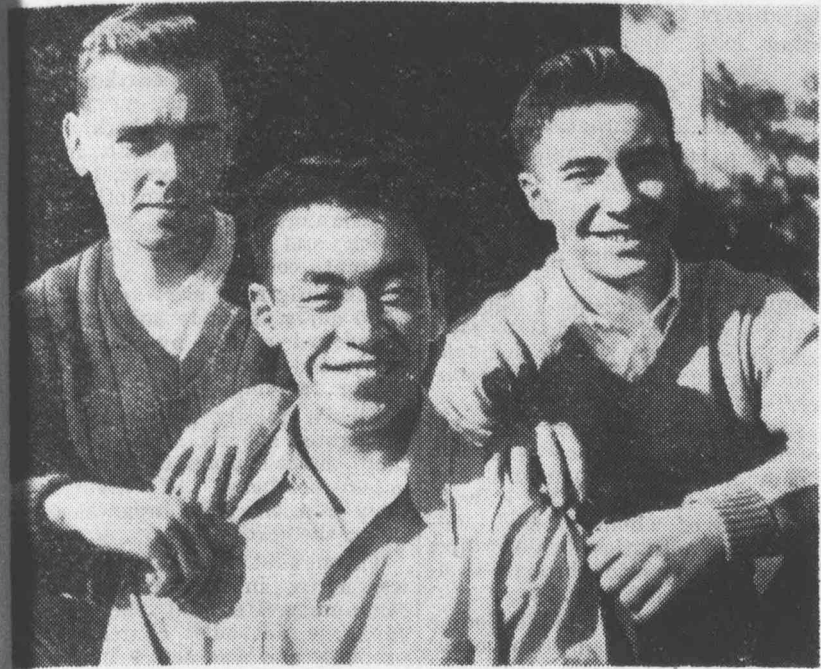




Nisei Appointed to Annapolis



RENTON, Wash.—Takeshi Yoshihara (center), first Nisei to be appointed to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, is shown smiling happily over news of his appointment. He is flanked by two of his classmates at Renton high school, Arthur Martin, Jr., 17, and William Smalley, 16, named second and third alternate respectively following competitive examinations held by Rep. Ther Tollefson, R., Wash.—International News photo.

California Attorney General Will Not Seek Funds for Enforcing Alien Land Law

SACRAMENTO—The State Department of Justice will not ask for a special budget appropriation for enforcement of the California Alien Land law against the state's residents of Japanese ancestry for the 1949-50 fiscal year, it was believed here this week.

The state attorney general's office also is not submitting an estimated budget for the 1948-49 fiscal year.

It was understood here that efforts to enforce the Alien Land law had been nullified by the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the Oyama test case in which the right of a citizen of Japanese descent to receive a gift of property from an "ineligible alien" parent was upheld.

Previous to the Oyama case decision, the State Department of Justice had been conducting a wide-spread campaign to escheat agricultural property from Nisei on the basis of alleged violation of provisions of the Alien Land law. More than 100 cases were filed or were prepared for filing by the attorney general's office before the Oyama decision.

It was recalled that the California legislature had passed special budget appropriations for the attorney general's office for the purpose of conducting secret investigations into properties owned by Japanese Americans. It was as a result of these secret investigations that escheat cases were initiated against Nisei landowners.

A report of the State Department of Justice on enforcement of the Alien Land law notes that a special budget appropriation of \$75,180 was passed by the 1947 legislature. Of this total, the expenditures to date were listed at \$47,858, leaving an unexpended balance of \$27,322. Of the expended sum, \$13,291 were paid in

wages, including that of a deputy attorney general. Of the remaining \$34,567 in operating expenses, it was reported that \$27,667 was spent for "secret investigations."

SERISAWA NAMED HEAD OF STATE'S WATER COLORISTS

LOS ANGELES—Sueo Serisawa, noted Los Angeles artist, this week was elected president of the California Water Color society, an organization of 286 members.

The recognition was the latest in a number of honors awarded the 39-year-old artist. Among his recent awards have been the Pennsylvania Academy award, several prizes in California exhibitions and a medal of honor in the Pepsicola national competition.

Serisawa is presently teaching at Conn Institute and at Scripps college in Claremont.

Serisawa was born in Yokohama and came to the United States with his family in 1918. His father, Yoichi Serisawa, was also an artist. The California Water Color society also announced this week that it will hold an exhibit at the Santa Barbara Museum on Mar. 13. Seventy-six paintings will be shown.

California Farmer Receives \$103,000 Government Refund

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — Mitoshi Hirahara, Watsonville lettuce farmer, is receiving a tax refund of \$103,000 from the government this month.

It all started when Hirahara and his family were evacuated to the Jerome relocation center in Arkansas in 1942.

In the spring of 1943 the U. S. collector of internal revenue filed an assessment charging Fumio Hirahara, Mitoshi Hirahara's minor son in whose name the property was listed, with failing to pay income tax for several years. The government assessment, including 25 and 50 per cent penalties, amounted to \$93,000.

Young Hirahara's guardian, John L. McCarthy, paid the government with the farmer's funds. He then filed suit in U. S. tax court contesting the assessment.

After nearly six years of drawn-out proceedings in tax court, attorneys for the government stipulated last July that judgment should be entered for Hirahara.

By then interest on the \$93,000 amounted to enough to pay the taxes which Hirahara owed and still bring him about \$10,000 more than he had paid. Government checks totaling \$83,356 already have been received by McCarthy for the Hiraharas and a check for another \$20,000 is due this month.

ADC's Contraband Articles Bill Passed by Congress

Permits Payment of Claims For Damage to Goods Ordered Given To Government Custody

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House on March 8 passed and sent to President Truman for his signature the so-called "Contraband" bill (S 29) to compensate aliens and persons of Japanese ancestry for loss or damage to property held in custody by the Attorney General's office, according to JACL ADC.

The act was introduced in Congress at behest of the JACL ADC by Senator Pat McCarran (D., Nev.).

It authorizes the Attorney General to pay claims up to \$1,000 for losses on such items as radios, guns, binoculars and other articles which were ordered deposited with the Justice Department at the outbreak of war.

Claims over \$1,000 must be referred to Congress for payments.

Explaining the bill on the floor of the House, Emanuel Celler, (D., N.Y.), said: "In many instances Japanese were forced to evacuate their homes, and cameras, binoculars and other important items of personal property were seized, (i.e., ordered deposited with the Justice Department or its agencies.)

"This bill permits all those whose personal property was thus taken and where property has not been restored, or was damaged while in custody to file claims with the Attorney General."

Claims must be presented to the Attorney General's office within one year after the act becomes effective.

Mike Masaoka, National JACL ADC Legislative Director, said the ADC will publicize regulations governing filing claims as quickly as this information is available.

The Contraband bill was first introduced in the Senate last year, but Congress failed to act on the measure before adjourning. It was reintroduced at the start of the Eighty-first session.

Nisei to Represent Hawaii University On U. S. Debate Tour

HONOLULU—A Nisei student, Hideto Kono, will be one of two University of Hawaii varsity debaters who will represent their school on a tour of seven mainland colleges March 28 to April 10.

Mr. Kono was selected February 28 in competition with six others debating the subject of whether Communist activity in the Far East is a threat to American security.

With the other winner, Revocato Medina, Mr. Kono will participate in debates at the University of Missouri, University of Illinois, Iowa State College, University of Minnesota, Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, University of Oklahoma, and the University of Colorado.

The two debaters will attend a three-day meeting of the national honorary forensic society, Delta Sigma Rho, in Chicago.

Tokyo Rose Trial, Renunciants Case Delayed in Court

SAN FRANCISCO—With the departure of Federal Judge Louis E. Goodman for Washington, D. C. this week the hearing in the renunciants case, in which the government has been asked by the court to show cause why 4,200 former Tule Lake residents must undergo individual trials in order to regain their citizenship, has been postponed until March 21.

It also was reported that another postponement has marked the case of Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino, accused of being the "Tokyo Rose" of wartime Japanese radio. Hearing on defense motions has been rescheduled for March 14.

Sentence Utah Nisei to Prison For Patricide

Kenichi Imaizumi Pleads Guilty on Second Degree Charge

FARMINGTON, Utah—Kenichi Imaizumi, 30, of Syracuse, Utah, was sentenced to 15 years in the Utah state penitentiary on March 9 for the strangulation death of his father, Eizi Imaizumi, on Oct. 22, 1948.

Sentence was pronounced by Judge Charles G. Crowley after Imaizumi pleaded guilty to a second degree murder charge in Third district court.

The trial was called off when Imaizumi's attorney, Arthur Woolley of Ogdes, announced that his client would plead guilty to the lesser charge.

Imaizumi was charged with first degree murder but was permitted to plead guilty to the lesser charge when District Attorney Glenn W. Adams said it was his opinion that the evidence given at the preliminary hearing did not support a first degree murder charge.

The defendant allegedly choked his father to death following a quarrel in a beet field where they were working. Imaizumi surrendered voluntarily to Sheriff Le-Grand Hess of Davis county.

Charged with first degree murder on Oct. 25, he was arraigned before Judge Wendell Barnes of the Kayville justice of the peace court on Oct. 26. He was bound over to Third district court when he pleaded innocent at his preliminary hearing before Judge Barnes on Nov. 4. He was arraigned in district court Dec. 4 and entered a plea of innocent on Jan. 11.

Imaizumi has been confined in Davis county jail in Farmington since arrest on Oct. 22.

Noguchi's Sculptures Now on Exhibition In New York City

NEW YORK—An exhibition of sculptured abstractions by Isamu Noguchi is being presented by the Egan gallery, 63 East 57th street, until March 26.

In the Egan show Mr. Noguchi uses such materials as Tennessee and Georgia marble, aluminum, Magnesite, white marble, alabaster, slate and balsa wood.

Fumi Urushitaba Named Queen Candidate

OAKLAND, Calif.—Fumi Urushitaba of Richmond was selected on March 6 as the Bay District YBS's representative in the Western Young Buddhists League's contest to be held in Fresno in April.

Bodies of Three Nisei Returned From Europe

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The bodies of three Nisei heroes are being returned to the United States from Europe, the Department of the Army announced this week.

The bodies originally were interred in temporary military cemeteries in France.

The three, and next-of-kin, all of California, are:

Pvt. Tatsumi Furukawa—Mrs. Fuji Furukawa, Venice Island, Stockton; Pvt. Lester T. Murakami — Henry E. Murakami, 1616½ Seventh St., Sacramento; Pfc. Cooper T. Tahara—Kumakichi Tahara, Box 925, Florin.

Discuss Formation Of Central California JACL District Group

REEDLEY, Calif.—Formation of a separate Central California JACL district council was discussed here on March 2 by representatives from the Fresno, Tulare and Reedley chapters.

Toru Ikeda, newly-appointed Central California area director for JACL-ADC with offices in Fresno, met with the group.

Reactivation of the prewar Kern and Kings county chapters also was considered.

First Mainland Nisei To Die with 100th Reburied at San Bruno

SAN BRUNO, Calif.—The remains of T/3 Kiyoshi J. Shiramizu, probably the first mainland Nisei to be killed in action with the famous 100th Infantry Battalion in Italy, were given final burial at Golden Gate National cemetery on March 10.

Sgt Shiramizu died in the siege of Cassino on Jan. 14, 1944.

A native of Salinas, Calif., he entered the army in July, 1941.

He is survived by his wife, Rose, and son, Melvin, both of Denver.

Utah Legislature Approves Hunting Rights for Issei

A bill to permit Japanese and other "aliens ineligible to citizenship" who have resided in the state for 15 years to carry firearms and use firearms to hunt for any game, bird or animal as provided by law upon the payment of the same fee required for a resident citizen was passed by the Utah legislature recently and signed by Governor J. Bracken Lee.

The bill was introduced into the 1949 legislature by Rep. Maurice Anderson of Springville, Utah.

Henry Y. Kasai, advisor of the Utah Nippon Wild Life Federation, said that the courtesy bill was sponsored by the organization with the backing of the Utah State Wild Life Federation and all of its

affiliated bodies in the state.

