

Mike M. Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, is greeted on May 14 on his arrival at Honolulu airport for a lecture and business tour of Hawaii. Mr. Masaoka, who was greeted by large and enthusiastic audiences during his appearances

this week before Hawaiian audiences, is shown being met at the airport by Peter Fukunaga (left), president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce; Rep. Joseph Itagaki and the Rev. Hiro Higuchi.—United Air Lines photo from Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

### FUNDS SOUGHT TO MAINTAIN CAMP CEMETERY

DENVER, Colo.—Following the decision of the cemetery plot at the Granada relocation center at Amache, Colo., to a committee of former Amache residents, a drive has been initiated to raise funds to erect individual tombstones over graves at the now-abandoned camp.

### Named Valedictorian

PLATTEVILLE, Colo. — Harry Matsuno gave the valedictory address at graduation exercises on May 19 at Platteville high school. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Matsuno.

## Mrs. d'Aquino Denied Citizen Rights, Says Ex-Sugamo Jailer

**Army Veteran Says "Tokyo Rose" Suspect Badly Treated**

SAN FRANCISCO — Martin B. Pray of Salinas, Calif., now a junior at Syracuse University, is planning to come to San Francisco next month on the chance of being a witness for the defense in the "Tokyo Rose" trial of Iva Toguri d'Aquino.

## Issei Naturalization, Statehood Issues Linked, Says Masaoka On Hawaiian Speaking Tour

HONOLULU—The desire of the people of Hawaii for statehood is closely linked to legislation now in Congress which will grant naturalization privileges to the territory's 40,000 resident aliens of Japanese ancestry, Mike M. Masaoka, legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, told an audience of 500 at a public meeting on May 15 at Kawanakoa Intermediate school.

### Honolulu Grower Names New Orchid For Combat Team

HONOLULU — A new orchid, developed by Masatoshi Miyamoto, Honolulu orchid grower, has been named "the 442nd" in honor of the Japanese American Combat Team. The dendrobium hybrid was exhibited recently at the Hawaii Orchid Show by Jane Udo and Agnes Awaya.

to contact a lawyer, to write or to receive letters, or to contact her parents.

The JACL ADC official, now in Hawaii as part of the campaign of the organization to raise funds for its legislative program in Washington, declared that citizenship rights for Hawaiian residents who are now ineligible for naturalization will help spur Hawaii's drive to become the 49th state.

Large audiences of Nisei and Issei have greeted Masaoka during his Hawaiian visit this week. He started his speaking tour on May 15 with an appearance before 200 members of the Young Buddhists association at the Honpa Hongani. He spoke for ten minutes on the Nisei Hour over KCMB at noon and then attended a luncheon sponsored by the United Okinawa Relief group.

Masaoka addressed a meeting at the Moiliili YBA before his public meeting on Sunday night at the Kawanakoa school.

## House Judiciary Committee Reports Favorably on Walter Measure for Issei Citizenship

**Senators Kilgore, Langer Introduce Naturalization Bill**

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The House Judiciary Committee on May 18 reported favorably on HJR 238, introduced by Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.), to give naturalization privileges to all persons regardless of race, creed or national origin.

The major difference between the Judd bill and Kilgore-Langer measure is that the latter provides that spouses and unmarried minor children from all countries, including Asia, may enter the United States quota free. This is the same policy now in effect for European countries and the Philippines.

At the same time, a slightly modified version of the Judd bill was introduced in the Senate by Senators H. M. Kilgore (D., W. Va.), and William Langer (R., N.D.), members of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Robert M. Cullum, of the Committee for Equality in Naturalization and advisor to the JACL ADC, said these developments "indicate a considerable level of interest in immigration and naturalization legislation in Congress."

## Pocatello Police Seek Two Suspects in \$5,000 Bunco Game

**Edwin So Released On Bail; Will Face Idaho, Utah Charges**

POCATELLO, Idaho—Pocatello police authorities announced this week a nationwide dragnet had been set up for the two confederates of Edwin T. So, described as being of Japanese ancestry, who faces district court trial here on the charge of taking \$5,000 from an Idaho Nisei farmer under false pretences.

