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Defense Department Reports Five Nisei Soldiers Killed In Action in Korean War

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Department of Defense notified the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee that fourteen more Nisei names had been added to the list of American casualties in the porean area during the past week, including five reported killed in action.

At the same time, the Defense Department reported that the bodies of three Nisei killed in the Korean action had been returned to the United States on the USS Exmouth Victory, which arrived at the San Francisco Port of Embarkation last week.

KILLED IN ACTION:

Private Yukio Tanouye, brother of Bill Tanouye, 14730 South Normandie Ave., Gardena, Calif.

Private First Class Tamotsu Miyashiro, brother of George Miyashiro, RR 25, Piihonua, Hilo, Hawaii, Territory of Hawaii.

Private First Class Patrick K. Hamada, Jr., son of Mrs. Sakae Sullivan, 1071 Kinau St., Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

Private First Class Takeo Ogusuku, son of Taru Ogusuku, Box 273, Waipahu, Oahu.

Sgt. First Class Paul H. Oshiro, son of Mrs. Kameko Oshiro, Box 207, Ewa, Oahu.

Private First Class Tsunematsu Mizusawa, brother of Tsuneto Mizusawa, 1582 Kilohana St., Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

DIED OF WOUNDS:

Pvt. Takeo Uyehara, brother of Takashi Uyehara, Box 482, Waipahu, Oahu, T. H.

WOUNDED:

Pfc. Yasuhiko Y. Masuda, friend of Harley M. Shiraishi, Rt. 2, Rocky Ford, Colo.

Pvt. Susumu Fukuchi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kono Toguchida, 4251 Lincoln Boulevard, Venice, Calif.

Pvt. Zenji Fujimoto, son of Yoshinobu Fujimoto, Box 204, Naalehu, Hawaii, T. H.

Pfc. Isamu Inou, brother of John Tosuku Inou, 1438 Elm St., Honolulu, Oahu.

Cpl. George Ota, nephew of Asagura, c/o Rancho Produce, Ala Moana Market Center, Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

Pvt. Howell M. Kaichi, son of Mrs. Kimi Kaichi, 46 Kauila Lane, Honolulu, Oahu.

Cpl. Thomas H. Yokomichi, son of Mrs. Alice Yokomichi, 352 North Vineyard St., Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

RETURNED TO U.S. FOR BURIAL:

Private First Class George Y. Minakata, son of Mrs. Mune Minakata, Building 34, Apartment 979, Seabrook Farms, Seabrook, N. J.

First Lieutenant Bill Otomo, son of Rokusuke Otomo, 3033½ Van Buren St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Private First Class Hiroshi Miyashiro, 2230 Geary St., San Francisco, Calif.

Community Property Claims May Be Divided in Filing For Compromise Settlement

WASHINGTON, D.C.—In order to bring more claimants within the benefits of the compromise settlement evacuation claims program, the Department of Justice has ruled that a community property claims in excess of $3600 may be divided between the husband and wife in order that both parties may take advantage of the compromise formula, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti - Discrimination Committee announced this week.

Notification of this new procedure under which husbands and wives may split their community property claims to qualify for compromise settlements was made by letter to Mike Masaoka, national legislative director, from Assistant Attorney General Holmes Baldridge, head of the Claims Division of the Department of Justice.

The Assistant Attorney General informed the JACL ADC that this procedure is limited to community property claims and that the necessary forms to request severance and/or consolidation of such community property claims will be sent out by the Department of Justice only to those claimants who were married at the time of their evacuation and filed claims totalling more than $3600.

The JACL ADC endorsed evacuation claims compromise law limits its availability to compromise settlements up to $2500 or three-fourths of the compensable items, whichever is less. The new Departmental ruling authorizing husbands and wives to split their community property claims which in the aggregate total more than $3600 but not more than $5000 in compensable items will permit both husband and wife each to receive up to the $2500 maximum allowed in the amended law. This is also the maximum amount that the Attorney General may pay out of funds appropriated for such purposes.

Mike Masaoka hailed this interpretation of the compromise law as another indication that the Department of Justice wants to speed up its program and to include as many as possible within the meaning of the liberalizing compromise settlement act.

The form entitled "Request for Severance and/or Consolidation" of community property only is to be sent to those in the following categories:

1. Where the husband (or wife) has filed a statement of claim in his (or her) own name that covers the community property interests of both spouses and the total compromise payment requested for both is more than $2,500 and less than $5,000. In such case, this form, if signed by both, makes it possible to sever the claims of the spouses and to make separate awards to each of them which will total more than $2,500 but neither of which separately can be for more than that amount.

2. Where husband and wife have filed duplicate statements of claim. In such case, this form, if signed by both, makes it permissible for only one of the spouses to fill out the affidavit form and attachments in support of separate awards to both of not more than $2,500 each. However, where the total payment for both is less than $2,500, it will be awarded in the name of the husband alone.

3. Where both spouses have filed statements of claim for different items of community property. (For example, where the husband has filed for business losses and the wife for household articles.) In such cases, this form makes it possible to consolidate the claims and to award to each spouse his half interest in all community property losses covered by both statements; provided, of course, that neither may individually receive an award of more than $2,500. In this situation, unless both have submitted or now submit affidavit forms and attachments covering the losses included in their respective statements of claim, one spouse may fill out the affidavit form and its attachments taking care to include all items covered by the statements of claim previously submitted by both. If such claim forms have been assigned different numbers by the Department of Justice, both numbers should be written in the space provided at the upper right hand corner of the affidavit form. Here, again, if the total of the payments on the claims is less than $2,500, the award will be made in the name of the husband alone.

Supreme Court Denies Hearing to Renunciants

Dr. Ige Named Officer on Wage Stabilization Board

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Dr. Thomas Ige was named associate director of analysis with the regional wage stabilization board Oct. 3.

He will serve with Harvard D. Borchardt, director.

Dr. Ige is associate professor of economics now on leave from the University of Minnesota, Duluth branch.

President Signs Two Bills for Japan Aliens

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The President has signed private bills for the relief of two alien Japanese, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti - Discrimination Committee was informed by the White House this week.

One introduced by Congressman Edward H. Rees (Rep., Kansas), authorizes the admission of Megumi Takagi, minor half-Japanese adopted child of Lieutenant and Mrs. Thomas V. Daily, now with the Fifth Air Force, Nagoya, Japan.

The other, sponsored by Congressman Walter E. Brehm (Rep., Ohio), provides for the admission of Kiyoko Matsuo, Japan-born fiancee of an honorably discharged veteran of World War II who met Kiyoko Matsuo while on occupation duty in Japan.

Veterans Council

HILO, Hawaii, T.H. — Yoshito Tanaka was named chairman of the AJA Veterans Council of Hilo last week, succeeding James S. Maeda.

Members of Tule Lake Group Must Take Individual Steps For Citizenship Restoration

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The U. S. Supreme Court on Oct. 8 denied a hearing to approximately 4,000 persons of Japanese ancestry who had petitioned for an official declaration that they are United States citizens.

The petitioners renounced their American citizenship while being held at the Tule Lake, Calif., segregation center during the war.

All of the persons involved are natives of the United States and their attorneys asserted in a brief filed with the Supreme Court that the renunciations were signed because of coercion by government agents.

The U. S. District Court in San Francisco agreed with the attorneys and ordered the renunciations cancelled and declared the renunciants to be United States citizens. This action was appealed by the Justice Department to the Ninth District Circuit Court in San Francisco where the finding of coercion was asserted by the government to be "clearly erroneous."

The Circuit Court ruled in favor of the Justice Department, declaring that many of these persons had voluntarily renounced their citizenship, some had been disloyal to the United States, many became interested in the cancellation of the renunciations only when the collapse of Japan indicated living conditions in this country would be better than in the Orient and many who had spent their youth in Japan were pro-Japanese.

The Supreme Court also refused to review a companion appeal filed by 122 other Nisei.

The 122 also signed renunciations and the U. S. government issued orders in 1945 for their removal to Japan, under an alien enemy act of 1798. The government contended that under Japanese law these renunciants were subects of Japan.

The 122 renunciants contested the validity of the removal orders in the U. S. District Court of San Francisco, which ruled in their favor, finding the renunciations did not make them alien enemies but at most stateless persons. The Circuit Court at San Francisco reversed this ruling, declaring the group would be alien enemies if they were Japanese citizens under the laws of Japan. The renunciants then appealed to the Supreme Court to reverse the Circuit Court.

The Justice Department opposed a Supreme Court hearing of the cases. It said that only 302 renunciants now remain subject to removal proceedings and added that there is a possibility that many, if not all, of these removal orders may be cancelled as a result of the recent signing of the Japanese Peace Treaty.

The removal proceedings were dropped administratively in all but 302 instances after a review of the individual cases by the Attorney General. The Attorney General's finding against the 302 was that they appeared sufficiently dangerous to justify the institution of removal proceedings.

The Supreme Court's refusal to hear the two appeals means that the cases now go back to the U. S. District Court.

(An attorney for the renunciants declared in San Francisco this week that the Supreme Court's action "just prolonged" the cases of the 4,000 renunciants. "Nothing was actually settled by the Supreme Court and the whole matter is now held in abeyance pending action by the Justice Department," he was quoted as saying.)

In the case of the 122 renunciants, the Circuit Court said the District Court should take evidence of the nationality laws of Japan and decide if they might be asserted to affect native-born U. S. citizen residents. Dropping of removal proceedings against this group would end this case, however.

In the case of the other renunciants, estimated at around 3,400, each must now prove individually to the District Court why he renounced his U. S. citizenship, and especially whether it was done voluntarily or under duress. Their status as United States citizens is now in issue.

(Justice Department sources report that 5,589 persons, mostly residing at the Tule Lake segregation camp, renounced their U. S. citizenship during the war.)

YOUTH KILLED IN COLLISION OF TWO MOTORCYCLES

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Masaji Arima, 21, Cupertino, Calif., was killed instantly on Oct. 7 in a collision between two motorcycles near Stevens Creek, eight miles west of here.

Arima was traveling in a group of approximately 20 motorcycles at the time of the accident.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Atsushi Arima of Cupertino.

Government Ponders Next Step In Renunciants Test Case

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A Justice Department spokesman declared this week that the government has not yet had time to decide upon its next step in the legal battle to determine the validity of the renunciation of American citizenship by nearly 4,000 Nisei at the Tule Lake segregation center.

In refusing to consider appeals from decisions of the Ninth District Circuit Court of Appeals in the renunciants cases, the nation's highest tribunal gave no explanation, simply rejecting the requests for certiorari in an announcemest from the bench.

The Supreme Court's action reaffirms the opinions of Chief Judge William Denman and Circuit Judges William Orr and Albert Lee Stephens, delivered Jan. 17, in San Francisco in the cases designated as Bruce G. Barber (district director of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service for Northern California), appellant, vs. Tadayasu Abo, et. al., etc., appellees, and Barber vs. Mary Kaname Furuya, et. al., etc., appellees; and J. Howard McGrath, Attorney General of the United States, vs. Abo and McGrath vs. Furuya.

The Ninth Circuit Court reversed the decision of Federal Judge Louis E. Goodman.

Judge Denman, in reversing the lower court's decision that the renunciation of American citizenship by several thousand Nisei in Tule Lake was invalid because of duress declared: "The record shows the certainty that many of the 4,315 plaintiffs who voluntarily renounced were disloyal to the United States. It discloses that many of the plaintiffs did not show any interest setting aside their revocations until after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki made it clear that the Japanese cause was hopeless, and that the material conditions in the United States had become greatly preferable to those in Japan. Of such seekers for restoration of citizenship the Supreme Court . . . quotes the language . . . that the forsaking of American citizenship, even in a difficult situation, as a matter of expediency, with attempted excuse of such conduct later when crass material considerations suggest that course, is not duress."

The Circuit Court ruled in effect that all of the renunciants would have to prove their loyalty to the United States and prove they had renounced their citizenship under duress, except for those who were under the legal age of 21 at the time of the renunciation, those who renounced their citizenship solely to be with their parents and those of unsound mind.

It was estimated that some 450 persons may be exempt from the individual loyalty proof requirement and that the remainder may be subject to deportation unless that can establish their loyalty.

