



## Speakers at Eastern Meet



Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, national president of the JACL, is shown addressing delegates to the Eastern District Council JACL convention on April 7 in Washington, D.C.

In the lower photo, Rep. Chet Holifield, D., Calif., is shown speaking to delegates at the convention banquet at the Hotel Continental.

## JACL'S Eastern Area Council Approves Steps to Expedite Payment of Evacuee Claims

WASHINGTON—The Eastern District Council, JACL, was on record this week approving the principle of speedy compromise settlements of evacuation claims.

It took this stand in a resolution supporting the principle during the biennial convention of the council in Washington April 6-8.

The convention elected Akiro Hayashi, New York, EDC chairman succeeding Tetsuo Iwasaki, Philadelphia.

Other new officials include: Harold Fistere, Seabrook, N. J., succeeding Harold Horiuchi, Washington, vice chairman; Sumi Kobayashi, Philadelphia, succeeding Alice Miyazawa, New York, recording secretary; Jack Ozawa, Philadelphia, succeeding K. William Sasagawa, Philadelphia, treasurer, and Jack Hirose, Washington, succeeding Mariko Ishiguro, Philadelphia, publicity chairman.

The EDC convention also urged passage of legislation for equality in immigration and naturalization, and amended its constitution changing its meetings from a semi-annual to an annual basis.

At a banquet in the Hotel Continental highlighting the session, Rep. Chet Holifield (D., Calif.), praised the JACL for its efforts to achieve legislative goals "in keeping with the finest spirit of America."

He said that while the present course of civil liberty legislation "generally looks bleak, nevertheless, men of goodwill everywhere are fighting even harder for the causes of human dignity and democracy."

The convention began informally Friday with groups of delegates taken on special tours, including visits to the offices of Sen. James H. Duff (R., Pa.), Sen. Irving M. Ives (R., N.Y.), and Sen. Paul Douglas (D., Ill.).

Saturday the delegates heard a panel discussion devoted to JACL activities on a local level by Tom

## JACL Delegates To See Preview Of "Go for Broke!"

DENVER — JACL delegates and boosters registered for the Mountain Plains district council convention which will be held on April 14 and 15 at the Albany hotel will be invited to a special preview of MGM's story of the 442nd Combat Team, "Go for Broke!" on Sunday morning, April 15, at the Broadway Theater.

Members of Cathay Post No. 185 and other 442nd combat team veterans have also been invited.

The special showing was obtained through the efforts of President Yutaka Terasaki of the Denver JACL and MGM officials have specified that it will not be open to the general public.

There will be a convention banquet on April 14 at the Albany which will be followed by a dance at 9 p.m.

## One Nisei GI Dead, 4 Hurt In Korean War

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Department of Defense this week advised the JACL ADC of the following Nisei casualties in Korea:

### KILLED IN ACTION:

Pfc. Hanford K. Maeda, son of Takeshi Maeda, 2146 Bannister St., Honolulu.

### MISSING IN ACTION:

Pfc. George Y. Minakata, son of Mrs. Mume Minakata, Building 34, Apartment 979, Seabrook, N.J.

### WOUNDED:

Corp. Harry Y. Akizuki, son of Mrs. Hide Akizuki, Route 2, Box 398, Kent, Washington.

Pfc. George T. Yusa, son of Mrs. Saku Yusa, Gertrude Court, Pasadena, Calif.

Pvt. Stanley T. Kageyama, son of Mrs. Hatsuyo Kageyama, 933-A Piikoi St., Honolulu.

Pvt. Shiro Hirose, son of Taku Hirose, PO Box 206, Kapaa Kauai, T.H.

## PARENTS LEARN SON WOUNDED IN KOREAN CONFLICT

PASADENA, Calif.—Parents of Pfc. George T. Yusa were informed last week that their 25-year old son has been wounded in Korea.

Mr. and Mrs. Magoichi Yusa were informed by the Defense Department that Pfc. Yusa's injuries are "not too serious."

Yusa enlisted in the army in 1949 in Cleveland where he had lived since relocating from the Gila River center in Arizona.

He was wounded in Korea on March 12 and is now recuperating from an injury to his right wrist at an army hospital in Osaka, Japan.

## Daffodil Princess

PUYALLUP, Wash. — Mas Sasaki, 17, Orting high school student, was one of the princesses in the Puyallup Daffodil Festival and took part in coronation ceremonies in Tacoma on April 6 and rode in the festival parade on April 7 through the streets of Puyallup, Sumner and Tacoma.

## Report Furuta Recovering from Stab Wound

DENVER, Colo.—George Furuta, 41-year old cafe proprietor who was seriously injured on April 5 when he was slashed in the neck, was reported on the road to recovery this week.

The knife-wielder, reported by police to be drunk at the time of his arrest, was Louis Haynes, 66. Haynes was subdued and taken into custody.

## Joint Senate-House Committee Seeks Acceptable Version of Omnibus Bill on Immigration

WASHINGTON, D. C.—With public hearings on omnibus immigration and naturalization bills concluded, the joint Senate-House Subcommittee studying this complex legislation has begun wrestling with the problem of agreeing on a mutually acceptable bill, according to the JACL ADC this week.

Despite differences of opinion which have arisen among Senate and House joint committee members, reportedly every effort will be made by the committee to iron out disagreements

proposed by the JACL ADC; Establish "priority" classes for immigrants, giving first call on quotas to aliens needed here because of special technical or professional skills;

Eliminate different treatment for the sexes;

Tighten security regulations, and Attempt to cut out "dead wood and ambiguities" in the dozens of present laws dealing with immigration and naturalization.

The chief controversies over the bills have arisen on such points as: Whether to prohibit expatriates from suing in American courts to reestablish citizenship; the priority system for immigrants, and general security procedures.

Under the McCarran bill, separate allocations of each country's quota would be established for different classes of immigrants. The Walter bill would grant priorities to the various classes, but make the priority quota for one class available to the next if not completely used by the class for which it is intended.

An informed source said the joint Committee probably will agree on a modification of the McCarran proposal, indicating the more liberal Walter system probably will be adopted.

The joint Committee also is expected to strike out that section which would deny expatriates from suing in American courts to regain citizenship, providing expatriates have lived in this country.

There are other indications the joint Committee will compromise some minor differences.

And if these differences are reconciled by the joint Committee, then it might be a fair bet that an omnibus immigration and naturalization bill will be approved by congress during the present session.

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# Former Nisei Labor Leader Finds Himself an Outcast

**Delegates Attending ILWU Convention In Honolulu Refuse to Permit Letter By Jack Kawano to Be Read from Floor**

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—The pathetic case of Jack H. Kawano, a former Nisei labor leader who gave the best years of his life to the union movement but now finds himself an outcast, was unfolded in public print last week.

Delegates to the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union in convention here would not even permit reading of a letter from him on the convention floor.

Yet only two years ago, at a similar ILWU convention in San Francisco, Kawano was a highly respected delegate from Hawaii. He acted as a spokesman for the Hawaii delegation and was nominated one of three island members to the union's international executive board.

**What happened to Kawano that changed him in the eyes of his former associates?**

Essentially, Kawano's case is that of a union official who broke away from Communism and is being "punished" now for exposing Communist attempts to dominate the union. No one has questioned his sincerity as the labor leader who pioneered the organization of Hawaii's longshoremen; nor has anyone challenged his expose of Communist tactics within the ILWU.

Yet last week when Harry Bridges, ILWU president, berated Kawano, not a single delegate at the union convention stood up to defend Kawano.

The convention concurred when Bridges recommended Kawano's letter be filed as "not worthy to be read to the membership from one who has betrayed his fellow workers."

Kawano was not at the convention in person, since he no longer belongs to the ILWU. He left his position as president of Longshore Local 136 in late 1949 or early 1950, then worked for a short period as longshoreman with a Honolulu dock firm. Subsequently he quit the waterfront and his union membership when he became a janitor in a Honolulu theater, the job he still holds today.

What was in Kawano's letter that Bridges did not wish to have read to the union convention? Briefly, it was a personal request by Kawano that the convention go on record guaranteeing the right of individual members to testify or not before any government or union com-

mittee authorized to investigate Communism.

Kawano wrote that he had been discouraged by ILWU officials and its attorneys from testifying before the house un-American activities committee last year. He said he became convinced later he did wrong by not testifying concerning Communist maneuvers to "predetermine" union policies, "in violation of the constitution of the union."

The union's position, he noted, is to support those witnesses who refused to testify at the congressional committees hearing.

But, he asked pointedly, "Is it also the policy of the ILWU to guarantee to its members the right to testify at any such hearings if that happens to be their convictions?"

He said he wanted the convention to guarantee this "right to testify" because the "officers of the union particularly discourage it."

The officers he named in his letter are Jack W. Hall, Hawaii regional director; Robert McElrath, public information director, and Ernest Arena, Local 150 president.

Asked for comment, Hall repeated a statement he made last February, when Kawano made a public "confession" of his past Communist party membership. He is a has been," Hall remarked.

Neither Hall, McElrath, nor Arena has confirmed or denied Kawano's assertion that they all had told him he would be regarded as a "strike breaker," "a rat," and his name would be "mud" if he testified.

Kawano has been rebuffed in his attempt to help the ILWU rid itself of Communists. He declines to say what, if anything more, he feels he can do to combat Communist influence in the union he helped form 15 years ago.

# Nisei Airman Will Recover From Injuries in Plane Crash

SAN DIEGO — Airman Richard K. Akutagawa, 20, Salt Lake City, only survivor of a Navy plane crash on lonely San Clemente Island on March 27, is now recovering from the severe injuries he sustained, including multiple lacerations of the head, arms and body.

Airman Akutagawa was not found until two days after the crash when a search party reached the wreckage of the Grumman Guardian aircraft and radioed that the other two occupants—the pilot, Ensign John R. Berkeley, Coronado, Calif., and James Hal Smith, seaman apprentice, Denver, were dead. It was believed the Nisei enlisted man survived the crash because he was in the tail of the plane at the time of impact.

Akutagawa's rescue ended a widespread air and sea search for the plane, which failed to return from a routine off-shore anti-submarine training flight from the San Diego Naval Air Station.

A Navy report at the time of the rescue said that Akutagawa apparently wandered over the arid island, 65 miles west of San Diego, between the time the plane crashed and 7 a.m. on March 29 when he attracted the attention of fishermen in Pyramid Cove, at the island's southern tip.

As a fishboat approached shore, Akutagawa waded out through the surf and swam about 10 yards to the craft, which transferred him to a destroyer operating in the area.

Officers aboard the destroyer reported Akutagawa was near exhaustion and was unable to tell a coherent story, but drew a rough

sketch to show the approximate location of the crash. He was given first aid and transferred at the harbor entrance to a crashboat, which sped him to a dock to be taken by ambulance to the hospital.

Members of Akutagawa's family from Salt Lake, including his father, visited the airman last week.

## Sacramento Chapter Elects '51 Cabinet

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Bill Matsumoto was elected 1951 president of the Sacramento JACL at elections March 29 at the Southport Club.

Harry Makino and Dubby Tsugawa will serve as first and second vice-presidents.

