



## RKO Says It Is Not Making Motion Picture Based Upon Kawakita Treason Case

Forthcoming Picture, "Clay Pigeon," Has Japanese Villain But Carries Sequence-Highlighting Loyalty of Japanese American Group

HOLLYWOOD—The RKO studio declared this week that it is not producing a motion picture on the Tomoya Kawakita treason case.

A letter by Harold Melniker, director of public relations at RKO, was sent to the Japanese American Citizens League, to various American Friends Service Committee groups and to other organizations which had protested a report that RKO was contemplating producing a movie on Kawakita.

Mr. Melniker said that RKO has completed and will distribute a motion picture entitled "Clay Pigeon," which has a Philippines background and has a villain of Japanese ancestry.

"The story is not a biography of Kawakita," he declared. "It is a fictional, romantic, post war melodrama and one phase of it deals with illegal activities engaged in jointly by an American and a Japanese, and with their being brought to justice."

"This single Japanese characterization will not, we are confident, affect the good standing of the many worthy and reputable Japanese Americans in this country. This confidence is fortified by the fact, and this deserves special emphasis, that this picture has in it an important, significant sequence which characterizes the loyal Jap-

anese American citizen and soldier in an unmistakable framework of honor and dignity.

"Permit me to suggest that we here are not unmindful of the traditional respect and fair treatment due from all Americans to any minority group and we are certain that our picture is wholly within that tradition."

(The protests from the Southern California JACL ADC, the American Friends Service Committee, the Nisei Veterans Association of Los Angeles and similar groups were inspired by a column, "RKO and Tomoya Kawakita" which appeared in the Oct. 2 issue of the Pacific Citizen. In this column, the writer reported that Kam Tong, a Chinese actor, had been tested for the role of Tomoya Kawakita in a forthcoming RKO picture.)

## Cemetery Offers Desired Plot for Burial of Nisei GI

### Masuda Family Informed Gravesite Available for Hero Of 442nd Combat Team

SANTA ANA, Calif.—The Westminster Memorial cemetery, which last week denied a burial plot to the family of Sgt. Kazuo Masuda, Nisei war hero, on Tuesday of this week reported that it would let the Masuda family have the plot it desired for the burial of their son.

The cemetery had earlier reported that "restrictive covenants" prevented the burial of the Nisei war hero.

Its decision had aroused much public protest.

Sgt. Masuda, who had been posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, was an outstanding Nisei hero of the 442nd combat team.

His DSC was awarded his family by General Joseph Stilwell in a ceremony in Dec., 1945, a ceremony that was widely reported by the press and radio.

His body was returned to this country earlier this month aboard the Lawrence Victory. His family had approached officials of Westminster Memorial park in an effort to have his body buried in the cemetery there, which is a short distance from the Masuda home.

The cemetery refused upon grounds of "restrictive covenants" and declared that Sgt. Masuda's body could not be buried in any "desirable" location.

The intercession of General Mark Clark, commanding general of the 6th Army with headquarters at the Presidio of San Francisco, was requested by Joe Grant Masaoka, regional JACL ADC director, who sought to make the desired burial plot available to the Masudas.

In his letter to Gen. Clark, Masaoka pointed out that it was "inconsistent for one to have given his life and then be denied a plot in the land he died to defend for final burial."

Takashi Masuda, brother of the GI hero, reported that a representative of the Westminster cemetery called at the home last week and declared that a plot, previously denied the Masudas because of a racially restrictive covenant, was available.

Final rites for Sgt. Masuda are now being planned with arrangements in the hands of an Orange County Nisei Citizens committee,

of which Henry Kanagae is chairman.

Following the original action of cemetery officials in denying a plot to the Masuda family, the matter was referred to local veterans organizations, including the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

(Sam Ishikawa, Pacific Southwest regional director of JACL ADC, said that the matter of racial discrimination in cemetery plots was a general one on the Pacific coast. He noted that Joe Grant Masaoka, west coast JACL ADC director, had brought the matter before the convention of the California Cemetery Association last week in San Francisco.

(Reports to the Pacific Citizen this week from Chicago and other Midwestern areas indicated that cemeteries in a good many regions of the country use "restrictive covenants" to limit burial to persons of "white" ancestry.)

(Reports indicated that in the states of Illinois and Minnesota, it is almost "impossible" for a Nisei or Issei to find a burial plot in a private cemetery.)

(One report indicated that ministers of Japanese descent have "cooperated" with other ministers by not raising an issue over the inability of persons of Japanese ancestry to be buried in the private cemeteries of Illinois and Minnesota. Persons of Japanese ancestry in these states, it was said, have complied with the restrictions by having members of their families cremated upon death, or having their bodies sent elsewhere for burial. This practice has been an accepted form of burial for many years, it was reported.)

### NISEI SIGNS TO FILM STORY OF SEMINOLES

NEW YORK — Toge Fujihara last week signed a contract with Alan Shilin productions to film a motion picture on the Seminole Indians for a major cigarette company.

Production of the Seminole film, which will start in January, 1949, will be the first in a series of Americana educational pictures which will be sponsored by the company.

Fujihara was approached to be the cameraman on the film on the basis of his recent motion picture on the Oklahoma Indians, "The Great Spirit of the Plains," which was produced for the Methodist Board of Missions.

### Federal Court To Hear Plea In Treason Case

Hearing Will Be Resumed Dec. 13 in Judge Roche's Court

SAN FRANCISCO—Legal arguments in the attempt of Mrs. Iva Tuguri d'Aquino to escape trial on treason charges will be resumed in U.S. district court on Dec. 13.

Federal Judge Michael J. Roche set the date at the request of Defense Attorney Wayne Collins who contended the treason indictment should be dismissed because it failed to cite an overt act.

The defendant sat with bent head blinking nervously, as her attorney opened a full scale legal attack on the indictment charging her with treason for alleged wartime broadcasts over Radio Tokyo.

Collins filed his motions last week and came before Judge Roche on Nov. 22 to argue them.

He asked dismissal on the ground of lack of jurisdiction, for a bill of particulars on the charges and to have the evidence and records opened to the defense.

### L. A. GROUP WILL SPONSOR XMAS BASKETS

LOS ANGELES — The Southwest Los Angeles JACL chapter last week appropriated the sum of \$100 to be used to supply "Christmas cheer" to needy Japanese American families in the Los Angeles area.

The chapter will work in cooperation with the Los Angeles County Bureau of Public Assistance in this project.

The Quixotics, a bachelors' group, were the guests of the Southwest Los Angeles chapter at the November meeting.

The meeting also featured an "Improve Your Ballroom Dancing" session led by Fumiko Kawabata, Nisei star of Japan's stage, screen and radio before the war.

### KEN UCHIDA WILL ATTEND NATIONAL AMVETS MEETING

OGDEN, Utah — Ken Uchida, alternate national committeeman from Utah for Amvets (American Veterans of World War II) will attend the meeting of the national executive committee of the organization on Dec. 3 and 4 at Little Rock, Ark.

Uchida, who is chairman of the Intermountain District Council of the JACL and president of the Ogden chapter, is expected to present problems of Nisei veterans to the meeting.

He was named last week by Dr. Frank Jonas, regional director of Amvets, to represent the state of Utah at the Little Rock meeting.

### Company C Veterans Hold Reunion in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES—A reunion of former members of Company C, 442nd Combat Team, who are now residing in Southern California, was held on Nov. 20 in Los Angeles.

Jimmy Makino acted as master of ceremonies, assisted by Nori Sekino and Jerry Shigaki.

Movies of the Fifth Army in Italy were shown.

### Sen. Douglas Supports Bill For Issei Naturalization

CHICAGO, Ill.—Paul H. Douglas (D.), United States Senator-elect from Illinois, this week assured representatives of the JACL-ADC that he will support the passage of the naturalization bill in the 81st Congress. Sen. Douglas not only expressed his sympathy for the principle of this legislation, but stated that the Nisei G.I.s "have certainly earned it."

National Legislative Director, and Tats Kushida, Midwest Regional Representative, that he was proud of the fighting record of his own First Marine Division to which were attached a number of Nisei Intelligence men.

He added, however: "But I take my hat off to the Nisei G.I.s and I have often said publicly that the 422 Combat Team was the greatest fighting unit in our Army."

## Report Japanese Americans Denied Burial Plots in Cemeteries in Chicago Area

CHICAGO—American soldier dead of Japanese ancestry and other Japanese Americans are being refused burial plots in Chicago cemeteries, the Midwest regional office JACL ADC reported this week.

Until recently a limited number of plots have been available at Montrose cemetery where the Mutual Aid Society, an Issei welfare organization, has a mausoleum. Now however, according to the Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, pastor of the First Baptist church,

families of deceased persons of Japanese ancestry have no alternative but to request cremation.

It was indicated that a discriminatory practice, barring the burial of non-Caucasians, is general in Chicago cemeteries.

Tats Kushida, Midwest regional representative of the JACL, announced this week that the Chicago JACL chapter, in cooperation with the Chicago Commission on Human Relations and the Chicago Council Against Racial and Religious Discrimination, is undertaking a campaign to fight this discriminatory practice.

Kushida recalled that similar discriminatory practices existed in most Pacific coast cities before the war but that the Japanese American communities had facilities to provide for the burial of deceased persons. No such facilities are available in Chicago, he declared.

## American Friends Service Group Sends Protests Over Proposed Kawakita Movie

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The Race Relations committee of the American Friends Service Committee circularized all of the organization's regional offices recently with a memorandum advising protests against the production of a picture on Tomoya Kawakita by the RKO studios in Hollywood.

G. James Fleming, secretary of the committee, noted that attention to the proposed film was called by an Oct. 2 column in the Pacific Citizen.

"In addition," Mr. Fleming stated, "we have checked enough to know that there is definite intention to produce this picture"

"You may recall that Tomoya Kawakita, American-born, is accused of mistreating American soldiers in Japanese prison camps; balancing this act, however, is the performance of thousands of Japanese and Japanese Americans in the uniform of the United States Army. It is our opinion, and I hope you can agree, that an RKO play-up of the Kawakita incident is greatly out of proportion to the contributions of other Japanese, and that its probable purpose, that of making money, will be to incite new illwill against Japanese, especially on the west coast and where they are now trying to start new life throughout the nation."

