late end an incredible week—a week of roughshod handling of the nation's legislation by a group of weary legislators anxious to go home.

For the Anti-Discrimination Committee, the week had ended half-heartedly. There was a feeling of incompleteness—or maybe it was anti-climax. The climax had come mid-week with the passage of H. R. 3999 and by week's end, the glow had worn off.

It was a perfectly natural feeling, repeated in offices throughout the Senate and House of Representatives and elsewhere over the capital, the ADC staff members found later. After seven solid months of intensive legislative activity, school was out, and the sudden vacuum took a little "getting used to."

One of the staff members in the House Judiciary committee summed it up neatly at week's end when he congratulated the ADC staff on its record of legislation that passed the House.

"You educated the House beautifully," he said. "Now you need to take a breather and then plunge in to some 'missionary work' on the Senate."

Of course the chefs don't have the best of ingredients to work with. But they have a way of making much of little—concocting palate-tickling creations out of such commonplace articles as pork, chicken, vegetables and soy sauce.

Personally, we prefer Chinese food Canton style. The Japanized variety is okay, but it doesn't seem to have the garlic and the goo and the oomph of the genuine article. Not that we're defending Chinese food with blind loyalty.

One of the worst Chinese meals we ever had was in an inn of no little repute in the village of Soochow. It just happened that we didn't care for their style of cooking, and perhaps the fact that the Japanese army had pretty well disposed of the local supply of pigs and chickens had something to do with it, too.

### A Place with Atmosphere

But getting back to sukiyaki, what we need here is an emporium with color and class. A spacious garden ought to go with the place, graced with stone lanterns, pools with goldfish in them to eat up the mosquito larvae, pine trees and maybe even a stone bridge or two.

In addition to this atmosphere there ought to be a number of teahouses scattered about the grounds where a party could be served sukiyaki with the trimmings on a cool Colorado evening. Individual teahouses would add privacy as well as attractiveness to the setting.

The food ought to be prepared before the guests and cooked by comely Nisei girls especially trained for their work. They should be good conversationalists as well as cooks, capable of giving intelligent answers to silly questions and accurate answers to intelligent questions.

And most important, the food would have to be good, the prices reasonable. There's nothing as bad as bad sukiyaki, spoiled by tough meat, over-mature vegetables and too much soy sauce.

Over the entire enterprise there would be an air of genteel well-being, brought about by the combination of excellent food and pleasant environment. Nothing stuffy, though, just good taste.

An enterprise like this should be a sensation and a great attraction to both tourists and natives. From what little we know of business, especially the restaurant business, it would seem that an idea like this couldn't miss.

Do you know of somebody we could persuade to invest \$150,000 in a sukiyaki emporium?

## Vagaries

### Long Delay . . .

Interested attorneys are wondering at the California Supreme Court's long delay in the Stockton theater case which involves the right of resident aliens of Japanese ancestry to lease commercial property . . . Several Nisei have been approved by the Department of Commerce in the first group of U. S. businessmen who will go to Japan to open private trading operations . . . The Typographical Union which at one time discriminated against non-Caucasians now has taken a stand on the west coast against race bias. A Nisei who applied at the office of the printers' union in San Francisco was given a work permit and was assured by union officials that the group did not discriminate.

A painting by Yasuo Kuniyoshi is included in the "100 Years in American Painting" exhibition which is touring the country under the auspices of the Metropolitan Museum and the Whitney Museum of Art of New York City. The exhibition has been at the Utah Centennial in Salt Lake City during the past month. Kuniyoshi's contribution is a portrait entitled, "I'm Tired."

### Book on Nisei . . .

Bradford Smith's book on America's people of Japanese ancestry, "They Came from Japan," will be published in 1948. He is the author of an article, "The Nisei Discover America," which appears in the current (August) issue of American Magazine. The article is illustrated with three photos by Vincent Tajiri . . . A new book of Ernie Pyle's columns was published recently by William Sloane Associates. It's called "Home Country" and is made up of the home pieces which Ernie Pyle did before the war. When he returned to the States just before leaving for the Pacific theater in 1945, Ernie Pyle said he had never done a piece on the Nisei GIs in Italy because he had traveled with another divisional unit and had never actually come in contact with the 100th or the 442nd. He said he hoped to do a piece on the Nisei some day. One day, out on Ie Shima which is off Okinawa, Ernie did meet a Nisei GI, a sergeant from Sacramento who had ordered him out of a minefield. Ernie asked the Nisei many questions and indicated he was going to do a column on him. But the column was never written. A Japanese sniper got Ernie the next day, out on Ie Shima.



