



Salt Lake Newspaper Gets Letter Signed by Two Nisei Prisoners of Chinese Reds

Parents Recognize Signature of Son On China Letter

CHICAGO—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hikida said this week that the signature of "Ray Hikida" on a photostat of a statement allegedly signed by 30 American and Korean prisoners of war and received by the Chicago Tribune from Canton, China, this week appears to be that of their son, a Marine private who has been reported missing in action in the Korean war.

Ray Hikida, 25, was a student in an optometry school before joining the Marines in 1949.

The statement declared that the prisoners were being well treated, fed and housed by the Chinese Communists.

An accompanying mimeographed paper received by the Tribune said that the statement was obtained by a correspondent with the Hsin Hua news agency with the Chinese army.

Mother Given Medal Awarded To Hero Son

FORT LEWIS, Wash. — The proud mother of a Nisei hero of the war in Korea received her son's posthumous Silver Star award from the post commander, Brig. Gen. Leroy H. Watson, on Jan. 27.

Mrs. Hisano Yoshihara of Gig Harbor received the award for her son, Pfc. Elmer J. Yoshihara, who died from a mortar burst after volunteering to help clear a mine field to speed an attack near Taegu.

Holding her head high, Mrs. Yoshihara said that her son was a veteran of the war against Japan, having served in military intelligence in World War II.

Oakland Tribune Praises Nisei Defense Of Chinese Americans

OAKLAND, Calif.—In an editorial asking fair play for Californians of Chinese ancestry, the Oakland Tribune noted recently that "it is noteworthy that the Nisei have been the first to rise to the defense of the individual rights of persons of Chinese ancestry."

"There may be some newcomers to this state who do not understand the background and traditions of California Chinese but we are sure that Californians knew their neighbors far too well to allow the Communist movement in China to affect the goodwill which has always existed."

Emergency May Force Denver To Suspend Slum Clearance

DENVER—Denver's big three million dollar urban redevelopment program may be suspended for the duration of the present war emergency, according to information received by the Mountain Plains office of the JACL.

The project was expected to affect property owned or lived in by three out of every four persons of Japanese ancestry in the city.

The redevelopment program will eventually clean up all "blighted areas" in the city, with work scheduled to begin first several areas containing large populations of persons of Japanese descent.

Min Yasui, JACL regional director, reported he had learned that redevelopment projects may progress up to the point of demolition, but that actual demolishing of dwelling units for redevelopment

A letter allegedly signed by 30 American POWs, including at least two Nisei, was received by the Salt Lake Telegram this week from a correspondent of the Hsin Hua news agency.

The envelope, sent from a prisoner of war camp in Korea where American and British men are held, was reportedly sent at the request of the prisoners.

Signatures include those of Cpl. Saburo (Sam) D. Shimomura, 23, of Ogden, Utah., and Pfc. Ray Hikida of the Marine corps.

The letter said the men expressed appreciation for the "humane, courteous and kind treatment" extended by the Chinese.

"We are housed warmly and are fed plentifully. We are treated considerably," it said.

The letter, described by the Telegram as "an example of how the Communists work to gain their ends through propaganda," expressed hope for "an early and peaceful settlement of the Korean situation" and urged "proper" representation by the Chinese people on the UN security council.

Similar letters have been reported received from newspapers in other cities, including the Los Angeles Times and the Chicago Tribune.

Cpl. Shimomura is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe T. Shimomura of Ogden. He was born in San Francisco Nov. 17, 1927, and was evacuated to the Topat relocation center in Utah. His family relocated to Ogden in 1943.

He has been listed as missing by the Department of Defense.

Cpl. Shimomura is a veteran of World War II and has served for several years with the Marines. He landed in Korea Aug. 5.

MIN YASUI VISITS NISEI GROUPS IN PLAINS AREA

DENVER—Minoru Yasui, JACL regional director for the Mountain Plains area, visited several Colorado communities and North Platte, Neb., last week on a 629-mile field trip by car.

He traveled with Bill Hosokawa, Denver Post magazine editor, who made a number of speeches on his recent Korean assignment to local audience.

Yasui addressed a group of some 50 persons in North Platte on purposes and aims of the JACL-ADC on the evening of Jan. 24 at the Episcopal church. On the following day he met with the Sedgwick YBA in Ovid, Colo.

Hosokawa reported on his war assignment at a joint Rotary-Lions luncheon meeting at Fort Morgan, Colo., on Jan. 24, then addressed the Episcopal church audience in the evening.

On the following day he spoke before the County Rotary Club at the Ovid Methodist church.

ment will not be permitted at the present time.

He added that Olney G. Smith, supervisor of the housing survey, has also been recalled for active duty with the Army and will be inducted as soon as the present survey is completed.

Yasui emphasized that suspension of redevelopment plans does not necessarily suspend condemnation proceedings under the city's housing code. He noted that several Japanese landlords are in danger of having their hotel or rooming house licenses revoked for serious housing deficiencies uncovered by survey investigators.

Roy M. Takeno and Ray S. Tani are still serving with the survey team and will complete their assignments in the Japanese American districts.

JACL Ex-President Among Evacuees From Hungnam

Lieut. Col. Walter Tsukamoto, assistant 10th Army Corps judge advocate general, has been in Korea during the past several months and participated in the successful Allied evacuation from Hungnam, according to reports received here.

Col. Tsukamoto, a former Sacramento attorney and one-time national president of the JACL, was an officer at the Military Intelligence Service language school at Fort Snelling during the war, and has been on duty as an officer in the occupation of Japan since V-J day.

Colorado Nisei Killed in Action In Korea War

Parents Informed Of Sgt. Watada's Death in Battle

FORT LUPTON, Colo. — The death in action of Sergeant Andrew Ryuichi Watada, 23, third son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Watada of Fort Lupton, was reported this week in a Defense Department message received by the parents.

The telegram said that Watada was killed in action in Korea on Jan. 7.

The parents said that Andrew volunteered for the army after his graduation from high school and was graduated from the military intelligence language school in Monterey, Calif., in 1948. He was sent to Japan for occupation duty and was stationed as an interpreter with the 7th Infantry Division at Sendai until he left with his unit for Korea in November.

The GI is survived by his parents, two sisters and nine brothers.

REPORT HAWAII GI MISSING IN KOREAN WAR

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Department of Defense this week announced the following casualty in Korea:

MISSING IN ACTION:

Corp. Kiyomi Yonamine, brother of Margaret Yonamine, Aiea, Oahu, T. H.

New York Doctor, Dentist Called for Military Duties

NEW YORK—Two Nisei professional men in New York City are bound for army duty at Fort Knox, Ky., where they will receive commissions as captains in the Army medical draft program.

Dr. Ralph M. Takami, who has been practicing medicine in Brooklyn, left this week.

Dr. Peter Yoshitomi, a dentist on Manhattan, is scheduled to report on Feb. 19.

Three Thugs Beat California Doctor

LOS ANGELES — Dr. Kiyohide Nakaki, 75, was severely beaten by three men who forced their way into the doctor's office on July 24, presumably in an attempt to steal narcotics.

Authorities believe that the prompt arrival of Dr. Nakaki's son, Tosh, 26, probably saved the father's life. The three men fled when Tosh, who had been sleeping in an adjoining room, was awakened by the scuffle and came into the room. Tosh, a war veteran, weighs 230 pounds and is 6 feet tall.

Dr. Nakaki was treated for head injuries at the emergency hospital.

Defense Department Assures Full Report on Casualties Of Soldiers from Hawaii Area

Report 29 Nisei Dead, 94 Wounded, One POW, 33 Missing in Action Among Hawaii Casualties In First Six Months of Korean Conflict

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Only a small proportion of the heavy casualties suffered by soldiers from the Hawaiian Islands, including Japanese Americans, with United Nations forces in Korea have appeared on the casualty lists issued here by the Defense Department since the start of the war.

Unofficial reports in Hawaii indicate that of the total of 508 casualties, including 103 dead, 318 wounded, 85 missing and two prisoners of war, 155 are of Japanese ancestry. Of the casualties among Hawaii's Nisei GIs there are 29 dead, 94 wounded, 33 missing in action and one prisoner of war.

It is believed that Hawaii's casualty rate, higher in proportion to population than that of any of the 48 states, will be stressed in the coming weeks of the 82nd session of Congress by proponents of Hawaiian statehood legislation which passed the House but was buried in the Senate last year.

Pentagon officials admit that "only 10 or 15 per cent" of Hawaiian casualties have been published to date on the Defense Department lists but point out that this is because of the present system of getting reports back from families after they have been notified of the casualty. Most reports of Hawaiian casualties have been released by military authorities in Hawaii.

Public information officials in the Defense Department and in the Casualty branch have promised to take action on this matter and are devising a new system of reporting which will assure that reports of Hawaiian casualties also will be released from Washington.

It was noted that in recent weeks Defense Department lists have carried names of Hawaiian casualties, whereas in the early months of the Korean war few names of Hawaiian casualties were reported on the lists.

The JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee recently checked with the Pentagon, inquiring as to why the names of all of the Hawaiian casualties were not carried on the lists.

The following casualties of Nisei GIs from Hawaii were reported in Hawaii in the first six months of the Korean war until Jan. 10:

KILLED IN ACTION:

Pvt. John S. Eshima, Honolulu; Pfc. Satoshi Goto, Wailuku, Maui; Pvt. Mitsuo Hamada, Puunene, Maui; Pvt. Edward K. Hirakawa, Waiialua, Oahu; Sgt. Yoshio Ikeda, Makawao, Maui; Pfc. Osamu Iwami, Kahului, Maui; Pvt. Toshiharu Kanekura, Kihei, Maui; Sgt. 1st Cl. David T. Kaneshiro, Honolulu; Pfc. Susumu Kurosawa, Pulehu, Maui; Pvt. Donald S. Miyajima, Lanai City, Lanai; Corp. Tomoyoshi Miyashiro, Koloa, Kauai; Corp. Akaji Morinaga, Lahaina, Maui; Pfc. Koichi Moriwaki, Kurtistown, Hawaii; Corp. Hideo Nakama, Waipahu, Oahu; Pvt. Seiso Nakama, Honolulu; Pfc. Richard Seinojo Nakatani, Hilo, Hawaii; Corp. Charles Kiyoshi Nishimura, Honolulu; Sgt. Mitsu-yuki Ota, Lihue, Kauai; Pfc. Thomas N. Otaguro, Honolulu; Pvt. Masaya Saito, Honolulu; Pvt. Kenneth K. Shimokawa, Kalaheo,

Kauai; Pvt. Herbert H. Suzuki, Papaaloa, Hawaii; Sgt. Charles C. Tamaru, Honolulu; Corp. Yukio Ujimori, Honolulu; Pfc. Richard M. Watanabe, Honolulu, and Pvt. Toshiharu Yoshikawa, Paia, Maui.

DIED OF WOUNDS:

Pfc. T. Fukumoto, Honolulu; Corp. Lawrence K. Machida, Honolulu, and Sgt. Sadato Tosaki, Honolulu.

MISSING IN ACTION:

Corp. Henry T. Arakaki, Honolulu; Pfc. Takeshi Fujita, Eleele, Kauai; Corp. Haruo Fukamizu, Honolulu; Pfc. Rodney N. Hamaguchi, Honolulu; Pfc. Wallace K. Ishikawa, Honolulu; Pfc. Isamu Izu, Kealahou, Hawaii; Sgt. Tadamasa Kaneko, Kona, Hawaii; Pvt. Jack S. Kaneshiro, Honolulu; Pfc. Sadao L. Kawamoto, Puunene, Maui; Pfc. Minoru Kaya, Mailuku, Maui; Pfc. Hanford K. Maeda, Honolulu; Pvt. Haruo Maeda, Aiea, Oahu; Pfc. Kumaji Matsuda, Honolulu; Corp. Joseph J. Matsunaga, Honolulu; Pfc. Daniel T. Miyashiro, Kalaheo, Kauai; Pfc. Harry Yukito Miyata, Honolulu;

Corp. Hiroshi Nagamine, Wai-kapu, Maui; Pfc. Tadao Naito, Honolulu; Pfc. Tsuyoshi Nishimoto, Hilo, Hawaii; Pfc. Satoshi Nakasato, Honolulu; Sgt. Masaaki Saito, Honolulu (missing in plane crash); Pfc. Tsugio Saito, Honolulu; Pfc. James N. Sakamoto, Haiku, Maui; Sgt. Clifford Muraji Sanpei, Honolulu; Pfc. Takashi Shishido, Honolulu; Pfc. Horace S. Tabusa, Honolulu; Pfc. Tomio Tadaki (missing in action since July 5), Kahului, Maui; Pvt. Goichi Tamaye, Honolulu; Pfc. Katsuki Tanigawa, Kealia, Kauai; Pfc. George H. Tanonaka, Honolulu; Sgt. Casey N. Torikawa, Honolulu; Sgt. Mitsuo K. Uemura, Hilo, Hawaii; and Corp. Alfred S. Ueyehara, Honolulu.