So, a resident of Denver, was released by Pocatello authorities when he furnished a surety bond for \$2,000. Rearrested after furnishing bond on information from Utah authorities who have lodged a charge against So of robbery of \$2,000 at Clearfield, Utah, So was again released when he furnished another \$1,000 surety bond on the Utah charge.

Five witnesses described how So obtained the \$5,000 from the Idaho Nisei in testimony given at the preliminary hearing on May 12.

The hotel manager produced a registration card showing that So, also known under the alias of Tom Wong, and two confederates had registered at his hotel on April 8 under the names of James Lee, also known as "Montana Joe," Tom Wong and Juan Reyes.

### Meteorite Strikes Home of Nisei In Honolulu

HONOLULU—A five-inch, 23-pound meteorite recently fell through the roof of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Yasuda, narrowly missing the two Yasuda children who were asleep in the house.

Dudley Yasuda, 9, and Robin, 5, were asleep when the meteorite hit the house.

Dr. Harold S. Palmer, geology professor at the University of Hawaii, identified it as a type known as acrolite. He said it was probably the first recovered in Hawaii.

The meteorite also narrowly missed the bedroom of Thelma Sakumoto, a relative.

### Illinois Newspaper Urges Passage Of Judd Measure

CHICAGO, Ill.—Speedy passage of the Judd bill has been urged by another Illinois newspaper, reports the Midwest JACL-ADC office.

Editor Donald L. Breed of the Freepoint Journal Standard, in the issue of May 13, editorially described how the Judd bill eliminates race as a consideration for entry and citizenship, adding that "in the interest of good relations with the peoples of the Orient, a matter of importance for the years ahead, and also out of regard for elementary justice, the Senate judiciary subcommittee should promptly report out the Judd bill, so that its passage can be made possible."

cestry, and Reyes would soon be picked up.

"Montana Joe" is said to have represented himself to the victim as Joe Nakamura and was known to the Idaho Nisei, as he was employed for a time as a cook at the Porters and Waiters club.

The two cashiers testified that they had sold So \$3.20 worth of candy bars which were placed in a sealed package and left with the Nisei farmer as "security" for a \$5,000 loan. The farmer was told the package contained valuable watches and gems which had been brought from overseas by one of the trio.

According to the victim, So did not do much talking when he was being built up as a "prospect" for the \$5,000 "loan." It was "Montana Joe," he said, who told him the "valuables" would be sold within a few days for \$50,000 and they would "treat him right."

The three confidence men said a friend employed on a ship who was acquainted with its captain had arranged the shipment here. They implied the loot was smuggled into this country.

When the Nisei farmer became suspicious two days later and opened the package he found the candy bars instead of the valuables. He notified police and Chief of Detectives Nelson picked up the trail. So was arrested in Denver and extradited here.

County Attorney Henry McQuade, assisted by Walter H. Anderson, are conducting the prosecution while Attorney Clarence R. Jeffrey represents the defendant.

A detainer was lodged in Pocatello last week with Sheriff Alma Marley by authorities in Clearfield, Utah, where Feliciano G. Belleza charges he was robbed of \$2,000 by Edwin So.









### Stranded Nisei Return Home Aboard Wilson

SAN FRANCISCO—Thirty-two persons of Japanese ancestry, the majority of whom are war-stranded Nisei returning from Japan, arrived in San Francisco on May 12 aboard the President Wilson.

The Nichi-Bei Times reported that the following were among the passengers aboard the Wilson from Yokohama and Kobe:

Takanobu Kitajima, 18, Oakland; Yoshiko Hisoka, 20, Alvarado; Miyoko Tatsuguchi, 21, San Mateo; Hajime Hayashi, 24, Palo Alto; Hideharu Tonai, 21, Acampo; Morio Kawamoto, 25, Lodi; Louie Matsuda, 16, Salinas; Shinji Nakamura, 15, Vacaville; Hajime Tatumura, 16, Fresno; Sumiye Hasuike, 21, Tazuko Hasegawa, Yasuo Higaki, Miyuko Clara Kajitani, 20, Atsuko Komatsu, Mrs. Shio Nakagawa, Kazuhiko Shigemoto, 20, Los Angeles; Toshiye Nishida, 24, West Los Angeles; Yoshio Kozono, 17, Yoko Yamaji, 21, Venice; Kazumi Hayashi, 22, and Misa Kawato, San Diego; Hatsuyo Kawanami, 25, Encino; and Yoshiaki Honbo, 19, Torrance.

