



FLORENCE, Ariz.—A delegation of National and Arizona Chapter JACL officials met with Senate Majority Leader Ernest W. McFarland, D., Ariz., at the Senator's ranch in Florence on Dec. 2. Sen. McFarland assured the group that he supported the JACL ADC's legislative objectives for equality in immigration and naturalization.

Pictured above (l. to r.) are: Ikuo Okuma, Arizona chapter president; Tats Kushida, Pacific Southwest regional director of JACL ADC; John Tadano, Phoenix; Sen. McFarland, National JACL ADC Legislative Director Mike Masaoka, Masao Tsutsumida of Glendale and Tsutomu Ikeda of Mesa.—Photo by John Hirohata, Mesa.

Senate Majority Leader Backs Issei Citizenship

Sen. McFarland Assures JACL ADC Group of Backing For Legislative Objectives

PHOENIX, Ariz.—Stating that he saw no reason why legislation for equality in immigration and naturalization would not become law, Senate Majority Leader Ernest W. MacFarland (Dem., Ariz.) this week assured national and Arizona Chapter JACL leaders that he would support this JACL-ADC legislative objective in the forthcoming session of Congress.

The Democratic floor leader declared that he would call to the attention of the Democratic Policy Committee of the Senate, omnibus immigration and naturalization legislation and urge that it be given early opportunity for floor consideration with the Senate Judiciary Committee favorably reports legislation in the Second Session of the 82nd Congress which begins next Jan. 8.

Visiting Sen. MacFarland at his Florence, Arizona, ranch on Sunday, Dec. 2, were Mike M. Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL-ADC from Washington, D.C., Tats Kushida, regional director from Los Angeles, Ikuo Okuma, Arizona chapter president, John Tadano, and past chapter presidents Masa-o Tsutsumida, Tsutomu Ikeda and John Hirohata. Carl Sato of Mesa, also a past chapter president, and who arranged the appointment with Sen. MacFarland, was unable to be present.

After Masaoka explained the interest and concern of the JACL-ADC in this measure, the Arizona Democratic leader declared his sympathy for this type of legislation and assured the JACL delegation of his support and expressed his hope that the Senate would speedily approve such meritorious legislation.

He stated that after certain "must" bills were considered by the Senate, that body might be in a position to favorably consider the McCarran-Walter Omnibus Bill. Senator MacFarland promised the delegation that at the appropriate time he would request the Democratic Policy Committee of the Senate to schedule the omnibus bill for floor debate and vote as requested by the visiting JACL officials.

Recalling his visit to Japan in 1946 and the tribute which Gen. Eisenhower had paid to the 442nd Central Postal Directory during a personal conversation several years ago, Sen. MacFarland stated

that the Japanese were entitled to the same equality of treatment and consideration as enjoyed by other immigrants to the United States.

Statehood for Hawaii was high on the priority list for early consideration in the Senate, he revealed. The JACL delegation urged his leadership to secure early passage of this enabling legislation.

The Arizona delegation discussed with the Senator the status of persons of Japanese ancestry in Arizona. The Senate Majority Leader declared that the Japanese were an integral part of the State, and that they had proved themselves to be good residents and citizens who had earned for themselves the respect and friendship of their fellow Arizonians.

JACL ADC Official Hails Role of Issei Pioneers

SACRAMENTO—Mike Masaoka, legislative director of JACL ADC, paid tribute to the Issei pioneers and urged speedy congressional action to assure them the right of citizenship by naturalization in a speech before the Sacramento JACL chapter on Nov. 28.

"It was the Issei who made the deserts of California bloom," Masaoka said, "and they contributed as much to the winning of the West as any other group of pioneers."

"In the twilight of their lives, the only thing we can give them that will really have meaning is citizenship in the land they adopted."

Masaoka, who attended the Japanese peace treaty conference in

Elect Pat Okura To Head Nebraska Welfare Group

OMAHA, Neb. — K. Patrick Okura, staff psychologist at Boys Town, was elected president of the Nebraska Welfare Association last week.

Seventy-five members, representing various social work agencies in the State of Nebraska, attended the annual meeting.

Mr. Okura served last year as recording secretary of the state body. He also is a national vice-president of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Accident Victim Asks \$8000 Damages

AUBURN, Calif. — Damages totaling \$8,539.47 are asked in a civil action filed with the County Clerk by F. Y. Nakashoji for injuries he says he suffered in an automobile accident May 21, 1951, near Loomis.

The complaint states Nakashoji's car was struck by that of Edith M. Planchon, defendant. He asks \$3,039.47 for himself and \$5,500 for his three minor children who were with him at the time.

President Truman Sets Up New Committee to Help Bar Bias in Defence Work

KEY WEST, Fla.—President Harry S Truman on Dec. 3 called for the utilization of American manpower, without discrimination as to race, creed or color, in America's war industries and announced he had set up a new Federal committee to help outlaw prejudice against minorities in hiring by government contractors.

Mr. Truman described the action as a new step in his civil rights program.

The new body—less powerful than the Fair Employment Practices Committee (FEPC) of World War II—will seek ways of strengthening the enforcement of the anti-discrimination clauses which are standard in government contracts.

(Sen. William Benton, D., Conn., praised the new executive order in a statement to the press this week, noting that discrimination in many states is causing "a staggering and needless loss in defense production.")

"Today as in World War II," Sen. Benton declared, "evidence is mounting of failure efficiently to use millions of members of minority groups in the skills for which they have been trained."

(Sen. J. William Fulbright, D.,

Ark., told a reporter in Washington that he had not heard of any complaints of non-compliance with the anti-discrimination rules in government contracts and opined that the President's action was an attempt to distract from the present House investigation of tax collection scandals.)

The executive order was reported to have been issued mainly because of complaints involving discrimination because of race or color in the employment of workers at the vast new hydrogen bomb Savannah River project in South Carolina.

The order will affect an estimated 40 billion dollars worth of contracts awarded by the government by the government this year and an even greater amount in future years under the defense program.

All government contracts have carried a mandatory clause since 1941 obligating the contractor to forbid discrimination because of race, creed, color or national origin. But compliance with this clause has not been secured, Mr. Truman reported, by any system of uniform regulations or inspection "widely understood by contractors and their employees."

To correct this "deficiency," the President's order created an 11-man "committee on government contract compliance" to study and recommend new rules, procedures and practices to be followed by the heads of government contracting agencies in strengthening of non-discrimination enforcement.

Five members of the committee will be representatives of the Defense and Labor Departments, the Atomic Energy Commission, the General Services Administration and the Defense Materials Procurement Agency. Names of the six other members, including a chairman and vice-chairman, will be announced shortly.

White House Secretary Joseph Short said the new decree was "narrower" in its effect than the FEPC of World War II. Members of the new committee will not be subject to Senate approval.

The wartime FEPC had authority over all war production, training programs, recruitment and transportation, Short noted, and had its own enforcement system. The new committee will issue recommendations covering government contracts and sub-contracts only and responsibility for enforcement is left with the head of each contracting agency of government.

Philleo Nash of the White House staff said some complaints had been received about non-compliance with the non-discrimination clauses but "no one knows the extent of compliance or non-compliance."

Fourteen Nisei From Chicago Wed in Japan

CHICAGO—Fourteen Nisei soldiers from Chicago are among 37 Chicago area servicemen who are returning with Japanese war brides from Far East service.

Sgt. Yoshiaki Uchida informed his sister in Chicago recently he was returning with his bride, Fumiko, a registered pharmacist, while Sgt. Terumi T. Kakida married the former Reiko Kitano in Japan last month.

Other Nisei GIs from the area returning with Japanese wives are: Sgt. Tadashi Saito, Staff Sgt. Toshio Morita, Warrant Officer Kaoru Yamaguchi, Sgt. Susumu Kojima, Staff Sgt. Toshio Kajiya, Sgt. Kosai Mizushima, Sgt. Joseph Y. Yoshimura, Sgt. Robert Nakashima, Sgt. Y. Takehara, Corp. George Yoshihara, Corp. Nobuichi Isono and Corp. Roy S. Fujimoto.

First Chicago soldier to return with a Japanese bride was Corp. Thomas Radtke. Corp. Radtke is a member of the Chicago JACL chapter.

Back from Korea

SEATTLE — Corp. Jimmy S. Kato of Burbank, Calif. was among Army combat veterans of Korea who returned from the Far East on Dec. 1 aboard the Navy transport Gen. Buckner.

Combat Men Return

SAN FRANCISCO—Corp. Koichi Okamoto, Los Angeles, and Sgt. Kiyoshi Ishimitsu of Seattle were two of 6319 veterans of the Korean war who arrived in San Francisco on Dec. 2 on a Navy transport from the Far East.

Six Nisei Soldiers Reported Killed in Korean Conflict

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Defense Department informed the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week that nine more Nisei casualties, including five killed in action and one dead of wounds, have been reported from the Korean area.

KILLED IN ACTION:
PFC Shoso Kuwahara, brother of Nobe Kuwahara, 706 Gardena, Calif.

Pfc. Walter W. Higashida, son of Mrs. Kiyoka Higashida, Box 321, Puenene, Maui.

Corp. Wilbert Y. Miyasato, son of Mrs. Tsuneko Miyasato, c/o Kumia Store, Kunia, Wahiawa, Oahu.

Pfc. Hiroshi Oku, son of Mrs. Shimi Oku, Box 176, Lahaina, Maui.

Pfc. Toshio Shimonoya, son of Mrs. Kula Shimonoya, 2244 Nuuanu Ave., Honolulu.

DIED OF WOUNDS:
Sgt. Jimmie Mayemura, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mayemura, 3615 West Compton Boulevard, Lawndale, Calif.

WOUNDED—
Pvt. Stanley S. Kurashige, son of Mrs. Tokiko Kurashige, Box 272, Pahala, Kau, T.H.

Pvt. Toru Namba, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tomiichi Namba, House 6, Camp 15, Waipahu, Oahu.

Pfc. Toshitaka Sano, Route 1, Florin, Calif.

New Chapter Planned for Redwood City

SAN MATEO, Calif.—A decision to divide the present San Mateo County JACL into two separate chapters was approved unanimously at the last general chapter meeting.

The move is one which has been under discussion by chapter members for some time.

The present San Mateo chapter will be comprised of residents from the northern county boundary to the Redwood City limits and the county coastal region. The residents of Redwood City and the area south to the Santa Clara County line will organize a new chapter.

Membership chairman Eugene Omi announced that a membership drive will get under way immediately in San Mateo. The committee under Omi will make a door-to-door drive to enlist new members.

The new Southern San Mateo County chapter will initiate a membership for their area at the same time.

The nomination committee of the San Mateo JACL met recently at the home of Chairman Bob Sugishita to prepare the ballot for the coming chapter election.

Ishikawa Outlines JACL Objectives

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Sam Ishikawa, associate national JACL director, outlined the long range financial objectives of the JACL to officers of the Milwaukee chapter on Nov. 30. Ishikawa at present is touring the country analyzing and discussing the financial set-up of the national organization.

The meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Matsumoto. Matsumoto is the president of the Milwaukee chapter.

Ishikawa mentioned the need for putting the entire financial structure of the JACL on a more stable footing. He said the requirements of various foundations were being studied in order to solicit in the future their support for the JACL program, and gave the reasons for the annual solicitation of ads for the Pacific Citizen, and the necessity for reshaping the ADC Fund Drive program.

Dick Akagi, Midwest Regional Representative, accompanied Ishikawa to Milwaukee. Akagi discussed the status of the JACL Legislative Program.

Seek Dismissal of Conspiracy Charge

HONOLULU — Seven persons charged with Communist conspiracy to teach and advocate violent overthrow of the Government filed motions on Nov. 30 for dismissal of the charges.

The seven defendants include four persons of Japanese ancestry.

Counsel for the seven alleged that the Grand Jury which indicted them was selected improperly — that union labor members were excluded deliberately.

