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## Report Several Nisei Under Consideration for Post of Hawaii Territorial Secretary

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HONOLULU—Political speculation has it that a non-Caucasian, possibly a Nisei, may be appointed secretary of Hawaii by President Truman.

Several Nisei have been mentioned among the potential appointees to this high post, equivalent to "assistant governor" or lieutenant governor.

As the No. 2 territorial official, the secretary of Hawaii serves as acting governor during the absence of the governor. The post has been vacant since the former incumbent, Oren E. Long, was elected to the governorship May 8. The new secretary presumably will be a Democrat inasmuch as the appointment is to be made by a Democratic president.

Nisei mentioned as possible choices include these Democrats: Senator Tom T. Okino, Michiro Watanabe, assistant attorney general; Katsuro Miho, statehood commissioner, and Robert K. Murakami. All are attorneys.

The name of Rep. Mitsuyuki Kido has cropped up on several occasions in connection with the search for a non-Caucasian appointee.

Governor Long is believed to be sympathetic to the idea that a non-Caucasian should fill his old job. His recommendation would count a great deal but so far he has remained non-committal about his choice of a successor.

Dale W. Doty, assistant U.S. secretary of interior, was a recent

visitor to Hawaii to look into the secretaryship, among other matters which come within the jurisdiction of his department.

He departed for Washington, D.C., May 15 after a nine-day visit in the islands. He declined to say who, if anyone, he had in mind to recommend to the president.

What about a non-Caucasian for the post, he was asked.

"We want to select the lieutenant governor on the basis of what we think is best for the territory and without regard to race," he replied.

He added that the interior department does not want to discriminate either for or against any racial group.

The secretaryship can become a stepping stone to the governorship itself, as it has in Gov. Long's case. He is the second secretary of Hawaii to be appointed governor.

But if Hawaii attains statehood, as the territory fervently aspires, during the current session of Congress, the next governor and lieutenant governor will be elected by the voters of the new state and not appointed by the president.

## Report Nisei GI Helped Trap Red Spies in Japan

TOKYO—A Nisei counter-intelligence officer testified on May 18 in the trial of 16 Koreans and two Japanese charged with spying for North Koreans.

Lieut. John Yamauchi said that one of the accused men had confessed he had drawn a map of an army installation at the request of the alleged spy chief, Yoshimatsu Iwamura. The later is a Korean who is reported to have been a major in the Korean army.

The Nisei officer said that Eitaro Matsunaga told him he had drawn a map of the Tokyo ordnance center where he was once employed. Matsunaga told Lieut. Kamauchi he gave the map to a third man to give to Iwamura.

## Army Reports Hawaii Soldier Killed in Action

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

### KILLED IN ACTION—

Pfc. Heishin Matsuda, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gashin Matsuda, Hawi, Hawaii.

### WOUNDED—

Pfc. Yoshio Oshio, son of Mrs. Hatsuye Oshio, House No. 5007, Hoover Village, Seabrook, N.J.

### MISSING IN ACTION—

First Lt. Roy T. Nakashima, son of Mr. and Mrs. Senichi Nakashima, 24-2408-E Motley St., Honolulu.

## Nisei Cleaning Shop Operator Traps Youth In Attempted Robbery

CHICAGO — A Nisei cleaning shop operator helped trap three youths who attempted to burglarize his store on the morning of May 19.

Richard Hidaka, 25, an owner of the Sun Cleaners, told police he had been sleeping in the store, keeping a German Luger pistol at his side, because of several recent burglaries.

Police said Hidaka told them he was awakened about 5 a.m. and saw someone attempting to enter the store through a window. He was quoted as saying he fired twice.

Peter Keller, Jr., a 13-year old boy who told his parents he was going to sleep at a pal's home, was shot and seriously wounded in the right arm and leg. His two accomplices fled when the trap was sprung by Hidaka.

Police said young Keller, while undergoing emergency surgery, named his two companions as Ross Sciana, 11, and Kenneth Schrader, 13. Both were arrested and, police said, admitted participating in the burglary attempt.

## Denver Policeman

DENVER—Jim Nakagawa was sworn in as a full-fledged policeman on May 21 after completing five weeks of rookie police training.

## Nisei Elected Rotary Officer In Colorado

BLANCA, Colo.—Francis Wakasugi, past president of the San Luis Valley JACL, was named secretary-treasurer of the Blanca Rotary Club.

He has served on the board of directors for the past four years and is also on the town council. He is a World War II veteran of the famous 442nd combat team.

## Urge Attorney General Halt Deportation of Issei Alien Member of Proscribed Group

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The JACL ADC on May 24 asked Attorney General J. Howard McGrath to intervene in the case of an alien resident of Japanese ancestry who has been ordered deported under the McCarran law for past membership in a defunct totalitarian organization.

The Japanese national, a resident of Los Angeles, applied for permanent residence under the "stay of deportation" act passed in 1950. The Immigration Service ruled that it could grant no relief because the alien once was a member of a Japanese fencing organization who is listed on the Attorney General's list of subversive organizations.

The alien and his wife, also a Japanese national, were ordered deported. The couple has five citizen children.

In explaining the JACL ADC's interest in the case, Mike M. Masaoka, JACL ADC legislative director, said that if the Immigration Service ruling is permitted to stand it could subject thousands of others, predominantly non-Japanese, to mandatory deportation under the 1950 McCarran statute.

In a letter delivered personally to Attorney General McGrath, Masaoka argued that the subversive organizations list was intended only as a loyalty guide for Federal employment and never as a "guide to mandatory deportation."

"We urge you to take this opportunity to correct the manifest injustice in this particular case and also to review the entire question of whether the Immigration Service shall arbitrarily deport every alien who at any time was a member of a proscribed organization," the JACL ADC's letter declared.

"For some time the JACL ADC has feared the continued inclusion of several former Japanese organizations, all defunct, on recent editions of the list would have harmful results not intended by you."

The letter noted that a recent Supreme Court decision pointed out that "these lists often have been used to the injury of organizations and individuals."

"Such uses clearly disclose that grave constitutional questions are involved in blacklisting organizations without at least a fair administrative hearing to determine their true character and activities."

In the case of the Japanese alien in question the decision to deport was made on the ground that he was a member of a group called the "Nippon Butoku Kai."

"The decision was made that the Attorney General's discretion to suspend deportation should be denied in every case of aliens who were ever members of any organization on the list," Masaoka said.

"Even in the less serious matter of Federal employment, membership in proscribed organizations is merely part of the evidence taken into consideration," he added.

"In this immeasurably more serious matter of deportation, mere former membership has been made a mandatory ground for deportation."

"Apparently this Japanese asso-

ciation is treated as the same kind of security risk as Communists.

"Your files will show that this certainly is not the case. Even during World War II members of this association were paroled and released because membership did not constitute a security threat.

"We do not believe use of the list as a guide to mandatory deportation was ever intended.

"We urge you to review the problem to fully determine whether it is even advisable to continue listing long-defunct organizations when it is evident that unintended but gravely damaging results, may follow."

The letter urged that the Attorney General examine his list of totalitarian organizations in the light of the recent Supreme Court decision requiring administrative hearings before listing.

## Report Gallup Nisei Missing In Korean War

GALLUP, N.M.—Hiroshi Hershey Hirokawa of Gallup, New Mexico was reported by the War Department on May 19 as missing in action on the Korean war front, according to a wire received by Mrs. Terry Hirokawa.

Mrs. Hirokawa is the chairman of the Gallup N.M. JACL Committee. She is formerly from Delta, Colo. Mr. Y. Hirokawa, the father, is an old time resident of Gallup and is presently operating the Lucky Lunch Cafe.

According to information from Mrs. Anne Shibata, eight Nisei men from the Gallup area have been called into active army service, leaving only seven Nisei men in the area.

## Miyoko Ito Wins Phelan Award For Printmakers

SAN FRANCISCO—Artist Miyoko Ito was named one of three first-prize winners here in the recent James D. Phelan award competition for California-born printmakers.

Also winning first prizes were John L. Horton and Jean Kellogg. Miss Ito was named the recipient of a John Hay Whitney scholarship last week.

## Texas Nisei Air Cadet Dies In Accident at Waco Base

WACO, Tex.—Aviation Cadet H. Harvey Saibara, 27, of Webster, Tex., was killed on May 21 in a training accident at James Connally Air Base here.

Final rites were held on May 23 and Cadet Saibara's remains were buried at League City Cemetery in Webster on May 23.

He was the youngest son of K. Saibara, noted Webster rice grower, and enlisted in March for air cadet training.

He was to have received his master's degree in June at Sam Houston State college but gave up his studies to enlist in the air force. He noted at the time that his 27th birthday would come on

April 10 and 26 years was the upper limit for air cadets.

He was a member of the Army reserve, having served in military intelligence as operation director of a repatriation camp at Maizuru, Japan.

Harvey was a flying enthusiast and owned a BT-13 "puddle-jumper" with his brother, Warren, 28. While at Sam Houston he volunteered as boxing coach and trained a number of boxers including one who won the state Golden Gloves championship.

An older brother, Robert, served as a battalion commander in Europe in World War II and was discharged with the rank of colonel.

## District Council Delegates Back Changes in Claims Act

### Haruo Ishimaru's Appointment to JACL Post Told

SALINAS, Calif. — The JACL Northern California and Western Nevada District Council gathered in Salinas on Sunday, May 20, to attend a preview of "Go for Broke!" honor past regional director Joe Grant Masaoka at a testimonial luncheon, and to participate in district council sessions.

Nisei veterans, local dignitaries, officers from Fort Ord, and representatives from the Central California JACL District Council were also invited to the preview of the 442nd film.

Salinas Valley Chapter, under the presidency of Tom Lefty Miyagawa, was host chapter for the gathering.

At the luncheon Mayor E. J. Raffeto, Superior Judge H. C. Jorgenson, and Publisher Paul Casswell of the Salinas Californian extended greetings to delegates. Hawaiian entertainment was provided by singers from Hartnell College.

Joe Masaoka was presented a gift check as token appreciation from the component 21 chapters of the District Council, as well as from individuals. Bouquets of flowers were presented to Mrs. Joe Masaoka by the District Council through Giichi Yoshioka, Eden Township, and William Enomoto, ADC National Treasurer, who was in charge of the committee for the testimonial program.

Speakers paying tribute to Masaoka were Miss Anne Clo Watson, Director, International Institute of San Francisco; Johnson Kebo, Central California JACL District Council Chairman, representing the Central California people; Keisaburo Koda, KKD Chairman, representing the Northern California Issei; Cosma Sakamoto, representing the NC-WN District Council; and National JACL Director Masao Satow, representing the national organization.

Council sessions presided over by Chairman Bob Takahashi were attended by approximately 120 delegates, with all chapters represented except Florin and Reno. Haruo Ishimaru,

who will be the new permanent Northern California regional director from June 11, was introduced by Director Satow. The new appointee is from Los Angeles, and is currently completing a post-graduate course at UCLA.

After Joe Masaoka left the regional directorship to go into private business Sam Ishikawa who has been on the JACL Evacuation Claims staff, has been acting west coast director. Scheduled to go to Hawaii shortly on a JACL-ADC fund drive, Southern California regional director Tats Kushida is now taking charge of the Northern California office until Haruo Ishimaru assumes the position.

Appointments from the District Council were made to national JACL committees. Tom Yego, Placer County Chapter, was appointed to the Pacific Citizen Committee, while Mitsuru Nishio, Sacramento Chapter, was named to the Nominations Committee.

The District Council went on record favoring the National JACL's working on a travel pool idea for district council chairmen to national JACL conventions.

Report was heard on the Cal-Neva JACL Credit Union by Treasurer Tom T. Sakai, who welcomed sign-ups of members through district chapters.

After being brought up to date on the evacuation claims program by Attorney Victor Abe, San Francisco, Chairman, JACL Northern California Evacuation Claims Committee, the District Council passed the following resolutions:

(1) to support a true and genuine compromise settlement for more speedy adjudication to claimants; (2) to urge the U.S. Congress to appropriate more funds for administrative purposes; and (3) to urge the Department of Justice not to make strict and narrow interpretation of the Evacuation Claims Act, but to interpret it liberally as remedial legislation.

Proportional assessment of chapters within the district council on the basis of the number of members, as presented by Giichi Yoshioka, chairman for

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## Critics Hail "Go for Broke!" After Premiere in Washington

Army, Congressional, Judicial, Government Officials Attend Showing

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON, D. C.—"Go for Broke!", premiered in Washington on May 17 to an audience glittering with armed forces brass, congressional, supreme court and government officials, won top plaudits from the critics.

Richard L. Coe, of the Washington Post said that the film "proved worthy of its spit and polish audience..."

"Writer-Director Robert Pirosh has captured a unique flavor for the outfit... the result is that you believe what you are being shown about the men, their way of speaking, and their attitudes..."

The Times-Herald's Ernie Schier called the film "a long overdue tribute to the 442nd."

"(It) is a picture with very much of a point... Fully aware of the social implications of his material, Pirosh gets his point across in entertaining fashion. The screen story of the 442nd is loaded with comedy..."