#### OTHER STATES

Shizuye Yamashita, 26, Seattle; Shozo Yamasaki, 20, Chicago; Shizuko Sonoda, Crowley, Colo.; Noriko Kiyono, 20, Arvada, Colo.; Michiko Kashimoto, Hobbs, N.M.; Mitsuo, 20, and Teruo Imabori, 19, Homedale, Idaho.

Fujiye Hayashi, 21, and Toshiko Miyashita, 25, Canada.

### Reach Finals

Amy Toda, erstwhile Utah University ski star, and her partner, Nancy Vadner, reached the finals of intercollegiate doubles event in the Rowland Hall state tennis tournament in Salt Lake City on May 14.

They defeated Kay Christophoulas and Shirley Williams 7-5, 7-5, and are scheduled to meet Diane Hunsaker and Joyce Bradley in the finals.

### Two Nisei Play In Coast Conference

Heat Heyamoto, scrappy veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, is one of two Nisei playing Coast Conference baseball this year. Heyamoto has been on the reserves for the early part of the season but finally got to start a game last week and came up with a single and triple in four trips to the play. He scored three times, stole a base and handled ten chances at shortstop without an error. The other Nisei in the Coast Conference is USC's Mas Kinoshita. The Trojans have a pitching staff which arouses the envy of pro managers and Kinoshita, who was a star at Los Angeles City College, hasn't had much chance to pitch in conference competition. For example, three members of the Trojan pitching staff of last year are in pro ball, all on Triple A teams.

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### JIM AOKI WINS FEATURE RACE AT HAYNES LAKE

HAYNES LAKE, Utah—James Aoki won the feature race in the Salt Lake Power Boat Club's races on May 15 on Haynes Lake in his 135 cubic inch hydroplane when L. O. Turner, the winner in the first heat, broke a rudder and was counted out of the final race.

Aoki stepped up into the 225 cubic inch hydroplane with his 135 and was able to beat out Allison Vanderpool of Chicago, even though he couldn't keep ahead of Turner, world's record holder in the class, for the first heat.

Aoki's time was 4:25.6s.

### Five Nisei Sweep Honolulu Novice Bowling Tourney

HONOLULU, T.H.—Five young Nisei bowlers scored a grand slam in the Honolulu Star Bulletin's junior-novice bowling tournament at the Honolulu Bowling Center recently.

The tournament, with a first place award of \$230, was won by Stanley Soranaka, a 155 average bowler, who had a total pinfall of 4,777 for 24 games.

Don Ishiki was second with 4,712, followed by T. Hirano with 4,710. William Suyama was fourth with 4,708, while M. Kobayashi was fifth with 4,699.

Individual awards went to G. Lee for the high six game series with 1,279, while R. D. Stickney had a 1,245 pin count.

Lincoln Yoshikado's 249 was the high game.

A total of 279 bowlers entered the tournament.

### State Netters Will Compete in JACL Tennis Tournament

Sunday and Monday, July 3 and 4, have been announced as the dates set for the Salt Lake City JACL state Nisei tennis tournament, according to Bill Inouye, chairman.

A number of players have already been registered in all men's and women's divisions, and immediate sign-up of other players has been urged to allow for arranging of match plays to guarantee fair seeding of entrants.

Sign-up is now in process at Glamour Photo, Dawn Noodle and the US Cafe with Inouye, Tom Morita and Yesh Kojimoto in charge.

### My Home Coming Was a Lonely Clambake: A NISEI GOES HOME TO SACRAMENTO

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with the JACL in civic matters. The group has distinguished itself in its uphill battle against age-old anti-Oriental laws of the state.

"The VFW post seems like a segregated Nisei post," said Harada, "but we are much more effective as such a group affiliated with the national body. As individual members, Nisei are not too vocal."

The Baptist church of Sacramento, across the street from Lincoln school where I learned my ABCs, has congregations for the Japanese, Mexicans and the Chinese and all of the services are conducted by a young Negro minister.

