



## Sponsor Describes GI Brides Bill as Temporary Measure

WASHINGTON, D. C. — House extension on Feb. 19 of the Soldier Brides bill, which expired Sunday, was described by its sponsor, Rep. Walter, as an emergency measure.

He made this observation in a floor exchange with Del. Farrington when the House brought the measure up for action today.

Del. Farrington asked why the extension did not include American citizens, other than soldiers or veterans, as he had proposed in a bill introduced earlier.

Rep. Walter replied by describing the bill as an emergency measure intended primarily to prevent the breakup of families of servicemen fighting in Korea.

He added that should the Walter or McCarran omnibus bills become law, all questions involved in the non-quota immigration of spouses of Americans would be resolved because there no longer would be any barriers to the immigration of Asian or South Pacific peoples.

Rep. Judd also urged passage of the extension.

Mr. Masaoka said that while the Senate Judiciary Committee has

approved its own extension measure, he hoped that when the Senate took up the bill, it would substitute the House measure for its own legislation. "Otherwise, the few technical differences in the bills will mean they must go to conference," he said.

He observed that it was the consensus of Congressional leaders that some type of general legislation probably will be approved on Capitol Hill before the expiration of the new Soldier Brides bill, thus eliminating future need for such special laws.

House approval of the JACL ADC sponsored measure, which will continue to admit Japanese and Korean war brides otherwise racially inadmissible, followed a report from the House Judiciary committee which urged passage of the bill.

The committee pointed out Congress first took cognizance of the hardship involved in the separation of servicemen and veterans from their racially barred spouses when, in 1927, it enacted a law

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## House Passes Walter Bill On Citizenship for Issei

### Equality in Naturalization, Extension of GI Brides Act Now Go to Senate for Action

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House on Feb. 19 approved without objection and sent to the Senate the Walter bill to eliminate race restrictions from naturalization and open the way to citizenship to 88,000 resident aliens of Japanese ancestry and others still "ineligible to citizenship."

The measure, similar to the resolution which passed both the House and Senate in the 81st Congress but was vetoed by the President because of security provisions added to the measure

in the upper house, will drop racial qualifications from the naturalization statute for all individuals who are permanent residents of the United States or its territories and have been denied citizenship on grounds of race.

The House was informed by the Judiciary Committee, which unanimously approved the proposal, that the persons involved, according to the 1940 census are 84,659 Japanese, 3,139 Koreans and 146 Polynesians and other Asians.

The House also passed without objection and sent to the Senate a bill extending the benefits of the GI Brides Act which expired on Feb. 13 and which would waive

the racial ban against the entry into the United States for permanent residence of alien spouses and minor children of U.S. servicemen. The measure particularly affects marriages between GIs and Japanese and Korean nationals since both of these groups are among those considered ineligible for naturalization according to the present law.

Both the Walter bill and the extension of the GI Brides Act were introduced in Congress by Rep. Francis Walter, D., Pa., at the request of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

### Korean War Vet Wants to Return To Front-Line Unit

HONOLULU—Corp. Jack C. Arakawa, the 442nd Combat Team veteran who was the first Nisei GI to be reported killed in action in Korea and who was later found to have been a prisoner of war, wants to join his old outfit, the 19th Infantry Regiment, which is still in action in Korea.

Arakawa last week received the Army's Silver Star for gallantry in action and an oak leaf cluster to the Purple Heart he received in World War II while in Europe with the famous 442nd.

Since his return to Hawaii to his Italian war bride and their two children, Arakawa has been assigned to duty as a driver for the post chaplain at Fort Shafter.

He declared this week, however, that he did not want a rear echelon job but wished to rejoin his old outfit.

### Ogden Soldier Dies of Wounds In Beach Mishap

OGDEN, Utah — Funeral services will be held here on Feb. 27 for Pvt. Toichiro Thomas Yoshitaka, 19, who died on Feb. 20 of injuries sustained in an accident at Monterey Bay, Calif. The services will be conducted at the Ogden Buddhist church.

Pvt. Yoshitaka, son of Dr. M. Yoshitaka of Ogden, struck his head on a rock at the beach in Monterey Bay on Feb. 18. He was taken to the hospital in San Francisco for treatment.