Mr. Kasai recalled that under the sponsorship of the Salt Lake JACL, backed by wild life federations in Salt Lake, Carbon, Weber and Box Elder counties, the 1937 Utah legislature passed a bill which was signed by the late Governor Henry H. Blood which provided that aliens "ineligible to citizenship" who have resided in the state for 15 years or more may receive a license to angle for any kind of fish in the state upon payment of the same fee required for a resident citizen.

"These two bills now place all Issei in Utah on the same basis as the resident citizen as far as fishing and hunting privileges are concerned," Mr. Kasai declared.

Naturalization Group to Hold Conference in New York City

NEW YORK — The National Council on Naturalization and Citizenship, an agency coordinating the work of all national organizations working in its field, will sponsor an all-day conference on "Challenges to American Citizenship," Friday, March 25, at the Hotel Astor, 44th street and Broadway.

The JACL - Anti - Discrimination Committee is one of the agencies affiliated with the Council through Mike Masaoka, national legislative director.

The Conference, an annual event of the organization, is open to everyone who is interested, and

the luncheon fee of \$3.25 covers registration. Registration for the conference alone is 75c. Among speakers are Rep. Walter H. Judd of Minnesota, who introduced the bill for equality in naturalization and immigration (H.R. 199) which has just passed the House of Representatives, and Representative Emanuel Celler, of New York, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee.

In three separate sessions, morning, luncheon and afternoon, various political and technical problems connected with citizenship and the arrival of displaced persons and others will have an airing.

Milwaukee Journal Favors Judd Naturalization Proposal

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — The Milwaukee Journal editorially urged passage of the Judd bill recently.

The editorial pointed out that passage of the act would "round out the immigration laws," and added immigration and naturalization discrimination should be ended for persons of Japanese ancestry as it "was ended for Chinese, Filipinos and (Oriental) Indians several years ago."

"The Judd bill," the editorial continued "was unanimously approved by the House Subcommittee in the 80th Congress, but got caught in the closing rush and could not be brought up. It was, and again is, a bipartisan bill.

"It is an American bill to allow a group of Americans in fact to enjoy the citizenship that all their fellow residents enjoy.

"Testimony on the Judd bill in the last Congress was overwhelmingly favorable. It should be speeded through now without much delay or controversy."

The editorial was urged by the Milwaukee chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League, and sent to the JACL ADC Washington office so it could be shown to interested Congressmen.

JACL Representatives Meet with Ikeda

REEDLEY, Calif. — Representatives from the Fresno, Reedley and Tulare JACL chapters met with Toru Ikeda, newly appointed regional director for central California, on Mar. 2 at the local hall.

Subjects under discussion were evacuation claims, community problems, Nisei employment, community participation, problems of younger Nisei, membership, public relations, Issei aid, reactivation of the Kern and Kings county chapters, credit unions, medical plan and formation of a district council in central California.

Six Nisei Graduate Army Language School

MONTEREY, Calif. — Six Nisei soldiers are the latest to complete the nine-months Japanese language course at the Army Language school at the Presidio of Monterey.

The Nisei who graduated on Feb. 24 are: Cpls. Yoshiyuki Kihara, Yoshinobu Motokane, Toshio Ono, Ray Tamura, Susumu Wakakuwa and Lawrence Watanabe.

Assistance in Filing Evacuee Claims Discussed in Chicago

CHICAGO Ill. — An evacuation claims committee comprised of members of the Chicago JACL chapter and Issei leaders of the Chicago ADC met on March 7th to discuss and plan claims filing services to the Japanese American community of Chicago.

Generally agreed to was the necessity for conducting a series of public meetings with the cooperation of the Nisei attorneys to inform the public of the procedures involved in the filing of claims and to answer technical and legal questions. The committee will further study this matter and plans for such meetings will be announced in the near future, according to chairman Noboru Honda.

Claimants were urged to file their claims as soon as possible rather than waiting until the dead-

line of Jan. 2, 1950 approaches. Official forms on which the claims must be stated are available at the JACL office. Also available upon request is a copy of the form printed in Japanese to aid the Issei in understanding the form.

The JACL will also provide an eight-page information booklet (also translated), on who may file claims, making out the claim, filing the claim, etc., an analysis of the questionnaire form and suggestions concerning types of real and personal property lost or damaged because of evacuation and which may be claimed under the law.

Claimants wishing to have forms mailed to them may write or phone the JACL office at 189 West Madison street, Chicago 2, Ill., FRanklin 2-5762.

Gardena Nisei Named Buddhist Leader

LOS ANGELES — Tom Hide of Gardena was elected head of the Southern District Conference Young Buddhist League as the organization met last weekend at Senshin for a two-day conference.

West Los Angeles won the bid for the 1950 conference during the meeting, which was conducted by Masami Honda of San Diego, past president.

The constitution of the National Young Buddhist coordinating council was ratified by the delegates.

President Hide will be supported during his term in office by the following cabinet:

June Tokuyama, Los Angeles, 1st vice pres.; Ben Honda, San Diego, 2nd vice pres.; Amy Nomi, Los Angeles, rec. sec.; Misao Nakamura, Los Angeles, corr. sec.; Mits Fukuhara, Guadalupe, treas.; George Hada, Arizona, auditor; Fusa Takemoto, Gardena, research chmn.; Sachi Tashima, West Los Angeles, social chmn.; John Inouye, Gardena, men's athletic chmn.; Midori Koba, San Diego, women's athletic chairman; Faye Inouye, Gardena, music chmn.; Mary Yanokawa, West Los Angeles, literary chmn.; and Tak Furuya, Senshin, member at large.

San Francisco Holds Election by Mail

SAN FRANCISCO — Members of the San Francisco JACL returned their ballots this week to select the 1949 chapter cabinet and board of governors.

Ballots must be returned by March 14.

Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki was the sole nominee for the post of honorary chairman. Yasuo Abiko, Mrs. Teiko Kuroiwa and Joanna Nakamura were listed for vice presidential posts.

Other nominees were as follows: Takako Suzuki, treas.; Emi Hinoki, rec. sec.; Takako Negi and Lily Muramatsu, corr. sec.; and Victor Abe, Tane Amemiya, Moss Ashizawa, Mike Deguchi, Fred Hoshiyama, William Hoshiyama, Frank Itaya, Jack Matsueda, Mike Noguchi, Mrs. Takeo Okamoto, Mrs. Michi Onuma, Tom T. Sakai, Fred Seiki, Jutaru Shiota, Shoji Suzuki, Yosh Takakuwa and Kaye Uyeda, board of governors.

Tenney's Wartime Attitude Toward Nisei Made Issue During Recent Hawaiian Trip

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU — Wide publicity concerning his attitude towards Americans of Japanese ancestry attended the recent visit here of State Senator Jack B. Tenney of California.

Mr. Tenney, chairman of the state senate committee on un-American activities, came to Hawaii chiefly to promote an anti-Communist campaign and, while doing so, brought up the question of the Japanese Americans.

He said charges that he is a foe of the Japanese Americans are lies. He made this statement in an address before the joint session of the Territorial Legislature on February 23, in his capacity as a representative of the Interstate legislative conference on un-American activities.

Senator Tenney was immediately challenged by Koji Ariyoshi, editor of the Honolulu Record.

In his speech before the legislature, he made these remarks:

"The Hawaiian mouthpiece of the Communist party—the Honolulu Record—was very prompt in recognizing my presence in the territory and immediately screamed in Communist headlines that I was a foe of our Japanese citizens.

"Quoting a well-known Communist fellow-traveler from the mainland, whose hobby is racial agitation, this Communist party-liner — the Honolulu Record — sought to divert the minds of our American Japanese citizens by painting me as a narrow-minded reactionary who discriminated against the people because of their race and creed.

"I am very happy to have this opportunity to throw the lie back in the teeth of the liar who wrote it.

"It is significant that this particular lie is used for the first time in Hawaii. It could not be used with any degree of success in California because my stand on racism is known throughout the state—and particularly by our Japanese-American citizens."

In rebuttal Koji Ariyoshi said that Senator Tenney is right — that the Nisei in California do know his stand on racism, "but that stand is not that which Senator Tenney would have us believe." He quoted from an April, 1948, editorial printed in the Pacific Citizen, official publication of the Japanese American Citizens League, which said:

"State Senator Jack B. Tenney and his committee on un-American activities were responsible, in considerable measure, for the shameful race hysteria generated against persons of Japanese ancestry during World War II."

Mr. Ariyoshi said he became acquainted with Senator Tenney's racism theories during his internment in relocation camps after Pearl Harbor.

Mr. Ariyoshi, who joined the U.S. Army shortly after Pearl Harbor, then commented: "The reason that we Nisei soldiers could not return to California during the first part of the war was largely due to Senator Tenney's racism attitude."

On the morning that Senator Tenney was to address the legislature, the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union—a CIO union branded as communist-dominated by the senator — distributed mimeographed copies of a radio talk attacking his attitude towards Americans of Japanese ancestry. The union leaflets were handed out on the steps of Iolani Palace, the capitol building where the legislature is convened.

The ILWU broadcast noted that Senator Tenney investigated the Japanese in Hawaii in 1943 and said that if he is allowed to speak before the legislature, "it should be only for the purpose of apologizing to the people of Hawaii and especially to the thousands of citizens and alien Japanese whose loyalty has been falsely questioned by his committee."

In his address, Senator Tenney recalled his friendship with Tokio Slocum.

"I will never forget," the Senator said, "as long as I live the day that my good friend and comrade in my American Legion post — Tokio Slocum — came to bid me goodbye before leaving for the relocation center at Manzanar.

"Tokie had fought with Sergeant York in France in World War I and he had been made a U. S. citizen by an act of Congress.

"He had tears in his eyes—and I know there were tears in mine

—when he left. He didn't like it—and he was frank about it. He said very simply: 'We all have to serve in some way. Maybe I can still serve where they are sending me.'

"When he was gone I thought that loyalty and devotion to duty sometimes makes greater demands than merely dying for one's country."

Senator Tenney said that his committee has a list of about 300 Communist party members and fellow-travelers now in Hawaii, nearly all of whom he said, conceal their activities behind false fronts and operate through camouflaged organizations.

Besides the ILWU, he labelled as Communist-dominated two other CIO unions—the Marine Cooks and Stewards and the United Public Workers. Aside from his reference to Tokio Slocum the Senator spoke of his relationship with a Chinese-American on the west coast. "I am sure that you will be interested in learning that the Arizona state committee on un-American activities is headed by the first Chinese-American elected to a state legislative post," Senator Tenney told the legislature.

"He is the honorable Wing Ong and he conferred with me in Sacramento a few days before my departure for Honolulu."

Senator Tenney asked the Hawaiian legislature to organize a committee to investigate un-American activities and pledged his cooperation in such an undertaking. Before he returned to California he left copies of more than a dozen bills which have been introduced in the California legislature designed to "expose Communists."

Simultaneously with his coming to Hawaii, legislation was introduced to establish fact-finding committees on un-American activities in Hawaii. Two bills have been introduced in the Hawaiian House of Representatives, one by a Democrat and the other by several Republicans with Representative Sam Ichinose as the chief sponsor.

Similar legislation is expected in

Noted Pioneer Of Livingston Colony Dies

LIVINGSTON, Calif. — One of the original planners and settlers in the historic "Yamato colony" near Livingston died here March 6 at the age of 76.

He was Tajiro Kishi, who came to this area in November, 1906.

Born in Wakayama, Japan, in 1872, Kishi went to San Francisco in 1892, where he married and where his two sons were born.

At the time of the earthquake in April, 1906, he was operating a drygoods store and a bath establishment. After the quake, in November of the same year, he came to Livingston with two other men to arrange for the settlement, which was to be known as the "Yamato colony."

The original site, comprising 5,000 acres of sandy soil, had been abandoned earlier by other farmers who declared the land was unfit for farming.

Kishi's family followed him to Livingston shortly afterwards and they settled upon a ranch two miles northeast of Livingston. They were the first Japanese family in the section.