Other officers were named as follows:

Sakaye Ishihara, rec. secy.; Emi Kawmikawa, corr. secy.; George Tambara, treas.; Sterling Sakamoto and George Nishikawa, publicity chmn.; Mamoru Sakuma, official delegate; and Ginji Mizutani and James Kubo, alternates.

## Nakamura Heads Bay YPCC Group

BERKELEY, Calif.—Jobo Nakamura of the San Francisco Pine Methodist church was named chairman of the Bay Region Young Peoples Christian conference for the coming year at the YPCC meet which ended on April 8 at the Berkeley University Christian church.

# Veterans of 442nd Plan New York Reunion



Members of the 442nd Veterans committee in New York City which is cooperating with MGM in plans for the New York premiere of "Go for Broke!" are shown listening to Joe Napoli, publicity director of the 3rd Armored Division Association. Plans for the premiere were discussed at the meeting. Those in the photo are (l. to r.) Bill Gardiner, president of the 3rd Armored Division Association in New York; Mr.

Napoli; Wilson Makabe, an amputee veteran who is seen in closing scenes of "Go for Broke!"; Margaret Miki, secretary of the New York 442nd committee and sister of George Miki, who appears as "Chick" in the film; Kei Yamato of Honolulu and Kelly Kuwayama of New York. Mr. Gardiner and Mr. Napoli also advised the 442nd Committee members on the problems of holding a reunion of veterans in New York. —Photo by George Aoyama.

## OHYE FINISHES 4TH IN AIR RACE TO SAN DIEGO

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — Henry Ohye, flying a 4-place Piper plane named "Go for Broke!" finished in fourth place in the annual "Holiday on Wings" air race from Los Angeles to San Diego on April 7.

Ohye and Co-pilot Lane Nakano flew the 110 air miles in 58 minutes. The plane consumed 6.4 gallons of fuel and averaged a little better than 110 miles an hour as it bucked a 5-mile headwind.

Because of low visibility Ohye said he flew most of the way at 1,110 feet.

The winner of the race was Charles Soderstrom in a Beachcraft Bonanza.

## Selma JACL Holds Installation Dinner

SELMA, Calif.—George Abe was installed for his second term as president of the Selma JACL at a dinner held April 2 at the Selma Catholic Church.

Sixty chapter members and a number of guests of honor enjoyed the dinner and sports films which followed.

Certificates of merit for special services to the JACL were awarded to Mr. Gamow, Mr. Yamashita, Mr. Misaki, Mr. Umeda, Mr. Takikawa and Mr. Matsui.

Dr. Dallas Tueller, instructor in political science at Fresno State College, was the guest speaker. He spoke of the role played by minority groups in American life.

Installed in office with Pres. Abe were Jean Miyata, 1st vice-pres.; Tamaki Misaki, 2nd vice-pres.; Shig Nagao, treas.; Mrs. K. Kobashi, rec. secy.; Nancy Matsu-naga, correspondent; Mush Okubo, historian; George Tanaka, official delegate; and Chuck Kimura, alternate.

Guests of honor were Dr. and Mrs. Tueller; Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Perrine of the Selma Enterprise; Dr. and Mrs. Suda, Fresno; Mr. and Mrs. K. Kanegawa, Sanger; Marcel Takata, Parlier; Mas Sakamoto, Reedley; Ken Tashiro, Tulare County; Johnson Kebo, chairman of the JACL Central California district council, and Mrs. Kebo; and Toru Ikeda, regional director for Central California, and Mrs. Ikeda.

Committee in charge were Buzz Noda, program; Masato Morishima, dinner; Jean Miyata, Masako Tanaka and Nancy Matsunaga, invitations; and Ben Onno and George Baba, registration.

# JACL Opposes Segregation Proposals in Draft Measures

## Masaoka Declares Amendment Is Excuse For Discrimination

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week expressed strong opposition to a proposed "preference segregation" amendment in current draft and UMT bills.

The amendment would permit GIs to serve in segregated units "if they wish."

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said the proposal was a "rank excuse for discrimination."

He said Rep. Chet Holifield (D., Calif.), has been fighting vigorously to defeat the amendment, and

lauded him for his efforts.

At the same time he warned there was a possibility the case of the 442nd Regimental Combat team, the all-Nisei outfit, would be exemplified as to "how good a segregated unit could be."

"The 442nd fought courageously," Mr. Masaoka said, "but it was not fighting for the right to be segregated. It was fighting for the right of its people at home to win equal acceptance among all Americans."

"It would be unfair and misleading if the case of the 442nd were to be held up as an example of what good can be accomplished by 'voluntary' segregation."

"Segregation in the armed forces is a luxury that costs American lives—white, Negro, Nisei or others. If a rifle company needs replacements, the enemy doesn't care what color the skin of the man is who moves up to fill a hole. They don't want anyone there."

At the same time, Mr. Masaoka said the JACL ADC has gone on record in support of another amendment, which will be offered shortly to protect personnel in uniform against intimidation and violence by civilians.

Such regulations now protect, for example, Internal Revenue men, against the threat of violence and bodily harm.

Mr. Masaoka asserted such a law would help protect, for example, the Negro soldier, especially in some areas of the South, or the Mexican American in uniform from intimidation in certain areas of the Southwest.

He recalled that during the last war it was not unusual for the first year or so after Nisei donned uniforms, to find them threatened by certain irresponsible individuals on the coast.

Later, after they began coming back from combat as heroes, the situation was quite different, he said.

## Portland JACL Plans Movie on Cancer

PORTLAND, Ore.—A movie on cancer of the breast will feature the April 21 meeting of the Portland JACL, to be held from 7:30 p.m. at the Nichiren Church.

Dr. Toshi Kuge, chairman for the evening, will also give a short talk on how to detect cancer. The public is invited.

## Army Corporal Will Return from Korean Front

BERKELEY, Calif.—Pl. George Fujikawa who received hand and foot injuries on March 6 in Korea will return to the United States soon, according to information received by his father, Utazo Fujikawa.

The Nisei corporal also was wounded in Korea six months ago but recovered and returned to active duty.

He is now at an army hospital in Tokyo and expects to be transferred soon to Letterman General hospital in San Francisco.

## Makes Phi Beta

CLEVELAND, O. — Toru Ishiyama, student at Adelbert College, branch of Western Reserve University, was recently initiated into Phi Beta Kappa.

Ishiyama is a psychology major. He will graduate this June.

## Elect Jim Nakagawa To Legion Office

DENVER—Jim Nakagawa, past commander of Cathay Post 185, was elected on April 4 as first vice-commander of American Legion District 6. The district covers the city of Denver and its suburbs and includes more than 15,000 members.

## Film Star Will Attend Premiere Of 442nd Film

HONOLULU—Van Johnson, star of MGM's "Go for Broke!" will attend the "world premiere" of the film on March 4 at the Waikiki theater in Honolulu.

Four of the six Hawaiian Nisei who have leading roles in the film are expected to be present at the premiere which will be at 10:15 a.m. They are Akira Fukunaga, Frank; George Miki, Chick; Henry Oyasato, Ohhara, and Ken Okamoto, Kaz. Henry Nakamura, who plays Tommy, is now in Hollywood to appear in a new MGM picture while Henry Hamada, who plays Mas, is studying on the mainland. Johnson will leave Hawaii on May 6 in order to return to Hollywood in time for the Los Angeles premiere on May 9.

## San Diego Chapter Plans to Reorganize

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—A re-organization meeting of the JACL chapter here will be held Saturday night, April 14, it was announced by Dr. George Hara, president.

"With Issei and Nisei leaders looking to JACL to represent the interests of the Japanese community in general, we hope to strengthen and re-activate our chapter," Hara said, and revealed that Regional Director Tats Kuchida would discuss organizational matters with JACL and other Nisei leaders at this meeting.

A check for \$1,000 has been forwarded to JACL headquarters for the 1951 ADC drive, it was reported. The goal is \$1400.

## Portland Committee Holds Meeting

PORTLAND, Ore.—A meeting of the JACL committee, which heads activities of the Portland chapter, was held March 31 at the JACL office under Chairman Mamoru Wakasugi.

Members voted to work with Issei and Nisei organizations to find a more centrally located office. Arthur Iwasaki, John Hada, Minnie Oyama and George Azumano were appointed to meet with the Issei on April 3 on this matter.

Hiram Hachiya was added to the present committee of eleven by unanimous vote to act as treasurer. Jimmy Mizote was appointed membership chairman.

Dr. Toshi Kuge was named to handle certain details of the Portland showing of "Go for Broke!" the MGM film on the 442nd combat team.

It was reported that local MGM officials had expressed the opinion the film would not be successful in Portland and were undecided as to whether to show it at United Artist, which has a seating capacity of 500, or at the Broadway, which seats 1,000.

The Portland committee voted to hold activities throughout the summer. Hada was named chairman for the June meeting, which will be a graduation banquet.

## Heads Student Body

DINUBA, Calif.—George Nii was elected president of the student body at Dinuba high school recently.

## Denver JACL Officials Find Trouble Comes in Bunches

DENVER — It never rains, it pours.

That's the word around Denver, where the Mountain Plains district council of the JACL will hold its conference this weekend, April 14-15.

Unforeseen developments have struck at a number of conference chairmen:

Min Yasui, acting regional director in Denver, has the measles, with his older daughter, Iris, coming down with it on April 4. It's expected the illness will last through the conference.

George Furuta, regional chairman of the 1000 Club, has been hospitalized by a knife inflicted by a customer at his Manchu restaurant.

Y. Terasaki, general chairman of the conference committee, became a father on Feb. 28. The baby was hospitalized on March 28 because of illness.

A couple of other events, but of

## Tanamachi, Texas A-M Student, Receives School Merit Award

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. — Walter H. Tanamachi, graduating senior in the school of agriculture at Texas A & M, was one of four persons receiving awards of merit recently.

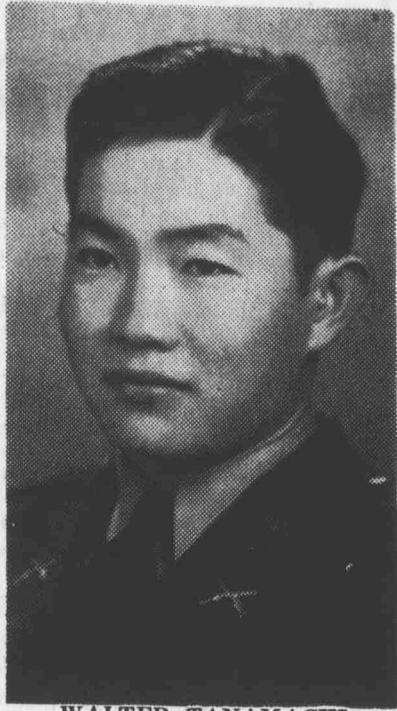
Also honored were Raymond John Junze, Landon Douglas Wythe, and William Gray Adkins.

Their names will be engraved on a bronze plaque in the agriculture building.

Tanamachi is president of the Agronomy Society. He has served as reporter and Agricultural Council representative for the Agronomy Society, president and vice-president for the Agricultural Honor society, secretary-treasurer of the Agricultural Council and barracks representative to Freshman Council.