He attended Weber College for a year prior to enlisting in the army in Feb., 1950 and at the time of his death was a member of the intelligence section of the Sixth Infantry Division at Fort Ord.

He graduated from Ogden high school where he was editor of the Tiger Highlights during his senior year.

Besides his father, he is survived by a sister, Mrs. Yuko Aoki, Japan, and a grandmother, Mrs. Jo Nakano, Japan.

### GI Wins Honor

ANSBACH, Germany—Sgt. 1st Class Yasutoyo Nagamine of Honolulu recently was chosen student commandant of the U.S. Army's signal school in Ansbach.

### Nisei Couple Misses \$5,000 Jackpot on Groucho's Show

HOLLYWOOD—A Nisei couple, Henry Aihara and his wife, Karie Shindo, missed the \$5,000 jackpot question on the Groucho Marx "You Bet Your Life" show which was taped and filmed here last week.

Aihara, Pacific Coast conference champion in the broad jump and co-captain of the 1950 USC track team, and his wife, a noted singer of popular songs, were chosen by audience applause from a group of newlywed couples to appear on the show.

They chose the category of "fictional birds and animals" and raised their \$20 to \$306, the highest of the three couples on the program. They then got a chance at the \$5,000 jackpot question which was: "Name the Dutchman who bought Manhattan Island from the Indians for \$24?"

(Ed. Note: The question is a

### Rep. Walter Hopes for Senate Action During Present Session

WASHINGTON, D. C.—House approval of the Walter bill on Feb. 17 led Rep. Francis E. Walter, (D., Penn.), author of the bill, to express hope the Senate also would see fit to pass the measure during the present session.

He said regardless of whether or not the Senate acted, he still anticipated some type of equality in naturalization legislation would be approved during the 82nd Congress, although it is possible this legislation may be adopted eventually as part of the proposed omnibus immigration and naturalization bills before Congress.

When the Walter Bill came up, a Republican spokesman asked if the measure were the same as the one approved by the House last year. Rep. Walter said it was, and had received the unanimous support of both parties.

Rep. Walter H. Judd, (R., Minn.), author of the Judd bill for equality in immigration and naturalization, spoke briefly in behalf of the measure, urging its support, and pointing out the same naturalization provisions are contained in the Judd bill.

Del. Joseph R. Farrington, (R., Hawaii), also urged House approval of the bill.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL-ADC legislative director, said he

was hopeful Congress would approve naturalization legislation this year, either as an independent measure, or else as part of other legislation.

Today's action marked the fifth time the House has sought to eliminate racial requirements in naturalization. Four times last session it passed such legislation.

Three times the Senate failed to approve such a bill because of the lone objections of Sen. Richard B. Russell (D., Ga.), and once the President vetoed the legislation because of restrictive amendments inserted by the Senate when it did approve the proposal.

### REPORT TWO NISEI WOUNDED IN KOREAN WAR

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

- WOUNDED:
- Pfc. Curtis M. Akana, son of Mrs. Beatrice Powell, 315 B. Halawa, Veterans Homes, Aiea, Oahu.
  - Pvt. Takashi Morita, son of Mrs. Rovue Morita, Box 92, Wai-pahu, Oahu.

### San Jose Readies For Meeting of District Council

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Final preparations were being made this week for convening here Feb. 25 of the Northern California-Western Nevada district council, JACL, at the De Anza Hotel.

Bob Takahashi, council chairman, will preside. Shig Masunaga, president of the host chapter, will preside at the official luncheon.

## Report 2,310 GI Marriages In Japan During Occupation

### Six Couples Wed Before Expiration Of GI Brides Law

TOKYO—A total of 2,310 marriages between American soldiers or war veterans and natives of Japan have been performed since V-J day.

A large percentage of these marriages have been between Nisei members of the American occupation army and Japanese girls. Other GI bridegrooms have been of both Caucasian and Negro ancestry.

The GI Brides Act under which the marriages were performed expired at 2 p.m. Tokyo time on Feb. 18.

(A bill to extend the GI Brides Act, sponsored by JACL ADC, was approved by the House of Representatives in Washington on Feb. 19).

Six marriages between American military personnel and Japanese were performed in the hours before the GI Brides Act expired.