Conviction of "Tokyo Rose" Upheld by U. S. Circuit Court

Mrs. d'Aquino Says Prejudice Influenced Verdict of Court

SAN FRANCISCO — Mrs. Iva Toguri d'Aquino, widely identified as the "Tokyo Rose" of Japanese wartime propaganda, lost another round on Oct. 10 in her fight for freedom from a 10-year prison term for treason.

The Ninth District U.S. Court of Appeals affirmed unanimously the 1949 conviction of the California-born woman who was accused of broadcasting over Radio Tokyo.

Sentenced Oct. 6, 1949, Mrs. d'Aquino is serving her term at the Federal Women's reformatory at Alderson, West Va. She will be eligible for parole next year.

In her appeal, the 35-year old UCLA graduate charged prejudice, accused the government of withholding evidence favorable to her and challenged admissibility of evidence introduced against her.

She had been indicted on eight counts of treason. She was convicted on one: that in a broadcast over Radio Tokyo she informed American troops in the Pacific, "you fellows have lost all your ships; you are really orphans of the Pacific. How do you think you will get home?"

Counsel for Mrs. d'Aquino is expected to ask the Circuit Court for a rehearing within 30 days. If the request is denied, it is believed the U.S. Supreme Court will be asked to review the case.

The 72-page opinion signed by Justices William Healy, Walter L. Cope and Homer T. Bone declared that there was no reversible error in Mrs. d'Aquino's trial before Federal Judge Michael J. Roche in 1949.

Although Mrs. d'Aquino claimed she made her broadcasts on her "Zero Hour" program as favorable to the Allies as possible, the Circuit Court decision added:

"She was told and understood that the 'Zero Hour' program was designed for an audience among Allied soldiers . . . and was to be used as an instrument of psychological warfare to cause the Allied troops to become homesick and disgusted with the war."

The decision noted that Mrs. d'Aquino participated in 340 "Zero Hour" programs, identifying herself as "Orphan Ann."

ADC to Continue Work for California Issei Pension Bill

SAN FRANCISCO — The JACL ADC will continue its campaign for the passage of legislation which will make resident aliens of Japanese ancestry eligible for California state pension payments, Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California regional director of JACL ADC, declared this week.

A bill which would permit Issei to receive pension payments was introduced in the California legislature in the 1951 session but was stalled in the State Senate.

Ishimaru will attend Governor Earl Warren's conference on problems of the State's aged which will be held on Oct. 15 and 16 at the Sacramento Memorial auditorium.

Announce Date of Inaugural Dance

CHICAGO — The Chicago JACL will hold its sixth annual inaugural dance on Nov. 24 at the Hyde Park Hotel, 1511 East Hyde Park Blvd., according to Joe Maruyama, co-chairman.

Further details will be announced at a later date, Maruyama said.

Return Body Of War Hero For Reburial

Posthumous DSC Given Lieut. Otomo For Korean Action

SAN FRANCISCO—The remains of a Nisei hero of the war in Korea, who has been posthumously awarded the nation's second highest military decoration, the Distinguished Service Cross, was returned to the United States for burial on Oct. 5.

The body is that of First Lieut. Bill Masayuki Otomo, 28, who was killed in action on Feb. 7 near Ipsok in Korea while leading his men into a heavily-defended enemy area under heavy fire and forcing the enemy to withdraw.

Lieut. Otomo, who was born in El Centro, Calif., received the Silver Star and two oak leaf clusters for combat heroism while leading a series of assaults in the Sangjang area.

Lieut. Otomo was the third son of Rokusuke Otomo of Los Angeles. He graduated from Belmont High School in Los Angeles in 1940 and was drafted into the Army in 1946 while attending the University of Chicago. He served one year on occupation duty in Germany before returning to the United States. He was recalled to active duty in 1949 and was with Gen. MacArthur's headquarters in Tokyo when the war in Korea broke out last year. He was transferred soon afterward to front-line duty.

Hiraoka Will Present Final Concert in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES—Yoichi Hiraoka will be presented in his final Los Angeles xylophone recital on Oct. 19 at Koyasan Hall.

The success of Hiraoka's Oct. 7 concert at Wilshire-Ebell was reported this week to have accelerated plans for a concert soon in New York City.

For his final Los Angeles concert Hiraoka will present a "pops" concert of sixteen selections.

Typical of comment from newspaper critics is the following by W.H. in the Los Angeles Times:

"Not very often does one have the opportunity to hear a solo recital on the xylophone. Yoichi Hiraoka, Japanese virtuoso on that instrument, provided such a rare recital at the Wilshire Ebell Theater last night to a small but thoroughly devoted and delighted audience.

"The allegro from Mozart's 'Eine Kleine Nachtmusik' proved to be a happy opening choice, immediately displaying Hiraoka's enthusiastic, vigorous attack. It also showed how well the xylophone can respond to delicate nuances and sensitive shadings."

The Los Angeles Daily News added:

"Fulfillment of a beguiling passage from Bach is a most satisfactory thing, and when it rings true in all the composer's richness presented as a 'concerto' for xylophone, it tends to become exciting. . . .

"The most interesting group to us was an interpretation of Japanese folk music which included a traveler's song, a peasant and cradle song. The necessary transposition for the Occidental ear brought forth a form of great delicacy and more authentic charm than the 'Madame Butterfly' sort of treatment might suggest."

The Los Angeles Examiner said:

"Honestly attempting to win the xylophone to the ways of serious music, Yoichi played a recital at the Wilshire Ebell last night.

"Hiraoka, an artist of Japanese birth and American training, demonstrated that the instrument deserves more respect than it has generally received. He produced a mellow tone that he modulated delicately and with skill. He shaped some tasteful phrases and gave evidence of sincere and well-schooled musicianship. . . ."

JACL 1952 Confab Events Planned for Leading Hotels

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—The twelfth biennial national convention in 1952 will be quartered in the finest hostelries of the west at it convenes in this city June 26 through June 30, according to Dick Saiki, chairman of the general arrangements committee.

The lobby of the historic Hotel St. Francis in Union Square will be used for headquarters facilities, including registration, during the six days.

National board meetings, council sessions and committee meetings will be held in the Borgia and Italian rooms during the first three days. The Colonial Room will be the scene of the opening ceremonies and the convention mixer.

Picturesque Civic Center Plaza will be the area of activity on Saturday with the Hotel Whitcomb's Corinthian Room to be used for council sessions and its beautiful Crystal ballroom for the official luncheon.

A special Pioneer Night event will be staged in the Scottish Rite Auditorium Saturday.

The final council session, official luncheon and a panel sponsored by the Northern California - Western Nevada district council will be held Monday in the Buchanan YMWCA auditorium and social hall.

The final banquet will be held in the Peacock Court of the Hotel Mark Hopkins on Nob Hill, with the Sayonara Ball to be held at the Fairmont Hotel.

The following committee chairmen are working with Seiki: Mas Murata, transportation; Hisashi Tani, art and posters; and Minoru Tamura, convention picture. Other committee chairmen under general arrangements has yet to be confirmed.

Whitney Opportunity Awards Will Be Given for 3rd Year

Nine Nisei Have Received Grants In Past Two Years

NEW YORK—The third annual John Hay Whitney Opportunity Fellowships Program was announced this week by Dr. Robert C. Weaver, Director of Fellowships for the Foundation.

Fellowships, totaling approximately one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), will be given for 1952 to American citizens, who, because of artificial barriers, such as race, religion, or region of residence, have not had the opportunity to develop their talents. Preference will be given to Negroes, American Indians, Spanish Americans, Japanese Americans and Chinese Americans. Also eligible are residents of the Appalachian Mountain area, the Trust Territories of the Pacific, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands, and Hawaii. Preference is given to applicants under thirty-five.

As in previous years, Fellowships will be open not only for scholastic study, but for any kind of training or experience which may be most useful in developing talents and forms of leadership. Candidates for graduate study are required to have finished their college education and show evidence of exceptional promise. Both academic students and creative artists of outstanding ability are eligible. In addition, applications for apprenticeships in business and labor are welcomed. The grants are expected to range from one thousand dollars ($1,000) to three thousand dollars ($3,000). Awards are for a full year of serious work, not for special, incidental or temporary projects.

Applications for 1952 awards are now available and must be submitted before November 30, 1951. All applications will be evaluated by a Committee of Award composed of Mrs. Douglas Horton, former President of Wellesley College; Charles S. Johnson, President of Fisk University; Kenneth Macgowan, Chairman of the Department of Theatre Arts, University of California at Los Angeles; Rene d'Harnoncourt, Director of the Museum of Modern Art; and Oliver LaFarge, President, Association on American Indian Affairs.

Nine Nisei have received fellowships during the first two years of the Whitney awards.

In 1950 the Whitney fellows included Jean Yasuko Ishii, Chicago, interior decorating; Setsuko Matsunaga Nishi, Chicago, sociology; and Hisaye Yamamoto, Los Angeles, creative writing.

Whitney fellowships for 1951 went to six Nisei, Miyoko Ito, Chicago, painting; Anne Katsuizumi, San Diego, social welfare; John Itsuro Kitsuse, Los Angeles, sociology; Minemura Shinoda, Hilo, T.H., Japanese history; Eugene Shigemi Uyeki, Cleveland, sociology, and Toshio Yatsushiro, Maui, T.H., anthropology.

Information on Opportunity Fellowships may be secured by writing the John Hay Whitney Foundation, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, New York.

Haruko Suyama, Teruko Akagi Plan Sonata Recital

CHICAGO—A sonata recital will be presented by Mrs. Haruko Suyama, pianist, and Miss Teruko Akagi, violinist, at the North Gallery in Kimball building on Sunday, Oct. 14 at 3:30 p. m.

Mrs. Suyama received her Master of Music from Northwestern University and is at present teaching piano in Chicago.

Miss Akagi is starting her third year with the Kansas City Symphony Orchestra and this summer participated in the Tanglewood Festival Series founded by Serge Koussevitsky. She was presented in programs with Piatagorsky and others.

They will play sonatas for violin and piano by Mozart, Schumann, and two modern composers, Ponce and Villa-Lobos.

The concert is being sponsored by the Women's Music Committee headed by Miss Beatrice Gunderson.

Tickets can be purchased from members of the Japanese American Music Club of Chicago.

Young Pianist Gives First Recital in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO—Kewa Okamoto, young San Francisco pianist, was presented in recital here on Oct. 12 at the California Club.

Miss Okamoto won one of the annual piano contests sponsored by the Music Teachers Association of San Francisco.

Her career was interrupted by the war but she returned here in 1948 to continue her education and graduated last June from San Francisco State College.

Her program, which was well received, included a Chopin group and numbers by Scarlatti and Albeniz, together with numbers by two modern Japanese composers.

Two Renunciants Take Cases to District Court

LOS ANGELES—As a result of the U.S. Supreme Court's action on Oct. 8 in denying a hearing on the Tule Lake renunciants cases, the petitions of Miyoko Kiyama and Norio Kiyama for recovery of their United States nationality will be heard in the Federal District Court in Los Angeles before Judge William Byrne, it was reported.

Both petitioners renounced their American citizenship at the Tule Lake relocation center and filed individual court cases in the U.S. District Court at Los Angeles through their attorneys, A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand.

They were permitted to return from Japan to Los Angeles to be witnesses in their cases.

In other individual cases Yoshitsugu, Masaharu and Morie Taga, who also renounced U.S. nationality at Tule Lake and went to Japan, are being permitted to return to the United States by the U.S. Consul at Kobe on "certificates of identity" to testify in their own cases which are pending in Los Angeles.

They will leave Kobe on Oct. 15 aboard the President Cleveland.

Arkansans Contribute To JACL-ADC Fund

DENVER, Colo. — Five families in the farming community near Scott, Arkansas, recently contributed $100 to the National JACL-ADC, according to Z. Kanegaye, Mountain Plains chairman of the Kika Kisei Domei.

Daizo Oshima, Shuzo Shingu, Yutaka Yata, Haruo Yoshimura and Mitsuo Nakamura each sent $20 for the JACL-ADC fund rampaign.

The contributions raise the total in this area to $6,666 for the 1950-51 drive. The quota has been set at $8,000.