PRISONER OF WAR:

Pfc. Susumu Shinagawa, Port Allen, Kauai.

Ninety-three Nisei soldiers from Hawaii were reported wounded in action in Korea during 1950. In addition, two soldiers, reported missing in action, were liberated.

A large percentage of the casualties were those of members of the 5th Regimental Combat Team from Hawaii which has been in heavy fighting in Korea since August. Others were members of the occupation forces in Japan until the outbreak of war in Korea.

An unofficial tabulation of casualties sustained by soldiers of Japanese ancestry from the continental United States to date lists 11 dead, 27 wounded, 13 missing in action, 3 prisoners of war and one liberated.

Evacuee's Claim for Books Rejected by Government

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Attorney General has rejected a \$10 loss under the Evacuation Claims Act for books destroyed by a west coast evacuee, the JACL ADC said this week.

The claimant reported he burned several Japanese books a few days before the evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast because he could find no market for them, and was

afraid he would be punished if they were found in his possession.

The Attorney General rejected the claim on the grounds that destruction of the books had no relation to the evacuation, "but sprang from the general hysteria among an alien enemy people arising out of the State of War."

However, the claimant was awarded \$460 for losses on the forced sale of personal property.

Senate Group Reports Out Bill to Extend Brides Act

Will Admit Spouses Of Service Personnel For Another Year

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Senate Judiciary Committee on Jan. 30 reported out a bill to extend the Soldier Brides Act admitting Japanese and Korean spouses of servicemen and veterans for another year.

The one-year extension was introduced by Sen. Pat McCarran, (D., Nev.), chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, at the request of the JACL ADC.

The bill now goes to the full Senate for action.

Meanwhile, the House Judiciary Committee is expected to consider a companion bill sometime this week. The House measure was introduced by Rep. Francis E. Walter, (D., Penn.), also at the request of the ADC, and has received approval of the Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization.

In a report accompanying the

McCarran measure, the Senate Judiciary Committee said, in part:

"Although American occupation of Japan has continued since the enactment (of the present Soldier Brides Act, which expires February 18), the present action in Korea has caused a considerable number of American troops to be shipped out of Japan, thereby preventing them from obtaining the benefits of the act.

"It has likewise given rise to an increased number of cases involving Korean spouses and children of members of our Armed Forces.

"The Committee is informed that there are still a substantial number of spouses and children of United States citizens in our Armed Forces who will be unable to enter the United States unless an extension of time is granted.

"After consideration of all the facts the committee is of the opinion that the bill should be enacted."

House Judiciary Group Backs Extension of GI Brides Act

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization this week placed its stamp of approval on a bill to extend for one year the Soldier Brides Act to admit Korean and Japanese spouses of veterans and servicemen, according to the JACL ADC.

The bill to extend the Soldier Brides Act, which expires Feb. 18, as originally proposed by the JACL ADC called for a continuation until the end of the present national emergency.

However, Rep. Francis E. Walter, who introduced the measure, said it was amended because it was felt a bill would have a better chance for a quick passage than would one with an indefinite expiration date.

Under the present Soldier Brides Act, Japanese and Korean spouses and natural children of servicemen and veterans may enter the United States and Hawaii at any time as quota-free immigrants providing the marriages occur prior to Feb. 18.

Rep. Walter said he hoped the full Judiciary Committee could act on the bill sometime this week. If so, there is a good possibility it may appear on the House consent calendar in time for action next week.

The original Soldier Brides Act which was amended to admit Japanese and Korean brides was passed by the 80th Congress and was effective for but one month.

More than a year later, Sen. Pat McCarran, (D., Nev.), chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, introduced a new Soldier Brides Act, at the request of the JACL ADC, for the admission of Japanese and Korean brides if the marriages occurred within a six-month period ending Feb. 18.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said every effort will be made to obtain Congressional approval of the bill prior to the expiration date.

He said numerous GIs in Korea had hoped to marry under the terms of the Soldier Brides Act, but will be unable to return to Japan in time to beat the deadline.

A number of combat-wounded servicemen now in hospitals in the States have urged an extension of the Soldier Brides Act in the hopes they may return to the Far East and marry their sweethearts.

Nisei GIs Doing "Bang-up Job" In Korea War, Says Officer

Nisei in Korea are doing a "bang-up job" and proving "just as valuable as they were in the last war," according to a letter to the Pacific Citizen this week from Capt. Harry S. Iida, stationed in Korea with a military intelligence unit.

He said the men had managed to get through the winter "in pretty good shape."

Sgt. Yokoe Wins Silver Star for Combat Heroism

TOKYO — Sgt. 1st Cl. Yukio Yokoe of Baldwin Park, Calif., is one of eight members of the 25th Infantry Division who were awarded Silver Stars on Jan. 26 for gallantry in action in Korea.

The army's citation declared that Sgt. Yokoe, a member of the 27th infantry regiment, led his squad in an attack on the enemy and seized the objective despite painful wounds and intense automatic weapons and small arms fire.

San Francisco JACL Holds Installation For New Officers

SAN FRANCISCO — New officers of the San Francisco JACL were installed Friday, Jan. 26, at an installation dinner by Susumu Togasaki, past National JACL treasurer.

Main speaker at the dinner was Seaton Manning, director of the Urban League, who told JACL members their program was "in line with this country's tradition of having groups fighting for citizenship."

He reminded his audience that US citizenship was originally limited to "free-born whites," and that the right of citizenship for Negroes and the right of women to vote were won only after long campaigns.

Joe Grant Masaoka, regional director for the JACL, awarded ADC recognition certificates to a number of Issei for their consistent and sincere support of the JACL-ADC.

Shichisaburo Hideshima and Sasato Yamate spoke in behalf of the recipients. They pledged continued cooperation with the JACL.

Victor Abe, outgoing president, was presented with a pearl-studded JACL pin by Dr. Tokuji Hedani.

Roy Ashizawa was toastmaster. The new cabinet is headed by Yasuo Abiko, president.

Wins Bronze Star

TOKYO — Pfc. Thari J. Yamamoto of Seattle is one of 38 officers and men of the U.S. Army's 24th Division who were awarded Bronze Stars last week for gallantry in action in Korea.

Hold Kickoff Meeting in ADC Campaign



LOS ANGELES—It was a real "kick-off" when ADC leaders met Jan. 30 in Los Angeles to start off the ADC fund drive in this area.

Symbolizing the "kick-off" are Katsuma Mukaeda, president of the Southern California Japanese Chamber of Commerce, who holds the football being kicked off by Gogoro Nakamura, ADC chairman for Los Angeles. Around them are, left to right, Masami Sasaki, East Los An-

geles; Tasaburo Handa of the Kashu Mainichi, Momota Okura, Long Beach; Shosuke Nitta, Orange county; Gisuke Sakamoto, West Los Angeles; Matsunosuke Oi, Southwest Los Angeles; and Kunichi Yoshitomi, Southeast Los Angeles. All of them, except for Handa and Yoshitomi, are ADC chairmen in their respective areas.—Photo by Roy Uno.

Arrest Hermit In Hawaii on Draft Charge

HILO, Hawaii—A 44-year old Hilo resident who has been living the life of a hermit on the slopes of a volcano for the past seven years was arrested on Jan. 27 and charged with draft dodging in World War II.

William Kinichi Oshiro, now 44, has been wanted since he failed to report for induction in July, 1943.

When found Oshiro's hair was matted and grown shoulder length and his clothes were in tatters.

The fugitive was tracked to his shed on the thickly-wooded slopes of Mauna Kea, a dormant volcano. For the past seven years he has lived principally on taro, a starchy plant.

Yasui Reports Fund Drive Lags In Plains Area

DENVER — The JACL-ADC financial drive in the Mountain Plains area is lagging seriously, Min Yasui, regional director, reported this week.

With an assigned quota of \$8500, the district has raised only \$1,170.50 to date, he said. The drive period began Nov. 1, 1950.

Yasui said this represents only 14% of the quota with one-fourth of the fiscal year elapsed.

Z. Kanegaye, chairman, and T. Kako, vice-chairman of the Kika Kisei Domei, led Issei teams in Denver in the last two months of 1950 to raise a total of \$889.50. The goal for the Denver area has been set at \$2500.

Yasui said the only outside area remitting funds to date is the Sedgwick - Julesburg region in Northeastern Colorado. Kish Otsuka, Tosh Inouye, Tom Kobayashi and Sash Kinoshita constituted a team for that area and raised \$146.

Yasui asked for further support from individuals and groups to meet the quota assigned to this area. Contributions can be sent to the Mountain Plains JACL office, 1917 Lawrence st., Denver 2.

Portlanders Vote JACL Reactivation

PORTLAND, Ore. — The Portland JACL, inactive since the war, will begin operation again, it was voted here Friday, Jan. 26.

Set \$22 Thousand Quota for Southern California Area

LOS ANGELES — Southland leaders started their annual JACL ADC fund drive Feb. 1 with an announced quota of \$22,775.

The drive began with a kick-off dinner the night of Jan. 30 with Nisei and Issei ADC leaders in attendance.

Chairman for the meeting was Gogoro Nakamura, recently named to head the ADC drive in Los Angeles.

Dr. Roy Nishikawa, National JACL treasurer, reported that more than \$2,000 has already been forwarded to JACL headquarters toward the 1951 quota by several JACL chapters of the Pacific Southwest. These advances from chapter treasuries will be credited toward local ADC quotas for the year.

Attending the dinner meeting were ADC Chairman Nakamura; Masami Sasaki, East Los Angeles; Momota Okura, Long Beach; Shosuke Nitta, Orange county; Gisuke Sakamoto, West Los Angeles; Matsunosuke Oi, Southwest Los Angeles; Junichi Yoshitomi, Southeast Los Angeles; Dr. Tom Watanabe, Frank Chuman, Dr. Nishikawa, Tut Yata, and Dick Fujioka, Southwest Los Angeles JACL; Richard Jeniye and George Sakamoto, West Los Angeles chapters; Sam Ishikawa, Eiji Tanabe and Tats. Kushida, Downtown chapter; George Akasaka, East Los Angeles JACL; Elden Kanegae and Hitoshi Nitta, Orange county chapter; Ken Dyo, Pasadena JACL; Matao Uwate, secretary, Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California; and Roy Uno, Crossroads, Tetsuo Sato, Shin Nichibei, and Tasaburo Handa, Kashu Mainichi.

Women's Committee Doubles Membership Of Omaha Chapter

OMAHA, Neb.—An all-woman membership drive committee concluded a successful campaign for members by nearly doubling the 1950 membership of the Omaha JACL.

The committee signed up 95 regular and 17 special members, as compared to 58 regular and seven special members in 1950, according to Mrs. Robert Nakadoi, chairman.

Mrs. Nakadoi's committee consisted of Mrs. Lillian Ishii, Mrs. Gladys Hirabayashi, Mrs. Alice Kaya and Mrs. Lilly Okura.

Nisei Clerk Foils Robbery Attempt

STOCKTON, Calif.—Two men were arrested here on Jan. 24 after they allegedly tried to loot the cash register of a grocery store operated by Mrs. Mabel Okubo.

The men under arrest are Leonard J. Stevenson, 38, and Allen Boldridge, 32.

Mrs. Okubo said she saw Stevenson put his hand in the cash register. She called out and the two men ran but a clerk, Satoru Murakami, grabbed Boldridge.

Murakami said Boldridge broke free after drawing a knife. The accused men were arrested shortly afterwards by the police.

Little Tokyo's Future to Be Discussed at Panel Session

LOS ANGELES—"Is Little Tokyo Doomed?" will be the subject of a panel discussion Tuesday, Feb. 13, at a luncheon meeting of the Downtown Los Angeles JACL at Chews Cafe.

Discussing this topic will be Asajiro Nishimoto, real estate broker; Toyo Miyatake, photographer; Joseph Ito, men's store proprietor; and Eiji Tanabe, past regional director for the JACL and manager of the Miyako Travel Service.