Federal Judge J. Frank McLaughlin gave the Government until Jan. 15 to answer the motions and set over the entering of pleas until that date.

The seven are free on \$5,000 bail.

They are: Jack W. Hall, head of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union in Hawaii; John E. Reinecke, former school teacher who is charged with having been the territorial treasurer for the Communist party; Dwight James Freeman, Hawaii party organizer; Koji Ariyoshi, former U.S. Army intelligence officer and editor of the Honolulu Record, a weekly newspaper; Charles K. Fujimoto, chairman of the Communist Party in Hawaii and former University of Hawaii employee; his wife, Eileen Toshiko Fujimoto, and Jack D. Kimoto, former editor of the Hawaii Star, a Japanese language publication.

Hurt on Highway

OREM, Utah — Tom Nodzu, 13, was rated in "good" condition this week following hospitalization for injuries suffered on Dec. 1 when he was struck by an automobile while crossing Highway 91 near the Lincoln School.

Carleton College Welcomes Parents of Nisei Soldier

(This column by George Grim, Minneapolis Daily Tribune columnist, is a sequel to an earlier column published in 1950 which first told the Shigemura story. In his column on Nov. 30 Mr. Grim brought up to date the heartwarming story of an Issei couple, their son who died in action with the 442nd Sombat Team in France and a college in Minnesota.)

By GEORGE GRIM

Minneapolis, Minn.

"WE REGRET TO ACCEPT KIND INVITATION . . ." Warren Breckenridge, director of alumni relations for Carleton college, Northfield, Minn., tried to puzzle the meaning of that telegram from New York. He had invited Takejuro Shigemura and his wife to spend Thanksgiving week-end on the campus of the college they honored with their gifts, but never saw.

The story of the Shigemuras was told in this column—how their son Frank found friendship and a champion to fight for his rights when he was shipped from the Pacific coast and put in uniform on the first wave of anti-Nisei, Pearl Harbor hysteria.

Frank, winner of many a battle decoration, finally gave his life on a special mission in France. His father, a porter in the railroad station at Seattle, Wash., gave memorial money and then a scholarship fund in Frank's name.

The parents always wanted to see this Minnesota campus that had been the essence of America to them. So when "We the People," a TV program, offered to fly the two across the country to New York for a re-enactment of the earlier story, they accepted—provided they could return through Minneapolis and visit Carleton.

"I heard about it," said Breckenridge, "so I invited them to be our guests on the campus last week-end. That strange telegram was their answer. I figured these almost painfully modest people were planning to drop in on us unannounced. So one of our Carleton alumni, who is at Wold-Chamberlain airport, checked airplane passenger lists for us. The day before Thanksgiving, when the Shigemuras landed, I was at the plane door. I didn't know whether they were more surprised or embarrassed."

Memories of an Honored Son

"We are going to the Hotel Nicolet," they told me. "We heard that it was a good place. We will come to Carleton tomorrow."

Breckenridge just bundled them into a car and, soon they were driving to Northfield. Mrs. Shigemura did most of the talking. Her English worked better than her husband's. She walked heavily on a cane, for one leg was painfully stiff with arthritis. This was her first trip anywhere in four years.

They peered out the car windows as the chapel tower of Carleton came into view. At last they would find this place that had fought for Frank, about which he had told them so much. President Laurence Gould was on hand to greet them. The Shigemuras, very tired after their New York sightseeing and TV excitement, went quietly to bed.

Thanksgiving day, Chauncey Larson, a Northfield high school teacher who first had befriended Frank, called on the Shigemuras. At noon they had a Minnesota Thanksgiving dinner at Gridley Hall, girls' dormitory, with Annie Kaneshiro, first girl to receive the scholarship the Shigemuras set up in Frank's memory. In the afternoon they talked with Professor Leal Healey of psychology and with Victor Pinkham of history, both of whom taught Frank and remembered him well.

Modest Bows for an Ovation

Friday morning, at college convocation, President Gould spoke a few words about the Shigemuras and Frank and asked them to stand. The ovation was the longest anyone could remember. The two bowed modestly and sat down quietly in their places. Then there was lunch with faculty members and an afternoon ride around the campus. Mrs. Shigemura would murmur, "Frank wrote us about that."

Friday evening Dr. Gould and his wife, with a few other faculty members and their wives who remembered Frank, gave a dinner for the Shigemuras. Saturday afternoon they boarded the plane for Seattle.

As they left, Mrs. Shigemura, her eyes glistening, said to Breckenridge:

"This is all we will even want to see—this college that meant so much to our son, and to us. It is just as we hoped it would be. And please, let us know if we can do more to help. We think we can do a little more."

Frank's father bowed graciously, and solemnly shook Warren's hand. They entered the plane. Soon it was just a silver spot in the sky, disappearing westward.

Chicago Challenges 7 Chapters To 1952 Membership Contest

CHICAGO — Expressing confidence the Chicago JACL chapter will obtain 2,000 members in its 1952 membership drive, Harry Mizuno, chapter vice-president in charge of membership, this week challenged seven JACL chapters in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Denver to a membership race.

Mizuno's challenge that the Chicago chapter will gain more members than the combined total of the seven chapters was sent to the presidents of the Downtown Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, East Los Angeles, Southwest Los Angeles, Hollywood, San Francisco and Denver chapters.

Mizuno's letter said in part: "The Chicago chapter has beaten the combined five Los Angeles chapters for two straight years. Frankly, the Chicago membership committee looks forward with little pleasure to humiliating our good brethren in Southern California for three years running. In this membership race, we here in Chicago desire a contest, not a walkaway."

"To make the 1952 membership race minimally interesting, the Chicago chapter challenges the five Los Angeles chapters, including Hollywood, the San Francisco chapter, and the Denver chapter. We hope that these chapters together will come somewhere near match-

ing the well-known energy of the Chicago chapter.

"How about it, Los Angeles? How about it, San Francisco? How about it, Denver?"

Mizuno proposed that the contest be run on a straight general membership count, excluding special members. National JACL headquarters will tabulate the results and decide the winner. The contest will start as of the date of the acceptance of the challenge and will end on April 30, 1952 at midnight.

Mizuno announced the appointment to date of the following district chairmen for the Chicago JACL's membership campaign: Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Betty Kurotsuchi, Tom Kanno, Aki Tani, Smoky Sakurada and Yo Furuta. Co-tabulating chairmen for the drive will be Hana Okamoto and Kay Fujii.

Dance Held

ONTARIO, Ore. — The lower Snake River chapter of the JACL held its annual Thanksgiving dance at the Gayway ballroom in Ontario on Nov. 22.

Mrs. Bobbie Watanabe and Ted Nakamura were in charge of the affair.

Music was furnished by George Shurtleff and his orchestra.

From the St. Paul Dispatch: The Shigemura Story

Mr. and Mrs. Takejuro Shigemura have paid a great compliment to Minnesota and its people. They have paid a great compliment to the American way of life. Everyone who reads their story and grasps its significance will be a better citizen for it.

The Shigemuras, of Japanese blood, are a humble couple. Mr. Shigemura worked for years as a depot porter in Seattle. Against obstacles and handicaps they strove as have so many American parents, to give their son a better education than they had enjoyed. From their small income they saved so that Frank could go to college.

Pearl Harbor came, and World War II. Mr. and Mrs. Shigemura found themselves behind the barbed wire stockades of a prison camp, with other Japanese Americans. Frank came to Northfield and entered Carleton college. There he found tolerance, understanding and appreciation. His letters to his parents poured out the story. At 19 Frank enlisted in the American Army. With the famous "Go For Broke" infantry regiment of courageous Nisei, he went through the battles for Italy. He died in action before he was 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Shigemura might have become bitter. Instead, they turned their thoughts to the ideals for which their son had given his life. They donated the thousand dollars they had saved for Frank's education to Carleton, to be used in scholarships to help others. Freedom and opportunity and tolerance are not just words, but living, burning ideals to the Shigemuras.

Their recent visit to Carleton campus was a tribute to that college, and to Minnesota. Here their son had found the good things of American life, the deep things worth fighting and dying for. These parents and the son who rests beneath a soldier's cross represent the universal human yearning for the better way of life which democracy and freedom struggle to provide. Over the whole world, other families like the Shigemuras, of all races and all colors, have the same inner desires. It is that fact which is the foundation for all hope that some day the world will be able to achieve peace and justice and opportunity for all peoples.—An editorial in the St. Paul Dispatch of Nov. 26.

Shigemuras Appear on TV, Feted at Minnesota College

SEATTLE—Mr. and Mrs. Takejuro Shigemura were reminiscing this week about the pleasure they had in fulfilling one of the last wishes of their only son, Frank, who gave his life as a soldier with the 442nd Combat Team in World War II.

The Shigemuras had just returned from a visit to Carleton College in Northfield, Minn., where their son was a student before entering the Army in 1943. Since his death the couple has donated \$2,200 to the college.

"Frank loved Carleton College," Mrs. Shigemura said. "In a letter he wrote from France he said, 'Mother, I always wanted you to be able to visit Carleton.'"

Their opportunity came about two weeks ago when they were invited to go to New York, with expenses paid, to appear on Gulf Oil's "We, the People" television program. On their return they stopped for several days at the college. A delegation from the school surprised them by meeting them at the airport. During their visit they

were honored at receptions and dinners.

"It was a wonderful to be welcomed like old friends," said Mrs. Shigemura. "But I was so nervous sometimes I could just mumble."

While at the college, the couple met Annie Kaneshiro, a Nisei student from Hawaii who is the first recipient of a scholarship set up by the Shigemuras in memory of their son.

The couple also has set up an annual \$50 award in international understanding at the University of Washington.

Mr. Shigemura has been a porter at Seattle's Union Station for the past 40 years, with the exception of four years in a war relocation center during World War II.

Three Stranded Return from Japan, Two for Court Cases

LOS ANGELES — Three more war-stranded Nisei are on their way back to the United States from Japan, two to be witnesses in their court cases for restoration of United States nationality and the other on a United States passport, his U.S. citizenship restored.

The stranded with the passport is Makoto Sugimura. Those returning on certificates of identity are Hiroshi Mayemura and Setsuko Kuramoto.

Sugimura and Mayemura both served in the Japanese Army during the war.

Miss Kuramoto voted in postwar Japanese general elections.

They are being represented by Attorneys A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand of Los Angeles.

