



Twelve Japanese American Representatives Serve in Two Houses of Hawaii Legislature

Nisei Legislators Include Several Newcomers In Territorial Politics, Represent Wide Variety of Occupational Backgrounds

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—Twelve of the 45 members of the Territorial Legislature which convened Feb. 16 are Nisei. Two are in the senate and 10 in the house of representatives—more than a fourth of the entire legislature, which has 15 senators and 30 representatives.

Eight of the dozen Nisei legislators are Republicans, who represent the majority party in control of both houses. Therefore they have been assigned to important committees in this session.

The remaining four are Democrats, all of whom are serving in the house.

Both Nisei senators—Wilfred C. Tsukiyama of Oahu and Toshio Ansai of Maui—are Republicans. Among the house members, six are Republicans, as follows:

Thomas T. Sakakihara and Joe T. Yamauchi of Hawaii; Samuel (Sad Sam) Ichinose and Joe Itagaki of Oahu, and Norito Kawakami and Noboru Miyake of Kauai.

The Democratic quartet are Tom Tagawa of Maui, Mitsuyuki Kido and Steere G. Noda of Oahu and Matsuki Arashiro of Kauai.

For the first time in Hawaiian history, two Nisei are serving at the same time in the senate, and one of them, Senator Tsukiyama, has the distinction of being the first person of Japanese ancestry to become president of the Senate—highest honor in the highest elective body in Hawaii.

(The only other Nisei senator, besides the two now serving, was Sanji Abe of Hawaii, who served in the senate before the war.)

Seven of the 12 Nisei legislators are freshmen, having been elected last fall to either the senate or the house for the first time.

They are Senator Ansai and Reps. Yamauchi, Tagawa, Ichinose, Noda, Kawakami and Miyake. Senator Ansai and Rep. Miyake previously had been elected to county boards of supervisors.

The fact that more than half of the Nisei lawmakers are newcomers points up the intensive interest in politics the Japanese American voters have taken since after the war. The revived participation in the elections last fall exceeded their activities before the war. The revival followed about five years of complete withdrawal of

Nisei from seeking political offices during the war.

The average age of the dozen Nisei in the legislature is 42½ years, although four are still in their thirties, one (Yamauchi) being only 30 and the second youngest of the entire legislature.

They come from varied backgrounds but most are self-educated men in that they have not had any university schooling. All have had most if not all their education in Hawaiian schools. Some who could not get higher education enrolled in correspondence courses.

Their occupations are varied also. Only two are employers; the rest are either self-employed or employees.

Senator Tsukiyama is an attorney; Senator Ansai, a farm and dairy manager; Reps. Sakakihara and Noda, district court practitioners; Reps. Yamauchi, accountant and tax consultant; Rep. Ichinose, boxing coach and trainer; Rep. Itagaki, restaurant manager; Rep. Kido, real estate agent; Rep. Kawakami, salesman.

Rep. Miyake, an employer, is president and manager of a garage and electric company.

Two house members are labor union officials. Rep. Tagawa and Rep. Arashiro belong to the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union, CIO.

Rep. Tagawa is a "luna" (foreman) of a pineapple company and also the owner of a grocery store. Rep. Arashiro works for a sugar plantation.

The Nisei with the longest legislative experience is Rep. Sakakihara, who has served in the house in the 1933, 1935, 1937, 1941, 1947 and 1949 sessions—six terms in all.

ADC Sponsors Legislation To Amend Enemy Trading Act

Would Let Internees File for Properties Vested by Government

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A bill amending the Trading With the Enemy Act was introduced in the Senate and sent to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce for study this week.

The bill was introduced by Sen. Warren G. Magnuson, (D., Wash.) at the request of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

It is designed to:

1) Permit aliens who were interned, but later paroled or released, to file for claims in property vested by the United States.

2) Extends the deadline, previously set at August 8, 1948, for filing such claims.

The present act specifically prohibits aliens who were interned or paroled under the Alien Enemy Act from even filing claims for return of their property. All other aliens in the U.S., however, may do so.

During the war, several thousand alien enemies were interned or paroled as a security measure, Mike M. Masaoka, JACL ADC legislative director, said.

"In the overwhelming majority of cases, internment was not based upon any evidence that the particular individual would take hostile action against the nation. It was

simply a precautionary move.

"Subsequent investigations disclosed that most of the interned were not dangerous and they were either paroled or released. Those found dangerous were deported. Accordingly, those now in the U. S. should be made eligible to file claims for debts owed them by such vested properties as Yokohama Specie or Sumitomo banks," he added.

Mr. Masaoka said many of the paroled or released internees were employed by the army and navy in intelligence and language schools during the war, yet they cannot file claims for return of property which is rightfully theirs.

The barring of former internees and parolees from filing claims is not theoretical hardship, but a real and substantial one in numerous cases, he said.

Mr. Masaoka said an extension of the deadline for filing claims also would permit many debtors who previously failed to file because of confusion or misunderstanding, and through no wilful fault of their own to make claims for vested property.

Sen. Magnuson, who introduced the bill, (S. 1017), is the senior Senator from Washington. He is the ranking member of both the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee and Senate Judiciary Committee.

Rules Committee Approves Judd Naturalization Bill

Nisei Veterans Plan Dedication Of GI Memorial

SEATTLE—A 21-foot granite memorial to Nisei war dead in World War II will be dedicated by the Nisei War Memorial Committee on Memorial Day in Seattle, according to Albert Ichihara of the Nisei Veterans Committee.

The monument was paid for by contributions of \$10,000 to the Nisei War Memorial fund and will list the campaigns in which Nisei GIs participated. The names of the Nisei war dead who will be honored by the memorial will be cut into the stone.

Fujino Loses Claim for Land Seized by U. S.

Appellate Court Upholds Verdict of Lower Tribunal

SAN FRANCISCO—A claim by Kaname Fujino, 30, of Kapalama, T.H., to \$100,000 worth of land seized by the government under the wartime Trading with the Enemy Act was denied here recently by the Ninth District Circuit Court of Appeals.

The appellate court upheld a 1947 decision by U. S. District Judge Frank J. McLaughlin which ruled that the land actually belonged to Yotaro Fujino, father of Kaname Fujino. The elder Fujino was a resident of Japan at the time of the outbreak of war.

The younger Fujino filed a claim against the Federal government for return of the confiscated property in 1946. He based his claim on a deed given him in 1941 by Tokuchi Tsuda and Yasue Tsutsumi, attorneys-in-fact for the elder Fujino.

In his lower court verdict Judge McLaughlin held that the deed was "a sham" because Tsuda and Tsutsumi did not have effective power to transfer the land. He ruled that the land was rightfully seized during the war by the government because Kaname Fujino "was controlled" by his father, then an enemy alien, in business dealings connected with the property.

The appellate court held that the ruling by Judge McLaughlin was supported "by substantial evidence."

It also ruled that young Fujino has "no interest, right or title in the property within the meaning of the Trading with the Enemy Act."

Aged Man Found Dead at California Welfare Camp

MANTECA, Calif.—Hachinosuke Tanabe, 82, a resident of the San Joaquin county welfare department's River Junction Camp for Aged Japanese, committed suicide by hanging himself on Feb. 17, the sheriff's office reported.

The body of Tanabe was found about 80 yards to the rear of the camp and out of sight of the regular camp ground. He appeared for breakfast and lunch on the day of his death but was missing at the hour for the dinner call.

Another resident of the camp, Hondo Michinaka, discovered the body of Tanabe in a sitting position at the base of a tree, with a rope looped over a limb and around his neck. Deputies surmised he sat down suddenly after looping the rope around the limb and his neck.

Tanabe lived at the camp the last three years. The body was taken to the Berghold Mortuary at Manteca.

Measure to Open Citizenship For Issei May Be Sent to Floor Of House for Action March 1

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Judd bill for equality in naturalization and immigration, which will open the road to citizenship for 90,000 resident aliens of Japanese ancestry in the United States and Hawaii, was approved on Feb. 24 by the House Rules Committee.

The legislation is expected to go before the House on March 1.

Meanwhile, it was also reported that S29, the Senate-passed

bill to provide for the payment of claims for losses or damage to "contraband" goods stored by persons of Japanese ancestry with the government during the war, was placed on the House consent calendar for March 21.

The Judd proposal which is identical to measures also introduced in the present Congress by Reps. Walter of Pennsylvania, Miller of California, Yates of Illinois and Delegate Farrington of Hawaii, would lift all racial restrictions on immigration and naturalization.

The proposal has been sponsored by the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee in Washington.

Judd, who served as a hospital superintendent in China, has termed the present U.S. bars on immigration of Asiatic peoples a "gratuitous insult." Failure to remove them, he has argued, might lose the friendship of the Orient for America.

Judd also noted that special wartime legislation excluded the Chinese, Filipinos and Hindus from the provisions of the Asiatic Exclusion Act.

The present legislation would place all Asiatics on the same basis as other world peoples under the United States immigration and naturalization laws.

BODY OF NISEI ARRIVES IN U. S. FOR FINAL BURIAL

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Army department announced that the remains of one American soldier of Japanese ancestry were among those of 5806 Americans which were returned from Pacific areas on Feb. 15 aboard the Dalton Victory for final burial in the United States.

The body of Sgt. Toshi Teramoto, son of Yasutaro Teramoto of Parlier, Calif., was on board the Dalton.

Appoint Nisei Girl To Teaching Staff Of School in L. A.

LOS ANGELES—Rowena Kubo was appointed recently to the teaching staff of the East First Street elementary school in the Los Angeles public school system.

Miss Kubo, a graduate of Asbury college in Kentucky and UCLA, was on the staff of the Aliso Village nursery school last year.

Justice Department Advises Care in Filing Claims Forms

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Care must be exercised in filing evacuation claims.

This observation was made this week by the Justice Department after it advised the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee that some persons are including claims for types of property not covered by the Evacuation Claims Act.

Specifically, the Evacuation Claims Act covers only loss of real and personal property as a direct result of the west coast exclusion and evacuation program.

However, JACL ADC has been advised that some persons are including claims for vested property or contraband articles when filing evacuation claims.

Contraband articles include those items taken into custody by

Estate Given To Four Nisei In Sacramento

Brother, Sister Of Deceased Unable To Claim Property

SACRAMENTO — The \$13,750 estate of the late Carl G. E. Scholz of Sacramento was awarded by Superior Court Judge Peter J. Shields last week to four persons of Japanese ancestry.

Judge Shields gave the estate of Ted, Carol, May and Lucy Osaki of 631 T street, charging that Russia's refusal to recognize personal property rights precluded carrying out Scholz's primary bequest to give the property to his brother and sister, Fritz Scholz and Johanna Schichting who reside in the Soviet zone of Germany.

The decision ended more than two years of litigation.

Scholz died on Jan. 3, 1947, leaving a will which provided that the Osakis would receive the estate if his brother and sister could not get it for legal reasons.

Judge Shields announced his decision after he was informed by Scholz's attorney that the money would probably be confiscated by Soviet authorities if sent to Germany.

Mr. Scholz was a friend of the Osaki family for more than ten years.

Bicycle Court Judge

BERKELEY, Calif.—Keiko Kawakami was sworn in last week by Judge Oliver Youngs as one of the 18 new teen-age justices of Berkeley's Bicycle court.

Members of the group will hold sessions to decide penalties for juveniles cited under Berkeley's bicycle code.