Sam Ishikawa will be moderator. Panel members will not try to

give final answers to the subject, said Harry K. Honda, chapter president, but will thrash out some of the facts relating to the subject. JACL members and the public are invited to attend the luncheon. The audience will be invited to question panel members on social, economic and political questions relating to "Little Tokyo."

The meeting is scheduled to start at 12 noon but may extend well beyond the usual 1 p.m. closing hour, Pres. Honda warned.

The meeting will be the first of the year for the Downtown chapter.

Northwest Area JACL Groups Plan Convention

SEATTLE, Wash. — The Labor day weekend of Sept. 1-3 has been selected for the first postwar convention of the Pacific Northwest JACL district council, it was decided here at a meeting of the council on Jan. 28.

The Seattle chapter, under the direction of Pres. Harry Takagi, will be host.

Delegates at the council meeting accepted a quota of \$5500 for the ADC campaign. Chapters agreed to send advance sums toward their quotas from their chapter treasuries to the National JACL in order to help meet immediate expenses.

Also discussed was possible establishment of a regional office in Seattle. The district has been granted a sum of \$1800 toward expenses of the office.

A five-man committee was appointed by Roy Nishimura, council chairman, to report on functions of such an office as well as its total budget.

Masao Satow attended as a representative from national headquarters.

Delegates attending, in addition to Chairman Nishimura, were as follows:

Mary Ikeda, Seattle, secretary; Sho Endow, Jr., Mid-Columbia, treasurer; Harry Takagi, Kengo Nogaki and Shigeo Uno, Seattle; Tom Takemura, Art Yamada and Kaz Yamane, Puyallup; Min Asai and Mamoru Noji, Mid-Columbia; Blanche Shiosaki, Spokane; Shio Uyetake, Gresham-Troutdale.

Ninth Memorial Concert Held In New York

NEW YORK CITY—The ninth annual Izumi Kawamata memorial concert was held here Jan. 19 at the Broadway Tabernacle with Florence Takayama, pianist, Akeo Watanabe, violinist, Kisun Yun, pianist, and Toshio Nakagawa, tenor, as featured performers.

Miss Takayama, former West Coast Nisei, played Purcell-Bartok's "Prelude in C," Brahms' "Rhapsody in E Flat," and Chopin's "Nocturne in C Sharp Minor," as well as other selections.

Akeo Watanabe and Kisun Yun performed Beethoven's Spring sonata.

Nakagawa, a Brazilian student now studying in New York, sang four numbers, accompanied by Corrado Muccini.

The program opened with two selections by the young people's choir, directed by Howard Mann.

The concert was instituted by the Rev. Giichi Kawamata in memory of his daughter, Izumi.

Proceeds from this year's concert will go toward erection of a church in Japan.

Remind Nisei Voters Of Election Deadline

LOS ANGELES—The registration deadline to vote in the April primary elections is Feb. 8, the JACL regional office reminded Nisei voters this week.

A citizen wishing to vote in the primary elections must register if he has not previously registered in Los Angeles County. The voter must be 21 years of age, a resident of the state for the past year, and of Los Angeles County for the past 90 days and a citizen of the United States for the last 90 days.

Voter registration service will be offered at the regional office located on the second floor of the Miyako Hotel, East First and South San Pedro, by the office secretary, Mrs. Merian K. Amano, deputy registrar of voters.

Civil Liberties Group Announces Annual Conference

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The National Civil Liberties Clearing House will hold its fourth annual conference on civil liberties March 1 and 2.

The organization, which serves as a central agency for numerous civil liberties, civic and minority group organizations, is headed by Mary Alice Baldinger, executive secretary.

Serves With Air Force



EIGHTH FIGHTER-BOMBER WING HQ, Japan (Special to ADC)—Pfc. Isamu Nakanishi, 19, son of Yoshitoshi Nakanishi, Los Angeles, above, is serving with the 8th Fighter-Bomber Wing in Japan.

He arrived in Japan in April, 1949, and has been serving with an Anti-Aircraft Battery of the Wing, which is sending bombing and strafing missions daily into Korea.

Pfc. Nakanishi enlisted in the Air Force in January, 1949, from Los Angeles where he attended Belmont high school.

Japanese American Growers Hope to Start New Industry By Canning Papaya Fruit

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—Hawaii soon may find an infant industry on its economic doorsteps, and be happy to find it there.

Papaya canning is the hopeful idea that is being nursed along by a group of Japanese American growers of that popular tropical fruit. For many years the papaya has graced island tables, in fruit cocktails and salads and as a breakfast and dessert fruit.

Its juicy pulp and tasty flavor may be compared with the apricot and honey-dew melon but the papaya boasts a quality quite its own.

Not many mainlanders have tasted the papaya, since it is highly perishable and is being exported only in small quantities.

Tourists who visit Hawaii fall in love with the melonlike fruit on first taste and bemoan the fact the papaya is not grown commercially on the mainland.

But—to return to the story of papaya canning—

Harry H. Kaneshiro is an island-born Nisei, a lean, serious-faced young farmer who has been growing papayas on a 10-acre tract of land in Waimanalo, on the island of Oahu, for about a year.

"I used to send a truck a day with papayas to Honolulu but now the truck goes out only once or twice a week," he said.

"The price we get for papayas is so cheap it's not worth sending them to the market. We receive only 2 or 3 cents a pound where we used to get 5 to 6 cents.

"There are just too many producers and the market is flooded. 'What's happened to the Kaneshiro papayas?' people ask at the markets. 'They used to be thick and juicy. Now they're thin and small.'

"Well, it's because I can't afford to give fertilizer to the plants. It just costs too much for the price I'm getting for my papayas."

So young Kaneshiro and five other growers have formed the Hawaii Industry Association, which they hope many others on the island will join so they can organize a co-operative.

The association wants to develop a papaya canning industry—a project still in its earliest stages. Canned papaya nectar—the juice of the fruit—is a common product in island grocery stores. But canned papaya pulp and canned sliced papayas are still novelties.

Kaneshiro and his associates want to can papayas when there is a surplus of the fresh fruit on the markets, then sell the canned products here and on the mainland when there is a scarcity of the fresh fruit.

For a factory, they have arranged a small-scale set of machinery to prepare, can and cook the fruit in one section of a Honolulu poi factory owned by Kakuichi Tottori. (Poi is a native Hawaiian food prepared from the taro root pounded to a paste and allowed to ferment).

Tottori claims to have developed a secret process for canning papaya which he is willing to turn over to the farmers, along with the use of his factory. He visited the mainland three times during the past year to search for marketing outlets. His latest trip, early in January, took him to Los Angeles and its vicinity where he found the marketing possibilities for papayas very hopeful.

The papaya canning industry, if and when it matures, can "kill two birds with one stone" for Hawaii's economy.

Amazingly, Hawaii imports more fresh fruit than it produces for the use of the island population, and this is in addition to the large volume of imported canned and processed fruits.

Because of the taste preferences and buying habits, however, the possibilities for expanding fruit production for local markets is limited. But within these limits there is still some room for expansion.

By encouraging farmers to stay in papaya production, both the fresh fruit and canning markets can be kept supplied for island and mainland consumers.

While developing a "home industry," papaya canning also would

JACL ADC Asks Early Action To Speed Approval of Stays Of Deportation for Alien Group

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Immigration and Naturalization Service this week was urged to expedite action on approving stays of deportation for Japanese treaty merchant.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, asked A. R. Mackey, acting commissioner of immigration and naturalization, to complete processing approximately 2,000 Japanese, caught here by the outbreak of World War II, before the end of the first session of the 82nd Congress.

The Japanese were made eligible to remain in the United States after the war through Public Law 763, introduced at the request of the JACL ADC, which provided that treaty merchants and other special immigrants from Japan who had resided in this country for at least seven years, are of good moral character, and to whom it would be a hardship to return to Japan now, be permitted to remain.

Such legislation has applied to Caucasian immigrants since the early 1940s.

Mr. Masaoka said the law passed more than two years ago, yet only a "handful" of an estimated 2,000 alien Japanese subject to deportation who qualify for the benefits of this remedial legislation have had their status changed to permanent residents.

"When this measure became law," he said, "the Immigration and Naturalization Service promised that Japanese hardship cases would be processed as expeditiously as possible.

"But a long delay has resulted, and this is causing much mental distress to those concerned. They

have been unable to plan for the future with any degree of confidence or security. Many cannot begin businesses or enter professions for which they are qualified. All are restricted in their travel.

"Technically subject to deportation, they cannot take advantage of the opportunities offered them by our way of life, and the indeterminate status has prevented many from rehabilitating themselves after their experience of World War II," he added.

Under Public Law 863, Japanese subject to deportation may apply for suspension of deportation proceedings if they are qualified. If their applications are approved, the Immigration and Naturalization Service submits their names to Congress. Congress must approve the stays within two sessions after the names are submitted, or the aliens are subject to deportation.

Only a handful of Japanese names have been submitted to Congress during the past two years by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, although a couple thousand non-Japanese have been recommended for stays.

Chuman Says Civil Rights Bulwarked by Court Ruling

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif.—The strengthening of civil rights in the past three years by decisions of high American courts was vividly portrayed by Attorney Frank Chuman, guest speaker at the annual installation dinner-dance of the Orange County JACL chapter held at the Memorial Hall here on Jan. 27.

Beginning with the Oyama and Takahashi cases before the United States Supreme Court, Chuman, National JACL first vice president, enumerated six cases which have upheld the fundamental rights of persons to own property (Oyama case), to marry a person of his choice (California anti-miscegenation law), to attend an institution of higher learning of his choice (equal facilities in education), to have unrestricted freedom of movement (non discrimination in transportation) and to live in his own home without restriction (racial restrictive covenants).

More than 120 JACL members and prominent local citizens attending the dinner program also witnessed the installation of the newly elected 1951 cabinet by Regional Director Tats Kushida, and response by President-elect Hitoshi Nitta of Santa Ana. Among the guests of honor were: Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hoiles, publisher of the Santa Ana Register, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knebel, publisher of the Garden Grove News; representatives from the NAACP and LVLAC organizations; Rabbi Dolpert; Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Kidder, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hayden, Miss Edna Ing-ham and Miss Vanche Plumb.

Assisting President Nitta on the 1951 cabinet are: First Vice President Kenneth Uyesugi, Costa Mesa; Second Vice President Dr. Tad Ochiai, Santa Ana; Third Vice President Bill Okuda, Garden

be bringing in mainland dollars urgently needed by the islands to bring about a favorable import-export balance.

Thus, out of necessity, the papaya growers who are looking to canning for their salvation may be doing themselves and the whole territory a valuable economic service.

Who can tell but one of these years the papaya may rank side by side with the pineapple as a multi-million dollar island industry?

The pineapple industry started humbly and it took years to develop a taste preference for it on the mainland, through persistent and expert sales promotion. The papaya may yet find its commercial niche in the island economy.

Grove; Treasurer George Kanno, Santa Ana; Secretary Rakumi Sasaki, Santa Ana; Auditor, Yoshiki Yoshida, Orange; and Members-at-Large Henry Kanegae, Santa Ana, Sam Sugita, Midway City, Lincoln Munemitsu, Westminster, and Kazuo Yamami, Costa Mesa.

John La Monica, popular tenor, accompanied by Mrs. Toki Nitta, entertained with songs. Jim Araki's orchestra provided music for the dancing which followed with Ken Uyesugi emceeing a special intermission drawing for door prizes.

Inductees Honored By French Campers

FRENCH CAMP, Calif.—Inductees were honored Jan. 22 by the French Camp JACL and the Educational Society at a send-off party at French Camp hall.

More than 150 friends honored Kiyoshi Hayashi and Hank Shinmoto, who joined the Army, and Yukio Tanaka, who enlisted for Marine corps training on Jan. 2. Hayashi and Shinmoto are now in training at Fort Ord, Calif., while Tanaka is stationed at San Diego.

John Fujiki was toastmaster. Bob Takahashi spoke on behalf of the French Camp JACL, followed by George Shimasaki, who spoke for the Educational Society.

The following donations were acknowledged: Takefusa Hayashi, \$10; Kameichi Shinmoto, \$10; and Shigeo Tanaka, \$10.

Resettlers Start Fund to Purchase Present Headquarters

CHICAGO — Chicago Japanese Americans will be asked to contribute toward purchase and repair of the present Chicago Resettlers building, according to Ichikuro Kondo, building fund committee chairman.

A goal of \$20,000 to buy and remodel the two-story building has been set. More than \$6,000 has been raised through contributions from business firms.