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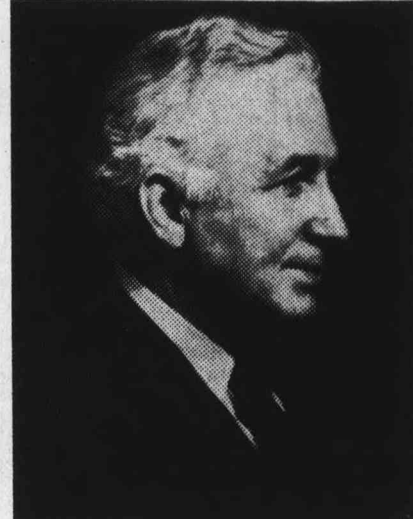
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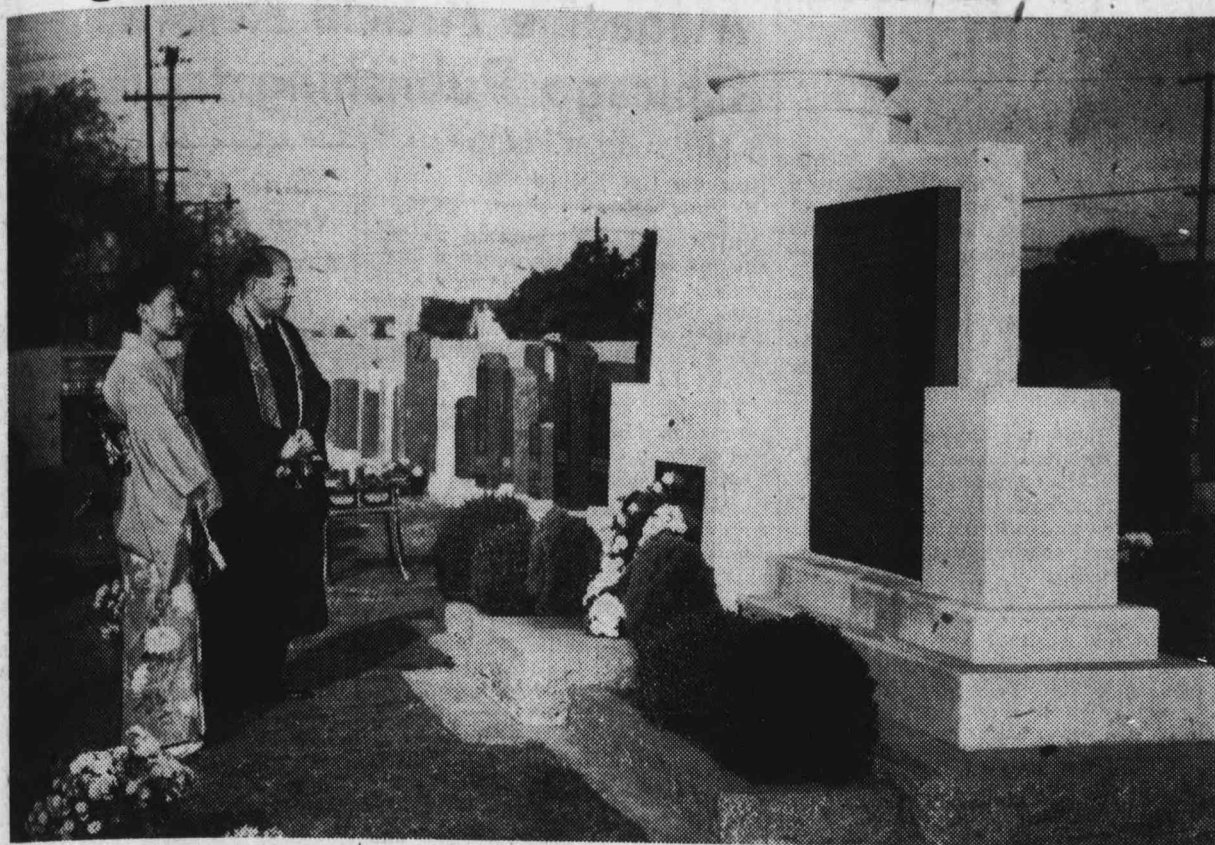
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Religious Leader Visits Nisei Memorial



Chief Abbot Kosho Otani of the Buddhist church of Japan and Lady Yoshiko Ohtani paid their respects at the memorial to Japanese American GI dead of World War II in Evergreen cemetery in Los Angeles last week.

Chief Abbot and Lady Otani arrived last week

by plane from Japan for a visit to Buddhist church groups in the United States which will take them to Arizona, Utah, Colorado, Illinois, New York, Washington, D. C., Oregon and Washington—Photo by Toyo Miyatake, Los Angeles.

Los Angeles Family Gets Check for Damages in Restrictive Covenants Case

LOS ANGELES — The Sakuyo Saito family in Los Angeles last week received a check awarded them in court for damages suffered when they were restrained from occupying a house because of racially restrictive covenants on the property.

The payment ended five years of litigation which started in April, 1946 when they purchased a home at 2947 South Dalton St. in Los Angeles. Two residents of the area, Bertha R. Kenyon and Clara McCormick, obtained a preliminary injunction restraining them from occupying the property because of the fact that they were of Japanese ancestry and non-Caucasian.

Following the 1948 decision of the United States Supreme Court that courts of law could not enforce such racially restrictive covenants, the Los Angeles Superior Court entered judgment in favor of the Saito family. In the meantime, however, the Saitos had been forced to sell the Dalton St. house at a loss in order to purchase another one in which to live.

At the time of the preliminary injunction order the plaintiffs were required by the court to put up a bond to compensate the Saitos in the event the Japanese-American family ultimately won the case.

Following the Superior Court decision in favor of the Saitos, the family entered a suit through Attorneys A. L. Wirin, Fred Okrand

and John Y. Maeno to recover damages from the plaintiffs.

After a long court fight in which the Municipal Court of Los Angeles awarded damages to the Saitos and the decision was upheld by the appellate department of the Superior Court, the payment was finally received last week.

Attorneys for the Saitos declared that, so far as it is known, this is the only case in which damages have been recovered by defendants in the long series of restrictive covenant cases which were filed in and around Los Angeles in 1946 and 1947.

San Luis Valley Chapter Sends \$422

DENVER—The San Luis Valley, Colo., chapter of the JACL has started off the 1951-52 JACL ADC financial drive in the Mountain Plains region with a check for \$422, Regional Representative Min Yasui reported this week.

Thirty-seven families in San Luis Valley contributed to the drive. The check was forwarded by S. Yoritomo, treasurer of the chapter.

Yasui expressed appreciation for the support of the San Luis Valley community and expressed the hope that other areas in Colorado will give similar support to the JACL ADC financial drive.

SATO ELECTED PRESIDENT OF POCATELLO JACL

POCATELLO, Ida.—George Sato was elected president of the Pocatello JACL chapter at the annual election meeting on Dec. 1.

Other members of the new cabinet are: Mike Yamada, vice-pres.; Susan Taniyama, rec. sec.; Natsuyo Yamada, corres. sec.; Sam Yokota, treas.; Ronnie Yokota and Miye Morimoto, soc. chm.; Will Kawamura, athletic coordinator; Guy Yamashita and Ike Kawamura, official delegates; Sanaye Yamuchi, reporter, and Stanley Kishiyama, official photographer.

Four Colorado Evacuees Get Claims Payment

DENVER — At least four individual claimants have received compromise settlement checks from the U.S. Treasury Department to date in Colorado, Attorney Min Yasui reported this week.

First payment to a Colorado resident apparently went to Nikichi Nishimoto of Fort Morgan, Mr. Yasui said, and the first Denver claimant to be paid was Frank G. Hirayama.

Two other Denver evacuees also received checks recently.

None of the claims paid to date in Colorado has exceeded \$500, the attorney noted. All four claims were processed by attorneys under the compromise settlement procedure in September.

Mr. Yasui, who is also serving on a volunteer basis as regional director of JACL ADC in the Mountain Plains area, noted that all claimants were "very appreciative" of the role of the National JACL ADC in obtaining passage of the evacuation claims law and the recent compromise settlement amendment.

Yasui commented that it was surprising the government has acted so speedily in paying the claims since only three months elapsed between the time the compromise application was submitted and the time the payment was received. Because of the large volume of claims now being sent to Washington under the compromise plan, Yasui said later claims probably would require more time for settlement and payment.

Engage Orchestra For San Jose Dance

SAN JOSE—Fred Massa and his orchestra will play for the 5th annual New Year's eve dance of the United Citizens League of Santa Clara County which will be held on Dec. 31 at Peter Burnett Junior high school.

Justice Department Accepts Claims Filed Before Deadline With Local U. S. Attorneys

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Evacuation claims filed with the local offices of United States attorneys prior to the Jan. 3, 1950, deadline will be construed as being timely filed, the Attorney General advised the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week.

This precedent was established in a claim filed with the United States attorney by a person of Japanese ancestry in Chicago.

The language of the Evacuation Claims Act provides that "The Attorney General shall receive claims for a period of 18 months from the date of the enactment of this Act. All claims not presented within that time shall be forever barred."

The Department of Justice interpreted this provision as giving the Attorney General jurisdiction to consider any claims received before midnight of Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1950. News releases were issued to the effect that all claims had to be sent to the Department of Justice in Washington and received in the nation's capital prior to the Jan. 3 deadline to qualify for adjudication.

In this case, the Attorney General held that since all United States attorneys were empowered to serve as his agents the filing of claims with them prior to the deadline met the requirements of the Evacuation Claims Act.

Although several hundred claims

are affected by this ruling, the Washington office declared that the even more important question of whether evacuation claims postmarked before the Jan. 3, 1950, deadline but received by the Department of Justice after that deadline was not settled.

In the light of the latest ruling regarding United States attorneys, the JACL ADC expressed the hope that the Attorney General will accept all claims postmarked before the Jan. 3, 1950 deadline as being timely filed.

"Because postmarked dates are sufficient in income tax matters many evacuees felt that such postmarks were also sufficient for evacuation claims purposes. They should not be penalized because of a technicality of law which could deprive them of their claim, the JACL ADC said.

Masaoka Hails Courage Shown By Friends of Nisei During War Period on Pacific Coast

By ROY T. YOSHIDA

LOOMIS, Calif. — Taking to task those who practiced un-American activities in the guise of patriotism to discourage Japanese Americans from returning to their homes in Placer County, and extolling those who unflinchingly stood up to be counted on the side of Nisei in their hour of need, Mike Masaoka, national JACL-ADC legislative director, delivered a stirring address at the Placer County ACL's 11th annual good will dinner.

Speaking to audience of some 250 chapter members and guests on Tuesday night, Nov. 27, at the Legion memorial hall here, Masaoka related the Nisei saga, from the turmoil and heartbreaks of unjustified evacuation to the equally turbulent resettlement period that faced the returnees to the West Coast.

He praised the exemplary behavior of loyal Japanese Americans while being held under duress in various concentration camps. Nisei loyalty to America, he continued, was so deep-rooted that thousands volunteered from barbed wire encampments to form an all-Nisei regiment—not for any service—but for front line combat duty.

Masaoka went on to describe how this regiment unique in U.S. military annals—the famed 442nd Combat Team—was called upon, after several other attempts failed, to rescue the "Lost Battalion" from Texas in France. And though the Nisei unit suffered heavy casualties, the mission was accomplished.

To help follow Americans in time of need, regardless of cost, said Masaoka, was the American way of life. And these Nisei GIs as well as those who served valiantly in the South Pacific, proved with loyalty and blood that the Nisei's first and only allegiance was to the United States.

Striking closer to home, Masaoka excoriated anti-Japanese elements in California, especially those in the so-called resettlement "hot spots," for their "cowardly attempts" to keep out the returnees. He was particularly harsh in his censure of hoodlums who burned down the Sakamoto home—Placer's only Japanese American gold star family. But he was equally generous in his accolade for those Americans who rallied to the aid of the Sakamotos and built them a better home.

This, Masaoka emphatically stated, was proof positive that justice and fair play shall always prevail where principles of true democracy are not only preached but practiced with equal vigor. Therefore, he continued, Nisei should have every confidence in America and her people because they can be depended upon to do the just thing when all the facts are unfolded.

Since continuing major objectives of Nisei everywhere are

equal citizenship rights for their parents and elimination of legislations that discriminate against Japanese specifically, Masaoka advised all JACLers to give strong heed to the 442nd's famous "Go, For Broke" slogan in supporting the JACL program.

He contended that peaceful world will not be gained on the battlegrounds of Europe or Asia, but in the minds and hearts of men. Thus, he added, we must all realize that Americanism is not a matter of slant of one's eyes, color of one's skin or beliefs of one's religion.

Frank Hironaka, chapter president, spoke brief words of welcome and thanked the guests for their attendance.

Among the guests were State Senator Harold Johnson, Assemblyman Francis Lindsay, Jerrold Seawell of the state board of equalization, Superior Court Judge Lowell Sparks, and members of the County Board of Supervisors. Also in attendance were various county officials and prominent leaders of civic organizations and business firms who have supported the JACL program during the past years.

Twenty civic-minded local Issei were presented with JACL certificate of merit for community leadership and outstanding services, in addition to their support of the KKD program, which have contributed greatly to the general welfare of the Japanese people in this country.

The chapter ball players who performed with much success in their first year in the Placer-Nevada league were presented with silver baseball charms, while various team officials were given merit pins. Bunny Nakagawa, athletic committee chairman, made the presentations.

Hironaka and Nakagawa were presented with baseballs autographed by the players in recognition of their meritorious service. A very enjoyable entertainment program, featuring talents from Sacramento, was presented with genial Roy Nikaido as master of ceremonies.