He won first place in crops identification in the National Collegiate crops and grain judging contest in Kansas City with a perfect score, first place in commercial grading in the International Livestock Expositions crops judging contest in Chicago and second place in the freshman crops judging contest.

Tanamachi also managed runner-up teams in football and baseball, was Battalion staff reporter, editorial assistant for the Agriculturalist, charter member of the Agricultural Journalism Club and



WALTER TANAMACHI

business manager for the 1951 Cotton Style Show.

He served in the last war and is a charter member of Phi Eta Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi.

## Evacuee Given \$182 for Loss In Forced Sale of Automobile

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Despite two unusual factors in her claim, a Japanese evacuee this week was awarded \$182 on losses sustained in the forced sale of an automobile, according to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

In adjudicating the claim, the Department of Justice found:

1. The claimant did not specify the amount of loss in making the claim, and,
2. Misstated the reason for the loss.

The Department said, however, it arrived at the actual amount of the loss while taking testimony from the claimant. It also recognized that while the claim alleged the loss because an automobile had been repossessed, the loss actually resulted from the forced sale of the claimant's interest in the car prior to repossession.

Thus, the Department ruled, in effect, it could rectify erroneous factors in a claim under existing law.

## Fresnos Welcome New JACL Members

FRESNO, Calif. — The Fresno JACL scheduled a welcome party for new members in the Frank H. Ball park gymnasium on Friday, April 13.

Features planned for the evening included a novelty basketball tournament between the Reedley Manjiettes, girls basketball championship team, and the "Fresno Old Timers"; a fly-casting demonstration by Ray Norton, 1950 state plug and fly casting champion and winner of the third place in the national contest; and films showing the 1950 World Series.

Toshi Koda and her committee were in charge of refreshments. A chapter activity in May will be holding of a benefit movie.

## Auxiliary Plans Open House for Japanese Airmen

Three Japanese airport officials will be feted at an open house sponsored by the Salt Lake JACL women's auxiliary on Tuesday evening, April 17, at the YWCA.

They are Seiji Izumi, Yutaro Bob Kogure and Tetsuji Jerry Nishigori. They will be in Salt Lake City for two months, studying operation of the Salt Lake City airport. The men recently completed a 22-week study at Oklahoma City. They were selected by the Japanese government with the approval of the American military government.

Mrs. Mary Shiozaki and Mrs. Hatsuko Yoshimoto will be hostesses at the open house, which will start at 8 p.m. Games and refreshments are being planned by the auxiliary. The public is invited.

## Note Unanimity of Congress Opinion for Elimination of Race Bans from Immigration

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON, D. C.—One of the more significant factors in the involved picture of omnibus immigration and naturalization bills before Congress is the unusual unanimity of opinion regarding elimination of racial distinctions in these laws, the JACL ADC observed this week.

This is one of the few matters on which all three bills are agreed, and it is the one point upon which virtually every witness attending public hearings on omnibus legislation also registered approval.

Actually, those sections removing discrimination on the grounds of race are almost lost in the thick bills which probe into every corner of the amazing tangle of immigration and naturalization legislation.

Yet, the few paragraphs dealing with this subject are sufficiently potent to have brought forth comment from government agencies, veterans organizations, labor groups, civil liberty organizations, religious associations, fraternal orders and the few ordinary persons who appeared before the joint hearings committee.

And upon this they virtually all agreed:

The existence of legislation which specifically discriminates against any race has no place in American democracy.

The omnibus bills follow the pattern first proposed by the JACL ADC and subsequently incorporated into the Judd bill, then adopted by the authors of the various omnibus bills. That is:

One—Immigration quotas shall be given to all Asian and Pacific countries, including Japan and Korea.

Two—all alien residents in the United States shall have the right to apply for naturalization without regard to race, thus qualifying some 80,000 persons, chiefly Japanese, to seek citizenship for the first time in our history.

The present unanimity for these two changes is a most remarkable reversal by many of these organizations from their position

during the early 1920s when they were among the most ardent proponents of Oriental exclusion.

Take but two examples: The American Legion and the American Federation of Labor, which now favor eliminating discriminatory laws.

Both organizations not only clamored for, but actively backed passage of the Oriental Exclusion Act of 1924.

In subsequent years, when more concerned Americans first began actively proposing that Asian immigrants should be given the right of naturalization, these organizations maintained their active hostility, arguing that Orientals were "unassimilable," or a source of "cheap labor."

The stand of these organizations underwent a subtle, but profound change, during the war.

For the first time it was driven clearly home by the light of world events that discriminatory legislation could have international repercussions of the most hostile sort.

In addition, Nisei organized into the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, those serving in the Pacific and the conduct of Issei during the war did more to dispel any doubts of loyalty of persons of Asian ancestry than a thousand books could do in a generation.

Today is really a rather remarkable moment in American history, one of those rare instances when virtually every voice is concerned with eliminating discriminatory legislation from the statute books of a democracy.

## JACL President Spends Busy Week-End in Nation's Capital

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, national president of the JACL, this week had a good one-word description of Washington—"Whew."

Dr. Sakada and Mas Satow, national JACL director, Salt Lake City, both here to attend the week-end convention of the Eastern District Council, JACL, took time between EDC sessions to visit "inside Washington."

In a filled three days they talked with:

Rep. Francis E. Walter, (D., Penn.), and Rep. Chet Holifield, (D., Calif.), about immigration and naturalization legislation, and Rep. George P. Miller (D., Calif.), about the progress of the evacuation claims payment program.

Subsequently they visited the House and listened to part of the debate on draft and Universal Military Training, and sat through the final day of hearings by the joint Senate House Subcommittees studying omnibus immigration and naturalization legislation.

Later, accompanied by Edward J. Ennis and Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, they reviewed the evacuation claims program with Department of Justice officials, with special attention to the proposed "compromise" settlement plan advocated by the Department.

During their visit to "the Hill," Dr. Sakada and Mr. Satow were accompanied by Mr. Masaoka; Tom Hayashi, New York, first national JACL vice president, and Tets Iwasaki, Philadelphia, EDC chairman.

The two also attended all sessions of the convention, and each spoke at the convention banquet. In addition, they somehow found time to watch the Supreme Court, take in some sightseeing, including the famed cherry blossoms, now in finest bloom, and visit a private preview of MGM's "Go for Broke."

After this busy schedule, Dr. Sakada said he was "amazed at the scope of activities in Washington."

He said his trip to the capital "certainly has proven how important our legislative program is in

the JACL." He urged "genuine support of the JACL ADC" because, he pointed out, "only through such an organization can we, of Japanese ancestry, be heard."

He said his visit to the EDC convention gave him a "welcome opportunity to become better acquainted with our membership in the East."

He lauded the "fine community spirit of the Nisei in this region," and said their "spirited interest in both community and national problems should prove to be an inspiration to Nisei everywhere."

Mr. Satow commented that the JACL ADC deserves both the "support and thanks of every person of Japanese ancestry in America."

"What we have won for ourselves in the way of equality under the law has been due principally to the existence of the JACL ADC and the widespread support it has always so generously received."

## JACL President Elected to Rotary

LA JARA, Colo.—Roy Inouye, second term president of the San Luis Valley JACL, is among the newest members of the La Jara Rotary Club.

He is also an active member of the local Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Inouye is the only Nisei now in the Rotary group, though the first member of Japanese ancestry was George H. Yamaguchi, who joined in the early thirties.

## Last Rites Held For Chicago Nisei

CHICAGO — Funeral services were scheduled Tuesday and Wednesday last week for John Hideo Adachi, 39, at the Boydston Brothers funeral chapel.

The deceased was a member of the Ellis Community Center Church. He is survived by his wife, Sumi, and two daughters, Ada, 6, and Allison, 8.

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## EDITORIALS:

### A Warning Against Segregation

A timely warning that the 442nd combat team might be used by pro-segregationists in pushing legislation to permit formation of segregated units of the armed forces was made this week by Mike Masaoka, ADC director.

Masaoka spoke in reference to proposals recently made which would permit army recruits to serve in segregated units, if they wish.

Amendments to that effect have been proposed for currently debated universal military training and draft bills.

Masaoka warned that proponents of such measures might use the 442nd combat team as an example of how effectively a segregated unit can serve.

"The 442nd fought courageously but it was not fighting for the right to be segregated. It was fighting for the right of its people at home to win equal acceptance among all Americans.

"It would be unfair and misleading if the case of the 442nd were to be held up as an example of what good can be accomplished by 'voluntary' segregation," he said.

Putting the story of the 442nd to such use would be an insult to the men who served in that notable unit. The members of the combat team fought bravely and effectively because they hated discrimination and segregation, and they believed their actions as American fighting men would help eliminate such practices. It would be perversion to use their story as a weapon for the segregation movement.

### "These Are Americans"

A new and important book appears this week under the title, "These Are Americans."

It was written by Dr. John A. Rademaker, currently chairman of the sociology and anthropology department at Willamette University. During the war he served with the War Relocation Authority as community analyst at the Granada relocation center, and he later became assistant professor of sociology at the University of Hawaii.

"These Are Americans" is a text-and-picture record of Hawaii's Japanese Americans during the war. It was originally conceived as a means of correcting wild misconceptions, still alive, about the Nisei and Issei in Hawaii. These persons were subjected, to the strongest degree, to lies and suspicions and hate from Pearl Harbor day on. Stories of Nisei aiding the Japanese who bombed Pearl Harbor have not yet died down.

Dr. Rademaker's book is an able, factual and sympathetic story of Hawaii's residents of Japanese ancestry, who responded wholeheartedly to the islands' military and civilian needs during the war.

But if "These Are Americans" brings out the truth about Hawaii's Japanese Americans, it will have done only part of the job envisioned by the author.

For Dr. Rademaker saw the situation of the Nisei as only part of the larger picture of American racial practices. He saw the story of the Nisei as a triumphant story for all of America's racial minorities.

"Once or twice in a lifetime world events work out in such a way that we can see demonstrated before our very eyes the truth of something important which we have long believed but for which there has been little clear and conclusive proof," he begins his book. "Such an event took place in Hawaii during the last seven or eight years and is still taking place today. It was a crucial test for the American way of life, a test which was as intense, as complete, as clear in its results as well could be."

The Nisei proved, Dr. Rademaker shows, not only that the minority to which they belonged but that all persons trained in the democratic way will, because of that training, be good and useful citizens.

"The result shows clearly," he says, "that the American way of life is so vital, satisfying and attractive to the people who live here in intimate contact with it that they gave their wholehearted support to its defense and its preservation when it was threatened... The basic belief of American civilization, namely, that all peoples will join together for their mutual freedom, welfare and liberty if they are given a chance to do so under a free, democratic system of government, was proved again under the most critical conditions."

This, then, is the thesis of Dr. Rademaker's book. The Nisei proved, not for themselves alone but for all Americans, that loyalty is a matter of the heart and mind, not ancestry.

# Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

## Practice and Preachment

The casualty lists underscore the contributions of blood and of life itself made in Korea, the hot front of a global cold war, by GIs of minority racial and religious groups in the United States.