"How do living costs in Sacramento compare with living in Chicago?" I asked a local business man who spent a few years in the Windy City before returning to Sacramento. Without hesitation he replied that he wouldn't go back to Chicago, not with his family as large as it is now. "In Chicago I have to keep not only myself but my family well-dressed. My clothes bill does not run as high as it

### Four Hawaii Nisei Enter U. S. Weightlifting Championship

Sakata, Tomita Of Olympic Team Among Entrants

HONOLULU, T.H. — The Hawaiian AAU weight lifting champions left Honolulu by Pan American Clipper May 14 for Cleveland where they will compete in the National AAU weightlifting championships to be held May 21-22. They are Donald Uchimura, Harold Sakata, Richard Tomita, and George Yoshioka. Koizumi, chairman for the Hawaiian AAU Committee, will accompany the team as manager.

Uchimura was named the outstanding lifter of the Hawaiian Territorial Tournament held May 10. He broke two Hawaiian records in winning the 165 pound division title. His aggregate of 750 pounds broke the old mark by 20 pounds and he bettered the press record with 234 pounds which was five pounds under the mark. He had a 225 snatch and a 300 clean and jerk.

Sakata, runner-up in the Olympic 181 pound division last year, defended his Hawaiian title with an 840 aggregate in the tournament. Tomita who was also a member of the Olympic team, copped the 132 pound title with 645 pounds, while Yoshioka captured the 123 pound crown with 600 pounds.

### Trout Derby

Salt Lake City fishermen got out their fishing gear this week in anticipation of an all-season trout derby to be sponsored by the Salt Lake City JACL under the direction of Wally Doi and Yosh Kojimoto.

The derby will begin on the opening day of the season, June 11, and will run for the duration of the trout season.

Signup will begin immediately at the Aloha Snack Bar, 130 West 1st South, and the US Cafe, 71 West 1st South.

Rules for the derby have been announced as follows:

1. Fees will be \$1 for JACL members and \$3.50 for nonmembers.
  2. All fees must be paid prior to catching any trout entered in the competition.
  3. All trout must be caught in the state of Utah.
- Trophies will be awarded for the heaviest fish, along with other prizes. Lucky membership cardholders will also win prizes. All proceeds from the derby will be spent for trophies and prizes.

### Nisei Strongmen Plan Show in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO — Hawaii's weight-lifting champions, now on the mainland to participate in the national weightlifting championships at Cleveland, will be featured in an exhibition on May 25 at the Buchanan Street Branch of the YMCA, Fred Hoshiyama reported this week.

The event will be a benefit for the World Service Fund.

The four members of the Hawaii team, all of them Nisei, will perform in their respective weight classes.

Henry Koizumi, coach of the weightlifting team, will introduce the team members.

The members of the Hawaiian team are: Harold Sakata, 181 pounds, member of the 1948 U. S. Olympic team and second place winner in his class at the Olympics in London and the recent winner of the "Mr. Nuanu YMCA" championship in Honolulu; Donald Uchimura, a veteran of the 100th Infantry Battalion who was wounded three times in Europe and still carries bits of shrapnel in his body, 148 pound class; Richard Tomita, one of the few weightlifters who was a member of the 1948 U. S. Olympic team and eighth place winner at London, 132 pounds; and George Yoshioka, 123 pound class, ranked second nationally in his division and one of the few weightlifters who can press more than double his weight.

In addition to the weightlifting exhibition, a special demonstration of muscle control and coordination will be given by Harold Sakata.

Following the exhibitions, a motion picture, "One Step Nearer Democracy," will be shown.

Hoshiyama said the general public is invited to attend the exhibition. Doors will open at 7 p. m.

### Minamoto Places

FRESNO, Calif. — Toshi Minamoto of Madera high school placed fourth in the broad jump in the high school division of the West Coast Relays on May 14.

Minamoto's best leap was 21 feet 3¼ inches.

## P C SPORTS

### Aihara Consistent

Henry Aihara's consistent performances (he has placed in every important meet this year) has made him one of the sure pointers of Southern California track and field team. Aihara took third place in the broad jump at the West Coast Relays in Fresno on May 14 with a leap of 23 feet 2 inches. His best competitive mark for the season is 24 feet 4 inches.