"When you have read the attached story and perhaps made some investigation for yourself, I hope that you will be interested in writing RKO and registering your objections to the planned exploitation of the Kawakita incident. I hope that members of your committee will be interested enough to get other persons in your region to write to RKO."

### Give Party for New Immigrants

SAN FRANCISCO — Japanese Americans gave a party for new nationality groups in San Francisco on Nov. 23 as part of a program to offer an understanding of different immigrant groups in the city.

Sponsored by the International Institute of San Francisco, the Japanese Americans presented songs and dances.

## GI Language Program Trained 6,000 Nisei for Wartime, Occupation Work in Pacific

MONTEREY, Calif.—The Army Language school, which trained more than 6,000 Japanese American soldiers for wartime and occupation service in the Pacific area, will be merged with the Navy Language Training school about July 1, 1949.

The merger, under which an enlarged training center will be set up at the Presidio of Monterey where the Army school now is located, is part of a program of consolidation of services now being carried on by the Defense Department.

The Japanese language will be one of the many foreign languages which will be taught to students at the combined school.

The Japanese language program, initiated by the military intelligence service in 1941 when a picked group of Nisei students were enrolled in a special class at the Presidio of San Francisco, is credited with having helped shorten the war in the Pacific and to have played a major role in supplying language specialists for the occupation of Japan.

Fifty-eight of the 60 original students at the San Francisco Presidio language school were Japanese Americans.

Following the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry in 1942, the school was moved to Camp Savage, Minn. Later it was transferred to Fort Snelling, Minn., where most of the Japanese Americans were trained.

Nisei GIs from MISLS served in every phase of the war in the Pacific. Among the campaigns in which these Japanese Americans participated were Guadalcanal, Buna, New Georgia, Myitkyina, Attu, Munda, Peleliu, Tarawa, Iwo Jima, Leyte and Okinawa.

These Japanese Americans translated from Japanese to English enemy information concerning tactical decisions and dispositions.

"This information greatly assisted our commanders in the field in making decisions, conducting effective maneuvers and avoiding surprise," an Army Language school publication once reported. "Never before in history did one army know so much concerning the enemy prior to actual engagement as did the American army during most of the Pacific campaign."

Japanese American graduates of MISLS translated the entire Japanese battle plans for the naval battle of Pacific and contributed greatly to the intelligence effort which aided in the complete annihilation of Japanese naval forces in the Battle of the Philippines.

Many Nisei GIs from MISLS were "loaned" to the Navy and Marines and went ashore with combat troops on Pacific beachheads. Others were "loaned" to British and Australian forces and were so effective that Lord Louis Mountbatten initiated a request which resulted in the training of

approximately 200 Japanese Canadians for similar work.

Nisei graduates from MISLS served in the India, Burma and China theaters and were assigned to OWI propaganda work. Others served as liaison personnel inside China. Several were with Merrill's Marauders in Burma and others manned advance listening posts on the continent of Asia.

On V-J day Japanese American language specialists participated in surrender ceremonies and later engaged in translating and compiling material which has been used in war trials in Japan and in the Philippines.

Nisei graduates of MISLS also have engaged in counterintelligence work in the Pacific theater, particularly in Japan.

MISLS were among the personnel engaged for the trials of ex-Premier Hideki Tojo and other major Japanese war criminal suspects and also engaged in translating the recent long and massive decision.

In addition other Nisei trainees from MISLS have assisted in the army's Atomic Bomb Survey. In civil affairs they have contributed much "to aid in the huge job of democratizing Japan."

### Provo Council Elects Hirabayashi

PROVO, Utah — James Hirabayashi was elected to the board of directors of the Provo chapter of the Council for Civic Unity which was organized here last week.

The Rev. Edwin F. Irwin of the First Community church was elected president, while Dr. Ariel S. Ballif, chairman of the Brigham Young university sociology department, was named first vice president.

Dr. Ballif was on the staff of the Salt Lake regional office of the War Relocation Authority during the war.

### Convention Pics

All persons who have paid for but not yet received their 10th biennial JAACL convention pictures are asked to write to Ben Terashima, 66 East Fourth South street, Salt Lake City, or to Chiyo Arita, 412-15 Beason bldg., Salt Lake City.

## Photo Portrait: MINE OKUBO



Mine Okubo recently was announced as one of the prize winners in the 12th annual San Francisco art association water color show. Miss Okubo, who is the author of the book, "Citizen 13660," published in 1947 by the University of Columbia Press, is shown here in her New York studio with her painting, "Clown and Horse."—Photo by Toge Fujihira.

## L. A. Supervisor Endorses "B" Buddhists Drive

Army Department's Recognition of Religion Sought

LOS ANGELES—The "B" for Buddhists drive, in which young Buddhist organizations are seeking Army Department recognition of the Buddhist religion, was endorsed here last week by Raymond V. Darby, chairman of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

"It is only natural that anyone of Buddhist faith will want to be known as such," Supervisor Darby, former mayor of Inglewood, declared. "In endorsing your resolution I feel certain that Secretary of Defense James Forrestal will consider your request."

The delegation to see Supervisor Darby was led by the Rev. Daitetsu Hayashima and three Nisei leaders, Dr. Ryo Munekata, Elso Ito and Mrs. Grace Harada.

## Japan-Born Brother Enlists As Nisei GI's Body Returned

SEATTLE — One of fate's strange quirks made a young Seattle Nisei miss the funeral of his war-hero brother on Nov. 20, the Times reported last week.

The body of Robert T. Endo, son of Mrs. Kameko Endo, who was killed in France in action with the 442nd Combat Team, arrived in the United States recently for final burial.

The rites were held on Nov. 19 at the Buddhist church but at that time Robert's kid brother, Watson, 23, was on board a train bound for Fort Ord, Calif., to begin an army career of his own.

Watson Endo, who resided in Salt Lake City with his mother during the war, entered the army as one of 12 King County men who were inducted in the peacetime draft.

Watson and Robert tried to volunteer together when they were in the Minidoka relocation center. The army took Robert who was born in Seattle. But it refused Watson who happened to be born

in Japan when his mother was there on a visit. He had lived in the United States from the time he was 18 months old but he was considered an "enemy alien."

Robert Endo, a private first class in the famous Nisei combat team, fought in Italy and France and won the Bronze Star and a Purple Heart before he was killed by mortar fire in the Vosges mountains on Nov. 2, 1944.

Watson tried to enlist when the war was over and the family could come back to Seattle. Each time he was turned down. Only last week did the Naturalization Service finally say he could volunteer.

When word came that Robert's body was arriving, Watson talked to his mother about asking that his induction be postponed.

Together they decided not to ask for a delay. Watson had quit his job as a delivery man, and he had been waiting to join the army for a long, long time.

Instead, Watson went to Butterworth's chapel on Nov. 18 and paid his last respects to his brother. He was sure that would have been all right with Robert.

## Driver Hurt as Fruit Truck Hits Interurban Train

BERKELEY, Calif. — William Seiji Yamashita, 53, was painfully injured on Nov. 19 when the fruit truck he was driving collided with San Francisco-bound Key system train.

The impact rocked the train and demolished the front of the truck, crumpling the fenders and hood. Traffic was tied up for more than an hour while police cleared the wreckage.

Yamashita suffered concussion and possible internal injuries, in addition to deep facial lacerations.

## Oldest Japanese Minister Dies In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO — The Rev. Zenro Hirota, 81, oldest Japanese Christian minister in the United States, died suddenly on Nov. 18 following a heart attack.

Rushed to a hospital from the Pine Methodist church dormitory where he has been residing, he died within an hour.

The Rev. Hirota came to the United States in 1886 and served as pastor of Methodist churches in San Francisco, Oakland, Fresno and Honolulu.

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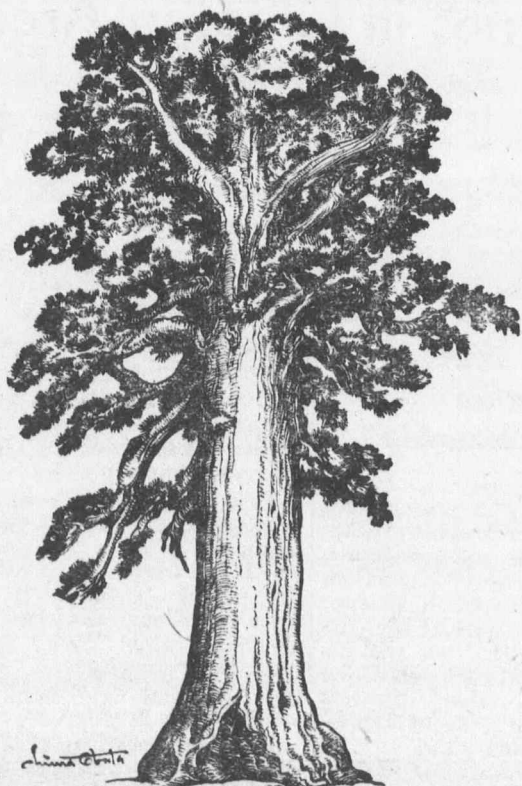
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## New California Group Will Join National JACL

Watsonville Citizens Will Affiliate with National Body

WATSONVILLE, Calif.—Affiliation with the National Japanese American Citizens League was voted unanimously at a meeting of 15 members of the Watsonville Citizens League on Nov. 18.

A new constitution, conforming to that of the National JACL was adopted, and a slate of officers, headed by Isao Fukuba as president, was elected.

Fred Nitta reported on the Blue Cross hospitalization plan and participation was voted by the membership. Under the plan Issei will be able to join the insurance program as associate members of the Watsonville league.

## Alameda JACL Will Aid in Filing Evacuee Claims

ALAMEDA, Calif.—A nomination committee of the Alameda JACL was selected at its general meeting last week at the local Buddhist church.

The committee which will recommend officers for the 1949 term at the December meeting of the chapter will consist of five members with Kay Hattori as chairman. Other members include Nellie Takeda, Haru Yamashita, Bob Mizoguchi and Taizo Imura.

In keeping with the decision made at the national convention in Salt Lake City, the chapter will assist Alameda residents in filing evacuation claims, it was decided. The committee which will be chosen at a later date will be headed by Shiro Nakaso.

Masako Abe was appointed to study group medical and hospital plans for the local organization.

Reports of the recent Northern California-Western Nevada district council meeting at Monterey were given by Chizu Kanda and Mrs. Hattori.

John Towata, president, was in charge of the meeting.