The 1,000th GI to marry a Tokyo native was a veteran of the Korean fighting who was back in Japan for a five-day rest. He was Sgt. Donald Kipker of Lima, O., who appeared before American Consul General James B. Pilcher to wed Masuko Sakurai.

The brief Japanese law ceremony required just five minutes with only the sergeant taking the oath but it marked the end of three frenzied months of applications, permissions and general paper work.

The marriage was planned to come within the limits of the law passed by the U.S. Congress making it possible for aliens married to American GIs or veterans to enter the United States on a non-quota basis.

Sgt. Kipker and Miss Sakurai just did beat the deadline, along with five other American-Japanese couples who also took the vows at the American consulate offices in Tokyo's Mitsui main bank building.

The wedding itself, performed amid the grinding of movie cameras and the flutter of flash bulbs, presented a composite picture of the cultural changes wrought by the United States occupation.

Miss Sakurai, smiling but nervous, was attired in the latest western fashion, a "new look" green dress, fashionable black hat covering a feather-bob hairdo and pearl earrings. But her elderly mother was garbed in an ankle-length kimono and her hair was swept back and bound in the traditional Japanese manner.

Sgt. Kipker filled out a form stating he had "no obligations" preventing his marriage. The

### State Approves Shinto Wedding Of U. S. Soldier

#### Connecticut Passes Special Legislation To Aid GI's Bride

HARTFORD, Conn.—The Connecticut state legislature on Feb. 15 passed a special act validating the Shinto marriage of a 20-year old Air Force corporal and his Japanese wife.

The special act was rushed through both the house and senate and signed by Governor John Davis Lodge the same day in order that Corp. Richard Sarrazin of Yalesville, Conn., would be able to bring his Japanese wife and two sons into the United States before the special GI Brides Act expired on Feb. 18.

Sarrazin was married three years ago to Fumiko Miyagi in a Shinto ceremony in Okinawa. U.S. Army authorities would not recognize the Shinto marriage but they gave the corporal permission to remarry. However, Corp. Sarrazin was stationed at Westover Field, Mass., while his wife and two sons were in Japan and the State of Connecticut does not allow proxy marriages.

The judiciary committee of the legislature turned down an appeal by Sarrazin for special permission to marry by proxy, fearing that such a marriage might set a precedent. The committee did recommend prompt passage of an act legalizing the Shinto ceremony.

The legislation was rushed through with the aid of State Senator Carl Remy, Democrat of Meriden, Conn.

bride followed by affixing her seal to the statement. Sgt. Kipker then took a verbal "no obligation" oath and then slipped the ring on Masuko's finger.

After the ceremony American Ambassador William Sebald stepped in to wish the couple happiness and present them with a silver plate from the diplomatic sections of Army General Headquarters in Tokyo.

(Ambassador Sebald, a former U.S. naval officer, is married to a native of Japan).

After the short ceremony the sergeant and his bride, who have been going together since 1946, slipped out for a three-day honeymoon. Sgt. Kipker was due back in Korea in three days.



## New JACL Blood Bank Makes First Loan in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO — Although established less than a month, the San Francisco JACL chapter's community blood bank already has been of service to its first case.

The blood reserve on deposit for the JACL is still very small since only a dozen of the chapter's nearly 500 members have donated their blood to date.

However, two pints of blood were used this week for transfusions to a young Nisei mother following a childbirth operation.

The patient's doctor hailed the JACL's service in organizing the community blood bank and urged that more donors help build up the chapter's reserve supply.

In the case of the first patient the husband was not eligible to give blood to his wife because he had been in Japan, a malaria zone, for the past two years.

The San Francisco JACL's blood bank committee recently announced that one-half of all donations received will be turned over to the American Red Cross for use in treating Korean war casualties.

Four doctors, Drs. Shigeru R. Horio, Kai Ichi Kitagawa, Kuni-sada Kiyasu and Kazuo Togasaki, are acting in an advisory capacity in the JACL program.

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providing for their admission. Benefits, however, were limited to aliens married prior to 30 days after the law was approved.

The present Soldier Brides Act was approved in August, 1950, removing racial barriers to the admission of spouses and minor children providing marriages took place before six months after the Act became law.