Jay Carmody of the Evening Star really pulled out all stops to give the film his blessing. He called it a "dramatically flavored human story of a group of fighting men who had as much to fight against as they had to fight for..."

"Prejudice, suspicion and sometimes bigotry in its most brutal aspects forced them to fight their way from behind the barbed wire of internment camps before they could enlist..."

"Their victories are recorded in a picture which accords them both admiration and affection. It (is) dominated by actual Nisei."

"They completely reflect MGM's determination to stick to the story... that of a brave, resourceful and high spirited bunch of young Americans who had two wars to fight and won both."

But the audience, itself, gave one of the finest critical reviews when, as the film ended, a packed theater broke out with rare, spontaneous applause.

A reception for cabinet, government, Supreme Court, congressional leaders and top armed forces personalities invited to the premiere was held in the nearby National Press club before the showing. Immediately after this affair, the "President's Own" honor guard unit formed a double line from the Press club building to the theater through which the dignitaries passed enroute to the performance.

On stage, screen lovely Esther Williams presented three of the show's Nisei heroes, Akira Fukunaga, Ken K. Okamoto and George Miki, all of whom came here from Hawaii especially for the premiere. Miss Williams then presented Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director and a special consultant on the picture.

He spoke briefly of the interest of 442nd veterans and presented a

scroll from the veterans to Mr. Pirosh.

Major General Lawton, representing the Department of the Army, also presented a citation of merit to Mr. Pirosh for his work on the film.

The 100-piece U.S. army field band was on hand, parading through the theater and up to the stage to give the opening a spectacular splash of martial color.

And when the ceremonies ended, and the picture had run its course, why then one could sense in the friendly warmth of the audience that Hollywood had succeeded, in a wonderfully entertaining way, of translating a message about the Nisei once delivered by President Roosevelt: "Americanism is a matter of mind and heart. Americanism is not, and never was, a matter of race or ancestry."

As Critic Coe put it: "Since it would be impossible to say this any more clearly or truthfully, the film lets the record (of the Nisei) speak for itself."

### St Louis JACL Holds Preview of "Go for Broke!"

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — The MGM film "Go for Broke!" was previewed by members of the St. Louis chapter of the JACL on May 17.

Among the Nisei veterans present were Pat Matsushita, Harry Inukai, Harry Oshima, Joseph K. Tanaka, Ted Kurahara, Jiro Nakatsato and Harry Nabeshima.

Representatives from the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Jewish Community Relations Council, U.S. Army Recruiting Service and other civic and industrial organizations attended as guests of the veterans.

Bob Shulman, feature writer of the St. Louis Star-Times, who witnessed the shooting of the movie in Hollywood, interviewed the veterans after the showing of the film.

The picture is scheduled to open in St. Louis on May 25.

The manager of the theater which will show the picture also has discussed with St. Louis JACL chapter officials the possibility of having a special "442nd night" with a radio broadcast from the stage.

### Mother of Pioneer Nisei Pilot Dies

LOS ANGELES — Mrs. Hana Ohye passed away on May 19 at the home of her son, Henry Ohye, noted plane pilot, after a lingering illness of twenty years.

She is also survived by another son, Frank, and four daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Ishisaki, Mrs. Hannah Grant, Mrs. Ruth Takeshita and Mrs. May Suzuki.

She was 72 years of age and a native of Wakayama, Japan.

## Washington Post Urges Solons To See Film on Nisei Soldiers

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Washington Post editorially suggested on May 16 that some Senators go see a movie.

The picture is MGM's "Go for Broke!" which had its East Coast premiere Thursday.

In its editorial, the Washington Post said:

"We hope that a considerable number of United States Senators will find time to see a film called 'Go for Broke!' Thursday evening. The title—a bit of Hawaiian slang which means 'shoot the works!'—was the slogan of the 442nd Regiment Combat Team, an infantry unit made up entirely of volunteers, and of volunteers who entered it from the barbed-wire confines of relocation centers to which they had been sent after Pearl Harbor because they were of Japanese ancestry."

"The film tells their story—the story of loyalty to Ameri-

can ideals that withstood even the stupid discrimination and injustice to which these Nisei were subjected and of a heroism in combat that made the 442nd the most decorated unit of its size in the war.

"The House of Representatives passed legislation in the last two Congresses to give parents of these Nisei veterans the right of naturalization and also legislation granting Statehood to Hawaii, the territory from which many of the 442nd's volunteers came. But the Senate failed to take the necessary concurring action on either measure. 'Go for Broke!' might lead the Senate to see these bills now pending in a new light. It provides an object lesson in the validity of Franklin D. Roosevelt's observation that 'Americanism is a matter of mind and heart. Americanism is not and never was a matter of race or ancestry.'"

## Film Star Hails Wartime Loyalty Of Nisei Group

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — Van Johnson, star of MGM's story of the 442nd Combat Team, "Go for Broke!" gave high praise to Nisei GIs at the "I Am an American Day" celebration before 18,000 at the Hollywood Bowl on May 20.

Johnson spoke just before the introduction of 15 Nisei veterans during the 2-hour show of which George Jessel was the master of ceremonies and in which many film, radio and TV stars participated.

"Those of you who were in California at the start of the war remember that our neighbors of Japanese ancestry suddenly disappeared," said Johnson. "Every Nisei—that's an American born of Japanese ancestry was interned with their parents."

"Well these guys could have sat out the war—doing nothing. But instead they volunteered. These are the men I worked with in 'Go for Broke!'"

The MGM star quoted the words of the late President Roosevelt at the time the 442nd Regimental Combat Team was organized: "Americanism is a matter of the mind and heart. Americanism is not, and never was, a matter of race or ancestry."

Lane Nakano, one of the featured players in the MGM picture, was one of the 15 veterans who were introduced. He sang the song, "Mama," which he learned in Italy.

### Eastern Buddhists Make Plans for Chicago Convention

CHICAGO—A memorable three-day meeting is planned for delegates to the sixth annual Eastern Young Buddhist League convention in Chicago June 29 to July 1. Chairman will be George Katurahira.

Assisting him will be the following committee chairmen:

Harry Nihei, bowling tournament; Shizuo Nakashita, ball; De. Ben Chikaraishi, banquet; Molly Okita, mixer; Tony Tanaka, outing; Tom Noshima, picture; Sam Yanari, discussion groups; Nob Oto, finances; Delaires, general arrangements; Fumi Watanabe, historian.

Rosie Arima and Mieko Inokuchi, housing; Aya Yamakoshi and the Women's Society, food; Yo Mirikitani, oratorical contest; Noby Yamakoshi, posters and signs; Michi Ichikawa and Aki Yanari, publicity; Shig Kitahata, reception; Mabel Furukawa and Teri Miyata, recorders; Marge Nakamura, registration; Ted Mirikitani, religious service; George Miyata, sightseeing tour; Jim Arima, souvenir booklet; and Teruo Kitagawa and Richard Nakata, transportation.

### Northern California Council Holds Meet

(Continued from page 1) the committee to study this matter, was discussed and approved.

"Go For Broke!" promotion plans already under way by chapters was reported. Tentative schedules for premieres in various localities in Northern and Central California were discussed, but dates were subject to change.

The Eastbay JACL Chapter, through president Mas Yonemura, accepted the District Council Convention, which is to be held some time in November. Alameda Chapter will assist.

Sm Ishikawa, Acting West Coast JACL-ADC Director, reported activities of the ADC on the Washington and Sacramento legislative fronts. He reviewed the bills now before the California Legislature affecting Japanese Americans, and their current status. He reported on the recent formation of a JACL-ADC California Legislative Committee to assure California-wide efforts.

National JACL Director Masao Satow told of chapter doings in other parts of the nation.

The next quarterly District Council meeting will be held in Stockton in the summer, with the Stockton Chapter as host.

### Hirayama Elected King of Campus At Fresno State

FRESNO, Calif. — Fibber Hirayama, popular Fresno State College athlete, was crowned Campus King May 11 at the annual Blue Key carnival.

Hirayama, a junior physical education major, plays football and baseball for the State Bulldogs. He was sponsored by the Nisei Club. Election was by popular vote of the students.

The Nisei group also had a booth in the carnival with Ben Isogawa and Bob Sakai in charge.

### Mrs. Fujii Dies In Reno After Short Illness

RENO, Nev. — Mrs. Mae Hase Fujii, wife of Oscar Fujii, president of the Reno JACL, died in a Reno hospital May 20 after a brief illness.

At the time of her death she was employed as an instructor of nurses. She was a member of the JACL and an adviser to the Practical Nurses Association.

During the war she was stationed with the cadet nurse corps in Minnesota.

Mrs. Fujii was a graduate of the University of California and University of Minnesota nurses training schools and also took a post graduate course at the Mayo clinic in Rochester, Minn.

She was a native of California.

Surviving are her husband and one child, Christopher; her mother, Mrs. Ura Hase child; her mother, Mrs. Ura Hase of Hanford, Calif.; six sisters, Kiyu, Miyo and Helen Hase of San Francisco, Yoshie Hase and Mrs. Toyo Mizusaki of Cleveland and Ruth Hase of Berkeley; and two brothers, Mack Hase of Hanford, and Dr. Keigo Hase, Cleveland.

Mrs. Fujii will be buried in Hanford.

### Ogden Club Groups Plan Annual Ball For Graduates

OGDEN, Ut. — Graduates from Box Elder, Weber and Davis County schools will be honored Thursday, June 14, at a ball to be sponsored jointly by the Ogden JACL, Davis Comets, Syracuse YBA, Honeyville YBA and the Corinne YBA.

Admission to the semi-formal affair will be \$1.50 per couple or single admission. Guest invitations will be sent to graduates. Corsages will not be permitted.

Ted Morinaka will be dance chairman. Assisting will be the following committee people: Frank Kurose and Buddy Morimoto, tickets; Tom Yamada, George Nakano and Penny Watanabe, gifts; Tomo Nagano and Shig Aoki, decorations; Takeo Yamasaki, treasurer; Mary Aoki, invitations. Shig Aoki and Jimi Oda, refreshments; Min Hamada, orchestra; and Toshi Yano and Taro Yagi, publicity.

### Elects New Officers

FRESNO, Calif.—James Nishio was recently elected president of the Fresno State College Nisei Club. He and his cabinet will serve next fall.

Other officers are Michio Takahashi, vice-pres.; Edith Yamasaki, rec. secy.; Jean Doi, corr. secy.; Ben Isogawa, treas.; Joe Inami, student council rep.; Yoko Uota, AWS rep.; June Hoshiko, historian; and Sat Nitta, athletic mgr.

## UCLA Group Reveals Names Of Winners of Scholarships

LOS ANGELES — Winners of four scholarships honoring Japanese American war dead who were former students at the University of California at Los Angeles were announced this week by the Nisei Bruin Memorial Scholarship Committee.

Roy R. Sakaida, a sophomore and pre-med major, was awarded the Lt. Kei Tanahashi award. The Lt. Hitoshi Yonemura

## Nisei Soldiers Visit Relatives In Japan Cities

SENDAI, Japan—Southern California Nisei soldiers serving with the 40th Division are taking advantage of the recent move to Japan of the unit to visit uncles, grandparents and cousins many of whom the Japanese American GIs had never seen before.

Although the 40th Division is now in training in northern Honshu, the Nisei soldiers have managed to obtain leaves for the visit.

Pvt. Tom T. Shoji of Anaheim, Calif., hit the jackpot. His parents left Sendai for the United States 32 years ago and he has scores of relatives in the area.

First Lieut. Mishi D. Yoshida of Bellflower lost no time in looking up to his 85-year old grandmother and found her well.

"We had a long talk and I treated her to some Army food," Lieut. Yoshida reported.

Pvt. Jack H. Onishi of Los Angeles is still waiting to see his parents, who live in Kobe. Onishi lived in Japan during World War II and went back to California two years ago.

### ADC Benefit Nets \$1700 in Denver

DENVER, Colo.—A JACL-ADC benefit held April 14 in Denver netted \$1700, according to Toshio Ando, chairman.

The benefit was held in conjunction with the Mountain Plains district convention.

Gross receipts were \$2,058.36, with expenses for prizes and distribution costs amounting to slightly more than \$350.

The net proceeds have been sent to National JACL headquarters in Salt Lake City.

Organizations supporting the benefit included the Nisei Intermountain Collegiate Conference, \$39.75; Denver Bowling League, \$30.75; Denver Nisei Mothers Club, \$16; and the Denver Basketball League, \$6.

Support was given by numerous groups and communities.

### Human Relations Workshop Held by Chicago Groups

CHICAGO — A "workshop on human relations" was held on May 19 at the Chicago Bar Association in connection with the Chicago Civic Assembly and annual luncheon of the City Club.

Richard Akagi, regional representative of the Midwest Japanese American Citizens League office participated in the panel which discussed the needs and resources in the human relations field. He stressed the problems concerning discrimination in our public accommodations. He pointed out what was currently being done by existing organizations to eliminate such forms of discrimination.

Other panel members included T. M. Mann of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, and Henry Kohn of the American Jewish Committee.