Student Honored

BOULDER, Colo.—William T. Nakaoka of Delta, Colo., was elected to Rho Phi honorary fraternity at the University of Colorado.

Nakaoka is an outstanding student in pharmacy and was the only junior honored.

the Justice Department at the outbreak of the war, such as guns, cameras and radios.

A specific bill, S29, passed by the Senate and now waiting House action, is designed to compensate persons for loss or damage to property held by the Justice Department.

Vested property comes under another category.

Deadline on filing claims for return of vested property has expired. However, JACL ADC is attempting to obtain a time extension. Meanwhile, claimants for yen or dollar deposits with such vested institutions as Sumitomo or Yokohama Specie bank cannot seek return of these funds under the Evacuation Claims Act.

National Young Buddhist Group Seeks Recognition by Army of Religious Cemetery Markers

SAN FRANCISCO—The Army department will be asked to recognize Buddhist cemetery markers for Nisei war dead of that faith in national cemeteries and to give Issei ministers the right to visit nearby army camps or posts where many Nisei Buddhists are stationed.

These requests will be made through the National Young Buddhist coordinating council, which met in San Francisco Saturday, Feb. 19.

House Group Approves Bill On Contraband

Will Repay Evacuees For Damage, Loss Of Stored Goods

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Contraband bill, (S 29) to indemnify aliens and persons of Japanese ancestry for damage or loss to such items as radios and cameras deposited with the Department of Justice, was unanimously approved on Feb. 23 by a House Judiciary Subcommittee, according to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

The bill, passed by the Senate last week, now goes to the full House Judiciary Committee for action.

Members of House Subcommittee No. 3, which approved the bill, include: William T. Byrne, (D., N.Y.), chairman; Thomas J. Lane, (D., Mass.), Winfield K. Denton, (D., Ind.), James B. Frazier Jr., (D., Tenn.), John Jennings Jr., (R., Tenn.), and Kenneth B. Keating, (R., N.Y.)

Report Increase In CARE Service To Japan Residents

CHICAGO, Ill. — CARE service to Japan is on the increase, according to Paul Gordon, chief of CARE missions in the Orient, in an interview with the Mid-west Regional JACL office.

Gordon, who taught at the American School in Tokyo almost thirty years ago, reported that \$150,000 worth of relief goods representing 50,000 packages have so far been delivered in Japan. He stated that the woolen blanket package (\$7.50) and woolen suiting and knitting wool packages (\$10) have a two-to-one demand over the food packages (\$10), pointing out that the great need for clothing and

The council will also suggest that a Buddhist bishop or reverend be appointed as consultant or advisor to the chief of chaplains to represent men of the Buddhist religion, and that findings of the Buddhist group in regard to men in the army be made available to other branches of service.

These suggestions follow upon the original "B for Buddhist" program launched recently by Bussei groups which asked that Buddhist soldiers have a "B" stamped upon their dog tags to indicate their religious faith. The army later announced that a special "X" tag would be made available to identify persons outside the three groups now classified as Hebrew, Protestant and Catholic.

Delegates from Buddhist leagues in all parts of the country, including the eastern and intermountain areas, were in attendance at the Feb. 19 meeting. The Rev. K. M. Kumata, Rev. Udale and Rev. Ikuta of Canada also attended.

Delegates voted to put into effect a ways and means program under direction of Mike Iwatsubo, treasurer, to raise funds. All the leagues will join the drive.

The board drafted a constitution which will be presented to member leagues for ratification.

A scholarship and fellowship program will be established to aid young Buddhists. Shizuo Harada of Ontario, Ore., will head the program.

The next NYBCC board meeting has been tentatively set for Nov. 26 and 27 in San Francisco.

Attending the last meeting were Tad Hirota, executive secretary, members of the temporary cabinet and official delegates.

Members of the cabinet are Manabu Fukuda, chairman; Mike Maruyama, vice chairman; Michi Mayemura, sec.; Mike Iwatsubo, treas.; and Noby Yamakoshi, auditor.

Official delegates were Dr. Ryo Munekata, Robert Kimura, Frank Okimoto and Eugene Okada, Western league; Shiz Harada, Northwest; and Yamakoshi, Eastern.

the cold winter climate are probable causes for this demand.

Attorney Cites Evidence Rule For Evacuation Loss Claims

WASHINGTON, D.C.—How can I file a claim if I have no written proof of losses?

This question is the most common one received by the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee from persons who suffered losses in the evacuation and now seek indemnification under the Evacuation Claims Act.

In an effort to obtain authoritative information, the question has been put before Frank F. Chuman, Los Angeles attorney and second national vice-president of the JACL.

His answer is:

"Every person who is able to recall with any degree of accuracy and detail losses sustained should file a claim, notwithstanding that he does not have written evidence."

He pointed out: "Once claims have been filed, the degree of proof necessary to substantiate the loss need not necessarily be in the nature of a written document.

"Actually, there are four general rules of evidence for claims: "1. The knowledge of the Department of Justice from statements given by the claimant.

"2. Oral testimony of the claimant or any person who may be able to corroborate the statement with reference to loss.

"3. Written documents.

"4. Material objects which indicate by size, shape, height, distance, depth or reproduction the validity of the claim.

"As a matter of fact," said Mr. Chuman, "for most purposes where a claimant has no written documents, he may be able to present evidence of other persons under oath who may testify to the loss,

either at a hearing or by deposition or affidavit."

In the hypothetical case of a farmer who lost several acres of crops because of the evacuation, Mr. Chuman said, he may be able to establish loss by his own oral testimony, affidavits from neighbors who knew how much he had planted, or by statements from a shipper who might have agreed to buy the crops.

It is possible to offer proof of business losses through such sources as business acquaintances, wholesale houses, or others with whom the claimant conducted business and who had a knowledge of his own operations, as well as through tax returns and accounting statements.

Personal property losses may be established through the same means, and their value ascertained through catalogues, testimony of dealers or affidavits from persons who would have purchased, or did purchase, the articles involved.

Mr. Chuman said there are several degrees of evidence including: Primary evidence, through such instruments as written documents.

Secondary evidence: Such as copies of written instruments or oral evidence.

Direct evidence through third parties: a neighbor, friend or other person who has a personal knowledge of a loss.

There are several other methods through which one can establish loss without possessing actual written evidence. Mr. Chuman advised that any person with a valid claim should file, and, if he feels necessary, employ professional advice as to the method of establishing proof of loss.



Dick Akagi of the New York JACL chapter carries a placard protesting the American Bowling Congress policy of excluding non-Caucasian bowlers at the protest demonstration staged by the New Jersey CIO and the National Committee for Fair Play in Bowling on the opening day of the ABC tournament on Feb. 12 in Atlantic City, N. J.

JACL Delegate Takes Part In Protest on ABC Race Ban

By EVERETT JAMES STARR

NEW YORK CITY—Bowlers—do you know Our Dick? Well, when you someday achieve such a bowling record that the American Bowling Congress takes you into its membership, then you'll just have to remember Dick Akagi! So you don't know him. Here's the story of Dick's perfect "300" day.

Oh they picked a beautiful Saturday, they did, and they picked a beautiful date—Lincoln's birthday, to be exact—but they did not pick SOME of the early guests when the American Bowl-

ing Congress met in Atlantic City, N.J., for its 46th annual bowling tournament. Everything was just about perfect and as nice as their top planners could make it. But some of the visitors were so unkind and had such unkind things to say and even paraded publicly and spoke publicly against their hosts. And they said things so unkind as the remark made about the A.B.C. "white male only" policy being unAmerican. A few of the visitors even went so far as to refer to the great organization as a "Jim Crow group with a false name" and others called attention to the rule which make ABC membership available to white men only—no other bowlers need apply.

Oh sad to relate, but how true! Many of these visitors did their darndest to spoil an otherwise perfect day for the ABC officials. And the pickets on the job did exactly that. The Associated Press story mentioned them as "A number of Negro groups, the American Veterans Committee and other anti-discrimination organizations. . . . Yes, Dick Akagi was there, representing both the New York chapter and the National JACL as well as all Nisei bowlers and other fellows hard hit by this ABC white-race-only policy.

It all started when the State CIO Council of New Jersey decided to do what it could in protest of the American Bowling Congress' discriminatory rule through which thousands of outstanding bowlers are disqualified from membership—and fair recognition—on a race-basis only. Turning its legal guns loose, the CIO Council challenged the right of the ABC to operate in New Jersey under that State's laws prohibiting discriminatory, race-favoring organizations from acting under State sanction. These are the same laws through which New Jersey outlawed the Klu Klux Klan just a few years ago.

The Civil Liberties Committee of the New Jersey CIO also contacted many groups in planning a public demonstration to be held just before the ABC's opening ceremonies grabbed the spotlight. Mike Masaoka, in Washington, D.C., was notified and suggested that JACL National Third Vice-President Tom

Hayashi in New York City be called into action. Tom spoke to the local chapter's Board and up jumped Dick Akagi—a little fighter who said he was willing, ready and able to join in the rumpus. Dick got his chance and Dick hit his "300" but let him tell you about it.

"I think that it was significant that JACL was contacted and that it could be a recognized supporting agency," Dick reported to the JACL meeting held last week. "Since most of the pickets were Negro and New Jersey residents, the least I could do was to provide high-visibility and show that we were also hit by this ABC rule. Art Chapin, CIO Council member and really in charge of the rally, seemed glad to have us and gave us a prominent position and really put me on the spot several times."

Meeting at the Elk's Home, over 50 pickets marched through several business streets to the famed Boardwalk and then staged an hour-and-a-half rally smack in front of the huge Convention Hall, scene of the ABC tournament. During the rally, Steve Moran, National CIO-UAW official and a nominee for mayor in Atlantic City's fast-approaching election, spoke of the shame involved in calling the world's attention to such discriminatory organizations in a democratic America. Other speakers told of what their organizations were doing in fighting such race-rule organizations.

Dick Akagi was called upon for a few remarks. Dick spoke of his organization, the Japanese American Citizens League, and said that what it was doing was in an all-out effort to make good its slogan "Better Americans In A Greater America."

"I guess that what I really spoke about was the fact that we did not like the American Bowling Congress and its race restrictions because such things were not proving popular or healthy anymore. We were not protesting against the ABC only but were proving that such groups had to be stamped out one-by-one and kept from spreading into wider circles. If we could make such groups as the ABC fear exposure and ridicule and known

Satow Visits JACL Units in Southwest Area

Two Groups Petition National JACL for Chapter Status

Masao Satow, national director of the JACL, will visit New Mexico and Texas this weekend to sponsor the organization of JACL chapters in these states.

Two groups, in the Rio Grande valley and in Albuquerque, have already petitioned for charters. They are the first in this entire region to form local chapters.

Two JACL committees, which may eventually become chapters, have been organized in Houston and El Paso.

Satow will also discuss evacuation claims and the ADC drive with local groups.

He will be accompanied by Robert Takeno, regional director of the Mt. Plains area.

His schedule was announced as follows: Feb. 24, Albuquerque meeting with new Albuquerque chapter; Feb. 25, El Paso, conference with JACL committee members; Feb. 26-27, meeting with members of the Rio Grande Valley JACL and meetings in Brownsville and San Benito; Feb. 28, Houston conference on ADC drive and meeting with JACL committee.