## Dudley Yatabe to Be Soloist with High School Symphony

CHICAGO, Ill.—Dudley Yatabe, talented 17 year old Nisei pianist, will be soloist with the Marshall High School Symphony Orchestra at its concert to be given on Wednesday, Dec. 8th, at the high school auditorium at 8 p.m.

The young artist's selection will be Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 2 in C Minor. The Marshall High School Orchestra is considered to be outstanding in Chicago, having won national recognition under its conductor, Ralph Lewis.

A limited number of tickets are available through Marshall High School students.

## New Bill of Rights Urged At Chicago Intergroup Meet

CHICAGO—"The time is ripe for the writing of a new Bill of Rights for the American people," declared A. Abbot Rosen, former Chief of the Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, in an address delivered before the Second National Conference on Intergroup Relations on Nov. 19. Rosen, who is now director of the Chicago Executive Offices of the Anti-Defamation League, continued to say, "The three parties receiving the bulk of the vote on November 2 pledged themselves to the enactment of civil rights legislation. The opposition to the Civil Rights program has been reduced to its real proportions.

"The President should be urged to submit, early in the next session of Congress, bills already drafted in the Department of Justice and his own executive offices, to implement the Civil Rights proposals contained in his ten-point civil rights message of last February. The President's imprimatur on specific bills might very well prove to be the difference between inaction and passage."

## Washington Letter: Positive Need for Continuing Activities of ADC Noted

By I. H. GORDON

The question has been asked whether there is any actual need for JACL's legislative activities, as exemplified by ADC, that it will, with the bill for equality in naturalization and immigration.

Answers have been numerous, varying from flat negative or positive assertions to those qualified by the soft, disarming phrase: "Let's wait and see."

Actually, there is a more definite and clear cut need for an answer to the question at this time than many may realize, for, consciously or subconsciously, whatever is planned for the future affects, in some degree, the thinking of those active in JACL. If the future is fuzzy, this, of necessity, creates a certain degree of fuzziness in dealing with problems which extend beyond tomorrow into the unforeseen and unpredictable years ahead.

As far as this writer is able to view the problem, there can be only one answer to the question of a need for JACL and ADC in the future. There is a positive need for the organization.

How active the legislative functions of JACL should be once the major objectives are achieved is another matter. But let us not, as too many are inclined at the moment to do, hide our heads in ostrich-like stupidity and mumble: "What's all the excitement about? I can't see anything."

Or, put in another way, simply ignoring a problem, or the possibilities inherent in the situation of a minority group within the United States is by no means providing a solution to either what exists or may exist.

Prejudice and intolerance are peculiar twins that breed rapidly in troubled times, as well as in ignorance.

Only once before, in the history of this country, have persons of Japanese ancestry or Japanese themselves been so well received. That period was when Japanese first arrived in Hawaii and the west coast as laborers. They were treated as fine workers who accepted gratefully whatever pitifully small salary they were given, and worked long hours without question.

The acceptance then, of course, was an economic welcome. It was not, as now, a general welcome from people of all classes within this country.

As those laborers began to ask more adequate pay for their work; as they conquered sub-marginal land and turned barren acres into fruitful farms, they suddenly found themselves objects of fear, discrimination and prejudice.

It took the Second World War and the deaths of some mighty fine young men before the myths of hatred were exploited and destroyed. Today, Americans of Japanese ancestry occupy a position which is distinctly good in the United States.

True, there are still discrim-

Washington, D. C.

inatory statutes on the books. True, there still exists some prejudice.

But, on the whole, the situation is excellent. Jobs are plentiful. Nisei and Issei are welcomed in shops, offices and factories where once they were banned.

Younger Nisei, it must be admitted, emerged from the critical days of evacuation without the damaging effect that it would have been natural for War Relocation camps to produce.

Now they are accepted by most educational institutions throughout the country; they have discovered that their place in America is seemingly secure forever more.

"What nonsense," more than one young Nisei has proclaimed, "that we should keep alive JACL and ADC after the big jobs are accomplished."

What such persons are actually saying, though, is entirely another matter.

Interpreted in terms of self, their words mean only: "If I pretend I'm really not interested in the problems of my group; if I pretend no problems now exist or will exist, perhaps everyone will forget my Japanese ancestry and accept me only for what I am. A good citizen in this land. Why create an attitude that constantly says: 'Look, I'm of Japanese ancestry, and I've got a problem.'"

It would be magnificent if such an attitude could be translated so simply into reality.

In event of another depression, it may become a matter of significant concern to secure a job—any job. And it would be peculiar, indeed, if racial and religious problems didn't rear up in a period of economic crisis.

The future holds promise of everything—good and bad.

We cannot kid ourselves. Tomorrow's sunrise may be fair, tomorrow's sunset a period of storm.

There is only one adequate defense against the storms which can and do beset minority groups from time to time—their ability to function as a group, to fight one's own cause, to enlist the aid of one's friends.

This cannot succeed without organization.

In terms of national defense, this nation may never again need its armed forces, yet must, as long as the possibility of war exists, maintain an organization of some degree of strength capable of protecting us against aggression.

Japanese Americans may never again, once the main objectives of the present are accomplished, need to use the strength of JACL and ADC, but they must always maintain an organization capable of acting whenever necessary.

Once the rain begins to fall, it is too late to begin repairing the roof.

JACL may, in time, become only a social group, but a lesson has been learned in the hardest of all possible fashions. It would be utterly folly to completely destroy every weapon because one battle has been won.

## Mariko Mukai Will Go to Japan to Join GI Husband

SEATTLE — Mariko Mukai, Nisei concert singer, will leave Seattle in December to join her husband, Lieut. Tomomi Ando of the U.S. Army.

Miss Mukai made her debut in New York City at Town Hall in 1947 and gave her first concert in Seattle recently.

She has made concert appearances in many parts of the country and expects to sing before audiences in Japan.

She and Lieut. Ando were married in Sept., 1947. He is a native of Texas.

## Associated Press Says Judd Bill's Prospects Bright in Coming Session of Congress

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Prospects appear bright for removal by the next Congress of racial discrimination in laws on admitting aliens to United States citizenship, the Associated Press reported on Nov. 23.

Under present laws, aliens of several Asiatic-Pacific races, principally Japanese, are barred from becoming United States citizens.

Elimination of the racial discrimination as a part of a general simplification of the immigration and naturalization laws has bipartisan support in Congress, and is a part of the civil rights program of President Truman, the A.P. noted.

Legislation to remove racial bans and to set immigration quotas for Japanese, Siamese, Indonesians and Polynesians will be placed before the 81st Congress by Rep. Walter Judd, R., Minn., and possibly by Rep. George Miller, D., Calif.

The Associated Press said the problem was given a thorough study this year by the House Judiciary subcommittee handling immigration matters and added that the subcommittee unanimously favored the principles embodied in Rep. Judd's bill, but its action came too late to obtain further action in the 80th Congress.

The Judd bill, in the main, would do two things:

"1. It would permit the 85,000 to 92,000 so-called 'ineligible aliens' already in the country to apply for United States citizenship if they meet the usual literacy and financial qualifications.

"2. It would set up quotas of 100 immigrants a year for each of the independent recognized countries in an Asia-Pacific geographical triangle embracing the lands of origin of all the present 'ineligible aliens.' The entire triangle area would have another overall quota of 100 a year for persons of mixed racial extraction who cannot trace 50 per cent or more of their ancestry to a single country or nationality."

The A.P. report noted that in the 1940 census there were almost 90,000 persons in the country who were legally admitted to the United States for permanent residence prior to 1924 but are racially ineligible under present laws to become naturalized citizens. About 85,000 of them are of Japanese origin.

While these aliens may not under the present law, become citizens, their children born in this country are citizens of the United States. Judd's bill would remove the racial barrier to naturalization of the older aliens.

"To me this is a matter of simple justice," Judd told the House immigration subcommittee last April.

(The House subcommittee hearings last April were arranged by the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee which has been leading the campaign for passage of the equality in naturalization bill.)

"These people are here," Judd said. "They are legally here. They are entitled to stay here the rest of their lives. Their average age

is above 50. From the standpoint of our own body politic it would be better to have them fully incorporated as citizens than as alien residents. They pay taxes; they are good law-abiding members of their communities. They have proved through their conduct during the war, and especially through the conduct of their children who served with heroism, distinction and valor in our armed forces, that they are loyal to the United States and fully worthy of American citizenship."

Judd also attached major importance to the psychological effect of removing racial bans on citizenship for peoples teetering between the democratic and totalitarian systems of government.

"I do not believe anybody can overestimate the beneficial effects in Japan, where a fierce struggle is going on for the hearts and minds of the Japanese people, from an action by the United States which will demonstrate that it believes in what it professes by bringing its actions into harmony with its words."

Congress repealed the Chinese Exclusion Act in 1943, and in 1946 made residents of the Philippine Islands eligible for citizenship and immigration. Enactment of the Judd bill, the Associated Press added, would be the final step in removing racial barriers to citizenship.

Judd and State Department officials estimate that the bill would permit no more than 1,000 additional aliens to enter the country annually, with only an outside chance that all the quotas would be filled.

Current immigration quotas totaling about 153,000 a year would be reduced about one-half of one per cent to simplify immigration administrative procedures and at the same time to offset the new quotas to be established for the new Asiatic-Pacific peoples.

The Judd bill has the support of the State and Justice departments. No opposition appeared at the congressional hearing this year, the A.P. said.

## Yasutake Heads Chicago Resettlers

CHICAGO—The appointment of Jack K. Yasutake as executive director of the Chicago Resettlers Committee was announced here recently.

## Initiate Organizational Drive At Mountain Plains Meeting

Delegates from 20 Communities Attend Denver Conference

DENVER, Colo.—A full-fledged organizational drive for the Japanese American Citizens League was initiated at the first meeting of the Mountain Plains JACL district council on Nov. 20 and 21 in Denver.

Delegates from 20 communities in Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Texas and New Mexico, many of which already have JACL committees, attended the meeting and indicated that an effort will be made in coming months to qualify as chapters in the Mountain Plains district council.

The Denver and Fort Lupton, Colo., chapters were represented. A representative from the Omaha, Neb., chapter was unable to arrive in time for the meeting because of the severe snowstorm which last week brought transportation across Nebraska and eastern Colorado to a standstill.