There is no discrimination and no Jim Crow in the casualty lists which pronounce the names of the many Negroes killed, wounded or missing along with the names of white Protestant Americans. There has been a large number of Negro casualties, just as there has been a large number of Nisei and Hawaiian dead and wounded because Negro regiments and a combat team from Hawaii were among the first units committed to action. The names on the casualty lists reflect every facet of the nation's multi-racial composition and the markers above the graves are the Christian cross, the Star of David and the Buddhist "wheel of righteousness."

Casualties of American soldiers of Japanese ancestry in Korea are now above the 250 mark. Nearly 100 Nisei have died in the battles below and above the 38th parallel—the Defense Department has listed 39 Nisei dead to date but most of the 62 missing in action also must be presumed to be dead. A large percentage of the casualties are of Nisei from Hawaii, most of whom were with the 5th Regimental Combat Team.

These casualties again serve to emphasize the gap which still exists for many Americans between the preachments and practices of democracy in the United States. Many of the men who have died were from minority groups which enjoyed only marginal citizenship. They were men who as civilians were refused service in restaurants, if they were Negroes, or were denied the right to buy a home or to work at a job for which they were trained, if they were members of various minority groups. It is true that restrictive housing covenants no longer are enforceable by law, but the practices of prejudice in the sale or rental of homes continues unabated in many areas. It is true that many states now have a fair employment practices law, but the majority of states still do not.

It is to narrow that gap between the ideal of fair treatment for all and the reality of existing discriminatory practice that such organizations as the JAACL, the NAACP and the Urban League and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith are active.

It makes for ironic comment but it seems that a war situation is necessary before the contradictions in our denial of full democracy to Americans on the basis of their religion or their ancestry can be dramatized. The names on the casualty lists provide such necessary dramatic emphasis.

As far as Japanese Americans are concerned, there is little active social or economic prejudices as compared with the situation a decade ago, or with those months in 1942 when the world of the mainland Nisei seemed constricted by the watchtowers and the barbed-wire of the evacuee assembly centers. The Nisei today meets with little direct social prejudice. He has a wide range of employment opportunity which was not open to him before the war. He can usually buy a home although he may often have to do it in a round-about way in order to skirt the subtle discrimination still exercised by realtors and home builders.

But the Nisei is still too close to the knowledge of prejudice not to realize that they may still be engulfed in the backwash of discrimination so long as prejudice is practiced arbitrarily against any group of Americans.

The leadership of the JAACL has learned, just as the leaders of other minority group organizations have done, that discrimination is indivisible. The JAACL has entered court cases involving the segregation of Mexican American children in some California school districts and of Negroes in the South. Similarly the NAACP, the Anti-Defamation League and the American Jewish Congress, as well as the American Civil Liberties Union and other civil rights groups, have joined the JCL in court tests of such

discriminatory legislation as California's Alien Land Act which is aimed at persons of Japanese ancestry.

Just as the JAACL has done, most of these national minority group organizations have broadened their base of activity. The Urban League, instead of concentrating its activities in widening job opportunities for Negroes, now handles job referrals for other minorities. Its Denver office, for example, is particularly interested in jobs for Nisei and persons of Latin descent.

Anti-Semitism is the most esoteric and insidious of the prejudices practiced against Americans. There are no pogroms but anti-Semitism remains a national problem. The shouters of the Gerald L. K. Smith variety are few but the "gentlemen's agreements" are many. The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish Congress are two of the many groups which have done vigorous work in exposing the hate-mongers. Both of these groups also have shown increasing interest in the problems of other minorities.

The JAACL has been admonished by obviously well-meaning people, groups which have done vigorous work both Nisei and non-Nisei, not to become involved in other racial issues, particularly those concerning Negroes. The theory is that the Nisei, now that the war crisis is over, will be treated as honorary Aryans as long as they do not align themselves with groups which are still subject to discrimination. This is a sort of social isolationism that is no more logical than isolationism as a matter of national policy. There are no islands any more, whether for racial minorities or for nations.

And if the JAACL has felt such pressures, the Anti-Defamation League and other Jewish groups must similarly have been cautioned by persons who do not wish to see the fight against anti-Semitism made a part of a general campaign against racial and religious prejudice. In Utah, as in many similar areas, there is little if any social or economic prejudice against persons of the Jewish faith but the campaign for a state FEPC has been given special impetus by the participation of the Anti-Defamation League.

The ADL, in fact, is leading the fight for FEPC laws in the Rocky Mountain area. It has taken an active part in campaigns during recent months in Colorado, Utah, Wyoming and New Mexico. In Colorado a watered-down version of an FEPC bill was passed which does not provide for enforcement powers in private employment. The new Colorado law, however, is a start and provides for a Governor's Commission on Human Relations which is empowered to initiate an educational program to foster equality in employment. One direct result of the new law has been the interest expressed by a number of Denver firms in obtaining trained non-Caucasian personnel.

A Utah Committee for an FEPC spearheaded the campaign locally but the efforts were squashed by professional politicians of both major parties who saw to it that the bill was never reported out of committee for debate and action on the floor, so that none of the legislators would be forced to take a stand on the measure. It should be noted, of course, that the FEPC bill represents no revolutionary principle. The national platforms of both major parties both contain ambiguous statements supporting equality of opportunity.

Last Tuesday we attended a luncheon of the Utah FEPC Committee at which Michael L. Freed of the Anti-Defamation League in Denver was the main speaker. Mr. Freed saw reasons for optimism in the fact that the Utah campaign represented coordinated activity by representatives of religious, labor, civic and racial minority groups. Such collaboration, if broadened and intensified, augurs for success in the foreseeable future. Although the FEPC bill was still-born in the Utah legislature, the educational work waged by the committee undoubtedly has had a salutary effect within the state. Incidentally, Mr. Freed's concern with discrimination against Negroes and Mexican Am-

## MINORITY WEEK

### Next Case

People who want to keep their neighborhoods "racially pure" are trying every trick in the book to enforce restrictive covenants. Latest gimmick was one thought up by Mrs. Olive B. Barrows of Los Angeles.

Mrs. Barrows went to court to sue Mrs. Leola Jackson, a Negro, because Mrs. Jackson had bought property in Mrs. Barrow's neighborhood. Mrs. Barrow wanted damages on grounds that the Negro woman had reduced property values in the neighborhood by her presence there.

The suit was thrown out of court by Judge Daniel N. Stevens of Los Angeles Superior Court.

"Segregation is too often identified with the South. Many northern cities enforce segregation more rigorously than the South does. The nation's largest ghettos . . . are not in New Orleans or Atlanta, but in Chicago and New York."—From a pamphlet, "In These Ten States," prepared for the New York State Committee on Discrimination in Housing.

### Manager

There was a big hullabaloo when the first Negro was signed up for bigtime baseball. There was hardly a whisper last week when it was announced that Sam Bankhead had been named the first Negro manager in organized baseball.

Bankhead, who is a brother of Brooklyn Dodger pitcher Dan Bankhead, will manage the Farmham club in the Class C Provincial League.

### News To Us

We didn't know it before, but the United States once used "gold" and "silver" as terms to designate separate facilities for American and native workers on the Panama canal. The term arose originally from the method of paying workers. Skilled workers were paid in gold, unskilled in silver. When the United States took over the canal project in 1904, the terms came in handy to designate separate facilities.

But the segregation, by another name, didn't smell any sweeter. According to George W. Westerman, Panama City writer, the discrimination practiced in those early days still persists. Writing in The Crisis, NAACP publication, Westerman says the United States put into effect discriminatory practices in government-operated commissaries, dispensaries, postoffices, schools and recreational facilities.

After all these years, the memory and many of the practices of that early discrimination still haunt US-Panama relations.

### Partial Victory

It wasn't a complete victory, but Colorado has FEPC.

A limited bill was signed by Gov. Dan Thornton on March 29. It doesn't provide for enforcement powers, but sets up a committee to foster an educational program to encourage fair employment practices.

The half-loaf is better than none, apparently. FEPC sponsors aren't completely discouraged.

Says Michael L. Freed of B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League: "If Gov. Thornton appoints capable men who are devoted to FEPC principles, the law can have a salutary effect upon employment practices in Colorado."

ericans in the Mountain States was typical of the wide scope of interest of the Anti-Defamation League in the area.

It should also be noted that the Salt Lake JAACL made a sizable contribution to the FEPC campaign through funds collected at a special benefit movie and that National Director Masao W. Satow and Mas Yano and George Mochizuki are members of the Utah FEPC Committee.

The campaigns for state and municipal FEPC laws are one part of a necessary national effort to reduce our vulnerability as a nation to anti-American propaganda which seeks to sway the non-Caucasian peoples of the world with a recital of the lapses of democratic practice in the United States.

The Box-Score:

Montagu, McWilliams Books Explore Racial Relations

By ELMER R. SMITH

If I were asked to recommend the two books published within recent weeks most useful to add to a modest library, I would, without a moment's hesitation, recommend the revised edition of Carey McWilliams' "Brothers Under the Skin" published by Little, Brown and Company, Boston (\$3.50), and Ashley Montagu's "Statement on Race," released by Henry Schuman, publishers, New York, (\$2.00).

"Brothers Under the Skin" is a very much revised edition

of the first one published in 1943. Three entirely new chapters have been added, and the others have been thoroughly revised to bring them very much up to date. McWilliams' book presents in a vivid and simple manner the basic steps toward better racial understanding that have taken place since 1940. However, he does an admirable job in the various chapters on racial groups in showing the forces still at work tending to block the complete fulfillment of our new and modernized methods of meeting and defeating the vicious race prejudices and discriminations still rampant in American society.

A few of the discoveries that are becoming more and more accepted in the field of race and race relations and discussed by McWilliams are: (1) The recognition that racial groups are not the problems but rather that relationships between racial groups are the points demanding attention. To realize that a Negro, a Mexican American, a Chinese American or Japanese American is not the problem, but rather the kinds of relationships that are forced to govern contacts between these and the whites are the points of conflict is the beginning of a successful solution to the problems of living together. (2) The whole mythology of race as the factor determining culture and ideas of people is being demolished by recent studies and by educational programs in human relations. The realization that the social and not the biological view of the "race question" is the important one has opened the way for new types of social action. This view has made possible the creation of many and various types of civic unity groups, government committees and research programs all aimed at the solving of problems that have their origin in society. Race relations programs have begun to take their rightful place along with crime prevention programs, health programs and many others of social significance. It is here, as McWilliams has aptly pointed out, that hope can be found for the solving of prejudice and discrimination against racial groups in the U.S. as well as people in other parts of the world.

"Statement on Race" by Ashley Montagu is the presentation of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the status of race in the modern world. This statement is followed by an analysis and elaboration of the 21 basic points of the UNESCO program. The presentation of Montagu's arguments and discussions are not maudlin. They state the facts as the anthropologist, biologist, sociologist and psychologist know them about race, and point out the areas where we are

still very much in ignorance.

"Statement on Race" along with McWilliams' "Brothers Under the Skin," is an excellent book for the use of discussion groups or for a program of general education sponsored by schools, civic groups and others interested in bringing live topics before the people of their communities and organizations.