The committee said approximately 752 brides had been admitted to the United States and Hawaii by January, and added:

"Statistical information on the numbers of persons who might benefit by further extension of the provisions of (the Soldier Brides Act) is not available. However, with our troops still stationed in eastern lands and with due consideration of the hardship that would ensue should these citizens find the doors closed to the admission of their alien families, the committee is of the opinion that this legislative proposal should receive approval."

Meanwhile, the Senate Judiciary committee already has approved an identical bill and his scheduled it for action on the next call of the Senate consent calendar.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said

## Hail Chicago Nisei Minister, Interracial Congregation

CHICAGO — A Nisei minister and his inter-racial congregation were cited here this week as examples of Brotherhood Week, celebrated nationally Feb. 18 to 24.

The pastor is the Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, 38, who directs activities of the First Baptist Church of Chicago, 935 E. 50th St.

The Rev. Morikawa's church has persons of white, Japanese and Negro ancestry. White church members make up approximately 60% of the congregation.

The neighborhood in which the church is located began to take on its inter-racial character some years ago.

When the church saw what was happening, it put the Rev. Morikawa on as assistant pastor.

"The essence of our church is that it should administer to the entire neighborhood," the Nisei minister said.

"Thus it has withstood the 'decline' that usually follows when the neighborhood takes on a heterogeneous complexion."

Named assistant pastor some seven years ago, the Rev. Morikawa was named pastor three years later.

A story describing the church pastor and his congregation in the Chicago Daily News of Feb. 16 noted the church "is a realization of the kind of brotherhood that the National Conference of

## HOSOKAWA WINS URBAN LEAGUE HONOR AWARD

DENVER—Bill Hosokawa, editor of the Denver Post's Empire magazine, was one of seven Denver residents who received the 1951 Urban League award and were cited last week for "outstanding efforts to make possible equal economic and social opportunity for all."

Hosokawa was specifically cited for his work as a correspondent for the Post in Korea and because he is "a member of a minority group who has obtained widespread professional recognition and has contributed to the program of the Urban League."

The awards were presented on Feb. 15 at the Shorter A.M.E. church by Bert Gallegos, Denver attorney, on behalf of the Urban League.

## Medic Assists In Rescue of Wounded GIs

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA — Corp. Harry H. Okamoto of Glendale, Ariz., a medical technician, was one of six corpsmen who flew rescue missions with helicopter pilots to evacuate seriously wounded infantrymen from front-line positions on Feb. 15 and 16.

The helicopters of the 3rd Air Rescue Squad of the 5th Air Force battled snow and 30-mile an hour winds to land within a few hundred yards of enemy positions to pick up wounded United Nations soldiers.

They brought out 40 wounded soldiers during the two days.

## File Applications For Delayed Hawaii Birth Certificates

SAN FRANCISCO—More than 60 Hawaii-born persons, mostly of Japanese ancestry, recently filed applications in San Francisco for delayed birth certificates through Albert P. Medeiros, representative of the Hawaii territorial secretary.

Medeiros has been interviewing applicants for delayed birth certificates in various west coast cities.

while the present Act expired Sunday he was quite confident it would be revived within a few weeks, causing no real hardship to servicemen or veterans.

## Recall Pioneer Minister's Effort for Americanization Of Hawaii Japanese Group

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—The Japanese who probably has done more for the Americanization of Hawaii's Nisei than any other single person has died at the age of 86.

The Rev. Takie Okumura, whose long and illustrious career came to an end on Feb. 10, was one of Hawaii's best known Christian ministers and educators.

His life story stands out because he pioneered in one of the most challenging tasks he could have chosen—the making of good American citizens out of the island-born Japanese.

He began this work in the 1920s when it was needed most, when the problem was a real challenge.

The nature of the task might be best illustrated by quoting from a speech the Rev. Okumura made in 1920, during a visit to Japan, on what he called the "actual conditions of Japanese in Hawaii, causes of all misunderstandings or anti-Japanese sentiment, and the necessity for Japanese becoming Americanized."

"In America," he noted, "the voice of anti-Japanese sentiment is becoming louder and louder. We must ask ourselves what is back of this sentiment, what are the reasons which prompt a certain group of Americans to agitate the whole country against Japanese."

"When we look at conditions among the Japanese in Hawaii, we can not help but note certain things which cause us to be disliked by American people... Living conditions, manners and habits and customs are so persistently Japanese. Some Japanese scorn the manners and customs of this country in which they are mere sojourners."