Satow is scheduled to return to Salt Lake City on March 1.

Unusual "Nisei" Attends Classes At Minnesota

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—An unusual "Nisei" is a graduate student at the University of Minnesota.

He is Cecil Uyehara, a native of England who has attended schools in Shanghai and Tokyo.

He was interviewed recently by Judy Sawamura for Minnisei, a local Japanese American monthly publication.

The new Minnesota student was born in England of a Japanese father and an English mother. He hopes to enter journalism when he finishes his studies at the University of Minnesota.

He said that he had found Japanese Americans "very generous."

"I'd like to express our thanks to the Nisei communities who have done so much for the post-war communities in Japan."

Masaoka Participates In National Meeting On Civil Liberties

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Mike Masaoka, JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee's national legislative director, acted as a "resource speaker" at the civil rights' section of the National Citizens' Conference on Civil Liberties in Washington, Feb. 15 and 16.

The conference centered its activities around four major questions:

"Is our American heritage of civil liberties in danger today?"

"Is freedom a luxury to be enjoyed only in untroubled times?"

"As responsible citizens, how can we best work to preserve, advance and extend our traditional rights and freedoms?"

"Is our responsibility to do so nation-wide or world-wide?"

The conference was attended by representatives of several dozen nationally prominent religious, educational, civic, labor, social welfare, business, professional and farm organizations.

Mr. Masaoka, Etsu Masaoka, Robert M. Cullum and Lorraine Yamasaki attended the conference as official JACL ADC delegates.

as really unfriendly to American ideals, then we would see many early changes and really do some good in breaking down their race barriers," Dick concluded.

Well, fellows like Dick really did spoil a perfect day for at least a few of the officials. And what the good guys like Dick Akagi accomplished, I'll let the Associated Press take it from here. Says A.P.: "ABC officials earlier in the week said they would make a 'thorough re-examination' of the rule that makes membership available only to white men. A spokesman for the pickets said they were satisfied with their demonstration and would await a meeting of the ABC board of directors before taking further action."

Noted Painter Named to U. S. Arts Institute

Kuniyoshi Named as Honorary Associate At Annual Election

NEW YORK—Yasuo Kuniyoshi, noted American painter, was elected as an "honorary associate" to the National Institute of Arts and Letters, Douglas Moore, president of the institute, announced on Feb. 17 at a dinner meeting at the Knickerbocker club.

Mr. Moore explained that Mr. Kuniyoshi's election had to be as an honorary associate, although he is a legal resident of the United States, because he is a native of Japan and is ineligible for American citizenship. Mr. Moore noted that Mr. Kuniyoshi is now one of the most prominent artists in the United States.

Other "honorary associates" elected this year are Pablo Picasso, modernist painter; Edith Sitwell, British poet; Composers Ralph Vaughan Williams of England and Gian Frances Malipiero of Italy.

Buddhists to Use Applause-o-meter At Talent Show

FRESNO, Calif.—An applause-o-meter will be used at the Western Young Buddhist League conference talent show to gauge audience reaction to the many acts scheduled for this event.

The conference will be held in Fresno the weekend of April 30 and May 1.

Misa Asakawa of Bowles will be chairman for the talent show. All individuals interested in joining the show are urged to contact her at 1660 M st., Fresno.

The program will follow the banquet on the evening of May 1.

Most of the activities of the conference will be held at the Fresno Memorial auditorium. Registration and opening service will be held at the Fresno Buddhist church.

Detroit JACL Sends ADC Campaign Funds

The Detroit JACL this week gave \$1000 to the National JACL for the ADC, according to Masao Satow, national director.

The Detroit chapter's ADC drive was directed by Taizo Kokubo and Louis Furukawa.

Auxiliary Hears Talks On Insurance Plans

Lewis Patterson of Blue Cross and George Shiba of Mutual Benefit of Omaha discussed differences in insurance plans at the Feb. 13 meeting of the Salt Lake JACL women's auxiliary.

The meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Mary Shiozaki, was called to keep members abreast of latest developments in hospital insurance. The auxiliary is a group member of Blue Cross.

Chicago's Human Relations Group Wins Wide Recognition

CHICAGO, Ill. — Perhaps the most outstanding citizens group in the field of human relations is the Chicago Council Against Racial and Religious Discrimination, according to the Midwest JACL regional office.

Under the courageous and effective leadership of Dr. Homer A. Jack, this organization of organizations has attained a position of recognition second to none in the entire country, Tats Kushida of the Midwest JACL declared. Organized in 1943, the CCARRD, in militant pursuit of its purpose of defending human rights and upholding the dignity of all men, has accomplished much in reducing racial tensions in Chicago. Effectively cooperating with the official Commission on Human Relations, it has been credited with having prevented a major race riot in Chicago.

The more than 100 affiliated organizations representing a cross-section of Chicago's many segments, includes civic, labor, religious, ethnic and veterans groups. With the resignation of Dr. Jack, who has been assigned to the pulpit of the Unitarian Church in Evanston, Illinois, the new executive

Expect Justice Department To Request Funds for Claims

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Mike Masaoka, JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee national legislative director, said this week he was confident the Department of Justice is planning to ask Congress for funds to begin paying Evacuation claims during the next fiscal year beginning July 1.

Recently Mr. Masaoka discussed the issue of Congressional funds to satisfy claims being filed under the Evacuation Claims Act with the Department of Justice.

He pointed out unless funds are voted by the present Congress for the fiscal year of 1949-50, the Department of Justice will pay no

claims until the following fiscal year—1950-51.

"It is true that not too many claims have been filed up to this time," Mr. Masaoka said, "but they are coming in in increasing numbers. Unless the Justice Department receives funds from the present Congress, it will be unable to process and pay for claims for another 18 months."

The Evacuation Claims Act approved by Congress made no allowance for funds to pay claims until after the Justice Department, which will administer payment of claims, makes a definite request for money.

Large Group of War-Stranded Nisei Return on Gen. Gordon

Second Largest Group To Return from Japan Since War

SAN FRANCISCO—One hundred and fifty-three persons of Japanese ancestry, a number of them enroute to homes in Canada and Mexico, arrived in San Francisco Feb. 21 on board the ALP liner Gen. Gordon.

They constituted the second largest number of Yokohama and Kobe passengers brought here on a single commercial vessel since the war.

The Gen. Gordon also took 195 Issei and Nisei to Honolulu. The boat left Yokohama with a record 348 persons of Japanese descent.

Among the passengers were Esther Watanabe, who will go on to Nicaragua, eight persons with homes in Mexico and 15 persons who will go to Canada.

The passengers, according to the Nichi Bei Times, were:

California

Mary Ichikawa, 26, Hajime Hirano, 24, Mrs. Yoneko Suehiro, 37, A. Yaeko Nakahara, 24, Akira Yamamoto, 20, Yukio Kameoka, 18, Akira Kamiya, 18, Kazutani Tani, 48, Mrs. Kameo Furusho, 55, Sachiko Furusho, 26, K. Mary Taira, 27, Kikuko Taira, 25, and Isamu Taira, 17, all of San Francisco.

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Kawano Relected President of CIO Longshore Local

HONOLULU — Jack Kawano, member of the international executive board of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, was relected president of ILWU Longshore Local 136 here recently.

Kawano has been a leading CIO figure in Hawaii for the past ten years.

Yukio Abe was relected secretary-treasurer of the Honolulu local.

House Judiciary Committee Report Favors Passage of Naturalization Equality Bill

WASHINGTON, D. C.—House members this week received a Judiciary Committee report on the Judd bill for equality in naturalization and immigration (H R 199) analyzing the bill, citing testimony for its passage, and quoting the committee's favorable consideration of the measure.

The committee report formally establishes the arguments in behalf of the bill which is expected to come up for a House vote within the next six weeks.

Attesting the leadership of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee on the measure is the fact that considerable space in the report is devoted to testimony by Mike Masaoka, ADC legislative director.

The report says, in part:

"The purpose of the bill is:

"1) To provide without racial restriction the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence;

"2) To make immigration quotas available to Asian and Pacific peoples in accordance with national origins provisions of the 1924 Immigration Act, under specific provisions that persons indigenous to an Asia-Pacific triangle shall be charged to the quota for the quota area to which they are by ancestry indigenous, wherever born;

"3) To place in quota status the alien husbands, wives and unmarried children of United States citizens who are chargeable to a quota area having less than a 200 quota;

"4) To provide a priority up to 45 percent for aliens immigrating to the United States chargeable to quota areas within the Asia-Pacific triangle who were born and are residents therein;

"5) To simplify the mechanics of computing quotas . . .

"6) To provide an annual limit of 100 immigrants from each colony, chargeable to the quota of the governing country.

"The bill," says the report, "states nothing new in terms of basic policy, but merely extends to the one-fourth of the population of Asia and adjacent islands the same naturalization and immigration privileges as Congress has already applied to the Chinese and to the peoples of India and the Philippines . . . while the possible annual number of immigrants from the Far East remains less than 1 percent of total authorized immigration.

"The most immediate effect of enactment of this bill will be to make eligible for naturalization those legally permanent residents of the United States who have hitherto been ineligible because of race.

" . . . During public hearings (last year) Representative George P. Miller (D., Calif.), offered the following testimony:

" . . . from my long experience with (Japanese) I have come to know them for the fine, thrifty people they are. They are law abiding, believe in higher education for their children, and contribute generously to such community projects as the Red Cross, community chest and other local drives.

" . . . many of them helped in vital war services. Their real loyalties are with the United States.

" . . . moreover, the records of the FBI and Army and Navy Intelligence show that there was not a single case of espionage or sabotage by a resident alien or Japanese American before, during and since the attack on Pearl Harbor.

"Certainly, people like these who have lived in the United States for almost half a century should be allowed to become citizens of the land they love so well . . ."

"The committee," the report adds, "has been impressed by the record of loyalty and dependability of these people."

The committee report quotes Mr. Masaoka, a veteran of the 442nd: "I say this not to brag about our outfit . . . but I say it simply to indicate that here you had a great number of American soldiers of Japanese ancestry who believed in America, who so believed in it that even though they were incarcerated in virtual prisons they saw behind and beyond the barbed-wire fences; they saw America, just and fair-minded and willing to give them and their parents a decent break . . ."

The committee also quoted statements by General Mark W. Clark and General Bonner Fellers as to the heroism and loyalty of Nisei troops both in Europe and the Pacific.

Direct testimony of the Department of State is included in the report. This testimony is quoted in part as follows:

" . . . (this bill) has the hearty endorsement of the Department of State. It very much hopes that Congress will act promptly so that it may be passed at this session for it is of key importance to our relations with the great peoples of the Orient."

In discussing the effects on immigration which passage of the act might have, it adds that the bill would " . . . preserve the ethnic and racial composition of the United States.

"The committee (also) believes that enactment of this bill will strongly benefit the foreign relations of the United States . . . It is significant that among the strongest supporters of this measure are organizations and members of the House from the west coast."

The committee report includes a technical analysis of the various sections of the bill.

Overall quotas as set up under the so-called Oriental Exclusion act would actually be reduced from 153,929 to 153,194, the report indicates.

Countries which would be permitted to utilize their quotas (all of which have a quota of 100 except Japan, which has 185) under the act are:

Afghanistan, Bhutan, Japan, Korea, Nauru, Nepal, New Guinea, Samoa, Siam, Yap.