### Caveney Case

The news that Ike Caveney, the old Seals star, is seriously ill in San Francisco hospital brings to mind a court case in which Caveney then one of the top stars of the Seals, was charged with hitting Nakanishi, a poolroom proprietor in a brawl at Third and L streets in Sacramento. Nakanishi striking his head on the sidewalk. He died later in a hospital. Caveney was charged with manslaughter and was represented by a young attorney, Sheridan Downey, now United States senator from California. The charge was dismissed when it was ruled there was no evidence to connect Caveney with the other Seals who were with him at the time, with the death of Nakanishi. . . . The year he was charged in the Nakanishi case Caveney led the Seals in home runs.

### Sports Notes

Honolulu's 442nd Veterans club may sponsor the Dec. 3 football game in Honolulu between the University of Hawaii and Fresno State. . . . It's still unconfirmed but George Okamura, formerly of Hoo River, Ore., who has been wrestling under the name of Taro (Bull) will meet Gorgeous George in Denver on May 30. Ito is about 5 feet 7 inches, weighs 205 pounds, and is usually cast as the villain.

### Feminine Star

Evelyn Kawamoto, Hawaii young Nisei swimming sensation will enter the women's national swimming championships this summer in San Antonio, Tex. Mas Kawamoto, a student at McKinley high school, showed that she may be one of the nation's coming feminine aquatic stars when she walked away with first places in five events at the recent Hawaii Swimming Club meet. She won the 100 yard backstroke in 1:13.8, the 220-yard backstroke in 2:50.8, the 220-yard breaststroke in 3:20.3s, the 300-yard individual medley in 4:03.4s and the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:19.9s. She also swam on several winning relay teams and was voted the outstanding feminine star at the meet. . . . Charley Oda, the 442nd Combat Team veteran who is the captain of Coach Soichi Sakamoto's University of Hawaii swimming team this year, was cited as the outstanding male swimmer at the meet.

### Ties for Fourth

Rio Yamamoto of the University of Utah tied for fourth place in the pole vault at the western division track and field meet of the Skyline Six conference on May 14 in Salt Lake City. The winning height was 11 feet 9 inches.

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### Vital Statistics

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yoshimura a girl on May 8 in Chicago.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Susumu Tsunaga, Compton, Calif., a boy, on May 6.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. William Sumiji Ohira a boy, Warren Harumi, on May 6 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Masakazu Ojima a boy on May 8 in Sacramento.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi Kato a boy on May 9 in Sacramento.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shimizu a girl, Kathleen, on May 6 in San Jose, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Shirow Uyeno a girl, Ellen, on May 14 in San Francisco.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Yoshida, Clovis, Calif., a boy on April 25.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Nishiwa, Fowler, Calif., a girl on May 6.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Yoichi Kihara a girl on April 13 in Lodi, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence T. Yamada a girl on April 17 in Lodi.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiro Ito, Campo, Calif., a boy on April 24.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Watanabe, Inyuba, Calif., a boy on May 10.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Sakaida a boy, Ted Shuzo, on May 2 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Takeso Shinoku a girl on May 6 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Frank Takimoto, Pacoima, Calif., a boy, Thomas Isamu, on May 3.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Akimaro a girl, Riki Lynn, on May 5 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Kagawa a girl, Penny Anelle, on April 26 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Jinko Yamachi a boy in Denver.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Sakoda a boy on May 11 in Seattle.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Sanetomo Kaneko a girl on May 11 in Seattle.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Satoshi

Murata, Campbell, Calif., a boy, Mark Toshio, on May 8.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nagatani, Hanford, Calif., a boy on May 11.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Morishita, 4470 Brown st., Salt Lake City, a girl on May 19.

#### DEATHS

Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tobari, Salt Lake City, on May 15.  
 Toshi Hanasaki, 40, on May 12 in San Jose, Calif.  
 Juliane Chomori, Long Beach, Calif., on May 13.  
 Hayao Uyeda, 24, on May 2 in Chicago.  
 Kay Oyabu, 85, on May 16 in Helper, Utah.  
 Torataro Takehara on May 14 in Los Angeles.  
 Mrs. Tsunac Nakagawa on May 10 in Fresno, Calif.