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**JACL Groups Organized in Colorado Areas**

**Temporary Committees Formed in Pueblo, La Jara Districts**

DENVER, Colo. — Temporary JACL committees which will aid in JACL and ADC work have been organized in Pueblo and the La Jara-Alamosa area in Colorado, according to Roy Takeno, Tri-State representative.

Officers of the Pueblo committee are Sanzo Shigeta, chairman, and Yose Fujita and Dr. Harry Takai, committee members. Issei and Nisei meetings were held at F. D. Muramoto's photo studio.

Roy Inouye was elected chairman of the La Jara-Alamosa committee. He will be assisted by Kiyoshi Katsumoto, vice chairman; Tadashi Aigaki, Roy Fujii and George Nishikawa, committee members; and Mrs. Yoshiko Inouye, secretary.

The Issei in the two communities elected the following officers for their supporters committees: F. Denkichi Muramoto, Yasokichi Takaki and Yuzo Kuzuma, Pueblo; and Kichigoro Ono, chairman, and Toyosuke Ogura and Hideichi Yoshida, committee members, La Jara-Alamosa. Nisei and Issei meetings were held at the La Jara Buddhist church.

Traveling from Denver to attend these meetings were Z. Kanegaye, chairman of the Denver supporters group, and Takeno.

**Nisei Jewelry Firm Files Incorporation Papers in Ohio**

CINCINNATI, O. — Incorporation papers for Ken Displays, Inc., manufacturers of jewelry and optical displays in Cincinnati, have been filed in Columbus by Ken Matsumoto, Henry Ishikawa and Masao Igasaki.

Matsumoto, president of the firm which has been operating as a partnership since January, operated a similar store in Los Angeles before the war.

Igasaki, vice president, practiced law in Los Angeles and during the war was an instructor in Japanese at Boulder, Colo., and at Oklahoma A&M. Ishikawa, secretary-treasurer, was a staff sergeant in the army.

Eight of the store's employees are veterans of the 442nd combat team.

Ken Displays were represented at the National Association of Credit Jewelers convention in Chicago July 28 to 30 with two displays at the Congress hotel.

**Nisei Vets Team Wins in Watsonville**

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — A three-run rally in the third inning enabled the Nisei Vets to upset "Freedom, first half champions of the city softball league, 4-2 in last week's crucial game. The early scoring came on a safety, two walks, and a couple of errors. A pair of bingles accounted for another tally in the sixth frame. C. Murakami, the winning pitcher, struck out eight batters in the seven-inning contest.

The important victory, third straight for the Nisei in second half play, strengthened their hold on first place in the B Division. Two more games remain to be played before the end of the circuit.

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**Hawaii Players**

Several members of the All-Hawaii Stars, who won two games in Utah this week on their barnstorming tour, are considering offers for next season. Southpaw Haruto Hirota who pitched a four-hit victory over the Ogden All-Stars under the lights at John Affleck park on July 29 showed himself to be as good as any hurler currently pitching in the pioneer league. Hirota also held San Jose's Southside Market, considered one of California's top semi-pro clubs, to three hits.

Jimmy Wasa, smart keystone-sacker for the All-Hawaiis, is probably one of the few Nisei ball-players who are ready for pro ball. Wasa proved his mettle during the war years in Hawaii when he played against some of the top ball stars and proved he could hit major league pitching. He also was one of the few Hawaiian players to hit consistently against the San Francisco Seals this spring.

Vernon Higa, young rightfielder with the All-Hawaiis, is currently leading the Hawaii league in batting with a sensational .414. Jun Muramoto, center-fielder who has been hitting the ball solidly in mainland games with the All-Hawaiis, is second to Higa in the Hawaii league with a .394 average.

Percy Ching, the 140-pound Chinese American first-sacker with the All-Hawaiis, is one of the two players on the team who has had pro experience. Ching played in the West Texas-New Mexico league last year, while Bill Azevedo, left-fielder, was with the Salt Lake Bees in the Pioneer league.

If the current tour of the All-Hawaiis is successful, Abe Saperstein, who booked the tour in cooperation with Mackay Yanagisawa, Honolulu promoter, may arrange for an annual barnstorming trip for a Hawaiian team. Saperstein, called the "father of Negro baseball" because of his efforts to build up Negro American leagues, also books the House of David and Harlem Globetrotter baseball teams.