A few pertinent quotes from each of these recent books will suggest the type of stimulating ideas one is able to receive from their reading.

"World War II, however, had a much greater social, economic, and political impact on race relations than World War I. The Second World War, for example, completely upset the regional 'balance' of the racial program." McWilliams, p. 7.

"A majority of the American people are for racial equality 'in principle' but are not prepared to fight for this principle in action." McWilliams, p. 27-28.

"Evacuation (of the Japanese) was demanded, not by the people at large, but by particular groups and for specific reasons. Prejudice, indeed, is essentially a group rather than an individual or a mass phenomenon." McWilliams, p. 161.

"If the body of a Negro were to be deprived of all superficial features such as skin, hair, nose and lips, I do not think that any anatomist could say for certain, in an isolated case, whether he was dealing with the body of a Negro or a European." Montagu, p. 25.

"There is no macroscopic or microscopic difference by which it is possible for the anatomist to distinguish the brain in single individuals of different races." Montagu, p. 25.

"... Man's future development lay with the cultivation of his morality, in extending his sympathies, and not merely his respect but also his help, to his fellow man." Montagu, p. 37.

"Man is bound to his fellow men by an unbreakable bond—by life itself." Montagu, p. 136.

Translation . . .

The Japanese translation of Robert Pirosh's script for "Go for Broke!" which will be published in Tokyo by the Hosei University press soon was done by Eiji Tanabe, formerly of the National JACL staff and now manager of the Miyako Hotel in Los Angeles . . . Present plans are for Purple Heart veterans of the 442nd in the Los Angeles area to take part in the premiere ceremonies of "Go for Broke!" on May 9 at the Egyptian theater in Hollywood.

Nisei Girl Co-Authors Book On Lawn and Garden

CHICAGO — A young Nisei writer, Betty Kanameishi, is co-author with Edward L. Throm of "Lawn and Garden," a how-to-do-it book published recently by Popular Mechanics.

Miss Kanameishi, who works year-round for Popular Mechanics as an assistant editor in the book department, disclaims being an authority on growing plants, but she is the daughter of horticultural experts. Her father owned a florist business in Los Angeles before the 1942 evacuation and her mother is a floral designer for a North Side shop.

Miss Kanameishi is mainly interested in writing. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin school of journalism two years ago. Before her present job she worked on Who's Who reference books at the A. N. Marquis Co. And she recently wrote an article on child care which was published by Hygeia Magazine.

Before the war she was a student at Los Angeles' Manual Arts High School, where she worked on the school paper.

Interviewed by Betty Walker of the Chicago Sun recently, Miss Kanameishi remembered that her parents were "pretty bitter" at first about the evacuation, which put the family of three daughters and their parents into a single room at the Granada WRA center.

But Betty was too busy finishing her studies at the center high school "to think too much." After her release in 1944 she took a Society of Friends scholarship at the University of Wisconsin.

Asked if she had encountered much anti-Nisei feeling in Chicago, Betty said:

"There were certain jobs I applied for and didn't get that I attributed to not being a Caucasian. But generally speaking, Chicago has been extremely kind."

Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

Growing a Green Lawn

Not least among man's follies is his efforts to grow a rich and green lawn around his home. This involves considerable time, effort and money, as I can testify from personal experience. We started on the 1951 campaign last Sunday, and this is how it works.

Harry Shiramizu trucked over a couple of cubic yards of barnyard fertilizer, all dried and nicely ground, and dumped it in back of the house. That was \$7 right there, although Harry gave it to us at cost. Then we borrowed a wheelbarrow from the long-suffering neighbor across the street, and spent the better part of the afternoon spreading the fertilizer over the lawn. The first hour isn't bad. After that the long winter of inactivity begins to tell.

Comes next the job of wetting down the fertilizer so it won't burn the grass. That means hauling out the hose from the garage and putting the sprinklers to work, moving them from time to time. The water does something to the fertilizer; pretty soon the entire premises is overwhelmed by a pungent barnyard fragrance and the neighbors hurry by without passing the time of day as they usually do.

But the work isn't over. You reap the fruits of your efforts all summer long in a bountiful crop of grass that grows and grows and grows. It must be mowed innumerable times. The mower gets duller and heavier with each mowing. You envy your neighbor who didn't mess with fertilizer and consequently has to cut his lawn only half as often as you.

It may not be quite so esthetically pleasing, but there's strong argument for green-painted concrete as a lawn substitute.

"Smog-Lites"

THE ORIGIN OF A NAME

By MARY OYAMA

Get lost, you curious people, don't ask "What is smog?" It's a meteorological phenomenon called "temperature inversion" which creates an unpleasant murky haze or fog, bluish in color, smarting to the eyes, an irritant to the respiratory system, sometimes smelly, compounded of: smoke, fog, fumes from incinerators and factory flues, exhaust gasses from cars; which occasionally blankets L. A.

"Occasionally" did we say? More lately, to be honest, quite chronically. Every time the smog settles down upon this Southern California metropolis, we who suffer from hay-fever and allergies, become semi-invalid from its effects. So when the column was initiated for the "Crossroads" weekly, and the then-editor Masamori Kojima, our Phi Beta Kappa boy, made query about a name for our galley-space, we threw "Smog-lites" at him; whereupon he immediately commented that the local Chamber of Commerce would not like it—

Which was all right with us, we countered defensively, until the C. of C. took drastic action about the smog we'd keep the name. So we did. A look-see through smog: Hakujuin peering at Nisei, the "silken curtain"? People looking at each other with understanding: fellow Nisei, Kibe, Issei, Hakujuin (Caucasians), underdogs, minority groups, etc. Explanation enough, what?

One could wax facetious, threatening to write a book titled "LOST IN THE SMOG" or "PARDON BUT I THOUGHT YOU WERE MY WIFE," but we won't. SPEAKING OF L.A.

We like this place, so there. Heck with those critics who doesn't. We feel about our home town the same way Carey McWilliams does in his excellent book "SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNTRY" (see especially the last chapter), a very fine book to be read by two types of people: those who like L.A. and those who don't; and one which thoroughly explains the real L.A. which exists beneath it's seemingly fey superficial exterior. We also like our city for its weather, elbow room, green-growing things, small-townish atmosphere, informal dress, accessibility to ocean, mountain, desert, and its superior housing facilities (why live in a cubby-hole dump, or tenement apartment when one can live in a house with yard, trees, flowers, for the same rental?)

Most critics and especially Nisei ones harp on California prejudice, provincial ghetto-bound Nisei, lack of Nisei integration, Lil Tokio restrictions, such-like facts which they encountered in their circumscribed myopic meanderings. Did it ever occur to them that what they missed, they failed to find because they too moved in limited restricted Nisei circles? Actually the so-called Pacific Coast discrimination isn't that bad. Nothing like

The other day we had the pleasure of meeting an alert young Japanese gentleman named Katsuji Yabuki, an English instructor at Waseda university and chief of the editorial department of the Japan Travel Bureau. Back in May, 1949, Yabuki published an English language book called "My Trip to America." It was picked up as a high school textbook and went into ten editions within a year.

All this would not be remarkable if it were not for the fact that Yabuki had never visited the United States at all, and that the book was based entirely on imagination and research.

Such diligence could not go unrewarded, so Yabuki was granted a trip to America, to view at first hand the scenes of his imaginary adventures. Now he's going to write another book about his trip to America, but he hasn't quite decided what the title ought to be when we talked to him.

Mike and the Sioux

We went to the Boy Scout circus the other night to see our Mike do his stuff. There were about 3,000 Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts taking part on this particular night, all of them having about an equal crack at starring roles, so we didn't have to worry about Mike forgetting his lines or missing his cues.

Mike was in a tableau, together with the rest of his pack, depicting Custer's Last Stand. For costume, he'd borrowed a broad-brimmed campaign hat, sewed gauntlets on a pair of his mother's white gloves, and armed himself with his super-atomic rifle that shoots ping-pong balls by air pressure. Mike was among Custer's men who were surrounded by the bloodthirsty Sioux. In due time he fell to the ground, pierced by many imaginary arrows, and together with all the other Cubs died a hero's death. After a while he got up and we went home.

Vagaries

Gambler . . .

It probably had nothing to do with Sen. Kefauver's gambling inquiry but one of Honolulu's top gamblers, a Nisei, sold his holdings in Hawaii and moved to California some months ago . . . A Hawaiian Nisei girl is one of the characters in James Jones' best-selling novel, "From Here to Eternity." She's one of the early loves of Private Prewitt, the book's protagonist. The novel is a story of Regular Army men at Schofield Barracks on Oahu in the months before Pearl Harbor. Columbia Pictures recently bought it for a forthcoming film. . . . The 40th Division which left California for duty in Japan recently includes a number of Nisei officers and enlisted personnel.

Agent . . .

Akira (Sunshine) Fukunaga, former executive secretary of the 442nd Veterans Club in Honolulu, is now in insurance. He plays the role of Frank, a mainland Nisei GI who wants to be an architect, in "Go for Broke!" . . . Togo Tanaka, senior editor at the American Technical Society in Chicago, is also the editor of the "American School News." . . . Scene, the Chicago picture magazine, expects to up its print order to 15,000 by summer. The expected circulation will be the largest ever attained by a Nisei publication.

Henry Nakamura will go on location to rugged Kane county in southern Utah for location scenes of "Westward the Women." The film stars Robert Taylor and Denise Darcel and features a cast of 200 actresses, playing frontier brides . . . Dan Riss who plays Captain Solari, the Italian American, in "Go for Broke!" last week won an important role in another MGM film, a baseball story called "The Angels and the Pirates." . . . Robert Kuwahara of Larchmont, N.Y., who won a Freedom Foundation award recently for his nationally syndicated cartoon strip, "Miki," helped draw some of the earliest of the Mickey Mouse films for Walt Disney and later went to MGM where he helped set up a cartoon department. A number of other Nisei, including Chris Ishii, also worked for Disney. Ishii is now doing art work in New York.

we soon discovered why—they're all found in the acknowledgments section of Bea Griffith's "AMERICAN ME," the very hep young people who helped gather or supplied interesting facts for that remarkable book on the "pachuco" kids.

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# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Konno-Marshall Duel Postponed

Although advance publicity from Columbus, O., indicated he might, **Ford Konno** didn't enter the National AAU indoor swimming championships last week in the Ohio State pool. His duel with Yale's fabulous **John Marshall** who last week bettered **Hironoshin Furuhashi's** record, set at Los Angeles in 1949, is 18:19s. Marshall's mark, however, won't be recognized because it was set in a 25-yard pool... **Teruo Fujii** of the U. S. Navy base at Quonset, R. I., was eliminated in one of the early rounds of the National AAU boxing tournament at Boston last week. There haven't been any Nisei National AAU champions since **Tsuneshi Maruo** won the 118-pound crown and **Robert Takeshita** won the featherweight title back in 1946.