Second phase of the fund drive will be contacting of Japanese American families in Chicago, beginning Feb. 1. A house-to-house canvass has been planned.

George Teraoka will be in charge of a Nisei committee. Assisting him will be Smoky Sakurada, Harry Sabusawa, Dr. Ben Chikaraishi, Abe Hagiwara, Jiro Yamaguchi, Paul Otake, Jun Ezaki, Kaye Miyamoto, Hiroko Uchida and Mrs. Chizu Iiyama.

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EDITORIALS:

A Message from Pearl Buck

When Nobel prizewinner Pearl Buck was asked to speak at midyear graduation exercises of Cardozo high school in Washington, D. C., she was scheduled to speak only to a small group attending just another graduation.

But her audience became nationwide when District of Columbia school officials arbitrarily withdrew the invitation. The reason given by Dr. Hobart M. Corning, school superintendent, was that certain references to Miss Buck by the House Un-American Activities committee were "not clear."

Miss Buck's message was later sent to the students and released to the press, which gave it wide circulation. Thus was frustrated the apparent intent of the officials to keep the famous author from being heard.

But the fact of Miss Buck's triumph over petty tyranny and fear is not the important thing in this controversy.

It is a little frightening to watch a woman of Miss Buck's integrity and stature subjected to insult and attack upon such flimsy evidence as is contained in the usual run of material compiled by the Un-American Activities committee. This kind of censorship and dictation by rumor is in the worst traditions of totalitarianism. Perhaps Miss Buck meant no irony when she said, in her message, "If you and I were in totalitarian countries today, I would not be allowed to speak to you." But if the right of speech can be denied Miss Buck, then how much more endangered are the rights of ordinary people.

Her message to the graduates of Cardozo high school has become doubly meaningful in the light of this act against her.

It said, in part:

"In strange ways and for different reasons human freedom is lost and as we watch the process wherever it takes place, we who are still free must resolve with fresh courage to keep human freedom alive, and first of all in our own beloved country, in order that from here it may spread to a beleaguered world.

"This courage may cost us much. The time may come, if we are not brave enough in the beginning, when it may cost us everything."

"Do not be discouraged," she wrote to the graduates, "by what has happened to you and to me. There are millions of people in our country who believe in our American ideals and practice them. Such people will be warned by what has happened to us, this incident which keeps me from speaking to you face to face, a small incident, really, affecting only one school and one individual. But the news of it has already gone abroad. It is an incident tremendous in its significance, not that we are important, but it is important that such a thing could have happened here. That it did happen is a fact that we must use, too, in our own lives. Let us make it work for our ideals and not against them. Those who lose even a little freedom must be the ones to work with all their strength for freedom, while there is yet time."

This is the message that Pearl Buck has sent out to Americans everywhere, a message that has meaning not only for graduates of Cardozo high school in Washington, D. C., but for all persons who will, with Miss Buck, be "brave enough in the beginning."

From the Watsonville Pajaronian:

Non-Perfunctory Citizens

We were a guest the other night at a banquet. Ordinarily, we are not particularly fond of banquets, having attended perhaps too many in our time and having found a number full of sound and fury as well as green peas.

This one was a special sort of function, though, and it did us good.

The occasion was the installation of officers for three Monterey bay area chapters of the Japanese American Citizens League; and and there were a number of things about it that made a deep impression on us, and on the other guests of European ancestry.

There was good fellowship without hilarity; there was an undercurrent of pride in an organization formed in adversity and still going strong in better times.

There was complete attention to each speaker (and most audiences could learn a lesson from that). There was respect, in the finest Oriental tradition, for the elder members of the gathering—natives

of Japan who, despite their fine record as hardworking, conscientious members of this community, are barred by a discriminatory law from becoming citizens like their children.

And, finally and most impressive, there was a greater feeling of reverence for the symbols and ideals of American citizenship than seen in many a day. When that crowd sang, The Star Spangled Banner, they really sang it; when they pledged allegiance to the flag, their voices rose in a chorus that would put most larger audiences to shame. There was nothing perfunctory about it—as is too often the case with these oft-repeated rituals in the average audience.

These things impressed us deeply. They impressed us not because we look on Americans of Japanese descent as people any different from Americans of English descent, basically; the race of an American's ancestors is fundamentally no more important than the color of his grandfather's house.

But the feeling of good Ameri-

Vagaries

Japan Book . . .

Nobutaka Ike is the second Nisei in recent years to publish a book on political movements in Japan. His "The Beginnings of Political Democracy in Japan" was published recently by John Hopkins Press and tells of the "movement for liberty and popular rights" in the two decades after the overthrow of the Shogunate. In his review of the book for New Republic, Thomas C. Smith, a language officer with the Marine Corps during the war, writes that Ike's book is a historical analysis "splendidly done, of the origins, development and ultimate failure of the most important of these" home-grown Japanese efforts for political democracy. . . . Back in 1945 Knopf published "Japanese Militarism" by Jack Maki, now an associate professor at the University of Washington.

Lily Miki, pianist graduate of Juilliard school of music in New York, is now in Europe with her husband who is a member of the company which recently presented the first Italian performance of Gian Carlo-Menotti's "The Consul." He plays a magician in the production and also was a member of the original New York cast. . . . The song hit of 20th-Century Fox's film version of the Broadway musical, "Call Me Mister," is a tune called "Japanese Girl Love American Boy" to which Betty Grable dances in a knee-length kimono in front of a Japanese chorus line made up of Nisei girls. The film's background is occupation Tokyo and more than a score of Nisei were used in the film but the only speaking role of a Japanese girl is played by Maylia, the Chinese American actress.

Credits . . .

Mike M. Masaoka is credited as "special consultant" and Eddie Imadzu as art director in "Go for Broke!" . . . Because of the splendid audience reaction to "Go for Broke!" at its Westwood Village theater preview, MGM will make no changes in the film. Among those present at the preview were Louis B. Mayer, president of MGM, and other studio bigwigs. . . . "Go for Broke!" is being featured prominently in MGM ads in trade publications as one of the studio's important films of 1951. . . . Among those attending the Westwood Village theater preview of "Go for Broke!" was Ike Masaoka, winner of a Silver Star in action with the 442nd and a Purple Heart veteran who is the survivor of more than a score of surgical operations for wounds received in battle. . . .

442nd Officers . . .

Veterans of the 442nd Combat team, whose exploits are celebrated in MGM's forthcoming "Go for Broke!", may be interested in the present whereabouts of some of the 442nd's officers. . . . Col. Charles W. Pence, commanding officer of the 442nd from its activation at Camp Shelby, Miss., until he was relieved after being wounded in the rescue of the "Lost Battalion" in France in Oct., 1944, recently was nominated to the rank of brigadier-general. Col. Pence is the only actual 442nd officer to be portrayed in "Go for Broke!" The role is played by Warner Anderson. . . . Col. Virgil R. Miller, former executive officer of the 442nd who replaced Col. Pence as the unit's commanding officer in France and who headed the unit when it returned from Italy in July, 1946 to be decorated by President Truman, is head of the ROTC at Lehigh university in Bethlehem, Pa.

can citizenship and loyalty impressed us because this group, among all groups of Pajaro valley residents, has been subjected in the past to more mass discrimination and injustice than any other—concentration camps, denial of citizenship, distrust and all the rest—because others of us used poor judgment in the early days of World War II. And out of it all has come not a bunch of embittered, sullen, disloyal men and women, but as fine a group of Americans as you'll discover anywhere.

There's a good lesson in that for those of us whose loyalty never has been subjected to so severe a test. —By Frank F. Orr, editor, Watsonville Register-Pajaronian. Reprinted from Jan. 23 edition.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

Two Young Nisei Mothers

It's always pleasant to hear good things about nice people and two young Nisei mothers, Mrs. Victor Elmaleh and Mrs. Charles Kikuchi, are making news on Broadway.

Both, of course, are better known to the general public under their maiden names, Sono Osato and Yuriko Amemiya, and both have been dancing since childhood, Miss Osato in the ballet and Miss Amemiya in the Japanese dance.

Neither Miss Osato nor Miss Amemiya has traded on the fact of ancestry in achieving their success to date. Sono Osato, born in Omaha and educated in Chicago, joined Col. de Basil's Ballet Russe at the age of 14. Yuriko Amemiya, a native of San Jose, came to New York from the Gila River relocation center during the war and worked as a seamstress until she joined Martha Graham's modern dance company.

This week Sono Osato is dancing the role of Anitra, daughter of a Bedouin chief, in Paul Green's adaptation of Henrik Ibsen's "Peer Gynt" with John Garfield in the title role at the ANTA Playhouse in New York City. The Cheryl Crawford production opened on Jan. 28 for a four-week run and the critics liked Miss Osato, as they always do. Meanwhile, Yuriko, as she is billed, is preparing for the featured dancing role in Rogers & Hammerstein's new production, "The King and I," a musical version of Margaret Landon's novel, "Anna and the King of Siam."

It also appears that Miss Osato can be Hollywood's first feminine star of Oriental ancestry since Anna May Wong, if she so desires. Hal Wallis, one of Hollywood's leading producers, has asked her to take a role in his forthcoming film, "Peking Express," a melodrama which will star Joseph Cotten and Corinne Calvet. Mr. Wallis said in New York that he had asked Miss Osato and Jose Ferrer to join the cast of the picture with shooting scheduled to start later this month. The part, if she decides to take it, will be Miss Osato's first straight acting role in films or on the stage, although she recently played a dramatic role on an Ellery Queen program on television. Her only other motion picture appearance was in 1948 in MGM's "The Kissing Bandit," in which she lured Frank Sinatra with a dance and a song.

If Sono Osato decides to stay on Broadway, she has been asked to take a leading role in Louis Bromfield's new musical in which, according to Leonard Lyons, he hopes to star Pearl Bailey.

Neither Miss Amemiya nor Miss Osato has been deterred in their careers by the fact that there are few, if any, Japanese roles in dramatic or musical literature or in the realm of the dance other than those in "Madame Butterfly" and in Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado." In fact, neither has ever had a Japanese role. Since joining the Graham company Yuriko has appeared in costumes ranging from the pioneer woman of "Appalachian Spring" to that of Cordelia, one of King Lear's daughters, in "The Eye of Anguish."

"Yuriko is my star," Martha Graham told us last spring when her company paused in Utah on a transcontinental tour.

Her appearance in "The King and I," which probably will run for

. . . Col. Alfred A. Pursall, former C.O. of the 3rd battalion and C.O. of the remaining units of the 442nd after the unit was deactivated following the presidential review in Washington in July, 1946, is now commanding an infantry regiment in Korea. . . . Lieut. Col. James M. Hanley, former C.O. of the 2nd battalion of the 442nd, is now in Korea as chief of a war crimes division. He was stationed in Seoul until the UN's recent withdrawal. . . . Major Thomas Akins, now a lieutenant-colonel, was military adviser on "Go for Broke!" . . . Major Thomas K. Kobayashi, a warrant officer in the administrative section of the 442nd when it was originally activated and winner of a battlefield commission in Italy, is now with the adjutant-general's office in Washington.

many years to come in the manner of other Rogers & Hammerstein collaborations, will be Yuriko's first in a Broadway production outside the Graham company although she has given a number of concerts of her own dance creations, including one number inspired by her evacuation experience. During the war she also visited army embarkation centers like Camp Shanks to dance for Nisei GIs leaving for overseas duty.

At the time she left the Ballet Russe in 1941 Miss Osato was established as one of the group's leading ballerinas, in a company which included such dancers as Tamara Toumanova and Irina Baranova. She had the leading role in several ballets, including "The Prodigal Son" which she introduced to New York. During her years with the company she traveled in Europe, Mexico and South America. Later she joined the new American Ballet company. It was as a member of this ballet troupe that the Japanese side of her Japanese and Irish-French ancestry was impressed on her for the first time. It was in 1942 and the American Ballet was scheduled for a tour of the Pacific coast. Because of the military order evacuating all persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast, Miss Osato did not make the western half of the tour.

Sono Osato is as intelligent as she is beautiful. She is not frightened by ideas and she once told an interviewer that she believed that it was not enough for an artist to know how to dance and sing. She feels that an artist is first and foremost a citizen and should participate in the affairs of her country. She has worked to improve the economic status of people in show business and has actively given of her talent on behalf of racial minority groups and for such goals as better housing for war veterans. During the war she worked with the JACL office in New York on several occasions on behalf of Japanese American evacuees. Her brother, Timmy, once one of radio's original Quiz Kids in Chicago, was a member of the 442nd Combat Team.