Throughout his lifetime Kishi was active in the affairs of the community. He built the present Japanese Methodist church on his property and was active in church and civic affairs. He was chairman of the church building committee, which is now planning a new church.

He was the first president of the Livingston Fruit Growers association, which is now headed by his eldest son, Norman.

His wife, Mrs. Tayo Kishi, passed away in 1937. He is survived by Norman and another son, Roy, of Livingston, and five grandchildren.

Successor Named

LOS ANGELES — Ayako Hosaka has been elected to succeed Laura Ogawa, whose resignation was accepted at a recent cabinet meeting, as religious chairman for the Los Angeles YBA.

An art student, Miss Hosaka is from Reedley, where she reigned as "Miss Bussei" of Central California in 1947.

Upon his return to California February 28, Senator Tenney said the threat of Communism is no greater in Hawaii than on the west coast. While in Honolulu he said he agreed with the observation that Communism is more widespread and acute in California than in the Hawaiian islands.

Nisei Wallace Group Visits Marcantonio on Judd Bill

By TOORU KANAZAWA

NEW YORK — "I heartily support the citizenship provisions of the Judd bill," Congressman Vito Marcantonio of New York told a delegation from the New York Nisei for Wallace Committee who visited him at his Manhattan Headquarters March 5.

"I fought only those provisions of the Judd bill which discriminate against British West Indians and the provision which denies the 'Pacific Triangle' countries the non-quota privileges under which American citizens whose wives and minor children who reside in these can enter without being charged to the quota," Marcantonio stated.

"Under the present language of the bill the families will be deducted from the 100 quota. Actually, the bill takes away with one hand what it purports to give with the other."

"As Nisei who are anxious to see a good naturalization bill passed, you should realize that it is exactly these discriminatory features which jeopardize the chances of an otherwise fine bill," Marcantonio told the delegation. Marcantonio, it will be recalled, first introduced measures which would provide "citizenship regardless of race" in every session of Congress since 1940, including the war years.

The Judd bill originally started as a simple naturalization bill which included quota provisions.

The British West Indies, up to now included in the liberal British quota of 65,721, has been able to send to U. S. shores almost anyone qualifying under the health and public charge provisions of the

immigration act. Under the language of the Judd bill it will be limited to 100 immigrants. The population of the British West Indies is predominantly Negro, and as Congressman Adam Clayton Powell out in the floor debate, immigrants from the British West Indies number 80,000 in N. Y. city alone. They constitute the strongest political element among the Negro population of the North. British West Indians are leaders of the Democratic party. Marcantonio asserted that three-fourths of the President's Negro Committee which delivered his Negro votes are British West Indian in origin.

Following the meeting with Marcantonio, the executive committee of the Nisei for Wallace Committee, issued a statement supporting the basic naturalization features of the Judd bill and congratulating the JACL and its Anti-Discrimination Committee for its work in getting the bill through the House.

The NWC asked the JACL and other organizations interested in an equitable citizenship law to oppose the provisions which affect the British West Indians and denies the non-quota privileges to nations of the Pacific Triangle.

"Although we deeply desire citizenship for our parents, we believe it need not be at the expense of another minority group," the statement said. "We urge all Nisei organizations and individuals to write to members of the Senate judiciary committee asking that the discriminatory features be eliminated in order to assure the passage of the bill," the statement said.

Chicago Charter Given All-Nisei Post of Legion

CHICAGO — The Rome-Arno Post No. 1183 of the American Legion, an all-Nisei veterans group, received its charter in February, according to information received by the Midwest JACL Regional office.

Commander of this new post is Joe Sagami, a veteran of the First Division. The other officers, all veterans of the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team, are: George Sasaki, senior vice-commander; Harry Kato, junior vice-commander; Quentin Shiroishi, adjutant; and Yahachi Sagami, Sergeant-at-arms.

The Rome-Arno Post is presently using as headquarters that of the Oakland-Kenwood Post, which was instrumental in assisting in the organization of the Nisei unit.

Memorial Service Held in Chicago For Pfc. Kunimatsu

CHICAGO, Ill. — An impressive memorial service was held for Pfc. Isamu Kunimatsu at the St. James Church (Episcopal) in Chicago on March 6th, reported the JACL Midwest Regional Office this week. The remains of Pfc. Kunimatsu were recently returned from where he had been killed in action.

The service, which was conducted by Reverend Joseph Kitagawa, was preceded by a military ceremony in which Boy Scout Troop 515 and several American Legion units, including the newly organized all-Nisei Rome-Arno Post 1183 participated.

Other Legion posts represented were: the Oakland-Kenwood Post which provided the color guard; Hyde Park, Square, Fort Dearborn, Roseland, Armour and Stock Yard Posts. Also present were American Legion officers from the Third and Sixth Districts and the vice chairman of the Graves Registration Commission, Illinois Department, The American Legion. The bugler of the Legion's Illinois Department played "Taps."

Mr. Hiram Akita, representing the friends and comrades-at-arms of Pfc. Kunimatsu, gave an account of the personal history of the Nisei hero, while Joe Shibata read messages of sympathy, including a letter from New York City's Mayor O'Dwyer. Gounod's Ave Maria was sung by Michael Hagiwara.

Pall bearers, all veterans of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, were: Hiroshi Okawa, John Okamoto, George Okamura, Minoru Katsuyama, William Yanagimachi and Tadashi Nukuto. Honorary pall bearers were: Jisei Fukuda, Harry K. Mayeda, Tats Kuchida, Vernon Mayekawa, Robert Akita and Herbert Sasaki.

According to Kenzo Kunimatsu, the next of kin and brother of the deceased, Pfc. Kunimatsu will be re-interred at the national military cemetery at Rock Island, Illinois.

Kuniyoshi to Teach At Summer Workshop At Mills College

OAKLAND, Calif. — Yasuo Kuniyoshi of New York, noted American painter, will be guest instructor of painting at this summer's Mills college creative art workshop. Kuniyoshi, born in Japan, has been an instructor at the Arts Students League and the New School for Social Research in New York City for many years.

The workshop will be in session from July 5 to Aug. 13.

U. S. Films on Nisei Will Aid Return of Canadians

Films showing the successful Pacific Coast return of Japanese Americans will be shown in Vancouver, B.C., in an effort to help Canadians prepare for the return of Canadian Japanese to the evacuated area.

Lifting of restrictions at the end of this month have paved the way for the Canadian evacuees, who have been prohibited from the coast zone since 1942.

The films are "A Challenge to Democracy," a WRA film on the American evacuation and the return to the coast; "The Nisei Story," which pictures the return

Hayakawa Hopes to Return To U. S. After Film in France



HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — Sessue Hayakawa, Hollywood star of silent days who has just completed the role of a villain in Humphrey Bogart's "Tokyo Joe" at Columbia Studios, is leaving shortly for France to fulfill a motion picture contract but hopes to return to the United States soon.

Hayakawa expressed the wish that he would be able to bring his wife and three children who were stranded in Japan by the outbreak of war to the United States.

"I want my son to go to Columbia university," he declared.

Hayakawa also completed an exhibition of his paintings at a Los Angeles gallery.

He told reporters that he was in Paris when the war started and that he fled to Antibes when the Germans moved into Paris.

He was surprised at the changes in Los Angeles since his last visit nearly 18 years ago when he made "Daughter of the Dragon," his first American talking film, for Paramount.

"The people who live in Los Angeles have no conception of the change 18 years have made," he said. "I used to ride horseback up in the hills, and now there are houses where there used to be open roads. There are so many new buildings, and the town has grown into a big city."

The screen star said: "I was surprised to find so many of the Japanese I know, when I lived here, are gone. But then many others besides the Japanese have died or moved away."

(In the above photo, taken on the day when shooting on "Tokyo Joe" was completed, Sessue Hayakawa (right) is shown with Frank Kumagai, veteran Nisei actor who plays Hayakawa's right-hand man in the film, Humphrey Bogart and Mrs. Kumagai.)

Nisei Couple Returns After Strange Round-World Journey

More Stranded Arrive Here Aboard President Cleveland

SAN FRANCISCO — A Nisei evacuee couple returned to the United States on March 3 aboard the President Cleveland from Yokohama, completing a strange round-the-world journey which started in the Jerome relocation center in Arkansas in 1943, the Nichi-Bei Times reported on March 4.

The couple, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Noboru Taniguchi, are en route to Seabrook Farms in New Jersey.

The story starts in 1942 when Mrs. Taniguchi arrived at the Jerome camp with her brothers and sisters from Hawaii, intending to go to Japan aboard the first exchange ship to join the rest of her family.

At Jerome, however, she met and fell in love with Abraham Taniguchi, a Nisei evacuee from Los Angeles.

They were married in April, 1943 and Mrs. Taniguchi immediately filed for the cancellation of her request to expatriate to Japan.

In August, 1943, with only a week's notice, she was ordered to pack and leave the United States aboard the exchange ship Gripsholm. Rather than be separated from his wife, Abraham Taniguchi decided to accompany her. They

were ordered to New York to board the Gripsholm.

When the Gripsholm reached Singapore, Taniguchi learned that he could obtain a job in a radio station. The Taniguchis left the Gripsholm in the Malay city. It was there that their son, Akio, was born.

After V-J day the family was again evacuated, this time to Japan where Taniguchi obtained employment with occupation authorities until his application for his family to return to the United States was approved.

In addition to the Taniguchis, the Cleveland brought 36 other persons of Japanese ancestry, mostly war-stranded Nisei.

They were identified as: Jean Yoko Yamashita, 22, James Tanaka, 22, Mrs. Misao Misawa, 47, Yukiko 17, and Jiro Misawa, 12; Setsuji Otoshi, 51, San Francisco.

Setsuko Hirota, 20, Richmond, Calif.; David Tetuto Onizuka, 21, San Mateo; Chizu Kumano, 22, Palo Alto; Kazue Carol Watanabe, 23, San Jose; and Fumiye Mayeda, 23, Madrone.

Kensei Ogata, 17, and Shin Imajo, 22, Lodi, Calif.; Yaeko Sakuma, 20, Sacramento; Misako Date, 21, Turlock; Sayo Yonehara, 20, Dixon; Sadamu Okamura, 19, Fresno.

Mrs. Tomiko Matsuoka, 31, Tatsuo Muramoto, 21, Mrs. Ayame Segawa, 45, J. Masami Segawa, 15, Kenzo Yanaga, 22, Los Angeles; Mitsugi Shirai, 24, West Los Angeles; Kazuko Oka, 21, Wilmington, Calif.

Rosalind Yoko Shozui, 23, Glendale, Ariz.; Rose Masako Kozen, 24, Spokane, Wash.; Kozo Tonai, 19, Chicago; Mary Kuniko Ugawa, 27, Arlington, Va.; Mitsuko Tajiri, 19, Elmira, N.Y.; and Mrs. Shigeko Hiraga, Cleveland.

Masako Tanaka, 30, Canada; and Teruo M. Onuma, 21, Mexico.

Aihara Will Compete For Trojan Team

LOS ANGELES — Henry Aihara, Big Ten and NCAA broad jump champion in 1945 when he competed for Northwestern university, is one of the leading prospects for the event on Coach Jess Hill's Trojan varsity this season.

Hawaii Legislature Supports Bill Providing Equality in Naturalization, Immigration

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU — The Hawaiian legislature has come forth with its share of support for naturalization for those now ineligible because of racial or national origin.

The House of Representatives has completed action on a senate resolution introduced during the early days of the legislative session, which convened February 16.

The resolution memorializes congress to permit naturalization of all peoples without regard to race or national origin. It passed the senate speedily and received unanimous approval of the house on March 1.

Cleveland JACL Aids Claimants

CLEVELAND, O. — A number of persons have been aided recently by the Cleveland JACL in filling out evacuation claims forms.

Persons helping in the work are Alice Ikuta, Alice Morihiko, Margie Nako, Kiyoo Tashima and Grace Yoshizaki, typists; and Joe Nakai, Show Okazaki and Justin Matsuda, translators.