Among the JACL committees represented at the meeting were: Rock Springs and Worland, Wyo.; Scottsbluff, Neb.; Albuquerque,

N.M. and Southern New Mexico-West Texas; and Brighton, Greeley, La Jara-Alamosa, and Sedgwick, Colo.

The delegates heard a report from Hito Okada, national president of the JACL, and Masao W. Satow, national executive director, on the JACL organization.

Mike M. Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, reported on the prospects of favorable legislation in Washington.

The opening session at the Tri-State Buddhist church in Denver was chaired by Bessie Matsuda of the Denver JACL. Following a luncheon, served by the Denver Nisei Mothers Club, a JACL clinic was held with Roy Inouye of La Jara as chairman.

A conference dinner was held at the D-X cafe with Mitsu Sugano as chairman and Sam Okamoto as toastmaster. Among the guests were ex-governor Ralph L. Carr and Mrs. Carr, Congressman John A. Carroll of Denver and Mrs. Carroll, F. Perkins of the State Tax Commission who represented Gov. W. Lee Knous and Fred Mazzulla.

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## EDITORIALS:

### Segregation to the Grave

The Masuda incident is closed.

The body of Sgt. Kazuo Masuda, winner of the Distinguished Service Cross, will be buried in Westminster memorial park, the cemetery which last week declared that "restrictive covenants" prevented the burial of the Nisei war hero in one of its "desirable" plots.

The cemetery has acceded to the Masuda family's request for a plot and to the pressure of opinion, which decried the indignity shown this American who died while a member of the U. S. Army.

What precedent has been set by this case we do not know. It is to be hoped that the Westminster memorial park cemetery will in the future guarantee like treatment to any Japanese American soldier and also to any Japanese American.

The Masuda incident, in itself, is closed.

The case, however, has served to highlight a situation that has existed for many years.

It remains a fact that in hundreds of cemeteries throughout the country, the same "restrictive covenants" which denied Sgt. Masuda a final burial plot are operating to keep other Japanese American war heroes from burial in cemetery grounds. The Westminster park was not alone in its use of covenants.

Reports from other cities this week indicated that it is almost "impossible" in many areas to bury Japanese Americans in any private cemetery. Many California cities, it is known, are distinguished by their separate "Japanese sections" adjoining regular cemetery sites. Sgt. Masuda was only one Nisei war hero to be denied burial, and it appears that our racist habits would try to separate Americans in death, even as in life.

This restriction has, in most cases, been passively accepted by those persons of Japanese ancestry who desired plots for members of their families. The condition is a shocking reflection upon discrimination and the acceptance of its dictates.

### Living War Memorials

Movements are underway at the present time in many California communities to raise funds for memorials to Nisei war heroes of World War II.

This commendable cause deserves the wide support it is getting. Many California communities have already subscribed large sums of money for the project. It is a project which has the interest of every Nisei and every Japanese American family.

It is hoped, however, that in the creation of the memorials, that those in charge of the projects—and indeed, the thousands of persons who have made financial contributions—will consider the possibility of erecting living memorials for the dead.

A stone shaft—a sculptured monument—these expensive monuments to the dead tend, in time, to become forgotten monuments.

But living memorials—in the form of playgrounds, recreational facilities, libraries, scholarships — these are memorials which not only perpetuate the memory of the dead but contribute to the welfare of the living.

The Nisei soldier as a fighter was cast in an heroic mold. His conception of duty was sharpened by his sense of responsibility. It was a sense of responsibility not only to the nation but also to the Japanese American minority. The Nisei soldier fought to increase the pride and honor of the Nisei and Issei. Because the Japanese Americans were a group that knew discrimination, the Nisei soldier fought doubly hard.

It is our belief that these soldiers would be the first to ask for living memorials that would continue the work for which they died—the erasure of discrimination, the welfare of the communities from which they came, the education of the people in the ways of democracy.

### RKO and the Kawakita Film

Americans of Japanese ancestry have reason to be wary of Hollywood characterizations of Nisei. During World War II Hollywood produced a number of films, of which "Air Force" and "Little Tokyo, USA" are two examples, which spread the vicious myth of Nisei disloyalty.

Recently the *Pacific Citizen* learned that RKO had tested a Chinese American actor for a role said to be that of Tomoya Kawakita, recently convicted and sentenced to death for treasonable brutality in a Japanese prison camp. As a direct result of the PC article, protests have flooded RKO against the portrayal of a Nisei traitor.

The protests have played an important part in demonstrating to RKO and the Johnson office that there are many Americans who care about the screen's portrayal of Nisei. It is undoubtedly the result of the protests that the studio is stressing the fact that "it is not unkind of the traditional respect and fair treatment" due to all Americans.

# Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

## Notes on the Forty-Ninth State

The reelection of President Truman has enhanced the possibility that Hawaii will win its fight for statehood at the next session of Congress.

The Truman sweep at the polls carried with it Democratic majorities in the House and Senate. The Democrats at their Philadelphia convention adopted an "immediate statehood" plank, which the Republicans did not have in their platform. This plank was pushed through by the strenuous efforts of Chuck Mau who invoked the memory of the 442nd Combat Team and won the support of the Texas delegation, although Southern conservatives generally were opposed to the resolution.

Statehood for Hawaii and Alaska also is advocated as one of the points of President Truman's civil rights program. Together with the equality in naturalization proposal, it constitutes the least controversial portion of the Truman civil rights proposal.

Perhaps the major reason for optimism regarding Hawaii's statehood bid is the fact that the Democratic victory in the Senate means that Sen. Hugh Butler, the Tory Republican from Nebraska, will lose his chairmanship of the Senate Public Lands committee. It was Sen. Butler, more than any other individual, who blocked Senate action on Hawaiian statehood in the 80th Congress after the Farrington bill had been passed by the House.

Sen. Butler was visiting in Hawaii, on the most recent of the Congressional junkets occasioned by the statehood question, at the time of the Nov. 2 elections. In fact, he was able to do a little subtle electioneering, hinting that a Republican victory in Hawaii would be a favorable factor in the discussion on the statehood question in the next Congress. Hawaii did go Republican, as far as its territorial legislature is concerned, and awoke on Wednesday morning to find it had joined the wrong team.

In a Democratic Senate, Sen. Butler, a notorious opponent of progress and change, steps down to the post of ranking minority member of the Senate Public Lands Committee and the chairmanship shifts to Sen. Joseph O'Mahoney, a good friend of Hawaiian statehood.

Despite the fact that Hawaii voted overwhelmingly for the reelection of Delegate Joseph R. Farrington, a Republican, the return of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin publisher will be generally welcomed on both sides of the aisle in Congress and should not hamper Hawaii's fortunes despite the Democratic complexion of the House. Joe Farrington has a liberal record, particularly on race relations, and it was indicated that he had considerable Democratic support at the last election.

In fact, Farrington received the Hawaiian CIO-PAC endorsement back in 1946 and this has led indirectly to the present schism in the Democratic party in Hawaii. Governor Ingram Stainback opposed the CIO endorsement of Farrington in opposition to the Democratic candidate as a threat to his own political fortunes in Hawaii. As a result Gov. Stainback has waged a running battle with the CIO and mainly with the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, whose 30,000 members make it Hawaii's biggest trade union. The major weapon in Gov. Stainback's arsenal has been the Communist issue which he has raised at every opportunity. It is apparent that he has used this issue to embarrass progressive trade union leaders and liberal Democratic party members who are not Communists.

Shortly after the elections the Democratic party's leadership in Honolulu sent President Truman a message asking him to oust Gov. Stainback and to appoint Mayor John Wilson of Honolulu in his place. This open break indicates that the Democratic party in Hawaii has decided to repudiate Gov. Stainback's administration and has asked for a showdown. News reports indicate that this move has the support of the Democrats who were reelected in the last election, including such men as Rep.

Mitsuyuki Kido and Supervisor Richard Kageyama.

In his vendetta with the CIO and with the progressive elements in the Hawaii Democratic party Stainback has been aided by Ichiro Izuka, a former member of the Communist party of Hawaii. Izuka is the author of a pamphlet which was reprinted in the Congressional Record by opponents of Hawaiian statehood and which purports to tell the names of activities of Hawaiian Communists. Izuka's pamphlet, which was ghost-written by Edward Berman, a political associate of Gov. Stainback, has been used by industrial interests in Hawaii in a holy war against Communism as well as in an intra-union struggle in which an unsuccessful effort was made to change the leadership of the ILWU.

According to Izuka, many members of the Communist party in Hawaii have been Japanese Americans, including several who are prominent in union leadership. The false impression created by Izuka, that there are a disproportionate number of Japanese Americans in Hawaii, has been seized on by the few vocal opponents of Hawaiian statehood in a subtle campaign to discredit both statehood and the Japanese American group. Previously, opponents of statehood like Alice Kamokila Campbell had used the "Japanese issue" as the main reason for delaying statehood. This race issue, however, was exploded by the star-spangled loyalty of Hawaii's Japanese Americans in World War II. Now the Communist issue, as Sen. Butler sees it, is the major question affecting Hawaiian statehood.

Actually the Communist issue appears to be a smokescreen raised both by opponents of statehood and opponents of the present leadership of the CIO-ILWU. It was highlighted last summer during special hearings which were held following the suspension of Dr. John Reinecke and his Nisei wife, Aiko Reinecke, from the school system for alleged Communist beliefs. The suspension was recently upheld by the territorial school board and it was indicated that the Reineckes might take their case to the courts. One indirect result of the Reinecke hearings, at which Ichiro Izuka testified, was that Charles K. Fujimoto, research chemist at the University of Hawaii whose name was brought up at the hearings, announced that he was resigning from the school to take over full time work as secretary of the Communist party in Hawaii. Fujimoto's action, reported widely in the mainland press and commented on by the right-wing labor columnist, Victor Reisel, has added further fuel to the whispers that the Communist question and the "Japanese issue" in Hawaii are related.

Gov. Stainback charged in a speech last summer before the Young Buddhists convention in Hawaii that a considerable percentage of the members of the Communist party in Hawaii were of Japanese ancestry. He amended his statement by noting that the percentage was not larger by ratio than that of Hawaii's other racial groups.

It was probably this sort of tactic, in which Gov. Stainback has engaged, which has resulted in the request for his ouster. Although he has given lip-service to statehood, his raising of the Communist issue has helped the opponents of statehood. In addition, Hawaii Democrats charge that he did not participate in the election campaign. Gov. Stainback, opposed by the CIO, is supported by the Honolulu AFL and by a section of the territory's Democratic leadership.