Herbert Bebb, chairman of the City Club Race Relations Committee, acted as the chairman of the session and Thomas H. Wright, director of the Chicago Commission on Human Relations was the moderator.

### Heads Fellowship

NEW YORK — The Rev. S. Garry Oniki recently was named executive director of the Inter-racial Fellowship of New York City.

award was made to Robert Watanabe, a senior in pre-med. The Cpl. Yoshiharu Aoyama award was won by John S. Mitsuhashi, engineering major. He is a junior. Roy S. Uchizono, sociology major, was announced the winner of the Pfc. John Tanaka award. He is a junior. All the winners are from Los Angeles.



### Nisei Girl Wins Commission in Regular Army

Senate Confirms Appointment of Sadie Yosnizaki

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Senate has confirmed the appointment of Miss Sadie E. Yoshizaki, Honolulu, as second lieutenant in the regular army. She is believed to be the first Nisei WAC ever to join a regular army commission, although a number of Nisei women are serving in the army and navy nurse corps, the JACL ADC reported.

Now stationed at Camp Roberts, Calif., Lt. Yoshizaki was graduated from the University of Hawaii in 1949 with a degree in Education.

She was selected as one of 52 women out of several hundred who applied in 1950 for specialized army training leading to a regular army commission.

She took officer training at Fort Lee, Va.

A sister, Mrs. Marjorie Hayashi, lives at 2528 Eamauu St., Honolulu.

Prior to entering the army, Miss Yoshizaki was employed as a clerical worker for the California Packing Corp., Honolulu.

### Eight Candidates Named Queen of East L. A. Fete

EAST LOS ANGELES, Calif.—When East Los Angeles residents got together for their Festival of Friendship on May 19 at Fresno playground they made sure the selection of a festival queen should be a reflection of no friendships.

Eight candidates remained of the 22 who entered the contest, so at the finals during the peak of the festival the four judges agreed. They made all of them queens, to reign jointly.

The eight queens chosen were Louise Kawasumi of the East Los Angeles JACL chapter, Eleanor Garcia of La Purisima Club, Mary Louise Gridiron of the Pico Gardens Parents Club, Stella Lopez of the East L. A. Girls Vocational School, Ann Martinez of the International Institute, Inez Neal of the Bell Gardens Community Council, Ann Renteria of the Mexican American National Association and Veta Rofer of the Soto-Michigan Jewish Community Center.

### Parents Honored By Montana JACL

HARDIN, Mont. — Mothers and fathers of this community were honored at a party by the Montana JACL on Sunday, May 13, at the IOOF Hall in Laurel.

Harriet Nagashima was chairman. Approximately 40 guests were present.

The party ended with the making of sprays for Memorial Day. About 132 sprays were completed.

## Showdown Seen for City FEPC Proposal in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO—An FEPC proposal for San Francisco appeared to be within one vote of passage this week as the Board of Supervisors headed for a final showdown hearing next Monday, May 28, at 7 p. m. in the City hall.

The strong Japanese American sentiment favoring the measure was expressed by Sam Ishikawa, regional director of the JACL, at a hearing two weeks ago.

Several supervisors who received substantial Japanese American support when they last ran for office were still holding out against the measure. They are Chester MacPhee, Dan Gallagher, Edward Mancuso, James Halley, Don Frazier and John J. Sullivan. If only one of these men change their position, FEPC will pass, according to observers.

The five other supervisors, Marvin Lewis, George Christopher, Patrick J. McMurray, J. Joseph Sullivan and Dewey Mead appear to be leaning in favor of the ordinance. This was indicated by the readiness of these men to vote on the FEPC two weeks ago. The whole

## Nisei Zoologist Reports New Findings on Muscle Cells

NEW YORK—A chemical substance extracted from muscles of rabbits has been used at Columbia University to produce fibers that contract and do work like natural muscles. The findings, expected to lead to a better understanding of the manner in which muscle cells work, were made by Dr. Teru Hayashi of Columbia's Department of zoology.

While not living tissue, the "artificial muscle" is actually composed of actomyosin, a chemical substance found in all muscles, which is strongly suspected of being the factor that makes muscles contract. Dr. Hayashi extracted the actomyosin from the muscles of rabbits and, after treatment, was able to develop fibers from the substance.

These fibers contracted when treated with ATP (adenosine triphosphate), another muscle substance. In the process of contracting, Dr. Hayashi found, the fibers lifted more than 100 times their own weight.

Dr. Hayashi's study of the properties of actomyosin developed out of research on "interfaces." An interface, it was explained, is the surface area between two different substances, such as air and water or oil and water. Many of the basic physical and chemical changes that take place in the living body are regarded by biologists as taking place at the in-

terfaces that exist within body cells.

The Columbia scientist was able to develop actomyosin fibers that have the ability to contract by spreading a film of the actomyosin at an air-water interface. The fibers formed when the film was compressed.

The work, it was said, represents an advance over previous efforts to form actomyosin fibers that contract, notably those of Dr. Albert Szent-Gyorgyi of the National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Md., who won the 1937 Nobel Prize in Medicine.

While Dr. Szent-Gyorgyi's fibers seemingly contracted, it was explained, actually the shrinkage in size was due to loss of water. On the other hand, the Columbia report said, Dr. Hayashi was able to develop fibers that "actually contracted without change in water content, and which, like living muscle, were able to do mechanical work upon contracting."

Dr. Hayashi, who was born in Atlantic City, has been assistant professor of zoology at Columbia since 1948. He became interested in the properties of actomyosin during the summer of 1950 while investigating the significance of interfaces in body cells.

He is a brother of Akira Hayashi of New York City, chairman of the Eastern District Council of the JACL.

## House Approves Resolution Granting Stays of Deportation

### Collision Involves Troopship Named For Nisei Hero

SEATTLE—The Army Transport Pvt. Sadao S. Munemori was damaged on May 20 in a collision with an oil tanker, the L.P. St. Clair, in fog 20 miles west of Port Angeles.

Both ships returned to port under their own power.

The troopship, named for the only Nisei to win the Congressional Medal of Honor, has accommodations for 2,000 troops but the number aboard was withheld for security reasons. It was outbound from Seattle at the time of the collision.

The troops aboard the Munemori were taken back to Fort Lawton to await scheduling of another ship for them.

The Munemori originally was the Liberty Ship, Wilson Victory, on which the 442nd Regimental Combat Team returned from Italy to New York in July, 1946.

The Munemori sustained a deep gash in its nose as a result of the collision. Damage to both ships was estimated at \$100,000.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The House last week approved a Senate resolution granting permanent stays of deportation to 23 Japanese, the JACL ADC reported.

The Japanese were made eligible to file for stays of deportation under a JACL ADC-sponsored amendment giving Asians the same right as Caucasians to apply for stays if they had resided in the United States seven or more years prior to July 1, 1948, are of good moral character, and deportation would work serious hardship upon their families.

Approximately 2000 Japanese are affected by the act. They are mostly treaty merchants and other temporary visitors from Japan stranded here with the outbreak of World War II, and who have either American wives or American born children.

The JACL ADC said Japanese included on today's list of those approved for permanent stays are:

Shizu Abe, Toshio Iwanaga, Suyeiki Kishigemachi, Shige Matsuba, Yoshio Toshiyo Ozaki, Namie Saruwatari Sakaguchi, Shonosuke Sakamoto, Koito Sakamoto, Iku Takahashi, Masahi Tanikawa, Yoshi Yokoya, Sumiyuki Akiyama, Taro Arakaki, Shokichi Inouye, Kichihei Ishikawa, Kaori Kajiwara, Yoshizo Kataoka, Yoshiaki Matsui, Matsuko Matsui, Sugao Okubo, Yuwako Takeuchi, Satiko Yamanaka and Anthony Toschimi-chi Yuki.

### Nisei is Elected Vice-President of State Junior Chamber

LOVELL, Wyo.—Dr. Minol Ota, first president of the Northern Wyoming JACL, is one of the two state vice-presidents for the Wyoming State Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Ota is also a member of the board of directors of the Lovell Lions Club and served as treasurer for the Lovell Jaycee in 1949 and president in 1950.

### Nisei Pastor Named Secretary for Episcopal Convention

BILLINGS, Mont. — The Rev. George T. Masuda of Billings was elected secretary of the 48th annual convention of the Episcopal diocese of Montana at the first convention business session at St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

Harold Longmaid of Helena was named treasurer and Mrs. Lewis D. Smith, also of Helena, was elected registrar. Mrs. Smith was also appointed assistant secretary.

## House Committee Approves Bill Authorizing Compromise Evacuation Claims Settlements

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House Judiciary Committee this week approved unanimously a measure authorizing the Attorney General to make compromise settlements of evacuation claims, the JACL ADC announced.

Despite the fact the measure involves several million dollars in payments, and such bills usually are subject to debate, an effort will be made to bring the bill up for floor action on the next unanimous House consent calendar around June 4, Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said.

Consent calendar bills are not subject to debate. They must have unanimous approval to pass the House.

"We are going to make every attempt to get early House approval," Mr. Masaoka said. "We hope the Senate also will have an opportunity to act on the bill during the present session."

"The quicker Congressional action is completed, the quicker claimants will be able to take advantage of this measure to settle their claims," he added.

The compromise bill was introduced by Rep. Emanuel Celler, (D., N. Y.), chairman of the House Judiciary Committee.

He introduced it at the request of the Justice Department after the JACL ADC had made repeated representations for some faster method of paying claims.

The compromise bill would authorize the Attorney General to settle claims up to three-fourths of the compensatable loss, or \$2500, whichever is less, simply on the basis of affidavits and available information. Currently claims must be individually adjudicated, a lengthy, technical process involving hearings and investigations. Sometimes this takes months.

Mr. Masaoka said under the compromise program, claimants will have their choice of requesting fairly rapid compromise settlements, or having claims adjudicated.

He said the measure is aimed primarily at helping smaller claimants.

Terming the compromise bill "one of the more workable methods yet suggested for speeding up the program," Mr. Masaoka said the present rate of adjudication could drag on for 50 years.

"Congress envisioned the Evacuation Claims Act as remedial legislation to help West Coast evacuees rehabilitate themselves.

"If this program is to do the job Congress intended, the compromise bill will prove a marked step towards speeding up the program and getting claims paid. This should prove especially important to thousands of evacuees who are in their 60s and 70s," he added.

## Ask Federal Agency to Back Old Age Pensions for Issei

### Masaoka Notes Some States Discriminate Against Alien Group

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Federal Security Administrator Oscar R. Ewing this week was asked by the JACL ADC to "use your good offices" in encouraging enactment of state legislation to give alien Japanese old age assistance.

In a letter to Mr. Ewing, Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said several states deny aliens old age assistance, though such aliens are subject to all taxes paid by citizens.

He said such restrictive legislation works a "patent hardship... upon needy Japanese who, by law, cannot become naturalized."

Specifically, Mr. Ewing was informed of a proposed bill in the California State legislature which would extend old age benefits not only to citizens but all aliens resident 25 years or more years in the United States. Such a law, Mr. Masaoka said, "would be of great assistance to Japanese, Korean and other Asian and Pacific peoples not eligible for naturalization who live in California."

He added: "All persons of Japanese ancestry were evacuated from their life-long homes following the outbreak of World War II. Many

### JACL OFFICIAL WILL VISIT TEXAS, LOUISIANA ON TOUR

DENVER, Colo. — Min Yasui, regional director for the JACL Mountain Plains area, will visit communities in Texas, Louisiana and Mobile during the next ten days of his current month-long tour of southern states.

Yasui will be in the Rio Grande Valley area of Texas from May 26 to 28. On May 29 he will go to Corpus Christi and Houston and to Galveston on the following day. He will visit New Orleans on June 1 and 2 and Mobile, Ala., on June 3 and 4.

Accompanying him on his trip is Z. Kanegaye, chairman of the Kika Kisei Domei, as well as Mrs. True Yasui, and the two Yasui children, Iris and Laurel Dee, and Fumi Katagiri, R.N.

### Cavaretta Slated To Appear at Chicago Meeting

CHICAGO — Phil Cavaretta, Chicago Cubs first baseman, and Yosh Kawano, assistant trainer, are expected to be speakers for the June 21 meeting of the Chicago JACL, according to the May issue of the chapter bulletin.

Harlan Gilbert of the Juvenile Protection Association was scheduled as the main speaker for the May meeting, held May 17 in the Woodrow Wilson Room, 116 So. Michigan Ave.

Gilbert's talk on "Chicago's Dope Menace" was a revealing discussion of the problem of youth and the drug traffic. He pointed out the relation of drugs to crime and gave first hand information on how the city is fighting the rising use and sale of drugs among juveniles.

### Find Missing Girl

LOS ANGELES—Sarah Suzuki, 14, reported missing on May 15 by her parents, was located by police on May 18 in Culver City in company with Annette Goodman, 14, also reported missing.

lost everything... accumulated during a lifetime of toil and industry.

"While Congress passed an act to compensate these persons for some of the personal and real property losses... it cannot compensate them for lost wages, decreased earning power, nor restore the vigor of youth.