Son of Noted Japanese Artist Arrives for Permanent Stay

SAN FRANCISCO — Fifteen-year old Makoto Iwamatsu, son of Jun Iwamatsu, noted New York artist, arrived here on Feb. 1 aboard the General Gordon from Japan.

The entry of the Japanese youth was made possible by a special bill passed by the 80th Congress which provided for his entry and permanent residence in the United States.

Iwamatsu, better known nationally as "Taro Yashima," is the author of two books, "The New Sun" and "Horizon Is Calling."

A famous artist and political cartoonist in Japan where he spent three years in prison because of his opposition to the military, Iwamatsu and his wife, also a painter, came to the United States in 1940.

During World War II, the Iwamatsums were employed by the Office of War Information and Mr. Iwamatsu was in Asia as a mem-

ber of the Office of Strategic Services at the time of the Japanese surrender.

The special bill, which was first introduced in 1946 by Rep. Joseph C. Baldwin of New York, also provides for permanent residence status for the Iwamatsums who were technically considered as deportable aliens under the immigration statutes.

The Iwamatsums were forced to leave their son, Makoto, in Japan at the time of their departure in 1940, ostensibly for a short visit to the United States. It was to protect the safety of his son that Iwamatsu used the name of "Taro Yashima" during World War II.

Student Officer

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Eichi Higashi was elected vice president of the student body of San Jose Technical high school last week.

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Nisei USA

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RKO and the Kawakita Case

After all their fine words denying they were making a motion picture inspired by the Tomoya Kawakita treason trial, it appears that RKO has produced a film which uses the basic dramatic situation involved in the Kawakita case.

The picture is "The Clay Pigeon" which was previewed for the trade at RKO studios last Feb. 7.

Edison Uno has sent us a copy of Daily Variety which carries a review of "The Clay Pigeon."

In a letter to the JACL, Harold Melniker, public relations director at RKO, stated categorically that RKO was not producing a motion picture based on the Kawakita case.

But Daily Variety reported on Feb. 1 in a review of "The Clay Pigeon":

"Liberal use is made of an incident last year in Los Angeles in which an American soldier recognized his former Jap prison guard and had him arrested."

The "Jap prison guard," the Kawakita character, is played by Richard Loo, the Chinese American actor who should be an expert by now in screen portrayals of Nisei villains. One of Mr. Loo's most notable roles during World War II was his part of a Japanese yell leader at a West Coast university who turns out to be the key man in an enemy espionage ring in the picture, "Betrayal from the East," based on the Alan Hynd book which was, in turn, based on the Dies Committee's "Yellow papers" and thus contained considerable misinformation.

Richard Loo, incidentally, participated with Ronald Reagan and Louise Albritton in the big public meeting in Santa Ana in Dec., 1946 which was a tribute to Nisei GIs and was attended by Gen. Joseph Stillwell after he had presented Sgt. Kazuo Masuda's posthumous Distinguished Service Cross to the Nisei hero's sister, Mary. At this meeting Richard Loo, who has made a Hollywood living during World War II taking the roles of Nisei and Japanese villains, read Mike Masaoka's Japanese American Creed.

Getting back to "The Clay Pigeon," this department has something of a vested interest in the controversy with RKO regarding whether or not it was producing a film on the Kawakita case. We commented some time ago that it was something of a shame that RKO, immediately after Howard Hughes had bought control of the studio, had abandoned plans to produce a film, "Honored Glory," which contains an episode about a Japanese American war hero, and initiated the production of a picture inspired by the Tomoya Kawakita case. Following the publication of this column, RKO received a number of protests from the American Friends Service Committee, various other religious groups, veterans organizations and the JACL regarding its Kawakita film.

RKO's answer was that it was not producing a movie on Kawakita. Mr. Melniker, RKO's publicity chief, did mention that the studio was making "The Clay Pigeon," which, he said, had a Japanese villain.

"The story is not a biography of Kawakita," Mr. Melniker declared at the time. "It is a fictional, romantic, postwar melodrama and one phase of it deals with illegal activities in jointly by an American and Japanese, and with their being brought to justice."

"This single characterization," Mr. Melniker added, "will not, we are confident, affect the good standing of the many worthy and reputable Japanese Americans in this country."

The RKO official mentioned that "The Clay Pigeon" contains "an important, significant sequence which characterizes the loyal Japanese American citizen and soldier in an unmistakable framework of honor and dignity."

The Daily Variety's review does not mention any such incident and we will have to wait until "The Clay Pigeon" is given its general release before it can be determined whether the picture misrepresents, in any way, the status of Nisei in the United States.

The hypersensitivity of Nisei to Hollywood portrayals of Japanese Americans stems from the fact that Hollywood, during the war, produced a number of films which presented a false and misleading picture of the Nisei group. Films like "Air Force," "Across the Pacific," and "Little Tokyo, USA," propagated false information about the Nisei and tended to justify the mass mistreatment of the group through mass evacuation and mass detention.

Regarding "The Clay Pigeon," however, it must be granted that there was a Kawakita case, in which the defendant was found guilty in a Federal district court and sentenced to death although the case has been appealed to higher tribunals. Our objection to RKO's reported interest in a film on a Nisei traitor was founded on the fact that the studio had chosen to propagandize one isolated instance of treason, while it had dropped plans to produce a film which would present one of the thousands of cases of wartime Nisei heroism. That film which Howard Hughes abandoned was bought by Dore Schary and will be produced at MGM under the title "Battleground," with such stars as Robert Taylor and Van Johnson.

"Battleground" will have four main characters, all GIs. One is an Italian American from Brooklyn (a part which Frank Sinatra wanted to play). Another is a Negro and the third, a farm boy, nationality unknown. The fourth is the Nisei.

The story was suggested by Henry Grunwald, one of the editors of Time magazine. In the original story there was no Nisei character and the Japanese American episode was inserted into the script, either by the screen writer or at the behest of Producer Schary when he was at RKO in the pre-Howard Hughes era.

In a letter to a friend recently, Mr. Grunwald declared:

"Since I had nothing to do with the writing of the script, either for Honored Glory or Battleground, I really cannot take credit for the insertion of the Nisei soldier. However, I am sure it's a good idea and I am glad it pleases you."

The case of "Battleground" and of Darryl Zanuck's "Daisy Kenyon" shows a conscious effort on the part of two of Hollywood's leading producers to rectify some of the harm which Hollywood has done in spreading lies about Japanese Americans during the war. It should be noted, however, that neither Mr. Zanuck or Mr. Schary produced any of the anti-Nisei films. It may be remembered that Mr. Zanuck made the attempt of Lawyer Dan O'Mara (Dana Andrews) to save the farm of a Nisei GI veteran of Italy the major character motivation in the picture "Daisy Kenyon." There is no civil rights issue involving a Japanese American veteran in the original novel by Elizabeth Jane-way. In the absence of published story material on Nisei GIs, both producers Zanuck and Schary have done their best to erase the memory of Hollywood films stressing Nisei treachery.

"The Clay Pigeon" is a melodrama which stars Bill Williams and Barbara Hale and concerns a Navy veteran who wakes up in a California hospital and finds he is on the verge of being court-martialed for treason. Williams, accused of betraying a comrade while a prisoner in a Japanese prison camp, spends most of the film in a search for exoneration and in dodging villains who seek to kill him to prevent him from telling what he knows. Richard Quine, who plays a former friend of the sailor in the prison camp, turns out to be the real villain, providing a Caucasian heavy to balance the Japanese villain played by Richard Loo.

In this column's original report on RKO and the reported Kawakita project, we mentioned that the role of a Nisei traitor had been offered to Kam Tong, one of Hollywood's most accomplished Chinese American actors. Since then we have seen Kam Tong in his attractive night club, "Shanghai Lil," which he operates in San Fran-

MINORITY WEEK

Quick Quote

"In terms of economic security, we cannot afford the indulgence of discrimination." - Robert F. Wagner, Jr., chairman of the New York city planning commission.

Queen

The 20-year-old daughter of a Negro porter was crowned queen of the famous McGill university winter carnival last week.

Beryl Dickenson won the honor when her classmates selected her from a field of candidates that included a number of Montreal society girls.

Another Quickie

"The moral reasons for the brotherhood idea are as old as the Scriptures. Men and women who are unimpressed by reasons based on philosophy, ethics or religion, perhaps may be moved by some findings that show intolerance is just plain bad business . . . Bickering and friction caused by bigotry, prejudice and intolerance annually cost America \$25 billion - \$25,000,000,000—in lost production, power, hours and wages . . . That much national production added to our present level could make life better for every one of us. It could reduce price while keeping wages up.

"The advice of the Scripture is not so theoretical, brother." - From the Chicago Sun-Times, in an editorial on Brotherhood week.

Editor

The Oklahoma Baptist university student newspaper lost its editor last week, apparently because it inferred that Baptists are "taking any action" on the "liberal" attitude toward Negroes.

The young editor, Len Green suggested in one of his columns that the "finest thing that the Baptists of Oklahoma can do for the Negro race is to open OBU undergraduate Negro students who desire to enroll here."

Shortly after the column appeared Green resigned his editorship post.

William F. Turner, journalism department head, said Green was not asked to resign, but that he had been given an alternative "living up to his agreement" resigning. The agreement, he explained, was that any copy on controversial subject was to be checked by OBU President Dr. John W. Raley, or by Tanner or his assistant.

Editor Green said he quit the paper because he "couldn't work under conditions not allowing him to express principles of Christianity and freedom of the press."

The Dream

When Bob Lee, young Chinese Nisei (if we may use the term) was president of the Burlington high school student body, he advocated building of a community recreational center.

With other school mates he spearheaded a drive which some months later, to a \$200,000 city recreational bond issue.

Last week Bob was present when ground was broken for the city community play center. Bob was one of the first shovelfuls of earth and gave a speech.

San Francisco's International Settlement section. Kam said he had turned down the RKO role. He played a Japanese spy, an Imperial prince in the guise of a naval officer, in John Houston's "Across the Pacific." Following this role, he enlisted in the army and soon found himself in Salt Lake City attending Japanese language classes under Saburo Kido at the University of Utah. He later was transferred to the military intelligence service language school in Minnesota and served with many Nisei GIs. He still takes occasional roles in Hollywood films.

"The Clay Pigeon" opened at the RKO Palace theater in Chicago this week.

EDITORIALS:

Happy Ending

It's a story that has only begun, but it shows signs of having a happy ending.

It's the story of the fight against discrimination in the Twin Cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

It wasn't very long ago that the Twin Cities, in the opinion of one expert on race relations, was the center of anti-Semitism in this country. On almost every level of human activity—in employment, in social activity, in housing—there was prejudice against the Jews. A Jewish family that 18 months ago moved into an "exclusive" residential district was greeted with a shotgun blast. Jews were turned away from jobs because of their religion. They were denied membership in service organizations and social and fraternal groups.

What was true of the Twin Cities' treatment of Jews was true—sometimes in greater degree—of other minority groups.

But the citizens of St. Paul and Minneapolis took a self-survey of their prejudices sometime ago and they were shocked by the results. They found that they were imbued with prejudices against every group that differed from the accepted majority. These citizens were brave enough to take a good look at themselves; they were also wise enough to do something about their shortcomings.

A number of organizations, including the Councils on Human Relations, launched an all-out attack on group prejudices. The results have been gratifying.