Koichi Uyeno, Loomis district vice-president, was in charge of general arrangements, while Tom Yego ably handled the evening's program as toastmaster.

Name Three Nisei to Board Of California Unity Group

ASILOMAR, Calif.—Nisei from various JACL areas participated actively in the sixth annual convention of the California Federation for Civic Unity held at Asilomar, Nov. 30 to Dec. 2. The annual meeting called together civic leaders, educators, church and social workers, labor and management officials, and leading citizens from every community in California.

Frank Chuman, Los Angeles attorney and national first vice-president of the JACL, chaired a panel discussion on housing. Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California JACL regional director, gave a report on the JACL and its activities.

Other JACLers present were Mrs. Frank Chuman and Miss Karen Dewa of Los Angeles, Helen Tomita and Edith Yonemoto of French Camp, and Mrs. Harry Nakamura of Los Altos.

Saburo Kido, past JACL national president, Bob Takahashi of Stockton, immediate past chairman of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council, and Haruo Ishimaru were elected to

the board of directors of the federation. Mrs. Josephine Duveneck of Los Altos was re-elected president.

The California Federation for Civic Unity actively endorses full participation of all people in the area of human relations, Ishimaru said.

Three resolutions affecting Japanese Americans were submitted by JACL Representative Ishimaru concerning state old-age pensions for Issei in California, further appropriate implementation of the Evacuation Claims Act and the compromise bill, and the speedy passage of the omnibus immigration and naturalization bills. These resolutions were prepared by Tats Kushida, Southern California JACL regional director, Frank Chuman and Ishimaru.

Ishimaru declared in his report at the Friday evening dinner meeting that the Japanese American Citizens League's motto of "Security Through Unity" must be interpreted in its fuller meaning of unity, not only of Japanese Americans but "of all persons in the fight for justice to everyone."

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EDITORIALS:

The Decade After Pearl Harbor

The tenth anniversary of Pearl Harbor went almost unnoticed this week in the United States. The people of America were too busy perhaps with the demands of heightening world tensions, punctuated by gunbursts in Korea, to pay much heed to an observance of the beginning of a war now past.

The ten years since that Sunday morning in December, 1941, make up the most eventful decade in the history of civilization. The greatest war was fought and the atomic age was born in the rubble of a city called Hiroshima. Today there is fighting in the snows of Korea and war and talk of war in Indo-China and the Middle East. And each day the threat of a clash between the nations of the Soviet bloc and the democracies grows more likely.

Of America's 150,000,000 people the Nisei have as much cause as any to remember the decade since Pearl Harbor. The war which the warlords in Tokyo unloosed in the Pacific on Dec. 7 set into motion a chain reaction which threatened the very future of Japanese Americans in their native land. Faced with rampant prejudice and the loss of homes and livelihood through mass evacuation, Nisei leadership was faced with a difficult decision. The request for military service which came from Nisei on the mainland and Hawaii was the impetus which was needed by those in the government who opposed discriminatory and restrictive treatment of the Japanese American population.

The record of the 442nd Combat Team and of other Nisei GIs in the Pacific and other war theaters has been the greatest single factor which has been responsible for the fact that Japanese Americans today enjoy a more favorable status politically and socially than they did ten years ago.

The JACL is proud of the part it has played among persons of Japanese ancestry on the mainland during the decade just past. Its existence during the early difficult war years helped to symbolize the faith of the Nisei in democratic action. Its counsel was inspired by the long view, of the greatest good for the greatest number. It has obtained passage of remedial legislation and was instrumental in promoting a program of indemnification for the accountable losses sustained by Japanese Americans as a direct consequence of the mass evacuation.

One of the JACL's major tasks was that of promoting a favorable public opinion for Americans of Japanese ancestry. The success of this objective was made possible because of the splendid record of wartime conduct of the Japanese American group.

In the final analysis, the question was one of faith in democracy itself. Americans of Japanese ancestry, in the despair which followed the promulgation of the mass evacuation decision, placed their faith in the ability of a democratic nation to correct its own mistakes.

Ten years later, secure in their status as Americans, the Nisei know that their faith was vindicated.

Not a Matter of Controversy

Support of the JACL ADC's legislative objective of equality in immigration and naturalization, voiced in recent weeks by Sen. Robert A. Taft and Senate Majority Leader Ernest McFarland, point up the fact that citizenship for the Issei and repeal of racially restrictive provisions in the Immigration Act of 1924 no longer are within the area of political controversy. Outstanding congressional leaders of both parties have endorsed the Walter resolution and the principle of equality in immigration and naturalization in the McCarran omnibus proposal.

It is noteworthy that Pacific coast congressmen now are in the forefront of those urging passage of the immigration and naturalization proposal. It may be remembered that the West Coast bloc was instrumental in obtaining passage of the restrictive 1924 law.

Although the principle no longer is controversial, political realities still must be faced in considering the possibility of early passage of the legislation. At the present time House and Senate subcommittees are considering equality in immigration and naturalization as part of the mammoth McCarran omnibus bill which seeks to rewrite much of the United States' laws on immigration and naturalization. The immediate future of the JACL ADC proposal rests at the present time with the entire omnibus bill.

Much credit for favorable sentiment in Congress toward Issei citizenship must go to Mike Masaoka and the JACL ADC which has done a tremendous job of information and public relations on the subject.

Because of overwhelming congressional approval, equality in immigration and naturalization eventually will become law. It is now only a question of time.

MINORITY WEEK

No More Sambo

"Little Black Sambo" is a children's story of a boy in India who outwitted four ferocious tigers and ate 169 pancakes but it has come to be regarded as a stereotype of an American Negro child. The National Association for Advancement of Colored People has been trying for some time to have the book removed from the regular reading program of schools and libraries.

In Rochester, N.Y., the other day Superintendent of Schools James M. Spinning acceded to the request of the local NAACP chapter and eliminated the book from the reading list of Rochester schools.

Mr. Spinning said that it is a good story from a literary standpoint but its title and the name of the hero carry connotations which are offensive to many adult Negroes.

Prohibition Law

The Federal law which prohibits the sale of intoxicating beverages to Indians is probably the only U.S. statute which specifically imposes a restriction on a single racial group.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs Dillon S. Myer is not one to duck an issue, as he proved when he was director of the War Relocation Authority. The other day in Reno Mr. Myer was asked in a press conference what he thought about that Federal law.

"I'd be delighted to see that old prohibition law eliminated," the Associated Press quoted Mr. Myer as saying.

The right to walk into a bar and buy a drink, in states where on-sale consumption of liquor is permitted, may not be important in itself but its prohibition is evidence of the second class status in which the American Indian is bound.

Racist Sugar Bowl

If you want to be technical about it, Nisei and other non-Caucasian Americans—with the exception of Negroes—are barred completely from the New Year's day Sugar Bowl football game between Tennessee and Maryland in New Orleans.

This year, as in the past, tickets for the Sugar Bowl game bear the following legend:

"This ticket is issued for a person of the Caucasian race and if used by any other person it is in violation of state law. Such persons shall be ejected without penalty or refund."

There are some 70,000 seats in the Sugar Bowl and 800 are set aside annually in a Jim Crow section for the use of Negroes alone. That means that, technically at least, there is no seat in the Sugar Bowl for an American of Japanese, Chinese, Indian, Korean, Polynesian or other non-Caucasian ancestry.

In actual practice, however, all non-Caucasians with the exception of Negroes apparently are accepted as "honorary Caucasians."

Explosions in Miami

Racist hoodlums no longer are setting fire to Nisei homes on the West Coast but the breed apparently hasn't died out, according to a news dispatch last week from Florida. Three dynamite bombs were exploded on Dec. 1 at a Miami Jewish center and a Negro housing project.

These bombings are the latest in a series which included three other explosions at Jewish places of worship and two in the Negro housing project.

B'nai B'rith, the Jewish group whose Anti-Defamation League has fought anti-Nisei prejudice and recognizes that anti-Negro activity is related to anti-Semitism, has offered a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of "the despicable culprits."

Miami police have been unable to make any arrests in any of the bombings.

Report on Hawaii

Anyone interested in the state of human relations in Hawaii will profit by reading the latest issue of "Social Process in Hawaii" published by the Sociology Club of the University of Hawaii. The current issue, just out, is devoted to "Industrial Sociology in Hawaii" and contains such articles as Ki-yoshi Ikeda's study of unionization

"Americans Betrayed" Magazine Article Revives Chicago Publishing Issue

By TOGO W. TANAKA

How To Get Kicked Out Of Your Job . . .

CHICAGO—A national magazine of conservative political persuasion is due on the stands next week with an explosive article about the firing of William Terry Couch, former director of the University of Chicago Press.

That firing took place over a year ago, last Nov. 20. But it's still news in some quarters.

The forthcoming article, by a Chicago Tribune writer who has done some complimentary pieces about the University of Chicago, will have some repercussions.

I am told that it may cost the editorial jobs of at least two people who interested themselves in the Couch case—as Couch defenders.

Just Displease the Big Boss . . .

Couch was fired because he defied former Chancellor Robert Hutchins in publishing Morton Grodzin's book about West Coast evacuation, "Americans Betrayed."

He doesn't say Hutchins condemned that book or opposed its publication on grounds that he was unsympathetic to what it said. He does claim that Hutchins told him in effect: "Im the big boss around here, and what I say goes. If I feel you should drop it for reasons I regard as important, I want you to drop it."

Couch, who had made a reputation in 20 years at the University of North Carolina Press (Chapel Hill), reared back on his hind legs and told Hutchins in effect: "The fact you're chancellor doesn't give you that right. There's a principle at stake. The U. of California claims it owns Grodzin's manuscript. Grodzins says its his. All we have to do is consult the law and see who owns what. If the law says California, we drop it. If the law says Grodzins, we publish it."

Hutchins, says Couch, was mightily displeased.

Salaam Three Times . . .

The average mortal—including most directors of university presses—would probably have gone home, dropped Grodzin's manuscript as too hot a potato, and perhaps started a campaign to win back the favor of the Big Boss, especially one as dazzling in the educational firmament as Robert Maynard Hutchins.

But Couch, called by acid-mouthed critics as a "hot-headed Southern Rebel," isn't average by any measure.

He got legal advice, proved to his satisfaction that California did not own the Grodzin's manuscript—went ahead and published "Americans Betrayed."

The Japanese American Citizens League and Scene magazine figured in the decision, because the former underwrote the book to the extent of making an advance purchase of 1,000 copies, the latter 500 copies. On a \$5 list price, that is a substantial order.

Book Had a Fightin' and a Feudin' Origin . . .

The curious thing about "Americans Betrayed" is that it represented a conflict between another boss—and—subordinate relationship before it became a Hutchins-Couch issue.

Morton Grodzins wrote the book as result of his employment on the staff of the University of California Evacuation Resettlement Study. His boss was Dr. Dorothy Thomas.

Dr. Thomas felt the Grodzin's manuscript was far short of her standards of scholarship. For this and other reasons, she felt it needed a lot more going over before it saw the light of print.

She did not expect Grodzins to have it published by any press other than the University of California Press, in which instance she could exercise more direct control over the manuscript. Grodzins defied her much in the same manner Couch defied Hutchins.

The difference—and a vast one—

and the plantation and a report on immigrant businessmen of Chinese and Japanese ancestry by Leonora Nishikawa, Sau Lin Wong, Annette Shigezawa, Ethel Godfrey and Lois Sanhusen. Andrew Lind, author of book, "The Japanese in Hawaii," has an article on the changing position of domestic service in Hawaii.

Name Grodzins New Editor of Chicago Press

CHICAGO—Morton M. Grodzin, author of a study on the Pacific Coast evacuation of Japanese Americans in 1942, "Americans Betrayed," has been appointed editor of the University of Chicago Press, Chancellor Lawrence A. Kimpton of the university announced this week. William T. Couch, dismissed a year ago as director of the university's publishing branch, charged then that he lost his job because he approved publication of Grodzin's book which characterized the evacuation and mass detention of Americans of Japanese ancestry as "the worst single wholesale violation of civil rights of Americans in our history."