They have spent several evenings at the International Institute of the YWCA, working with approximately 40 people needing this assistance.

Makoto Iwamatsu Reunited with Parents

NEW YORK — A 15-year old Japanese boy, granted permanent residence in the United States by a special act of Congress, arrived in New York City from Japan on March 5 and was reunited with his parents after a separation of 10 years.

The youth, Makoto Iwamatsu, won permission to make his home here because of his father's aid to the United States during the war.

His author-artist father, Atsushi Jun Iwamatsu, did underground work against the militarists in Japan during the 1930s and worked for the United States Office of Strategic Services during World War II.

Previously he and his wife also had been granted permanent residence here as a reward for their wartime services.

Makoto was left with relatives in Japan when Mr. and Mrs. Iwamatsu fled Japan in 1940 as political refugees.

Movies Featured By Detroit JACL

DETROIT, Mich. — More than 150 persons attended the first general meeting of the year of the Detroit JACL on Feb. 26.

Three films were shown to the group, "California Picture Book," "The Nisei Story," and films on the national JACL convention.

The chairman for the evening was Dr. Mark Kondo.

Milwaukee JACL Holds Meeting on Claims

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Evacuation claims forms were made available to families in Milwaukee at the Feb. 4 meeting of the chapter at the YMCA.

Gus Oura, president, gave a dis-

ussion of the evacuation claims bill, followed by Robert Dewa, Madison attorney, who clarified clauses of the bill and gave a detailed explanation of questions on the claims form.

The house action came on the same day that the national house of representatives in Washington passed immigration and naturalization legislation, making eligible for naturalization all those who are legally in this country, regardless of race.

Delegate Joseph R. Farrington, Hawaii's representative in congress, was one of a bipartisan group who sponsored the national legislation.

He said that nowhere under the American flag would this legislation mean more than in Hawaii, since most of the people of Japanese and other extractions affected are in the territory.

The resolution adopted by the Hawaiian legislature follows: "WHEREAS, the United States of America stands today as the champion of the equality of men before the law without regard to race, color or creed; and

"WHEREAS, the recognition of the fact that we are all members of one world and that men are individuals to be valued as such without regard to the color of their skins has been recognized in the change of the naturalization law of America permitting Chinese, Filipinos and East Indians formerly barred by their racial antecedents to the privilege of citizenship; and

"WHEREAS, the outmoded naturalization law still denies citizenship to Japanese, Koreans, Indonesians, Siamese, Samoans and Guamanians, now, therefore,

"BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-Fifth Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Congress of the United States be, and it is respectfully urged to enact legislation permitting naturalization of all peoples without regard to race or national origin, and;

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this concurrent resolution be forwarded to the President of the United States, to the President of the Senate and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress, to the Secretary of the Interior and to the Delegate to the Congress from Hawaii."

The resolution was offered by Senator Herbert K. H. Lee, a Honolulu attorney of Chinese ancestry.

Blind Hawaii War Veteran Will Get New Seeing-Eye Dog

HONOLULU, A. H. — Yoshinao Omiya, blinded war veteran, will visit the mainland in April to secure another seeing eye dog to replace "Audrey," his companion for the past several years.

"Audrey" was killed recently in front of Omiya's home at 710 Hawsuten st., Honolulu, when she ran in front of a truck.

Omiya will be accompanied on his trip by a woman nurse.

He is scheduled to report to The Seeing Eye, Inc., in Morristown, N.J., on May 7 to start training with a new dog.

The war veteran fought in the Italian campaign with the original 100th battalion. He gained national recognition several years ago when Life magazine printed a full page picture of him sitting, sightless, on his hospital bed. The photo was considered by many as the most appealing photo of the war.

Omiya will leave by Pan American Clipper on April 15 and arrive in San Francisco the following

morning. He will stay overnight in that city and take a plane to Los Angeles the next day.

Among the persons he is anxious to meet in Los Angeles is Cameraman Griffin of RKO-Pathe studio, whom Omiya met in 1946. They got together to make a film short, "Hawaii, 49th State."

Omiya will stay in Los Angeles for four days and then go on to Chicago. Omiya said Earl Finch, the 442nd combat team's "godfather," wants him to meet as many of his old buddies as possible during his trip on the mainland.

From Chicago he will go to Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, New York and then Morristown.

After a month's training he will leave for home. Scheduled during his trip homeward will be a visit with a Mr. and Mrs. Glander of the state of Washington, whom he met through correspondence after publication of his photo in Life magazine.

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EDITORIALS:

Fighting Prejudice With Films

There was a time during the war when the motion picture was used by professional bigots as a medium for the propagation of race prejudice against Americans of Japanese ancestry. A number of films produced in 1942 and 1943 in Hollywood contained false references to acts of disloyalty by persons of Japanese descent in the United States and Hawaii. Such pictures undoubtedly contributed to public acceptance of restrictive wartime measures against Japanese Americans and the Issei.

Today, however, the situation has changed and it is apparent that many Hollywood producers are aware of the industry's role in propagating the ideals of democracy. Several recent films have contained references to Nisei wartime loyalty which contradict the films which Hollywood made earlier in the war. On a broader scale Hollywood is producing pictures, like last year's "Gentlemen's Agreement" and "Crossfire" as well as several forthcoming films on the Negro and discrimination by such companies as 20th Century, MGM and Film Classics which will approach the problems of prejudice on a broader scale. It is a fact that Hollywood is less afraid than in the past of the Ku Klux Klan mentality.

Last year the Army, in cooperation with Enterprise Studio in Hollywood, prepared a short subject which was designed to show the post-war status of persons of Japanese ancestry who were evacuated from the Pacific coast. This film, "The Nisei Story," was made with the help of the JACL ADC office in Los Angeles and was originally intended only for showing in the Far East to combat the impressions spread by Japanese wartime propaganda that the United States was subjecting American residents of Japanese ancestry to severe physical mistreatment. This film subject, however, has been shown in many parts of the United States by JACL chapters and was sent this week to British Columbia, along with WRA films and pictures on the 442nd Combat Team, to British Columbia where it will be used to help prepare public attitudes for the return of Canadian evacuees of Japanese ancestry when the wartime exclusion order finally expires on March 31. Thus the motion picture screen, which once spread anti-Nisei bias, now is being used to fight such prejudice.

Alien Land Law--Statutory Deadwood

Evidence that the Supreme Court's decision in the Oyama case has resulted in the nullification of the California Alien Land law, for all practical purposes, can be seen in the fact that the State Department of Justice is not requesting any funds from the legislature for enforcement of the racially discriminatory statute during the coming fiscal year.

Racist persecution, of the type exemplified by the efforts of the State of California to confiscate the properties of persons of Japanese ancestry through the use of discriminatory legislation, can survive only in an atmosphere in which such acts are condoned. That atmosphere no longer exists in California and state officials who are hyper-sensitive to changes in public attitude are more than aware of this.

There is probably no more dramatic notice of this change in attitude than the editorial in the *Los Angeles Times*, a long-time advocate of restrictive action against Japanese Americans, which last week urged Senate passage of the Judd bill as an act of "simple justice" to the parents of Nisei soldiers. The *Times* referred to the exclusion act now on the statutes as "a vestige of race discrimination and prejudice." The *Times* is to be congratulated for its courage in its public avowal of its change of policy.

The wave of escheat cases in California, in which the state sought seizure of agricultural property owned by Japanese Americans, including GIs, was inspired by legislation introduced in the California legislature in 1945 and 1947 by Senator Jack Tenney and others. Senator Tenney sought to tighten the Alien Land law and supported the appropriation measure which provided the State Department of Justice with a special fund for secret investigations of Nisei-owned property. Under the law, as then administered, and Nisei-owned farm land was subject to escheatment proceedings if an alien Japanese, usually a parent, held an interest in the property. The right of a Nisei to receive a gift of property from an alien parent was thus abridged. The Supreme Court, in the Oyama case, ruled that a Nisei could receive such gifts of property and the major basis for the enforcement of the Alien Land law was thus destroyed.

It is apparent that the California Alien Land law, as well as those of seven other western states, is now nothing more than statutory deadwood, particularly if the Judd bill is passed by the Senate. These states would do well to follow the example of the State of Utah which repealed its own Alien Land law as a tribute to the wartime record of its residents of Japanese ancestry. In doing so, they would be removing an outmoded and useless vestige of racial discrimination from their statute books.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

RKO's "The Clay Pigeon"

We asked Tats Kushida, the JACL's Midwest regional director, to send us his impressions of the new RKO film, "Clay Pigeon," which opened at the Palace theater in Chicago last week on the bottom half of a double bill.

"Clay Pigeon" was inspired by last year's Kawakita treason trial in Los Angeles and our interest was based mainly on its portrayal of any Nisei characters, particularly in view of RKO's denial that it was making a film on the Kawakita case.

In a letter to the JACL, answering a protest regarding a report that RKO was planning a Kawakita film after it had dropped a projected picture which would have celebrated a Nisei GI, "Honored Glory," Harold Melniker, public relations chief at RKO, promised that "Clay Pigeon," which Mr. Melniker specified was not concerned with the Kawakita case, would contain "an important, significant sequence which characterizes the loyal Japanese American citizen in an unmistakable framework of honor and dignity."

Tats Kushida reports that "Clay Pigeon" does contain such a sequence.

Here is Tats Kushida's report on the film:

"Clay Pigeon" is definitely a Class B melodrama but I was generally entertained by a fantastic but clever plot. I could observe nothing in the film that specifically portrays Japanese Americans as disloyal.

"The villain, Richard Loo, plays the part of Kanji Tokuyama who was a Japanese prison guard known as the 'Weasel.' He is spotted in a Chinese restaurant in Los Angeles by the hero (Bill Williams) and the chase is on—though much of it is in reverse with Tokuyama and the villains hounding the hero.

"Almost the entire setting of the film is in Los Angeles' Chinatown and it might be very confusing to the audience to have a Japanese name in an obviously Chinese setting—the sinister and mysterious streets of Chinatown, as the filmmakers would have it. Only one mention is made of another villain of Japanese ancestry, identified as Thomas Noguchi, whose address is given as 758 East First Street. The picture shows this address to be the entrance of a two-story rooming house and there is nothing on the facade or the adjoining buildings to suggest Los Angeles' Little Tokyo district.

"The chase in reverse takes place in Chinatown where the hero, an American sailor falsely accused of treason, is pursued by three men led by Tokuyama. The hero is trapped in a rooming house but his life is saved when he enters the apartment of a Nisei woman who hides him there in a small, curtained room containing a crib and her child. The Nisei woman (portrayed by a Filipino actress,

Marya Marco) uses a clever ruse to conceal the hero in the room.

"It later develops that this woman is the widow of a war hero and the camera eye is directed to a photograph which is next to a framed military citation, the Distinguished Service Cross. The soldier's name is John Minato of the 442nd Combat Team.

"It is rather unfortunate that this room is shown to be shoddily furnished, as though it were plucked out from a typical apartment in a war relocation center. It also puzzles me why the Nisei girl and her child is shown living in a Chinatown rooming house.

"The hero thanks the Nisei girl and mention is made of the little baby who is 'just like his father,' according to the girl. The hero then says: 'The 442nd was quite an outfit' and a few moments of sympathetic silence follow before the melodrama resumes.

"The villainy of Tokuyama is shown in a flashback which pictures him snarling in a Japanese uniform and whipping the hero. There are many Caucasian villains involved in the plot which is mainly concerned about ten million dollars in phony American currency which was printed by the Japanese government in apparent anticipation of an invasion of the Pacific coast and these white villains, fronted by a large real estate syndicate, are actually Tokuyama's partners in the currency scheme. Naturally their plan would fail if the hero were to identify Tokuyama as a bestial guard in a Japanese POW camp and this is the reason for their attempt to kill him.

"The general impression I received from the picture is that it is harmless entertainment and does not cast the Nisei in an unfavorable light except for the suggestion that Tokuyama is a Japanese villain. However, Tokuyama is not specifically identified as a Nisei and the hero, spotting him in a Chinese restaurant, asks: 'What is he doing in Los Angeles?' More prominence could have been given the role which the 442nd played during the war but I suppose the producers assumed that the general public was well acquainted with the war record of the Nisei Combat Team."