A number of large department stores began to hire Negro women as clerks. Minneapolis took on its first Negro employees in the department of education. Jewish Americans, who were a major target in employment discrimination, began to find work with firms which heretofore had refused to employ them. Nisei with housing and employment difficulties were aided.

Much of the work in fighting job discrimination was eased by the state's recently enacted FEPC. In a year and a half of operation the commission has settled favorably 19 out of 56 cases, dismissed four for lack of jurisdiction, dismissed 12 because no discrimination was found and deferred action on 11. No public hearings or prosecution were found necessary, though the final step, as provided by the law, allows for prosecution of the offending employer.

In the matter of housing, though discrimination continues as elsewhere, progress has been made by cooperation between many organizations who ease the entry of families of minority ancestry in new neighborhoods.

This year the National Conference of Christians and Jews gave special recognition to the Twin Cities for "outstanding strides in the improvement of relations between the several races and religions and in treatment of minority groups."

The story is not yet ended. But the story of the Twin Cities' fight against discrimination gives promise of a happy ending.

Still Scapegoats

America's minority groups have often been used as scapegoats for the frustrations, economic ills and social difficulties of the people. It's proven a handy tactic to divert attention from one ill by stirring racial discord.

But the sorriest use of the minority groups as scapegoats appears when racial democracy is perverted to serve mercenary ends, when an appeal to prejudice is made in the name of racial democracy.

Last week Senator Bricker of Ohio proposed an amendment to the federal public housing bill. He would ask, it was said, for an amendment which would outlaw discrimination or segregation in public housing projects.

We, least of all, would disagree with the amendment and indeed would like to insist upon insertion of such a regulation.

But one might reconsider before accepting his proposal as one offered in sincerity. One wonders, instead, if his real intent is not the wrecking of the entire federal housing program, for there is reason to believe such an amendment could kill the entire bill.

Senator Bricker has made political hay out of the plight of minority groups before. We recall, of course, his attitude during the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry and his public statement that their return to the coast should be predicated upon "local option"—that is, that local communities be given the right to decide whether or not they wanted persons of Japanese ancestry in their areas.

Senator Bricker's concern for minority groups seems, to us at least, to be a hasty conversion.

Federal public housing is much needed, and it is also conceded that the rights of minority groups to participate in this housing program should be established.

But we do not like to see anyone, in the name of democracy, use defenseless minority groups as a means of wrecking needed legislation. We resent the use of minority groups again as scapegoats.

Many Japanese Glad U. S. Won War, Says Nisei Businessman On Return After World Trip

LANSDALE, Pa.—Many of the people of Japan are glad that the last war was won by the United States, John S. Nitta, Nisei businessman, reported here recently upon his return from a three-month tour of Europe and Asia.

Nitta, who is president of the American Chick Sexing Association, declared that conditions were still extremely difficult in that nation.

Food as well as clothing is given out under a strict ration system and people in the larger cities especially have a hard time just to survive, Nitta said. Relief sent from the United States has been of some help, he added.

Nitta reported that General MacArthur is well liked by the Japanese and that many of them personally expressed their opinion that they are glad the United States was the victor in the last war.

The Japanese, he said, are eager for news of the United States and admire and want anything available from this country.

Nitta visited poultry farms in Japan as well as a chick sexing school in Nagoya, where much pioneer work was done in this field. Poultry and eggs are still considered a luxury in Japan, since inflation has made the cost of raising chickens practically prohibitive. The almost complete lack of feed, however, is the main drawback at the present time.

Japan, Nitta said, is even more densely populated now than in pre-war times, due to the forced evacuation of the Japanese from China, Manchuria and Korea.

The average family requires 6000 yen a month for living expenses, the equivalent of about \$22 in American currency at present inflated rates. Many people have been compelled to sell personal belongings in order to exist and in some families the head of the family has had to resort to taking several jobs.

With the lack of gasoline for motive power, the civilian Japanese have resorted to the use of a charcoal burning unit attached to their automobiles to provide necessary power.

All models are ancient, and a 1936 car is considered a late model. All later models were taken over by the government for use during the war.

Nitta's round-the-world trip began Aug. 17 from New York City, when he left by air for Europe. The plane made brief landings in Newfoundland and Ireland. No obstacles were met, since English was the spoken language.

Upon landing in Brussels, however, Nitta encountered difficulty at every turn because of the foreign language. He was assisted, however, by a young Belgian who knew a little English, and he was able to make satisfactory progress.

The weather in Belgium was very cold in contrast to New York City's sweltering heat at the time of departure, and the Panama hat which Nitta continued to wear in Brussels was stared at with undisguised amazement by people on the street.

While in Belgium Nitta attended to business matters pertaining to his organization.

The Nisei reported that Belgium showed signs of being a prosperous country. It was surprising, he said, to find many American made cars on the roads and highways and most material necessities were available.

Nitta attended the 8th world's poultry congress in Copenhagen, which was attended by leaders in the poultry industry from all over the world. Except for the language difficulty, Nitta met with no other obstacles during his stay in Denmark.

Following the convention Nitta went to Paris by auto. The road from Brussels to Paris is made entirely of cobblestone, he said, and the trip was extremely rough all the way. A very few American-made cars were recognized, though in the main they were of French and English makes.

Nitta declared that the people in Paris appeared well-dressed and that there were no apparent shortages, at least not for tourists. Prices were reasonable, food was good, and the people in general understandingly catered to tourists and travelers.

In the suburbs some bombed areas are still visible, and the French countryside shows more

Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

There's Always Hope

Denver, Colo.

Twenty years ago, a Nisei high school friend of ours was pulled out of class and packed off to a sanatorium. It was tuberculosis, which seemed to have a way of attacking a fearfully large percentage of coast Nisei in those days.

Despite the best of care, he never could quite shake the bugs. He'd look well and feel well, but the bugs always came back and they'd take him away to the sanatorium for more rest and treatment.

After a while they took out some of his ribs and collapsed a lung. He almost didn't come out of that one. But eventually he got back on his feet and was doing fairly well for himself when the evacuation and its attendant cares and worries knocked him flat again. After more weary months he became healthy enough to relocate back east, and then it hit him once more.

The exceptional part of this story is that two decades in and out of hospitals have failed to dampen his good humor, or dim his courage, or weaken his willingness to help others. There must have been times when, staring at the ceiling of his hospital room and scarcely daring to breathe for fear of ripping his lungs out, he must have wished a cruel fate would end it all for him.

But he always came back, as cheerful as ever, bubbling with enthusiasm for life, always ready to do a good turn for somebody who needed a hand. He was an amazing example of selflessness.

This week we received a letter from that old friend. The doc told him he is about ready for discharge, and there is a job waiting for him in the sanatorium's laboratory. And whaddaya know, he and another recently discharged patient are planning to marry.

Our friend, who is approaching 40, writes with the enthusiasm of a man half his age. "Once again I'll be a wage-earner," he says, "but this time I'm happier and more full of hope than I ever was before. It may sound foolish that a guy my age should be in such a hurry to get married when he doesn't have a bank account. But I'm not

getting any younger, and if I wait until I get money I may not ever get married. Or if I do, it may be too late to enjoy so many of the things a young married couple do..."

I won't mention my friend's name because it would embarrass him. But I'm wishing him the best of luck and a full measure of happiness. There never was a more deserving guy.

We Remember Another Nisei

There's another Nisei I often think about. I haven't heard from him for almost ten years, and it doesn't seem likely that I ever will. But I wonder where he is and how he's doing, because the last time I saw him was in a leprosarium.

He was a Malaya-born Japanese. He spoke English, Japanese, Malay, a couple of Chinese dialects and even a little Tamil which is one of the principal languages of India. He was a clean-cut, intelligent, likeable young fellow.

One day he disappeared from the office and a short time later he sent me a letter. It was a touching, heartbroken communication telling how a public health inspector noticed nodules on his ear lobes and knuckles, and took him to a doctor who discovered the Nisei had the early stages of leprosy. "I'm an outcast," the boy wrote. "I can never go out among people again."

We went to see him, which was the first of several visits. The leprosarium was, of course, deeply depressing to an outsider but apparently not too unpleasant for the patients. The Nisei was in good spirits and spoke hopefully about treatments he was undergoing. He wanted to become a writer, and we encouraged him. Occasionally he mailed manuscripts to me, and I sent them back with suggestions for improvement. It was heroic the way he refused to give up hope while living in the midst of fellow-patients slowly dying of one of mankind's most loathsome diseases.

Sometime after that, we left Malaya. It's been a long time, but we remember that Nisei with a great deal of respect and admiration. If determination alone could overcome his disease, I'm sure he is whole and clean today.

Questions on Evacuee Claims

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

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

1. Q. In April, 1941, we planted three acres of strawberries on half shares. The following year, on February 17, 1942, we evacuated and left everything behind. Between April, 1941 and February 15, 1942 my wife and I employed other labor and took care of the strawberry patch. Wages for such work at that time was forty cents an hour. If we were to add up the number of hours we put in taking care of this patch (on which we collected no proceeds), it would amount to about \$1,950. Can we claim this amount as evacuation losses? The yield from one acre of strawberries is about 2,000 crates. The market price of strawberries averaged \$1 per crate, but at the beginning of the season in May, 1942, the price was between \$1.31 and \$1.50 per crate. If we had been able to sell the crop from the three acres, it would have been worth at the very least \$1,400 per acre. Since we were evacuated on February 17, 1942, we were unable to pick the crop, which would have been ready for harvesting from about April 20.

A. In April, 1941 you planted three acres of strawberries which would have been picked in April, 1942, and then marketed, but you were prevented from doing this by the evacuation. You ask whether your claim should be on the basis of the sale price of the strawberries, approximately \$5,200, or on the basis of wages for the work done at forty cents an hour. Your claim should be for the price of the crop less the expenses you would have had to pay from the time of your evacuation to the sale of the crop. In a case like this it would seem that your loss is not the value of the services you expended, but the value of the crop which you produced by the expenditure of services. In other words, if you had a lot of expenses and produced nothing of value to be destroyed by the evacuation you had no loss which was the reason-

able and natural consequence of the evacuation. But if you had a valuable crop, produced at very little expense, and it was lost as a result of the evacuation, you have a claim for the value of the crop.

2. Q. In 1936 I bought a farm for about \$10,000. During the 5 1/2 years of farming I had paid \$3,000 in interest and \$2,000 in principal. When evacuation came I hired an attorney to take full charge of my property. Before we left for the assembly center, we found an Caucasian family to operate the farm. This farmer could not keep up his payments so my attorney had to find another tenant. This time another family who again was a failure and to make things worse, they took all our household and personal goods which we had stored in one of our bedrooms. Because we were unable to make the payments towards the principal and were not able to find someone to lease the property, my attorney advised that we sell the farm and get what we could from it. This was done in 1944 by him and I received about \$1,000 for my equity. Do I have the right to claim for the interest which I had paid up to the time the property was sold? Can I claim for the rent or the amount which my tenants had agreed to pay for the rental of my farm, but which they were unable to pay?