One game the All-Hawaiis should schedule next time is with the San Jose Zebras, currently the hottest Nisei team on the mainland, and a team which is undefeated to date in the Northern California Nisei league. \* \* \*

**Broad Jumper**

George Uyeda of the University of Hawaii, the only Nisei ever to jump 25 in competition in the broad jump, is reportedly considering scholarship offers from four mainland universities, Kansas State, Ohio State, Illinois and Dayton. Uyeda got the offers after his performance recently at the National AAU meet in Lincoln, Neb., when he jumped 24 feet 1 inch to take second place in the junior division. Uyeda is conceded a good chance of making the Olympic Games next year, along with Steele of San Diego State, the outstanding athlete in the event, and Wright of Wayne. \* \* \*

**Claims Title**

Sad Sam Ichinose, manager of Dado Marino, is expected to lodge a formal claim to the world's fly-weight championship for his protegee, following the action of the British board of boxing control on July 30 in stripping Jackie Paterson of Scotland of his crown. Paterson, scheduled to defend his title against Marino at Glasgow, postponed the bout two times on claims of illness and finally failed to weigh in on the day of the championship bout, thus giving substance to Ichinose's claim that Paterson was overweight and unable to scale down to 112 pounds. If Marino gets the title, it's possible that one of the several crack Nisei flyweights in Hawaii may get a chance at it.

According to word late this week, both the British boxing board and the National Boxing association have recognized Dado Marino for the title which Paterson will be forced to relinquish. The NBC has announced that it will recognize the winner of a bout between Marino and Rinty Monaghan of Ireland, whom Marino defeated earlier this month in an over-the-weight match, as the new champion.

**District Council To Call Meeting**

The Intermountain District Council of the JACL has tentatively scheduled a meeting for August 18 in Salt Lake City, according to Shigeki Ushio.

**Nisei Entered in Midget Races in Salt Lake City**

Two Salt Lake City Nisei, George Nakamura and George Sonoda, are entered weekly in the Utah state midget auto races held Sunday evenings at 8:30 p. m. at the Hippodrome track, 21st South and 8th West streets.

The two Nisei are winners of the Memorial trophy, awarded in Provo on Memorial day, for racing the fastest car on the track.

They also took a first place award in Salt Lake City on July 6.

Nakamura and Sonoda are also entered every Friday night in races at the Provo fairgrounds, beginning at 8:30 p. m.

The races will continue through the summer and fall.

**Joe Kamiya Named President of NCYPCC At Lake Tahoe Meet**

LAKE TAHOE, Calif. — The Northern California Young People's Christian conference, meeting at Lake Tahoe July 17 to 20, elected Joe Kamiya president for the coming year.

The three-day session was attended by approximately 225 delegates and many guests.

Special speakers included Chaplain George J. Hall of Stanford university; Dr. Howard C. Thurman, pastor of the Fellowship church in San Francisco; Dr. Howard C. Busching, executive secretary of the Oakland Council of Churches; the Rev. John Miyabe of Berkeley, and the Rev. Harold Jow of Hawaii.

Discussion group leaders were Rev. J. Fujimori, the Rev. Thomas Grubbs, the Rev. S. Shimada, the Rev. John Yamashita, the Rev. Howard Toriumi, Arthur Kamitaka, Sei Adachi and Abe Doji.

Special interest group leaders were Dr. Busching, Lois Kanagawa, Kiyoko Date, leadership training; Elinor Umezawa, music appreciation; Haruo Tashiro, nature study, Toshi Tekawa, crafts; Robert Lynds, photography; Lloyd Wake, swimming and Julia Goto, reading and book sharing group.

Sei Adachi, Abe Dohi, Paul Hagiya and Lloyd Wake were named recipients of the Rev. S. Kato memorial scholarships.

Elinor Umezawa and Joe Kamiya were named official delegates to the United Christian Youth Movement conference.

Other cabinet members in addition to President Joe Kamiya were

**Nisei Swimmers Lead Monterey To Army Title**

**Los Angeles Natator Wins Two Events in Sixth Army Competition**

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif.—Paced by Japanese American GIs, the Presidio of Monterey swimming team won an overwhelming victory in the Southern division championships of the Sixth Army at Fort Ord, Calif., on July 19.