Monterey JACL Completes Plans For Dinner Dance

MONTEREY, Calif. — A full moon, congenial people, soft music and a hunk of tender, delicious New York cut. These are on the ticket for Sunday, Oct. 14, when the Monterey Peninsula JACL holds its first autumn dinner-dance in the Pebble Beach Surf Room.

All guest ticket holders are reminded that while all facilities of the Beach Club will be open to them from 5 p. m., the dinner will be served promptly at 7:30 p.m.

Nisei golf enthusiasts may be able to get in a few rounds on the Pebble Beach course during the day, while amateur photographers should have a field day along the sweeping grandeur of the scenic 17-Mile Drive. Showers and the heated salt-water swimming pool will be open after 5 p. m. Swim trunks and towels will be furnished by the managements.

No toll fee will be charged at the entrance to the 17-Mile Drive. All that will be necessary to gain admittance will be to show the pink-hued bids.

Genial Oyster Miyamoto will be master-of-ceremonies for the evening's festivities.

See New Delay in Restoring Name of Famous Tea Garden

SAN FRANCISCO — Possibility of a further delay in the restoration of the original name of the "Japanese Tea Garden" in Golden Gate Park was seen this week as Mayor Elmer Robinson signed a resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors urging the change.

The famous tourist attraction has been known as the "Oriental Tea Garden" since early in 1942 when the Hagiwara family which developed and operated the garden for more than 40 years was removed to a wartime assembly center for persons of Japanese ancestry.

Despite the resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors and signed by Mayor Robinson, it was reported this week that the city's Park and Recreation Commission may continue its "wait and see" policy and may delay the change.

It was learned that the commission has discussed the name change at several meetings and favors to await the ratification of the Japanese Peace Treaty, signed in San Francisco last month, before taking action.

A commission spokesman noted "it is important to sound out community sentiment."

A representative of one of the groups advocating the change termed the commission's attitude as "strange," noting the question was discussed at a public meeting of the Board of Supervisors and that no one appeared to oppose the resolution.

Only 37 Weeks 'Til the 12th Biennial JACL NAT'L CONVENTION at the ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, San Francisco, June 26 - 29, 1952

Jury Awards Damage for Auto Death

BRIGHTON, Colo. — A jury award of $7,500 was made here on Oct. 4 to the estate of John Kurachi, 27, who was killed in an automobile accident on Dec. 29, 1949 on the highway near Holbrook, Ariz.

Nantaro Sakata, 50, also was killed in the collision in which Robert Sakata, 24, was seriously injured. The latter was the defendant in the trial.

The trial was an unusual one in that it was tried in a Colorado court under the laws of Arizona by District Judge Christian D. Stoner who presided.

Because the accident occurred in Arizona when those involved were returning from California, the laws of that state were used in the trial. Had Colorado statutes been invoked the jury would have been restricted in the amount of the awards while in Arizona no limitation is set on such settlements.

The plaintiffs originally asked $25,000 in the suit.

File $20,000 Suit For Nisei's Death In Plant Accident

SACRAMENTO—A suit asking $20,000 was filed here last week against the Campbell Soup Company for the death on Oct. 5, 1950 of Roy Kiyoshi Nakashima, 26, in a plant accident.

The plaintiff is Percy Nakashima, Florin, Calif., brother of the victim.

Co-defendant with the soup firm is William Lang, an employe. The suit charges negligence on the part of Lang and the company.

Nakashima charged that his brother was crushed between a lift truck operated by Lang and the rear of his own truck. He had just finished delivering a load of tomatoes and was tying empty boxes on to his truck when the accident occurred.

The victim was rushed to Sacramento hospital where he succumbed on Oct. 10 despite several operations.

Masaoka Slated To Speak Before District Council

FRESNO, Calif.—Mike Masaoka, director of the ADC, will be the major speaker at the Central California JACL district council's fall convention on Nov. 4 at the Hotel Californian, according to Tom Nakamura of Sanger, co-chairman.

Masaoka will address convention delegates and guests at the closing banquet.

Other JACL officials who will be present include Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national treasurer; Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California regional director; Tats Kushida, Southern California regional director, and Bob Takahashi, chairman, Northern California district council.

A special kick-off banquet will be held Saturday evening by 1000 Club members and guests. Seichi Mikami, local 1000 Club chairman, will be in charge.

JACL Joins in Protest Against Racial Caricature

LOS ANGELES—The JACL has joined a protest of numerous civic organizations against a skit in the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona because it caricatured the Negro group.

The skit, "Show Boat Days," was shown during the "Cavalcade of Stars of '51" and was performed in blackface.

The fair ran Sept. 23 to 30.

Protesting groups included the Fifth District PTA, the Tenth District PTA, the Pasadena Council of Social Agencies, the American Jewish Committee, the Los Angeles Urban League, the County Committee on Human Relations, the County Conference on Human Relations, the NAACP, the Anti-Defamation League, and the social action committee of the Congregational Church, and the Community Services Organization.

Most bitterly protested number in the skit was one in which the chorus line turned its back toward the audience, with each bustle showing a painted "mammy," complete with bandana.

Wesley Brazier, executive director of the Los Angeles Urban League, said the skit was a "deliberate and calculated insult" to a large block of the country's citizens.

He said the skit was in sharp contrast to other exhibits at the fair, which included "Our World in Art" and "Study in Neighborliness."

It was reported here that representatives of two organizations went backstage on opening night to register their protest against the skit, but were asked to leave by C. B. Afflerbaugh, president-manager of the fair, in a manner reported to be tantamount to ejection.

Earlier Nita Blackwell, president of the County Committee on Human Relations, had written to directors of the fair, protesting the type of advertising used in connection with the "Cavalcade of Stars." Her letter pointed out that use of such terms as "darkies" was highly objectionable and she urged the directors to review the show carefully before it was presented.

Rep. Rankin Drops Objection, Pass Bill to Admit Child

WASHINGTON, D. C. — When Representative John Rankin (Dem., Miss.) withdrew his objection to a private bill providing for the admission of a three-year-old adopted Japan-born child, Pascal Nemoto Yutaka, the House passed the measure unanimously and sent it on to the White House for the President's signature, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported on Oct. 8.

The case of little Pascal Nemoto Yutaka, adopted son of Lieutenant and Mrs. James R. Evans of Imperial Beach, California, received nation-wide publicity when the Mississippi congressman objected to its consideration two weeks ago, charging that the immigration laws were being circumvented by subversives who were threatening to overrun the country.

The Evans are on occupation duty in Japan with the 2143rd Air Weather Wing.

Senator William Knowland (Rep., Calif.) sponsored the private bill.

Last week, on the House floor, Representative Rankin declared that as a result of his action opposing the Yutaka bill he had been attacked throughout the country by "everything from Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt to Walter Winchell."

"I do not care to go into detail, but I want to say to the House now that I am opposed to breaking down our immigration laws and flooding this country with riffraff of the Old World. That is being done today," the Mississippi firebrand charged, "and as far as I am individually concerned, I am going to watch all these cases from now on and try to stop the flood of undesirable aliens who are now being admitted into this country, many of whom have wormed their way onto the Federal payroll.

"We should recreate the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization in order that its members might watch every one of these cases.

"The time seems to have arrived when an American has very little show in this country, or at least here in Washington. You can hardly find a white American on the Federal payrolls in many of the departments and bureaus of this Government. If any of you doubt that statement, go down and take a look.

"It is time to wake up and put a stop to this undesirable infiltration, if we are going to save America for Americans," he concluded.

Mike Masaoka, national legislative director, declared that Rep. Rankin's entire statement, was beside the point because no one could accuse a three-year old of being subversive. At the same time, however, Masaoka said he feared that the legislator's remarks might be notice that the congressman intended to object to every private bill for the entry of alien Japanese into this country, most of whom would be adopted minor children and fiancees of United States citizens.

Since private bills are considered on the unanimous consent calendar, the Mississippian could prevent their passage by his single objection.

These fears proved groundless when the House considered its regular private calendar, however. Representative Rankin was not on the floor to object to any bill.

Congressman Michael A. Feighan (Dem., Ohio), ranking member of the Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, who had first called the Yutaka bill up out of order by requesting unanimous consent, again called the measure up. This time he explained that he had discussed the legislation with Representative Rankin who had withdrawn his previous objection.

On this assurance, the House passed the private bill unanimously and sent it to the White House where the President is expected to sign it this week.

Los Angeles Nisei Group Will Give Original Drama

SAN FRANCISCO—Gyosei Hall at 1801 Octavia St. has been selected for the San Francisco showing of "Plums Can Wait" by the Los Angeles Nisei Experimental Group, it was announced this week by Florence Ohmura, chairman of the preparation committee, and Fred Hoshiyama, secretary of the Buchanan YMWCA and adviser to the Community Forum Group.

The show will be held Dec. 8, starting at 8:30 p.m., and will be repeated for the East Bay at the Berkeley High School Little Theater the following afternoon at 3 p. m.

The San Francisco JACL will be a co-sponsor. Support of the chapter has been promised by Yas Abiko, president.

Tickets will go on sale after Oct. 12 at the Buchanan YMWCA at one dollar each for either the San Francisco or Berkeley performance.

Discussions on JACL Issues Will Hightlight Convention

SANTA ANA, Calif.—Provocative issues will be mooted at the Nov. 17-18 convention of the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council, according to Ken Dyo, council chairman who predicted a hot discussion on controversial JACL matters.

Expected to be on the firing line at Saturday morning's session are Dr. Randy Sakada, national prexy, Masao Satow, headquarter's boss, Mike Masaoka, ADC lobbyist, Dr. Roy Nishikawa, treasurer, and barrister Frank Chuman, first veep.

Supplementing written reports on the credit union, health insurance and the regional office, brief and punchy oral reports on "PSWDC's $1,000,000 Enterprise," "Health is Cheap" and "Staff Stuff" will be given by Saburo Kido, Ken Dyo and Tats Kushida.

Leading off after Saturday's luncheon will be "Compromise Settlements—Will They Work?" featuring attorney Dave McKibbin, claims expert for JACL.

Issei ADC leaders of Southland communities will be invited to participate in the 1952 fund drive session on Saturday afternoon, to be followed by the first U.S. showing of a sound film (English) on post war Japan, gift of the Mayor of Tokyo to JACL. Winding up the day will be a convention banquet and ball held at the spacious and modern auditorium of the YWCA.

Highlighting the Sunday morning session from 10 o'clock will be a chapter clinic, resolutions and election of 1951-53 PSWDC officers.

The convention chairman, Ken Uyesugi, stated that the numerous events would not conflict with business sessions in order to give the booster delegates an opportunity to see the convention in action.

First Claims Award Signed Under New Compromise Plan By Department of Justice

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Assistant Attorney General Holmes Baldridge, in charge of the claims division of the Department of Justice, signed the first evacuation claims award under the recently enacted compromise settlement program, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was informed this week.

The claimant, Takashi Sata, is an Issei now residing at 2764 North Kenmore Street, Chicago, Illinois. Prior to evacuation, he resided in San Francisco, California. He was evacuated to the Turlock Assembly Center and then to the Gila River Relocation Center. He relocated to Chicago.

His claim was for household goods and personal effects, amounting to $382.

He was awarded the full three-fourths allowed under the new law —$286.50.

Because Congress has not passed the 1952 fiscal year appropriations bill for the Department of Justice, the Treasury will not be able to forward Mr. Sata the check for a week or two. The appropriations bill is now in conference between House and Senate members to iron out differences and the final bill is expected to be voted on within a week.

The award was the first to be made under the JACL ADC supported compromise legislation that was signed into law by President Truman on August 17. The compromise settlement formula was intended to speed up the bogged-down evacuation claims program by authorizing compromise settlement of all claims up to three-fourths of the amount of the compensable item, or $2500, whichever is less.

Korea Veteran Asks Blood Donations For War Wounded

BERKELEY, Calif. — A young Berkeley soldier, now stationed at Camp McCoy, Wis., as he completes recovery from Korean War wounds, asked this week that his home town folks give their blood for other wounded.

Corp. George J. Fujikawa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Fujikawa, was hit last March while serving in Korea with the 24th Infantry Division.

His outfit was 11 miles south of Seoul along the Han River when he was hit by a grenade.