The Nisei can be proud of the fact that Sono Osato and Isamu Noguchi, both nationally-recognized in their respective fields and both untouched as individuals by wartime discrimination, went out of their way to align themselves with the Nisei. Mr. Noguchi, in fact, deliberately entered a war relocation center (Poston) as a resident so that he would be able to assist the evacuees.

Miss Osato's first dance role outside the ballet was in "One Touch of Venus," which starred Mary Martin. Her dancing in this production was recognized as outstanding on Broadway for that year. Later she was featured as Ivy Smith, "Miss Subways," in the musical hit, "On the Town." Her most recent appearance was as "Cocaine Lil" in "Ballet Ballads" in 1949.

Both Sono Osato and Yuriko Amemiya have interrupted their careers for motherhood. The Elmalehs have two children, the oldest being a boy, Niko, aged 4, while the Kikuchis have a two-year old boy.

Victor Elmaleh, an American of Arabian ancestry, is an architect who is now in the import-export business, mainly with French Morocco. Charles Kikuchi, who was the original for Louis Adamic's "American with a Japanese Face" in the book "From Many Lands," is a native of Vallejo, Calif. He worked during the war for the University of California's resettlement study with emphasis on relocation problems in Chicago and compiled nearly 1,000,000 words of data. He is now a psychiatric social worker for the City of New York.

In addition to her appearances as a dancer, Yuriko teaches dancing at the Martha Graham school and has been a guest instructor at the dance department of NYU.

Both Yuriko Kikuchi and Sono Elmaleh are proving that it is possible to make a home and to have a career and to be a success in both.

"Do You Know?" JACL's Scope Expanded By Wartime Resettlement

By ELMER R. SMITH

The internal organization of the JACL grew in strength and membership during 1947. It will be recalled that sixty-six chapters comprised the National organization on the eve of evacuation. With evacuation came the dissolution of chapters along the west coast, and as an organization it was reduced to a few comparatively young Intermountain chapters. At the close of 1947 the national JACL had fifty-four chapters functioning actively and five others in the process of becoming recognized.

As Nisei put down roots in the midwest and east via the resettlement program, and later as some of them returned to their west coast homes, Nisei groups were formed and expanded. The JACL's program of community and group advancement were recognized as of importance for the benefit of these communities, and JACL chapters were organized or, in the case of the west coast, reactivated. The Midwest and Eastern District Councils were organized during 1947 and the Pacific Northwest District Council was reactivated. These three District Councils joined with the Intermountain, Northern California, and the Pacific Northwest District Council was reactivated. These three District Councils joined with the Intermountain, Northern California, and the Pacific Southwest Districts to make six District Councils in operation at the close of 1947.

This expansion of the organizational set-up of JACL made the JACL emerge in 1947 as a more truly national organization geographically as well as in its program, influence and scope of operations.

A review of the activities of the various chapters from the date available in the files of the national JACL indicates that during 1947 the chapters were positive factors in encouraging the development of Nisei. The chapter activities tended to broaden the Nisei's perspective, expanded their interest, and served as the channel through which a greater participation in the life of the total community was being directed. A paragraph from the report of the National Secretary's yearly report will summarize the myriad of activities in which JACLers participated in 1947.

"1947 saw our Idaho Falls Chapter raise \$2500 toward the local community hospital; East-bay Chapter was cited for its work in the local Red Cross campaign; Santa Clara County members walked off with more than their share of honors at their County Fair; San Mateo gave leadership to the local Council For Civic Unity; Pocatello made available copies of the Story of the 442nd to the local libraries; Salt Lake City joined with other

minority groups in a weekly radio program; Orange County's float won a prize in the Fourth of July parade; Denver joined in a campaign to push for a state FEPC; Twin Cities' Research and Education Committee won recognition from the Governor's Interracial Commission; Mid-Columbia used up their entire treasury to enable the Burgoynes to make a trip to New York to accept their Council Against Intolerance Award; Seabrook helped the Issei to obtain first papers for naturalization; Detroit sent out speakers to various civic, religious and service organizations; Mt. Olympus chapter obtained the advantages of Blue Cross for its membership; San Benito County with only 19 families solicited \$688 from their non-Japanese friends to support JACL's legislative program; Ogden Chapter acted as a unifying factor in bringing together various Nisei organizations together for cooperative ventures; and Chicago maintained a high standard of well attended general meetings with a variety of top notch speakers."

The Midwest District Council in a pioneering venture sponsored the Midwest Workshop for the training of leaders in the fields of intergroup and interracial relations. The Eastern District followed with a comparable workshop, and plans were made by the Pacific Northwest District to do likewise. JACL accomplishments on the local level in 1947 pointed out the fact that the chapters needed to give more attention to the problems and organization of younger Nisei to cooperation with other organizations and agencies in the community. Many of the local chapters recognized that the encouragement of youth groups must extend to JACL members assuming the active advisorship of them. This program was realized in part by the Salinas Chapter organizing a Junior JACL. The Snake River Chapter sent a representative to the "Boys State" of Oregon, and the Salt Lake City Chapter and Intermountain District Council combined to make possible the attendance of one of their members at the National Encampment for Citizenship.

MINORITY WEEK

"With the war now so bitterly fought in Korea against Red China and her Communist-trained Chinese Communist troops, the same situation which happened to the loyal Japanese people is happening to the thousands of loyal Chinese people here in America.

"A few incidents have occurred already toward the Chinese-American people here in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Oakland, Seattle and many more cities throughout America. If the Chinese Americans, here in San Francisco especially since we are the largest community in the state, want to show to the people of the world our attitude toward Red China and our loyalty for America, now is the time to show it. Not until the situation is so bad that we have to suffer what the Japanese Americans suffered during the last year." — From a letter in the Chinese Press, Jan. 12.

No Jim Crow

One day in July, 1948, William C. Chance, a Negro school teacher of Rock Mount, N.C., got aboard the Atlantic Coast Line railway going to Richmond from his home town. Chance got into a car with white passengers. Told to move on, he sat fast. He was removed from the train at Emporia, Va., and jailed on a disorderly conduct charge.

Las week the Fourth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the ACL's Jim Crow policy on trains used for interstate commerce was illegal.

"No nation split within itself by the hostility of group against group, or weakened by prejudices and discriminations, can hope to be strong in the face of the enemy. Our fate—without regard to the creed, color or ethnic origin of the particular group—will be a common one. We shall survive together or go down together."—Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Congress.

Banned

Pearl Buck, one of America's great women, was recently asked to give a midyear graduation talk at Cardoza high school in Washington, D.C., a Negro school.

Shortly thereafter the invitation was withdrawn. Some references against her by the House Un-American Activities Committee, explained School Superintendent Hobart M. Corning, were "unclear." But Mrs. Buck and other persons agree that this excuse was merely a convenient method of keeping Mrs. Buck from speaking at the high school. The Rev. L. Maynard Catchings suggested that it might be due to "the desire to keep away from Negro children the voices of those who stand

Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

A Visit to North Platte

North Platte, Neb. This is the town made famous by Buffalo Bill, Mike Masaoka, Ben Kuroki, Min Yasui and Al Kushihashi. Buffalo Bill used to make this his old stompin' grounds. Even the radio station's call letters are KODY. Mike Masaoka was arrested here soon after Pearl Harbor, a suspected subversive influence. He got that straightened out all right, but not until there had been some mental anguish.

Ben Kuroki lived on a farm at Hershey, a dozen miles up the road from North Platte. He went off to war, and now his exploits have grown to legendary proportions. Min Yasui stopped in North Platte on his way to the Pacific coast soon after Pearl Harbor—on his way to report for military service — and was accosted in his hotel room by a couple of minions of the law.

To hear Min tell it, they were as big as All-American tackles and thrice as ugly. Min had to pull out everything except his social security card to prove he was a red-blooded, although somewhat frightened, loyal American citizen.

Al made his name by leaving his farm to fly a light plane from Los Angeles to Chicago faster and cheaper than a handful of other Nisei contestants in Henry Ohye's air race to the JACL convention last fall. Everybody back home heard about it when Joe DiNatale, North Platte's ace radio announcer, called Al in good old Chi and interviewed him via the telephone. Of course DiNatale did most of the talking, but that was all right with Al because he was overawed by his own sudden rise to eminence.

Big Town Brew: Effect of New McCarran Law On Issei Points Up Need for Equality in Naturalization

By DYKE MIYAGAWA

New York. The director of an evacuation camp in Idaho, mixing humor with compassion, said roughly eight years ago:

"Lucky for us it's not a hundred thousand Irishmen we've rounded up in these hell holes. If you folks were Irish instead of Japanese, a dozen different kinds of hell would be breaking out every day."

The nature and behavior imputed to the Irish may or may not be so. But the remark is recalled in connection with the fact that our Issei have just started the new

year off by reporting their current whereabouts to the government — as if they were on parole — in compliance with the McCarran Subversives Act, a legislative monstrosity begat by the late, unlamented 81st Congress.

Jan. 10 was the deadline, and let's hope there were no Issei who forgot. If any did, they are liable to a fine or a term in the clink, or both. No Nisei would be happy to see any of them subjected to any part of the penalty.

By and large, our Issei are not given to thumbing noses at state authority. They are, if anything, exceeding discreet — almost docile — and only an especially lurid imagination can picture them with propensities for political subversion.

Issei tractability in the face of injustice, however, does not give anyone leave to assume they are without dignity. Something translatable as a sense of individual honor, elaborately cherished by their fathers and celebrated in Japanese folklore, is still very much a part of them.

So it isn't unlikely that many an Issei turned over a few bitter thoughts in their minds as they contemplated the chore imposed upon them by the McCarran Act — a chore they'll be saddled with every year between the first and tenth of January as long as that law stays in the books, and as long as they remain in the congested status of aliens.

They've given their sons in defense of the professed ideals of the land of their choice. They are still giving, as the casualty reports from Korea so grimly testify.

But the Congress which considers itself the arbiter of what is "free" and democratic in the world against racial discrimination and segregation in the United States and throughout the world, and who seek to lift the vision of the people." Mrs. Buck herself ascribed the action to "my private, public and steadfast stand against racial discrimination in the nation's capital."

Other persons, meanwhile, are rushing to the defense of the famous author.

"The time is past when we may find refuge in rationalizations. The very principles upon which our way of life is based are being dangerously challenged in the world-wide ideological struggle..."

"To the realistic, even cynical world of today, profession assumes meaning only in deeds. We cannot convert the vast masses of Asia and Africa—the preponderance of the world's population—to a democracy qualified by color."—Dr. Ralph J. Bunche.

"What we do or how we do it in the field of racial relations is now a matter of world observation and comment. One of the basic weaknesses of the United States in this period of crisis is the fact that racial discrimination does exist and that other nations know that it exists."

"This is a matter of chronic embarrassment to our State department and to our representatives in the United Nations."—Judge Raymond E. Peters, presiding justice of the California District Court of Appeals, division 1.

"The world into which you and I were born is no more. To control the speed of world change is beyond any man's ability today. We have come from a splintered world, one full of the walls and barriers of race, nationality, poverty, ignorance, religious prejudices, and we are going in the direction of a world without these barriers, a world that will someday, and soon, be whole."—Lillian Smith, author of "Strange Fruit" and "Killers of the Dream."

is yet to fully acknowledge the fact that our Issei have more than earned their right to citizenship. The Walter bill, which would belatedly confer that right, is as simple and clear-cut a piece of legislation as anybody can devise or hope for. Except to a minority of human anachronisms like Dixie Democrats Rankin and Russell, the bill projects no serious controversy.

Congress and the country have absolutely nothing to lose by its enactment. To the contrary, its passage would rebound to the ideological strength of the U.S. And there's another point that ought to be considered: if we are all that we boast before the rest of the world, no pressure should be required to make it law except the conscience promptings of the men on the Hill in Washington.

But as the 82nd Congress sets itself up for business, the Walter bill still collects dust on a committee shelf, and the JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee must plunge into another furious round of activity just to see that the measure gets on the agenda somewhere along the line.

In the meantime, our Issei have had to conform to the requirements of a McCarran Act, which, among other malodorous things, in effect classifies all aliens as possible subversives. The situation, it can be said without being unduly harsh, adds up to a compound insult.

Which brings us back to the War Relocation Authority man's remark. Assuming that the sons of Erin are not ones to submit meekly while dirt is shoveled at them, what about us Nisei who are supposed to articulate for the Issei? How many of us are still to shell out for the JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee fund?