The Presidio's team finished with 49 points, while Letterman General Hospital was second with 22.

Pfc. John Sakioka of Headquarters company at the Military Intelligence Service language school was the star of the afternoon. The Los Angeles Nisei took first place in the 440-yard free-style and the 220-yard free-style events.

T/5 Akira Uyehara of Honolulu, a student of the Japanese language school at MISLS, won the 220-yard backstroke.

Tech. Sgt. George Nakashima of Special Service, a resident of Honolulu who is the coach of the Presidio team, took second place in the 100-yard free-style.

Cpl. Don McNeil of San Francisco, a Russian-language student, took second place in the 150-yard backstroke for the Presidio squad while T/4 M. Muramoto and Pfc. Eiji Matsuura, both of Hawaii, took second and third places in the 200-yard backstroke.

Buster Kawamura, a T/4 from Honolulu, also placed in the diving event.

**Address Wanted**

DENVER—The present address of Mrs. Matsuko Ishikawa, believed to have relocated to Denver or its vicinity from Jerome, Ark., is sought by Mrs. F. L. Carmichael of the Red Cross foreign inquiry service, 2230 Colorado Blvd., phone PEarl 5681.

Mrs. Ishikawa's address is wanted for her son, Takeshi, whose Tokyo address is 361 Station hospital, No. 1 Yokoamicho, Sumida-ku.

named as follows: Bill Muramoto, vice chairman of programs; Julia Goto, vice chairman of worship; Asa Fujie, vice chairman of social activities; Carol Kurihara, corresponding secretary; Marion Oishi, recording secretary; Mas Kyono, treasurer; Toshi Tekawa, publicity; Lois Kanagawa, historian; and George Masuda, public relations.

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# Hirota Sparkles on Mound For All-Hawaii Baseball Team

The All-Hawaii Stars, barnstorming team of the top-notch baseball players in the territory, had a record of four victories and two losses in the first six games on the mainland.

The All-Hawaiiis have eight Nisei players on its 13-man squad and are headed for the Midwest where they will play 18 games before entering the National Semi-Pro baseball tournament at Wichita, Kan.

The pitching of Haruto (Lefty) Hirota of Kauai has been one of the high spots of the Hawaiians' tour so far.

In the first game on the mainland, Hirota limited Southside Marquette of San Jose, Central Coast California semi-pro champions, to three hits as the Hawaiians won, 11 to 1. Center-Fielder Jun Mura-moto led the Hawaiian attack with three for four, batting in five runs.

On July 29 Hirota's hurling was a major reason for All-Hawaii's 7-2 win over the Ogden, Utah, All-Stars at John Affleck park. Hirota gave up only four hits, all singles, as Muramoto again was the batting star.

The All-Hawaiiis were beaten by the Island Naval Base, 14 to 8, on July 26 at Vallejo, Calif.

On Sunday, July 27, the All-Hawaiiis split a doubleheader with the Moffat Mantecas, best semi-pro team in San Francisco, at Seals stadium.

The Moffats won the first game 4 to 1, getting eleven hits off Fred (Cowboy) Hasegawa. In the seven-inning nightcap the Hawaiians came back to win 5 to 4 with Ernie Azevedo tossing six-hit ball. Bill Azevedo, Hawaiian left-fielder, got five hits in eight times at bat.

Azevedo, who played for Salt Lake in the Pioneer league last year, pitched four-hit baseball as the Hawaiians shut out the Provo Pimps at Provo, Utah, on July 29 in a twilight game, 8 to 0. Kuroku Mamimoto was behind the plate. Sol Kaulukukui caught Hirota in the San Jose and Ogden games.

### Ogden Cafe Blaze

OGDEN, Utah — City firemen this week were investigating the cause of a fire which destroyed the storage room of the Fuji cafe, 271 twenty-fourth st., causing damages amounting to \$5,000 on July 20.

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## Gila Students Plan Two-day Reunion In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO—Former students at the Canal high school, Gila River WRA center, will hold a two-day reunion in San Francisco August 9 and 10, with approximately 200 former Gilans attending, according to Gladys Yoneda of the reunion committee.

All proceeds from the event will be given to the Florence Akiyama scholarship fund in memory of the Fresno Nisei who was an English teacher at Canal high school.