"Clay Pigeon" thus is a Class B thriller much like Paramount's "Tokyo Rose" which was ostensibly based on a Nisei girl who broadcast propaganda for Radio Tokyo but which became a picture which was more interested in the courage of a Nisei underground worker in Japan who helps an escaped U.S. airman kidnap "Tokyo Rose" for American justice.

It appears that several Hollywood studios, RKO, MGM and 20th Century, are doing their best to rectify the harm which Hollywood films did during the war in circulating a false impression regarding the Japanese American group.

Tenney's Hawaiian Journey

We wonder whom State Senator Jack Tenney of California is trying to fool.

Mr. Tenney made a flying trip to Hawaii two weeks ago in the interests of his particular, narrow interpretation of Americanism. Senator Tenney told the West Coast press before his departure that he was going to Hawaii to fight subversives at the urgent request of Governor Ingram Stainback. When he arrived in Honolulu, however, Mr. Tenney denied that he had been called by the governor.

Jack Tenney's arrival in Hawaii was taken by some labor and liberal groups as a maneuver by foes of statehood to utilize the racial issue, particularly that concerning Hawaii's Japanese American population, to defeat the territory's ambition for state status. Mr. Tenney's record of racist activity against Japanese Americans in California—as executive director of the Americanism Educational League which opposed the return of Nisei evacuees to California and as chairman of the Tenney (Little Dies) Committee of the California legislature which helped stir public prejudice against

the evacuees — was cited in Hawaii.

Senator Tenney's answer to the charge that he had exploited race hatred against Japanese Americans during the war was given in a speech given before the Honolulu legislature on Feb. 23. He said that his opponents in Hawaii had "sought to divert the minds of our American-Japanese citizens by painting me as a narrow-minded reactionary who discriminated against a people because of their race and creed."

"I am very happy to have the opportunity to throw the lie back in the teeth of the liar who wrote it," said Jack Tenney. "It is significant that this particular lie is used for the first time in Hawaii. It could not be used with any degree of success in California because my stand on racism is known throughout the state — and particularly by our Japanese American citizens."

Senator Tenney's statement is an amazing concoction of half-truths. It is false when he denies that he has never discriminated because of race and creed. It is true when he declares that his stand on racism is known throughout the

MINORITY WEEK

Point of View

The "first Nisei" in a certain kind of job, employment in which is generally hard to find because of discrimination, usually gets a couple of lines in the press, and sometimes a downright blare of publicity.

This tendency among minority groups to give publicity to the "first" employment of one of its members was blasted by Lester R. Granger, executive secretary of the National Urban League, last week, who said that the practice is more harmful than good. He spoke specifically of the Negro group, citing the example of two Negroes recently hired in office positions by a bank.

Such persons, he said, are placed under additional strain and catapulted overnight into the category of "race leaders."

There are, of course, two schools of thought on this matter. It's important—not alone to the Negro but to everyone—when a Negro student cracks through the traditional restrictions of a southern university, or when an athletic organization breaks down its color bars and takes in its first Negro and when department stores hire their first Negro clerks.

The answer, probably is the old rule of thumb, temperance in everything, including the first Nisei at Annapolis, and the many other "firsts" we've been reading about lately. Pretty soon all this will become commonplace, we hope, and the thing will no longer be a problem.

Quick Quote

"We underestimate the absurdity of race prejudice. Its fomenters are either cynical demagogues or profoundly ignorant. They are vulnerable to ridicule, a powerful weapon. Remembering that the Lord scourged the money changers from the temple, let's not fear forthright action. Let us hit them hard where it hurts the most." — Eric Johnston.

Serves in Japan

FUKUOKA, Japan—Master Sgt. Saige Aramaki, son of Mrs. Yasu Aramaki of Magna, Utah, is now serving with the 24th infantry division, headquarters company, a unit of the 24th infantry division. The famed 24th infantry, popularly known as the "Victory" division, now occupies the entire island of Kyushu.

state of California and "particularly by our Japanese American citizens."

The Nisei know Senator Tenney for what he is, an alarmist who shouted for mass evacuation and haled Nisei who dared to fight the evacuation demands (before it became official army policy) before his legislative committee. They know that his particular "Little Dies" committee, probably more than any other single legislative committee, was responsible for the continued stirring of racial feeling against people of Japanese ancestry on the Pacific coast. The Tenney committee exploited the Tule Lake incident of 1943 in an attempt to foment prejudice against the evacuees.

The Nisei in California know that Senator Tenney was the sponsor of legislation which sought to tighten the existing Alien Land law, by adding amendments which would have made easier the confiscation of property owned by Americans of Japanese ancestry. Had the Tenney amendments been passed (they were defeated by a vote of the people in 1946), the result probably would have been the confiscation of farm property owned by Nisei GIs as well as civilians.

Besides his connection with the Americanism Educational League, Jack Tenney organized a group called the Council on Alien Relations which announced that its purpose would be to warn Pacific Coast citizens regarding the "menace" of people of Japanese descent.

Senator Jack Tenney was an exponent of anti-Japanese racism in California when such activity seemed to him to be opportunistic. Now that it has been proved that public opinion does not support such activity, he announces in Hawaii that he is a "friend" of the Nisei. But the people in Hawaii and in California are not fooled.

San Francisco Hails Nisei Soprano's Opera Performance



TOMIKO KANAZAWA
—Photo by Kameo Kido, San Francisco.

Shouts of bravo and prolonged applause from an audience which filled the War Memorial Opera house to capacity greeted the San Francisco debut of California-born Tomiko Kanazawa in the title role of the Pacific Opera company's presentation of "Madame Butterfly" on March 4.

San Francisco's musical critics were unanimous this week in praise of the Nisei soprano.

The popularity of the Puccini opera was attested to by the fact that the auditorium was filled and even standing room was jammed as Miss Kanazawa made her appearance.

Alexander Fried, music critic of the San Francisco Examiner, wrote that Miss Kanazawa made "an outstanding hit." "She was so touching and real that the audience crowned her triumph with shouts of bravo," Mr. Fried reported. "Miss Kanazawa fulfilled her role in every respect. She has appealing personality. Her voice is expressive, bright and strong, although it did run into a spot of shrillness in its very top C and D.

"In addition, she made her dramatic points with a sharp stage intelligence and feeling.

"Her accomplishment fulfills the judgment of a jury that gave her a state-wide voice prize ten years ago at the (Golden Gate International) Exposition."

R. N. Hagan of the San Francisco Chronicle said that the "big news" about the opening of the Pacific Opera company season "was the performance of Tomiko Kanazawa in the title role."

Mr. Hagan said Miss Kanazawa "has developed her bright and clear-timbered voice to a high degree of versatility and polish."

"In the well-known 'Un bel di,' and generally throughout the last two acts of the opera, she gave a performance that, vocally and visually, well deserved the ovation the audience gave her."

Marjory M. Fisher of the San Francisco News said that Miss Kanazawa's ovation "was fully merited."

"The voice revealed itself as one of good timbre, with a nice warm quality (particularly in the lower and middle range) and lyric sensitivity, plus ample volume to achieve stirring dramatic climaxes," Miss Fisher declared. "Her singing was always meaningful."

Letters to the Editor

Congress Action Seen As Tribute to Nisei GIs

Editor,
Pacific Citizen:

The Judd Bill permitting the immigration to this country and subsequent naturalization of the Japanese, among other Asiatics, was overwhelmingly passed by the House of Representatives on March 1. The bill now goes to the Senate.

I was one of those few who were fortunate enough to attend the House session which debated the Judd Bill. During the scheduled one-hour debate, Representative Walter H. Judd, Republican, of Minnesota, who sponsored the bill, opened the debate on the HR-199 (bill for equality in naturalization and immigration) before the assembled House members. He was followed by a number of Representatives, among them George P. Miller, Democrat, of California, Ed Gossett, Democrat, of Texas, and Delegate Joseph Harrington, Republican, of Hawaii, who debated the bill.

The significance of the Judd Bill was discussed in terms of America's international relationship, that is, of creating good will among the peoples of Asia and the Pacific through the abolition of racial discrimination against the Japanese, Koreans, Polynesians, and others regarding immigration and nat-

uralization. The importance of the role played by the men of the 442nd Nisei Regimental Combat Team was strongly emphasized. The *New York Times*, on March 2, reporting the House action on the Judd Bill, stated: "Recurring throughout the debate was the proud reference to the loyalty of Japanese Americans during the war years."

That the courageous conduct of the Nisei GIs who fought with the 442nd Combat Regiment had provided the most forceful argument in obtaining the overwhelming support from the House of Representatives was much in evidence.

The passage by the Senate of this House-approved bill will also be of tremendous import to the people of Japanese ancestry in this country, for, not only will they be rewarded for their continual support of the JACL-ADC program in terms of money, effort, and time, but they will know for certain that the supreme sacrifices made by our Nisei GIs in the last war had not been made in vain. The principles of equality and justice for which they fought and died will have been well preserved if the Senate passes the immigration and naturalization bill, which will give all Issei Japanese the right to become American citizens on equal footing with other Americans.

Ken Iseri,
Washington, D.C.

Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

Where the Shoe Pinches

Recent Nisei visitors to the land of magnolias south of the Mason and Dixon line have had it impressed on them that discrimination is a matter of where the shoe pinches. Specifically, they report that native-born Dixie Nisei are considerably less interested in such matters as civil rights legislation than even their lethargic northern cousins.

Actually, the explanation is simple. It goes something like this: Nisei down in the Deep South are regarded, generally, as "white folks." The Negroes, and in some areas the Spanish Americans, occupy a lower social and economic niche and are ready-made scapegoats. Thus the Nisei are identified with the majority rather than the minority, and if they want to keep that favored position, they are wise to act and think the way the majority does. They enjoy their state of being, and naturally are hesitant about espousing any philosophy that conceivably might irk their associates.

In other words, while many Nisei in the south may have strong personal convictions about civil rights, they find it more politic to ride along with the majority, by whom they have been accepted. It's a strictly practical and far from idealistic attitude.

So long as we're airing dirty linen, northern Nisei needn't feel too superior. Many of them can recall that during relocation days the support of unpopular minority groups was soft-pedaled purely because being associated with them was embarrassing when soliciting the acceptance of majority groups.

All this discussion serves no useful purpose except, perhaps, to emphasize the courage of those who champion unpopular causes, and to increase our own tolerance toward the factors behind the intolerances of others.

A Credit to All Nisei

One of the most amazing things about House approval of the Judd bill is the overwhelming support it won from all political factions. The con-

Denver, Colo.

gressmen, on the other hand, apparently were only reflecting the country's sentiment, and that in turn is tribute to the great job of public relations done not by the JACL alone, but by all Japanese Americans.

It's true that the JACL organization has developed a highly effective publicity machine. The great volume of editorial comment, from newspapers of various political convictions in all sections of the country, is eloquent testimonial to the power of that machine. You can expect to see even more editorials to appear as the Judd bill approaches its showdown in the senate.

But in the final analysis, it is the rank and file of Japanese Americans themselves who laid the groundwork of good feeling that won the Judd bill its popular approval. Simply by behaving themselves over the last half century, by being law-abiding, frugal, industrious folk, they won the kind of respect that eventually must lead to full-fledged citizenship.

Black Day Back in 1924

Older Nisei may remember that black day back in 1924 when congress passed the Oriental Exclusion Act, the act that undoubtedly will be repudiated by senate approval of the Judd bill. That was a quarter century ago, and I was much more interested in baseball, run sheep run, and getting out of doing the household chores than in national issues.

But I do remember the long and serious faces among the adults, and that was when I first learned that word anti meant against. There are memories too of Elliot Bay dotted with ships waiting for customs and immigration clearance as Japanese rushed to Seattle in an effort to beat the exclusion deadline. Desperate for a chance to enter the promised land, the immigrants were glad to be packed into unsavory steerage quarters, and the conditions under which they were forced to live were pretty grim.