"At the same time, it must be pointed out the claims program is proceeding at a snail's pace... and this accentuates the need of indigent Japanese immigrants for old age assistance.

"The Japanese aliens whose average age now is well past 60, have been loyal residents. Most had sons or daughters in the armed forces; many have sons fighting today in Korea. All are not destitute. But to those that are, justice requires an equality of consideration and treatment now denied by some laws.

"May we urge you to use your good offices to encourage enactment of legislation now before the California legislature, and passage of similar corrective legislation in other states to end a discrimination that brings fear and hunger to deserving aged simply because their race or origin prevents them from becoming naturalized," Mr. Masaoka added.



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## EDITORIALS:

### Remedial Legislation

Because California long has been the fountainhead of restrictive anti-Oriental legislation, the current campaign of the JACL-Anti-discrimination Committee at Sacramento for the passage of remedial legislation on behalf of persons of Japanese ancestry will have ramifications outside the Golden State.

A number of bills were introduced in the present session of the California legislature early this year at the request of Joe Grant Masaoka, then the director of JACL ADC in Northern California. Since Mr. Masaoka's resignation to enter public relations work, the JACL ADC's efforts on behalf of these bills have been carried on by Sam Ishikawa and Tats Kushida.

The bills include measures to repeal a 72-year old section of the California constitution which prohibits employment of "Chinese or Mongolians" in any state, county, municipal or public works; to make aliens ineligible to citizenship who have filed first papers eligible for state old age pensions; to return funds collected by the state from persons of Japanese ancestry in settlements on wartime escheat cases filed under the Alien Land Act; to return liquor licenses held by Japanese Americans which were revoked after Pearl Harbor and have not been reinstated; and to reduce sports fishing license fees for aliens.

The repeal of the prohibition against employment of "Chinese or Mongolians" is an attempt to cut away some statutory dead tissue from the state's constitution, while most of the other bills are remedial measures on behalf of resident Japanese aliens who have no choice at the present time—until the passage of the Walter bill or some similar measure for equality in naturalization—but to accept the discriminations written into the law against aliens ineligible to citizenship. These remedial bills do not grant special status or privilege to Japanese aliens but are aimed toward giving them equal status with other aliens.

It is significant that these bills have been considered by the California legislature in an atmosphere which has been cleared of the anti-Oriental fog which, for a generation and more, obstructed the better judgment of the legislators and led to the passage of racially discriminatory legislation which often was copied by other states, particularly in the west.

Because of the lateness of the legislative session, it is doubtful whether action can be completed on any of these remedial bills. The attitude of the legislature is reflected in the fact that the old age pension's proposal, the repeal of the ban on "Chinese and Mongolians," the bill to return settlement monies and the measure for the reinstatement of liquor sales licenses have been favorably reported out by the committees to which they were submitted. The testimony of the JACL ADC's Sam Ishikawa and Tats Kushida and of Joe Grant Masaoka on behalf of these proposals has done much to inform the members of the legislature regarding the statutory discriminations inflicted on the Japanese American group.

Whatever the immediate fate of these proposals, it is apparent that the Japanese American group is now the recipient of a favorable public opinion in California. In the same council chambers which once resounded with calls for anti-Japanese legislation few voices have been raised in the current session in opposition to these bills. The people of California and their legislative representatives are not unmindful of the record of wartime loyalty established by the Japanese American group.

### "Code of Ethics"

It has been six months since the National Association of Real Estate Boards dropped its offensive racial restriction from what it so strangely termed its "code of ethics." Until then, the code stated that a realtor "should not be instrumental in introducing into any neighborhood a character of property, or use, or race which will clearly be detrimental to property values in that neighborhood."

It was in January that the association dropped the phrase "or race" from that provision.

But to our knowledge there has not yet been any discernible change in actual real estate practice, insofar as sales to persons of non-white ancestry are concerned. Practically all new housing and most established neighborhoods are still beyond the reach of persons of Oriental and Negro descent, due in the main to restrictive covenants and laws of occupancy (written and unwritten) laid down by the real estate group.

If the realtors adopted this change in good faith and put it into practice, it will make for the most progressive measure in many years in the housing field. But for millions of Americans of minority ancestry who need, want and can pay for decent housing, that good faith has yet to be demonstrated.

# Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

## MGM and "Go for Broke!"

A headline in Daily Variety, the Hollywood trade journal, this week said: "Broke! Barreling for Boff 40G to Pace L.A." The news was that the first week's run of MGM's "Go for Broke!" at the Egyptian and Loew's State theaters in Los Angeles was expected to bring in more than \$40,000 at the box-office. In four days the two theaters already had taken in more than \$25,700.

The significance of the report is that MGM's picture about the Nisei GIs of the 442nd Combat Team, a picture which did not compromise with fact and which had a moral and a message, appears to be a financial as well as an artistic success.

This is important in a year in which the American motion picture industry has been sick at the box-office and has been trembling with fear of television. "Go for Broke!" like MGM's also-current "The Great Caruso" and last year's "King Solomon's Mines" is showing that there is nothing wrong with the film industry financially that a good picture won't cure. The apparent financial success of "Go for Broke!" also is important in that it may give other producers courage to make pictures with Nisei backgrounds or about other similar off-beat subjects.

The popular success of "Go for Broke!" also provides a barometer of the public attitude toward Japanese Americans. To use a Hollywoodism, the picture has been sensational in its first two showings, in Honolulu and Los Angeles. In both cities, of course, there are considerable numbers of Nisei, all of whom probably will see the picture, but MGM expects the picture to draw well throughout the nation.

It was expected that the people of Hawaii would respond to "Go for Broke!" but the measure of that response has surprised even veteran showmen in Honolulu. The picture was booked for two weeks at the Waikiki, a reserved seat house in Honolulu, and promptly sold out every seat for the entire two weeks. E. I. Parker, president of the Hawaiian chain which booked the picture, told the story last week in a telegram to Producer Dore Schary at Metro, the man who made the Nisei film his personal project and was responsible for the picture's fine production values.

Said Mr. Parker: "We would like to extend our sincerest thanks to you and Metro Goldwyn Mayer for producing the outstanding motion picture 'Go for Broke!' I can honestly say this production has created more excitement in Honolulu than any picture since Gone With the Wind. For the first time in the history of the Waikiki Theater we completely sold out our reserved seat house two weeks in advance and it looks like we will set a new record in total admissions. We will outgross such fine Metro Goldwyn Mayer productions as Battleground and King Solomon's Mines and that's going some. Because of popular demand being so great we find it necessary to extend the run for a third week and this is unprecedented for the Waikiki theater."

Typical of Hawaiian comment was that of the Honolulu Herald which noted that "Go for Broke!" told the "real Hawaiian story." The comment undoubtedly is inspired by the fact that Hawaii has often been used as a background for pictures such as "Bird of Paradise" and "Pagan Love Song" which showed a never-never land peopled by saronged maidens and bronzed young men who swam in orchid-filled pools. There was usually a volcano to which the natives prayed and which erupted like Krakatoa in the last reel.

Theater operators often have been despised as popcorn merchants but Mr. Parker's appreciation of "Go for Broke!" reflects the interest of theater men in good films that will fill the showhouses.

Producer Schary and the MGM organization, incidentally, have not stinted in exploitation for the picture. MGM exchanges throughout the country gave special showings of the picture to 442nd veterans, JACL groups and other in-

terested parties. The world premiere in Honolulu was a considerable undertaking and two mainland premieres at Los Angeles and Washington, staged with the cooperation of the Army department, gave "Go for Broke!" a rousing sendoff on both the east and west coasts. In addition, special ceremonies were held when the picture opened last week in Pomona and Santa Ana in Southern California and festivities were planned in Denver, Sacramento, New York, Salt Lake City, Ogden, Chicago and other cities.

The Hollywood premiere on May 9 at the Egyptian was in the old filmland, red carpet tradition. Bleachers were set up in the spacious outer court of the theater to hold the spectators who came to view the more than 100 Hollywood stars, industry personalities and military and civic bigwigs who attended. The 100-piece Sixth Army band was flown down from San Francisco for the affair and guests were interviewed in programs broadcast over the two local stations. Nisei veterans played a major role at the premiere and the program was opened by a color guard of Nisei veterans.

According to a report by Henry Mori in the Rafu Shimpō, Robert Pirosh, who won an Oscar last year for his original story for "Battleground," received a scroll from Brig. Gen. Henry K. Kellogg. Van Johnson, star of the picture, presented Master Sgt. Hideo Okanishi, wounded veteran of the Korean war and of the 442nd Combat Team, who gave a citation to Producer Schary. Mr. Schary then introduced the No. 1 guest of the evening, a little Issei woman, Mrs. Nawa Munemori, whose son Sadao smothered a grenade with his body to save two of his comrades and was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor.

Producer Schary set the keynote for the evening after presenting a bouquet of white roses to Mrs. Munemori.

"Mrs. Munemori," he said, "we made this picture, remembering what your son did to save two other comrades in the fighting front. We are proud of him as we are of all of the brave soldiers of the Nisei combat team who fought so valiantly in the last war."

The men of the 442nd also were honored at the GI premiere at the Ernie Pyle theater in Tokyo which was attended by 200 veterans of the outfit who are now in Japan on occupation duty. A 16 mm version of the picture also has been flown to Japan to be shown in Army base hospitals and to men on the fighting fronts in Korea. The Army, as well as the Nisei and the film studio, is proud of "Go for Broke!"

Hoopla and hullabaloo may be necessary ingredients of exploitation. But much film advertising, like the carnival barker, promises more than the show can deliver. Often sex is oversold. The audience, once-bitten, becomes twice shy.

The advertising campaign for "Go for Broke!" has been a refreshing change from much of Hollywood's exploitation techniques. The newspaper ad campaign for "Go for Broke!" and the magazine advertising which already has appeared in Life, Look, Cosmopolitan and other similar publications has elicited much favorable comment within the industry and from the general public for its combination of dignity and humor.

The race film cycle, which Dore Schary launched with "Crossfire" in 1947, has run its course and a picture no longer can expect to win public attention because it discusses race relations, a subject once taboo in Hollywood. The general lack of response for MGM's "Intruder in the Dust," a fine film about a Negro unjustly accused of a crime in the Deep South and of a white woman who sees that justice is done was graced by outstanding performances by Juano Hernandez and Elizabeth Patterson and was well received by the critics but was not considered a financial success.

In planning the exploitation for "Go for Broke!" the question may

## MINORITY WEEK

### Quickie

"Whatever moral qualities I have come from all the sorrows I observed as a child." —Ethel Waters in her autobiography, "His Eye Is On the Sparrow."

### Nashville Note

The Nashville city council has a Negro member, the first in more than three decades.

He is Alexander Looby, an attorney, who was elected recently to the 21-member council.

### Quick Quote

"Hollywood as a rule still doesn't want to portray us (Negroes) as anything but butlers, chauffeurs, gardeners or maids. They just don't want to make us part of contemporary American life. As an actor, if I have the ability, all I ask is the opportunity. When it's denied to me because of my color, then I can't help feeling resentful." —Sidney Poitier, featured actor in "No Way Out," "Cry, the Beloved Country," and other films.

"Anti-Negro bitter-enders, like anti-labor bitter-enders, persist in the United States. It is shocking, surely, now to find James F. Byrnes joining Herman Talmadge in the forefront of them." —Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, referring to a recent statement by Gov. Byrnes that his state of South Carolina would abandon the public school system, rather than accept non-segregation.

### Wins Student Election

DENVER—Evelyn Yamato, 16-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Yamato, was elected "head girl" at Manual Training high school for the coming year.

have arisen whether the fact that the picture was about Japanese Americans should be played down and the film's war background emphasized. When scenes from "Go for Broke!" were presented on NBC's "The Big Show" on April 1, Tallulah Bankhead's narration stressed the racial ancestry of the GIs and one of the scenes broadcast was that in which Van Johnson tells a Texas sergeant not to call the Nisei "Japs."

MGM ran off copies of Robert Pirosh's fine script of "Go for Broke!" and sent them to 1,800 motion picture editors on the country's newspapers. In addition, the studio published a 24-page booklet on the history of the 442nd Combat Team for the information of the exhibitors. MGM may have been interested only in the job of selling the picture but the result has been one of the biggest public relations projects ever undertaken for the Nisei.

Now that the picture is being released nationally, MGM's job is to sell the film to the public since the studio's function, after all, is to produce entertainment which can be sold at a profit. "Go for Broke!" in these days of stratospheric Hollywood cost sheets, probably represents an investment of more than \$1,500,000, in addition to which are the thousands of dollars needed for exploitation.

One factor in the film's favor will be that the critics will like the film. Variety, the bible of the entertainment world, already has tabbed it as a "topnotch war film" and has predicted that it will please its audiences.

"Go for Broke!" can expect to have a large foreign market, particularly in a world which has grown sensitive to the race relations problems of the United States. It is a picture which the State Department and the Voice of America can boost since its message is, in the words of the picture, "that Americanism is not and never was a matter of race or ancestry."