Mary Mizufune and Yo Kotsubo were named co-chairmen for housing. Registration must be made by August 4. The fee of \$3 will cover all events. Hotel accommodations may be secured for Saturday night at \$1.50.

All inquiries and applications may be sent to Mari Oino, 1420 A, O'Farrell street, San Francisco 15, or may be made through local registration committees. Butte high school alumni and other ex-Gila residents are invited to attend, according to Miss Yoneda.

## Plans Made for Sequoia Retreat

FRESNO, Calif.—Final plans for the Lake Sequoia retreat to be held August 2 to 4 at Camp Redwoods have been made by the cabinet.

Guest pastors will include the Rev. Mitchell and the Rev. John Miyato of Berkeley and the Rev. Chamberlain of Dinuba. Pastors from central California will be the Rev. George Aki, the Rev. K. Imai, the Rev. L. W. Green and the Rev. Fujimori.

Rev. Imai will be in charge of the program for Issei guests, who are cordially invited to attend.

Conferees have been requested to furnish their own blankets (3), sheets, towels, Bible, flashlight, notebook, pencils, coat hangers and toilet articles.

### Graduates

WASHINGTON, D. C.—At commencement exercises held in the Congressional room of the Statler hotel on July 26, Yoshi Shima of 842 New Hampshire avenue graduated from Strayer college "with highest distinction."

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### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Shig Hashimoto a girl, Christine Lynne, on June 29 in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Zaiman a boy, Mark, in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Oda a boy, John Gregory, in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoji Suzuki, 722 South West Temple St., Salt Lake City a girl on July 27.

To Mr. and Mrs. Byrd H. Kumataka, Parlier, Calif., a girl in Selma.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sunao Onaka a girl on July 21 in Selma, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Koichi Tsunoda a girl on July 11 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Teranishi a boy on July 19 in Lodi, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Aoki, 2120 25th Pl. S., Seattle, Wash., a girl on July 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Funai, Kirkland, Wash., a boy on July 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Matsumoto a girl on June 12 in New York City.

To Mr. and Mrs. James H. Maeda, Walnut Grove, Calif., a girl on July 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Peter M. Sugawara, Sugarloaf, Pa., a girl on July 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Iyata a boy on July 27 in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Makoto Amano a boy on June 28 in Richmond, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Tanaka a girl on July 20 in Richmond, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Keiji Horiuchi a boy in Brighton, Colo.

To Mr. and Mrs. George S. Nakamura a boy in Denver, Colo.

### DEATHS

Bernard Okahira, 69, 346 West First South st., on July 28 in Salt Lake City.

Kohei Watanabe, 62, on July 12 in Chicago.

Yojo Kishishita on July 18 in Los Angeles.

Fusa Nakai (Mrs. Kusuemon Nakai) on July 22 in Los Angeles.

Nenohiko Suminaga, 82, on July 25 in San Pedro, Calif.

### MARRIAGES

Tomi Kuniyoshi to Masao Nakata in Chicago.

Takiko Yasui to James Okada on July 20 in Sanger, Calif.

Harumi Furuya to Robert Shiraga on July 27 in Los Angeles.

### Engagement

The engagement of Miss Fumi Odow to Mr. Rodney S. Toma of Maui, Hawaii, was revealed at a delightful candlelight buffet supper last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. Odow at 134 Mead avenue.

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# Issei-Nisei Teams Continue ADC Fund Drive in Chicago

CHICAGO—More than \$1000 in donations have been received at ADC headquarters, according to Richard Yamada, executive secretary of the current JACL-Anti-Discrimination Committee fund drive in Chicago. This sum, he pointed out, consists of contributions received from other parts of Illinois, voluntary donations, the early results of the ADC mail solicitation and net proceeds of a recent showing of "Shina no Yoru" sponsored by the Chicago chapter of JACL and the Resettlers Committee. "We are receiving a number of non-Japanese donations as well," he added. Of more than thirty Issei-Nisei

soliciting teams canvassing the entire city, only one has completed coverage of its assigned zone so that contributions collected by the remaining teams have not yet been turned in, Yamada explained. He stated that a list of contributors will be published as soon as returns are compiled.

An ADC newsletter-brochure appealing for funds was mailed out last week to every available name in Chicago. The ADC secretary requested that persons who have not yet received this mailing, or who have not been visited by a soliciting team, kindly mail remittances directly to his office at 1110 N. La Salle street.