Gov. Stainback's action in singling out the Japanese Americans as part of the Communist movement in Hawaii in a public speech is the sort of subtle racism which has characterized the present opposition to statehood.

The whole issue appears to be overstressed and the activities of a few personalities overemphasized. The report of the Senate committee which visited Hawaii early in November probably will show the Communist issue in its proper perspective. Although Sen. Butler did not publicly advocate

## MINORITY WEEK

### Yale Vs. Harvard

Yale university on Nov. 22 announced election of a Negro, Levi Jackson, as captain of its football team, the first Negro to be named to that position. Not to be outdone, Harvard on Tuesday announced the selection of its first Negro football manager, Frank Jones.

For our records, at least, that makes them even.

### Brides

Cathay Post 385 of San Francisco, American Legion, has gone on record supporting extension of the GI bride act past its present expiration date, Dec. 27.

Cathay Post has asked that alien wives and children of Chinese American servicemen be allowed to continue to come into this country as non-quota immigrants without undergoing the redtape required of other immigrants.

The legion post also pointed out that hundreds of wives and children of these veterans have been prevented from coming over from China during the past two months, due to the west coast shipping strike, and that the delay may mean they will be unable to join their husbands and fathers before the scheduled expiration date.

### Quick Quote

"Probably Mr. Justice Jackson was right. It looks as though I may be an old woman before I become a lawyer." — Ada Lois Sipuel, Negro law student who is seeking admission to the University of Oklahoma school of law.

### And Another

"They can do what they want, but I'm certainly not going to be the first one to break the custom. When it comes to mixing the races, I'm not for it." — Mayor Alfred Callaghan of San Antonio, referring to an effort by Negro golfers to use municipal golf courses at times other than on "special Negro days."

### To the Editor:

## LETTER-BOX

### Masuda Incident

Editor,  
Pacific Citizen:

This seems to be the season for "red faces," but it appears to me that the "Incident of Kazuo Masuda," requires more than a "red face."

I am not familiar with California "restrictions and regulations" but as I recall there are LOUD sounding PRAISES of their State, even claiming to be a part of our GREAT UNITED STATES.

As an American Citizen of many generations, I desire to offer sympathy to the parents and members of the family, in the loss of a fine son, and, in HUMILITY to submit an apology in the restrictions imposed upon you.

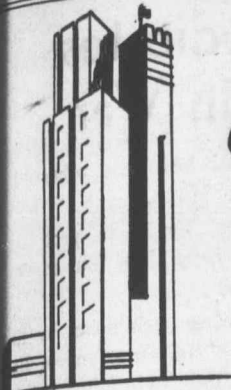
Kazuo Masuda made sacred the soil of CALIFORNIA and ALL the UNITED STATES when his blood drenched the soil of Italy, in his HEROIC defense of MY COUNTRY. Herewith I acknowledge my obligation for his service.

Please know there are other States in this Country, and many persons who appreciate the sacrifice made by your son, and regret the unwarranted treatment you have suffered.

Very sincerely,  
Mrs. J. G. Falck,  
Ogden, Utah.

statehood after his Hawaiian visit, he did indicate that "the facts are all favorable to statehood." Sen. Butler seemed surprised to find that there were persons of all races in both the Democratic and Republican parties in Hawaii.

The announcement by Charles K. Fujimoto indicates that there is at least one avowed Communist in Hawaii but the Communist party as a group probably exercises as little influence in the affairs of the territory as do similar Communist groups in the 48 states. The charge that there is a Communist movement among Japanese Americans in Hawaii is too absurd to require refutation.



# A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

## Life in the Crescent City

The sharpies along 42nd Street and the curbstome counselors congregating around Times Square can well take a few lessons from their creole cousins down in New Orleans.

Now that the season at the Fair Grounds has started, with the Sugar Bowl festivities just a few weeks away, and the Mardi Gras just around the bend in 1949, the local anything-for-a-buck boys are setting their sights on the incoming tourist crowd.

These hawk-eyed, quick-shifting lads lounge around bus stations and railroad terminals just waiting to shear innocent lambs of their bankroll.

They work in teams and divide the "take" after each transaction. First, there is the steerer. His job is to strike up an acquaintance with a well-heeled prospect and guide him into a nearby bar.

Then the floorman swings into action. He buys the client a drink and then suggests a "friendly" game in the back with the "boys." The floorman requests the stranger not to gamble and merely watch his play. The other partners around the green table see to it that the floorman wins more than his share and the innocent bystander begins to get interested.

Several minutes later the floorman gets a "phone call" and he asks the visitor to play his hand and use the chips at his discretion. The dealer sees to it that the sucker gets excellent cards; then the betting starts to get big. The supply of the floorman's chips is soon exhausted and naturally the victim begins to bet a little of his own money. Whatever is bet, another "player" raises the wager until the bystander now has tossed in his whole bankroll. Usually, the sucker is leveled three aces in a stud poker game. When the cards are all flipped over, it develops that some other player turns over a low straight or a dinky flush.

Sometimes the boys let the victim win a few hands then work up to the knock-out hand. One or two chumps a day is enough to keep the lads in oysters and beer for the week.

## The Free Zoo Racket

Just to make sure that none of the tourists slip out of their grasp, the boys have fixed a method whereby to snag the visitors who travel by auto.

Usually at a point from ten to thirty miles away, on the main highway, the syndicate plasters huge signs and placards advertising "Free Exhibit."

A hundred signs or more meet the motorist's eye as he speeds on the highway. Exeverywhere they capitalize the word "FREE" and emphasize the fact that there is no charge. Then there are promises of gigantic displays of snakes, turtles, lions, monkeys, lizards, tigers and almost every sort of ferocious animal.

So the motorist stops for a look-see. He will find a high barricade structure and, within, a few scrawny samples of jungle life.

Then a horde of "guides" get busy working on the prospects. They inform one and all that there is a "game room" in the rear where drinks and food are served and also games of chance. The visitor usually tiptoes into the back room and before the visit is over he is dettly separated from a large wad of folding money.

So that the women folks will have something to do while the game is going on, there is usually a long battery of slot-machines on the side of the room to pick up the loose change of the tourist.

## On the Other Extreme

The other day I had occasion to drop in at a cafe near Tulane University, right by Audubon Park. It's one of those family-operated establishments where the father does the cooking, the wife supervises the serving, and the daughter is the cashier.

You order what you wish and no tally or record is made of any order. The customer is on his "honor" to report what he ate and when pay as he leaves the restaurant.

Catering as he does to a large college clientele, the boss told me that the honor system was working out okay and that he suffers very little loss from gypsters.

The cashier is quite a psychologist. She watches your eyes as you recite the items you ordered and she can tell if you are telling the truth.

"Real gentlemen can be trusted," is the proprietor's motto and upon that assumption he has built a wonderful following.

Please do not let the first two stories in this column frighten you. They are only applicable to those gullible enough to fall for such time-worn stunts and tricks. Anyone who has lived within the precincts of Manhattan can spot phoney a mile away. I just like to report on their technique to save you all the trouble.

In contrast to the fast pace of Manhattan, the tempo is much slower down here. People have time to exchange greetings and pleasantries, quite unlike the indifference of New Yorkers.

Also, I observed that you can see more smiles on people's faces on one block on Canal Street than along one mile of Fifth Avenue.

## Miscellaneous New Orleans Notes

During the past week I had occasion to visit two Nisei who are farming in the suburbs. They have had more than their share of difficult times due to the changing weather and the great difference in climatic conditions. One is experimenting with celery and hopes to grow a large crop next year. The other oldster is working with Japanese "sato-imo" and is harvesting his second crop. Both men have long range plans in mind and believe that there is a farming future for Nisei in this state.

Two Japanese families are starting in the nursery business and raising small vegetable plants and fruit trees. This particular field has been little developed in this city.

Two talented Nisei musicians, both formerly from the Bay region in California, are playing with the New Orleans Symphony Orchestra. Here for the 20-week season are Tom Tsuji, the tympanist, and Masao Yoshida, the violinist. Both men have won the admiration and appreciation of the music-loving populace of this city.

During the week in Covington, which is about fifty miles from New Orleans, Tomiko Kanazawa, the brilliant lyric soprano gave a recital there. Tomiko has appeared several times with the New Orleans Opera group in leading roles.

I also have a note that three Japanese American families in Mobile, Alabama, are engaged in the camellia and azalea business. They operate some of the largest nurseries in the country in their particular field and have won national honors with the flowers. Some day I hope to be able to make the trip there and write a story about the Issei camellia king.

# Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

## The Day After Thanksgiving

Denver, Colo. One of the minor tragedies of Thanksgiving is the speed with which King Turkey falls from favor. The day before the last Thursday of November, the turkey is a noble bird indeed, broad across the breast and heavy of drum stick. On the great day he is turned a glorious brown in the oven's heat, and when at last he makes his grand entry atop a platter, he is truly a kingly sight.

Before the carver's skill, great thick slices of unblemished white meat slide off the knife and the cavernous interior yields a mine of stuffing. Truly a foul designed for the banquet table.

The second day's meals of cold turkey slices garnished with other leftovers from the Thanksgiving dinner still retain a bit of the holiday glamour. But by the third day, things are different.

Somehow the succulent white meat has turned dry and mealy. It lacks the flavor and character of the more commonplace chicken. It has none of the richness of pheasant, or the dark and oily goodness of duck. It is just white meat.

By the end of the third day, the skeleton of the once mighty bird lies starkly on the platter, looking for all the world like the remains of a derelict ship cast ashore to weather and crumble. The last of the meat scraps and stuffing have gone into the inevitable hash, and even the bones—if the housewife is frugal—will be ripped apart and consigned to the soup pot. There they will simmer with carrots and onions, and perhaps even potatoes, filling the kitchen with a faintly nostalgic turkey smell.

By then you've had your craw full of turkey and you'd be happy not to see one for another year. That, somehow, seems to be an ignoble and undeserved fate. The turk deserves better.

## Nisei Have Two Culinary Cultures

Like the turkey, which is too much of a good thing, any food can pall if you get an excess of it. Variety is the spice of eating as well as of life.

The Nisei, children of two culinary cultures,

are usually fortunate on this score. They can alternate rice and potatoes, fish and meat, suki-yaki and goulash. Take hamburger, or as the butcher insists on calling it, ground beef. We eat a good deal of it, these days, mainly because the budget won't balance without it.