## Bob Watanabe Runs His Best Race

The world's fastest Nisei, **Bob Watanabe**, ran his best race of the season last week on the UCLA track but finished a close fourth in the 100-yard dash behind **Will Taylor** of Stanford as the Bruins defeated the Cards in a dual meet. The race was won by **Bob Work** of UCLA in 9.7s. A photo of the finish shows **Watanabe** less than two yards behind the winner, giving him an approximate time of 9.9s... Another **Watanabe**, **Toby** of Seattle's Franklin high school, is the school's best low hurdler this season and is rated as one of the city's top prep broad jumpers. **Watanabe** starred for Franklin on the gridiron for the past two years at fullback... **Occidental College's Joe Maruyama**, who usually concentrates on the sprints, took third in the pole vault as the Tigers defeated Caltech last week... **Jerry Iwata** of Banning high school in Los Angeles County tied for first place in the pole vault at 11 feet as his team defeated **Narbonne** high... Probably the best Nisei track performance, pound for pound, in the week was turned in by **Sacramento high school's little Gilbert Matsumoto** who set a new meet record as he cleared 11 feet 5 with the bamboo pole to help his team defeat **C.K. McClatchy** high. **McClatchy's Tateishi** also tied a Class C record with 17s flat in the 160-yard dash.

## Major Scouts Watch Bill Nishita

The University of California's **Bill Nishita**, a 6-foot hard-throwing righthander from Honolulu, already is being pestered by scouts for major league baseball clubs who want his name on the dotted line. The scouts believe **Nishita** has the stuff to make the grade in big-time baseball and probably will pay a handsome bonus for the Nisei star who won 15 games and lost one for **Santa Rosa College** last year. His only 1950 defeat came at the hands of the **Yakima** team of the Western International league. This year **Nishita** was hampered by headaches but showed two weeks ago that he was in good form when he pitched seven no-run, no-hit innings against the University of San Francisco. Last week **Nishita** pitched his first California Intercollegiate Baseball Association game against **Stanford** and lost a heartbreaker, being edged by **Tom Osenbaugh** of the Indians in a 3 to 2 pitching duel. **Nishita** struck out four, walked six and gave up only five hits.

## Southpaw Pitches for Cal Aggies

**Ray Fukuchi**, the lefthander, is continuing to pitch good ball for the Cal Aggies. On April 5 he pitched the Aggies to a 13 to 6 victory over **Chico State**. **Tubber Okuda** at second base is one of the four returning lettermen for **Weber College** of Ogden, Utah. **Okuda**, a hustling player who is called "a coach's delight," took over the key-stone sack last year when **Jimmy Miyasato** moved on to **Brigham Young University**. **Miyasato** is now back in Honolulu where he is playing in the Hawaii Baseball League... **Outfielder Ralph Onizuka** brought in two runs with a single as **Willamette University** of Salem, Ore., defeated **Oregon College of Education**, 9 to 1, last week... **Catcher Tom Daijogo** had two hits as the **Lodi, Calif.**, **Flames** defeated **Sacramento high**, 10 to 3, last week in a **Sac-Joaquin Conference** game.

## Yonamine Bats .389 for Moiliili Team

**Wally Yonamine** hasn't reported to the Salem, Ore., Senators of the Class B Western International League at their spring training camp at Napa, Calif., and probably will pass up pro baseball this season. Chances are that **Yonamine**, who helped **Moiliili** win the Honolulu AJA championship this year with his timely batting, will sign up with one of the teams in the Hawaii Baseball League. During the recent AJA season **Yonamine** hit .389 with 14 hits and 12 runs in 36 times at bat. He had 11 RBIs and stole six bases... According to **Eddie Tanaka** of the Hawaii Herald, **Yonamine** has received a second and more definite offer from the **Tokyo Yomiuri Giants**, while the **Mainichi Orions**, champions of Japan's pro baseball, also want the three-sports star. The **Yomiuris** offered **Yonamine** a starting monthly salary of 100,000 yen (about \$280), 200,000 yen for transportation (\$559) and a bonus of 600,000 yen to sign a contract (\$1,675). The salary offered the Nisei flychaser who had a big season with **Salt Lake City** in his first season in pro ball last year, batting .335 and establishing himself as one of the most popular players in the Pioneer League, is just about what **Nippon's** top players receive... The salary offered **Yonamine** by **Manager Hugh Luby** of the Salem team was about \$325 a month, about \$100 over the minimum for Class B baseball... **Sports Editor Tanaka**, incidentally, rates **Jun Muramoto**, who played centerfield for **Moiliili**, as the outstanding Nisei baseball player in Hawaii. **Muramoto** has had his share of pro ball offers, particularly after he was named as the "most outstanding player" in the National Semi-pro Baseball championships in 1947 at **Wichita, Kans.** He took the AJA batting title this year with a .464 average and topped the clouters with four home runs.

## Shimada Wins All-Events in Oakland

The East Bay JACL's annual bowling tournament at Pacific Bowl in Oakland, Calif., saw **Fuzzy Shimada** of the National JACL champion **Sequoia Nursery** team win the all-events trophy with an 1816 scratch for nine games. His teammate, **Chy Kawakami**, who last week hit a 707 series in league play in San Francisco, was second with 1778 while **Yulene Takai** of Sacramento and **Yon Takahashi** of Oakland were tied for third with 1771. The **Bob's Television** team of Berkeley won the team championship with a handicapped 2969, while **Herb Kurima Insurance** of Sacramento was second, hitting the high scratch team game with 1039. **Laing Photo** of San Francisco was third and **Sequoia Nursery** took fourth. **Shimada** and **Gish Endo** won the doubles crown with 1229 while **Julius Egashira** of Oakland won

## NISEI LIQUORS HOLD LEAD IN BOWLING LEAGUE

CHICAGO—Despite the fact that four of their five members hit over the 550 mark, the league-leading Nisei Liquors team had trouble with the **Sugano Tourists** and got only a 2 to 2 deadlock on April 4 in the Chicago Nisei Men's bowling league.

**Jun Oishi** led the Liquors with 570, followed by **Frank Kebo** 568, **Nob Murakami** 566 and **Tak Fujii** 551. **Sus Kitani's** 557 was high for **Sugano**.

High series of the night was turned in by **Nez Hamaguchi** who hammered 612 pins, including games of 221 and 209, as he led the **Maruhachi Cafe** team to a 3 to 1 victory over **Tea Pot Inn**. **Maruhachi** had a 3015 handicapped series, including a 1085 team game.

**Rosecoe Garage**, with **Dave Mizuno** hitting 585 and **Frank Hamaguchi** 583, took three from **Eric Clothing** while **Wah Mee Low** tripped **Nu-Star Cleaners** by the same margin with the aid of **Shig Nakahira's** 556. **Rosecoe** had handicapped games of 1005 and 1002 and a team series of 3003.

**Frank Takashima's** 604 escorted **Perfection Motors** to a 4 to 0 win over **Louis Bar BQ** while the **Seto's** whitewashed **Roosevelt Western**. **Seto's** had a handicapped 1074 second game.

**Exact Cleaners** defeated **Tellone Beauty Salon**, 3 to 1, in a close match.

## Students Injured

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Three college students from Hawaii who are attending **Lehigh university** in Pennsylvania were injured in an auto collision on April 8 near **Lexington, Mo.**

**Edward Hamada**, 24, and **Francis Ihara**, 23, sustained head injuries while **David Ching**, 25, was treated for a knee wound.

the singles with a 635 scratch... Two Nisei bowlers from West Los Angeles, **Jumbo Mochizuki** and **Bob Hayamizu** are now in second place in Class B of the Los Angeles city bowling tourney with 1183-24—1207. **Jack Okamoto** is leading the Class C men's singles with 608-24—632... **Henri Takahashi** was defeated in the semi-finals of Class 2 in the San Francisco Diamond Medal championships at **Bagdad Bowl**, losing a 602-580 match to **Sig Hansen**... High game of the California state women's tourney in Los Angeles to date is a 248 by **June Jue** of the Los Angeles Nisei Ladies league.

**Kenshi Zenimura**, Fresno Nisei baseball player who has been serving with the Army in Korea, is now under hospitalization in Japan after being stricken with illness, is now under hospitalization in **Fujishige**, the Honolulu high school player who was **Bill Nishita's** battery mate for **Santa Rosa JC** last year, is still catching for the **Bear Cubs**... **Fibber Hirayama** and **Howard Zenimura** both had one for three as **Fresno State** lost its first game after 11 straight wins last week to **Tacoma** of the Western International League. The next day, however, the **Bulldogs** came back to defeat **Salt Lake City** of the Pioneer League, 10 to 7, with both **Hirayama** and **Zenimura** getting RBIs... **Chuck Hayashida**, new manager of the **Placer County JACL** team in the **Placer-Nevada** league, is looking forward to the summer months when the return of **George Goto** from **Stanford** and **Max Hamamoto** from **Sacramento State** will help ease his pitching problems... Despite two clutch singles by **Ben Yano**, **Fresno JC** lost a 6 to 5 game to **Reedley College** last week.

Sports roundup: **Aki Tomita's** sprinting helped **Los Angeles City College** to victory in the 440-yard relay in 43.6s in the Southern California JC meet last week... **Hori** of **Gilroy, Calif.**, high won the varsity shot put at 42 feet 2 in a dual meet against **Campbell** last week. **Yamashita** of **Campbell** was second in the 440... **Julia Murakami** of Honolulu's **Roosevelt high** who has her eye on the national AAU women's backstroke championship set two new high school records recently in the 100-yard backstroke, setting a mark of 1:09.9s in the open division and of 1:12.2s in the novice division... The **Los Angeles Nisei weekly, Crossroads**, had a feature last week on **Yosh Kawano**, clubhouse manager of the **Chicago Cubs**. **Kawano**, who attended **Roosevelt high** in Los Angeles, got a job as batboy with the **Hollywood Stars** of the **Coast League** in 1938. After evacuation to **Poston**, he went to **Chicago** where he hung around **Comiskey Park** until he got a job as batboy with the **White Sox**. After taking time out for army service **Kawano** came back as clubhouse boy with the **Cubs** and is now in his sixth year with the organization. One of his jobs is to take care of the club's equipment, which is packed in 17 large trunks. His favorite player is **Phil Cavaretta**.

## Nishijima Hurls for Salt Lake School

**Salt Lake City's South high school** which has produced a number of pro ball players, including **Pitcher Kent Peterson** of the **Cincinnati Reds**, in recent years, now has a Nisei pitcher named **Ron Nishijima**. The latter got credit for an 18 to 1 victory over **Judge Memorial high** in **Salt Lake** on April 11... **Lou Sakata** won the 140-yard low hurdles in 17.2s for the **Gardena, Calif.**, varsity last week... **Sequoia Nursery**, the National JACL champions, finished in a tie for first place in the **San Carlos, Calif.** Majors last week... Nisei teams won three team titles in **San Mateo, Calif.**, leagues this year in their first season in ABC competition. **Mori Radio** won the 750 scratch league, while **Wilson Associated** took the championship of the 800 scratch league by 12 games. **Blu White Laundry** won the 825 league title while two Nisei girls teams finished one-two in the **Ladies Booster league**.

Hawaii's three Nisei bowlers who will compete in the ABC tournament in **St. Paul** soon warmed up by winning most of the laurels in the annual Honolulu city tournament on April 1. **Richard Nishizawa** won the singles with 666, while **Eugene Akamine** rolled a 592 for the Honolulu Bowling Center team which won the team title with 3012.