The response of the Japanese community to this campaign has been highly encouraging, according to reports from the teams that are visiting homes nightly. "Of more than 60 families that we visited," recalled Togo Tanaka, Nisei member of a southside team, "almost everyone understood the purpose and worthiness of this drive and gave generously. I am glad to see that the merits of this cause overshadow any personal or organizational feelings. The enthusiasm of both Issei and Nisei in this drive is deeply gratifying."

## UC Women's Dorm To be Reopened For Fall Semester

BERKELEY, Calif.—The dormitory of the Japanese Women Students club, 2509 Hearst avenue, will be opened to students attending the University of California beginning this fall semester.

The dormitory is operated on a nonprofit, cooperative basis. It will be under the supervision of a house mother who will look after the general welfare of the students.

The house is located just outside the north gate of the university.

Application may be made to the house committee at 2808 Grove street, Berkeley 3, Calif.

## Address Wanted

The address of George Shigeyasu, formerly of 853 Clark street, Chicago, is sought by his sister, Kikuno Tasaka, 2329 Oaza Shimokami, Tokuyama-shi, Yamaguchi-ken, Japan, according to the Chicago chapter of the American Red Cross.

Information may be sent to Marylouise Brock, foreign service department, American Red Cross, 529 South Wabash avenue, Chicago 5, phone WABash 7850, Ext. 384.

## Betrothal

SANGER, Calif.—Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Yagura of Sanger announced the engagement of Mr. Yagura's sister, Sueko, to Mr. Yasuo Hashimoto of Sacramento at a party held July 26 at the Inn King Lum in Fresno. Members of the immediate family and relatives attended.

Miss Yagura is employed at Mrs. Min Namba's dressmaking shop in Sacramento. Mr. Hashimoto is a veteran of World War II. The wedding is scheduled to take place in the near future.

## Spokane Picnic

SPOKANE, Wash.—The Spokane chapter of the JACL will sponsor a community picnic at Minnehaha park Sunday, August 10, from 1 p. m.

Ed Tsutakawa will be chairman, assisted by Hiro Haji, George Numata, Everett Matsui, Kozo Nishibue, Tom Iwata and Joe Okamoto.

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# JACL-ADC Requests Cessation Of Deportation Orders Until Congress Acts on Legislation

WASHINGTON—In a move to halt the deportation of aliens of Japanese ancestry until final decision of Congress on H. R. 3566, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week asked the chairmen of the Senate and House Immigration committees to request cessation of deportation orders from the Attorney General until 1948.

In letters to Senator Chapman Revercomb, chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration, and Congressman Frank Fellows, chairman of the House Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, the ADC requested the intervention of their "good offices to prevent the deportation of certain aliens."

Pointing out that H. R. 3566, stay of deportation bill, was passed unanimously by the House on July 7, and that "we have high hopes that the Senate will concur" in favoring the legislation, the ADC declared:

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be benefited by the provisions of this bill should be protected during this interim period between sessions of the 80th Congress."

H. R. 3566 would give the Attorney General discretionary power to stay deportation of aliens inadmissible to citizenship and would affect approximately 2000 persons of Japanese ancestry, according to the ADC office.

The bill is now tabled in the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration pending a sweeping review of the immigration situation of the United States.

"A considerable number of persons of Japanese descent, most of whom had no private bills introduced whatsoever, are subject for deportation if the Attorney General decides to take action against them," the ADC declared.

Adding that most of the people involved are treaty merchants who have American citizen families and who have sons who served in our armed forces during the last war, the ADC pointed out that others are students and temporary visitors, many of whom served in various strategic services to aid the war effort.

"These worthy people are all subject to deportation through no fault of their own unless their deportation can be stayed pending final congressional action on this legislation."

"In the name of justice and fair play to these people, may we invite your attention to their plight and earnestly request the intervention of your good offices to prevent the deportation of certain aliens until the Senate has an opportunity to make a final determination upon this matter," the ADC concluded.

## Canadian Evacuee Housing Units to Be Sold by Government

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## East Bay Chapter Will Hold Picnic

OAKLAND, Calif.—A community picnic will be sponsored by the East Bay JACL chapter on Sunday, August 31st, at the Berkeley Tilden Regional park, it was announced by Wat Miura, secretary. Masuji Fujii will be in charge of the outdoor affair slated for the Padre grounds of the park.

Committee heads include Yosh Isono, Art Iwata, Frank Tsukamoto, Wat Miura, Eiko Sasaki, Tony Yokomizo, Ayako Inn and Cherry Nakagawara.