And now at long last, the door of citizenship has opened a crack for those immigrants and their many courageous predecessors.

Jobs and Minorities:

University of Washington Group Studies Employment Status of Japanese Americans in Seattle

By ELMER R. SMITH

The Institute of Labor Economics, University of Washington, has just released a published study of the job opportunities for racial minorities in the Seattle area. It is worth careful study by all racial groups, not only in the Pacific Northwest but elsewhere in the United States. It is especially of significance to Japanese Americans, for here is "proof positive" that the hard won gains so far made by the Nisei in the United States must be held against some specific trends now casting their shadows

before. One cannot afford to go to sleep at the switch! We are forced to recognize that within the past few years progress has been made by persons of Japanese ancestry in finding their places in American society; this is not all there is to do for after finding it one must keep forever working to maintain that position.

The "Job Opportunities" study includes an analysis of "job status" of persons of Negroid, Japanese, Chinese and Filipino ancestry, but our attention will be mainly to the persons of Japanese ancestry. The sample studies consisted of 10 per cent or more of the following fields: transportation, construction, manufacturing, communication, other public utilities, retail trade, wholesale trade, and service industries. The sample of unions covered approximately sixty of the larger unions in Seattle.

The persons of Japanese ancestry tend to be employed more frequently as craftsmen and service workers. As a matter of fact there is a clear indication that a disproportionate percentage of persons of Japanese ancestry are employed in the "Operative" and "Service Worker" classifications. This applies to union members as well, and could be expected for the greatest majority (91.6%) of persons of Japanese ancestry belonging to unions fit into these two types of job classifications. While we are discussing unions, it should be stated that of sixty unions surveyed, twenty-six unions with 32 per cent of the total union membership had no persons of Japanese ancestry as members.

The employment agencies surveyed reported difficulties in placing nonwhites. It was also found that employers are becoming more particular about the employment of whites only. The employment agencies, however, in effect translate the actual or supposed prejudices of employers when they refer employees to jobs because they rarely send out nonwhites to jobs where they believe they will not be accepted. The Japanese placement agency stated that they

are generally successful in placing members, but that members are not always placed in jobs for which they are best fitted. "This is particularly true of technical and professional persons who frequently, in order to find employment must take jobs as laborers or service workers." The employment placement divisions of the University of Washington, whose function is to place technically and professionally trained individuals, bear out the above statement. The reports from these divisions show that placement of members of racial minority groups in private industry is difficult, if not impossible. "These individuals are generally placed in government agencies proper, or in government-controlled agencies." It might be stated in passing that a general survey just completed by the writer of other areas along the Pacific Coast follows out this pattern.

The Seattle area is well noted for its union strength, therefore, the positions of unions relative to nonwhite members are of interest. Of the sixty unions surveyed, twelve unions with 14 per cent of the total number of union members had no members of racial minority groups. In the total number of union members only 2.5 per cent were nonwhite. Of the twelve unions now reporting no nonwhite as members, six stated that they had had such members in the past. Five of these same twelve unions reported they would be willing to accept members of racial groups into membership in the union, five were unwilling to admit such individual and two were willing to admit all groups except Negroes. "In every case where unwillingness to admit these individuals occurred, the explanation given was that of 'local policy.'" It should be stated in this connection that union control over hiring and firing in general "does not alter the inequality of job opportunities for racial minorities."

The basic conclusions gained

Vagaries

Takeo Yoshihara, the 17-year old Renton, Wash., youth who is the first Nisei to win appointment to Annapolis, has a brother, Yukio, 23, who served with the Army's G-2 during the war . . . Although Yoshihara will be the first Nisei at Annapolis, he will not be the first Japanese to attend the school. Back around the time of the Russo-Japanese war, when U.S. sympathy was on the side of the Japanese, it's reported that there were Japanese exchange students at Annapolis. One of the popular boys' books of 25 years ago was about a Japanese student at Annapolis who plays on the Navy football team.

Humphrey Bogart, one of the screen's tough guys, said in Hollywood recently that Sessue Hayakawa, according to Bogart, "has the wonderful ability to transmit a feeling of terror by just the inflections of his voice and the play of emotions across his nimble face." . . . Tomi Kanazawa, who made a big hit last week in "Madame Butterfly" in San Francisco, is married in private life to an assistant conductor of the Metropolitan Opera company in New York. Born in Stockton, Calif., Miss Kanazawa was brought up in Los Angeles.

from an analysis of the findings of the "Job Opportunities" study are as follows:

- (1) Where racial discrimination in employment exists, the job opportunities for the groups discriminated against are materially lessened;
- (2) The highest rate of discrimination appears in the professional, semi-professional, managers and officials categories of employment;
- (3) Job opportunities for members of racial minorities are greater proportionately in larger firms than in smaller firms;
- (4) Future job opportunities for racial minorities relative to future job opportunities for whites will be less;
- (5) There are inequalities of opportunities for members of racial minority groups, and discrimination against these groups exists;
- (6) "Wherever prejudice against racial minority groups exists, discrimination will occur; but responsibility for such discrimination cannot be fixed upon any group of individuals. Rather, it must be shared by employers, unions, workers, and the public—particularly because such discrimination frequently occurs because of misjudgment by one group of another group's prejudices."

Robertson's of Los Angeles Wins Team Title in National JACL Bowling Tournament

In a rousing finish which saw five teams going into the last frame with a chance to take it all, Robertson Nursery of Los Angeles won the team championship of the 3rd annual National JACL Bowling tournament which was held on March 4, 5 and 6 at the Temple alleys in Salt Lake City.

The Robertson team staved off challenges from Okada Insurance, 1948 national champions, the Hawaii AJA All-Stars, H & F Company of Los Angeles and the Chicago All-Stars to rack up 2808 pins to win the title.

All the teams in the third squad, composed of the 12 highest average teams entered in the tournament, started slow but the Robertson squad got hot with a 1004 total in the second game to lead the Chicago All-Stars by three pins, 1897 to 1894, going into the last game. The Robertson squad, led by Yo Nomura with a 631 and George Yasukochi with 628, continued their steady bowling in the third game and punched out to win.

H & F Company of Los Angeles nearly caught Robertson's in the last game and fell just 12 pins shy, while the Hawaii AJA All-Stars overcame a bad first five frames and nearly went all the way. Hawaii had trouble on alleys 1 and 2 and had only 14 marks at the end of five frames. Then the Honolulu keglers found the alleys and tallied 30 marks in the next four frames, giving them a chance for a 1000 game going into the tenth frame. Two taps on strike hits stopped the Hawaiian bid and the island keglers had to be content with third place.

Larry Mekata of Honolulu, a 194 average bowler, will take home the singles championship after a sensational battle with Dr. Jun Kurumada, George Kishida and Richard Tsuji of Hawaii in the eighth and final singles squad. All four had better than 400 pins going into the last game. The pressure was on all of the high-

average bowlers who were attempting to better the 637 posted by Ace Morimoto of Pocatello in the fifth squad. Morimoto started with the tournament's high game, a 269. He spared the first frame and then rolled eight straight strikes before he spared the tenth frame.

Mekata bowled a steady game and his big 213 in the last game, after a 247 and 191, gave him top spot.

The doubles team of Dick Ikeda of San Jose and Tats Nagase of San Francisco took the doubles championship back to California and they withstood the challenge of Charles Nojima and Hal Ogata of Honolulu whose 1188 was good enough for second place.

Little Harley Kusumoto of Los Angeles, a southpaw with a wicked hook, won the all-events title, nosing out George Kobo of Los Angeles by six pins with a 1779. Kusumoto is last year's singles champion with 676.

Young Frank Sebara of Denver, rolling in an early squad, put up a 1384 total, including games of 203, 210, 185, 217, 143, 224 and 202, to win the \$150 top prize out of the \$900 pot in the 7-game singles classes across 14 alleys. Dr. Jun Kurumada needed a double in the tenth frame of his last game to overtake Sebara but had to settle for a spare and fell short of the Denver bowler's score by four pins.

A total of approximately \$4,000 in cash awards was made during the tournament with about \$700 of that total going to prize winners in the women's events. In addition, trophies for champions in the men's and women's events were donated by Salt Lake firms.

The summaries:

MEN'S TEAM

Won by Robertson Nursery, Los Angeles, (George Kobo 564, George Takeuchi 554, Yo Nomura 631, Kaz Katayama 459 and George Yasukochi 628), 2808; 2nd, H & F Company, Los Angeles, 2796; Hawaii AJA Athletic Association, Honolulu, 2785; 4th, Okada Insurance Salt Lake City, 2779; 5th, Chicago All-Stars (winner 3rd squad prize), 2771; 6th, Denver JACL (winner 2nd squad prize), 2759; 7th, Cathay Post No. 185, Denver, 2713; 8th, Young Abe Attell's, Los Angeles, 2682; 9th, Tady's Service, Los Angeles, 2644; 10th, Pep 88, Pocatello, Idaho, 2620.

Others: San Jose No. 1, 2617; Jaekel & Rogers, Ontario Ore., 2575; Main Bowl Maroons, Seattle, 2560; Yoshida Insurance, San Francisco, 2559; Hibbard Drug, Salt Lake, 2555; Modern Garage and Gil's Service, Salt Lake 2549; Shima's Transfer, San Francisco, 2548; Pagoda, Salt Lake, 2542; Aloha Snack Bar, Salt Lake, 2522; Ogden JACL (winner 1st squad prize), 2518; Yamada Co., Gardena, Calif., 2515; United Veterans, Fresno, Calif., 2512; Idaho Falls No. 1, 2499; Terashima Studio, Salt Lake, 2487; Tuxedo Cafe, Salt Lake 2480; Main Bowl Whites, Seattle, 2475; New Sunrise Market, Salt Lake, 2459; Farmer's Supply, Caldwell, Idaho, 2442; Denargo Box, Denver, 2436; Temple Bowl, Salt Lake, 2360; Conoco Oil, Pocatello, 2352; Pacific Citizen, Salt Lake, 2320; Idaho Falls No. 2, 2273; and Zion Motors, Murray, Utah, 2235.

MEN'S SINGLES

Won by Larry Mekata, Honolulu (247, 191, 213), 651; 2nd, Ace Morimoto, Pocatello, 637; 3rd, Dr. Jun Kurumada, Salt Lake, 623; 4th, Mas Horiuchi, Salt Lake, 616; 5th Taddy Shimizu, Los Angeles, 614; 6th George Kobo, Los Angeles, 607; 7th, Kaz Katayama, Los Angeles, 601; 8th, George Kishida, Salt Lake, 598; 9th, George Yasukochi, Los Angeles, 593; 10th, Sho Hiraizumi, Salt Lake, 588; 11th, Sam Okazaki, San Jose, 587; 12th, Tok Ishizawa, Los Angeles (winner of Squad 8 prize), 583; 13th, Tad Yamada, Los Angeles (winner Squad 7 prize), 581; 14th, Richard Tsuji, Honolulu, 580; 15th, Bowman Chung, Los Angeles, (winner Squad 5 prize), 580; 16th, Gish Endo, San Francisco, 579; 17th Harley Kusumoto, Los Angeles, 576; 18th, Bill Tanaka, Seattle, 574; 18th, Hump Tsuji, Los Angeles (winner Squad 4 prize), 574; 20th, George Inai, Denver, 572; 21st, George Takeuchi, Los Angeles (winner Squad 6 prize), 571; Tied for 22nd, Charles Nojima, Hawaii, and Toshi Igata, Salt Lake City, 570; 24th Jim Kuranishi, Seattle, 569; and Frank Sakamoto, San Jose, 568.