The Nisei have reason to be grateful to MGM for the manner in which it has filmed and the way it is exploiting this motion picture. It took considerable courage to make a film about Japanese Americans and it is good to know that it is a successful one.



A Short Story:

# The People Next Door

*Their Name Was Yamada ---  
They Were Not Welcome*

By DEN MOREY

THERE were fifteen of us crowded into Jeb Randall's one-car garage. We were meeting with a single purpose—to find a way to drive out the Yamadas, who had bought the Johnson farm next to mine.

No, it wasn't the farm we wanted. Any one of us could have bought it for a song in the past decade when the farm had changed hands six times. We just didn't want the Jap family living in our community.

I remember the first few weeks after the Johnsons had moved into that farm. There was talk among us that they might last a couple of years; however, none of us were willing to back our talk with wagers. We weren't surprised when they put the farm up for sale nine months later.

But the surprise—rather the shock was to cloak our community shortly afterwards because when the Johnsons left, the "Japs" moved in. Yet, many of the residents, especially the townspeople showed no misgivings about their presence. On the other hand, most of us farmers wanted no "Japs" in our midst. And to do something conclusive toward that end, we banded together.

After a few hurried meetings, we sent a delegation to our mayor. They were thrown out. But we weren't to be defeated. We knew we could bank on the farm itself to help defeat the "Japs." Besides, we had Luther Wills.

Luther, a telegraph operator, was an absolute "Jap hater." I guess he couldn't help remembering his only son had been a victim of the Bataan Death March, nor about his wife who had gone crazy after hearing about him. But best of all, in getting Luther, we got the support of his brother-in-law, Chief Horace Evans, the town's one-man police force.

Under Luther's direction, we systematically made trouble for the "Japs." We cut their fences, flooded their onion and tomato patches, and raided their livestock. Even the kids got into the act. They decided that if the "Jap" family took root, their kids would soon be going to school with them, even though, at present, they were too busy on their farm to attend. My ten-year-old son, however, told me that wasn't the only reason he had joined the group. "If you let one family stay, soon we'll have more coming. Then we'll go broke and lose our home like Uncle Dan, eh, Dad?"

I guess you can't keep anything from these youngsters very long. Uncle Dan was my brother and my son's favorite uncle. Before Pearl Harbor, Dan had worked in the fruit stands in Southern California. When the war had come and most of the men were either in the service or defense plants and the Japanese had been sent to the concentration camps, he bought himself a farm. Soon, he was raking in money.

"But now," he had written recently, "I went broke because I couldn't compete with them coolie-like 'Japs'."

But the thing that bothered us most was that the more we harassed the "Japs," the more resigned and dogged they became. And within a year, they were performing a miracle on their farm. Not only was the yield above expectation, but the "Japs" had grown some vegetables in the patch where no one had ever thought anything would grow. Naturally, in seeing this happening before their eyes, the men altered their viewpoints, not only toward our efforts, but toward the Japanese, too. Some quit the organization, others because they learned to respect the "Japs" and their efforts, and still others became more resigned to the organization and its task.

One man, however made "Jap hatred" an obsession. His name was Stan Bolivar. Ironically, most of us hated his guts. And why shouldn't we have? Few people in the community escaped his efforts to gain his selfish and egotistic inter-

ests. People used to say that he'd slash his own mother just to hear her scream. However, though we hated him, we needed him in our organization because he was the biggest farmer in our community and had the most influence.

One night Bolivar got us in trouble. He had gone alone and burned the "Japs'" barn. Inside it were their newly purchased tractor, a horse and a couple of cows.

The next morning the "Japs" complained to Horace Evans and some neighborhood newspapers took a sudden interest. I guess Horace had never in his life talked and worked as fast as he did then to quiet the thing down.

It was eight thirty by my pocket watch and we were still waiting for Luther, our leader. However, Jeb Randall, our host, introduced us to his son, Jock, a skinny, sandy-haired lad of 18, who was being called into the army in the morning. After we had shaken his hand, Jeb bellowed, "You can't let fellows like my son down."

Then he pointed his stubby finger at some of the men in the group, while repeating their names. "Each of you will soon have to give your sons, too. What for? Why, to fight a war in Asia. And—while they're getting hurt and killed, some Asiatics make money and buy their lands. If this goes on, these kids won't have a home to come back to. If just ain't right."

When Jeb finished, hard, angry voices cursed. Suddenly, Stan Bolivar's burly figure stood up. "Hell, with talking," he yelled, "what are we waiting for, anyway? Let's go burn them dirty Japs out—and, and shoot a few."

"You tell 'em Stan," some one said, "we'll show 'em."

"Wait," a voice called out. It was Horace Evans. Dressed in police uniform, his large form stood out conspicuously in the small crowd. "That's one thing we won't do. Not if I got to say something." "And who are you," Bolivar said, eyeing him scornfully. "Just because you're dressed in a police uniform—"

"Stan, why—why, if you or any one else think that they're going to get away with killing and burning... why, I won't raise one finger to help." "You're making like a Jap lover... yeah, that's what you are, Evans, a Jap lover!"

Evans' large face turned red. His mouth moved but his voice didn't come. He started for Bolivar, but Jeb stepped before him.

"Wait, Horace, leave him alone. And Stan, haven't you caused enough trouble already? Haven't you got any more sense. And besides, we shouldn't make any decision 'til Luther is with us."

"Luther! Why, that guy—no wonder we ain't got nowhere," Bolivar grumbled. But he sat down.

Suddenly Luther appeared at the door. As he marched toward the front of the garage, everybody except Bolivar started clapping. But Luther didn't acknowledge our applause as he always had done.

Now, as he stood before us, his face was a white mask. The heated air in the garage went out like a punctured balloon. For a while, he just stood staring, as if he wanted to see something but seeing nothing. At length, he said, "I just delivered a telegram to the Yamadas."

Feet began to scrape, but we were all ears. "You know they had a boy in the army?" "So what," a voice yelled. "Shut up!" said another.

Luther swallowed. "Mrs. Yamada told me that she had just written to him yesterday—that though they were having trouble now, she hoped by the time he'd come back, that they'd have a nice, peaceful home ready for him." Luther's voice broke. "I guess it's just as well he won't get to read it. You see, he was killed in Korea."

Without another word, Luther left.

I guess none of us—even Bolivar—felt like talking just then. We just wanted to get out of the garage, but fast.

## Box-Score on Race Relations:

# MEANING OF PREJUDICE

By ELMER R. SMITH

A recent cosmopolitan newspaper carried an article by a columnist in which discrimination against Jews, Irish and other racial and ethnic groups was upheld. The columnist in question defined discrimination as "the exercise of choice." Further, it was suggested that all discrimination is the basis of friendship. A person, so the story goes, was asked if he liked Jews, Scotch, Irish, Swedes and Italians. The answer that was given was "No." He liked only his friends.

The kind of reasoning represented by this columnist is dangerous and confusing. Laws against discrimination, and ridiculed by the columnist, are not in the same category as the types of discrimination one uses in choosing friends upon a basis of individual or personal discriminating tastes. The last type of discrimination is exercising personal choice upon an individual basis; the discrimination against racial and ethnic groups is unequal treatment of groups and of individuals of basically equal status.

Such discrimination carries with it the element of unfair, unreasonable and arbitrary distinction in the imposition of burdens and the distribution of social favors. Discrimination of a social nature against racial and ethnic groups obviously exists in a society which confesses basic principles of equality yet does not practice them in their daily application. This is the type of discrimination against which civil rights laws are passed. Civil rights laws are not passed to make us "like" any person or group of persons upon the basis of "friendship."

The point of view of the columnist under discussion is one common among many people, and has been used to confuse the issue of civil rights legislation in many states as well as in the halls of our nation's capitol. This same point of view has been used to rationalize (to find good reasons for an act but not necessarily the real reasons) individual and group discrimination against various racial and ethnic groups in all parts of the United States and elsewhere.

One type of personal discrimination is used when a person chooses a friend, a dessert, a suit of clothes or a book, but an entirely different sort of discrimination is practiced when a person is refused a job, a seat in a cafe, the right to equal education, equality

before the law, or the right to vote upon the basis that he is a Jew, an Italian, a Negro, a Mexican American, or a Japanese American.

The two types of discrimination are not comparable. Let us keep our semantics straight and out of the fog when we draw conclusions about the use of such words for public and individual consumption.

### ISSEI, NISEI AND SANSEI—SINGULAR AND PLURAL:

A number of recent Nisei publications have started to use Issei, Nisei and Sansei in a plural sense by changing the spelling of these words through adding an "s" to each one. An "s" should be added only when designating the possessive and then it is an "s." The plural of Issei is NOT "Isseis." The singular and plural for the specific names given above are spelled the same. No dictionary of the English language adds an "s" to make the plural of Issei, Nisei or Sansei.

An important Nisei publication published in the middle west and distributed to many non-Nisei consistently uses the plural in the incorrect manner. The editorial policy of this publication seems to be to change some of the quotes used in the magazine to make Issei and Nisei plural by adding the "s."

The Nisei have been instrumental in establishing the use of these particular terms to the English language; let the vocal Nisei use them correctly in speech and writing in order that the average person in America will use them properly, be they Nisei or non-Nisei. If the Nisei themselves do not or can not use the terms correctly, there is little hope the non-Nisei will be capable of using them in the proper order.

## Smog-Lites:

# WE MEET A RELATIVE

By MARY OYAMA

Los Angeles

At 7:30 one Saturday a. m. the telephone rang, rousing us out of bed. Grumbling sleepily, who in the heck rings us at this time of the morning, we answered to a strange voice inquiring after some relatives of his named the Mit-twers.

Seemed that he was a young seaman newly arrived in town, searching for maternal relatives whom he had never met; and our curiosity roused to wakefulness since Mittwer was the name of the Caucasian side of the family we'd married into. . . .

"Are you Russell?" we asked tentatively, remembering that there was a cousin by that name. "No I'm Arthur Edward," he began.

We interrupted, "What a coincidence. My son's named after the late Dr. A. E.—we must be related all right."

Were they from Minneapolis, quizzed Ed, tall lean and blonde? Yes, Yes, we replied somewhat excited, let's get together to figure out the puzzle, even if some parts are missing. Neither of us knew the "Ralph" whom Ed was seeking, and the two key men who could have supplied us with information were at opposite ends of the globe: our better-half in Tokyo, his first cousin Tod in Paris. But we'd make out somehow.

Look, Ed, we continued: husband Fred's father and Tod's father were brothers, don't know the latter's name but he might have been "Ralph." Fred's pop is the one we all call "Old Julius" married a Japanese lady—are you surprised? —"And don't be too shocked when I tell you, but I'm a Japanese American, a Nisei!"

"Oh, that doesn't matter," Ed broke in, "I just got back from Japan myself. I loved Japan and the Japanese people." Okay, so the ice was broken and Seaman Ed, fresh off an escort carrier after seven months in the Pacific, came up to visit us: the tender age of 17 going on 18, but a strapping blonde six-footer. The three small fry of our household were immediately impressed.

"Mama," whispered our susceptible 6-year-old daughter, "he's got blue eyes and a cute face." Her two brothers were goggle-eyed at Ed's naval uniform.

Though pleasantly affable we noticed that the big boy loomed a bit sleepy, so we suggested a rest or nap. Ed laughed, yawned, and confessed, "I didn't sleep all night coming up from San Diego. Thought I'd nap on the bus but a talkative guy next to me chattered and kept me awake."

So we shoed the kids out of the house, assigned Ed the best room and bed in the house, and promised to get him up on-time. That was about 10 a.m. After supper promptly at 6 p.m., we woke him with plans for a sight-seeing tour of "Hollywood by night" in Hide's brand-new station wagon. As a dutiful hostess we cooked a special big steak dinner for Ed, for which he expressed great appreciation telling us that he "never expected all this: setting foot inside a real house, sleeping in a civilian bed, eating a home-cooked meal, meeting real people."

Adoringly the three kids trailed him around, so we allowed them the special concession of accompanying us on the tour. Neighbor Hide (pronounced "Hee-deh") is our sis-

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## VAGARIES

Video item: Eileen Yaeko Nakamura, formerly of Seattle, was seen as a Korean girl in the recent ABC-TV Pulitzer Prize Playhouse production of "The Thousand Yard Look," a drama based on the front-line dispatches of the A.P.'s Hal Boyle. Miss Nakamura, who had the lead role in Hunter College's production of "Antigone" earlier this year, made her video debut recently in the CBS-TV "Suspense" show, appearing as a Chinese girl in a drama called "The Juice Man." She may next have a role in a Somerset Maugham drama over the NBC-TV network.

### East Is East . . .

Yoshiko Yamaguchi, the Japanese actress who will have the leading femme role in Anson Bond's production of "East Is East" for 20th-Century, has finally received her visa and is expected to arrive in Hollywood on May 27 from Tokyo by plane. Uncer-

tainty about Miss Yamaguchi's arrival nearly delayed plans for filming the story about the Japanese nurse and an American GI who is wounded in Korea. U.S. immigration authorities held up their okay of Miss Yamaguchi's visit but apparently were convinced by Producer Bond that the Japanese star would not overstay her leave this time.