"I was told that blood aided greatly in my recovery," the slight, bespectacled soldier declared, "and I'm certainly thankful that it was there when I needed it most."

Corp. Fujikawa has been in the Army for 3½ years and at Camp McCoy since early in September.

Nisei Leaves For Coast Guard Officer School

LOS ANGELES—Believed to be the first Nisei accepted for officer training by the Coast Guard, William Sadao Fujitsubo, 22, left this week for the Coast Guard Academy at New London, Conn.

Fujitsubo was sworn in on Oct. 5 by the 11th Coast Guard command at Long Beach, Calif. after applying and taking his examination in August.

The candidate is a graduate of the University of Michigan with an M.A. in business administration. His secondary schooling was started at the relocation center high school in Poston, Ariz., and completed at Ann Arbor, Mich.

While at Poston Fujitsubo signed up for work at the age of 15 in the Navy ROTC mess hall at Ann Arbor and worked himself through high school.

He financed himself through the University of Michigan by driving a taxi in his free hours and later working at Kaiser Frazer.

He will be commissioned an ensign when he completes his work at the Coast Guard Academy.

Fresno Family Files Suit for Crash Damages

FRESNO, Calif.—Four members of the Umekita family have filed a suit for $62,000 in a Fresno court for injuries allegedly received on April 19 in an automobile accident.

B. H. and Allean Hill were named as defendants.

The plaintiffs are Kinjiro, Mary, Norio and Katsumasa Umekita.

Southern Alameda Growers Win Laurels at Fair

CENTERVILLE, Calif. — The Southern Alameda County JACL members again gained laurels at the Sacramento State Fair in their exhibits of agricultural products.

Under the able guidance of Kaz Shikano, the Nisei growers of the JACL copped many of the ribbons in most of the categories. They received eighteen first prizes; ten second prizes; and five third prizes. Tak Murakami, Sam Yamanaka, Kato Bros., Don Takizawa, George Fukui, Yutaka Handa, and Shikano Bros. were responsible for these individual prizes. In addition, the JACL Nisei growers received the second sweepstakes prize in Plant Vegetables; third sweepstakes prize for Tomatoes; and third for Root Vegetable. They entered 45 varieties and placed in 33 varieties.

Due to the untiring efforts of Chairman Shikano and his fellow Nisei growers, the JACL was able to make such a fine showing at the State Fair. As an expression of the appreciation for this fine exhibition, the JACL is planning a dinner to honor these exhibitors and committee members. At this time, ribbons for individual prizes will be awarded.

Gets Teaching Post

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Tomiko Nakamura, recently appointed to the teaching staff of Lord Tennyson public school, is believed to be the first person of Japanese ancestry to receive a teaching post in Vancouver.

Nisei Sergeant, En Route Home, Hopes to Surprise Mother

CHICAGO—A young sergeant, James Kimura, 25, of Chicago, will be coming home soon from Korea, according to Betty Betz, correspondent for the Hearst papers.

Reporting from somewhere in North Korea, Betty Betz said Sgt. Kimura, who has been fighting on the frontlines for the last ten months, is "just about the happiest guy in the whole world."

Sgt. Kimura said his mother didn't know about his return and that he was going to "surprise her."

He expects to be home at 163 W. Oak St. within the next three weeks.

Sgt. Kimura was wounded three times and wound up the last ten days of his army career by being assigned as an orderly to Gen. Haydon Boatner at the general's request.

Jim, who is half-Japanese, said the war in Korea was tragic, but added that "at least the GIs have spread a lot of goodwill about America over here."

He said there were perhaps 5,000 Japanese living in Chicago. He had a job putting up neon signs before he entered the service and hopes his job will be waiting for him when he gets home.

"And I'm getting out of this place just in time," he said. "Those 40 below temperatures are rough . . . even on a guy from Chicago!"

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EDITORIALS:

The Supreme Court

It is indicative of our thinking today that the fall docket of the U. S. Supreme Court is crowded with cases involving the rights of Americans of minority ancestry.

Among the issues are the right of a Negro schoolteacher to the same pay as white teachers; the right of Negroes to enter restricted schools in Florida and Tennessee; the right of Mississippi Negroes to register and vote without interference; the validity of segregation in District of Columbia schools; and the "right" of an individual to circulate literature defaming the Negro group.

The justices have already agreed to act on the cases involving the District of Columbia school children and the distribution of anti-Negro literature.

The basic issue in many of these widely diverse cases is segregation. The court is being asked to rule that segregation is a denial of rights guaranteed by the Consitution.

It is not possible to predict the rulings on these cases by this particular court, which has already gained a reputation for acting upon an unprecedentedly small number of cases each year. The court may, as in past sessions, refuse to pass upon the majority of these issues. It is to be noted, however, that a refusal to hear a case is better than agreement to hear when there is possibility of an adverse decision. But in view of the fact that the Supreme Court in recent years has made a number of notable decisions regarding the civil rights of minority groups, it would be gratifying to have further clarification of the basic rights of our minority citizenry by the highest court in the land.

Progress toward recognition of minority rights must be made first in the courts. This moral sanction is necessary to give strength and validity to those social changes which otherwise might not be accepted by many citizens.

The Unrepentant Rankin

Rep. John Rankin appears to have agreed that a three-year-old child cannot endanger the security of our country. Last week he withdrew his objection to the entry of Pascal Yutaka Nemoto, a three-year-old half-Japanese who had been adopted by an American Air Force captain and his wife in Japan. Rankin's objection had been based on his contention that this country was being overrun by subversive elements who were flooding the country.

Rankin did not, however, let the occasion go by without giving vent to his opinions on immigration and racial democracy.

"I am opposed to breaking down our immigration laws and flooding this country with riffraff of the old world," he said.

"The time seems to have arrived when an American has very little show in this country, or at least here in Washington. You can hardly find a white American on the Federal payrolls in many of the departments and bureaus of this government . . . It is time to wake up and put a stop to this undesirable infiltration, if we are going to save America for Americans."

In view of the fact that Rankin was persuaded to change his attitude toward Pascal Yutaka, we hope he will eventually see the light as it concerns others toward whom his spleen has been vented. It would be nice if he could someday realize that a man need not be "white" to be an American, that men and women on the Federal payroll are of every skin color, but Americans all. Indeed, he might recall that men and women in our armed services might also be considered on the Federal payroll, and they, too, represent all the skin colors common to the race of man.

A Flag Goes to Bruyeres

A flag that was flown over the Capitol building in Washington is now on its way to France to be placed over the 442nd combat team memorial park in Bruyeres, France.

The flag, secured this week for the National JACL by Utah's Rep. Reva Beck Bosone, will be unfurled on Nisei Memorial Day, Oct. 30, by the townspeople of Bruyeres, commemorating the day on which the Japanese American combat unit liberated the town in the southern France campaign.

The parents of those men who fell near Bruyeres must feel gratified at knowing their sons' memory is kept alive in a little park in France by grateful townspeople who still remember the day the Nisei fighting men came into Bruyeres. And it is fitting tribute to the democratic way that these men who here cemented French-American relations were of Japanese ancestry.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

The Man on the Xylophone

Yoichi Hiraoka, the world's greatest xylophonist, took the first step in his American comeback last Sunday when he enthralled a concert audience in Los Angeles with the magic of his particular genius.

A few days before the concert we received a letter from Yoichi which concluded: "Please wish me good luck in this comeback debut as I am staking my whole future . . . believe me I am going all out with all the music I have in my heart."

The concert was a success and was reviewed in glowing paragraphs in the Los Angeles dailies. A second concert is being planned in Los Angeles, this time under the sponsorship of the city's Japanese vernacular newspapers, and there are also plans for a concert in New York City.

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Back in 1941 when the thunderheads of war were massing in the Pacific, Yoichi Hiraoka's life appeared to be as secure as that of any other resident of the United States. He was a staff artist at NBC where he had been since March of 1933. He had given four concerts at Town Hall and had appeared with the Philharmonic Symphony and with other noted orchestras. He had been a guest star on many national network programs, including those of Fred Allen, Kate Smith and Edgar Bergen.

In that summer of 1941 the Hiraokas were living in a new apartment in Kew Gardens. He had married Shizu Yamaguchi of New York in 1937 (a few months after she had been caught in Madrid while visiting there by the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War and had been escorted from Spain on an American destroyer) and now they had two children. During the week he had his programs on NBC, including a regular morning show, and on Sundays he would often go surf-fishing on Montauk Point on the far tip of Long Island. He was also preparing for a series of concert appearances during the fall and winter and there was hope of a Hollywood Bowl appearance — he was also excited by the fact that he had given a "command performance" for Arturo Toscanini. There were also recording sessions for Decca and his first album of Japanese folk songs already was on sale.

Then came Pearl Harbor and Hiraoka, a native of Japan, found himself an enemy alien. He was dropped by NBC and his concert engagements were cancelled. The door of the music world was suddenly slammed in his face.

Yoichi Hiraoka's predicament, as a person of Japanese ancestry in the United States in the months directly after Pearl Harbor, was compounded by the fact that although he had lived in America since his arrival from Japan at the age of eighteen, he had come to the United States after the passage of the Asiatic Exclusion Act of 1924 and could not be a permanent resident. After several agonizing months during which he was unable to obtain engagements as a musical artist, he applied for repatriation to Japan aboard the exchange ship Gripsholm.

The Gripsholm left New York with the Hiraoka family in June of 1942. A few weeks before the ship's departure Yoichi Hiraoka made his first public appearance after Pearl Harbor when he played his xylophone on Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia's radio program over WNYC. This appearance was to be his last in the United States until his concert last Sunday in Los Angeles.

There has been a story circulated that the late Mayor LaGuardia had felt he had been personally betrayed when Hiraoka left for Japan aboard the exchange ship and that this incident was responsible for the Little Flower's later opposition, in 1944, to the resettlement of Japanese American evacuees in the New York area. Mayor LaGuardia's bitter opposition to the War Relocation Authority's resettlement program is a matter of record, however inexplicable his attitude may be in the light of the late Mayor's liberalism and advocacy of fair play. But the fact that Hiraoka had anything to do with it is not true.

Since his return to the United States Yoichi Hiraoka has met Joseph Reilich, a violinist back in 1941 with the New York Philharmonic and a member of the Philharmonic Quartet which assisted Hiraoka at the Town Hall concerts. It was Reilich who brought Hiraoka's plight to the attention of Mayor LaGuardia after Pearl Harbor. Later Reilich met Mayor LaGuardia after the Hiraokas had left for Japan and recalls that the Mayor was sympathetic regarding the situation faced by the Hiraokas and agreed that, although he was sorry to see the family leave, he felt that it could not be helped.

Yoichi Hiraoka wrote to Mayor LaGuardia shortly before his departure on the Gripsholm, "explaining the situation as well as thanking him and bidding goodby." He did not know until he met Joseph Reilich recently in Los Angeles that the Mayor, who had tried unsuccessfully to have him restored to his old post at NBC, was understanding and sympathetic.

"It is good to know this," says Yoichi Hiraoka, "and I am certainly intending to pay him my respects by visiting his grave as soon as I arrive in New York."

It is more likely that Mayor LaGuardia's anti-Nisei statements in 1944 were inspired by political rather than personal considerations, the Little Flower being embroiled at the time in a difficult political situation which was intensified in 1944 by the split in the American Labor Party. The Mayor may have thought that a sideshow of opposition to the evacuees might take him off the hot seat. It was a mistake and, as the Little Flower once said, "when I make a mistake, it's a beaut!"

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The xylophone is not ordinarily regarded as a solo instrument and it is Yoichi Hiraoka's distinction that he has won for it a respected place in the concert halls. On the morning following Hiraoka's first Town Hall concert on Dec. 21, 1936, the New York Times said in part:

"It seems strange that so extraordinarily gifted a musician as Yoichi Hiraoka, who gave a xylophone recital at Town Hall last night, should have chosen that instrument as his medium of expression. For with his rare sense of style, deep fund of imagination and exceptional talents as executant he could easily have forged to the front rank in some other branch of the art less limited in its scope and more popular with the public at large. . . ."

A year later H. Howard Taubman wrote in the Times following another Hiraoka concert;

"His touch was so delicate, his sense of style so penetrating and his command of color and nuance so subtle that he caused the xylophone to sing with the variety of one of the lordlier members of the instrumental family."