Winners of other squad prizes: First squad, Kaz Namba, Murray, Utah, 551; 2nd squad, Tom Sako, San Jose 555; 3rd squad, Tom Matsumori, Murray, Utah, 557.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Won by Dick Ikeda, San Jose, and Tats Nagase, San Francisco, 1196; 2nd, Charles Nojima and Hal Ogata, Honolulu, 1188; 3rd, Taddy Shimizu, Los Angeles, and Tom Kobayashi, Gardena, Calif., 1154; 4th, George Kishida and Tadao Sako, Salt Lake, 1149; 5th, Ace Morimoto and Terry Taki, Pocatello, 1142; 6th Harley Kusumoto and Shorty Tanaka, Los Angeles, 1137; 7th, George Kobo and George Yasukochi, Los Angeles, 1130; 8th, Tok Ishizawa and Tad Yamada, Los Angeles (winners of Squad 8 prize), 1130; 9th, Easy Fujimoto and Kuma Shimamoto, Gardena, Calif., (winners of Squad 4 prize), 1128; 10th, Wat Misaka and Ich Okumura, Salt Lake,



JULIA WONG, individual star of last week's National Nisei women's bowling tournament in Salt Lake City, is shown with her trophies at the awards dinner following the tournament. —Photo by Ben Terashima, Salt Lake.

Chinese American Girl Wins Major Honors in Tournament

A Chinese American girl, Julia Wong of Los Angeles, was the individual star of the National Nisei Women's bowling tournament at the Temple alleys in Salt Lake City on March 5 and 6.

Mrs. Wong, the top-average bowler in the Los Angeles Nisei women's league, won the all-events trophy, anchored the winning Los Angeles All-Stars in the team event, and won the women's doubles with Mickey Tsuruta. She paired with her husband, Stanley Wong, to win the mixed doubles with a score of 1051.

Mrs. Wong's 582 in the team event was high series of the tournament and included games of 191, 212 and 179.

Masa Ikebuchi of Salt Lake City won the women's singles crown with a fine 533 series, while Mrs. Kay Terashima of Salt Lake took high game laurels with a 231.

The steady bowling of the Los Angeles All-Stars gave them the team trophy by a wide margin as they shattered 2387 pins. Seattle's Over the Top Beverage was second and Dawn Noodle of Salt Lake squeezed out Pagoda of Salt Lake for third place. Other teams which competed in this event were the San Francisco American Legion, Denver All-Stars, Ogden All-Stars and Okada Insurance, Glamour Photo, Temple Noodle, Main Appliance and Aoki Produce.

(winner of Squad 3 prize), 1120; 11th, Jim Nakagawa and George Inai, Denver (winners of Squad 5 prize), 1118; 12th, Shig Hironaka and Yulene Takai, Ontario, Ore. (winners of Squad 7 prize), 1112; 13th, Eddie Matsueda and Larry Mekata, Honolulu, 1111; 14th, Ike Ogata and Harry Imamura, Salt Lake, 1107; 15th, Yuk Misaki and George Umamoto, Fresno, 1102; 16th, Gish Endo, San Francisco, and Fuzzy Shimada, San Jose, 1097; and 17th, Hito Okada and Ken Takeno, Salt Lake, 1090.

Winners of other squad prizes: Squad 1, Hank Imamura and George Doi, Salt Lake, 996; Squad 2, Aki Hiroshige and Sam Okazaki, San Jose, 1070; Squad 5, John Lyou and Joe Lyou, Los Angeles, 1081.

MEN'S ALL EVENTS

Won by Harley Kusumoto, Los Angeles (620, 583, 576), 1779; 2nd, George Kono, Los Angeles (564, 602, 607), 1773; 3rd, George Yasukochi, Los Angeles (628, 528, 593), 1749; 4th, Hal Ogata, Honolulu (607, 593, 543), 1743.

MEN'S HIGH GAME

Ace Morimoto, Pocatello, 269.

CLASSICS SWEEPSTAKES

(7 games across 14 alleys) Grand Prizes Won by Frank Sebara, Denver, 1384; Dr. Jun Kurumada, Salt Lake, 1380; Hal Oga'a, Honolulu, 1368; Bill Tanaka, Seattle, 1335; Tok Ishizawa, Los Angeles, 11; El Matsueda, Honolulu, 1311; and George Yasukochi, Los Angeles, 1293.

Squad Prizes

Squad 1: Tied for 1st, Nick Yoneda, Denver, Seiko Kasai, Salt Lake, and Nari Sasaki, Gardena, 1238.

Squad 2: Won by Terry Taki, Pocatello, 1318; 2nd George Inai, Denver, 1286; 3rd, Hank Aragaki, Los Angeles, 1256.

Squad 3: Won by Bowman Chung, Los Angeles, 1351; 2nd, Jim Kuranishi, Seattle 1333; 3rd, Sam Kawanishi, Denver, 1290.

Squad 4: Won by Jim Nakagawa, Denver, 1311; 2nd Tats Nagase, San Francisco, 1301; 3rd, Oxy Goto, Denver, 1269.

Squad 5: Won by George Kishida, Salt Lake, 1343; 2nd, Clarence Matsumoto, Honolulu, 1317; 3rd, Harley Kusumoto, Los Angeles, 1292.

MIXED DOUBLES

Won by Julia and Stanley Wong, Los Angeles 1051; 2nd Grace Yonezu and Chopy Umemoto Salt Lake, 1035; 3rd, Lylienne Kurisaki and Tadao Sako, Salt Lake, 1020; 4th, Amy Konishi and Moon Kataoka, Denver, 1013; Tied for 5th Bill Tanaka and Jean Numoto, Seattle, and Fusaye Odow and Dr. Jun Kurumada, Salt Lake, 1003; 7th, Nancy Sakuda, San Francisco and Richard Ikeda, San Jose, 1001; 8th, Saki Hirata and Bob Shiba, Salt Lake, 1000; and 9th, Kiyo Iwamoto, Salt Lake, and Fuzzy Shimada, San Jose, 991.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Won by Masa Ikebuchi Salt Lake, 533; 2nd, Amy Konishi, Denver, 518; 3rd, Chick Terashima, Salt Lake, 511; 4th, Maxie Kato, Ogden, 506; 5th Jean Numoto, Seattle, 503; 6th, Nobie Watanabe, Los Angeles, 501.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Won by Julia Wong and Mickey Tsuruta, Los Angeles, 974; 2nd Masa Ikebuchi, Salt Lake, and Maxie Kato, Ogden, 949; 3rd, Lylienne Kurisaki and Yoshi Katsuyama, Salt Lake, 928; 4th, Rosa Mayeda and Amy Konishi, Denver, 906; 5th, Nobie Watanabe and Yas Yasukochi, Los Angeles, 900.

WOMEN'S TEAM

Won by Los Angeles All-Stars (Yas Yasukochi, Mickey Tsuruta, Nobie Wata-

PC SPORTS

The Un-ABC

The refusal of the executive committee of the American Bowling Congress to change its policy of excluding all non-whites from ABC sanctioned leagues and tournaments probably means that the ABC will not change its discriminatory policy in the foreseeable future.

The ABC board's decision, which is expected to be upheld by delegates to its annual convention, is a disappointing one to the many thousands of Nisei and other non-Caucasian bowlers in the United States and Hawaii.

It now appears that only wholesale withdrawals of teams from the ABC and the adoption of legislation banning discriminatory sports groups will force the ABC to adopt a democratic attitude. The ABC has told the ABC that it will withdraw all of its leagues from ABC competition if the discriminatory rule is not changed. The Amvets who asked the ABC to rescind its racial ban, also has announced that all Amvets leagues will quit the ABC until the policy is changed.

The ABC's action also will probably come as a blow to Nisei bowlers in Hawaii, some of whom have been campaigning for a return to ABC status (the ABC permits non-whites to bowl under its sanction outside the continental United States). It may be recalled that members of the Honolulu Bowling Association quit the ABC last year and founded the independent Oahu Bowling Association as a protest against ABC discrimination.

As a result of the ABC's action the National JACL tournament is probably the only bowling tournament which is national in scope which does not discriminate against contestants on racial grounds. Although the participants in the National JACL meet are mostly Nisei bowlers of Caucasian, Chinese and Korean ancestry took part in last week's tournament in Salt Lake City.

Hawaii Tourney

Captains of the 36 bowling teams in the National JACL tournament in Salt Lake City expressed approval of a suggestion by Eddie Matsueda, on behalf of the Hawaii AJA Athletic Association, that the National JACL tournament be held in Honolulu in "three or four years."

Hawaii All-Stars Beat Chicago Nisei Team

CHICAGO—The Hawaii All Stars defeated the Chicago Nisei All-Stars in a match game here on March 9, 2633 to 2443. Dyke Miyagawa of Chicago had high series for the match with 573.

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Nisei Will Teach In Pasadena School

PASADENA, Calif. — A. Grace Shinoda was recently appointed to the teaching staff of John C. Fremont school in Pasadena. She is the only Nisei teacher in this city.

Miss Shinoda is a graduate of the University of Redlands. She majored in sociology and education. She was one of five persons in her graduating class who made the Delta Alpha honor society, which is considered the equivalent of Phi Beta Kappa.

She entered the University of Redlands through a scholarship granted her while attending school in Colorado.

She was active in Y work, the International Relations club, Phi Tau Omega (teaching fraternity), the Congregational church and social and political action committee.

Snake River Tops 'Double '48' Drive

PAYETTE, Ida. — The Snake River JACL went over the top in the "Double '48" membership drive just concluded with 325 members on the chapter roster.

The drive ended on Feb. 22 for some 30 participating campaigners with a dinner at the Payette country club.

At a general meeting called by Thomas T. Itami, president, on March 5, ties were awarded for the high-scoring campaigners. They were Shingo Wada and Shig Hirohaka, Ontario, and George Morishige and Kaz Morinaga of Payette. JACL pins were awarded to Kanyo Saito, Hiro Kido, Sig Murakami, George Koura, Frank Ikebe and Dick Kurokawa of the Nyssa team, which came in first.

Discussion on publication of a chapter bulletin, feasibility of holding district meetings and the purchase of an addressograph and duplicating machine were held. The meeting concluded with a showing of movies.

Loomis Girl Places Third in Women's Fencing Competition

SAN FRANCISCO — Grace Makabe of Loomis placed third in the intermediate women's foils competition preliminaries held March 4 at the Olympic Club under auspices of the northern California division of the Amateur Fencers League of America.

Miss Makabe is thus qualified to enter any further competition leading to the Pacific coast finals later in the year.

She won the Pacific coast junior foils championship in May of 1948, competing in Los Angeles against leading amateur fencers.

Formerly with the Falcon Club of Hollywood, Miss Makabe is now a member of the Halberstadt School of Fencing in San Francisco.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nabeta a boy on March 8 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Suggie Isaki a boy on March 1 in Oakland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hisao Abe a girl, Patricia Kazuko, on Feb. 19 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takanori Saito a girl on Feb. 18 in Fresno, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shiro Kashino a girl on March 2 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi T. Kawahara a boy on Feb. 22 in Walnut Grove, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. George M. Oehikubo a girl on Feb. 24 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. S. Yamaguchi a boy on Feb. 27 in Marysville, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Chikuma Matsui, Tarzana, Calif., a girl on Feb. 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Mizota a girl on Feb. 13 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hatsuo Morita, Anaheim, Calif., a girl on Feb. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Goro Watanabe, Venice, Calif., a girl on Feb. 17.

To Dr. and Mrs. Toyo Shimizu a girl, Margaret Chiye, on Feb. 21 in Hollywood.

To Mr. and Mrs. Peter G. Kitagawa a boy on Feb. 25 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoneo Hayakawa, Alviso, Calif., a girl, Kathleen Chiyo, on Feb. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sakoda a boy in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Saito a girl, Gale Takako, on Feb. 26 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shinmatsu Higa, Madrone, Calif., a girl, Nancy Kazuko, on Feb. 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi Hori, Mountain View, Calif., a boy, David Reed Minoru, on Feb. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Setsuo Ernest Torigoe a girl, Katherine Joyce, on Feb. 22 in San Jose.

DEATHS

Unkichi Azumi, 82, on March 3 in San Francisco.

Kiyoko Watanabe, 21, on March 4 in Los Angeles.

Thomas Taniguchi, 64, Helper, Utah, on Feb. 23 in Salt Lake City.

Kinosuke Nakamura on Feb. 26 in Los Angeles.