One night we have boiled spuds and hamburger patties. A couple of nights later we might have rice plus ground beef scatter-fried with sliced onions. Try it some time. The secret is to drop small bits of hamburger into a hot skillet a little at a time, shoving the meat around vigorously with a fork all the while so it will scatter instead of lumping up.

Flavor with the usual amount of salt, add a little soy sauce if you like. It's nothing fancy, but it beats eating hamburger patties two nights running.

## Fish Popularized by Evacuees

Getting back to fish, the influx of large numbers of Japanese Americans into the intermountain country proved to be a boon to fish-lovers and Catholics. With the evacuees came fish markets, and these markets brought many varieties of fresh ocean fish into this country for the first time.

Many inlanders had been brought up to believe fish was tasteless. By the time it reached these parts it had lost all its ocean tang and was little better than cat food. Perhaps that accounts for the predominance of creamed fish recipes in which the obvious lack of flavor is disguised by quantities of paste-like cream sauce.

No matter how provincial a people, there seems to be an inherent desire for products of the sea. In our travels among inland cities we have yet to come to a town of any size in which the leading restaurant did not advertise sea food as its specialty. Obviously sea food in Kansas is hardly the same as that served in Seattle or San Francisco, either in freshness or preparation. But it's a novelty and it gets good prices.

Now, if some enterprising Nisei would arrange to fly in fresh-caught sea foods and serve them a la San Francisco . . .

## A Short Story:

# THE FIVE-DOLLAR BILL

## The Look the Old Man Gave Him Made Up His Mind

By DEN MOREY

It was three days since Masato Uyeda has been thrown out of his hotel room; two days since he had had his last meal. And tomorrow was Thanksgiving Day. He sat on the bench beneath the park's only evergreen tree, where he had sought shelter from the mistlike rain that was blowing in from the lake. It had not helped; the whirling mist-rain had already seeped through his outer garments and was now chilling his undernourished body.

Around him whirled gay and carefree people, no doubt enthusiastic over the coming Thanksgiving Day week-end. Many carried large shopping bags, stuffed with holiday goodies. Others joked and laughed unconcerned for the drizzle. None, however, paid much attention to Masato Uyeda. To them, he was just another dull, hopeless soul among the city's many such dull and hopeless souls.

However, it isn't fair to Masato and men like him to label them dull and hopeless just to dismiss them. For Masato's only crime was being too old. He was 81. Three weeks ago he had been fired from his last job, pot washing. Since then he had not been able to locate another job, although he was on a constant search.

Masato—friendless, homeless, and penniless—saw no reason to live any longer.

He was so busy contemplating the most effective way to do away with his miserable life that he did not see the young man come until he stood before him.

"Hello," the young man said, and then with awkward Japanese, he added, "Bad weather, is it not? What has happened to you? Have you no place to stay?"

The young man was obviously a Nisei. And perhaps, on the more common ground one could have easily mistaken him for the old man's son. He wore a thin coat, tightly buttoned at the collar. Under his arm he carried a paper-wrapped package. From out of it protruded turkey legs.

"Have you no place to stay?" the young man repeated.

Tears quickly formed in his tired old eyes. Masato shook his hatless head.

"I am terribly sorry," the young man said. Then he sat beside Masato, unconcerned for the wet bench or the curious onlookers. His long arm somehow found its way around the old man's shoulders in a protective gesture.

The young man's action stirred Masato deeply. It brought about his breakdown. In a short time he sobbed out his story—a typical

Issei story. It was a story of hopeful dreams and some accomplishments. But it was also a story of prejudices, hardships, and failures.

When Masato finished his story the young man blew his nose. Then he tore a piece of paper from the package beside him and wrote: John Sadashi Uyeno, 1493 Cherry Street, Apartment one. He handed the paper to Masato.

"My name and address," he explained. "Tomorrow you come over to this address and I shall try to have a job lined up for you. Even if not, I am sure I will be able to find one by Monday. Anyway, be sure to come over tomorrow for a Thanksgiving Day dinner. Do not forget."

With those words, John Sadashi Uyeno gathered up his package, stood up, and readied himself to depart. However, when his empty hand subconsciously dropped into his pocket, it stalled his legs. His hand fumbled with some coins; then the single bill; then again, the coins. They were the part of change he received from the twenty-dollar bill he gave to the butcher at the open-door market when he bought the turkey, because he had heard that things were much cheaper at the open-door market. Besides, Christmas was only a month away, and he needed the money.

It was the look that the old man gave him—that of unquestioning devotion to him—that quickly brought about his decision. His hand fished out the bill, a five-dollar bill.

"Here," he said, extending it out.

The old man hesitated. "No, I can not take it."

"It is all right." He dropped the bill on Masato's lap. "Besides, you cannot sleep here in the park. There is a nice hotel across the street. You ought to go there for the night."

Before the old man could answer him, John Sadashi Uyeno disappeared into the milling crowd.

Masato Uyeda could no longer cry. Life was becoming brighter.

## Bookshelf

"American Me," by Beatrice Griffith. Houghton Mifflin, \$3.50.

For a good look at the impact of race prejudice upon another minority group, read "American Me," a Houghton Mifflin Fellowship award book.

"American Me" tells the story of Mexican Americans who have faced the same kind of social ostracism, rejection and discrimination known by other American minority groups. Some of this discrimination spilled over into the much-headlined "zoot suit riots" of a few years ago, a condition that was abetted by an irresponsible press. The facts in "American Me," and the many real personal histories in it, will give the reader new insight into the whole problem of race.

Things now moved not only around him but within him. His eyes suddenly found the flashes forming the hotel's neon light across the street. "Palace Hotel," it blinked, invitingly. Masato Uyeda collected himself from the bench and headed for it.

Sunday dawned cold and crisp over the city. However, within the Uyeno's modest apartment-home, it was warm and comfortable. The morning paper had come, and the Uyeno's three children were enjoying the funnies. John Uyeno was reading the sports section; his wife, Kiyoko, closely studied the local news.

"John," Kiyoko suddenly called out, "what was the name of the Issei you invited for the Thanksgiving Day dinner—you know, the one who didn't come?"

"Huh—oh, Masato—uh—Masato—"

"Masato Uyeda?"

"Yeah, Masato Uyeda, that was it. Why?"

"Well, he hanged himself in jail."

"Hanged himself? Why the dumb man—first failing to come for the dinner, then this. And after all the trouble I went through to get him a job. Some guys don't appreciate anything. Why, I even gave him—oh, I didn't tell you this before, but I even gave him a five-dollar bill."

"A five-dollar bill?"

"Yeah, a five-dollar bill. Why? What's the matter, Kiyoko? What's the matter?"

Silently Kiyoko handed him the newspaper she was reading. Under the small head, "Jap Alien Kills Self" the two line news report read thus:

Masato Uyeda, an elderly Japanese alien, committed suicide by hanging in the city jail yesterday. He was arrested by the police at the Palace Hotel Wednesday on the night clerk's complaint that he passed a counterfeit five-dollar bill when he rented the room.

# Vagaries

## Battleground . . .

Dore Schary's MGM production, "Battleground," is the development of an idea by Henry Anatole Grunwald, one of the associate editors of Time Magazine. Mr. Grunwald received \$5,000 for his idea for the film which includes the character of a Nisei GI . . . Although it was believed at the time "Battleground" was first announced by Schary last Spring that the public would not be interested in a war film, Hollywood observers see a revived interest in such films, probably as a result of the international situation.

## Sono Osato . . .

"The Kissing Bandit," the film in which Sono Osato makes her cinematic debut, was finally released last week in New York after being on the shelf for a year. It will probably be screened around the country about Christmas time. Actually "The Kissing Bandit" was ready for release a year ago but MGM demurred. The reason was obvious last week when all of the New York film critics were cool toward the Technicolor production which stars Frank Sinatra and Kathryn Grayson. Sono Osato, playing the role of Bianca, a dancer, in a story which is laid in Spanish California, is applauded for her one dance number but critics generally agreed she did not have an opportunity to show the talents which won her Broadway stardom in "On the Town" and "One Touch of Venus." Many of Miss Osato's best scenes probably wound up on the cutting room floor.

## Political . . .

During the past election Franklin Chino, one of the leading Nisei GOPers, went as high as Herbert

# Washington ADC Answers Questions on Claims Forms

This is another in a series of questions and answers on the evacuation claims law prepared by Edward J. Ennis, JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee special counsel, and released by the Washington Office of the JACL ADC as a public service. This series is based on actual questions asked of this office.

Any reader who has general questions relating to the law itself or to procedural matters is invited to address a letter with a stamped, self-addressed return envelope to the Washington Office, JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, Evacuation Claims Section, 300 Fifth Street Northeast, Washington 2, D.C. Questions of general interest may be reproduced in this series without personal identification.

No questions involving the legality or value of specific claims can be answered.

1. Q. Is it possible to get a cross-section of the community and establish a normal holding and average loss? For instance, in Petaluma the Japanese are all generally chicken raisers. Or, in San Mateo, the Japanese are generally landscape gardeners. By establishing normal loss or the value of an average holding, it may be that many who might possibly be uncertain and reluctant about claiming should be guided by the average loss in their communities.

A. In determining the amount of the claim of any one chicken raiser in a community, general factors of value, no doubt, will be found which will be applicable to other chicken raisers in the same community. When the claims in more specific cases are determined, average factors of losses ap-

plicable to other cases may develop. It is not perceived how a "normal holding" can be determined, because claims must be prepared on the actual holding of each particular case.

2. Q. There are instances of abuse of power of attorney because of the general feeling evacuees might not be able to return for a considerable period. Is it possible to recover from this law for such unwarranted and unauthorized abuses of power of attorney?

A. The law allows recovery for losses which are the reasonable consequence of the evacuation. A loss due to an abuse of a power of attorney given because of the evacuation may very well be considered to be a reasonable consequence of the evacuation and recoverable under this statute if the claimant shows that he is not to recover from the holder of the power of attorney. Where, however, a good case exists against the holder of the power of attorney, the Government might require that this private remedy be exhausted before it will determine that the loss is payable by the Government as a reasonable consequence of the evacuation and not due to the claimant's failure to attempt to collect from the private person who abused the power of attorney.