New York Sun expressed the change in attitude of the critics toward the xylophone as a concert instrument in its review which followed Hiraoka's 1938 concert:

"Apparently the news has circulated that Yoichi Hiraoka's xylophone playing has more to commend it than merely its exotic flavor, for his recital in Town Hall on Wednesday evening was attended by a large audience prepared to evaluate his performances of Handel, Beethoven, Mozart and Bach in purely musical terms."

The Los Angeles reviews last week express a similar realization of the capabilities of the xylophone as brought forth by Hiraoka's mastery of the instrument.

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During the war years Yoichi Hiraoka supported his Nisei wife and his American-born children by giving an average of one hundred concerts a year in all parts of Japan. When American occupation forces arrived after V-J day he was one of the first musical artists to perform for the GIs and he has volunteered his services on many occasions since then.

It was while Hiraoka was giving a performance for wounded American soldiers in a hospital in Japan that he caught the attention of Al Richardson, a California sports promoter who was in Japan to recruit four sumo stars for a tour of American wrestling rings. Richardson, a showman, immediately realized Hiraoka's potential as an entertainer and arranged to have the artist to come to the United States.

Hiraoka is no longer connected with Promoter Richardson and his first concert last week was managed by Eiji Tanabe Associates but he is grateful to the sports promoter for having brought him back to America.

"For nine years I worked and dreamed to make a comeback in the United States," says Hiraoka. "On the night of the Gripsholm's sailing, looking out at the lights of New York, we swore that we would come back some day."

Yoichi Hiraoka hopes to rebuild his career so that his wife and children will be able to return again to their native United States and he will be able to become a naturalized American—when Congress removes race restrictions from the naturalization law.

Yoichi Hiraoka has been heartened by the reception he has received since his return and feels that, with the sympathy and understanding which has been expressed by his fellow musicians and the public at large, he will be able to achieve his goal.

MINORITY WEEK

Gift of Love

School children are notoriously poor, but perhaps none among them are as poor as the kids who go to the Intermountain Indian School at Brigham City, Utah.

These 2150 Navaho children come from impoverished families.

But a drive there to raise funds for the Crusade for Freedom netted $139.90.

These kids, whose families have been poor and downtrodden for so many years, know only too well the worth of education and truth.

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Monte Irvin, whose showing for the New York Giants during the recent World Series was nothing short of sensational, is twice a crusader—in the ballpark and in civic participation.

Back home in Orange, N.J., he's running for assemblyman on the Democratic ticket.

His platform? He's expressed it clearly enough—racial tolerance and slum clearance.

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Investigation

The public Housing Authority is going to investigate a complaint that Negro families in the Marin City, Calif., war housing deevlopment, are being assigned to one-room apartments, even though larger apartments are vacant.

Luke Johnson, spokesman for the "one-roomers," says some 20 Negro families with up to five chldren are confined to sngle-room unts and have been unable to get larger apartments.

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"Certainly the Chinese have come a long way since the 'cheap-labor-discriminatory-days' of the 18g0s in which (it was said) 'the Chinese Must Go!' In some ways most of them have become Americanized (acculeurated); but whether they can ever become Americans (assimilated) is another question — perhaps one that can only be answered by the slow and painful process of time."—Bob Lee in the Chinese Press.

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The Footsteps

"The heavy footsteps of a man named Jim still echo daily in Denver. I know because I am a Negro and I've seen Jim walking down Sixteenth street, out on East Colfax and over on Federal Boulevard. Jim's last name is Crow—and I've met him face to face many times."—George Brown, Denver Post staffer who is doing a series on discrimination in Denver.

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Breaking the Ice

One of the least understandable of the Metropolitan Opera's "traditions" has been its refusal to use Negro performers in a land blessed for so many years by so many glorious Negro voices.

But during the past couple seasons the usually conservative Met has broken a lot of its old traditions. Last week it broke another. For the first time it signed up a Negro, Janet Collins, who will do some leading ballet roles.

And maybe now the way has been paved for a Negro singer.

Harper's to Publish Book On Relocation Camp Art

Publication this winter of "Beauty Behind Barbed Wire," a book on art and handicraft produced in the WRA camps during the war, has been announced by Harper and Brothers.

The writer is Allen H. Eaton, author of "Handicrafts of New England." Eleanor Roosevelt does the foreward.

The book will contain 96 full-page photographs, including four in color, showing the work of the evacuees, who used rocks, sagebrush and stone, shells and slabs of wood to produce their minor masterpieces while confined in their desert wartime centers.

The text of the book describes the evacuation of the West Coast Japanese Americans, their gradual adjustment to the WRA camps and their resettlement.

The photographs include pictures of gardens, flower arrangements, amateur dramatics, a dance festival, religious events and the tea ceremonial as well as such handicrafts as embroidery, miniature landscapes, toys and dolls, polished stones, shell art and furniture.

Box-Score on Race Relations:

JAPAN'S PROBLEMS

By ELMER SMITH

One of the primary problems of Japan demanding solution within the near future revolves around her population. In August of 1948, Japan had a population of about 80.2 mililon persons. The possible population of Japan by 1968 will approach the Jmillion mark, providing the deaths remain as in 1948 and fertility comes increasingly under voluntary control.

The problem becomes one of adjusting this population increase to a paucity of natural resources, stepping up technological development and finding a ready market for the manufactured goods growing out of the technological advances. The characteristics of the economy must be such as to enable it to expand to fulfill the needs of the people in one way or another. Export as well as import trade of the Japanese favors the neighbors of Japan on the Asiatic mainland and to the south in Indonesia.

It is doubtful if the European world and the United States will be willing to extend the necessary favorable trade agreements to Japan over the next decade. Already one can hear the demand for restricted trade with the Japanese. It seems logical to agree with Lawrence K. Rosinger when he maintains that Japan will have to link her industry with Asian markets and raw materials unless the Japanese economy is to be subsidized by the United States for years to come. Will the U. S. be willing to do this in the face of rising federal taxes and world competition for trade and control of natural resources?

The Japanese, if forced to link their industries with Asian markets and raw materials, will not be able to withstand the pressure from her Asiatic neighbors in relation to social and political as well as economic philosophies. This will mean that the cultural forces inherent in the basic Asiatic civilization of the Japanese will be more pliable to these possible anti - democratic forces — in terms of the western concept—than to the western democratic ones. This would further mean that the political position of the Japanese would possibly be found in the camp of the radical nationalist groups of Asia.

Some persons may argue that the Japanese have no such desire to attach themselves to the radical nationalist movements found in Asia at the present time. This type of belief is blind faith. Already in Japan there are a number of such organizations. One in particular is worth special attention. This group is the "Nihon Kakumei Kikuhata Doshikai (The Japan Revolutionary Chrysanthemum Flag Association). Its headquarters is located in Kyushu, a center of past and present radical patriotic and nationalistic movements. The thesis of this organization is that it is "anti-communistic," but a serious study of its program suggests that it is anti-communist not as an end but as a means. The end sought by the organization is revolution, but not revolution in the sense suggested at present by the communist group in Japan.

This group, under outside pressure from other Asiatic nationalist groups, has the possibility of disrupting the present trend in Japanese political and economic life. This would be especially true if the Japanese are forced to economically and finally politically to ally themselves with the "new nationalist Asiatic governments." The Communist group themselves might make efficient use of such an organization for the accomplishment of their economic, and to a degree political, goals within Japan proper. The direction such groups or organizations will go depends upon the future economic well being of the Japanese people and the constructive support given them by the United States.

The record of Japanese political and social development over the last six years will show that with the promulgation of the new Constitution there have been extensive formal reorganizations along democratic lines. No matter how much the formal evidence goes to support the development of democracy in Japan, it would be a mistake to assume that the democratic renovations have been complete.

Democracy, if history teaches us anything, shows that full democratic thinking requires independence and experienced maturity under democratic living conditions. This the Japanese have not as yet attained. Furthermore it is the belief of many, including some Japanese sociologists and psychologists, that the Japanese have not as yet recovered from postwar feelings of insecurity, hostility, suspicion and defensiveness. Leadership is still basically conservative.

The principal leaders are all conservative with the exception of Katayama. Yoshida and his associates have been career diplomats and were sufficiently opposed to the radical militarism of pre-Pearl Harbor to be forced from office. However, this does not mean that these post-war politicians, while they have been in power, are to be classed as "liberals" in the western sense of this term. Perhaps of even more significance to the future political and economic development of Japan is the fact that no vigorous new figures of prominence or promise have appeared.

The culture of Japan is traditionally embedded in the philosophy of authority invested in small groups of men. This background provides the various political and social groups in Japan with institutions and theory required for the creation of a highly centralized authoritarian state.

There is thus still danger of aggressive minorities seizing power and reasserting the basic "authority control" over the people without protest on their part. This can especially come about if economic and social conditions become critical and tense within the next decade.

We must not end this analysis on a note of pessimism. While one must not expect the new Japan to be remade entirely in the Western democratic pattern, it is the one important country in Asia where the prelimisary steps have been taken to successfully plant the roots of a democratic way of life.

The future depends upon the constructive assistance given the Japanese by western European countries and especially the United States in the economic asd social spheres. The future of Japan also depends very much upon the way the high tides of nationalism run in the other countries of Asia.

Win Certificates

SEATTLE—Ted T. Jitodai and Harry S. Hayashi were among 68 University of Washington students who received high scholarship certificates at the annual President's Convacation on Oct. 5.

Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

Everything But the Smell

Camp Carson, Colo.

A little bit of Korea has been transplanted in a corner of this vast military installation. Hollywood's experts of illusion have been at work here in connection with RKO's "The Korean Story." They built two tiny Korean villages of mud-walled, thatch-roofed huts, although one has been blown up already in a battle scene.

A G.I., who spent some bitter months in Korea, was astounded when he saw the Hollywoodized village. "It's complete in every way except the stink," he said, and he was right as could be.

The experts built the main village close by a dry wash, so common to this section of Colorado. Then they went far up that same wash, located a spring, cleaned it out, and had enough water to pour down the gully in an impressive little brook whenever the director called for action.

They used army engineers to rip an airstrip out of a hillside, and then they terraced a steeper slope to build rice paddies. Instead of rice they planted millet, and when it's flooded the average American couldn't tell the difference between this ersatz scene and the real stuff.

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Hollywood needed Korean refugees, too. So they sent their talent scouts to Denver and signed up some three dozen Japanese Americans of all sizes, shapes, ages and both sexes. That's all they could find who had both time and inclination to take a fling at play-acting. When the director decided he needed more refuges, a family of Spanish Americans were recruited to wear the traditional long white costumes of the Koreans.

For this reporter, it was startling to walk through the sample village and suddenly stumble on a "Korean" with olive skin and brown hair.

Aside from this slight shortcoming, the sticklers for authenticity ran into a problem they couldn't do much about. Almost all the "refugees" looked too sleek and well-fed for genuine refugees. But what could they do about that? As a matter of fact, many of the "refugees" who left Denver looking just a little peaked, waxed progressively fatter under the excellent meals they were provided.

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The Issei, Nisei and Sansei from Denver were housed in a tent city set up at Camp Carson for the film company's technicians and all other personnel except the topmost stars. These tents have showers and toilet facilities, linoleum on the floors, electric lights, and even insulation on top against the sun's heat.

This business of making a movie seems to be mostly a matter of waiting for all except a few key individuals. The "refugees" were called at what seemed to be the crack of dawn, fed hearty breakfasts, and shipped off to location aboard busses. Sometimes they'd sit around three-quarters of the day before they were called before the cameras.

In between times they took snapshots of the stars like Robert Mitchum and Claudette Colbert, filled autograph books, and thoroughly enjoyed acting. It's not everyone that can go to Korea in Colorado, play in a movie, meet stars, have fun and get paid for it at the same time.

Smog-Lites:

RETROSPECTIONS

Los Angeles.

Digging around in some boxes stashed away in our garage, we discovered some interesting souvenirs and such, including for instance one letter dated away back in 1933. Rereading its contents at this date, we find some prophetic items worth quoting. Of course, we'll not embarrass writer by mentioning any names since he is really a nice guy and a good friend—we hope.