## Abo Only Nisei in Pro Ball As Yonamine, Matsubu Fail to Report for 1951 Season

Both **Wally Yonamine** of the **Salem, Ore.**, **Senators** and **Hank Matsubu** of the **Yuma, Ariz.**, **Panthers** are choosing to sit it out so far this season and the only Nisei in a professional baseball uniform this year is **Tak Abo**, the former **Fresno State** star, who is trying out for an outfield post with the **San Jose Red Sox** of the **Class C California League**.

**Abo**, who once hit .389 for **Fresno State** in CCAA competition, played part of the game in centerfield as **San Jose** opened

## Delano Nisei Bowlers Win City Tourney

DELANO, Calif.—Competing in ABC-sanctioned play for the first time this year, the **Yonaki Bros.** team won the championship of the 3rd annual **Delano city tournament** last week with a total pin count of 2960.

Members of the **Yonaki team**, which is also leading the men's city league in **Delano**, are **Joe Katano**, **Tets Nakagama**, **Kenzie Imamura**, **Kubo Takemoto** and **Sada Yonaki**.

**Tets Nakagama** won the singles with a 664 series, while **D. Greene** and **P. Harder** took the doubles event with 1228.

In the women's city league the **Delano Supper club** is in third place with two weeks to go. Members of the **Supper club team**, **Margie Nakagama**, **Cecilia Tanihara**, **Eiko Yonaki**, **Sarah Imamura**, and **Toshi Katano**, also competed in the recent women's city tournament.

The **Katano's Shoe Shop** team tops the Nisei league in **Delano**. Other teams are **Imamura Trucking**, **Sam's Market**, **Takaki Pharmacy**, **Pagoda Cafe**, **Yonaki Bros.**, **Azuma Service** and **Kuchi's Place**.

its exhibition season at home on April 8 by defeating the **Boise, Ida.**, **Pilots** of the **Pioneer League**, 8 to 1. **Abo** went 0 for 1 and made a putout.

Although **Wally Yonamine** had not definitely announced that he will not report to **Salem**, the club in the **Class B Western International League** to which he was sold this year by the **Salt Lake Bees**, reports from **Honolulu** indicate that he may spend the summer with one of the clubs in the **Hawaii Baseball League**, possibly the **Honolulu Wanderers** or the **Honolulu Tigers**. **Yonamine** also has received definite offers from the **Tokyo Giants** and the **Mainichi Orions** of the **Japan Professional League**.

A report from the **Snake River Valley** noted recently that **Matsubu**, who started his pro career in 1949 with the **Modesto Reds** in the **California League**, also may not report to **Yuma** in the **Southwest International** this year. **Matsubu** had a good year last season with the **Arizona club** as a catcher and part-time outfielder and batted .276.

The **Nichi-Bei Times** reported on April 11 that **Coach Ken Zenimura** of the **Fresno Nisei baseball club** has been asked to be a scout for the **Osaka Shochiku Robins**, champions of **Japan's Central League** last year. The **Robins** are seeking Nisei players and will pay 100,000 yen a month (about \$269) but will not pay transportation.

According to **Zenimura**, the **Robins** want a power-hitting first baseman, a fastball pitcher and a shortstop with a good batting average.

Meanwhile, scouts for pro baseball teams in the United States are reported interested in several Nisei players, including **Bill Nishida** of **UC** and **Fibber Hirayama** of **Fresno State**.

## Plan Perch Derby

OXNARD, Calif.—A perch derby will be held on April 21 and 22 by the **Ventura County JACL**.

In order to qualify the fish must be caught on the beach between **Little Sycamore** and **Ventura piers**. The entry fee is \$1.

## Wins Bowling Title

WEST LOS ANGELES — The **Pico-Sawtelle Nursery** team won the championship of the **West Los Angeles JACL** bowling league which ended play this week. The **Pico Tailors** were second in the ten-team league at **El Rancho Bowl**.

## Eden Township JACL Plans Joint Meeting

SAN LEANDRO, Calif.—April activity of the **Eden Township JACL** will be a joint business and social meeting with the **Southern Alameda County chapter** on April 19 at **Sunset Grammar School**, beginning at 8 p.m.

**Mrs. Kenji Fujii** will be chairman for the social period following the meeting. Refreshments will be served by the host chapter.

The **Eden Township group** recently took up a donation for the **Keetom memorial chorus**, which performed April 8 at the **Eden Congregational Church** under auspices of the **Eden Council for Civic Unity**.

On May 4 the chapter will sponsor a program of entertainment for **Issei** in the community.

**Tom Kitayama**, membership chairman, has reported the chapter has 126 members, at latest count.

## Donation Acknowledged

REEDLEY, Calif.—A donation of \$20 from the **Otani brothers** in memory of their mother was acknowledged this week by the **Reedley JACL**.

Vital Statistics

**BIRTHS**

To Mr. and Mrs. George Komoto a boy, on March 16, in Coulee Dam, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Nakao a girl on April 3 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masanori Kato a boy on March 22 in Lodi, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yuki Imai, Mountain View, Calif., a boy, Daniel Yukio, on March 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Taro Umeda a boy, William Haruo, on March 21 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Yukio Kurimoto a girl, Diane Kuniko, on March 25 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Tim Sabromasu, Palo Alto, Calif., a boy, Yoshio James, on March 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takao Yoshimoto a girl on Feb. 21 in Reedley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kokoruda a girl on Feb. 9 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshihiko Kaneko, Cupertino, Calif., a boy, Steven T., on March 27.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toichi Okawa, Troutdale, Ore., a boy, Glenn, on March 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Kobayashi a boy on March 30 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tobari a girl in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Mizuno a boy, Bruce Toshio, on March 18 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masanori Nishikawa a girl, Ardis Mitsuko, on March 16 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeru Okada, West Covina, Calif., a girl, Jayno Reiko, on March 18.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sumio Onoda a girl, Sharon Patrice, on March 17 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Takahashi, Lawndale, Calif., a boy, Gene Yuki, on March 16.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshinobu Tachibana, Willowbrook, Calif., a boy, Glenn, on March 16.

To Mr. and Mrs. Giyu Uyeno a girl, Julia Machiko, on March 13 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shieharu Hayashi a boy, Jee Yoshio, on March 18 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tsukasa Hirano a boy, Hardin Eiji, on March 20 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Horio Ishihara a girl, Sharon Leslie, on March 21 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yiyosu Katsuda, Venice, Calif., a boy, Richard Osamu, on March 18.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mamoru Kuriyama, Gardena, Calif., a boy, Jerry Stephen, on March 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiromitsu Nakano a girl, Elaine Kimiye, on March 20 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Shigeru Suehiro a girl, Day Yuriko, on March 25 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Shiojo a boy on March 22 in Clearfield, Utah.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Zenji Kasubuchi, Midvale, Utah, a boy on March 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ota a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sasaki a boy on April 10 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Omura a boy on April 8 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoneo Hatakeyama a boy on March 18 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tony Itani a boy, Dennis Kay, on April 2 in Salinas, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Yoneda a girl, Robyn Suzumi, on March 7 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ken Utsunomiya a girl, Amy Louise, on March 16 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Aoki a girl, Gail Cathy, on March 22 in

Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Furuto a girl on March 26 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Satoshi Nakamura, Torrance, Calif., a boy, Earl Mitsuo, on March 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harumi Nakasaki a boy, Don Hitoshi, on March 25 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsui Oba, East Los Angeles, a girl, JoAnne, on March 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Toyota a boy, Wayne Steven, on March 25 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tsuneo Imai a girl, Kristine Susan, on March 22 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masami James Okamoto a girl, Jerry Lyn, on March 21 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noble Kanow, Gardena, Calif., a boy, Wayne Ronald, on March 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Waichi Kito a girl, Shizuko Kathleen, on March 24 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masayoshi Mako Matsui a girl, Gail Yukiye, on March 23 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Imaharu Yoshimura a boy, Terry Osamu, on March 25 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Leo Harada a boy, Eric Naoyoshi, on March 30 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toyomaro Kajimoto, Gardena, Calif., a boy, Masato Thomas, on March 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masuo Robert Befu a girl, Nancy Joyce, on March 23 in Los Angeles.

**DEATHS**

Toshiko Nakazawa, 36, on March 9 in Antonito, Colo.

Hirao Yamada on April 2 in Chicago.

Mrs. Ayako Nagai on March 20 in Chicago.

Yoshio Nakazawa on April 3 in Chicago.

John Adachi, 39, formerly of Seattle, on April 7 in Chicago.

Dr. Nobuya Kunitomo of Denver, Colo., on April 10 in Japan.

Kamekichi Kobata, 75, on April 10 in Gardena, Calif.

Katsutaro Sugimoto, 79, on April 9 in Lancaster, Calif.

Jirokichi Tsuji on March 30 in Chicago.

Mrs. Hatsuko Watanabe Abe on March 28 in Chicago.

Mrs. Sawano Hama on April 2 in Long Beach, Calif.

Uhei Tamura, 68, on April 5 in Denver.

Sadahachi Kubota, 69, on April 9 in Clovis, Calif.

**MARRIAGES**

Eiko Mitsueda to George Sumida at Taos, New Mexico.

Chiyoko Hiji to Minoru Nishimori on April 6 in Los Angeles.

Yuriko Suzuki, Sun Valley, Calif., to Toshiaki Watanabe, Pacoima, on April 7 in Los Angeles.

Flora Etsuko Okida to Kazuo Yamasaki, both of Pasadena, on April 8 in Los Angeles.

Sandie Okura, Los Angeles, to Shun Nakayama, Denver, on March 13 in Las Vegas, Nev.

Fusaye Kunizawa to Tadahiko Kato on March 30 in San Francisco.

Helen Tanaka, Henderson, Colo., to Harry Kurachi, Brighton, on April 7.

Masuko Sakoda to Shigeru Kato on April 8 in Los Angeles.

Yaeko Matsumoto to Takeshi Yamashita on March 25 in Pasadena, Calif.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**

Maida I. Ikeda, 21, and Raizo Okazaki, 25, in Seattle.

**Elk Grove Picnic**

ELK GROVE, Calif.—The local JACL chapter will sponsor its annual community picnic on April 15 at the Elk Grove park.

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Discuss Cleveland JACL Program



By GENE MIYAKE

CLEVELAND, O.—A unique and worthwhile program for the year has been outlined by the Cleveland JACL's program committee, shown above: left to right: Frances Ikeda, Yoshimi Yasumi, Yoshi Tase, Lillian Hashiba, Sakai Yoshimura, Emi Harada, Nob Asamoto, George Ono and Hank Tanaka, chairman.

The program differs from those of previous years in that it will be primarily of an informational and educational nature.

The group plans a survey later in the year to obtain personal and social information on the Nisei in Cleveland. The information will be used by subsequent committees to help in planning

further activities.

A workshop will be set up in November to discuss housing, employment, health, child care and community services.

A discussion on vocations has been planned for June. Persons employed in various occupations will be special speakers at this time.

The April general meeting will feature a discussion on the functions of the JACL. All members will be asked to give constructive criticism regarding the chapter.