Other activities planned for in the near future include a semi-formal dance in the fall with Toshi Minamoto as chairman, a golf tournament in October, and the publishing of a monthly bulletin.

## San Jose Team Wins Eighth in Nisei League

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The Zebras cinched first half honors in the Northern California Nisei baseball league when they won their eighth straight game by routing the Suisun Nisei, 28 to 6, at Municipal stadium.

Led by Tommy (Chesty) Okagaki, George Hinaga, Babe Nomura and Tak Abo, each of whom got four hits, the Zebras laced Kuroda and Osada, the Suisun hurlers, for 21 hits and scored in every inning.

Hinaga batted in eight runs with a triple, double and two singles. Okagaki scored six runs in seven trips to the plate.

Other teams in the league are Richmond AC, Lodi YBA, Florin AC, Monterey Minatos, Madrone AC, San Francisco Clippers, Oakland Paramounts and Stockton YBA.

## Issei-Nisei Picnic Set in Twin Cities

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Nisei and Issei organizations in Minneapolis and St. Paul will join in sponsoring a picnic Sunday, August 24, at Minnehaha park at 11 a. m.

Paul Tsuchiya, general chairman, has named the following assistants: Tak Hangae and Gil Miyazaki, grounds; Mary Takao and Clarence Matsumura, Nisei program; T. Yahanda, Issei program, and Father Dai Kitagawa, clean-up.

## Mrs. Galen Fisher Passes Away

BERKELEY, Calif.—Ella Wilcox Fisher, wife of Dr. Galen Fisher, a leader in the YMCA and civic affairs, passed away on July 21.

Mrs. Fisher was active in the resettlement of Japanese Americans throughout the war.

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# California Officials Destroy Forty Thousand Gallons of Contaminated Soy Bean Sauce

## 300 Persons Stricken By Tainted Sauce in Western United States

SAN FRANCISCO—Forty thousand gallons of contaminated soya sauce, comprising a ten-carload shipment from the Staley company of Decatur, Ill., was being destroyed in California and other western states this week. The shipment was valued at \$250,000.

Meanwhile, health officials estimated that approximately 300 persons in California, Utah and Oregon had suffered ill effects after partaking of the sauce which had been adulterated with an arsenic compound.

Health authorities supervised the destruction of thousands of gallons of the arsenic-contaminated sauce during the week. One batch of 8525 gallons, still in the original 55-gallon drums from the Staley firm, was dumped at a warehouse in San Francisco, while 500 additional drums were confiscated and were awaiting disposition.

The tainted soya sauce was dumped down sewers and drains by health officials in Sacramento, Los Angeles and other California cities.

Milton P. Duffy, chief of the state bureau of food and drug inspection, said all but 1200 gallons of the poisoned sauce have been accounted for, and that distributors and retailers, from whom the rest was seized, are being reimbursed by the Illinois manufacturer.

Dr. J. C. Geiger, San Francisco city director of public health, earlier disclosed that it had been determined that arsenic in the soya sauce had been traced to a consignment of caustic soda used in the manufacture of the sauce. Dr. Geiger assured that none of the tainted soya sauce was left on the shelves of San Francisco stores,

that all of it had been cornered for destruction. He criticized both Illinois and Federal health authorities for being slow to find the source of the poison and said the entire fight was left to local health directors.

Dr. Geiger said he believed the hard-to-get caustic soda, used in fermentation processes, was salvaged without proper health supervision. He said San Francisco is the only major city with an anti-salvage ordinance designed to protect the public against impure drugs.

The State Department of Health this week announced the names of 23 brands of soya sauce believed to have contained arsenic. The brands are:

Red Star, Mitaoyoshi, Uoki Yamaman, Prosperity, Red Label Marusie, Steinkellner, Hanamuraki, Daruma, Hanamusume, Hoshi Tokio, Zuki, Hoshi, Shoy, Lee Choy Suey, Starr, Yucca, Soya Linda Maruta and Pohn Sato.

The State Department of Health also noted that sauce distributed by the following firms, but not bearing brand names, also were bottled from the contaminated shipment from the Staley firm:

American Chinese Food Products company and Shing Chong company, both of San Francisco; Greenwood Trading company of Oakland; Mitsuyoshi company and Hong Kong Noodle company, both of Los Angeles.

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