Seems that one of the older Nisei who attended a Pacific Northwest JACL Convention that year was talking in a big-brotherly way to some of us younger Nisei by way of comment, (we quote):

"What spirit and unity those people have—If L.A. could show only half as much spirit, I bet you'd be able to put several second generation (members) into rather important public offices. If you'd pull even one third of your number, I bet there'd be a second gen. cop directing traffic at the corner of E. First and San Pedro."

Now in 1951 almost 20 years later, L.A. does have a Nisei cop. Though not in the traffic department, Stanley Uno is a full-fledged member of the LAPD. We wish our old-timer friend could have seen how fine Stanley looked when we saw him at the recent Nisei Week carnival right on the northwest corner of E. First and San Pedro. The carnival was held on the empty lot where Asia Company used to stand (the whole block having been razed for the building of the proposed new police headquarters).

Nisei policeman Uno was with some of his fellow policemen buddies and we saw any number of wide-eyed Sansei kids staring at him in awe. With him was his "kid brother" Edison Uno, also looking dashing in U. S. Navy blue, having come into town from the Naval Base at San Diego. Naturally Eddie being one of our favorite boys, we thought him the cutest lad at the carnival.

PAGING JIM YAMADA

Glancing over the June 1943 "TREK" magazine published at the "Central Utah Relocation Center" (—it says here—but "Topaz" to you), we dig up more memories. First we recall our very good friend Edith Kodama (Los Angeles, Topaz, and presently of somewhere in Japan) presenting us a generous stack of TREKS in Denver 1943. We're glad we hung on to these copies all these years, since the mags may some day be rare museum pieces.

Wonderfully illustrated by Mine Okubo, the issues bring back nostalgic memories of those sad-mad, serio or tragi-comic days of our incarceration. Even though we lived "in camp" but four months at Heart Mountain, Wyoming, Mine's unforgettable pictures gives us that "da kind" feeling!

And speaking of the Great Nisei Novel (yeah), we quote very appropriately at this time, in 1951, Jim Yamada (in his farewell leaving-camp article): "Now that our return to normal life is imminent, we find that the impressions of evacuation most sharply etched in our mind are not the kind we thought we would remember six months ago. The last few months have smoothed over a lot of the sharp edges of our original anger and bitterness, and now we see more of the light as well as the shadows.

"And in a year or two, when we look back, many of our recollections are likely to be the kind of stuff our writer friends, earnestly sweating out the Great Evacuation Novel (formerly the Great Nisei Novel), dismiss as 'trivial'."

How are you, Jim, and where? Just want to tell you that the mags in general, were excellent, also that your "Globularious Schraubi, M.D." articles on evacuee language are just as hilariously funny as when we first read them. Might interest you to know that back in 1943 we showed them to the ASTP cadets, some youthful Caucasian linguists who were studying the Japanese language, and these boys guffawed over them just as much as we did.

Incidentally, the TREK we noticed Marii Kyogoku's name. Would like to know more about her too.

YOO-HOO SAN DIEGO

Our thanks to the party in that Southern Cal city who sent kind words on the "Profile On Okubo" story and the swell box of candy. He neglected to give us his S. D. address so we are unable to post a private note of thanks. But publicly we acknowledge a "gracias, mi amigo" and marvel at that mysterious telepathy which sent Whitman's Sampler, the favorite box of this household, and something which both Mom and kids had been wishing for and talking about for the last several months.

Things like: "Too bad Daddy doesn't get us a Whitman's box any more like he used to" or "Why in the heck doesn't some company come over and bring us one of those Sampler boxes, double-layer kind." This is not an ad or commercial but Whitman's oughta be plenty happy.

GOOD NIGHT ALL

Darn it, we could have gone to bed at 10:30 this fine squizzling hot Indian summer evening in October with an "all-time high" record, but we had this deadline to meet. For the last two weeks, we must confess that our brain was dry, we wracked our noggin for sumpin-to-write-about, but no dice as they say in the crude vernacular. The freak-summer doldrums had gotten us and we had procrastinated till the dero hour. Grumbling, we hie ourselves to bed at the usual post midnight hour.

Caramba! for being a writer.

Vagaries

Film Talk . . .

Sessue Hayakawa's first film to show in the United States since he made "Three Came Home" for 20th Century Fox in 1949 is now making the rounds of the Japanese American communities. The picture co-stars Isuzu Yamada and Machiko Kyo. . . . Reiko Sato and Amy Kojima have dancing roles in U-I's "The Golden Horde" which stars David Farrar and Ann Blyth. . . . An injury sustained by Robert Mitchum, star of the film, held up production several days last week on RKO's "Korean Story" in which some 65 men, women and children of Japanese ancestry have extra and bit roles. . . . Peter B. Kyne's anti-Japanese novel about a California farm family, "Pride of Palomar," is back on the shooting schedule at Harry Sherman Productions in Hollywood. The producer assured the JACL ADC's Sam Ishikawa two years ago when the picture was first scheduled that the characters of Japanese ancestry had been written out of the film. Mr. Sherman declared at the time he was not interested in perpetuating racial stereotypes and simply wanted to make a good action western. The book "Pride of Palomar," serialized in a national magazine, was used in the early 1920's to influence public sentiment in favor of excluding immigration from Japan.

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Dr. Miles E. Cary, who left Honolulu's McKinley High School in 1941 to become director of education at the Colorado River war relocation center at Poston, Ariz., was named director last week of the Ethical Culture Schools in New York. Since 1947 Dr. Cary has been a member of the faculty of the University of Minnesota . . . Prof. Robert W. O'Brien of the University of Washington, wartime director of the Japanese American Student Relocation program, spent the summer with his wife and three children by manning a fire lookout station at Harts Pass in Washington's Okonogan County. Dr. O'Brien's book on the student relocation program, "The College Nisei," was published by Pacific Books (Palo Alto, Calif.) in 1949.

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Sculptor Isamu Noguchi, whose recent work includes sets for Martha Graham's dance productions and the designing of a garden for the new Reader's Digest building in Tokyo, is now writing a book. . . . The Nisei girl on the "One Man's Family" program last week on the NBC-TV network was Eileen Yaeko Nakamura, formerly of Seattle. Miss Nakamura has made a number of appearances on recent TV shows, including a role in a Pulitzer Prize Playhouse dramatization of Correspondent Hal Boyle's Korean front dispatches. . . . Jaxon Sonoda, now touring the country for the U.S. Air Force in search of Japanese linguists for overseas jobs, formerly edited the North American Times in Seattle. He served in G-2 during the war in the Pacific.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Benny Aoki Rates Plaudits for Grid Play

The junior college football scoring star to date on the Pacific Coast, and probably in the nation, is **Benny Aoki,** speedy climax runner for the Long Beach City College Vikings. Aoki electrified a crowd of 7,000 on Oct 5 at Santa Ana, Calif., as he opened the scoring with a goal line dash as the Vikings, rated as one of the strongest jaycee teams in the nation, trampled Santa Ana College, 41 to 7. Aoki also scored another TD and took the second half kickoff for 60 yards to the Santa Ana 25-yard line to set up a third TD. Aoki also kicked four conversions and plunged over for a fifth to bring his individual scoring total for the first three games to 46. Aoki was injured most of last year and did not play in the Little Rose Bowl game last December in which the Vikings shattered the undefeated record of the Boise Junior College team from Idaho... Aoki was named as the "player of the week" in Southern California junior college competition last week by Hoffman TV, sponsors of junior college telecasts, when he set a new Long Beach scoring record with 22 on three touchdowns and four conversions as the Vikings defeated San Mateo JC, 34 to 7. The 20-year old Aoki will receive a trophy and a medallion in a ceremony before the Long Beach-El Camino game. Against San Mateo Aoki took the ball on his own 2-yard line and raced 98 yards to a score. In 12 carries against San Mateo Aoki gained 79 yards for an average of 6.5 yards... Aoki registered at Long Beach CC two years ago after being selected as the city's outstanding high school player. Aoki who stands 5 feet 7 and weighs 150 was a track star in high school, running the 100-yard dash in 10.2s.

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Don Narike Scores for Occidental

Don Narike, hard-running back from Garfield High in Los Angeles who has made the Occidental College varsity in his frosh year, scampered 45 yards for a touchdown on a punt return as the Tigers lost a close 25 to 27 game to Santa Barbara State on Oct. 5... Halfback **Babe Karasawa,** one of the top running and passing stars in the Southern California College Conference again this year led Caltech's Engineers to a 27 to 13 win over Redlands University on Oct. 5, scoring one touchdown and making three conversions . . . Compton College, one of the nation's junior college powerhouses, pulverized Joliet, Ill., JC, one of the best of the Midwest teams, by a 59 to 0 score on Oct. 4 as little **Ralph Kubota** scored twice on Gallops of 14 and 25 yards. **Dave Yamashiro,** the 125-pound Compton halfback from Honolulu, made one conversion... **Walt Takeda** opened at guard on the defensive platoon for Sacramento JC as the Capitol City team trounced Santa Monica, Calif., JC, 31 to 13.

Prep talk: Cleveland High School in Seattle this week recalled its Cinderella team of 1937 which won the city football championship by defeating Garfield, 2 to 0, with only twelve men playing the entire game. The names of the twelve are now enshrined in the school's Hall of Fame. One of the twelve was **Jim Yamasaki**... Halfback **Eddie Tanaka** was the game's outstanding offensive star as Courtland, Calif., High defeated Lincoln, 6 to 0... **Koji Watanabe,** the 130-pound halfback who is taking up where such Nisei stars as **Jimmy Kogota** and **Vic Nakamoto** have left off, led Placer High of Auburn, Calif., to a 12 to 0 win over Yuba City, Calif., High. Watanabe scored the first TD on an 80-yard dash around his own left end... **Tom Okamoto** has won the first string center job at Elk Grove, Calif., High... Center **Sid Sakamoto** has missed two games for Edison High of Fresno, Calif., because of an injured shoulder... Fullback **Yosh Katsura** and Lineman **Cliff Hayashida** are two reasons why the Berkeley, Calif., Yellowjackets are rated as one of the strongest teams in Northern California this year. Hayashida also is a point-after touchdown specialist.

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Tanabe Tallies Twice in Prep Game

Halfback **Roy Tanabe** scored twice as James Lick High of San Jose, Calif., opened their league season last week with a 27 to 0 victory over San Jose Tech. Tanabe climaxed two Lick drives by scoring from 8 and 9 yards away... Right Half **Art Takido** of Fullerton, Calif., High scored twice on passes as the Indians smeared South Pasadena High, 26 to 6... Scatback **George Nishiyama** scored twice from the left half post as Chula Vista, Calif., High steamrollered St. Augustine of San Diego, 27 to 6 . . . **Tosh Takeyasu** is a 150-pound left half for San Fernando, Calif., High... **Jim Sakamoto** has nailed down the left halfback post for the Selma, Calif., Bears... **Kitada** started at right guard as Garden Grove, Calif., High edged Puente, 14 to 6... **Hori** was a left guard as University High of Los Angeles rolled over Hamilton, 38 to 7... **Mitz Fukumura** opened at quarter as San Jose Calif., Calif., High played a 6 to 6 deadlock with Sequoia of Redwood City... Halfback **Al Sanjo** was praised by Coach **George Relles** for his linebacking work in Sacramento High's games against Berkeley and Turlock... Guard **Hiro Tsukimura** sparkled again last week as Fowler, Calif., High's Redcats knocked over Selma, 9 to 0. Tusukimura scored the second Fowler TD when he recovered a blocked Selma punt in the end zone. Two weeks ago Tsukimura was breaking through the line so often that the Orosi High coach put two men on him. The win over Selma was Fowler's 15th straight.