### Acrobats . . .

There'll always be a Kanazawa note: Television audiences saw the fourth generation of a family of Japanese acrobats as the three "Kayos" performed on the "Big Top" show over CBS-TV on May 12. The "Kayos" are Takeo, 11, Patty, 8, and Mary 6. Their family name is Kashiwakura. The present Kanazawa Trio, now on a national tour with the Latin Quarter revue and one of the outstanding acrobatic acts in show business today, is the third genera-

tion of the same family which has been entertaining American audiences since the turn of the century.

### Dramatics . . .

David Harada played the role of the Hawaiian soldier, Chung, in the first performance of Edward E. Pare's one-act drama, "The Vanguard," by the University of Hawaii Theater Group recently in Honolulu. The Pare play won the university's playwriting contest this year. Others in the cast included Henry Nakasone, Gordon Kushimaejo, Albert Miyasato and Raymond Shigaki . . . Henry Nakamura, now well on his way to a career in Hollywood (Go for Broke! Westward the Women and The Light Touch, all for MGM) was a member of this U. of Hawaii group . . . Maurice Shigesato of Honolulu recently sang in the Cincinnati Music Drama Guild's production of Maxwell Anderson's "Knickerbocker Holiday."



# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Broad Jump Is Favorite Nisei Event

Of all the track and field events Nisei athletes have had the most success in the broadjump. It is not surprising, therefore, that the most outstanding trackman developed by the Nisei is a broad jumper, Henry Aihara, last year's co-captain of the University of Southern California's Coast Conference champions. Aihara, probably the only athlete to win track and field championships in the Big Ten and the Coast Conference, has jumped farther than any other Nisei. His best leap is one of 25 feet 1 1/2 inches which he set in 1949 in the annual dual meet between the Coast Conference and the Big Ten... The slim Southern Californian also is the only Nisei to win a national championship in track and field. He took the NCAA broad jump title back in 1945 when he was a freshman at the University of Illinois with a jump of 23 feet 1 1/2 inches. He also won the Big Ten title that year... Aihara transferred to the University of Southern California and missed out on a year of eligibility by doing so. He won the Pacific Coast Conference broad jump title in 1949 at Seattle, leaping 24 feet 9 inches to set a new University of Washington Stadium record. In the summer of 1949 he toured the Scandinavian countries with an AAU track and field team, winning seven of nine broad jump events. He also won the high jump in one meet by clearing 6 feet and raced on the relay team.

Only one other Nisei ever has cleared 25 feet in the broad jump. He is George Uyeda of the University of Hawaii who did 25 feet and 3/4 inch in Honolulu in 1947, becoming one of two U. S. college athletes to better 25 feet during that year. The other was the great Willie Steele of San Diego State. Uyeda took second in the junior division of the National AAU meet in Lincoln, Neb., in 1947 with a jump of 24 feet 1. He was fifth in the senior AAU championships.

## Nisei Show Well in Sprint Events

As far as the other track and field events are concerned, Nisei athletes generally show up best in the sprints, the low hurdles and the pole vault. Jim Tsuda of Placer who has leaped 6 feet 1 in the high jump is an exception to the rule... It may be a long time before the Nisei produce another quartet of thinclads as Aihara and Uyeda in the broad jump and Carl Otsuki and Bob Watanabe in the sprints. Both Otsuki and Watanabe have been clocked in record times but not in any of the regional or national track and field meets. The Texas flyer is reported to have done 9.5s in a dual meet for East Texas State against North Texas, turning in a 20.5s furlong the same afternoon while Watanabe's best time is 9.6s for the 100 which he did in 1947 in an Army meet in Tokyo. He later duplicated the 9.6s in an intramural meet at UCLA. Both Watanabe and Aihara lost a year of college competition as an indirect result of the mass evacuation. Because of relocation Aihara started at Illinois while Watanabe attended Wayne University in Detroit before transferring to UCLA.

Back in the 1930s there was considerable more interest in track and field among West Coast Nisei and a number of annual Nisei track and field meets were sponsored in Northern and Southern California. None of these have been revived since the evacuation.

## Watanabe Aids UCLA Relay Victory

With the spiked shoe brigade: With Bob Watanabe running the second lap UCLA's four-man 440-yard relay team won their event at the 10th annual California relays in Modesto on May 19 in 41.3s. The same UCLA team was nosed out at the tape by Manhattan College in 41.4s. in the Coliseum Relays in Los Angeles on the previous evening, May 18... One of the nation's best broad jumpers, pound for pound, is probably little Saburo Fukuda of San Francisco Poly. Fukuda won the event in the 120s class in the San Francisco city meet with a leap of 21 feet 3 1/2 inches. Stan Ozaki, star half-back of Poly's football team last fall, competed in the varsity broad jump and qualified for the finals in both the 100 and 220 yard dash events at the National Junior College championships in Hutchinson, Kans. Tomita did not place in the finals in either event... Kumagai of Palo Alto, Calif., high school qualified for the finals in the broad jump last week in the North Coast section of the California prep track meet... Tateishi of Sacramento's McClatchy high school placed second in the Class C 100-yard dash and was a member of the winning relay team, running the anchor lap, in the high school division of the California Relays at Modesto.

## Two Bobbles Help Lose Game for Nishita

Although he outpitched Stanford's Tom Osenbaugh, the University of California's Bill Nishita contributed to his own downfall with two errors as the Bears lost a 5 to 3 verdict in Palo Alto. Nishita's bad throw to the plate in the first inning let in a run, while the Honolulu star bungled an attempt sacrifice to let another run across... Furukawa currently sports a .231 average for Benson Tech in the Portland, Ore., interscholastic league... First Baseman Jim Nakamura helped Reedley College by lacing three singles as his team defeated Menlo College, champions of the Coast J.C. Conference, by a 24 to 2 margin in the first round of the state playoffs. Reedley won the central California championship... Teruo Shibata, second baseman, had a 2 for 3 day as Garfield high school of Seattle won by a 13 to 1 score over Franklin... Aki Hokama was the losing hurler as Placer College of Auburn, Calif., lost a 7 to 6 verdict to Grant Tech... Harry Kawamura stole home in the first inning and Elk Grove high school went on to trip El Dorado, 6 to 3... UC's Bill Nishita has a 3.35 earned run average in his first six games.

## Fresno Bulldogs May Get Hawaii Trip

Although Fresno State's amazing Bulldogs, winners of 32 out of 35 games this season, have only an outside chance that they will receive the west coast bid to the NCAA baseball playoffs, the team which many consider to be the best collegiate aggregation in the nation may be able to make a post-season trip to Hawaii. Recently Kenny Zenimura, father of Fresno State's leftfielder—Howie Zenimura, currently batting about .465, contacted the Hawaii Baseball League regarding the possibility of a tour of Hawaii by the Bulldogs... Meanwhile, the Bulldogs cinched at least a tie with the CCAA baseball title by smashing Cal Poly, 14 to 3. Zenimura had one for three and scored three runs... Fibber Hirayama, star centerfielder, who had two for five also made some sort of record by stealing five

## Placer JACL Continues Drive For League Title in First Year

By HOMER Y. TAKAHASHI  
LOOMIS, Calif. — The Placer JACL, still in the running for the first-half title at this writing with three wins and two losses, will wind up the first half Sunday afternoon, June 3, against the much-strengthened Auburn Cubs at James Field in Auburn. The Nisei club defeated the Cubs in a practice game but a different club will be representing Auburn this time.

Jim Yokota and Ed "Shorty" Miyamoto, both Placer College stars, were instrumental in Placer College winning the championship of the Golden Valley Conference. Placer was defeated by the strong Sacramento J. C. nine Friday in the State playoffs, 5 to 3, but the Spartans outthit the Panthers and a couple of costly errors spelled defeat. Placer College, however, came back the next day to easily defeat Menlo J. C. in the consolation.

A better brand of ball is expected from this duo now that they can concentrate on only one club. Both Yokota and Miyamoto have been valuable offensive and defensive powers for the Placer JACL club in its drive for the Placer-Nevada league pennant in its maiden year.

Although outthit 16 to 12, the determined Roseville Merchants made it tough on the Placer JACL club throughout the game to win by a score of 6 to 4 in the fifth game of the Placer-Nevada league last Sunday afternoon at James Field in Auburn.

George Goto, not taking away any credit from the Merchants, was obviously not anywhere near the form he was in when he beat Placerville the week before. Roseville hit when hits were needed and it was a well-deserved victory for the Merchants.

Osella, Placer College chucker, who only two days previous did a full - game stint for his college nine against Sacramento Jaycee in the state championships, put in a creditable performance for Roseville. Veteran Southpaw Dave

Rodrick went in for Osella in the fifth and was able to hold the Nisei in check.

Both teams got four hits in the first inning, but the Merchants scored two to Placer JACL's one.

Catcher Bobo Hayashida took the day's hitting honors with 4 for 5, including a homer over the leftfield wall.

Jensen with a double and two singles led Roseville's power machine while Pete Moon, last season's most-valuable player in the P-N league, played up to expectations and hit a triple and single in three attempts. Hall and Roberts got two apiece.

For the JACL it was Yokota and Kozaiku both with doubles and a single apiece. Co-manager Mori Hada, Jackson Hayashida, and Ed "Shorty" Miyamoto got on the hitwagon with two apiece.

The day's batting honors went to Bobo Hayashida, JACL catcher, who finally snapped out of his batting slump to hit four times in five trips to the plate, one going over the left field fence for the only homerun of the game with none on. He knocked in 2 of the team's four runs, however.

The Nisei club outthit the Merchants, 16 to 12, which in itself was some feat, but they "hit 'em when they ain't." The Roseville team made good use of their hits to win. Roseville does have the hardest-hitting club in the league and every man from the leadoff man to the ninth man is a potential.

Jensen of the Merchants made a sensational back-hand catch of Jim Yokota's powerful drive to leftfield, robbing him of a sure hit with two men on the second inning.

The weather being ideal for baseball, a large crowd was on hand to enjoy what everyone called a "good game." It was what you call a crowd-pleaser and no one got up to leave until the last ball was pitched.

bases during the afternoon, bringing his total to 33 stolen sacks for the season.

## George Goto Sparkles on Mound

The surprise team in the Placer-Nevada semi-pro league this year is an all-star team of Placer County Nisei which is now competing under the banner of the local JACL. In George Goto the Placer team has a pitcher who struck out 17 batters in the Placerville game, giving him 38 K's in the first four games. Supporters of the Placer club want to see them play the Fresno Nisei team, claimants of the National Nisei baseball championship. If Goto continues his effective pitching, he may arouse the interest of baseball scouts, just as he did when he pitched for a GI team in Japan during the early occupation years. Goto was scheduled to go to a Brooklyn Dodgers training camp but enrolled in school instead.

## Yonamine Plans Pro Career in Japan

Wally Yonamine, hard-hitting centerfielder of the Salt Lake Bees of the Pioneer League last season, is all set to go to Japan to play for the Tokyo Yomiuri Giants. Yonamine now needs only SCAP approval before boarding a plane for Nippon. The Tokyo team reportedly came through with an offer of a million yen to ink a contract and 100,000 yen monthly... Meanwhile, Bob Cherry, the outfielder who was traded to Salt Lake by the Salem Senators of the Western International in the Yonamine deal, recently hit five home runs in two days at Great Falls, Mont.

## Hawaiians Will Enter WIBC Tourney

Two skirted keggers who competed in the 1950 National JACL bowling tournament at San Francisco are members of the Aloha from Hawaii team which will bowl on May 26 and 27 in the Women's International Bowling Congress at Seattle. Marian Nitahara and Inez Kama are members of the team which has a team average of 857. A third member is Jan Anding who holds the mark for the highest three-game series hit by a woman bowler in Hawaii, 701. Miss Kama has a 172 average this year, while Miss Nitahara has a 160 average... The Hawaiian all-star bowling team, which competed two weeks ago in the American Bowling Congress, cancelled its proposed match last weekend against a team of San Francisco's best bowlers because of a change in travel plans.

## Ichinose's Protege Wins in Tokyo

Sam Ichinose took his protege, Dado Marino, the world's champion flyweight to Japan recently and Marino defeated the Japanese flyweight titlist, Yoshio Shirai, in a close ten-round bout before 20,000 in Korakuen Stadium. The closeness of the fight may be judged by the fact that the three judge voted 289 points for Marino and 286 for Shirai... The Nisei Vets lost to the Queen Anne Merchants by a 7 to 4 score Sunday in a Puget Sound League contest in Seattle... Santa Rosa J.C., the team which Bill Nishita pitched to the Northern California jaycee championship last year, finished second in the Big Seven Conference with an 8 and 4 record this year. George Fujishige of Honolulu, Nishita's batterymate last year, has been doing most of the catching for the Bear Cubs... The Fresno Nisei baseball team continued undefeated Sunday, winning their fifth straight game by a 19 to 1 score over the Parlier, Calif., Nisei. Jimmy Tanigawa hurled three-hit ball for Fresno while Mac Sanwo, home on leave from the army, caught his last game for Fresno.