3. Q. Rental of my ranch, equipped with tools was arranged for \$10,000 a year. My tenant got into difficulties and I offered to settle if he would pay me \$2,500. He never paid me and later he went bankrupt. What amount can I claim?

A. If \$10,000 a year was a fair rental it appears that your loss may be calculated on this basis without reference to the sum of \$2,500 for which you offered to settle but which your bankrupt tenant never paid.

4. Q. I had patented a certain strain of chrysanthemums and had built up my stock from 1939. Without making any sales I had carefully increased and propagated my stock with the intention of selling it in 1942. Because of the evacuation I did not want my patented chrysanthemum stock to fall into other hands. Because of the fear of others capitalizing on my development, I destroyed my large stock and retained only a few bedding plants. Can I claim for the plants I had destroyed?

A. This raises the question whether the means you used to protect your trade secret was a reasonable means so that the loss was a reasonable consequence of the evacuation. If the trade secret could be preserved by less drastic measures, the view might be taken that the loss was not due to evacuation but to the claimant's separate independent action. In order to receive a determination by the Government it will be necessary to file a claim which should include an explanation as to why destruction was the only safe way to preserve this stock.

5. Q. My peach orchard and strawberry patch which I had nursed along had just reached the bearing state when I was evacuated.

Brownell, Governor Dewey's campaign manager, in an effort to get Governor Warren to take back his wartime race-baiting comments on Japanese Americans. Chino believes that Warren's silence made it difficult to get Nisei support for the Republican ticket . . .

Former Congresswoman Florence Prag Kahn, who died in San Francisco last week at the age of 81, aided in the Congressional passage of the Cable Act amendment under which Nisei girls who married "aliens ineligible to citizenship" have been able to regain their citizenship rights through court action . . . The Cable Act amendment, passed back in 1932, was the first successful legislative activity by the JACL. Miss Suma Sugi went to Washington on behalf of the JACL to help obtain passage of the amendment.

## Actress . . .

Kinouyo Tanaka, one of Japan's top actresses, will visit Hollywood next spring as the guest of Monogram studios . . . Another Japanese film actress, Mitsuko Miura, now the wife of Lieut. George Goda of the U.S. army, arrived in California last week from Japan. Her Nisei husband, however, was unable to accompany her at the last minute but will return in February.

# Plantation Village Dedicates Pool to Nisei Killed in War

MANA, Kauai — In this little plantation village a community swimming pool, built with the labor of volunteer citizens, was dedicated recently to a local boy, Seikichi Ganeko, who was killed in action with the 442nd Combat Team in Italy on June 26, 1944.

An honor roll plaque was dedicated during a ceremony in honor

of the Nisei hero and other veterans from Mana.

The 20 ft. by 50 ft. pool took volunteers more than four months to complete.

A swimming exhibition by Kiyoshi (Keo) Nakama, one of Hawaii's all-time swimming greats, was a part of the dedicatory program.

## Miyasato Stars In Two Weber Grid Victories

CEDAR CITY, Utah — The accurate passing of Jimmy Miyasato, triple-threat quarterback, led Weber College of Ogden, Utah to a 27 to 0 victory over Branch Agricultural college here last week.

The defeat knocked BAC out of the championship of the Intermountain college conference.

Miyasato's passes accounted for three of the four Weber touchdowns.

This is Miyasato's first year on the Weber team. He is a graduate of McKinley high school in Honolulu.

On Thanksgiving Day, in the annual Peach Bowl game at Grand Junction, Colo., Miyasato and Bill Kessler sparked Weber to touchdowns in every quarter as they defeated Mesa Junior College, 32 to 7.

uated. The best harvest years were during my absence. Can I claim for the crops harvested by my tenant? If I were permitted to remain, I could have realized the entire proceeds. The rental was very nominal and did not reflect the income which was realized from the harvest.

A. It appears that you have a good claim at least for the difference between a fair rental for the property and the nominal rent that you received. But if, however, your claim is not for fair rental value, but the actual proceeds received for the harvested crops, less expenses of harvesting, there arises some problem whether profits from future crops might be considered as anticipated profits and not allowable under the law. In a particular case, that might be allowed if you could show that these harvests were not speculative. In other words, you have a clear claim for the fair rental value but a somewhat less clear claim for the profits from the harvests. Perhaps the safest course would be to file your claim in the alternative.

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Southwest L. A. Group To Hold Elections

LOS ANGELES — Three candidates were suggested this week for president of the Southwest Los Angeles JACL by the nominating committee headed by Henry Ohye. They are Dr. Roy Nishikawa, incumbent, Dr. John Koyama and Hidetaka Nakaki. Other nominees are: Mrs. Mabel Ota, Susumu Kojima and Minoru Tomiya, first vice-pres.; Sadao Minamide, second vice-pres.; Mack Hamaguchi and Peter Yano, third vice-pres.; Bessie Matsuzawa and Mardie Yasuda, corres. sec.; Yoshiko Hosoi and Yuri Nemoto, rec. sec.; Okira Minamide, Mae Ishida and Amy Motodani, treas.; and Bean Takeda and Micky Miyamoto, auditor.

Pink-Blue Shower

ONTARIO, Ore. — Mrs. George Hashitani was the guest on Nov. 18 at a pink-and-blue shower at the home of Mrs. Thomas Itami on Oregon Slope.

Mrs. James Kanetomi was co-hostess.

Refreshments were served from a beautifully decorated table, with a centerpiece of a musical cradle filled with pink and blue chrysanthemums.

Among those present were Mesdames Tom Ogura, Tom Nishitani, George Sugai, Roy Hashitani, Howard Fujii, Harry Morikawa, Frank Sakata, Joe Saito, Abe Saito, Ted Nakamura, Harry Masto, Mas Yano, Tom Watanabe, Kish Amano, Ichiro Yamaguchi, James Watanabe and Miss Buelah Shigeno.

Thanksgiving Dance

FRESNO, Calif.—Elle's third annual Thanksgiving dance was held on Nov. 25 at the Marigold ballroom.

Misa Asakawa was general chairman of the event which featured the music of Dick Alexander's orchestra.

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To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hiroshi Okamoto a boy, Gerald, on Nov. 6 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Masami Kuramoto a boy, Michael, on Nov. 10 in Pasadena, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Sakauye, 419 Armitage Ave., Chicago, a boy, Kenneth Mark, on Nov. 6. To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Wada a boy, Marshall, on Oct. 30 in Wapato, Wash. To Mr. and Mrs. Junie Tsujisaka a girl on Nov. 11 in San Francisco. To Mr. and Mrs. Seiko Arakaki a boy on Nov. 19 in Salt Lake City. To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Eizo Uchiyama a girl, Carolyn Miyeko, on Nov. 13 in San Jose, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. George H. Omachi a girl on Oct. 29 in Fresno, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Sasaki a boy on Oct. 22 in Fresno. To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshimi Hirako a girl on Oct. 26 in Fresno. To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Teraoka a girl on Nov. 6 in Fresno. To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Tanizaki, Reedley, Calif., a girl on Nov. 7. To Mr. and Mrs. Sadao Yorita a boy on Nov. 14 in Sacramento. To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Morisawa, Yuba City, Calif. a boy on Nov. 14. To Mr. and Mrs. George K. Okasaki a boy on Nov. 11 in Sacramento. To Mr. and Mrs. Sakae Yama shita a girl on Nov. 4 in Sanger, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Matsumoto a girl on Nov. 16 in Fresno. To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Ando a girl on Nov. 14 in Denver. To Mr. and Mrs. Tei Tao a boy, Marlin Katsunobu, on Nov. 18 in San Francisco. To Dr. and Mrs. Kazuo Yanagisawa (nee Dr. Eugenia Fujita) a girl, Eugenia Ann, on Nov. 15 in New York City. To Mr. and Mrs. John Kenichi Toya a boy, Frank, on Nov. 7 in

Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Toshiyuki Take-shita a girl, Teresa Tamaye, on Oct. 28 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Akira Katsura a boy, Kimihiro, on Nov. 2 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. George Ryoza Kimura a girl, Lucille Chiyomi, on Nov. 3 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Kenichi Morishita a girl, Jill Penelope, on Nov. 4 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Tsunesada Sakamoto a boy, Gene Noboru, on Nov. 3 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Shibata a girl, Keiko Kathy, on Nov. 6 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Peter Miyashiro a boy, Ronald Yoshio, on Oct. 23 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Wada a boy, Brian Douglas, on Nov. 7 in Berkeley, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tashima a girl, Gail Chieko, on Oct. 6 in Cleveland, O. To Mr. and Mrs. Koro Yatsu a boy, Geoffrey Wayne, on Sept. 26 in Cleveland. To Mr. and Mrs. Michimasu Kinoshita a girl, Grace Tetsumi, on Sept. 29 in Cleveland.

DEATHS

Enta Furukawa on Nov. 10 in Portland, Ore. Sahei Masuda, 72, on Nov. 19 in Seattle. Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eiji Matsumura on Nov. 17 in Dinuba, Calif. Tatsuzo Taguchi, 68, on Nov. 15 in Los Angeles. Mrs. Kuni Ishino Miyagishima, 46, on Nov. 23 in Clearfield, Utah. Mrs. Choyo Okazaki on Nov. 14 in Chicago.

MARRIAGES

Grace Shiraiishi to Masateru M. Jie of Wapato, Wash., on Nov. 6 in Ontario, Ore. Hattie Miyamoto to George Terai on Nov. 6 in Seattle. Fusae Tokumoto to Yoshikiyo Sakaguchi of Orosi on Nov. 14 in Hanford, Calif. Helen Chiyeko Obayashi to Ruichi Terazawa on Nov. 20 in San Francisco. Alice Iwataki to Ralph Iwata on Nov. 14 in Los Angeles. Jean Kaoru Otani of San Francisco to Dr. Jackson Kazuo Eto on Oct. 17 in St. Louis. Irene Motoko Hirose to Tatsuo Charles Kanzawa of Chicago on Nov. 18 in San Francisco. Mae Hoshino to Henry Masuda on Nov. 14 in Seattle. Yoneko Takata to Minoru Hirota on Nov. 21 in Penryn, Calif. Katherine K. Yamasaki to Fred S. Yokoyama on Nov. 20 in Los Angeles. Kimiko Okabayashi to Namio Kitaoka on Nov. 20 in Los Angeles. Alice Mariko Iguchi to Karl Yutaka Oto on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles. Mitsuko Fujikawa to John Masao Matsuda on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Haruko Koba, 25, and Fred M. Kido, 25, Weiser, Idaho, in Seattle. Betty Takanishi, 20, Reedley, Calif., and Shigeru Murata, 26, Las Vegas, Nev. in Fresno. Mary Miyuki Ishizaki, 20, and James Takaki, 23, Mountain View, in San Jose. Chiyoko Sonoda, 21, and Tsugio Hirayama, 24, both of Lindsay, Calif., in Visalia. Shizue Mary Mizoguchi, and Sam Masashi Hisamoto, 24, in Sacramento.