A. In 1936 you bought a farm for \$10,000 and at the time of the evacuation had paid off \$3,000 in interest, and \$2,000 in principal, but you do not state the amount of the mortgage. You state that you received \$1,000 in 1944 for your equity in the farm upon its sale. You are entitled to claim the difference between \$1,000 and the value of your equity at the time of evacuation. That value is the value of the farm less the amount of the principal of the mortgage due at that time. It does not appear that you can claim the \$3,000 in interest on the mortgage paid in the prior years. You can also claim for the household and personal goods stored at your farm and lost or destroyed by your tenants. You can also put in a claim for any rent which was due to you from the tenants but which you were not on hand to collect because of the evacuation.

3. Q. When evacuated we had rose bushes growing in the fields which we had to sell at a price much lower than what we could have sold them for under ordinary circumstances. Can we claim for what we could have earned if allowed to stay until harvest time (six months away); or at least for "fair market value" at the time of sale?

A. On the basis of the information you supply us, it appears that

Vagaries

Black Dark . . .

A short novel by Milton Ozaki, "The Black Dark," is the featured title in the Spring, 1949 issue of Street & Smith's Detective Story magazine. Ozaki's best-known mystery novel is "The Cuckoo Clock," which Ziff, Davis published in 1947 . . . Yasuo Kuniyoshi's famous painting, "Somebody Tore My Poster," is included the Encyclopedia Britannica collection which is now touring the country. The exhibition of contemporary American painting is being shown at the State Capitol in Salt Lake City for the next three weeks.

Hayakawa . . .

Sessue Hayakawa, now playing a sinister character in Humphrey Bogart's "Tokyo Joe," is putting another facet of his talent on display this week in Los Angeles. Twenty-two paintings by Hayakawa, mostly inspired by Japanese Haikai poetry, went on exhibition at the Frances Webb galleries on Feb. 25. The show will continue until March 13. Hayakawa now is almost as well known in France for his painting as for his motion picture work . . . Incidentally, Hayakawa was holding a one-man show of his painting in Paris last fall when he first learned that Hollywood was paying him for the role in "Tokyo Joe." An American tourist who visited the exhibition told Hayakawa that she had seen an article in the New York Times that his whereabouts was sought by a Hollywood studio. Hayakawa contacted American motion picture representatives in France and was on a plane for Hollywood a few weeks later.

Free Form . . .

Millard Lampell, whose writing helped make the story of Ben Kuroki, "the boy from Nebraska," one of the legends of World War II, is the author of a new novel, "The Hero," which has already been purchased by Columbia Pictures . . . Isamu Noguchi has designed a roomful of "free-form" furniture for modern homes. His sofa, made of foam rubber, has a seat which looks like an elongated teardrop. It costs \$425. He has designated a dinette set with an irregularly shaped table which has two plastic legs and a third of wood which is shaped like a boat's rudder.

you have a claim for at least the "fair market value" of your rose bushes at the time of sale, and possibly even for the price which they would have brought at harvest time.

Hawaii All-Stars Favored as 36 Teams Enter National Nisei Bowling Tourney in Salt Lake

The Hawaii All-Stars, with a team average of 952, were established as the favorite to win the team championship in the 3rd annual National JACL bowling tournament which will be held on March 4, 5 and 6 at the Temple alleys in Salt Lake City.

Thirty-six teams are entered in the tourney. Okada Insurance of Salt Lake City, with a team average of 913, will defend their 1948 championship, won when they hit a total of 2849 pins.

With bowlers from California, Illinois, Washington, Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Hawaii entered, the tournament will start with a 7-game classics sweepstakes across 14 alleys on Friday, March 4. Total prizes in this event will be approximately \$900.

The team event will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 5 with lower average teams taking over the first squad.

The men's doubles event is expected to get under way at 6 p.m. Saturday. Six squads of bowlers are expected to roll hourly until midnight.

Last year's doubles champions are Tak Fujiwara and Mush Matsumoto of Chicago who totaled 1191.

Harley Kusumoto of Los Angeles will defend his singles championship when the event gets under way at 10 a.m. on Sunday, March 6.

Total prizes in the tournament, exclusive of the sweepstakes, will be approximately \$2,500.

A dinner dance at the Club Continental in Salt Lake City will follow the tournament Sunday evening. Awards will be presented at the dance.

A national Nisei women's bowling tournament, sponsored by the Nisei Women's Bowling association of Salt Lake City, will be held in conjunction with the National JACL tournament at Temple alleys. Teams from Los Angeles, Denver, San Francisco, Seattle, Pocatello and Seattle have entered the event.

Choppy Umemoto of Salt Lake City is the general chairman of the tournament.

Besides Umemoto and Honda, other tournament officials will include: Hito Okada, treasurer; Mas Satow, publicity; George Sakashita and Tom Matsumori, program; Dr. Jun Kurumada, award dinner dance; Jeri Tsuyuki, housing; Maki Kaizumi, trophies; Katie Inoway and Masie Imai, registrars; Kay Terashima, chief tabulator; Lyle Kurisaki, Jr., announcer; Sam Takahashi and Bob Williams, chief scorers, and Doug Muir and John Keysor, tournament rules committee.

A Fresno, Calif., team already has announced that it is entering the tournament.

A dinner dance will be held at the Continental Club following the tournament on March 6 at which time the awards in the men's and women's events will be presented.

Fourteen Teams Enter Women's Bowling Meet

Fourteen teams are entered in the 3rd annual Nisei Women's bowling tournament to be held on March 5 and 6 at the Temple alleys in Salt Lake City.

The three highest average teams in the tourney will be the Los Angeles All-Stars, Denver All-Stars and the Over the Top Beverage team from Seattle.

Amy Konishi, winner of the singles and all-events championships in 1948 and the doubles title with Helen Murakoshi, will return with the Denver team.

High average bowlers in the tournament include Jean Numoto and Sue Lew of Seattle; Rosa Mayeda, Denver; Amy Kawamura of Pocatello; Julia Wong and Nobie Watanabe, Los Angeles; Lylenne Kurisaki and Mitzi Iwasaki, Salt Lake; and Maxie Kato of Ogden.

Other teams entered in the tourney to date include: American Legion Post No. 438, San Francisco, and Main Appliance, Pagoda, Aoki Produce, Dawn Noodle, Okada Insurance, Glamor Photo and New Sunrise Fish.

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PERSONAL — Mr. Robert Masanori Horiuchi or Harold Horiuchi formerly of Seattle, Wash., please contact Tadashi Yego, P. O. Box 345, Newcastle, California.

Anyone knowing the present address of Fred "Mush" Ozima, kindly notify National JACL Credit Union, Beason Bldg., Salt Lake City, Utah.

—Also— Akihiro Yamauchi, last known address, Chicago: contact National JACL Credit Union. 1947 dividend check returned undelivered. 1948 dividend check also now on hand.

Team Entries in Bowling Meet

SATURDAY, March 5
FIRST SQUAD, Team Event
10 a.m.

Alleys 1 & 2
CONOCO OIL (762) Pocatello, Idaho: Bob Takigawa, Frank Yamashita, George Sumida, Gene Sato and Ike Kawamura.

TUXEDO HOTEL & CAFE (776), Salt Lake City: Bill Oike, Ben Mayeda, Tak Kojima, George Doi and Min Iwasaki.

Alleys 3 & 4:
DAWN NOODLE, Salt Lake City: Yuki Dote, Bob Sato, Ben Chomori, Tak Iwamoto and fifth player.

IDAHO FALLS NO. 1 (811), Idaho Falls: Eke Tanaka, Mac Tanaka, Ky Nii, Tak Sato and Mas Kuwana.

Alleys 5 & 6:
TERASHIMA STUDIO (776), Salt Lake City: Larry Tajiri, Shigeki Ushio, Mas Namba, Jim Ushio and Tom Matsumori.

IDAHO FALLS NO. 2 (832), Idaho Falls: Tucker Morishita, Johnny Tanaka, Todd Honda, Jun Ueda and Mas Kawano.

Alleys 7 & 8:
DENARGO BOX (850), Denver: Hooch Okumura, John Sakayama, Nick Yoneda, Shun Nakayama and Dr. Takashi Mayeda.

NEW SUNRISE MARKET (828), Salt Lake City: Mac Furu-shiro, Yori Kosaiku, George Imai-zumi, Shig Miya and Burt Kikuchi.

Alleys 9 & 10:
OGDEN JACL (797), Ogden, Utah: Harry Sugihara, Mits Endow, Tak Kojima, Ute Akisada and Tom Yamada.

ZION MOTORS (730): Murray, Utah: Min Matsumori, Tats Tadehara, Nob Mori, Kaz Namba and Tom Mori.

Alleys 11 & 12:
PACIFIC CITIZEN (822), Salt Lake City: Hito Okada, Mas Satow, Tube Horiuchi, Seiko Kasai and Mas Horiuchi.

SAN JOSE NO. 2 (804), San Jose, Calif.: Tom Sako, Jim Sakamoto, Frank Shimada, Aki Hiroshige and Sam Okasaki.

SECOND SQUAD, Team Event
12:15 p.m.

Alleys 1 & 2:
PAGODA (866), Salt Lake City: Tosh Igata, Ken Takeno, Ich Okumura, Fumio Kasai and George Sakashita.

UNITED VETERANS (854), Fresno, Calif.: Kiyu Yamamoto, George Umamoto, Yuk Misaki, Buss Noda and Kane Umamoto.

Alleys 3 & 4:
ALL-STARS: Jack Aramaki, Price, Utah: Clarence Matsumoto, Honolulu: Milton Oda, Akira Oki and Ed Sasaki, Salt Lake City.

SAN JOSE NO. 1 (856), San Jose, Calif.: John Kasano, George Sakamoto, Saku Takata, Frank Sakamoto and Terry Sentachi.

Alleys 5 & 6:
YOSHIDA INSURANCE (869), San Francisco: Harry Oshijima, Frank Tsuboi, Kayo Hayakawa, Sada Ushijima and Mas Nakao.

MODERN GARAGE & GIL'S SERVICE (861), Salt Lake City: Tom Nakamura, Gil Oshiro, George Nakamura, George Sonoda and Mike Nakamura.

Alleys 7 & 8:
PEP 88 (861), Pocatello, Idaho: Clyde Raidy, Sam Yokota, Terry Taki, Ace Morimoto and George Sato.

HIBBARD DRUG (860), Salt Lake City: John Aoki, Choppy Umemoto, Bill Honda, Sam Matsukawa and Bob Shiba.

Alleys 9 & 10:
DENVER JACL (860), Denver, Colo.: John Noguchi, Hank Ichikawa, Sam Kawanishi, Oxy Goto and Nobe Ishikawa.

ALOHA SNACK BAR (861), Salt Lake City: Harry Imamura, Charles Sonoda, Pete Oki, Jack Fujino and Ike Ogata.

Alleys 11 & 12:
CATHAY POST NO. 185 (874), Denver, Colo.: Frank Sebara, George Otsuki, Jim Nakagawa, Moon Kataoka and George Inai.

YAMADA COMPANY (859), Gardena, Calif.: Easy Fujimoto, Kuma Shimamoto, Nari Sasaki, Tom Kobayashi and George Wong.

THIRD SQUAD, Team Event
2:30 p.m.

Alleys 1 & 2:
MAIN BOWL (887), Seattle: Kaz Yamasaki, George Tanagi, Jim Kuranishi, Kenny Arita and Kaz Yamane.

BOISE VALLEY JACL (907), Nampa, Idaho: Johnny Kuroda, Shig Nishimoto, Frank Tanikuni, Sam Kora and Bill Nishioka.