Katsunojo Yamamoto, 61, on March 3 in Sacramento.

Infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Tod Sugai on Feb. 1 in Fresno, Calif.

Einosuke Akiyama, 64, on March 2 in Los Angeles.

Kumegoro Hirata in Denver, Colo.

Tajiro Kishi, 76, on March 6 in Livingston, Calif.

Kentaro Suzuki on March 5 in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Taka Taniguchi, 65, on March 5 in Riverside, Calif.

Mrs. Tami Hirai on March 5 in Santa Monica, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Kimi Tamura to Joseph Yamaguma, San Mateo, on March 6 in

Kikuchi Wins over Kimura in Finals of Far West Tourney

SAN FRANCISCO—David Kiruchi of San Diego high school defeated Joe Kimura of the San Francisco Olympic club in the 128-pound finals of the Far Western wrestling tournament here on March 5.

In another finals match Avon Oyakawa of UCLA lost to Weber Lawson of San Luis Obispo in the 121-pound division.

Manchu Grill Accepts Cage Tournament Bid

The Manchu Grill Bears of Denver were among the first teams officially accepting a bid for the intermountain Nisei invitational basketball tournament, according to Yosh Kojimoto.

The tournament which will be the 14th annual tournament, will be held March 24, 25 and 26 at the Pioneer Stake gym in Salt Lake City.

The Bears recently conquered the Marusho Miks of Denver, perennial kingpins of the mile high city.

Mainstays of the team are "Jumpin' Joe" Arika, Kaz Kanda and Art Yoshimura.

Cleveland JACL Plans Educational Program

CLEVELAND, O.—The Cleveland JACL has already entered a full program of educational activity for 1949 under direction of Alice Morihoro, program chairman.

First event was a visit to Karanu House, notable Negro theater, scheduled on Mar. 8.

A panel discussion on marriage has been planned for the month of April with Johnny Matsushima as chairman.

Workshop conference is scheduled for May and a Midwest district council will be sponsored sometime in September.

San Francisco

Mary Yano to Shogo Kamiya on March 6 in San Francisco.

Emi Nagamitsu, Box Elder, Mont., to Lefty Sasaki on Feb. 5 in Havre, Mont.

Tomi Masunaka to Joseph Chino on March 5 in Chicago.

Hideko Yada to Tadao Hirota on Feb. 19 in Chicago.

Yoneko Hayashi to Kaoru Shimoiide on March 5 in Fresno, Calif.

Toshiko Sasaki of Reedley to Tetsugo Sanwo on March 6 in Fresno.

Sachiyo Tokunaga to George Hiromoto on March 5 in Sacramento.

Virginia Hirai to Takeshi Tada on Feb. 27 in Seattle.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

LaVerne Yamada, 25, and John Yamaguchi, 30, in San Francisco.

Kiyoko T. Takayoshi, 20, and Shinobu Sakuma, 28, Mount Vernon, Wash., in Seattle.

Yuriko L. Okazaki, 19, Lodi, Calif., and Susumu Iwasa, 22, San Francisco, in Reno.

Jane H. Katayama, Brighton, Colo., and Frank S. Watanabe, Derby, Colo., in Denver.

Mae T. Hirano, 24, and Toshio Tokiwa, 25, both of Santa Clara, Calif., in San Jose.

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Alameda Keglers Win In Sacramento Meet

SACRAMENTO—Grower's Produce of Alameda won the team championship in the first annual Sacramento Valley Nisei bowling tournament with a handicapped series of 2995.

Joseph Kiser Co. of San Jose was second with a handicapped 2935, while Sacramento SRC and Neishi Grocery of Oakland tied for third.

Shig Imura and Earl Park won the Class A doubles with 1095, followed by Tats Nagase of San Francisco and Dick Ikeda of San Jose with 1060 and by Kiyo Yamamoto and Kane Umamoto of Fresno with 1049.

Kango Mori of Fresno won the Class A singles with 561.

Seven Teams Named For San Jose Meet

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Seven teams, six from California and one from Hawaii, have accepted invitations to compete in the 3rd annual San Jose Invitational Nisei basketball tournament to be held on March 19 and 20 at Santa Clara high school.

The seven teams already in the field are the Hawaiian AJA All-Stars; the Del Rey All-Stars, Central California Nisei champions; Berkeley Nisseis, Sacramento Stags, Harlem AC of San Francisco, the Coast-Peninsula All-Stars and the San Jose Zebras.

Desert League Enters Last Round of Play

INDIO, Calif.—The Sockeyes are leading the field in the Desert bowling league, sponsored by the Coachella Valley JACL, as the league enters its final round of play.

The Sad Sacks, led by Charles Shibata's 557 series, cut the Sockeyes' lead to seven points, however, by sweeping all four points, 2909 to 2695.

The Musers also gained on the leaders by blanking the Nuggets 4-0. Sam Musashi with a 232 game and a 567 series anchored the Musers. The Tigers and the Sluggers battled to a 2-2 draw to remain at the bottom of the league.

The league standings to date: Sockeyes, 42 wins, 22 losses; Sad Sacks, 35 wins, 29 losses; Nuggets, 33 to 21; Musers, 33 and 21; Tigers, 27 and 37; and Sluggers, 22 and 42.

Sato Given Draw

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Ek Sato of San Francisco City College drew with Don Schultz of the University of Santa Clara in a 125-pound division bout here on March 4.

Buster Chikami Loses Split Verdict In Montes Rematch

SAN FRANCISCO—Buster Chikami, 145, of Reno, Nev., lost a split decision to Manuel Montes, 137, San Jose, at National Hall on March 4.

Two judges voted for Montes while the third called the bout a draw.

In a previous match last month Chikami was awarded the verdict over Montes.

Chikami's southpaw style bothered Montes in the first two rounds but the San Jose fighter took the third and fourth. The fifth was rated even and Montes was given the nod in the sixth.

Owyhee Motors Take Championship in Women's Bowling

NAMPA, Ida.—The Owyhee Motors bowling team from Homedale took first place in the JACL women's bowling league, followed in second place by the Investors Syndicate team of Nampa.

Middleton came in third, with fourth spot taken by Fox Studios of Boise.

Mrs. Mary Inouye, captain of the Owyhee team, won high series honors for the league. Midge Miyake of Investors Syndicate took high game honors.

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Hanford Maeda Loses in Finals Of World GI Meet

FORT MYER, Va.—Hanford Maeda, young Honolulu, T.H., Nisei, lost in the finals of the U. S. Army's world-wide boxing tournament on Feb. 25 before a crowd of 6,500 at the Fort Myer riding hall.

Maeda, who won the championship of the Army's Far East command in the regional tournament at Guam, was decided by a fellow Hawaiian, Nicholas Lopez, representing the Pacific Command.

The Nisei reached the finals by defeating Charles Beteta of the Military District of Washington.

Fellowship Night

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles YBA was scheduled to hold its first monthly "fellowship night" for the year March 10 in the Nishi Hongwanji temple social room.

A general meeting and brief service was also scheduled. The Rev. Kenryo M. Kumata delivered the message. Mrs. Grace Harada was in charge of the service.

Also on the committee were Mabel Kobayashi, refreshment committee chairman, and Ben Jinkawa, who was in charge of games and dancing.

Hawaii Nisei Wins Singles



LARRY MEKATA receives his trophy as the singles champion of the National JACL bowling tournament from National President Hito Okada as Lyle Kurisaki, Jr., looks on.

—Photo by Ben Terashima, Salt Lake.

Tokuda Drugs Will Defend Cage Title

Tokuda Drugs, champions of the Salt Lake JACL basketball association's annual intermountain invitational tourney, will defend their title in this year's meet, it was announced this week by tournament officials.

The Tokuda Drugs team is considered the top team in the Pacific northwest and one of the best in the country. The team took third in the Seattle Nisei league and first in the Northwest Times invitational tournament.

It was also announced that Pocatello has been selected to represent Idaho in the meet.

Methodists Plan Northwest Rally

PORTLAND, Ore.—Young Methodists in the northwest will hold a youth rally in Portland March 26 and 27 with the theme, "Jesus' Way, Our Way."

Ted Takaya will be general chairman for the event, which will be attended by delegates from Seattle, Tacoma, Wapato, Hood River, Ontario and other area.

Committee chairmen have been announced as follows: Calvin Oba, treasurer; Akira Makino, program; Kimi Yumibe, registration; May Abe, housing; Tom Takeoka, transportation; Mary Furusho music; Sato Hashizume, publicity; George Nakata, art; Yori Tomita and Elsie Morita, correspondence; Rose Nambu, picture; Tsuguo Ikeda, recreation; Frances Moriyas and Kenji Onishi, banquet; George Iwasa, reception; and James Morikawa, general arrangements.

Hawaii Nisei Cagers to Play On Mainland

SAN FRANCISCO — Some of Hawaii's top Nisei cage stars are scheduled to land in San Francisco Saturday, March 12, for a 19-day barnstorming tour of California.

They are members of a picked all-star team from the Hawaii AJA athletic association.

The colorful Hawaii team is scheduled to compete with the Berkeley Nisseis on March 12 at the Alameda high gym, the Sacramento JACL Stags on March 14 at the YBA hall and will be one of the main attractions at the all-state San Jose Zebra invitational tournament at the Santa Clara high gym March 19 and 20.

Games are also being scheduled in Fresno and Los Angeles.

The Honolulu AJA basketball league staged a four-day benefit show in order to make the trip possible. Game schedules in California were arranged by Fred Matsuo of the International Theatrical Co., Honolulu, Iwano Kawakami, secretary of the Northern California Nisei Athletic Union and the JACL regional offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Accompanied by President Harry H. Odo of the Hawaii AJA association and Michael Taniyama, coach, the players are Harold Y. Tome, Michael M. Sugai, Richard Iwamoto, Earl Hirotsu, Reginald Aisaka, Seino Teshima, Thomas Inafuku, Richard Suenaga, Franklyn S. Fukunaga and George Kawada.

Delegate

LOS ANGELES — Mary Yama was one of 15 official delegates named to represent the Los Angeles YWCA at the 18th national convention of the YWCA in San Francisco March 7 to 14.

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Auxiliary

The women's auxiliary of the Salt Lake City JACL will hear William C. Tanner, executive secretary of the Utah Social Hygiene Association, at its March 13 meeting at the home of Mrs. Miki Yano.

Tanner will discuss sex education for children.

JACL members who are not members of the auxiliary are urged to attend the meetings. Further information may be had by calling Mrs. Doris Matsuura, chairman, at 9-2139.

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Iseri Wins Race In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO — Led by their breast-stroke star, Tak Iseri, the Sacramento YMCA team defeated the San Francisco YMCA swimming team, 31 to 24, here on March 4.

Iseri is the captain of the Sacramento team. He won first place in his favorite event.

Spring Fantasy

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—General Chairman Mary Morita of the Puella Societa recently announced selection of her committee for the 2nd annual "Spring Fantasy" to be held at the Odd Fellows temple May 7.

Committee chairmen will be Amy Matsumoto, cloakroom; Jean Morita, decorations; Frances Iida, posters; Bette Nishio, refreshments; Sue Nakahara, bids and programs; Sady Hori, mistress of ceremonies.

Open House

CHICAGO—"Tico-Tico" will be the theme of the first open house of the season sponsored by the Westside recreation council of the Chicago Resettlers Committee on Saturday, Mar. 19, at the Edwin Markham Center, 1601 West Harrison st.

The evening of recreation will be planned by Sam Taniguchi, general chairman; Min Tsuchiyama, program chairman; Tom Nishimoto, arrangements; Mrs. Helen Mukoyama, refreshments; Ruth Saiki, decorations; and Kay Yamashita, publicity.

The Westside recreation council is headed by Tomi Mishimoto, chairman; Jimmy Ezaki, vice chairman; Kay Yamashita, sec.; and Sam Taguchi, treas.

The council will concentrate upon smaller group activities and will also acquaint the community with recreational facilities offered by agencies in the area.

Student Body Chief

LOS ANGELES—David Ogawa recently was elected student body president of Foshay junior high school here.

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