Grodzins got away with it, Couch didn't.

Big Step-up for Grodzins . . .

Grodzins, now an associate professor at the University of Chicago and chairman of the important Social Sciences II, is said to be the next director of the University of Chicago Press.

This is something of a public secret around the campus. I haven't seen Grodzins or talked with him in over a year—though he has an office a few hundred yards from mine. But at least a dozen people around town have told me, in hush-hush tones of secrecy, that the big news is going to break "any day."

The Rebel Never Pussyfooted . . .

The directorship of the University of Chicago Press carries tremendous responsibility. Under Couch, it had worldwide coverage and prestige and a reputation as one of the great university presses.

When Couch published Frank Reel's "The Case of General Yamashita," (a publishing lemon from the sales view because it lost a lot of money), many who had little patience with his crusading zeal nevertheless admired his courage.

He was never one to duck a controversial issue. And if it is true that he was destroyed professionally because he dared to stand up to Hutchins, the loss to university publishing everywhere is a great one.

What's Happened to Couch . . .

When Couch got fired, the U.C. paid him off quickly and quietly. A check in the neighborhood of \$20,000 was sent to him. The endorsement, where he had to sign in order to cash it, read: "In full settlement of all claims." Couch refused to sign.

He wrote Laird Bell, U.C. Board Chairman, "I consider this payment only of my monetary claims against the University. What about my moral claims?"

Bell told him to qualify the endorsement and insert the word "monetary." Couch has retired to a Connecticut farm to get a rest and contemplate the world.

How a Few Regard Hutchins . . .

When he got the axe, some of his immediate subordinates on the U.C. Press staff resigned in protest: his associate editor, the editorial assistant, the syllabi editor, assistant to the production editor, the sales manager, the assistant to the sales manager, and the trade sales manager.

To quote one of them: "Couch got the dirty deal because he ran afoul of Robert Hutchins' personal dictatorial bent. Hutchins wasn't used to being defied in the Couch manner. Hutchins is a great man, a brilliant scholar—one of the greatest university presidents ever to be corrupted by power. Now to be corrupted by a million dollars that he has a half a million dollars of Ford Foundation money behind him, there isn't a ghost of a chance that anybody at the University of Chicago or at any other University will defy him." The man who told me this—one of Couch's former associates, says he expects to lose his present job shortly after the his present job shortly after the magazine article hits the stands next week. — From the Colorado Times.

Box-Score on Race Relations: Race Myths Used in Social Stratification of Minorities

By ELMER R. SMITH

One of the most common forms of group identification used in all societies is that known as "social stratification." This is the process of "dividing society into ranks, grades or positions, and involves the unequal distribution of privileges, duties, responsibilities, power, prestige, and influence." To this extent stratification is closely associated with some form of discrimination and often with segregation. Social stratification is based upon a number of criteria, and in all societies one or more of these criteria operate. Some of the more common forms of social stratification are based upon wealth, education, family background, sex, religion and color or race.

Social stratification of one sort or another is a universal phenomenon. Perfect equality for all persons in a society prevails nowhere. Stratification has appeared wherever man has attempted to work out a common life together. The fact of the matter is that every society has certain jobs that have to be done and in meeting the many problems involved in the fulfilling of these jobs only two ways are available. The first would permit everyone to compete for the jobs in question with the hope that each person would come to perform the functions for which his interests and aptitudes fitted him. The second way to solve the problems of social living is to have everyone assigned to some role or function; the basis for this assignment would be some easily recognized criterion such as age, sex, family, creed or race. The first of these methods is the essence of the democratic way of life and has been tried to varying degrees of success in a number of countries in the history of the world. The second method has also had many followers, and in its truest form can be found in totalitarian countries and in regions practicing a caste system. In the caste system a person's role is determined at birth and remains the same throughout his life.

The historical facts dealing with race contacts show that stratification operates in order to resolve the conflicts that arise in reacting to common demands. The form, however, that such stratification takes varies from place to place and time to time. It is known

that the form stratification takes can be commonly divided into slavery, caste, peonage, class and discrimination. Stratification can create hard and impassable barriers between groups, or it may exist in a very mild form involving patterns of differentiation so slight that it is rarely recognized and under the proper stimulus readily overcome.

Social stratification of racial and ethnic groups in the United States has tended to rest upon six basic mythological concepts concerning non-Caucasian peoples. These racial myths follow:

Myth 1 — All minority group members have the same status in their own group and in society as a whole.

Myth 2 — All persons having certain physical characteristics have the same personality traits and culture.

Myth 3 — All persons belonging to a certain racial-minority group are capable of doing — and are even born to do — only certain kinds of work.

Myth 4 — All that the minority people demand of a country is to have enough food to keep alive and a place to sleep and breed.

Myth 5 — The youth of racial-minority groups cannot be Americanized because of their racial heritage.

Myth 6 — All racial-minority groups are made up of inferior stock to the dominating group.

These myths used as the basis for the judgment of persons belonging to a given group make it possible to place them in ranks, grades and positions involving an unequal distribution of duties, responsibilities, privileges, power, prestige and influence. This is racism in its most potent form.

Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

Two Japanese Newsmen

Denver, Colo.

Two young Japanese newspapermen, Hisao Ishii and Tomio Maeda, have been here in Denver the past week absorbing knowledge about U. S. newspapers, democracy, and Americans in general. It is not an understatement to say that we who have been in contact with them have learned as much as they during this period.

Ishii and Maeda are from Osaka where seven daily newspapers battle it out for the fat circulation melon. Both are the sons of publishers, whip-smart and curious. They are visiting the United States under Occupation sponsorship to prepare themselves for the job of running a vigorous, aggressive, democratic press.

As a taxpayer, helping to bear the burden for junkets like this, I'm convinced that the people's money was never better spent. For Ishii and Maeda are learning to understand Americans, and that portends well for the future of our two nations.

Of course the two are vitally interested in how American newspapermen get things done. But they are just as curious about how Americans live, and why. They want to know how often Yankees bathe. What percentage of men help their wives with the dishes? At what age do Americans marry and why are there so many divorces? Why doesn't the gas and electric company send around collectors, or better yet, why don't meter readers make collections at the same time?

They've discovered much that convinces them that there is no fundamental difference between our two countries which cannot be bridged. They'll go home as good and eloquent friends of ours; they'll be able to interpret America to their people.

The Nisei situation fascinates Ishii and Maeda. When they first met Nisei with the Occupation, they couldn't understand why these Yanks with Japanese faces insisted on considering themselves as Americans.

Now they realize that America is indeed a melting pot, and that it is only natural for persons born and educated here to consider themselves Americans, regardless of color or racial background. They're interested in reports of discrimination against Nisei, and stories of Nisei making their way in American society.

All this is helping them to understand why there were squares and jerks among the Nisei attached to the Occupation—why some of them lied, threw their weight around, engaged in shake-downs and black market activity. And why the majority of the Nisei with the Occupation were as decent a bunch as they've ever met.

Before coming to Denver, Ishii and Maeda spent some time in Knoxville, Tenn., St Louis and Kansas City. They saw Jim Crow at work, and they were appalled. Then they remembered how the Japanese had discriminated against Koreans in their midst. They admitted they themselves had been guilty of prejudice, and they understood America better for it.

Now they're going on to Albuquerque, El Paso, Los Angeles and San Francisco. They will discover new things about this civilization that is peculiarly American, what makes it click and what makes it great. And in helping them, in a small way here in Denver, to understand us, we've gained a new understanding of ourselves.

I hope our paths cross again. It's been a refreshing experience.

Smog-Lites:

A BOUT WITH VIRUS X

By MARY OYAMA

HAD YOUR VIRUS "X"?

This should be more properly headed "No Rest for a Sinner," since we were lately abed musing on all misdeeds of the past for which some malignant spirits, or more truthfully, germs, were taking just retribution. And sure it's no fun being incapacitated for more than a week or so just before the busy holiday season, with micle-like man-made plans going all awry.

Cancelled a party, missed an interesting JACL meeting of the Eastside chapter, got behind in Christmas mailing, fell behind in our work; but the world went on as usual, never missing us.

If our friend Albert out Duarte way wonders what ever became of us, we explain our silence. For the last few months we'd been feeling below par, downhill, etc. This flu business was the sad, sad climax. For once, we who usually manage to stay on our feet, sick or not, went out like a light. Flat on our back, we meditated upon sundry disconnected thoughts: WHY? We'll never know.

DO YOU LIE AWAKE?

For instance, why should insomnia keep one awake trying to draw a map of the small town where one lived years and years ago? Block by block, house by house (where all your school-mates and class-mates lived), building by building—the court house, high-school, drug-store, grocer, baker, Methodist church, etc. Names of people you had not recalled from childhood, and even faces—quite some feat of memory, you'd say.

Well, so we did, along with remembering a CSO Reporter story about how Elroy Duran whose recent bullfight stories we recently enjoyed, had a gay old time riding up in the front seat of the Tinkertown Trolley then came down with a nasty siege of flu. Laid low by fate, we could certainly sympathize with Mr. Duran and agree with him that whatever enjoyable contributing factors led to ones downfall, certainly do not seem wonderful in retrospect.

But then again, it was fun while it lasted. (No doubt Elroy will agree). We shore had fun on the Tinkertown Trolley during Nisei week, riding in the last car with mobs of screaming kids. We wanted to scream too, but compromised by whistling as loudly as we could while our 7-year-old admonished, "Don't be so silly, Mommie." Riding around the blocks of 'Lil Tokio and the Nisei Carnival on the Tinkertown Trolley, we finally fell asleep.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING

According to reports, the recent local chapter meeting on which Prexy George Akasaka and this 'un worked so frantically turned out to be highly successful. Much to our regret, our illness forced us to miss the music and folk-singing of Rudy Rivera who entertained

at the meeting with a lecture on the musical culture and folklore of Mexico, as well as his singing and playing on the guitar. He sounded like a very charming sort of person over the telephone and we had anticipated meeting him, what a pity.

Mr. Rivera is one of only three bona fide members in the U. S. of the national Mexican Folklore Association which had its headquarters at the University of Mexico, and at present is engaged in folklore research for his MA at UCLA. Councilman Edward Roybal was the principal speaker of the evening and whose talk was so absorbing that the informal discussion session went on till past 11 p. m. and nobody wanted to stop even for refreshments. So evidently, the local chapter is starting off its new term with a bang. Candidates for new officers will be announced very shortly.

GOSSIP STUFF

Our L.A. city surveyor friend Elesio Carillo, a weekend ago attended a conference of the Council for Civic Unity at Asilomar. No doubt he will have some interesting items to report on when we next meet him. Elesio wants cute little Lenore D. to know that he did notice both her and escort at the "Carioca" some time ago and wanted to say hello to them, but couldn't as there were mobs of rugged-looking "cats" hanging around (too much noise), and for the life of him he couldn't recall their full names. But he certainly did remember them well from meeting them at our party back in April.

Noted stage and screen star Margo (Mrs. Eddie Albert) after hearing about the Nisei Experimental Group from Beatrice Grif-fith, expressed a desire to see some Japanese "Kyogen" plays. When we rang her, she promised to attend the Dec. 5th dress rehearsal. Recently she finished playing a part opposite Marlon Brando in "Viva Zapata."

Others who expressed a desire to see the Kyogens are: Anthony Quinn and Marguerite Churchill.

JACL Participates In Brotherhood Forum in Denver

DENVER — The JACL participated with six other recognized Denver organizations working in human relations in a forum at Brotherhood House on Nov. 26.

Rev. Tom Fukuyama, director of Brotherhood House, chaired the evening forum.

The JACL was represented by Min Yasui, of the Mountain-Plains office. Other speakers included Nathan Perlmutter for the Anti-Defamation League; Charles Tafoya, Latin American Council; Irving Andrews, National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored

Vagaries

Staff Artist . . .