## Chet Hamamoto Tosses No-Hit Game in Petaluma

PETALUMA, Calif.—Chester Hamamoto, 130-pound, 5-foot 6-inch sophomore, marched into the North Bay League's baseball hall of fame by hurling a no-run, no-hit game on May 15 as Santa Rosa defeated Petaluma, 5 to 0.

The little Nisei righthander, who pitched a two-hitter earlier this season, did not issue any bases on balls and struck out five opponents.

## PICK NISEI BACK ON OREGON TEAM IN ANNUAL GAME

PORTLAND, Ore.—Halfback Jim Tsugawa of Beaverton High School was one of 27 players selected last week for the Oregon State all-star football team which will play the Portland All-Stars in the 4th annual Shriners Hospital football game later this year.

Tsugawa was the captain and mainstay of the Beaverton school's football team last year.

## Smog-Lites

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ter's sis-in-law, a nice-looking pleasant person, and a good driver, who graciously assisted by assuming a co-hostessing rôle. Out to the "Miracle Mile" she drove us, Wilshire Boulevard to you, Westwood, UCLA campus, the Sunset Strip, etc. At a fancy ultra-modern chromium-and-glass drive-in, the one which Humphrey Bogart once described as "looking like a huge transport about to take off any moment" we treated ourselves to refreshments. Big Ed enjoyed his "first fancy banana-split sundae in 10 ages" as he critically appraised the car-hops remarking that American women looked rather strange after having become accustomed to seeing "petite, cute black-haired, Japanese girls."

Among other things, Ed told us that he liked Japan so much that he wanted to return there. The natives had treated the Americans royally wherever our boys had gone, and that it was "a doggone shame that wars made enemies of people who would ordinarily be friends." He had no illusions about war or its dubious glories, but had volunteered as his patriotic duty and signed up for a three-year hitch. "I'll be 21 when I get out. Meanwhile it's an interesting life. I get to see the world, learn something useful, rugged but more fun than going to school—"

He never gambled for the simple reason he disliked being flat broke, never drank anything stronger than beer for drunkenness led to easily being mooched upon and being broke (with attendant sad consequences), "people take advantage of you unless you are alert." "For instance on a large ship like ours, all kinds of people are thrown together, including some stinkers. You'd be surprised at the petty thievery that goes on, big thievery too, for that matter, plain outright stealing. We keep everything under keys, locked and double-locked."

We asked him about girls. He laughed, "I'm kind of scared of them but I guess they're all right." We hoped things hadn't been too dull, with "two old married hens." "Oh no, you're the only people I know here in LA and I'm perfectly satisfied with what I've found. Everywhere I go, people treat me just swell. All my friends have nice homes, nice cars, treat me royally—and I sure appreciate it!"

Now whether we were really related or cousins, remained to be seen, but whether the final answer would be yes or no, the matter was of small consequence for we'd become friends and succeeded in making one serviceman happy during his visit. Ed promised to come again soon as his ship would be dry-docked at Long Beach for overhauling. The kids regretted seeing him leave.

Commented 12-year-old Rick: "Big Ed's the best cousin we ever had—a lot better than any old dame. For once we found a cousin who ain't a sissy-dame girl!"



**Vital Statistics**

**BIRTHS**

To Mr. and Mrs. Shoji Okumura a boy on May 9 in San Francisco.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ishida, Lindsay, Calif., a boy on April 30.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Imoto a boy on April 20 in Lindsay, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. James Iwao Kono a girl, Elysa-Ann Noelani, on May 8 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Matsumoto a girl, Kathryn Setsuko, on May 7 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Paul K. Morita, Harbor City, Calif., a boy, Gerald Lynn, on May 10.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sunao Nakasugi a boy, Kenneth, on May 12 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tokumi Sato, East Los Angeles, a girl, Kazumi Beverly, on May 11.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Akira Tsuno, Gardena, Calif., a girl, Vickie Ann Yoshiko, on May 11.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Uyeno, Long Beach, Calif., a girl, Katherine Aiko, on May 10.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Chioji Ogawa a girl, Linda Yayoi, on May 7 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Jack Yamada a girl, Kaoru Kay, on May 5 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. William Shintaro Hata a boy, Peter Katsumi, on May 2 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Minato a girl, Carolyn Rikie, on May 2 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Fred Mizuno a boy, Russell Masao, on May 6 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tasaka a girl, Diana Yayoi, on May 3 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Iwaichi Tsuboi a girl, Julia Hideko, on May 8 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Hiyama a girl, Patricia Ann, on May 11 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nakata a boy on May 14 in Denver.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sawada a girl, Susanne Ronie, on April 17 in Chicago.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Keiji Matsuhiro a boy on May 5 in Sacramento.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Nakano, Sierra Madre, Calif., a girl on May 9.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Hayashida a girl on May 15 in Seattle.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. James Higa a boy on May 15 in Seattle.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kearney Kuni-shige a boy on April 12 in Fresno.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Seichi Yamamoto, Sanger, Calif., a boy on April 7.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Nakamura a boy on April 8 in Fresno.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toshimasa Iwasaki a girl in Salt Lake City.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yoneo Sekigahama a girl in Berkeley.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sakai a girl in Berkeley.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Mori, Visalia, Calif., a girl on April 19.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Jin Ishikawa a boy on April 20 in Fresno.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. David Ogawa a boy on April 23 in Sanger, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Iwatsubo a boy on April 25 in Fresno.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Sunao Onaka a boy on April 21 in Selma, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sakaguchi, Orosi, Calif., a boy on April 22.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Nishikawa, Dixon, Calif., a boy on May 14.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Yamaguchi a girl on May 14 in Sacramento.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. John Naka-

gawa, Wiggins, Colo., a boy on May 19.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saburo Teshima, Sandy, Utah, a girl on May 9.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Y. Sasaki, Rocklin, Calif., a boy on May 12.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Rene Miyake a boy on May 18 in San Jose.

**DEATHS**

Mrs. Kane Kozasa, 64, on May 17 in Los Angeles.  
 Yoichi Kanemoto, 70, on May 12 in Los Angeles.  
 Kuraichi Minato, 58, on May 16 in Los Angeles.  
 Hirokichi Miyakawa, 74, on May 17 in Los Angeles.  
 Chomatsu Endo, 49, on May 19 in Layton, Utah.  
 Shinjiro Hirao on May 16 in Ogden, Utah.  
 Kenjiro Natori, 78, on May 2 in Seattle.  
 Yumi Kobayakawa in Denver.  
 Utara Umeda in Denver.  
 Mae Hase Fujii (Mrs. Oscar Fujii) on May 20 in Reno, Nev.  
 Mrs. Tatsuyo Chikuo, 57, on May 20 in Ontario, Ore.  
 Sakujiro Kawamura, 76, on May 18 in Los Angeles.  
 Mrs. Asaye Fujimoto, 66, on May 20 in Torrance, Calif.  
 Tokujiro Kobayashi on May 18 in Monterey, Calif.  
 Mrs. Hana Ohye on May 19 in Los Angeles.  
 Air Cadet H. Harvey Saibara, Webster, Tex., on May 21 in Waco, Tex.  
 Yoshitaro Okazaki on May 19 in Los Angeles.  
 Michael Yoshida, 17 month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Yoshida on May 22 in San Francisco.

**MARRIAGES**

Mary Matsumoto to Henry Sakai on May 12 in Chicago.  
 Mary Yamamoto to Charles Furuyama on May 19 in Chicago.  
 Tsugiyu Fujii to Paul K. Shimokubo on May 20 in Chicago.  
 Yayeko Akiyama to James Yonesawa on May 19 in Los Angeles.  
 Alice Miyazawa to Dr. Seiichi Shimomura on May 4 in New York City.  
 Momoye Kinoshita to Takashi Sugimoto, Fresno, on May 20 in Los Angeles.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**

Itsuye Murakami, 26, San Mateo, Calif., and Masaru Yamaichi, 33, in San Jose.  
 Fusako Tagawa, 26, and Victor Matsushima, 31, East Palo Alto, Calif., in San Francisco.  
 Teru Oka, 26, and Takeshi Ogawa, 30, in Seattle.  
 Lillian I. Tanihana, 23, and Akito A. Kushida, 25, in Sacramento.

**Long Beach Social**

LONG BEACH, Calif. — The first social event of the year for the Long Beach JACL was announced this week by George Nakamura, social chairman. The affair formerly scheduled for May 31 has been set for Saturday, May 26, and will be a get-acquainted social and dance to be held at the Harbor Area Japanese Community Center, starting at 8:15 p.m.

**Nisei Veteran Named Commander Of DAV District**

LOS ANGELES—Henry Sakato, a veteran of the 100th Battalion of the 442nd Combat Team, was elected commander of the Sixth District of Disabled American Veterans in Los Angeles County last week.  
 Sakato, 35, is adjutant of Nisei Chapter 100 of the DAV.

**Los Angeles Team Wins Bowling Meet**

BUENA PARK, Calif. — The Nisei Sporting Goods team of Los Angeles fired a 2808, including a 324 handicap, to win the team event in the first annual Buena Park Nisei bowling tournament on May 20.

**Bill to Repeal Mixed Marriage Ban Defeated**

SACRAMENTO—The State Senate on May 15 refused by a vote of 25 to 8 to vote for repealing a law held unconstitutional which prohibits the marriage of white persons with members of other races.

The anti-miscegenation statute was invalidated by the California State Supreme Court in 1948.

The state's highest court split 4 to 3 in outlawing the law and Sen. Earl D. Desmond, D., Sacramento, a leader in the fight against the Assembly-approved measure sponsored by Assemblyman George D. Collins, Jr., D., San Francisco, said the law should be kept on the books in the event the case is reopened.

**Sacramento JACL Puts on Show for American Day Fete**

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The Sacramento JACL presented a half-hour show during an "I Am an American Day" celebration May 20 at William Land park.

More than 3,000 persons gathered at the all-day picnic, during which a program of native dances and songs was presented.

The Nisei program opened with a parasol dance in Japanese costume by Doris and Donna Nakatani and Mabel Imai. Miyoko Sasaki gave a vocal selection.

Twenty-two kimono-clad girls danced two ondo numbers. Participating were Hifumi Ioka, May Ikemoto, Mae Ogata, Jane Asano, Hisako Kanda, Shizu Shikasho, Ida Ishii, May and Betty Fujii, Helen Ikami, Kiyomi Ida, Hideko Okubo, Emi Dote, Connie Yabe, Sachiko Koike Sachi Kamikawa, Judy Ide, Mabel Imai and Betty, Ester, Donna and Doris Nakatani.

Nancy Inada danced an original version of "Tokyo Boogie Woogie," and later presented an Hawaiian hula number.

Elaine Wong sang Hawaiian numbers, accompanied by Yank and Goi Koyasako, Dag Nakatogawa and Kaz Washino.

Machiko Kimura directed the program. Preliminary arrangements were made by Henry Taketa and Amy Kamikawa.

Sakaye Ishihara and Julia Shimosaka were in charge of lunches. Transportation was provided by Jin Fujii, Ed Hayashi, Su Koyasako, Mits Nishio, Kaz Kimura, Gene Okada and Dub Tsugawa.

**Nisei Veteran Wins Prize for Apple Pie**

LOS ANGELES — The baking know-how which a Nisei veteran learned while in the Army won him the second place trophy in the third annual Bakers Forum here recently.

George Izumi, proprietor of a Los Angeles bakery shop, submitted an apple pie.

Izumi started baking eight years ago while stationed at the Army's CIC center in Maryland. After his discharge he studied baking at a Los Angeles trade school and worked for several large bakeries before starting his own shop.

**California Bowler Rolls Perfect Game**

COSTA MESA, Calif. — Bill Kobayashi, a 156-average bowler, rolled a "300" in a pot game at Van's alleys here on May 9.

It was the first perfect game ever rolled on the alleys and in Costa Mesa.

Kobayashi rolls for the Schneider Tractors team in a Wednesday night league and put together his twelve straight strikes in a pot game following league play.

**Assembly Group Approves Bill to Reinstate Licenses**

SACRAMENTO—The State Assembly committee on boards and commissions unanimously reported out A.B. 1582, the Japanese American liquor license reinstatement measure, on May 21 it was announced by Sam Ishikawa, west coast director of the JACL-ADC. Assemblyman Thomas A. Maloney, San Francisco, is the bill's sponsor.

Motion for "do pass" was made by Assemblyman Vernon Kilpatrick, Los Angeles, seconded by Assemblyman Robert L. Condon, Walnut Creek.

Several new amendments were added to the measure, which will place Japanese American applicants for reinstatement on the same basis as new applicants. The applicants would also be subject to approval by the State Board of Equalization. The amendments were introduced at the request of Joe Grant Masaoka, of the Committee for Justice to Japanese Americans.

The measure will probably come up for vote in the Assembly early next week, although it could come up as early as in the next three days, Ishikawa said.