And how many — unheeded and cowed by the hysteria of the times — are reluctant to stand up for repeal of the McCarran Act, a truly un-American concoction which President Truman, over whose veto it was passed, has described as a law that "puts the U.S. government in the thought control business"?

Back in 1941, if anyone on the West coast would have suggested that North Platte was a likely spot for a Nisei concentration, he would have been scorned. Well, here are a few of the Nisei in North Platte today: Earl Harano runs the town's leading photo studio and picks up trade from a 100-mile radius. Al Kushihashi's wife, Joey, runs a beauty parlor with the town's top clientele. Jeanne Wada is buyer and big wheel for the town's chief woman's apparel shop. There's a Nisei physician. George and Fred Kuroki and Kushihashi are only a few of the Nisei farming the productive Platte river flats.

The relationship between the Nisei here and the greater community seems to be as natural, casual and ideal as to be found anywhere. Despite the difficulties Masaoka and Yasui encountered, local Nisei seem to be considered full-fledged and respected members of the community, no different from anyone else. And that's how it ought to be.

Of course it wasn't always that way. Kushihashi can remember days when he wasn't welcome at the local airfield where he used to fly. But that was part of war hysteria. When Al came back from occupation duty in Korea, he was welcomed as another local boy home from the wars. The folks didn't forget Al's brother, Johnny, either. Johnny cut quite a swath in local sports circles as a crowd-pleasing fighter. Johnny is hauling high priority war cargoes out to the coast now in his big semi.

We'd been through North Platte several times, but this was the first time we'd stopped. We discovered it's the kind of place where the townspeople, both old stock and Japanese American, deserve a warm pat on the back.

But the Congress which considers itself the arbiter of what is "free" and democratic in the world

walked in, and was hired. Or Sumi's predecessor, Linda Kinoshita. Mr. James sent her to study designing in Paris last year, where she was offered a job with Schiaparelli. Linda turned it down.

Terry Ishihara works in a penthouse. His boss is the author-daughter of Mr. Walgreen of the drug stores. Terry got this job through the JACL, who received a phone call from the heiress, asking for a Nisei secretary.

Everybody at the New York Times seems to know Secretary Aki Inui; Chiz Ikeda is with Robbins, Barber and Baar, a big-time public relations firm; Michi Kageyama is with a large advertising agency.

The fact that these girls had qualities to offer in the first place, is taken for granted, but the list goes on and on.—Mitsu Yasuda.

New York's Kitty Foyles

New York City Every white-collar girl in New York does not insert "Situation Wanted" ads in the New York Times. Whether through like experience or no, they seem to assume, wisely, that the best way to get a job is to go after one.

For a long time, Rockefeller Center did not hire any Nisei. Or so the story went. We doubt if anyone bothered to check. Mrs. Yuri Taono, who hadn't heard the story, went straight to the employment office, and was hired. She is, as far as we know, the first and only Nisei employed there.

Then there is Sumi Hiramoto. She holds a top position with Charles James, voted this year as the foremost American dress designer. She heard about an opening, happened to be near his salon,

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Wat Misaka Sprains Ankle in Basketball

Wat Misaka is getting around Salt Lake City on crutches this week, having suffered a sprained ankle while practicing basketball Sunday. His injury also is a blow to the Star Coffee team in the JACL bowling league and the Okada Insurance team in the Salt Lake Major league. Last week John Mooney, writing in the Salt Lake Tribune, noted that Misaka probably was the player most responsible for the University of Utah winning the national college basketball championship in 1947, although his teammate, Arnie Ferrin, was the one who made the All-American squad. Ferrin is now playing professional basketball with George Mikan and the Minneapolis Lakers. Chippy Umemoto rang up the individual high game of the three-week old Utah state round-robin tournament on Jan. 28 with a 276 game at the K-B alleys in Salt Lake. He started his game with nine straight strikes before sparing out in the tenth frame. The big game gave him a 1200 total for the six games and boosted him into ninth place in the tournament. Morey Yamaguchi was the winner of the men's singles at the Northwest classic in Seattle recently. Top performances for Nisei bowlers in league play so far this year include George Kihida's 720 series in the Salt Lake JACL league and Roscoe Garage's scratch 3021 series in the Chicago Nisei bowling league.

Honolulu Club Has Best Nisei Outfield

The reason the Moiliili club of the Honolulu AJA league is favored to win the championship this year is that it has the best outfield in Nisei baseball. Moiliili's three outer gardeners are Wally Yonamine, 1948-49 batting champion of the AJA league who will play until he reports to the mainland for spring training; Jun Muramoto, 1950 "most valuable player" in the AJA loop, and Victor Mori, last year's batting champion. Muramoto long has been rated the best flychaser in Hawaii while Yonamine proved with the Salt Lake Bees last season that he is a good pro outfielder. Yonamine made the second team of the all-Pioneer league being placed behind Eddie Moore, the Brooklyn Dodgers' star Negro farmhand with the Billings Mustangs. One of the features of the Honolulu baseball season this year will be the visit of a Tokyo pro team which will open a series against the AJA clubs in February.

Tommy Kono Returns to Competition

Young Tommy Kono, the Sacramento high school student who may be the world's greatest weightlifter at 148 pounds, returned to competition on Jan. 27 and won in his division in the tournament sponsored at the San Jose, Calif., YMCA. Kono, Pacific Coast champion, equalled the Northern California record in the military press with 230 pounds. Last year Kono flew to the United States tryouts at Brooklyn to pick the team which was to represent this country in the world's weightlifting competition in Paris. Kono's trip was made possible when members of the Oak Park Athletic Club, a group of high school athletes in Sacramento, raised more than \$300, partly from a bank loan. The Oak Park club staged a dance and sold cakes to obtain the money for Kono's trip but the young Nisei star was unable to compete in Brooklyn when he was called home because of the death of his mother. Kono is rated to have a good chance of making the U.S. Olympic team in 1952. The only Nisei to compete in the Olympic Games to date are three weightlifters—Hal Sakata, Emerick Ishikawa and Richard Tomita, all of Hawaii. Tomita is expected to try out for the 1952 team.

Small Fry All-American Gets Big Thrill

Little Leonard Kaneshiro of Honolulu, the 12-year old backfield ace who made the first team of the 1950 midget All-America football team, had an experience the other day in Honolulu that he will never forget. Kaneshiro got in for one play in the Hula Bowl game between the College All-Stars and the Honolulu town team which was abetted by Sammy Baugh and Leon Hart. Kaneshiro, playing T-quarterback, threw a pass to Baugh which was complete but the play was called back when the team was offside. The 100-pound small fry star got a rousing ovation from the 25,000 fans present as he ran off the field.

Nakamoto Heads for All-League Laurels

Vic Nakamoto, all-conference forward for the Placer Union team of Auburn, Calif., in the Sierra Foothills league last year, is almost certain to repeat the honor this season. Now playing his third year on the Placer varsity, Nakamoto is the leading scorer of the team which is leading the league. Placer has had Nisei cage stars for the past four years in Nakamoto, Jim Yokota and others. They have a new sharp-shooting Nisei forward on the junior varsity named Bill Nishimoto. Jimmy Tsugawa, captain and quarterback of the Beaverton, Ore., high school football team last season, is now playing guard on the basketball squad. He had six points as Beaverton lost a 46 to 48 game to Forest Grove last week. Another Nisei starter on an Oregon prep team is Tomita, a forward, for Odell high. Tomita tanked four as Odell nosed out Cascade Locks, 45 to 44, last week. Steve Matsumoto, Ted Miyagawa, Sam Okubo and Louie Sasaki were members of Sacramento high's Class C basketball team which recently won the Sac-Joaquin conference championship.

Nisei Fisherman Designs Bass Lure

A new black bass lure has been designed by John Fujita of Watsonville and was placed on the market recently. Fujita says his lure is "made for small black bass, crappies and blue-gills. Sachi Ikeda is in second place in the San Jose Women's city tournament at Santa Clara Bowl with a 577 in the singles and holds third place in all-events with 1639. Terrie Shigemoto is third in the singles in the minor division with 505 and second in all-events at 1428. Pete Ota sank a field goal as Westminster College of Salt Lake lost to Idaho State, 51 to 63, in Pocatello on Jan. 31. George Miyama won the Land Park golf club's tournament Sunday in Sacramento. The University of Hawaii team which met the U. of California Bears in Honolulu this week has three Nisei starters, Fred Furukawa, Tommy Yasuhara and Allen Yokomoto. Haruo Maekawa, a flyweight, is the only Nisei boxer holding a territorial AAU title in Hawaii this year. The Ohio State Buckeyes, captained by Herbert Kobayashi of Honolulu, are the favorites to win the Big Ten championship again this year.

Herbie Isono Named to All-City Squad

Herbert Isono was named to the second team of the Los Angeles All-City basketball squad for the second year in a row last week by the Southern California Board of Basketball. The 5 foot 9 inch University high school star won all-Western league honors and helped take his team into the consolation finals of the recent all-city tournament. Tommy Yagi, a member of the football varsity, is now

Plan Midwest JACL Bowling Meet in Spring

CHICAGO — James Kozuma, bowling co-ordinator for the Chicago Chapter, JACL, announced this week that the top Nisei Midwest teams will bowl in the MDC-JACL bowling tournament. The date for the tournament has been tentatively set for early spring.

The MDC tournament, which will be sponsored by the Chicago Chapter, JACL, will be governed by the ABC rules, and specifically, under the provision of moral support sanctions. Under ABC moral support sanctions, no team can bowl unless everyone of its participants is a member of the JACL.

The Chicago area boasts of keglers who carry some of the highest averages in the nation. Frank Kebo of the Chicago chapter is one of the few Nisei in the country who has to his credit a 300 game.

HUGO OGAWA WINS ANNUAL STOCKTON ORIENTAL CLASSIC

STOCKTON, Calif. — A handicapped 1734 series rolled by Hugo Ogawa of Sanger, Calif., won Stockton Bowl's Oriental singles classic which ended on Jan. 28.

Ogawa rolled his series during the first weekend of the tourney but none of the bowlers in last weekend's squads could better the score, although Kuni Kawamura of Lodi moved into second place with a 1678.

Ogawa had an eight-game scratch total of 1510 plus a 224 handicap. He is a 157-average bowler in the Fresno Nisei league.

Johnny Fernandez of Stockton was third with 1670, followed by Buzz Noda of Selma at 1653.

The only other Nisei to finish in the top 15 was Kaz Maseba of Stockton at 1601.

In El Dorado Bowl's fifth annual singles classic which is now in its fourth week Von Miyasaki of Santa Clara still holds fourth place with a 1661 total. He has 1485 scratch and 176 handicap. The winner will receive \$1,000.

Veterans May Hold Boxing Tournament

STOCKTON, Calif. — Plans for the sponsoring of an amateur boxing tournament are under discussion by the Stockton Nisei Vets.

Shig Takahashi, athletic chairman of the veterans group and a fight manager and trainer, will be in charge if plans mature.

Ten Nisei Teams Enter Cage Meet

LYMAN, Neb. — Ten Nisei teams will compete in the 3rd annual western Nebraska invitational basketball tourney which will be held at the Lyman high school gym on Feb. 3 and 4.

Besides the host club, the Western Nebraska YMA, the entries include those of Nisei teams from Rocky Ford, Sedgwick, Las Animas, Fort Morgan, Ordway and Brighton and three Denver teams, the Brewers, the Bussei and the Bussei Juniors. All of the visiting teams are from Colorado.

Bride-to-Be Feted

LA JARA, Colo. — Miss Lucy Yoshida, bride-elect of Jim Mori of Atwood, Colo., was feted at a bridal shower Jan. 28 at the home of Dorothy Ogura. Sumiye Yoshida was co-hostess.

The guest of honor received many beautiful gifts, as well as copies of favorite recipes of her friends.

A farewell party in her honor will be held Feb. 4 at the home of her parents, Mrs. and Mrs. F. E. Yoshida.

Joins Air Force

FRESNO, Calif. — Donald T. Hirose is one of 59 men from the Fresno district who recently started indoctrination training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Tex.

a guard on the Livingston, Calif., high school basketball team. One of the smallest cagers in high school play is Jim Hino, little guard for Seattle's Garfield team. Takeo (Fat) Nakamura has been named manager of the Honolulu Asahis (formerly the Athletics) of the Hawaii League. Nakamura, connected with Hawaiian baseball for the past 30 years, was a catcher for the U. of Hawaii and also was a lineman on Hawaii's 1925 "wonder team."