Pete Hironaka is a staff artist for the Dayton, O., Daily News. A half page of drawings by him was featured in the Camera supplement of the Nov. 18 issue of the News. . . . Reason for the California State Board of Equalization's request for a ruling from Attorney General Edmund Brown on whether 'all liquor sales licenses held by Japanese Americans which were revoked in 1942 should be reinstated under the new amendment to the Alcoholic Beverages Act was that some members of the board objected to wholesale restoration of the 109 licenses. Fourteen licenses have been restored to date and Attorney General Brown's decision is expected to hasten the restoration of the others. On-sale licenses particularly are not easily obtainable in California and have a high monetary value. One provision in the amendment declares that the reinstated license holder cannot transfer his license for at least a year. . . . "Westward the Women," Dore Schary's western epic in which Henry Nakamura has a big role, is now scheduled for January release by MGM. . . .

Writer-director Robert Pirosh is now putting the finishing touches to "Mr. Congressman," his first film project since "Go For Broke!" As in the case of the 442nd film, the picture will be a personal production of Dore Schary. Mike Mas-aoka helped Pirosh tour Washington to get local color for the story.

Eddie Imazu was assigned by Metro this week on a forthcoming production, "Carbine Williams." . . . For those who read Min Yasui's article on Joe Duran and his Japanese war bride last week, the story has a happy ending. Mrs. Duran and their infant daughter, Keiko, are now in the U.S.

Restoration Wit . . .

A book by Dr. Thomas H. Fujimura, "The Restoration Comedy of Wit," a critical study of English comedy in the 17th century, will be published soon by Princeton University Press. The author, a member of the English department of the University of Hawaii, is a graduate of the University of California. He received his Ph. D. from Columbia and taught at Queens College and the University of Connecticut before returning to Hawaii. . . . One of the last songs written by the late Francis Zanami, Hawaiian Nisei songwriter, is a sad, sweet ballad called "Wakare No Isochidori" which is being recorded by Nippon Columbia. Two Hawaiian singers also have recorded the ballad, Tokiko Teshima on a Bell record and Masako Kawabata on the Imperial label.

People; Mrs. John Fiore, UNESCO; Dr. Prudence Bostwick, Denver Unity Council; and Mrs. Eddythe Grant, the Urban League.

Justice Department Rules:

Strandee Wife of Claimant Not Entitled to File for Share of Husband's Losses

WASHINGTON, D.C.—A claimant's wife who was stranded in Japan during the war is not eligible to claim under the Evacuation Claims Act, the Department of Justice informed the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week.

The precedent-establishing case involved community property. The wife of the claimant went to Japan in 1940 and has never returned to the United States since then although the claimant alleged that it is her intention to do so.

The Department of Justice declared that the claimant's wife is not eligible to claim under the Act inasmuch as she was never evacuated or excluded from a military area pursuant to orders issued by a military commander. Her "exclusion," if it may be called such, the government contended, was due to the intervention of World War II which prevented her return and is not attributable to action taken by the Army on the west coast.

Accordingly, the Department ruled that the claimant is entitled to one-half of the total damage or loss incurred, since under the community property laws of California the wife owns one-half interest in the property involved.

The government rejected the argument filed by the Japanese American Citizens League in a memorandum to the effect that both the right and proceeds of a claim under the Evacuation Claims Act are community property governed by the laws of California and are not subject to division except as provided by such laws.

The Department of Justice declared that the rights conferred by the Evacuation Claims Act did not arise under California law and

such rights are not affected in any way by state law except to the extent that the Congress may have adopted such law by reference. Where community property was lost, the government said, and either spouse is ineligible to claim under the Act the right given an eligible claimant by the Act is personal to him and at least until the money in satisfaction of the claim reaches his hands, is in no way affected by state law.

JACL's further contention that the wife's loss was a consequence of evacuation was also rejected on the grounds that the right of claim is given, not for the evacuation or exclusion of others, but only for property losses sustained as a "reasonable and natural consequence of the evacuation or exclusion of such person." It is, of course, true, the government conceded, that the fact of evacuation or the exclusion of others may have contributed to the loss.

Toshio Tsukahira Explains Peace Pact In Boston Talk

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Dr. Toshio Tsukahira discussed "Japan and the Treaty" on the "Behind World Headlines" lecture series at the West Roxbury branch of the Boston Public Library on Nov. 14.

Dr. Tsukahira, a native of Los Angeles, studied at UCLA and received his Ph. D. from Harvard University. He is now a member of the staff of the Russian Research Center at Harvard.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Kawasoe Helps Coach Champion Vikings

Dutch Kawasoe was the line coach of the Vale, Ore., Vikings, champions of the Snake River Valley conference this year. Three Nisei, Ray Tomoyashi, Ray Nakamoto and Chester Yabitsu, were members of the Vale squad which lost in the Oregon state playoffs to Mac-Hi of Milton-Freewater... Scoring twice in the fourth quarter, the Nisei Vets of Seattle wound up their season last week by defeating the Associated Boys Clubs All-Stars, 12 to 0, at Catholic Memorial Stadium. Phil Demansis returned a punt 76 yards for the first tally and Art Watanabe passed to Dick Tsuji for the second score.

There are news stories in this issue of the PC about K. Patrick Okura and Dr. Toshio Tsukahira, both of whom were outstanding athletes while attending school in Southern California. Pat Okura, now staff psychologist at Boys Town, was a varsity infielder for the UCLA Bruins and also played second base for the L. A. Nippons. Dr. Tsukahira, now at the Russian Research Center at Harvard, was a star 440-man for Belmont High School in Los Angeles and also participated in athletics at UCLA.

Kono Prepares for Olympic Trials

Tommy Kono of Sacramento, Pacific Coast champion weightlifter in the 148-pound division, will make a determined bid for a place on the U.S. Olympic team. Kono participated in a lifters contest in Oakland last week... Hasako Shingu and Carol Shingu were named to the Stockton College all-star women's hockey team at the end of the regular women's hockey league season at the school. The all-stars defeated Lodi, Calif., High, 2 to 0, recently... Min Yoshizaki, winner of two recent Coast Nisei tournaments, lost to Peanuts Lowrey, big league ball player, 1 up, in the first round of the championship flight in the Pasadena, Calif., city golf championships last week.

Yoshioka Named on All-Star Squad

Halfback Togo Yoshioka of San Leandro, Calif., High was named on the second team of the annual all-star Oakland Athletic League squad selected by the Oakland Tribune. Yoshioka was one of the top Nisei high school football players in Northern California during the past season... Corp. Yutaka Higa, named on the Honolulu Star-Bulletin's 1947 all-star football team when he starred for Waipahu High, was killed in action in Korea on Oct. 13... Guard Richard Nakamoto of Mountain View, Calif., High was named to the second team of the San Jose Mercury's annual all-Santa Clara Valley squad. Nakamoto doffed his grid togs last week and turned out for basketball. He is now fighting for a starting guard spot with the Eagles... Tom Hashimoto of Fremont High of Sunnyvale gained honorable mention as a tackle on the San Jose Mercury team... Ken Tsutsui and Sam Asaki were members of the Hanford, Calif., High light-weight team which tied for first place in league play this year... Sparkling play by Guard Vic Kondo and Linebacker Ben Koda helped Sanger, Calif., High's Apaches to a 27 to 20 football victory over Chowchilla for the San Joaquin Valley Sequoia division championship.

Gunner Nakabayashi Now in Korea

The University of Utah Redskins opened their basketball season with wins over Montana State and the Washington Huskies recently but a Nisei star from Hawaii who was touted last year for a place on the Ute varsity was not on the floor. The reason: Herbert (Gunner) Nakabayashi, former all-territorial prep star, is a GI "somewhere in Korea." Corp. Nakabayashi's name would have been a tongue-tangler for the radio and TV announcers who are covering the Utes this year... Herb played in the Intermountain JACL tournament in 1950 as a member of the Salt Lake Harlems. He was a member of the Hawaiian All-Star team which went to the Chicago Nisei tournament in 1949. He and John Honda Holi were offered athletic scholarships by Utah.

Aoki Places Second in Scoring Race

Little Benny Aoki wound up as the second best junior college scorer in Southern California with 100 points for the Long Beach Junior College Vikings on twelve touchdowns and 28 conversions. Top scorer was Fullback Les Allen of Muir College with 118. Compton College's leading scorer was Ralph (Jet) Kutota with seven touchdowns for 42 points... Fullback Vic Nakamoto was one of 21 letter-winners at Placer, Calif., College this season. The Spartans lost their star halfback, Jimmy Yokota, to the Air Force before the start of the season. Yokota also was one of the top basketball and baseball players in the Golden Valley jaycee conference.

Kimura Makes Southern Oregon Team

Ken Kimura, three-sport star from Hawaii, has nailed down a starting assignment for Southern Oregon College's Red Raiders basketball team. Kimura didn't see much football action this year... Because of his baseball and football ability, Wally Yonamine's talent as a basketball player is generally overlooked. The great Hawaiian athlete, played big time pro football with the San Francisco 49ers before turning to pro baseball, is one of Hawaii's best basketball players and once played on an all-star team against the Harlem Globetrotters. Yonamine, spending the winter in Honolulu before returning to the Tokyo Yomiuri Giants in the spring, will join the Central Auto Service team in Honolulu's senior AJA basketball league.

Hawaii's Rainbows Develop One-Two Punch

One reason Jimmy Asato, hard-running halfback, has been running wild in recent games for the University of Hawaii Rainbows is the fact that the team has acquired a one-two punch with the development of Dick Rapaaina as a fullback. Hawaii blasted the College of Idaho, 31 to 13, last week in Honolulu and probably will meet either San Diego State or San Francisco State in the annual Pineapple Bowl contest on New Year's day. Against the College of Idaho the Rainbows scored the first time they got possession of the ball on a pass from QB Sadao Matsukawa to Ellsworth Bush. Asato converted and the Rainbows were never headed.

Dr. Kurumada Rolls 634 in City Tourney

Dr. Jun Kurumada rolled a 634 scratch series, including games of 254 and 214, for Mecca Billiards in the annual Salt Lake City team bowling championships this week. Three JACL League teams, Utah Wholesale, King Joy and Terashima Studio, are entered in the city tourney together with a number of other Nisei teams from other leagues, including Okada Insurance of the Major League and

Tommy Umeda Wins First Bout In Australia

LOS ANGELES — Tommy Umeda, the "Go for Broke!" kid, made a successful debut in Australia recently when he defeated Bluey Wilkins in a 12-round bout in Melbourne, according to George Yoshinaga in Crossroads last week.

Umeda, a native of Hawaii who has been fighting in the Pacific Northwest and Southern California for the past two years as a featherweight, originally was denied permission on racial grounds to enter Australia for four bouts but the action was rescinded when Canberra officials learned the Nisei was a veteran of the famous 442nd Combat Team.

Umeda is scheduled to fight another top Australian boxer, Timmy Caruthers, in Sydney soon.

Sechi Takes All-Events at West L. A. Meet

WEST LOS ANGELES — Averaging 202 scratch in nine events, Hy Sechi won the all-events crown in the first annual West Los Angeles JACL bowling tournament which was concluded on Dec. 2 at El Rancho Bowl.

Although failing to win either the singles or doubles, Sechi had 1818 scratch and 1962 with his handicap on series of 626 in singles, 648 in doubles and 688 in the team event. He nosed out Taki Takekomo by two pins for the all-events trophy.

Eddie Tsuruta's 184-216-235-60—695 took the singles trophy. He was followed by Kuma Shimamoto who had 223-193-220-48—684. Others in the money were: Jack Miyake, 676; Harold Ishizawa, 670; Kaz Meifu, 666; and Min Oba, Jack Yoshimizu, Ben Nishinaka, Larry Washizaki and Yutch Hori.