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Mary Sakashita Leads Round-Robin

Three Nisei girls are leading their respective divisions after one week of play in the Salt Lake City Women's Round-Robin bowling tournament. **Mary Sakashita,** with a four-game scratch series of 734 plus a 70-pin handicap for an 804 total, leads in Class A after the first week at State Alleys. **Louise Imai** shot a 654-89—743 for a 46-pin lead in Class B while **Dorothy Mukai** leads Class C by 21 pins with a 576-134—710. This is the first year that Nisei have entered the round-robin tourney. Miss Sakashita's 210 was the high game of the week. Her other games were 174, 170 and 180... The year's best bowling by a Nisei feminine kegler to date is that of **Mas Fujii** of the Asahi Shoe team in the Los Angeles Ladies League. Miss Fujii turned in a 275 scratch game last week and a 602 series but her team dropped three points... **George Kobo** of the Jump'n Jack Cafe team is the only Nisei in the Metropolitan Traveling League in Los Angeles, one of the top pin-blasting loops in Southern California. Kobo is one of six Nisei on the mainland who have rolled "300" games in recent years... **Tats Nagase's** 663 series on games of 176, 255 and 232 topped the Nisei 850 Handicap League at Pacific Bowl in Oakland, Calif., last week... **Jim Matsui** of the Eastside Farmers topped the Sacramento Valley Nisei League last week with his 610.

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Many Nisei Play on Lightweight Teams

Because of their size most Nisei playing football in high school see action on the lightweight teams. For example Belmont High of Los Angeles has 15 Nisei on its B team and only one, 200-pound Tackle **Leonard Hashimoto,** on the varsity... **Joe Nishimoto,** captain of the swimming team last year at the University of Oregon and a champion swimmer in the Northern Division, Coast Conference meet, is now attending Columbia University, working for a master's in education... A state championship judo tournament between picked stars of Northern and Southern California will be held on Oct. 27 in Stockton, Calif.... The University of Hawaii's Rainbows, which opened the game with an all-Nisei backfield quarterbacked by **Sadao Matsukawa** lost a 34 to 0 game to the University of Cincinnati on Oct. 5 to wind up their mainland tour.

Wins East Bay JACL Bowling Trophy

OAKLAND, Calif.—Ziggy Akahoshi, player-sponsor of the Center Cleaners' bowling team, is all smiles as he accepts the JACL championship trophy from Masuji Fujii, left, representing the East Bay JACL at a chapter bowling awards dinner Sept. 15 at Angelo's in Oakland.

The Center Cleaner's team came in first in the JACL "875" handicap league.

Left to right: Fujii, Frank Ogawa, dinner chairman, Akahoshi, George Ushijima, Yon Takahashi. Missing from the photo is Tiny Tanisawa, team member.—Photo by Kinji Utsumi, Oakland.

Golf Tourney Will Feature Southwest Area Convention

SANTA ANA, Calif.—A three-flight open golf tournament on Sunday, Nov. 18 was announced as another attraction for the second biennial postwar convention of the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council comprised of seventeen chapters of this area.

Dr. Tad Ochiai, tournament chairman, revealed that the Meadowlark and Huntington Beach courses have been selected for this handicap tourney, with tee-off time set at 10 a.m. Total entry fee is $4.

Trophies for the two lowest net scores and merchandize prizes for 3rd to 10th places will be awarded in each flight, consisting of Championship, "A" and "B." A special award will be given for the low gross score.

Golfers were urged to turn in their entries by the Nov. 7 deadline. Entry forms are available from Ochiai, the JACL regional office in the Miyako Hotel, any PSWDC chapter, Sam Minami Sporting Goods, c/o Joseph's Men's Wear, and from members of the Southern California Nisei Golf Association which is cooperating with the tournament committee, which includes Johnny Ohta, Jack Matsuda, James Kobayashi and Sam Minami.

Monterey Nisei Umpires Baseball

MONTEREY, Calif.—Friends of Robert Sakamoto laid claim this week to the title of the nation's No. 1 Nisei umpire.

Sakamoto has been umpiring ball games in the Monterey area for the past seven years and is a member of the National Association of Baseball Umpires.

During the past season Sakamoto has called games for the American Legion regional junior baseball tournament, Monterey semi-pro games and the 11th District Amateur Softball championships at Pacific Grove.

Kiyama Boosts Lead in Hawaiian Bowling Tourney

HONOLULU — Howard Kiyama increased his lead to 102 pins in the second round of the 40-game Territorial Match Game bowling championships on Sept. 30.

Kiyama turned in his second straight 1,000 series for a ten-game count of 2,054. His games Sunday were 269, 153, 200, 213 and 184 for a 1,019 series.

Taro Miyasato is sixth with 1,928 and Hal Ogata is eighth with 1,917.

Uyesugi Holds Lead in JACL Fishing Derby

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Leading the pack in the local JACL-sponsored fishing derby is Ken Uyesugi in the yellowtail division with a 35-pounder, followed closely by George Osumi's 32 pounder, it was revealed by Iwao Aoki of Huntington Beach, derby chairman.

The five-month derby for deep sea game fish will end on Nov. 1.

"Although only three weeks remain, there is still time to enter," Aoki said, explaining that any Orange County resident, Issei or Nisei, may qualify if he is a member of the Nisei Angling Club.

Membership cards at $2, entry forms, and rules and regulations may be obtained from members of the derby committee: Yoshiki Yoshida, George Nagamatsu, Min and Hitoshi Nitta (Santa Ana); Hitoshi Kato, George Neishi, Kozu Fujimura and Paul Nagamatsu (Talbert); George Asumi (Anaheim); John Ochiyo (Westminster); George Agata (Cypress); and John Tadakoro (Stanton).

Among the many prizes are four glass rods, four ocean fishing reels, two tires, a set of auto seat covers, camping equipment, an albacore rig, a deep sea fishing scrip book and cash awards.

Tommy Umeda Leaves for Tour Of Australia

LOS ANGELES — Tommy Umeda, Honolulu Nisei featherweight and veteran of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, left here by Clipper this week on a six-month tour of Australia.

Umeda, booked to fight in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane, originally was denied an entry permit by Australia's immigration department because he is not of Caucasian ancestry. When news of the fact that that Umeda was a 442nd Combat Team veteran was publicized, the Australian government reversed its action.

Umeda, fighting bantams and feathers, was rated one of the outstanding boxers in his division in the Pacific Northwest and British Columbia in 1950.

Alameda County Chapters Hold Joint Meeting

CENTERVILLE, Calif.—A joint Eden Township-Southern Alameda County JACL meeting was held on Sept. 28 at the Warm Springs Grammar School. Kiyo Kato, president of the host Southern Alameda County chapter, officiated.

Haruo Ishimaru, newly elected JACL regional director was formally introduced to the assembly.

A report on the Northern California-Western Nevada district council meeting held at Stockton was presented by Sumi Kato.

Evacuation claims and problems involving the filling of the new type of questionnaires sent out by the Justice Department was outlined by Haruo Ishimaru.

Giichi Yoshioka, of the Eden Chapter gave a report on the Cal-Neva credit union.

Ray Kitayama reported on the progress of the joint Fall Dance tentatively planned for November.

Plans for the joint hosting of the NC-WN District Council Meeting in February was discussed.

Members were reminded to support the East Bay Chapter talent revue, "Show of Shows." Members were urged to attend the District Council Meeting in Berkeley.

Golf Tourney

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — The first California State Nisei championship golf tournament will be held on Oct. 21 on the famous Pebble Beach golf course under the sponsorship of the Garden City Golf Club of San Jose.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Kuni-to a boy on Oct. 4 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takao Ozawa a on Oct. 8 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Terai a on Oct. 5 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harumi Fuji-to, Redwood City, Calif., a boy, nald Shuichi, on Sept. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Atsushi kioka, Coyote, Calif., a girl, eryn Faye, on Sept. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ted Masaji o a girl, Diane Wendie, on Sept. in Son Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masatoshi Ya-guchi, Davis, Calif., a boy on t. 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Mizu-mi a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yagi a l, Gayle Yuriko, on Sept. 21 in tsonville, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kato a on Oct. 1 in Auburn, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Abe a , Douglas, on Sept. 18 in New rk City.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Take-a a boy, Glen, on Aug. 12 in icago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru James saki a boy on Sept. 29 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Osamu Iwataki girl, Patricia Gail, on Sept. 21 Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert H. rotsu, Isleton, Calif., a boy on pt. 18.

To Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Hirokawa, sadena, Calif., a girl on Sept. 2.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Minoru kohira, Fowler, Calif., a girl on pt. 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Tsu-oshi Okada, Parlier, Calif., a girl on Sept. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Fujita girl Danna Lee in Watsonville,

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Iwataki a rl, Ellen Tomiko, on Oct. 6 in kland.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi Mori a rl on Oct. 10 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Mat-oka, Loomis, Calif., a girl on pt. 27.

DEATHS

Tetsuo Okamura, 55, on Oct. 8 in Ogden, Utah.

Mrs. Naka Kinoshita Kusaba, 59, on Oct. 4 in Salt Lake City.

Mrs. Kiyono Hayashida (Mrs. Takematsu Hayashida) on Oct. 3 in Blanca, Colo.

Entaro Nitta, 74, on Oct. 3 in Seattle.

MARRIAGES

Eunice Torii to Toshio Okuma on Sept. 29 in St. Paul, Minn.

Alice Osaki to Goichi Hamamoto on Oct. 7 in Penryn, Calif.

Tsuyako Yasunaka, Hawaii, to Kyozo Yamanouchi, San Mateo, Calif., on Sept. 30 in San Francisco.

Keiko Yamagata to George Takemoto on Sept. 23 in Chicago.

Akiko Kumagai to George Watanabe on Sept. 16 in Denver.

Hatsumi Wada, 31, and Motomu Ishii, 40, in San Francisco.

Mitsuko Helen Nakamura to Mike Tsutomu Komatsuka on Oct. 7 in Los Angeles.

Lilly Miyagi to Heihachiro Izumi, Azusa, Calif., on Oct. 6 in Los Angeles.

Hiroko Takeda to Toshihiko Toshima, Santa Maria, Calif., on Oct. 6 in Los Angeles.

Haruye Okada to Tadao Kubo, Venice, Calif., on Oct. 7 in Los Angeles.

Yone Yashiro to Kay Yamasaki on Sept. 8 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Shizuko Sakauye to William Hara in Los Angeles.

Tsugino Goto, 25, and Hiroshi Oto, 27, in Sacramento.

Asaka Kawamoto, 22, Berkeley, and Shigeto Yoshimine, 24, in Oakland, Calif.

Marye Tanaka, 26, Detroit, and John R. Reardon, 24, Berkeley, Calif., in Seattle.

Wilma Z. Green, 29, Driggs, Ida., and Masamichi Suzuki, 32, in Sacramento.

Shigeko Numata, 25, and Frank Komoto, 31, in San Francisco.

May M. Kado, 20, and Dick K. Oto, 20, in Sacramento.

Sue S. Yoshikawa, 22, and John T. Okita, 25, in Sacramento.

Toshiko Okada, 27, and Ted T. Imanishi, 27, in Seattle.

Toshiko Iwaki and Henry J. Ishitani in Seattle.

Toshiko Tsujita, 22, and Hank M. Nishizaki, 31, Yuba City, Calif., in Sacramento.

Chicago Girls Plan Autumn Dance As Resettler Benefit

CHICAGO—Girls clubs in Chicago will sponsor a dance, "Autumn Nocturne," as a benefit for the Chicago Resettlers Committee on Saturday, Oct. 20, at the McCormick YWCA, 1001 No. Dearborn, starting at 8 p.m.

Clubs participating include the Sorelles, Philos, Jolenes, Mamselles, Colleens, Dawnelles, Debonnaires, Charmettes, Silhouettes and Reginas.

Admission will be a $1 donation from each male guest.

Present at a meeting to make arrangements were Jean Kaita, Willie Miyame, Colleens; Kimi Yamamoto and Hatsumi Yoshioka, Dawnelles; Amy Yasui and Toshi Andow, Philos; Fran Watanabe, Sorelles; Kay Kitahata, Mamselles; and Chizu Iiyama, Resettler staff.

The public is cordially invited.

Gov. Kazuji Sasaki, governor of Miyagi-ken, says goodbye to Mrs. Sumi Kanomata, secretary to Gen. Andrew C. Tychsen, as she leaves for her Pocatello, Idaho, home after 12 years in Japan, where she was stranded by the war. Looking on is Tatsuichi Kohno, liaison director of the Miyagi-ken government.

Brig. Gen. Tychsen is commanding general for the Northern Command.