Hawaii Nisei Boxer Trains In Foxhole on Korean Front

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA — A Nisei cavalryman now in combat with the 1st Cavalry Division in Korea has solved the problem of carrying out his battlefield duties while keeping in training for a boxing career.

He is Pfc. Tamao Nakata of Waipahu, Oahu, T.H., who recently reestablished his training cycle for future ring battles with the aid of a miniature bar-bell set.

Nagata, 23, entered military service in 1949 with a good record as an amateur boxer. He continued to enhance that record in 1st Cavalry Division competition while on duty in the Japanese occupation.

The Nisei GI established himself as one of the top flyweights in the U.S. Army in the Far East before the Korean war sent the 1st Cavalry to Korea. Determined to continue training, Nagata began a search for equipment in Korea and managed to obtain a small bar-bell set from a Korean merchant.

Now he works out for an hour at the front, in addition to digging foxholes, pitching tent and cutting wood.

When the war is over Pfc. Nagata hopes to continue fighting—under Marquis of Queensbury rules.

San Mateo JACL Holds Tournament

SAN MATEO, Calif. — Harry Higaki's 1880 handicap score in the men's division and Toshi Mori's 1061 in the women's competition won the all-events prizes at the San Mateo County JACL bowling tournament on Jan. 27 and 28 at San Mateo Bowl.

One hundred and twenty-five members participated in the tournament.

Shozo Mayeda's handicapped 644 won the men's singles, while Ruth Nakagawa took the women's singles with 515.

John Motooka and Shig Mori won the men's doubles with 1239 and Shig Mori and Toshi Mori took the mixed doubles with a 1139 total.

Kitty Yamauchi's 194 was the women's high scratch game, while Ken Adachi fired a 244 for the men's top scratch.

Recreation Group Will Sponsor Overnight Outing

CHICAGO — An overnight outing to Robbins Lodge in Palos park will be sponsored Feb. 3-4 by the Citywide Recreation Council of the Chicago Resettlers Committee.

George Naritoku will be chairman. Committee heads will be George Kita, transportation; Mary Takeda, food; George Morisato, promotion; Helen Sasaki, reception; Joe Maruyama, program; Harry Hasegawa, Sunday service; and Chizu Iiyama.

Abe and Esther Hagiwara will be chaperones for the group.

Japanese Americans Honor Stockton School Teachers

STOCKTON, Calif. — Stockton's Japanese American community said "thank you" to two school-teachers Jan. 21 for countless services over a period of many years.

The teachers, Elizabeth and Catherine Humbarger, were honored at a dinner sponsored by eight local organizations and attended by many of their students, ex-pupils and parents.

The Humbargers heard their friends express their appreciation for all the help given the Nisei and Issei by the Stockton schoolteachers in the evacuation and relocation period, in naturalization and English classes and numerous other ways.

Set Prize List For National Bowling Meet

LOS ANGELES — Prizes for the men's events in the fifth annual National Bowling tournament based on a minimum of 50 team entries were announced by the tourney co-chairmen, Harley Kusumoto and Dick Fujioka.

At least 12 team prizes will be awarded, with \$50 for the first squad prize and \$25 for the second squad prize.

Twenty-four prizes will be given to top keglers in the men's doubles event with \$25 for the first place squad and \$15 to the second place squad.

In the men's singles, a \$30 first place squad prize and \$10 for the second place squad will head up a list of 30 prizes to be presented at the Trophy Dinner dance which will wind up the three-day tourney on March 18.

Trophies and shoulder patches will be presented to the champions in the all-events, team, doubles and singles events for both men and women. Prizes for the women's events were not yet revealed, although it was announced that one hundred per cent of entries would be returned as prize money.

"Every bowler has a chance for a prize," declared the tourney co-chairmen, emphasizing that bowling will be in squads determined by the bowlers' own averages.

Nisei Liquors Take Back Lead in Chicago Bowling

CHICAGO — Nisei Liquors took back the lead in the Chicago Nisei Men's league on Jan. 24 as they defeated Louis Bar B-Q, 3 to 1, on the strength of Frank Kebo's 578 and Junior Gottori's 555. Harry Miya had 562 for the losers.

Frank Kasuyama took individual high series honors with 621 (210-209-202) as Perfection Motors topped Tea Pot Inn, 3 to 1, in a close contest in which the handicapped team tallies were 2941 to 2910.

Highest handicapped team total was marked up by Erie Clothing with 2975, including a 1071 first game, as they defeated Sugano Tourist Bureau, 3 to 1. Hiroshi Sunahara was high with 556.

In another close contest Maruhachi Cafe took three from Tellone Beauty Salon, knocking the losers out of a first-place tie for first with Nisei Liquors. Takeo Konii was high for the match with 559.

Yone Deguchi's 565 aided Seto's to a 3 to 1 win over Wah Mee Low, while Nu-Star Cleaners white-washed Rosecoe Garage despite Jim Kozuma's 596 series for the garagemen.

Roosevelt-Western Service took four from Exact Cleaners. Carl Kita of the losing team was the individual star with 553.

A television set and wrist-watches were presented to the teachers. The TV set was delivered before Christmas, but presentation of the watches was made at the dinner.

"Mother Humbarger," mother of the Humbargers, was given a suitcase and thanked "for having two such wonderful daughters."

The gift fund was raised by members of the participating clubs. Individual donations were sent by mail from former students who could not attend the dinner.

Organizations sponsoring the dinner were the Stockton JACL, Nisei Veterans, Issei Kai, Linden Nisei Club, Stockton Students Club, Calvary Presbyterian church, Buddhist church and Stockton YBA.

George Baba was general chairman, with Bob Takahashi as master of ceremonies. The sum of \$31, left over from the gift fund, was turned over to the March of Dimes.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To the Rev. and Mrs. Masaji Goto a boy on Jan. 21 in Wapato, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wakabayashi a girl on Jan. 16 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Suzuki, Loomis, Calif., a girl on Jan. 16.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nagata a boy on Dec. 18 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fumio Sano a boy on Dec. 29 in Reedley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Yoshiooka a boy on Dec. 31 in Sanger, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Kasai a girl on Jan. 29 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Tashima a girl, Laura Chiyoko, on Jan. 7 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masami Yoshida a girl, Lynne Kiyomi, on Jan. 11 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Koji Deguchi a boy, Shigeo Henry, on Jan. 12 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Mark Shintaku a girl, Emily Alice, on Jan. 15 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mitsuo Hagihara a boy, Randolph Mitsuo, on Jan. 3 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Shiraki a girl, Marcella Candace Ayako, on Jan. 16 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Glen Whang (nee Mae Hiroko Takimine) a boy, Roger Mitchell, on Dec. 30 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Satoru Sato a girl, Christine Hisayo, on Jan. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Yoshihisa Fukumoto a girl, Donna Mae, on Jan. 4 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Katsumi Mano a boy, Richard Mitsuba, on Jan. 4 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiromichi Morimoto a girl, June Chiyo, on Jan. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Suzuki, Henderson, Colo., a boy on Jan. 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shuji Hamano a boy, Andrew Shoji, on Jan. 8 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Susumu Inouye a boy, Randall Nick, on Jan. 9 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshiyuki Kaneko a girl, Sandra Ann, on Jan. 8 in Los Angeles.

To the Rev. and Mrs. Seimoku Kosaka a girl on Jan. 22 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mason Funabiki, East Palo Alto, Calif., a boy, Dean, on Jan. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Okanishi a boy, Joseph, on Jan. 8 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Uchiogoshi a boy, Toshio James, on Jan. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roger Sing Wong (nee Shigeo Yoshinaga) a girl, Carrie Shiz, on Jan. 11 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Susumu Yokota a boy, Kaoru, on Jan. 9 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Minoru Koba, San Gabriel, Calif., a girl on Jan. 6.

To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Seibei Toguchi a girl, Gail Naomi, on Jan. 12 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Don Takashi Kawasaki a boy, Dennis, on Jan. 10 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masami Nishida, Vale, Ore., a girl on Jan. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Saburo Yasuda a boy in Berkeley.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadao Nagaishi a girl, Jane Yoshiye, on Jan. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Luther Shige Ishihara a girl, Jeanne Yuriko, on Jan. 4 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kiyoshi Ito a girl, Kathleen Kazuko, on Jan. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noble Noboru Naka a boy, Leslie Curtis, on Jan. 7 in Los Angeles.

DEATHS

Saichi Nasaka, 76, on Jan. 19 in New York City.

Asajiro Nomura, 64, on Jan. 21 in Los Angeles.

Hichigoro Sayama on Jan. 23 in Los Angeles.

Richard Nakano, 5-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nakano, on Jan. 18 in Los Angeles.

Mark Masao Takahashi on Jan. 22 in Gardena, Calif.

Jack Yanagihara, 51, on Jan. 20 in Los Angeles.

Tokujuri Nakagawa, 78, on Jan. 24, in Visalia, Calif.

Hidekichi Mori, 79, on Jan. 23 in San Leandro, Calif.

Tadao Nishihara, 66, in Ontario, Ore.

MARRIAGES

Tsuneko Oki to Tomio Mune-kawa on Jan. 21 in San Francisco.

Yoshiko Hosoi to Isao Moses Sakurai on Jan. 27 in Los Angeles.

Lucy Nakano to Jack M. Wada on Jan. 21 in Los Angeles.

Ruth Kawakami to James Shinto on Jan. 27 in Denver.

Michiko Kikumoto to Henry Yoshio Tanaka, Venice, on Jan. 27 in Los Angeles.

Rose Hideko Sasajima, Torrance, to Edward Masao Nakao on Jan. 28 in Los Angeles.

Kiyoko Shoda to Yoshito Nishio, Whittier, on Jan. 28 in Pasadena, Calif.

Reiko Ishida of Osaka, Japan, to Sgt. Tetsuro Kanemitsu of San Francisco on Jan. 26 in Osaka.

Masako Carol Kurihara to Harry G. Packard on Jan. 29 in San Francisco.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Mary Shimozone, 28, Reedley, and George Toshiaki Yamamoto, 29, Dinuba, Calif., in Fresno.

Etsuko Mochizuki, and Robert Lew in San Francisco.

Sono Suzuki, 23, and Asa Fujie, 28, Oakland, in San Francisco.

Nancy Ono, 25, and Hiroshi Yamamoto, 26, in San Francisco.

Yoshiko Yamada, 20, Oakdale, Calif., and Yoshinori Yagi, 29, Brentwood, in San Francisco.

Aiko Nakatsu and James H. Mizuki, 28, in Seattle.

Ann Katsuzumi, 30, Berkeley, and John Chew, 27, San Diego, in Sacramento.

Maya Devi Group Installs Officers

CHICAGO — The Maya Devi, women's organization of the Midwest Buddhist church, held its semi-annual installation luncheon Sunday, Jan. 21, at the famous Isbell's Dining Room.

Aya Yamakoshi was installed as president. Molly Okita will serve as vice president.

Other officers will be Rose Arima, rec. secy.; Asako Nishimura, corr. secy.; Mieko Inokuchi, treas.; Kay Kikugawa, welfare chmn.; Aki Fujita, publicity chmn.; and Sumi Miyata, receptionist.

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JACL Sponsors Children's Art Show



An international project was promoted in Salt Lake City last weekend by the JACL and the Salt Lake Japanese language school when they sponsored showing of a collection of student art work from Japan at the Buddhist church.

The drawings and paintings, some of which can be seen above, will soon go on tour in Salt Lake City public schools under direction of Maud Hardman, supervisor of art, second from left in photo above.

Miss Hardman is seen accepting a packet of letters that accompanied the art works from

Hatsumi Mitsunaga. The photo shows, l. to r., Eiko Nagazawa, Miss Hardman, Helen Obert, president of the Salt Lake P-TA council, Myrtle Schwan of the board of education, Hatsumi Mitsunaga and George Mochizuki, president of the Salt Lake JACL.

Miss Hardman had high praise for quality of art in the pictures, particularly in those drawn by students of the 1st and 2nd grades. These, she said, were comparable in quality to drawings by 3rd and 4th graders in this country.

—Photo by Ben Terashima.

Paintings by Japan School Children Will Be Shown in Schools

An exhibit of art work by Japanese school children will go on display soon in all of Salt Lake City's public schools.

The exhibit had its first public showing Jan. 27 and 28 at the Salt Lake Buddhist church under sponsorship of the JACL and the local Japanese language school.

Hundreds of persons attended during the two-day showing, with more than 200 guests registered during the Sunday afternoon hours alone.