John Sakurai and Nag Ushiyama won the doubles with an aggregate total of 1363. Sakurai had a scratch 633 series. Pluto Shimamura and Jack Takahashi placed second.

Dawn Noodle... Ben Nakata's 256 and John Chinn's 644 topped the Seattle Nisei Commercial loop last week... George Kishida is one of the leaders with a handicapped score of 641 in the Salt Lake City singles tournament... Tom Nakamura's 645 (212-204-299) led the Salt Lake Majors last week... Bill Kuwada holds the season's high series mark in the San Jose Nisei's Men's league with 638 (234-225-179). James Nakamura's 250 is the high game to date... Hank Mayeda's 609 was the best in the West Los Angeles JACL League. Fujimoto Shell Service holds first place by one game over Sam's Pool Hall... Hub's Clothing and Morganori Drug are tied for first in the Denver Nisei League... Julia Wong, who won the singles, all-events and mixed doubles trophies at the National JACL tournament in Salt Lake City in 1949, hit a 571 series, including a 224 game, in the San Francisco Nisei Women's League last week.

Kajioka Plays Against Marquette Eleven

Jim Kajioka, San Jose State's 250-pound tackle, saw a lot of action with the defensive platoon as the Spartans lost a 21 to 7 game to Marquette University last week... Three Nisei players got into the annual Milk Bowl game in which the city's ten top teams performed in five abbreviated games. Aki Tanaka performed for Venice while Yosh Ishibashi and George Takata played for Polytechnic... Harry Uyemura was named the "most valuable player" this season on the junior football team at Placer Union High in Auburn, Calif. In addition to Uyemura, who was co-captain of the 1951 team, other letter winners included Chester Yamada and Terry Horikawa... Bill Kajioka's Arizona State Sun Devils lost their first coast game last week to a strong UCLA squad by an 85 to 56 score... ic Nakamoto is a starter at guard for the Placer College Spartan basketball team which defeated the University of California 145s, 55 to 48, last week... Jim Miyano plays guard for the East Los Angeles College varsity. He started as ELA defeated the George Air Force team, 66 to 55, last week. Miyano scored 3 points... Jim Nakagawa, the big tackle for Roosevelt High of Los Angeles, was a defensive star all season for the East Los Angeles College Huskies.

Shirai KO's Marino in Honolulu Bout

Hawaii Notes: Japan's flyweight champion, Yoshio Shirai, knocked out Sad Sam Ichinose's world 122-pound titlist, Dado Marino, in the 7th round of their non-title bout in Honolulu on Dec. 4. The fight was promoted by Ralph Yempuku who staged the recent Marino-Terry Allen world's championship bout. Shirai and Marino already have inked articles for the title fight next year in Tokyo. The bout will be the first world's championship battle to be staged in Japan... Roy Higa, the smart Hawaiian bantamweight who has been fighting around Minneapolis during the past year, returned to Hawaii recently and appeared in a prelim on the Shirai-Marino card... One of the most successful high school coaches in the country is Mitsuo (Fuji) Fujishige of Waipahu High School on Oahu. Fujishige's Marauders finished unbeaten and untied in 11 games this year for their fourth straight Rural Interscholastic title and their fifth in six years... Dorothy Tokunaga of Baldwin High School on Maui is a young Annie Oakley. Miss Tokunaga recently qualified for the Distinguished Rifleman award, the highest qualification a high school student can attain in the National Rifle Association. She has been the girls' territorial sectional match champion for the past four years... Dick Takara the University of Hawaii last week. Takara is one of a number of Hawaiians who have attended the Idaho school in recent years. Herb Imanaka starred at quarterback for the Caldwell school last year.

AAU Rates Ford Konno Outstanding U. S. Swimmer In 1951 All-American Ratings

DAYTON BEACH, Fla.—Ford Hiroshi Konno, the young Hawaiian swimmer who is America's No. 1 hope in the middle distances in the Olympic games next year, was named to four events on the 1951 All-American swimming team selected by the Amateur Athletic Union.

Konno was the only swimmer named to more than one event. He was listed as the top U. S. swimmer in the 440, 880 and mile freestyle events and was named as a member of the 880-yard relay team with Ron Gora, Wayne Moore and Jimmy McLane.

The team is purely an honorary one, chosen by AAU officials annually on the basis of the swimmers' performances during the year. It does not carry any Olympic authority and the swimmers still must win their way through tryouts to get on the 1952 Olympic Games team.

Konno, now enrolled as a freshman at Ohio State University, will compete for the Buckeye varsity in Big Ten competition during the coming season.

In addition to Konno, the following were named as the most outstanding in their respective events: Clark Scholes, Michigan State, 50-yard freestyle; Richard Cleveland, Hawaii and Ohio State, 100-yard freestyle; Jack Taylor, Ohio State, backstroke; Robert Brawner, Princeton, breaststroke; Burwell Jones, Detroit, Mich., individual medley; David Browning, Texas U., diving springboard; and Robert Arwezon, Providence, R.I., long distance individual.

Boise Valley JACL Bowling Meet Will Use Handicaps

NAMPA, Ida.—The 3rd annual Boise Valley JACL bowling tournament, scheduled for Dec. 27, 28 and 29, has been changed from a scratch to a handicap meet.

Handicaps will be based on two-thirds of the difference between 200 and the bowler's average for men and two-thirds of 180 scratch in the women's division.

Trophies will be awarded for first place on both handicap and scratch scores.

Based on the two past Boise Valley JACL tournaments, the estimated prizes will total about \$2,500, including trophies. This year's tourney is expected to be the biggest to date with team entries expected from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Utah.

A seven-game sweepstakes will be held on Dec. 27 to start the tournament. An added attraction will be the open doubles event in which \$100 has been guaranteed for first place. The open doubles will be bowled as often as time

permits between the regular tournament events, starting the first day, Dec. 27.

Competition is scheduled in singles, doubles and team events in both men's and women's divisions. The tournament is sanctioned by the ABC and WIBC and will be governed by their tournament rules.

CROWN PRODUCE HOLDS LEAD IN INDIO BOWLING

INDIO, Calif.—Crown Produce, led by Jack Izu who sports a 180 average, continues to hold first place in the Coachella Valley JACL Produce bowling league which meets every Thursday night at the Indio Recreation Center.

Crown took a 4 to 0 win from cellar-dwelling W. Fay Company as Izu clipped the pins for a 551 while Mack Nishimoto bowled a 516, including a 216.

Tom Sakai helped Eagle Produce to climb into second place by blasting the seventh-place Levy Zentner squad.

Cal Vita took over third place with H & F Produce fourth. Southwest is fifth and Theron Hooker holds sixth place.

Hidi Nishimoto turned in a 570 series with a 221 high last week, while Emer Suski had 482.

Kengo Takano's 535 and Shig Sakamoto's 522 were high for Theron Hooker.

In addition to the Thursday night JACL Produce league, Coachella Valley Nisei keggers are competing in other leagues. Suski and Sakemi Garage is in third place in the Coachella Valley Motor Car Dealers League. Jack Izu, Kuro Nagata, George Shibata, Tom Sakai, Elmer Suski, Ray Ishimatsu and James Sakai compose the International Truck team in this same league.

The leading team in the Coachella Valley Service Club league is the Lions team with three Nisei members, Izu, Suski and Tom Sakai. The second-place team is the JACL which is led by Takano who has a 178 average and includes Kuro Nagata, Henry Sakemi, Charlie Shibata, Sammy Musashi and James Sakai. The only Nisei on the third-place Rotary team is George Shibata.

In the women's division Mickey Kitagawa leads the field with a 150 average. Others bowling with various local teams are Mary Oshiki, Alice Sakemi, Alice Suski, Mary Oshiki, Cherry Ishimatsu and Lily Sakemi.

Okuda Wins Trophy For Boxing Skill

OGDEN, Utah — Tubber Okuda of Weber College won the "outstanding college boxer" trophy at the 3rd annual invitational boxing tournament sponsored last week by Alpha Rho Omega fraternity.

Okuda's bout with Ted Baca of the State School was rated the outstanding match of the tourney.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. John Kaneko, Freehold, N.J., a boy, Kelvin, on Nov. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Sugii, Sun Valley, Calif., a boy, Steven Masahiko, on Nov. 19.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi Matsuka, a boy, Alan Takeshi, on Nov. 5 at Jackson Heights, Long Island, N.Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo Honda, Santa Clara, Calif., a girl, Barbara Jean, on Nov. 19.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nobuo Mahida, a girl, Jacqueline Kiyo, on Nov. 16 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshimi Henry Sukamoto, a girl, Yoko Diane, on Nov. 16 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Sakahita, a boy, Bruce, on Nov. 29 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tomio Hamanaka, a boy on Nov. 27 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tokyo Chihara, a girl on Nov. 21 at Fort Lawton, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Mochizuki, a boy on Nov. 26 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. George T. Fujiwara, Del Rey, Calif., a boy on Nov. 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. William K. Kawada, a girl on Nov. 20 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigemi Kuroda, twin girls on Nov. 19 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hikaru Kimura, a boy on Nov. 23 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuma Chogwoji, a boy, Robert Kazuma, on Nov. 14 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hajime Chiya, Buena Park, Calif., a boy, Ronald Kazuhide, on Nov. 18.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harlow James Keating (nee Tokie Sato), a boy, Kacey Joseph, on Nov. 12 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shizuto Tanaka, Long Beach, Calif., a boy, Michael Wesley, on Nov. 17.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kody Kodama, a girl on Nov. 25 in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo J. Masuda, a girl on Nov. 24 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Kawamoto, San Diego, Calif., a boy on Nov. 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Araki, a boy on Nov. 28 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Nakahara, a boy on Nov. 27 in Oakland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Kikunaga, a girl on Nov. 22 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kawa-

hara, Pasadena, Calif., a girl on Nov. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. Tanahara, San Diego, Calif., a girl on Nov. 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Kubota, San Diego, Calif., a girl on Nov. 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Okuma, San Diego, Calif., a boy on Nov. 16.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Okasaki, Elk Grove, Calif., a girl on Nov. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tetsuo Akutagawa, West Los Angeles, a girl, Kuniko Jane, on Nov. 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Imai, Pacoima, Calif., a boy, Richard Hajime, on Nov. 17.

DEATHS

Iwamatsu Hoshiyama on Dec. 1 in Chicago.

Toraichi Nakashima, 54, on Nov. 29 in Monrovia, Calif.

Mrs. Sada Watanabe, 72, on Nov. 25 in Chicago.

Yonesuke Saiki, 50, on Dec. 5 in Ogden, Utah.

Eikichi Kaizumi, 70, on Dec. 3 in Salt Lake City.

Takeo Odanaka on Nov. 26 in Chicago.

Asataro Horii, 55, on Nov. 27 in Gardena, Calif.

Mrs. Teru Furuta, 74, on Nov. 30 in Denver.

Mrs. Maku Taniguchi, 51, on Dec. 2 in Brigham City, Utah.

Mrs. Fusae Matsushima, 50, on Nov. 29 in Ogden, Utah.

Mrs. Kane Mori, 70, on Nov. 28 in Idaho Falls, Ida.

Tsunemoto Kojima, 74, on Nov. 27 in San Francisco.

MARRIAGES

Janet Goshi, Weiser, Ida., to Dick S. Yabuki on Nov. 17 in Ontario, Ore.

Mary Inouye to Dr. Glenn Yanagi on Nov. 23 in Detroit, Mich.

Chiyoko Seto to Tsuneo Shimoto on Nov. 22 in Los Angeles.

Kikuko Hirata to Hiroyuki Hasegawa on Nov. 25 in Los Angeles.

Rose Ishii to Tamotsu Uyechi on Nov. 25 in San Diego.

Rose Yatagai to John Fujinari, Palo Alto, Calif., on Nov. 17 in Seattle.

Haruko Mikami, Renton, Wash., to Robert A. Hiranaka, Kent, on Nov. 24 in Seattle.

Lola Teruko Sato to Ben Hanada, Seattle, on Nov. 19 in Ontario, Ore.