Alleys 3 & 4:
SHIMA TRANSFER (908), San Francisco: Dick Ikeda, Gish Endo, Tats Nagase, Skeets Inouye and Fuzzy Shimada.

TADY'S SERVICE (884), Los Angeles: Hump Tsuji, Hank Aragaki, Tady Shimizu, Ed Tsuruta and Ed Matsueda.

Alleys 5 & 6:
OKADA INSURANCE (913), Salt Lake City: George Kishida, Tad Sako, Sho Hiraizumi, Dr. Jun Kurumada and Maki Kazumi.

ROBERTSON NURSERY (903), Los Angeles: George Kobo, George Takeuchi, Yo Nomura, Kaz Katayama and George Yasukochi.

Alleys 7 & 8:
YOUNG ABE ATTELL'S (881), Los Angeles: Lloyd Hahn, Ray Cho, John Lyou, Luther Hahn and Joe Lyou.

CHICAGO ALL-STARS (877), Chicago, Ill.: Taki Taketomo, Junior Gotori, Tak Fujii, Spud Tsuji and Dyke Miyagawa.

Alleys 9 & 10:
MAIN BOWL MAROONS (916), Seattle: Bill Tanaka, Pruney Tsuji, Tuck Tada Tommy Namba and Tak Shibuya.

HAWAII ALL-STARS (952), Honolulu, T.H.: Charles Nojima, Robert Nitahara, Larry Mekata, Harold Ogata and Richard Tsuji.

Alleys 11 & 12:
H & F COMPANY (913), Los Angeles: Tok Ishizawa, Tad Yamada, Bowman Chung, Harley Kusumoto and Shorty Tanaka.

JAEKEL & ROGERS (890), Ontario, Ore.: Roy Hashitani, Shig Hironaka, Min Nakamura, George Hironaka and Yulene Takai.

Puella Societa

SARAMENTO, Calif.—Approximately 12 Puella Societa girls will join other YWCA members March 6 for a preconference rally in San Francisco. They will leave on a chartered bus midmorning.

All Puella Societa girls who have not signed up for the trip are to contact Mary Morita before Feb. 26.

P C SPORTS

Top Keglers

Some of the biggest names in Nisei bowling will compete for a share of the estimated \$3,400 prize in the 3rd annual National JACL bowling tournament on the Temple alleys in Salt Lake City.

Seven Hawaiian bowlers have entered the tournament and will arrive in Salt Lake City on or about March 1 via plane from Honolulu. The Honolulu All-Stars will be led by Hal Ogata, who has a major league average of 196 and bowled 198 plus for 60 games during the recent AJA tournament to pick the team for the Salt Lake tourney. Other members of the Hawaiian team and their average are as follows: Charles Nojima 194, Robert Nitahara 182, Larry Mekata 194 and Richard Tsuji 181. Eddie Matsueda and Clarence Matsumoto are the other members of the island contingent. Matsueda, who has a league average of 193, will bowl for Tady's Service of Los Angeles.

George Kobo, winner of the recent Los Angeles Nisei individual bowling championship, holds a 187 average. Shorty Tanaka, 1948 National JACL all-events titlist, and his doubles teammate, Harley Kusumoto, will come in from Los Angeles. Taki Taketomo, long one of the top Nisei bowlers on the mainland, will lead the Chicago entry. Fresno's Kane Umamoto, one of the top keggers in the San Joaquin valley, is a member of the United Veterans team with a 187 league average.

Jack Aramaki, who holds a 187 average in the major league average, Price, Utah, is entering the tournament.

Ontario, Oregon's Jaekel & Rogers team, winners of the 1948 Northwest Nisei tournament, will bring down the same team which won the Seattle classic, headed by Yulene Takai, all-events winner in Seattle.

The all-Korean American team from Los Angeles, Young Abe Attehl's, is expected to place high. Incidentally, invitations were also extended by the National JACL to leading Chinese American teams in California to enter the tourney. It's hoped they may be able to take part in the 1950 tournament. There will be several Chinese American girls in the women's tournament, including Julia Wong of Los Angeles who holds an average in the high 160s.

Seattle's high average bowler in the tourney is Tommy Namba at 187, while Nobe Ishizawa's 185 tops the Denver entries.

George Yasukochi of Los Angeles, one of the few 190 average Nisei bowlers in the country, is a leading contender for individual laurels.

George Wong anchors the Yamada team from Gardena, Calif. with a 184.

One of the tournament "dark horses" is the Boise Valley JACL squad which comes in with a 90 team average.

Sad Sam's Chance

Sad Sam Ichinose, whose troubles have been heavier since the suspension of his prize protégé Robert Takeshita, will realize one of his dreams next Tuesday, March 1, when Dado Marino meets Marino Ortiz, world's bantamweight champion, in Honolulu. Marino normally a flyweight, was robbed of the world's 112-pound title in London last year, according to Ichinose. . . . Incidentally, Takeshita's poor performance in his fight with Rudy Cruz, which was stopped in the eighth round and called a "no contest," may have been due to illness. Reports from Honolulu say that Takeshita was running a high fever and was confined to a hospital bed for more than a week following the bout.

Judo Team

San Jose State college in California has a judo team this year coached by Yosh Uchida. Last week Coach Uchida's Spartans opened their season with a 6 to 1 victory over the Laws Judo Academy of Oakland.

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NISEI SOPRANO TO SING OPERA THREE TIMES

SAN FRANCISCO—Tomi Kanazawa, Nisei soprano, will give three performances in the title role of Puccini's "Mme. Butterfly" during the coming spring season of the Pacific Opera company at the War Memorial Opera house.

Miss Kanazawa will be heard as Cho-Cho-San on March 4, March 9 and March 13.

Long Beach JACL To Install Officers

LONG BEACH, Calif. — John Morooka will be installed as president of the Long Beach JACL chapter at the dinner dance to be held at the Lakewood Country club on Feb. 27.

Sam Ishikawa, regional JACL director, will install the new cabinet.

Lyman Sutter, Long Beach attorney, will be the main speaker.

Double Ring Ceremony

LOS ANGELES—A double ring ceremony at the Evergreen Baptist church Jan. 15 united Yotsuko Carolyn Sakaji, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Takezo Sakaji of Santa Maria, and Sumito Bob Shigenaka, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shinji Shigenaka of Compton.

The Rev. George Aki of Fresno officiated.

Mas Horiuchi's 629 Series Helps Put PC in Second Place

Mas Horiuchi's 629 series, including games of 220, 186 and 223, catapulted the Pacific Citizen team to second place in the 14-team Salt Lake JACL men's bowling league on Feb. 21 at the Temple alleys.

The PC team blanked New Sunrise Market and pushed the losers to third place.

With the Okada Insurance team far out in front with 73 wins and only 11 losses, league interest is on the battle for second place with Aloha, Seagull Cleaners and Modern Garage also in contention.

Dr. Jun Kurumada had the night's other 600 series with a 610, including a 246 high game.

Wat Misaka's big 574 series for City Cafe including a 225 game was another high spot of the evening. City Cafe defeated Tuxedo Hotel, 3 to 1.

The high handicapped series of the night was rolled by Terashima Studio with a 2720 as they defeated Hibbard Drug, 3 and 1.

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Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. George G. Yanagawa a boy on Feb. 11 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuru Morita a girl on Feb. 11 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hattori, Monterey, Calif., a girl on Feb. 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeru Hiraki, Morgan Hill, Calif., a boy, Donald Ben, on Feb. 6.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yanagimachi a boy on Feb. 9 in Raymond, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sakamoto a girl, Patricia Ann, on Feb. 10 in Wapato, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eiji Sakai a boy, John Teruo, on Feb. 5 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Kuniyuki a boy, Yukinori Kay, on Feb. 7 in Renton, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ichihara a boy on Feb. 16 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Matsukado a girl on Feb. 5 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yutaro Tanaka, Saratoga, Calif., a girl, Susan Joyce, on Jan. 31.

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

To Mr. and Mrs. George Yokoyama a boy on Feb. 16 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam M. Ueda a boy in Denver.

Shiro, Shig Miya, George Imaizumi, Yori Kosaiku and Burt Kikuchi.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Hiyama, Loomis, Calif., a girl on Feb. 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Kimura a boy on Feb. 11 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. William S. Goto a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tooru Takamatsu a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Taruya a girl on Feb. 6 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Goro Sasaki a girl on Feb. 10 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Inagi a girl on Feb. 4 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Nakagawa a girl on Feb. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Shimohara a boy on Feb. 3 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George A. Miyake, Anaheim, Calif., a girl on Feb. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Wing Wong (nee Viola Yoshizaki) a girl, Eleanor Mae-Yuk, on Feb. 3 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Furukawa a girl on Feb. 7 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sachio Sumi a boy on Feb. 9 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Watanabe, Glendale, Calif., a boy on Feb. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Minami a boy on Feb. 9 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Okamoto a boy, Robert Allen, on Feb. 15 in Reno, Nev.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald S.

Osako, Tod Park, Utah, a girl, Karen Tana, on Feb. 14 in Tooele.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Yonehige, Bacon Island, Calif., a girl on Jan. 28 in Stockton.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo G. Sakai a boy on Feb. 6 in Stockton.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tsugio Kubota, Lodi, Calif., a girl on Feb. 6.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eddie T. Murakami, Tracy, Calif., a boy on Feb. 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Y. Itogawa twin girls on Feb. 8 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Tabuchi, 2036 Larimer st., Denver, a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Kawahata, 2531 Stout st., Denver, a girl.

DEATHS

Kunisuke Nagano on Feb. 15 in San Francisco.

Mrs. Kotomi Mita, Welby, Colo., on Feb. 17.

Chujiro Inouye, 56, on Feb. 19 in Mountain View, Calif.

Sadakusu Kato, about 70, on Feb. 18 in Gilroy, Calif.

Hachinosuke Tanabe, 82, on Feb. 17 in Manteca, Calif.

Yusaku Osako on Feb. 17 in Los Angeles.

Eisaburo Kubota on Feb. 18 in Los Angeles.

Shikajiro Iwasaki, West Palo Alto, on Feb. 14.

Frank T. Miyahara, 70, of Sunnyvale, Calif., on Feb. 20 in San Jose.

Mrs. Chiyono Hirota, 72, of Bellevue, Wash., on Feb. 12.

Asagoro Shiino on Feb. 19 in Gardena, Calif.

Kanazuchi Kimoto on Feb. 20 in Los Angeles.

Tsurumatsu Oku on Feb. 19 in Los Angeles.

Miyakichi Ota on Feb. 17 in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Natsu Nishida on Feb. 19 in Los Angeles.

Yonetaro Shimada in Denver.

MARRIAGES

Anne Yokoyama of Sebastopol to Edwin Ohki on Feb. 12 in Livingston, Calif.

Arlyne Tanaka to Yoshie Shibata on Mt. Eden, Calif., on Feb. 19 in San Francisco.

Chako Kasai to Peter Oki on Feb. 23 in Salt Lake City.

Irene Kiyota to Sam Munesato on Feb. 20 in Los Angeles.

Ayako Inouye to Hisashi Kinoshita on Feb. 19 in Sedgwick, Colo.

Teru Nakata to Ed Kiyohara on Feb. 12 in Algona, Wash.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Kazuko Namekata, 22, Oakdale, Calif., and Samuel Y. Shimozaki, 27, Acampo, in Stockton.