Besides Ishikawa and Masaoka, other Nisei present at the hearings yesterday were Tats Kushida, Southern California JACL-ADC regional director Toshi Taketa, who has his license revoked on Dec. 7, 1941; and June Fugita, of the Committee for Justice to Japanese Americans.

**Engagement Told**

CHICAGO—The engagement of Miss Kukue Chris Matsuohori to Paul M. Otake was announced at a family dinner given by parents of the bride-to-be, Mr. and Mrs. Jusaburo Matsuohori.

Mr. Otake is an active member of the Chicago JACL and executive secretary for the 1951 JACL-ADC fund drive. He is an insurance underwriter.

**Wedding Reception**

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — More than 80 guests were present for the reception for Mr. and Mrs. Miyuki Mike Yonemoto, recently married Albuquerque couple, at the Franciscan Hotel on Monday, May 21.

Mike Yonemoto is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Yonemoto, and is engaged in a large scale highway market with his older brother, Kiyoshi Yonemoto. Mrs. Mike Yonemoto is the former Jennie Higuchi, formerly of 2022 Downing St., Denver, Colo.

**Issei Pension Bill Approved By Committee**

SACRAMENTO—The Dillinger State Senate Bill (No. 734) which will provide long-resident aliens of Japanese ancestry an opportunity to qualify for State old-age assistance payments was unanimously approved on May 18 by the Senate's Social Welfare committee on the motion of Sen. Ed Johnson of Marysville.

The motion was seconded by Sen. George Miller, Jr., of Contra Costa and was referred to the Senate Finance Committee.

Sam Ishikawa and Tats Kushida of JACL ADC attended the hearing.


**New Mexico GI Hospitalized at Camp**

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Ted Teruo Yonemoto, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Yonemoto of Albuquerque, New Mexico, now serving with the U.S. Army, in the tank corps, was recently hospitalized at Camp Rucker, near Mobile, Alabama for a serious attack of hay fever. Young Yonemoto was inducted in February and is expected to be shipped overseas to the European defense zone soon.

He was a junior at the University of New Mexico, at the time of induction. He is a member of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity and probably the only Nisei in a national social fraternity, which made a special exception for Albuquerque to admit young Yonemoto.

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## Oriental Festival Dancers



Yudiko Shiba, left, and Hatsumi Mitsunaga are among persons who will perform at the third annual Oriental Festival of the Japanese Church of Christ in Salt Lake City June 1 and 2. —Photo by George Mochizuki.

## Chicago Attorney Helps Set Precedent in Housing Law

CHICAGO—A new precedent in landlord and tenant law was established by Harold R. Gordon, chairman of the National JACL legislative committee, in a decision handed down by Judge Barnes in the U.S. District Court for Northern Illinois.

Leo Krause, a tenant represented by Gordon, obtained a judgment for \$6,600, under the Rent Control Law against Irving P. Getz, another tenant in a "furniture tie-in sale."

There have been numerous cases of tenants obtaining judgments against landlords in similar cases, but this is the first decided case in which a tenant has collected from another tenant. Krause paid Getz \$5,000 for furniture appraised at \$2,800, as a condition of renting the apartment at 517 Belmont ave., Chicago, which Getz was vacating.

Gordon pointed out to the court that since Getz paid several hundred dollars to the landlord's agent in order to obtain a 2 year lease for Krause, who took over the apartment as well as the furniture, that this was a "tie-in-sale" in violation of the rent law, and that therefore Krause was overcharged \$2,200. Judge Barnes agreed and rendered a treble damage judgment for \$6,600.

Gordon attended the Far Eastern Civil Affairs Training School at Northwestern University where he learned to speak Japanese. Upon his discharge from the army in 1946 he attended a meeting of the Chicago Chapter JACL with a former instructor and has since been an active member of the chapter. Gordon, who is also Midwest chairman of the JACL 1,000 Club, was the first non-Nisei to be elected delegate to a national convention and to hold office in a local chapter.

### Appear in Program

DAYTON, O. — Dawn Sakada and Aiko Yoshihara participated in a program for a mother-daughter banquet at Grace Methodist Church on May 11.

They appeared as Japanese dolls in a Mother Goose scene which included many other characters.

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## Church of Christ Prepares for Oriental Festival

A delightful Japanese program, set against an Oriental background, will be presented June 1 and 2 when the Salt Lake Japanese Church of Christ holds its third annual Oriental Festival.

Proceeds will go towards construction of Sunday School classrooms.

Many varieties of Japanese food will be served by girls in Japanese costume. Classical Japanese dances, judo, and flower arrangement and tea ceremony demonstrations will be on the program of entertainment.

Booths featuring the arts and culture of Japan are being prepared. Handicrafts, home-made baked goods, plants and Japanese souvenirs will be sold.

Nobu Miyoshi is chairman. Assisting will be Mrs. Dorcas Nakao, program; Mrs. Miya Kurumada, display and demonstration; Thomas Ogawa, food; Mrs. Setsuko Saito, souvenirs; Harry Seko, property; Katie Inoway, tickets; Grace Iida, finances; Mrs. Kimi Iwamoto, reception; Jean Murakami, festival booklet; Alice Oshita, arrangements; Mrs. Afton Okawa, publicity; and George Sunada, artwork.

The public is invited.

## Singer to Give Benefit for Ellis Nursery Program

CHICAGO—Julia Rahaman, soprano, will be presented in a benefit concert at St. James Auditorium on June 1 on behalf of the Ellis Community Center nursery school program.

Miss Rahaman won city-wide acclaim from metropolitan papers at her last concert, April 18, at Kimball hall.

She will be accompanied by Mrs. June Bro. Joan O'Reilly, 14-year-old ballet dancer, will also perform.

All proceeds from a free-will offering will be turned over to the nursery school.

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## 3 Nisei Among GIs Home on Rotation Plan

SAN FRANCISCO—Three Nisei GIs were among the 1,905 Army veterans of the Korean war who arrived at the San Francisco Port of Embarkation on May 21 aboard the transport General R. L. Howze.

The Nisei soldiers all have seen extensive service in the Korean campaign and are returning on the Army's rotation plan for combat personnel. They will be reassigned to duty after leaves in the United States.

They are:  
Corp. Kazuo Fushiki, Los Angeles; Corp. Thomas T. Tsujimoto, Tracy, Calif., and Corp. Paul H. Sonobe, Berkeley.

## Benefit Movie Night Is Scheduled by San Mateo JACL

SAN MATEO, Calif.—Saturday, June 2, will be benefit movie night in the Lawrence School auditorium for the San Mateo County JACL.

A varied program that will appeal to both young and old has been arranged, according to Bob Sugishita, chairman.

Main feature will be a modern Japanese film, "Ai No Sanka." A circus movie is slated for the children. Also slated for showing are a Samurai film, news and a sumo short.

All proceeds will go toward a fund set up for purchasing gifts for Nisei draftees from San Mateo County.

Tickets are being handled by Nori Yui and her committee. They will also be sold at the door. They are being handled on a donation basis.

The chapter also announced it is participating in a Blood to Korea program in cooperation with the Red Cross. A JACL committee is making contacts for local members and asking for pledges. The chapter asked the cooperation of all persons who have not already signed for the program.

## Nisei College Club To Fete Graduates At Annual Banquet

FRESNO, Calif. — Nisei graduates of Fresno State College will be honored by the Nisei Club at its annual banquet June 9 in the Royal Room of the Hotel Sequoia. Joe Inami will be master of ceremonies.

Jimmie Nishioka, chairman, announced that all alumni and students planning to enter State next fall are invited to attend. Tickets can be obtained from Nisei Club members at \$2.50 each.

Committee chairmen are June Hoshiko, invitations; Ben Isogawa, tickets; Joy Kawamura, publicity; Tom Nagata, decorations; Joe Inami, entertainment; Ken Sunamoto, transportation; Sat Nitta, clean-up; Satch Motoyoshi and Jim Yamaguchi, door; and Mabel Inami and Jane Kurokawa, ushers.

Graduates to be honored are Terry Arakawa, Kiyoko Asaki, Frank Miya, Day Miyahara, Dorothy Nagata, Bob Sakai, Kazuo Sanbongi, George Toyama, Irvine Yokoyama, Masami Yoshioka, Kenso Zenimura, Hisako Fukuda and Lillie Nagata.

## Films on Cancer Available for Interested Groups

CHICAGO—Two films on cancer are now available for interested groups at the Chicago Resettlers office, 1110 North La Salle, DE 7-1076.

They are on loan from the American Cancer Society.

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## Perjury Case Defendant Admits Aiding Nisei in Anti-Tojo Move

### Vetterli Says Miwa Visited Japan to Combat Militarists

LOS ANGELES — A defendant in a perjury trial in U.S. district court on May 21 declared in a prepared statement that he had sent a Los Angeles Nisei and his wife to Japan in 1941 "for the purpose of working against the Tojo-led Japanese government, which four months later struck at Pearl Harbor."

He said the Nisei was Ted Ichiro Miwa.

Clarence H. Vetterli, 41-year old journalism teacher, made the admission in a plea of guilty to perjury charges resulting from an investigation of Communist espionage.

Federal Judge William M. Byrne refused to accept Vetterli's plea of guilty and set June 4 for trial before Judge Pierson M. Hall.

Vetterli, a native of Salt Lake and a teacher at El Camino JC in Gardena, was arrested several weeks ago by FBI agents and charged with giving false testimony in 1949 when the Federal grand jury in Los Angeles was investigating the activities of Samuel Witzak, an instructor at USC.

Vetterli said that he decided to plead guilty to perjury when informed that if he were to contest the charge, court procedure would limit his testimony to that charge alone. He declared that he considers the implied charge of being involved in Communist espionage a far more serious one and seeks the opportunity to clear his name of the implication of disloyalty.

"I am not and have never been a Communist," Vetterli said. "I am as sincerely opposed to the actions and aims of the totalitarian Soviet Union as I was opposed in 1941 to the goals of Fascist Japan."

He said he had "helped send" the Miwas to Japan "because I had a sincere belief that militaristic Japan was a threat to freedom and democracy."

At the time of Vetterli's recent arrest Federal authorities indicated that Vetterli had given Miwa, a former poultryman in Los Angeles, \$100 in addition to boat fare.

Federal officials reported that Miwa had gone to Japan but failed to contact "persons" there and later returned to this country to report his failure.

The indictment against Vetterli charges that he answered falsely when he gave a denial in answer to the following question:

"Is it or is not a fact that those instructions from you to Miwa were that he was to stand in front of the statue of Takimori Saigo in Uyeno Park, Tokyo, wearing a white panama hat one week after his arrival in Japan?"

### Acknowledge Donations

HARDIN, Mont.—The Montana JACL has acknowledged donations of \$25 from Mrs. S. Shirasago, \$15 from Mr. Fukushima and \$15 from Mr. S. Ujifusa.

## Church Choirs Plan Choral Recital

CHICAGO—Five church choirs will join to present an evening of choral music Sunday, June 3, at the St. James Church, 46th and Ellis Ave.

Four denominations and persons of all racial groups will be represented in the participating choirs from the Christian Fellowship Church, Church of Christ, Ellis Community Center, the St. James Methodist Church and the South Congregational Church.

Min Mochizuki of the Ellis church will direct the combined group in their final number, "Bless the Lord, O My Soul."

## Snake River JACL To Fete Graduates At Annual Dinner

ONTARIO, Ore. — The Snake River JACL will hold its sixth annual graduation banquet at the East Side Cafe Thursday, May 31, at 7:30 p. m., with Frank Sakata as general chairman.

Bernard Mainwaring, publisher of the Nampa Free Press, will be guest speaker. A program of entertainment is also planned.

Assisting the chairman will be the following committeemen:

Mary Mio and Mrs. Bessie Harada, invitations; Mrs. Bobbie Watanabe, graduates; Mrs. Mary Itami, Mrs. Noriko Morikawa, Mrs. Virginia Sakata and Mrs. Alice Nishitani, table arrangements; Mrs. Masako Sugai, corsages; Jim Watanabe, entertainment; Frank Sakata, program and banquet; George Sugai, Tom Nishitani and Tom Itami, tickets; and Mrs. Boots Hironaka, publicity.

## Inter-club Council To Honor Grads

CHICAGO — The Inter-club Council of the Chicago Resettlers Committee will hold its annual tea honoring June graduates on Sunday, June 24, at the Loop YWCA, 59 East Monroe St. according to Thelma Tanaka, chairman.

Present at the first planning session were Miss Tanaka, Betty and Ketty Kambara, Tosh Andow, Kay Kitahata, Setsuko Miyazaki, Fumi Watanabe and Chizu Iiyama.

## Chicago Chapter To Wind up '51 Membership Drive

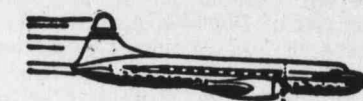
CHICAGO — Chicago's JACL membership drive will come to a close on May 31, winding up an intensive campaign carried on by letters, a house-to-house canvass and personal contact.

Prizes will be given to persons signing up the largest number of members.

The chapter has challenged the four Los Angeles JACL groups to a contest in membership. Results will be computed at National JACL headquarters in Salt Lake City.

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