#### MARRIAGES

Emi Kawaguchi to James Murata on April 23 in Detroit, Mich.  
 Kimiko Inouye to Tamotsu (Babe) Nomura on May 8 in Los Angeles.  
 Yoshiko Kunimura to Tadashi Ota on May 3 in Los Angeles.  
 Setsuko Ito to Seiji Shimomura on May 1 in Chicago.  
 Yoshiko Shinkawa of Bowles to Tom Unade on May 8 in Selma, Calif.  
 Kimiko Saka to George Shintaro Mochizuki on May 7 in Salt Lake City.  
 Hazel Nishimura to Mitsuo Tsujimoto on May 8 in Loomis, Calif.  
 Tazuko Fujisawa to Kats Suzuki on April 24 in Chicago.  
 Mary Fumiyo Kubo to Masaru Sugii on May 16 in Los Angeles.  
 Mary Wada to George Maruyama on May 8 in Chicago.  
 Kikuye Idehara to Masato Miyake on May 8 in Fresno.  
 Alice Kimura to Frank Maruoka on May 8 in Stockton.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Matsuko Ikeuchi, 33, Walnut Grove, and George Sadaichi Suyama, 35, Courtland, in Sacramento.  
 Hisako Fujinami, 24, Oakland, and Masami Sugaya, 29, in San Francisco.

#### Hawaii "Big Five" Favors Statehood Businessman Says

DENVER—Even Hawaii's "Big Five" companies, which in the past controlled much of the economy of Hawaii, are now in favor of statehood, according to John J. Winn, Jr., former vice president and general manager of the Honolulu Gas Co., Ltd.  
 "Businessmen over there believe they will be much better off if they can gain strong representation in Washington," Winn said.  
 He added that the "Big Five" are "not nearly as powerful as they used to be."  
 "In the old days," he said, "they were very closely held concerns, but their control has been diffused among a large number of stockholders."  
 Winn said that despite the war persons of Japanese ancestry are "highly regarded" by the fellow islanders.  
 Residents of the islands, he said, have high hopes that the territory will soon be admitted to statehood.

#### Bostonites Hear Japan Professor

BOSTON, Mass.—Prof. Shichiro Matsui of Doshisha university, Japan, met with a section of the JACL New England chapter at a meeting called during his stay in Boston.  
 Prof. Matsui, who gave several lectures here, gave his single free evening to the JACL, and a meeting was arranged through a few hasty telephone calls to chapter members.  
 Prof. Matsui told the JACLers he was particularly interested in the TVA project for its democratic social and economic implications as well as its primary functions of flood control, soil erosion, navigation and power.

He told the group of the radical changes in Japan, the "humanization" of the emperor, the agrarian and educational reform and the trade union movement.  
 He said that while most Americans consider General MacArthur conservative, the Japanese associate him with radical reforms.  
 Prof. Matsui, graduate of the University of California, received his Ph. D. from the University of Wisconsin. He is an economist interested in labor relations and his one-year stay in the United States has been arranged by the Rockefeller Foundation.

#### Evelyn Kawamoto May Enter National Swimming Meet

HONOLULU — Evelyn Kawamoto, 15-year old McKinley high school sophomore swimming sensation, is ready for big-time national competition, according to her coach, Soichi Sakamoto.  
 Miss Kawamoto and Thelma Kalama, a member of the 1948 Olympic team, will be among Hawaii's women swimmers who will go to the National AAU women's swimming championships at San Antonio, Tex., on Aug. 19 to 21, if present plans of the Hawaii Swimming club materialize.

#### Iseri Wins Race

STOCKTON, Calif.—Tak Iseri led his Sacramento YMCA swimmers to a 44 to 14 victory over Stockton high school on May 12.  
 Iseri, captain of the Sacramento team, won the 100 yard breaststroke in 1:09.1s.  
 Iseri also swam a lap on the winning team in the 150 yard medley event.  
 Iseri swam the 100 yard breaststroke in 1:09.7s two weeks ago when he won the event in a triangular meet with the University of San Francisco freshmen and Washington high of San Francisco.

#### Winner

GILROY, Calif. — Laraine Kuwada was one of four prizewinners in the 13th district of the American Legion auxiliaries contest on Americanism.