Strandee Will Return Home After War Years in Japan

NORTHERN COMMAND, Sendai, Japan—Caught in the "throes of war" during World War II, Mrs. Sumi Kanomata, secretary to Brigadier General Andrew C. Tyschen, Headquarters, Northern Command, U.S. Army, since June, 1951, will return to her native land in October, after spending 12 years in Sendai, Japan. Her two children, 10-year-old Anne M. Kanomata and 9-year-old Jimmie Y., will accompany their mother. The trio will join Mrs. Kanomata's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Kanomata, 328 North Arthur St., Pocatello, Idaho, and sister, Miss Mae Kanomata, also of Pocatello.

Mrs. Kanomata graduated from the University of Idaho, Southern Branch. She came to Japan in 1939 where she was a student at Miyagi Girls' Mission and Shokei Girls Mission Schools in Sendai, on the main island of Honshu.

During the war years Mrs. Kanomata has many memories of the suffering which took place here.

"I well remember the bombing of Sendai July 9, 1945," said Mrs. Kanomata. "It was my birthday."

After the war when the American occupational forces arrived in Japan, Mrs. Kanomata joined the Tohoku Military Government, (later Tohoku Civil Affairs) as interpreter. She worked with the health section of civil affairs throughout the first years of peace. As a special investigator for the health section she has seen marked improvements made during that time, not only in the general health of the Japanese in communicable diseases, but in the health conditions for school children. The public sanitation conditions have also made steady improvements.

In her opinion the work of the Civil Affairs with the Japanese people cannot be overestimated too highly, and she is impressed with the "good will" which exists between the American and Japanese people today.

After a reunion with her family and renewing old acquaintances, Mrs. Kanomata plans to return to Government service, and her two children will attend the Pocatello schools.

Holds Dinner

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—The San Diego JACL scheduled a pot luck dinner Friday, Oct. 12, at the First Congregational Church.

Square dancing was featured, with jeans and cottons the order of the day.

New Rulings Will Ease Border Crossings by Resident Issei

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Immigration and Naturalization Service has announced new regulations for the issuance of border crossing identification cards, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee announced this week.

Signed by Argyle Mackey, Commissioner, the new procedures provide that resident aliens, lawfully admitted for permanent residence, who desire to make temporary visits to Canada or Mexico, may apply for border crossing identification cards. These special forms take the place of re-entry permits insofar as temporary travel to the two neighboring countries are concerned.

The new regulations become effective October 22, 1951.

According to Mike Masaoka, national legislative director, these new regulations make it much easier for resident Issei to visit either Mexico or Canada for periods of less than six months.

As reported in the Federal Register, the new regulations read:

"Section 166.1, Chapter 1, Title 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended to read as follows:

"Section 166.1. Resident alien's border crossing identification card; qualification card; qualifications to obtain. A resident alien's border crossing identification card may be issued to any alien who, upon application therefor, submits satisfactory evidence that he (a) has been legally admitted to the United States for permanent residence and has not relinquished the status of a permanent resident, (b) has complied with the applicable provisions of the Alien Registration Act, 1940, as amended, and (c) has a legitimate purpose and reasonable need to make a temporary visit or visits to Canada or Mexico, with no single visit to exceed a period of six months: Provided, however, that no such card shall be issued, nor shall any such card previously issued be renewed, in any case in which there is reason to believe that probable grounds for exclusion from the United States would exist as to the applicant or holder, nor unless the applicant or holder is a person who is permitted to depart from the United States under the terms of laws, regulations, Executive orders, or other governmental restrictions regulating the departure of aliens from the United States in effect at the time application for such card or renewal thereof is made."

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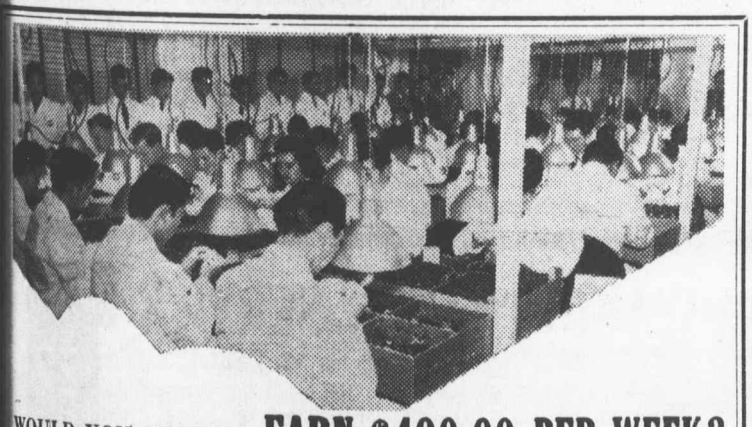

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Nisei Who Survived A-Bombing Returns as U. S. Army Soldier

Pfc. Kusumi Recalls Day Atom Blast Leveled Hiroshima

ABOARD THE USNS GEN. HUGH J. GAFFEY, Enroute Far East—A Nisei whose brother was killed by the atom explosion in Hiroshima is returning to the Far East in the uniform of the country that dropped the bomb, according to Charles Regal, Seattle Post-Intelligence marine editor.

He is Pfc. Shogo Kusumi, 21, who was working in an airplane factory just 20 miles outside Hiroshima when the historic attack was made. His brother Joe, 22, was working in the heart of the city and was among the thousands killed by the blast.

Private Kusumi was born in Bellevue, Wash., a son of Mr. and Mrs. Takesaburo Kusumi. When Shogo was 1½, his family went back to Japan, settling on a small farm near Hiroshima.

Shogo was attending school when the war started, but when he reached 15, he went to work in the aircraft plant. He was at work when the atom bomb struck.

"The factory was under the ground," Shogo told Regal. "The air was bad down there. That morning I had a headache. I went up for fresh air. Then I saw the thick, black smoke all over Hiroshima city. Our first word was that big oil tanks had blown up, but I knew it must be something worse than that. The smoke was different from anything I had ever seen. It was spreading all over.

"Later we learned that a terrible, big bomb had hit the city."

Except for Joe, Shogo's other family members were all safe. All were away from the city when the bomb fell.

After the war Shogo returned to school and three years ago decided to come back to the United States. He was a citizen by virtue of his birth in this country.

He went to Seattle, crossing from Japan to San Francisco on the General Gordon. The fare was more than $300 and Shogo arrived in San Francisco with barely enough to make it to Seattle.

"I was broke when I arrived in Seattle," Shogo said. "I did not speak English at first, but I found the people in Seattle very nice. Many people helped me."

In Seattle Shogo lived with the Tom Hirabayashi family. He got a job as houseboy in a doctor's home and attended Edison Technical School. He studied machinery — and English — for nearly two years.

Last March 27 he was drafted.

He trained at Fort Lewis, then got orders to go overseas.

He has saved up 15 days leave, which he hopes to use before he goes into action.

"I would like to go back to Hiroshima once more," he said.

Like all soldiers he dreams of peace and returning to the United States. Meanwhile, he said, he wants to be a good soldier.

"This time I know I am on the right side," he said.

Violin Recital In New York City

NEW YORK—Masashi Hashida, violinist, will make his Town Hall debut in a concert scheduled for Nov. 13.

Hashida, a resident of New York since 1943, is a native of Seattle, Wash.

He will be accompanied by Leopold Mittman at the piano.

Plan "Debtacy III"

CHICAGO — The Debonnaires will present their annual dance, "Debtacy III" on Nov. 3 at the Olivet Institute, starting at 8:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to join the Debonnaires at this annual event.

Wins Scholarship

SUNNYVALE, Calif. — Marion Shikamura of Sunnyvale was named last week as the winner of the $1500 W. Wesley Hicks research fellowship for the coming academic year at Stanford University.

Miss Shikamura graduated from Stanford in June and is taking postgraduate work for a master's degree.

Final Rites Set For Nisei Who Died In Famous 442nd

SEATTLE — Final rites were scheduled here on Oct. 13 for a hero of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team whose remains were recovered last July, seven years after he was reported "missing in action" with the Nisei unit near La Petit, France.

The remains of Pfc. Masao Ikeda, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sentaro Ikeda, were returned for reburial several weeks ago.

The funeral service will be held in the Japanese Methodist church.

Return Remains Of Six Nisei Soldier Dead

HONOLULU — The remains of six Nisei soldiers were among those of 15 Hawaii soldiers killed in action in Korea which were returned to the territory recently, according to Army headquarters at Fort Shafter.

Those returned, and next of kin, are:

Pvt. 1st Cl. Satoshi Goto, Sadao Goto, father, Wailuku, Maui.

Pvt. 1st Cl. Richard K. Nishida, Iwao Nishida, brother, Honolulu.

Pvt. 1st Cl. Koichi Moriwaki, Kunio Moriwaki, father, Kurtistown, Hawaii.

Pvt. Yoshio Hagiwara, Mitsugi Hagiwara, father, Waipahu, Oahu.

Pvt. Donald S. Miyajima, Matsuki Miyajima, father, Lanai City, Lanai.

Pvt. Herbert H. Suzuki, James K. Suzuki, father, Papaloa, Hawaii.

Announce Troth

DENVER, Colo. — The engagement of Helen Nakamura to Bob Maruyama of La Junta, Colo., was announced recently by her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. Nakamura, on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary. Miss Nakamura is a graduate of the University of Denver and at present is a violinist in the Denver Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Maruyama graduated at Adams State College and is assistant director of recreation in one of the city's centers.

Rep. Walter Introduces Bill To Rewrite Immigration Laws

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Congressman Francis E. Walter (Dem., Pa.) introduced his revised omnibus immigration and naturalization bill as the Senate Judiciary Committee began consideration of a similar bill sponsored by Senator Pat McCarran (Dem., Nev.), the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee announced this week.

The Walter omnibus bill, like McCarran's, is almost 300 pages in length and is a revision of his earlier measure which was introduced in January. The revisions were made after extensive public hearings were held by a Joint Senate-House Committee early this spring. The Walter bill, like McCarran's, features JACL ADC sponsored sections providing for equality in naturalization and immigration.

While the omnibus bills, both introduced by the respective chairmen of the Senate and House Subcommittees on Immigration and Naturalization, are identical in structure and general provisions, there are some 25 minor differences in the two measurse.

Both bills codify, revise, and bring up-to-date in the light of present world conditions the federal immigration, naturalization, and nationality statutes. Most of their new provisions are the results of the findings and conclusions of the Senate (Kefauver) Crime Committee and the Senate (McCarran) Internal Security Subcommittee and many of their sections are already a part of the Internal Security Act of 1950.

The Senate Judiciary Committee began consideration of the McCarran omnibus bill last Monday and will probably continue its discussions at its next meeting, a Committee spokesman informed the Washington JACL ADC office, while Congressman Walter said that he hoped that his Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization would be able to begin its study of his legislation next week.

Consider Importation Of Japan Farm Labor

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Sen. Warren G. Magnuson, D., Wash., said here last week the State Department is considering plans for importing Japanese farm labor in the event of a shortage of workers on western farms.

Seek Identity

CHICAGO—Police here are seeking to establish the identity of a man, believed to be about 40 years of age, whose body was found in the Chicago River in downtown Chicago on Oct. 2.

The only identification established to date was the name "Kanada" stencilled on the man's shirt which is believed to be a laundry mark.

The man was about 5 feet 3 and weighed approximately 130 pounds.

Wins Scholarship To U. of Hawaii

HONOLULU — Charles S. Mekaru, student body president at Kaimuki high school last year, last week was awarded the four-year Hui Makaala scholarship to the University of Hawaii.

Hui Makaala is a Nisei civic organization.

The scholarship is worth $200 annually. Five other students are currently attending the university under the scholarship.

"Soldier of Month"

FALMOUTH, Mass. — Corp. Walter N. Wakabayashi of Kaneohe, Oahu, T.H., was selected the "soldier of the month" of the 459th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Gun Battalion at Camp Edwards.

Corp. Wakabayashi, who enlisted more than five years ago, has served with occupational forces in Germany asd Belgium.

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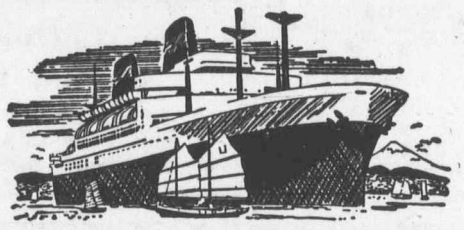

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