"America is a country of religious freedom. But can the American people sit idly by and gaze at the rapidity with which their country is being paganized? Hawaii, a Christian country, is being thoroughly paganized. Idols are being imported. Temples are being erected in every nook and corner of the territory, and pagan rites are being held."

"Traditional Sunday observances are giving way to noisy festivals and wrestling tournaments at the temples and shrines... Japanese children who should be taught and trained into good American citizens are being taught Japanese ideas and ideals. It is an inconsistency."

This was the characteristic of the Rev. Okumura—he spoke candidly and acted courageously. His outspoken criticisms caused certain Japanese elements to brand him as a "traitor," "spy" and "betrayor of Japan and the Japanese," according to his own statements.

Other Japanese, feeling as the Rev. Okumura felt, were afraid to express themselves, but the latter launched forth on "a campaign to remove causes of friction between the American people and the Japanese."

As he viewed the problem more than a quarter century ago, "The chief cause of all problems in Hawaii between the American people and the Japanese is the radical differences in the ideas of Americans and Japanese."

"Many Japanese," he complained, "think that 'every movement of the Japanese, even if it is a bad one, should be backed up by every Japanese,' or 'anyone who opposes any movement of the Japanese is a traitor,' or 'it is an act of disloyalty to Japan to train the children born in Hawaii into a good and loyal element in Hawaii'."

The Rev. Okumura outlined the objectives of his campaign in this manner: "First, to encourage the Japanese to discard their mistaken ideas; secondly, to urge them to adapt themselves to American customs and manners; thirdly, to make them realize their responsibility in the education and training of children born in the islands into a good and loyal element in Hawaii; fourthly, to encourage the Japanese in taking the initiative in bringing about a peaceful and lasting solution of all problems."

This campaign "to remove causes of friction between the American people and Japanese" encountered numerous difficulties. The Rev. Okumura, then the pastor of

the Makiki Japanese church in Honolulu, sadly commented: "We admit that Japanese have been frightfully slow in adapting themselves to the customs and manners of America. We regret that Japanese themselves have sown the seeds of misunderstandings."

But, in the next breath, the determined minister asserted: "Japanese can and will assimilate, if a reasonable opportunity of breathing in the best of American life and the true, wholesome ideas of America is given."

The Honolulu Star-Bulletin had this to say on Aug. 2, 1927: "The campaign of the Okumuras (the minister and his son, Umetaro) is important, not so much from the tangible results it alone has accomplished, for, with the vast number of Japanese in the islands, it will probably be years before the results are obvious to the occidental eye. The real value, however, lies in stressing certain lines of activity, in laying the groundwork for a tendency among the Japanese which may work out to the best advantage of the community, and, ultimately, to the best advantage of its citizens, whether they be of Oriental or Occidental extraction."

A noteworthy project which he founded was the "New Americans" movement. Once each year, Nisei leaders from all parts of the territory were invited by the Rev. Okumura and his backers to a conference of New Americans in Honolulu to talk over their mutual problems.

The founder's message to the delegates contained the same theme throughout—"learn to assimilate" into the broader community."

As far back as 1935, he advised the ninth annual New Americans conference that "The American citizens of Japanese ancestry must realize that their loyalty and their actions have an important bearing on the whole question of statehood."

"They must show more willingness and readiness to put aside everything that hinders Hawaii in her aspiration and prove definitely that they are real American citizens."

The Rev. Okumura's 56 years in Hawaii were rich in experiences for the venerable Christian worker—as one of Hawaii's foremost Christian leaders and as a civic and educational figure.

Only one sad note marks the end of the beloved minister's life. It might be called irony that one who had given so much for the Americanization of Hawaii's Japanese Americans should himself be denied the opportunity to become an American citizen. As an alien, a Japan-born immigrant, he could not enjoy the citizenship rights he had so earnestly preached to the Nisei to cherish.

## Citizenship Test Faces Denver Federal Court

DENVER, Colo.—The Federal Court in Denver has been asked to decide if a Nisei who recovered Japanese nationality during the war lost his United States citizenship.

Suit was filed by Kiyoshi Kawaguchi last week through his attorneys, A. L. Wirin of Los Angeles and Min Yasui of Denver.