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#### Portland Nisei Will Take Part In Rose Parade

PORTLAND, Ore. — James Tsujimura, vice president of the student body at Benson high school, will be one of the eight young men who will pilot shiny convertibles bearing the Rose queen, her court and civic dignitaries during the famous Portland Rose Festival parade next month.  
 Tsujimura, shortstop on the varsity baseball team, was selected on the basis of his record in school, attendance and good citizenship, coordinated with his high driving ability.

#### Engagement

FRESNO, Calif.—The engagement of Clara Honda, president of the Fresno Elle club, to Kaz Ito of Forestville was announced here at a recent meeting of the club.  
 The engagement was revealed when Miss Honda distributed miniature suitcases with the couple's name inscribed.

#### Bowling Tourney

FRESNO, Calif.—The second annual California Nisei Mid-State bowling tournament will be held on May 21 and 22 in Fresno.  
 Teams from all parts of California have entered.  
 The spotlight will be on Fuzzy Shimada of San Jose and George Kobo of Los Angeles, both of whom have recorded "300" games during the past year.

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#### Two Renunciants Back to Testify In Court Hearing

#### Seek Restoration Of Citizenship in U.S. Court Action

LOS ANGELES — Two more Tule Lake renunciants who went to Japan after renouncing their American citizenship have returned to the United States to testify in court cases in which they ask for return of their citizenship.  
 They are Yukiko Nakanishi and Toshiye Nishida, whose trials are scheduled for May 31. Originally set for May 16 before Judge William C. Mathes, the cases were postponed for two weeks.  
 They arrived in the United States upon special certificates of identity under provisions of the United States nationality act, which permits those living abroad who claim United States citizenship to file suit and return to testify in their cases.  
 They are represented by A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand of Los Angeles.

#### Engagement

The engagement of Miss Merle Akutagawa of Chicago to Roy S. Kaneko, also of Chicago, was announced here this week by the bride-elect's father, Mr. Fred Akutagawa of Salt Lake City.  
 Mr. Kaneko is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Yagoro Kaneko of Chicago, formerly of Salem, Ore.  
 The wedding will be held on Sept. 11 in Chicago at the Graham Taylor chapel.

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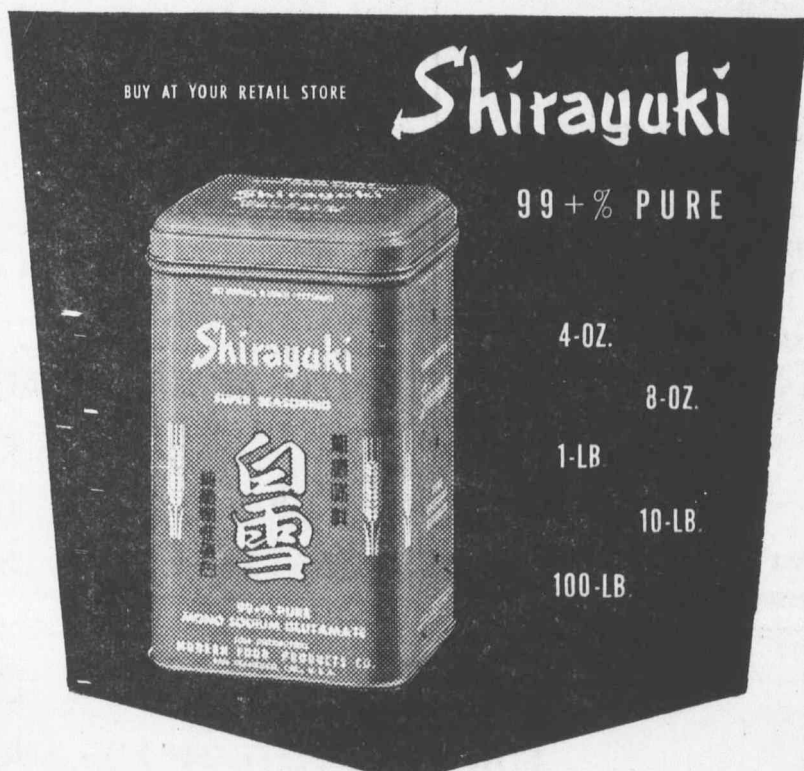
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