Mary K. Kobayashi and Tom Ida, Littleton, Colo., in Denver.

Tsuruko Hiram and Yutaka Okimoto in Denver.

Hatsue Toyoshima, 28, Kent, Wash., and Frank S. Okimoto, Auburn, in Seattle.

Nancy Yoshiko Tominaga, 18, and Lee Yeu Kee, 22, Moffett Field, in San Jose, Calif.

Natsuko Nakamoto, 26, and Rick Nishimatsu, 31, both of Sunol, Calif., in San Jose.

Former 442nd Chaplain Takes New Pastorate in Chicago

FRESNO, Calif. — The Rev. George Aki will preach his farewell sermon Feb. 27 before members of the Japanese Congregational church, which he reactivated in November, 1946.

He has accepted a new post with the Nisei Congregational church of Chicago and will begin work there in March.

The Rev. Aki took over the pastorate of the Fresno Japanese Congregational church upon his return from service as a chaplain

with the 442nd combat team. He was discharged with the rank of major.

During his stay in Fresno he built up the church membership and brought about many improvements in church property.

Through his initiative the church was awarded an army chapel which was dedicated on Memorial day, 1947, to the Japanese American war dead of World War II. A new parsonage was bought during his ministry. Three Sunday school classrooms were built within the chapel.

The Sunday school began with six students, but it now has an enrollment of 32 and is increasing steadily in membership.

Members of his church resided in a 600 square mile area around Fresno. The church now has 61 families. Fourteen persons were added to the church membership and 20 baptized.

The Rev. Aki was instrumental in founding the 20-40 Club, which brings together young Christian leaders of the valley each month for meetings and projects. He is advisor to the Teenagers, an interdenominational youth group, and the Fresno Christian Fellowship. He has served in various capacities with the Christian summer retreats held at Lake Tahoe, Lake Sequoia and Huntington lake. He has served two years as secretary of the San Joaquin Association of Congregational Churches.

He has also been a member of the board of the Inter-Cultural Fellowship, chaplain of the West Side Boy Scouts of America and committeeman and past secretary of Boy Scout troop No. 5. He is the present executive secretary for the Central California Relief Committee for Asia.

The Rev. Aki will preach his final sermon in Japanese in the chapel at 10:45 a.m. Kiyo Sangonbi will be the organist.

The Fresno Christian Fellowship will honor the Rev. Aki and his family at a potluck dinner at the International Institute. His sermon in English will be, "Standing in the Shadows." Dorothy Nagata will be general chairman. Other committee chairmen will be Kiyo Sangonbi, Roy Sato, Kiyo Uyemura and Dolly Nagai.

Recital

Mrs. Florence B. Lilliendahl will present Kenneth Good in a benefit piano recital Sunday, March 6, at 2:30 p.m. at the Masonic temple auditorium, 650 East So. Temple, under sponsorship of El Kalah uniformed units of Salt Lake City.

Mrs. Lilliendahl, who has been a member of the Salt Lake JACL for the past several years, has turned out a number of talented Nisei pianists.

Murray Taiyos, Temple Zephyrs Tied in League

The Temple Noodle Zephyrs pulled up to a tie with the idle Murray Taiyos on Feb. 23 at Jordan high gym in the Salt Lake JACL basketball league as they defeated the University Nisei, 38 to 26.

Both teams have won eight and lost one game.

In other games on Feb. 23, Aoki Produce defeated the Salt Lake Rainbows, 33 to 31, while the Orem Packers trounced the Salt Lake Bussei, 41 to 24.

Shower

CHICAGO—A surprise Valentine shower was held in honor of Rose Tani, bride-elect of Yoshio Maeda, at the home of Aiko and Teru Watanabe.

Many useful kitchen gifts were presented the guest of honor.

Socials

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Puella Societa will hold its second annual semiformal dance, "Spring Fantasy," on May 7, it was decided here at a special meeting Feb. 17 at the home of President Sady Hori.

A skatefest will be held Friday, March 11, at the Rolla-Way rink to raise funds for the dance. Frances Iida was appointed chairman.

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President Line Revises Entire Ship Schedule

Action Follows Army Move to Let Nisei, Issei Visit Japan

SAN FRANCISCO—The American President Line will revise its entire trans-Pacific passenger ship schedule as the result of the U.S. Army's action last week in lifting travel restrictions for visits in Japan by Americans and resident aliens of Japanese ancestry, it was announced on Feb. 17 by George Killion, APL president.

All APL passenger ships will be rerouted to call at Yokohama after leaving Honolulu and will then proceed to Manila, Hongkong, Shanghai and back to Yokohama before returning to the United States.

Under the previous APL schedule only the General Meigs was listed as touching Yokohama on the outbound voyage from San Francisco.

Mr. Killion declared that the new schedule will provide extra service for Issei and Nisei who desire to visit relatives in Japan under the new travel regulations and will also afford tourists 16 days of travel in Japan if they desire to go and return on the same ship.

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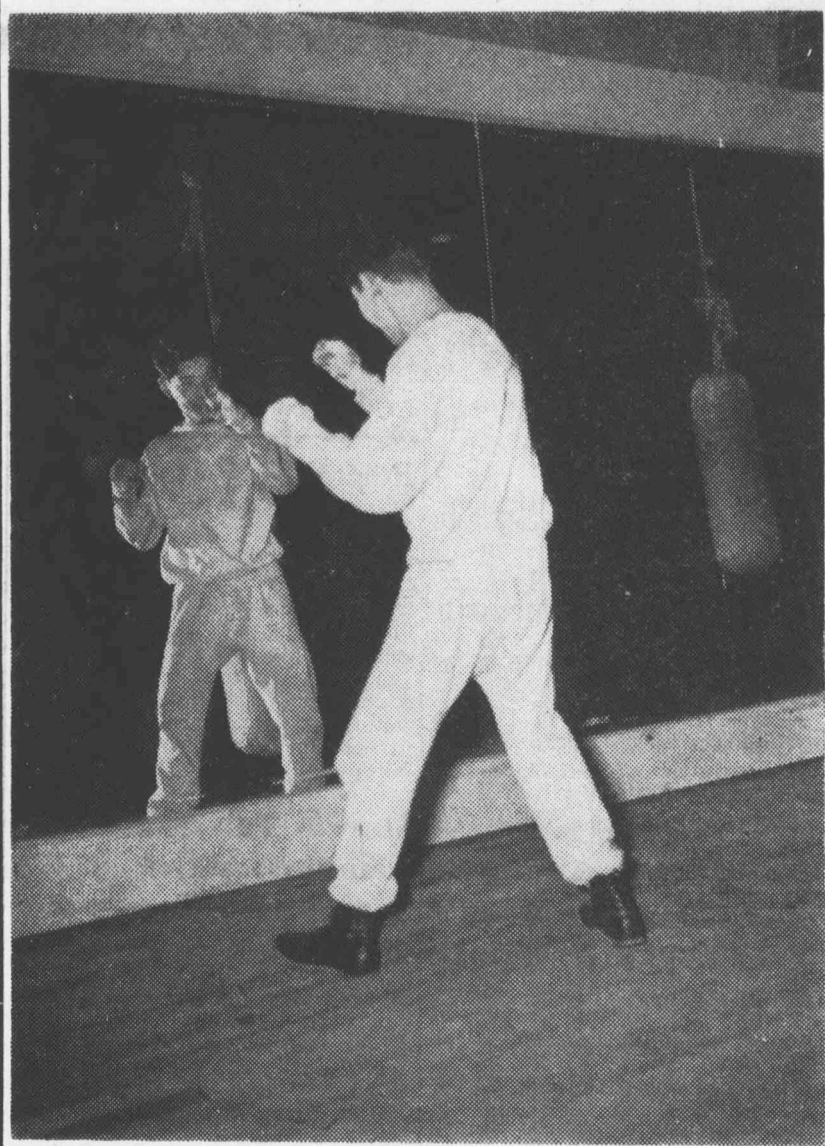
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Nisei Fights in World Army Meet



Washington, D.C. Hanford K. Maeda, flyweight champion of the U.S. Army's Pacific Command, is entered in the All-Army World-Wide boxing tournament which is being held this week at Fort Myer, Va., gymnasium in the military district of Washington.

Pvt. Maeda, winner of three U.S. Army championships, weighs 112 pounds and is five feet, four inches. His Army record is 16 wins in 17 fights.

Hanford, who is 18 years of age was only 10 at the time he was an eye-witness to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941. He saw the planes diving but was unable to see the naval ships being hit five miles away. This led him to believe that the incident was only aerial maneuvers.

Maeda enlisted in the army last year and was transferred to Japan for an overseas tour of duty as a member of the 3rd Engineer Combat Battalion in Japan.

Winning the all-Japan U.S. Army flyweight title, he was flown to Guam last month and emerged with the Pacific Command championship in his division.

He came to Washington with members of his Pacific Command boxing team for the Army's world-wide tournament early this month.

Maeda is a native of Honolulu where his father is a ceiling and counter painter. One of his brothers served in the army in World War II.

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American Veterans Committee Backs Naturalization Bill

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The AVC Bulletin, publication of the American Veterans Committee, this month carried a story on the Sadao S. Munemori AVC chapter in Los Angeles.

The Bulletin story told why Pfc. Munemori was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, then added:

"... (what) was not noted in the (Medal of Honor) citation was the fact that at the time the nation's highest award was given, Pfc. Munemori's widowed mother was living in a relocation center at Manzanar.

"Named with deep respect for the gallantry of the young Nisei soldier is the Sadao S. Munemori chapter of the AVC in Los Angeles.

"There are five bills now pending before the House of Representatives granting 'the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence; to make immigration quotas available to Asian and Pacific peoples, and for other purposes.'

"AVC is backing the principles of these bills . . .

"Perhaps Mrs. Munemori will yet become a citizen of the country for which her son gave his life."

AVC officials pointed out that the organization is a staunch advocate of racial equality, and specifically denies even the concept of "segregated" posts.

Albuquerque JACL To Install Cabinet

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. — Officers of the new Albuquerque JACL, 71st chapter in the nationwide organization, were scheduled to be installed in office Thursday, Feb. 24, by Masao Satow, national director.

The cabinet is as follows: Fred Yoshimoto, pres.; Frank Matsubara, 1st vice pres.; Henry Fukasaka, 2nd vice pres.; Tasue Yonemoto, sec.; and Mike Yonemoto, treas.

Bowlers

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Sacramento girl keglers will enter the third round of play in the Nisei girls league with an increased roster of teams.

Twelve teams are expected to enter, with four teams composed of Chinese American bowlers.

The third round will begin sometime in March at the Sacramento bowl. Matches will be held Wednesday evenings.

Officers will be Hisa Kimura, score-keeper; Jean Morita, commissioner; and Margie Osuga, treasurer.

All team captains are requested to submit team rosters with entry fee of \$4 before March 16, tentative opening date, to Margie Osuga.

Delegates

LOS ANGELES—Frank Suyenaga and Ben Jinkawa will represent the Los Angeles Young Buddhist Association at the southern district YBL conference Feb. 26-27 at Senshin.

They were selected at the Los Angeles YBL cabinet meeting.

Members from Gardena, San Diego, Guadalupe, Senshin, West Los Angeles, Arizona and Los Angeles will participate in the conference.

Masami Honda of San Diego, president, will conduct the conference.

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