Some of the program committee's plans have already been carried out, among them the highly successful "JACL Night" at the Karamu Theater.—Photo by Yosh Butsuda.

Eastern Young Buddhists Plan Chicago Convention in June

CHICAGO—The Eastern Young Buddhist League will hold its sixth annual convention June 29, 30 and July 1 under auspices of the Midwest Buddhist Church YBA.

George Katahira will be convention chairman. Serving with him on the executive committee are Jim Arima, Sachi Harada, Tak Ichikawa, Tosh Nishimura, Sumi Shimizu and Noby Yamakoshi.

The dates of the convention will coincide with the return home of the Rev. Gyodo Kono of the host chapter, who has been in Japan since February. He was one of the original founders of the present EYBL.

Theme of the three-day convention will be "Gateway to Harmony." Meetings, discussion groups, an oratorical contest, a sight-seeing tour, bowling tournament and convention banquet and ball are among highlights scheduled.

Tenant Loses Assault Case Chicago Court

CHICAGO—Henry Endo and his wife, Cheryl Endo, were found "not guilty" by a Cook County jury recently of assault charges brought by Mrs. Mildred Dunn, a former tenant in a rooming house operated by the Endos.

Mrs. Dunn charged permanent injury from the alleged assault which she said occurred on Nov. 28, 1947. She asked \$100,000 in damages.

The plaintiffs reportedly attempted to inject a racial issue into the trial, claiming the alleged assault was the culmination of an attempt by the Endos to rid the building of all of its tenants of Caucasian tenants.

Defense witnesses included seven Caucasians.

The "not guilty" verdict was returned by the jury after an hour's deliberation.

Delegates are expected from New York, Seabrook, Cleveland, Philadelphia, Minneapolis, St. Louis and the Chicago Sangha. Other leagues have also been invited to send delegates.

Oratory Champion

SANTA MARIA, Calif.—Tetsuo Unno, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Chofu Unno of Guadalupe, will represent Santa Barbara County in the district finals of the annual Lions club oratorical contest.

He placed first in three contests to become the county champion.

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Court Jurisdiction Will Be Issue in Honolulu Case

LOS ANGELES—A suit filed by Edwin Shigeo Fukumoto, naming Secretary of State Dean Acheson as defendant, will be heard by Federal Judge J. Frank McLaughlin in Honolulu on April 24.

A. L. Wirin of Los Angeles, who is representing Fukumoto with Katsuro Miho of Honolulu, indicated this week that the issue which will be decided in the case is whether or not a Nisei who "recovers" Japanese citizenship may sue to set aside this Japanese citizenship in a United States court or whether he must first file suit in a Japanese court.

Wirin and Miho also will present to Judge McLaughlin a motion for an order which will permit Fukumoto to return to Hawaii.

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# Will See Cherry Blossoms



Twenty prominent Los Angeles Japanese (above), composing the first such group from this area to visit their homeland since World War II, left by Pan American World Airways Clipper on April 1, for Tokyo on a "springtime cherry blossom tour." Representing a cross-section of the wealth of Los Angeles "Little Tokyo," the party included hotel and real estate owners, truck farm operators, exporters and other professions. On an 180-day tour many of them will be reunited with relatives for the first time since before Pearl Harbor Day. In Japan they will receive an official welcome by the Mayor of Tokyo. Visits to the Imperial palace including an audience with members of the Imperial family, are features planned for the tour, according to Masami Sasaki, vice president of the Los Angeles Japanese Chamber of Commerce, who is accompanying the party. Others are Mrs. Sasaki, Mrs. Fusayo Sato, Mr. and Mrs. Koeiji Fujino, Mrs. Yasu Matsugoshi, Mrs. Yoshi Matsuoka, Mr. and Mrs. Heihichi Yamasaki and Master Matsuo Yamasaki, Usabu Fukushima, Kousaku Uyeno, Mr. and Mrs. Sadagoro Yoshizaki, Hidebume Mayeda, Mrs. Fusase Ikeda, Mrs. Taka Yamashita, Dr. Toshiro Ichioka, Manzo Miyamoto and Meiji Sato.

### Engagement Told

FRESNO, Calif. — The engagement of Miss Mary Sato of Fresno to David Unoura of Los Angeles was told here March 31 at a family dinner held at the home of the bride-elect's mother, Mrs. Hide Sato. The Rev. George Uyemura officiated at the engagement ceremony. The couple plans a June wedding.

### Joins Air Force

SALINAS, Calif.—David Urabe enlisted in the Air Force recently and is now stationed at Lackland Field, San Antonio, Tex.

## Japanese Canadian Photographer Flies Over Korean Front

TOKYO — Aircraftman Dick Nakamura, 26, of the Royal Canadian Air Force is the first Japanese Canadian to fly over the Korean war front. Nakamura, a native of Magrath, Alta., said on his return from two flights to Korea recently that he did not see any fighting. Nakamura, a photographer attached to the RCAF, arrived in Japan eight weeks ago and has spent most of his time at airfields in the Tokyo area, compiling a pictorial record of the RCAF's contribution to the UN Korean effort. Last week he flew from an Allied base in Southern Japan to Suwon in a C119 "Flying Boxcar."

## Arizona Group Sets Quota in ADC Campaign

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Issei and Nisei leaders of the Japanese community of the Glendale area have determined a quota of \$1500 for the 1951 JACL-ADC fund drive, it was reported by the JACL regional office. Hitoshi Yamamoto will serve as Issei chairman, while Shigeru Tanita has accepted the appointment as Nisei chairman for the drive, according to Ikuo Okuma, JACL president. JACL officials and leaders met with Regional Director Tats Kushiida and ADC officials from Los Angeles, Gongoro Nakamura and Katsuma Mukaeda, to discuss organizational matters and the Arizona Chapter's important role in the JACL-ADC national program in resolving the remaining problems of persons of Japanese ancestry. President Okuma announced that the 1951 ADC drive as well as the local chapter membership drive for this year would begin immediately, and expressed confidence that the \$1500 goal, as well as a membership surpassing last year's, would be reached without difficulty. The winning team of the JACL bowling league just completed was feted on April 8 at a barbecue "luau" picnic held near Wickensburg and attended by more than 100 persons.

## Insurance Group Holds Annual Meeting

OAKLAND, Calif.—Second annual meeting of Western Pioneer Insurance Company stockholders was held March 31 at the company's home office. Named to serve as directors for the coming year were Ralph L. Jensen, Y. B. Mamiya, David Nitake, Hughes Tsuneishi, Kiyu Yamato, Tom Shirakawa, Mike Iwatsubo, Howard Yamagata, Tim Sasabuchi, Frank S. Tsukamoto and Tad Hirota. Present officers, as confirmed by the directors, are Jensen, pres.; Mamiya, vice-pres. and board chmn.; A. Scarella, treas.; Preston N. Ericksen, secy.; Nitake, vice-pres. in charge of production in Southern California; and Tsukamoto, vice-pres. in charge of production in Northern California.

# Nisei Forgery Case Reported To Northern California Office

## Officials of Chicago Church Groups Will Meet at Tea

CHICAGO — Members of two churches which may merge into one will meet at an afternoon tea Sunday, April 15, at the Ellis Community Center Church. At the meeting will be the Prudential committee of the Kenwood Community Church and the church council of the Ellis group, the two executive bodies which will consider the possibility of merging the congregations of their churches. The Ellis church is a relatively new organization. It started in 1948 as a mission project of the Evangelical and Reformed Church to work among persons of Japanese ancestry in Chicago's South Side area. Miss Rhoda Nishimura is president of the church council. The Kenwood Church has had a long history of more than 50 years in the community. It is a non-denominational group which brought together two congregations of Presbyterian and Congregational background.

SAN FRANCISCO—Forgery of a \$50 check by a Nisei has been reported to local police and the Northern California JACL office by a Japanese restaurant operator. The restaurant owner said the Nisei used the name "Fred Asana" and described him as being in his middle thirties, about 5 feet, 7 inches tall and weighing about 135 pounds. The cafe operator said the Nisei had approached him several weeks ago with a sad tale of being out of funds and without friends in San Francisco. He also said he had car trouble. The Nisei produced a check for \$50, made out to "Cash," and asked to have it cashed. The name on the check was known to the cafe operator, who cashed it upon endorsement by the Nisei. The cafe man said he first learned the check was a forgery when it was returned by the bank for "irregular signature." The restaurant owner contacted the purported signer of the check. The Nisei is believed to be known by several names and is also believed to have served a jail sentence on a previous forgery charge. Police in Los Angeles and San Francisco have been notified.

## Nisei Soldier Hurt in Crash In California

SAN FRANCISCO — A Nisei soldier, Pvt. Terumi Tanaka, 20, was seriously injured on April 9 in an auto collision on the Bayshore highway near San Jose in which two persons were killed. Mrs. Jackie Turner, 19, wife of a Fort Ord soldier and driver of the car which collided with that in which Pvt. Tanaka was riding, and Pvt. Ron Devinsenzi, a passenger with Pvt. Tanaka, were fatally injured. Pvt. Tanaka is now in Letterman General hospital with serious neck injuries. He was returning to Fort Ord at the time of the accident.

## Resettlers Plan Leadership Training Workshop in Chicago

CHICAGO—"Is your club so different?" "What do you do about cliques?" How can you draw out the shy people in your group?" "How do you develop leadership?" These and many other questions on organization will be discussed at the first session of the leadership training workshop to be held on April 16th at the Chicago Resettlers Committee, 110 North LaSalle Street. Malcolm Knowles, noted lecturer and author on adult education, and an authority on clubs, group dynamics, and group psychology will help workshopers examine their own problems. Shig Wakamatsu of the JACL and Noboru Honda of the Chicago Resettlers committee will contribute their knowledge of special problems faced by Japanese American groups from their years of experience in working with Nisei organizations. Informality and participation will be the keynote of the evening, which will be chaired by Miss Helen Sasaki of the City-Wide Recreation Council. Refreshments will be served.

## Nisei Models Clothes In Fashion Show

CINCINNATI, O.—Tomi Takao, 14-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Takao, was the feature model at a recent Spring Hi-Miss fashion show at Shillito's department store. Twenty girls, out of 400 contestants, were chosen as models. Miss Takao wore a traveling suit and was shown boarding an airliner for Hawaii and later was pictured upon her arrival. Play suits and formals were displayed in following scenes.

## Church Tells Date Of Oriental Fete

The Salt Lake Japanese Christian Church will hold its annual Oriental festival this year on June 1 and 2.

## Bazaar Scheduled By Portland Groups

PORTLAND, Ore.—The Veledas and the Oregon Nisei Veterans will co-sponsor a bazaar on April 22 at the Nichiren Buddhist Church, with Mrs. Francis Niimi and Hiram Hachiya as general chairmen. The vets will make arrangements for games and prizes while the Veledas will be in charge of cooking and handicraft.

## Fellowship Groups Hold Joint Meeting

CHICAGO—The Youth Fellowship of the St. Paul's E & B church in Deerfield were guests of the Ellis Community Center Church Fellowship Sunday, April 8. Pres. Takako Niiro of the Ellis Fellowship welcomed the guests.

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