The paintings and drawings, done by school children in Fukuoka, Japan, were sent to this country as a goodwill measure. Letters by the young artists accompany the paintings.

Numerous representatives of the city school system and local P-TA groups were among viewers at the show.

The exhibit will be kept intact and go "on tour" in Salt Lake City schools, according to Maud Hardman, supervisor of art. More than 40 schools are in the local school system.

Marysville to Install New JACL Cabinet

MARYSVILLE, Calif. — Akiji Yoshimura recently was reelected president of the Marysville JACL chapter and will be installed with members of his cabinet on Feb. 8 at a dinner at the Elks Club.

Other officers for 1951 include: Mas Oji, vice-pres.; Lucille Tokuno, rec. sec.; Mary Tsuji, corres. sec.; Ben Kawata, treas.; Roy Hatamiya and Frank Nakao, public relations; Iris Hatanaka, social chmn.; Art Oji, athletic chmn.; Bill Tsuji, official delegate; and George Ishimoto, Richard Kinoshita, Albert Okamoto, Tony Tokuno and Ryo Harada, district representatives.

Gets Commission

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA — Second Lieut. Kanso Suza of Hilo, Hawaii, recently was awarded a battlefield commission in the 24th Infantry Division for combat leadership.

Sedgwick Contributes

SEDGWICK, Colo.—A total of \$146 was raised here for the JACL ADC in a drive concluded recently.

Members of the drive committee were the four vice-presidents of the Young Buddhists Association. They are Tom Kobayashi, Kish Otsuka, Tosh Inouye and Sash Kinoshita, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th vice-presidents, respectively.

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JACL Committee Will Study Recent Ruling on Renunciants

Eden Township JACL To Install Cabinet

SAN LEANDRO, Calif. — The new cabinet of the Eden Township JACL will be installed at the chapter's installation dinner to be held Feb. 16 at Castro Villa.

Taking the oath of office will be Minoru Shinoda, pres.; Kimi Fujii, 1st vice pres.; George Minami, 2nd vice pres.; Henry Wada, treas.; Kazue Okada, rec secy.; Hamako Nishida, corr. secy.; and Toichi Domoto, Tak Shiba, Tom Hatakeda, Katsuo Tanabe, Giichi Yoshioka and Yoshimi Shibata, board of governors.

ADC certificates of recognition will be presented to persons who have performed outstanding service on behalf of the ACL and the ADC.

A documentary film, "Kenji Comes Home," and a short color film, "Japan Today," will be shown.

Ray Kitayama will be toastmaster. Committee chairmen will be Kimi Fujii, program; June Yoshioka, decorations; Min Shinoda and Min Yonekura, movies; Sachi Nieda and Katsuo Tanabe, invitations; Heidi Kitayama, publicity; Henry Wada and Tom Kitayama, tickets; and Kenji Fujii, dinner.

Nisei to Participate In Friendship Fete At Community Center

LOS ANGELES — The Festival of Friendship, a community-wide intercultural project, will be held Sunday, May 20, at Fresno playground.

The program is sponsored by numerous citizen organizations, agencies, clubs and individuals.

Mel Janapol, member of the Southland Jewish Organization, is chairman. JACL representative on the steering committee will be Paul Ichino.

The Festival of Friendship committee recently announced receipt of \$300 from the youth services division of the welfare council to be used by the committee. The sum will be set up as a revolving fund to expand the festival project.

Members of the steering committee, in addition to Janapol and Ichino, are Grace Blackmore, Milt Bogad, Lillian Bowers, Joseph M. Castaneda, Ed Grosselfinger, Oliver M. Hiller, Mark Keats, Daniel Kurz, Rudolph Rivera, Jack Saller, Nolia Sofer, Joe Vargas, Mary A. Willcocks and Richard N. Willcocks.

CHICAGO — Harold Gordon, chairman of the National JACL legislative-legal committee, announced this week that the following persons will act as the nucleus of his committee and serve on the subcommittee: Mrs. Dorothy Kitow, Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe and Thomas Masuda.

The National JACL legislative-legal committee will tackle knotty questions of organizational procedure and position such as the case of the renunciants (the recent decision of the U.S. Appellate Court which reversed the judgment handed down by the San Francisco court), the possible amendments to the present evacuation claims law, and others.

In order to eliminate the handicap of working mainly through correspondence, all national committees will operate by having subcommittees within the chapters or district councils in which each chairman resides, thereby facilitating the work of each national committee.

Okuma Will Head Arizona Chapter

GLENDALE, Ariz.—Ikuo Okuma of 506 East D Street, has been elected president of the Arizona JACL Chapter for 1951, it was announced this week by Masao Tsusumida, retiring president.

Other newly elected officers are: Tsutomu Ikeda, first vice-pres.; Makoto Tanita, second vice-pres.; George Kuhara, third vice-pres.; Tadao Fujii, treas.; James Sakato, social chairman; and Sunao Tsusumida, athletic chairman. editorial

Southwest L.A. Unit To Discuss Social Security Program

LOS ANGELES—Old age insurance benefits under the Social Security program will be discussed before the monthly meeting of the Southwest L.A. JACL Chapter on Feb. 13 at the Centenary Methodist Church at 8 p.m., it was reported by President Tut Yata.

The speaker will be Mr. Verne King, field representative of the Social Security Administration office in Los Angeles.

Donor Thanked

SAN JOSE, Calif.—A \$25 donation from Hisajiro Inouye for his family in memory of his mother has been acknowledged by the United Citizens League of Santa Clara county.

Exhibit to Show Daily Life in Aliso Village

LOS ANGELES — A photographic exhibit on Aliso Village, Los Angeles housing development, will be shown at the Los Angeles County Committee for Church and Community Cooperation.

Engagement Told

FAIR OAKS, Calif. — The engagement of Miss Kiyoko Kiino, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Kiino, to Paul Kashiwagi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Kashiwagi of Sacramento, was told here at a Christmas dinner at the Kiino home.

The bride-elect attended Sacramento high school and is employed by the California state board of education.

The groom-to-be is a veteran of World War II. He is employed by the post office department.

Min Yasui Pays Tribute to Famed Denver Newsmen

DENVER — A tribute to Lee Casey, associate editor of the Rocky Mountain News who died on Jan. 29, was published this week in Min Yasui's column in the Colorado Times.

"We particularly remember Lee Casey, because when we first came to Denver in 1933, the atmosphere of public opinion toward persons of Japanese ancestry was bitterly antagonistic," said Mr. Yasui.

"Sure, it was at the height of fury of war against Japan, and we suppose the reflected hatred was only natural.

"We can remember that Bruce Gustin and Jack Carberry of the Denver Post, in pre-Palmer Hoyt days, took particular delight in lambasting the evacuee Nisei in this region. But with courage and with an eye towards the right, Lee Casey dared to editorially defend the evacuees.

"Persons of Japanese ancestry in this area have lost another good and great friend in the death of Lee Casey. Last year, when ex-Gov. Ralph L. Carr left this worldly scene, we lost a powerful friend. In the loss of Lee Casey, we lose a powerful voice who stood for right and justice.

"Lee Casey frequently attended Nisei functions during the critical relocation period, to express his sympathies toward our group . . . "So long, Lee Casey."

Colorado Group Installs Cabinet

LA JARA, Colo. — Installation services for 1951 cabinet members of the San Luis Valley JACL were held at the Log Inn in Alamosa Jan. 28.

New officers were sworn in by Alamosa County Judge S. H. Sheesley. He was introduced to the group by S. Yoritomo.

The new cabinet officers are Roy Inouye, pres.; Rudy Yoshizaki, vice pres.; Eva Sozawa, corr. secy.; Maye Hishinuma, rec. secy.; S. Yoritomo, treas.; Shig Nozawa and Frank Uyemura, social chmn.; Charley Hayashida, George Hishinuma, Mike Mizokami, Kiyoshi Katsumoto, Clarence Yoshida and George Nishikawa, members at large.

A songfest was held after the dinner, with Shig Nozawa and Kiyoshi Katsumoto in charge.

The chapter has 79 members this year.

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Cite Racial, Religious Bigotry As Harmful to Prestige of U.S.

SAN FRANCISCO—Racial and religious discrimination form "the weakest link in our armor," J. D. Zellerbach, former ECA director in Italy, said Jan. 29 at a luncheon opening the annual membership and fund drive of the Council for Civic Unity of San Francisco.

His view was strongly seconded by the speaker of the day, Judge Raymond E. Peters, presiding justice of the California District Court of Appeals, Division 1.

Both men urged generous support for the CCU, pointing out that it provided a practical means of making democracy work on the community level.

Robert J. Drewes, executive chairman of the fund drive, noted the upsurge of interest in the work on the council during the past year.

He said, however, that continuance of a "minimum effective program" throughout 1951 depended upon reaching the "modest goal" of \$30,000. Drewes said the council is without foundation grants of special subsidies.

In the main speech, Judge Peters warned that America's problem of discrimination is no longer a local problem but a world problem.

"We must not, in the present emergency, lose sight of the fact that if the United State is going to remain the moral and spiritual leader of the world, it must clean its own house of bigotry and discrimination," Judge Peters said.

" . . . We in America preach and moralize, and we even sing

about this being the land of the free. But how far does performance comply with the declaration?"

Judge Peters said "some substantial progress" has been made toward accomplishment of a free society, but added that "much remains to be done."

"Virtually all peoples of darker skins are taught by brutal experience that the United States of America, so far, is a white man's world, a white man's country," he said.

"Every day, right here in California, Negro or Oriental Americans are reminded in little ways and big ways that they are not considered equal Americans, that they are considered inferior, and that they are tolerated, not accepted.

"These people live on the uncertain edge of insult, humiliation, or rejection."

Arthur J. Cohen, Jr., president of the CCU, presided.

Among guests at the luncheon were George Christopher, president of the board of supervisors, Supervisor Marin E. Lewis, Daniel E. Koshland, Earl Sun Louie, Cecil F. Poole, Dr. Ralph A. Reynolds and Judges Robert McWilliams and Maurice Dooling.

The council is entering its seventh year of activity.

Sponsors of the council's 1951 membership and fund drive include Yasuo Abiko and Dr. Carl Hirota. Dr. Kazue Togasaki is a member of the CCU board.

Ex-GI Returns Flag to Japan Family with Aid of Two Nisei

YOKOHAMA, Japan—With the assistance of two Japanese Americans, a blood-stained, tattered Japanese flag which was picked up by an American soldier from beside the body of a fallen Japanese soldier on Corregidor in 1945 was returned to the parents of the dead Japanese sailor last week.

John Miller of Milwaukie, Ore., took the flag home with him from the Philippines as a souvenir. Some months ago Miller decided to re-

turn the flag to the relatives of the soldier, Teruhisa Yoshino, whose name was on the flag.

Miller took his problem to a neighbor in Milwaukie, a suburb of Portland. The neighbor, Minoru Koida, an orchard operator, took the flag with instructions to the captain of a Japanese freighter then in Portland harbor. The ship captain, Shigeo Fujime, was asked to give the flag to a Portland Nisei in Japan, Juichi Fujinaka. Meanwhile, with the aid of former Rear-Admiral Nobunori Masaki of the Japanese Navy the address of Yoshino's parents was located.

In a simple ceremony on Jan. 24 in Yokohama Fujinaka turned over the flag to the mother, father and brother of the dead Japanese sailor.

Major Iwai Wins Army Promotion

TOKYO—Major Gero Iwai, a native of Hawaii, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant-colonel recently.

He is attached to military intelligence with SCAP.

Sumi Miyata Named Sunday School Head

CHICAGO — Sumi Miyata was named superintendent of the Midwest Buddhist church Sunday school for the next six-month term at a recent meeting of the church.

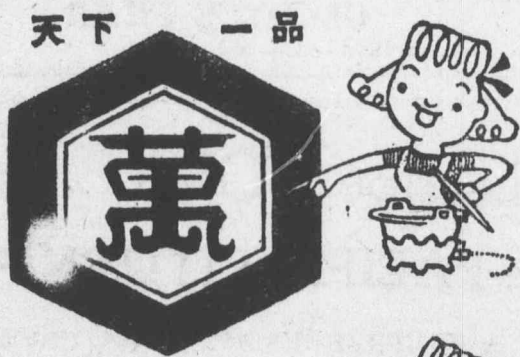
Amie Ishibashi will be assistant superintendent.

Other offices will be filled by Amy Koyanagi, secy.; Marie Isumi, treas.; and Aya Yamakoshi, publicity chmn.

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