Ritsuye Yamanaka, to Elmo Fukunaga, on Dec. 1 in Las Animas, Colo.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Mitsuye Tanaka and Tadao Kitamura in Seattle.

Haruko Sakata, 28, and Kazuo Shintani, 33, Berkeley, Calif., in Oakland.

Etsuko L. Nagaye, 23, and Ryomi Tanino, 28, in Seattle.

Toshiko D. Narita, 24, Kent, Wash., and Kay Watanabe, 27, Los Angeles, in Seattle.

Evangeline May Nishimoto, 26, San Francisco, and Walter Edgar Todd, 24, in Oakland.

Sally Satsuko Seiji, 28, and George Tadahara Furukawa, 30, Washington, D.C., in Oakland, Calif.

Chizuko Fukutome, 22, and Hiromichi Mifune, 22, both of Berkeley, Calif., in Alameda County.

Chieko Arima, 25, and William M. Hidaka, 29, both of Cupertino, Calif., in San Jose.

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San Luis Obispo Fulfills Pledge for Fund Drive Advance

SAN LUIS OBISPO—First of the several chapters of the JACL PSWDC to fulfill their pledge of forwarding funds to JACL-ADC Headquarters as an "advance" towards their 1952 quota is the local JACL Chapter. A check for \$200 has been received from Pat Nagano, president of the San Luis Obispo Chapter, according to the Regional Office. An additional \$17 was received from this Chapter representing the surplus raised over this year's quota of \$540.

Nisei-Owned Homes Will Be Razed by City

SAN FRANCISCO—More than a score of homes and commercial buildings owned by Nisei as well as businesses operated by persons of Japanese ancestry are in the 25-block area in San Francisco's Western Addition which will be cleared and redeveloped under the \$30,000,000 program.

The area to be cleared includes a portion of the city's "Japanese section" but does not include business frontage along Post street between Laguna and Webster streets.

In the area to be razed, several buildings, including the Buchanan Street YM-YWCA, the Salvation Army Training school (formerly the Japanese headquarters of the Salvation Army), the Raphael Weill grammar school, Temple Beth Israel and Girls High, will not be leveled.

A new street pattern will be created in the 25 block area and the land will be resold to private builders who must construct apartment houses, flats and other housing units to conform to a master plan.

Venice JACL Plans Annual Xmas Fete

VENICE, Calif. — The annual JACL Christmas dinner will be held on Saturday, Dec. 15th at Truman's Inn in Westwood, it was made known by Ken Onishi, Venice Chapter president who will also emcee the program.

Feature attraction will be the half hour sound film, "Tokyo: 1945-1951" recently presented to the JACL by the Mayor of Tokyo.

Social chairman of the dinner Aiko Imazu made known that Issei are welcome to join the festivities with JACL members and supporters. Tickets for the dinner which will begin at 7:30 p.m. are available from chapter members. Truman's Inn is located at Westwood and Wilshire Boulevards.

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Maurey Allen Carlton, a member of the Los Angeles JACL, and Mae Chieko Kumashiro of Los Angeles announced their engagement in Los Angeles last week.

Mr. Carlton met Miss Kumashiro who is nearly totally blind and operates a candy and cigarette stand in Los Angeles under a state rehabilitation program, on his present job with the Department of Education's industrial workshop for the blind and handicapped in Los Angeles.

—Rafu Shimpo photo by Toyo Miyatake, Los Angeles.

San Mateo JACL Plans Claims Clinic

SAN MATEO, Calif. — Haruo Ishimaru, JACL regional director, will be the main speaker at the San Mateo JACL's evacuation claims clinic on Dec. 11 at the Sturge Presbyterian Church, 25 S. Humboldt St.

Issei residents of the county are especially invited to attend the meeting which will get under way at 8 p.m.

Christmas Party

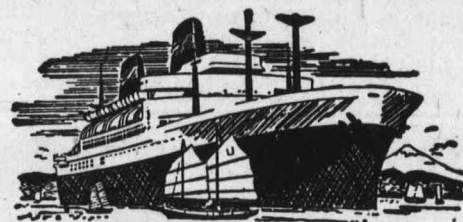
PASADENA, Calif.—Casitas del Arroyo will be the locale for the JACL Christmas party to be held on December 15th, according to JACL Chapter officials. This annual event will be attended by the JACL members, their friends and families, with a potluck dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. Following a film for the kiddies gifts will be exchanged.

Russel Nakata Will Be Ordained In Chicago Rites

CHICAGO—Russel K. Nakata, a native of Lansdown, Pa., will be the second Nisei ordained by the Rt. Rev. Wallace E. Conkling, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, when the rites are held at St. James Church on Dec. 8.

First Nisei to be ordained by Bishop Conkling was the Rev. S. Michael Yasutake, now curate of St. Paul's Parish.

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California Official Upholds Right of Nisei to Regain State Liquor Sale Permits

SACRAMENTO — The right of Japanese Americans to get back the liquor sale licenses they were forced to surrender on racial grounds after Pearl Harbor was upheld this week by State Attorney General Edmund G. Brown.

The decision had been requested by the State Board of Equalization, which revoked the licenses of all persons of Japanese ancestry in May, 1942.

"The revocation without personal fault of the licenses of all California citizens of a racial group could only be justified by the grave emergencies of war, during which distinction based upon race might have relevance," Brown ruled.

The attorney-general based his opinion on a recent act of the State Legislature which was signed by Governor Earl Warren and which provided that persons of Japanese ancestry who held liquor sale licenses on Dec. 7, 1941 might make application for a similar one and that the Board of Equalization should issue them.

The new legislation, Brown said, grew out of a law suit brought in 1949, in the Santa Clara County Superior Court by a former licensee, Toshinaga Taketa of San Jose.

The bill was introduced in the State Senate by Sen. O'Gara, D., San Francisco, at the request of the Northern California office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Taketa sought to compel the State Board to set aside the order revoking his alcoholic beverage license. But the court held that the statute of limitations barred him from a license, since he had not made his claim within four years after his return from a war relocation camp.

Brown said the legislature's action this year was a "remedial" addition to the Alcoholic Beverage Act, allowing additional time for Japanese Americans to regain their licenses. He said 109 of the licenses had been revoked.

The State Board of Equalization has reinstated 14 of the 109 licenses to date.

Brown also ruled that a license held by a person now deceased can be claimed by his widow, partner or administrator of his estate. In addition, an applicant who has moved to a different county can shift the license to his current location.

Arizona's Key Role In Legislative Drive Told by Masaoka.

GLENDALE, Ariz.—Pointing to the key role which the Arizona chapter holds in the national JACL program, Mike Masaoka, JACL-ADC national legislative director in Washington, D.C., urged the strengthening of local chapter organization, at a meeting held at the Japanese community hall here on Dec. 1.

A progress report and status of the JACL-ADC national legislative program was given by Masaoka to the seventy JACL members and Issei supporters present.

Chairman Ikuo Okuma, chapter president, introduced Tats Kushida, JACL regional director from Los Angeles, who thanked the Japanese community for its financial support in 1951. Brief greetings and remarks were also extended by Hitoshi Yamamoto and Shig Tanita, co-chairmen of the Arizona JACL-ADC fund drive.

Arizona Democrats Will Support Bill For Naturalization

PHOENIX, Ariz.—A delegation of JACL leaders met with Democratic Party officials here last Friday Dec. 1 to enlist their support for JACL-ADC legislative objectives, principally the omnibus immigration and naturalization bill sponsored by Sen. Pat McCarran (Dem., Nevada) and Rep. Francis P. Walter (Dem., Pa.).

Assurance of support was given the delegation by Z. Simpson Cox, Maricopa County Democratic Central Committee Chairman, and Stephen W. Langmade, Arizona State Chairman of the Democratic Central Committee.

Monterey Peninsula Group Will Hold New Year's Ball

MONTEREY, Calif.—Plans are now being completed for the 13th annual Monterey Peninsula New Year's ball to be held by the Monterey Peninsula JACL at the American Legion ball atop Jefferson street in old Monterey.

Ernie (Fats) Scully and his 8-piece orchestra have been engaged for the event by Harry Menda and his subcommittee.

Members of the dance committee include Hoshito (Oyster) Miyamoto, chairman, Harry Menda, Miyoko Enokida, Haruo (Pete) Nakasako, Otis Kadani and Jimmy Tabata.

The women's auxiliary of the JACL will be in charge of refreshments.

Fujioka Heads Southwest L. A. JACL Group

LOS ANGELES—Dick Fujioka, prominent Nisei leader in community activities, will serve as president of the Southwest Los Angeles JACL in 1952, it was made known by Alice Nishikawa, chairman of the nomination committee, following the recently conducted election by mail ballots.

Other newly elected officers in Fujioka's cabinet are: Henry Yamamoto, first vice president; Mack Hamaguchi, second vice president; Yoshi Hino and Fudge Narahara will share the third vice presidency; Garnet Horino and Sue Mori were both named corresponding secretaries; Fumi Ozawa, recording secretary; Hi Shishino, treasurer; Mack Nishida, historian; George Kakekoshi, auditor.

Retiring president Tut Yata is the newly elected chairman of the Pacific Southwest District Council and in this capacity will serve as a member of the JACL National Board. His successor and his new cabinet will be formally installed at ceremonies soon to be announced.

Fort Lupton JACL Holds Fall Social

FORT LUPTON, Colo. — The Fort Lupton JACL chapter held its annual fall social on Dec. 1 at the Chamber of Commerce building.

Chapter President John Kiyota was in charge of the program.

Special guests included President Y. Terasaki and Mrs. Terasaki of the Denver JACL and Min Yasui, regional representative of JACL ADC.

Following square dances and movies, box lunches were auctioned.

Musical entertainment rounded out the evening.

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A Nisei girl who will ride in the City of Long Beach float in the annual Tournament of Roses parade in Pasadena on New Year's day will be selected on Dec. 12 when finals in the float attendants contest are held in the Long Beach Municipal Auditorium.

Among the semi-finalists are the six Nisei girls (above) who are vying for the right to represent the Japanese ethnic group on the "Miss Universe" float. Girls from six racial groups will ride the Long Beach float.

The girls above are Carolyn Kodama, Janet Nakiyama, Yvonne Iwamizu, Jeanne Wakastuki, Emmie and Alice Nakagawa.

—Photo by Toyo Miyatake, Los Angeles.

Co-Chairman Named to Head New York Service Group

NEW YORK—Kelly Kuwayama and Conrad Kurahara of the 442nd association will take over the position of the Nisei Service Organization's board which was previously held by Haruo Yanagi. The two leaders will work as co-directors on an alternate basis.

Yanagi, who helped establish the NSO in New York and was the acting chairman for six months, turned in his resignation to have more time for his studies. He is attending NYU as an American Government major. His experience as one of the past presidents of the successful Hawaiian club in Minneapolis was brought to the attention of US organizers at the time of his selection as the first NSO chairman.

Since this organization's beginning in April of this year, outings, dances, private parties and Open House nights have been held, drawing Nisei, Chinese American and Island servicemen from some eight different East Coast camps.

The Hostess club, headed by Sadie Kuratomi, has been arranging for halls, mailing notices, providing hostesses and chaperones, and obtaining the cooperation of many

established Nisei and Chinese groups in New York City.

The next event slated will be the Hula Holly Hop on Dec. 15 at the Japanese Methodist church, 333 W. 108th street. This dance will be sponsored by the Island girls of the NSO, with Margaret Kuniyoshi as social chairman. All servicemen are welcomed. Nisei girls wishing to act as hostesses are asked to come stag. The invitation is being extended to girls in traveling distance, and college girls in New York for the Christmas holidays.

Hostess club members are also busy making Christmas cards to overseas G.I.'s, under the direction of Georgie Sawahata. President Sadie Kuratomi asked all girls writing to overseas men send such names and addresses to her as soon as possible. Her address is: 425 W. 45th Street, New York City.

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