Unanimous Vote Names Ken Uchida to Second Term as President

OGDEN, Utah — Ken Uchida was unanimously reelected president of the Ogden JACL at an election meeting this week at the American Legion hall.

Two ballots were required to elect the chapter's vice president. Mits Endo of Clearfield won a majority on the second ballot.

Jake Koga of Roy, Utah, was named district chairman for Weber county. Russell Tanaka of Honeyville was named chairman for Box Elder county and Kazuo Miya was elected chairman for Davis county.

Yuri Miya and Mrs. Esther Takahashi were elected corresponding secretaries. Charles Tsukamoto was named treasurer. Cho Yamaguchi and Edith Oda will be social cochairmen, while Toshi Yano will take the post of public relations chairman.

Following the elections a social was held under the cochairmanship of Toyo and Miye Ito. The "door prize" of a large turkey was won by Mr. and Mrs. Al Aoki of Ogden.

The chapter voted to enter a bid for the 1949 IDC annual convention. The bid will be considered at the IDC meeting Nov. 27 in Pocatello.

The president was instructed to name bowlers to represent the Ogden chapter in the IDC bowling tournament Nov. 26 and 27, to be held in Pocatello.

Salt Lake Chapter Makes Plans for New Year's Dance

Setting a new policy, the Salt Lake JACL this week announced its 1949 New Year dance will be open to the public without charge. All Nisei are invited to join the JACL in celebrating the holiday at the dance.

Installation services for the chapter's new officers will be held during intermission.

In charge of the affair are Alice Kasai, hall; George Mochizuki, orchestra; Jeri Tsuyuki, decorations; Ben Terashima, finance; Fusaye Odow, refreshments; Dr. Jun Kurumada, installation; and Yosh Kojimoto, publicity.

Free Chow Mein

ONTARIO, Ore. — Free chow mein was served to hundreds of Ontario citizens by George and Don Sugai, operators of the East Side cafe when they reopened the restaurant last week.

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### Five Nisei Veterans Buried In Arlington National Cemetery

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Funeral services have been held in Arlington National Cemetery for five more Nisei veterans of the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team in recent days.

They were: Pvt. Fred Hiroshi Nagano, Pingree, Idaho; Staff Sgt. Wataru Nakashima and Pvt. Raito Nakashima, brothers, Pocatello, Idaho; Pfc. Victor Katsu Hada, San Benito, Tex.; and Pfc. Shichizo Toyota, Cleveland, O.

Speaking at the services for Pvts. Hada and Toyota, Ira Shimazaki of the Japanese American Citizens League's Arlington Cemetery committee said:

"The America which we love was more secure by the heroism and courage of these men. They died in glory—on the field of battle against the enemy of free men.

Pfc. Hada was born July 22, 1921 at Ft. Lawton, Colo., a son of Karoku Hada. He was graduated from Watsonville, Calif., high school, and joined the army in 1944 as a member of the 442nd. He fought in France and Italy, where he was killed April 5, 1945.

His father now resides in San Benito, Tex. Pfc. Toyota was born at Modesto, Calif., Nov. 10, 1919, and attended school at Gilroy, Calif. One of the first Nisei to volunteer for the army, he was accepted early in 1943 and was sent overseas May 1, 1944. He was killed July 13, 1944, in Italy.

His mother, Mrs. Chujiro Toyota resides at 10523 Massie Ave., Cleveland. S/Sgt. W. Nakashima was born in 1923, and his brother, Pvt. R. Nakashima was born in 1925, both in Idaho Falls.

They both were graduates of Pocatello high school, and joined the armed forces, Aug. 28, 1944. On April 6, 1945, he was killed in combat in Italy.

Pvt. Nagano was born Nov. 30, 1922, in Kemmerer, Wyo. He was a student at Idaho State College when he joined the armed forces, Aug. 28, 1944. On April 6, 1945, he was killed in combat in Italy.

### Turkey Roll Held By Utah Bowlers

A turkey roll highlighted play in the Salt Lake JACL men's bowling league at the Temple alleys on Nov. 22.

Winners of the turkeys were Toshi Igata with a 607 handicap series, Hito Okada with a 568 scratch series and Kay Kano of Ogden with a 517 handicap series in the C division.

Okada Insurance with a team series of 2665 whitewashed the Seagull Cleaners to maintain their league lead, while Modern Garage dropped behind as they lost three points to the Pacific Citizen in a close match.

In other matches Tuxedo Cafe shattered OK Cafe, while Hibbard Drug took three points from Ogden and New Sunrise market blanked Dawn Noodle. Terashima Studio and Aloha Fountain split, while City Cafe took three points from Metro Motors.

### Family Night

CHICAGO — The First Baptist church will hold a church family night meeting on Dec. 1.

### George Kobo Hits "300" Game In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES — George Kobo, one of Southern California's top Nisei bowlers, became the second Japanese American on the mainland to hit a perfect "300" game in bowling on Nov. 20.

Kobo's feat was complicated by the fact that it was rolled over three alleys. After ten perfect pocket hits, the eleventh roll looked like a ten-pin tap but the pin fell after standing up for a fraction of a second. His twelfth ball was a perfect pocket strike.

In September George Kishida of Salt Lake City rolled the first "300" to be recorded by a mainland Nisei over four lanes at the Temple alleys.

Wally Towata of Hawaii is believed to be the first Japanese American to roll a "300" game.

### Snake River JACL

PAYETTE, Idaho—The monthly meeting of the Snake River JACL was held on Nov. 21 at the home of Thomas Itami.

The evacuee claims law was the main topic of discussion and it was announced that a large delegation would attend the evacuation claims clinic which will be a feature of the Intermountain District Council meeting in Pocatello this weekend.

### Tacoma Wedding

TACOMA, Wash.—Miss Masaye Yaguchi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Yaguchi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Yaguchi of Fife, Wash., was married on Nov. 14 to Kaz Yamane, son of Mr. M. Yamane, at the Tacoma Buddhist church.

Luwana Ueda was maid of honor, while Fusako Ueda was the bridesmaid.

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### Unbeaten Sun Imps

Coach Bill Kajikawa of the Arizona State frosh Sun Imps has the distinction of being the coach of one of the nation's handful of unbeaten, untied football teams. The Tempe freshmen defeated Pepperdine in a hair-raising 27 to 25 game to maintain their unblemished record. Other victims of the Sun Imps include Redlands, University of Arizona, Flagstaff State and Gila JC . . . Coach Kajikawa, who was in Salt Lake City last week to scout the Brigham Young-Wyoming game, is also head coach of the Arizona State varsity basketball team which opens its season next week against San Diego State, Loyola and Pepperdine . . . Bill Kajikawa, who used to go to the Maryknoll school in Los Angeles, was a Little All-America backfield star for Arizona State back in 1937. He served in Italy, France and Germany with the 522nd Field Artillery of the 442nd Combat Team.

### Bowl Games

Not many Nisei gridsters will be in the post-season Bowl games this year. Two who will see a bowl are Herb Imanaka and Dutch Kawasoe of the College of Idaho at Caldwell, one of the west's strongest small college teams. College of Idaho, a leader in the North west conference, will meet Southern Oregon in the Pear Bowl . . . Jyun Hirota and Dick Mamiya, star backs for the University of Hawaii, will lead the Roaring Rainbows into the Pineapple Bowl on New Year's day in Honolulu against a mainland opponent, probably Oregon State. Hirota's running game and Mamiya's passing have been the main offensive threats for the Hawaiians. Mamiya passed for a pair of touchdowns against Michigan State and completed 18 out of 35 passes in Hawaii's 55 to 0 rout of Redlands. Incidentally, when the Hawaiian team arrived in Redlands, Calif., they were greeted by a full-page ad in the Redlands daily which praised the combat record of the 442nd Combat Team and plugged Hawaiian statehood.

### Cleveland JACL Plans Inaugural Fete

CLEVELAND, O.—The Cleveland JACL's second annual inaugural ball will be held in the assembly room of the Hollenden hotel on Dec. 11 from 10 p. m. to 2 a. m. Tak Toyota, general chairman of the dinner dance committee, announced this week.

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### Court Grants Nisei Plea for Name Change

SACRAMENTO—Hisao Shimizu, 33, expects to gain not only a bride but a new name when he marries soon.

He received the approval of Superior Court Judge B. F. Van Dyke on Nov. 22 to take the family name of his future wife when the marriage takes place.

The Nisei explained: "My prospective father-in-law has five daughters and no sons. His name is Takeda. If somebody does not take his name, soon there may be no Takedas left in America."

### San Jose JACL Group to Hold Annual Elections

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Officers of the United Citizens League of Santa Clara County for 1949 will be elected at a meeting on Dec. 9 at the UCL building from 8 p. m. to 10 p. m.

Four candidates were nominated for president at the recent meeting of the nominations committee. They are Esau Shimizu, Ruth Hashimoto, Akira Shimoguchi and George Tsukabawa.

Dave Tatsuno, George Oba and Ed Kitazumi are candidates for first vice president, while Sam Tanase and Phil Matsumura will be on the ballot for second vice president.

Robert Okamoto and Tom Sugishita are the candidates for treasurer, while Sachi Endo, Mary Nakagawa, Happy Taketa and Rosie Taketa are the candidates for secretary.

Following the elections, the film, "Nisei Story," will be shown, according to Ray M. Taketa, executive secretary of the UCL.

### Chicago Church Will Give Annual Concert

CHICAGO — The First Baptist church will give its fourth annual Christmas concert on Friday evening, Dec. 10, from 8 p. m.

Selections from Handel's Messiah will be presented by a choir under the direction of Jacques Homier.

The program will include selections by the following soloists: Hinae Koito, Robert Nakazawa, William Fujii, Han Tatsui and Dorothy Hiura.

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