The Nisei was born in Seattle. In his suit he states that he became a Japanese national while in Japan during the war in order to earn a livelihood and that his act, therefore, was not free and voluntary.

Kawaguchi is in the United States to be a witness in his case.

He was permitted to return here after the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit at San Francisco overruled a decision against him by Judge Lloyd L. Black at Seattle.

The appeals court ruled that Kawaguchi's presence in the United States as a witness was necessary and that it was a violation of his rights for Judge Black to proceed with a trial in Kawaguchi's absence.

## TANI WILL TAKE CHURCH POST IN PHILADELPHIA

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Henry Tani, former national vice-president of the JACL, has been named the new director of youth work for the Evangelical and Reformed Church and will leave shortly for Philadelphia to assume the post left vacant last summer when the Rev. A. Wilson Cheek took another post.

Mr. Tani has been assistant treasurer of the Board of National Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed church with offices in St. Louis.

He will have supervision of approximately 2,000 youth fellowships of the Evangelical and Reformed church from coast to coast.

Mr. Tani is a native of San Francisco and graduated from Stanford University in 1938. He and Miss Rose Shigeno were married in 1941. The Tanis now have four children.

He and his family went to the Central Utah war relocation center at Topaz in 1942 where he was assistant to the principal of Topaz high school. From Topaz the Tanis moved to St. Louis where Mr. Tani joined the staff of the Board of Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed church.

## JACL Official Will Join Panel On Prejudice Topic

CHICAGO — Richard Akagi, JACL regional director, will be on a panel discussing the question, "Is Chicago Winning the Battle Against Discrimination?" on Feb. 26.

The forum, sponsored by the City Club of Chicago, will be held in the Chicago Room of the YMCA, 19 So. LaSalle St., from 12:15 p.m.

Also on the panel will be Nelson Willis, president of the Chicago NAACP; Frank X. Paz, president of the Mexican-American Council; Nissen N. Gross, director of the civil rights division of the Anti-Defamation League; and Thomas H. Wright, executive director, Mayor's Commission on Human Relations.

## Nisei Attorney Wins Civil Rights Case for Two Negro Plaintiffs

OAKLAND, Calif. — First civil rights court victory in recent months in Oakland was won here Feb. 13 by a Nisei attorney on behalf of two Negro clients.

Judgment for \$200 damages to plaintiffs William Lowe and Robert Neville was handed down by Municipal Judge C. Stanley Wood, recent appointee to the Municipal Court in Oakland. The two men were represented by Mas Yonemura, attorney with Vaughns, Yonemura and Wilson.

Lowe and Neville charged they were refused service at a bar called "The Den," owned and operated by W. E. Daniels, on Feb. 3. The men brought suit under California's civil rights law, which pro-

hibits discrimination for reason of race in public places.

Their case is believed to be the first won in Oakland out of many that have been tried in the past two years.

Attorney for the defense tried unsuccessfully to interject the Communist issue in the case by asking the plaintiffs, both union members, if officers of their union had signed the non-Communist oath under terms of the Taft-Hartley act.

Judge Wood sustained objections from Attorney Yonemura, adding that even if the plaintiffs were Communists, they would be entitled to receive equal accommodations in a public bar.



## Employee Dies As Fire Razes Colorado Club

DENVER, Colo. — Tami Kaku, 64, was one of two men who were trapped and burned to death in the million-dollar fire which destroyed the swanky Wolhurst Saddle club south of Littleton on Feb. 18.

Robert Snell, 37, was the other victim of the fire which started only a short time after the last celebrants had left the club which enjoyed one of its biggest crowds on Saturday night.

Kaku was apparently trapped in his room over the kitchen at the north end of the building. Other employees thought they heard him answer when they rapped on his door but he was not seen outside the fire.

George Inouye, 28, a busboy, was one of the employees who escaped the blaze. Inouye scrambled out onto a roof from his second-floor room and escaped down a ladder put up by Arthur Faust, 28, night cleanup man and hero of the fire.

Faust discovered the fire when he saw smoke pouring up from the basement. He rushed through the 52-room club awakening residents and then ran outside and began tolling the bell.

Kaku's body had not been recovered on Monday but firemen were searching through the debris for his remains.

## Photographer Named As Judge for School Queen Contest

Bill Inouye, Salt Lake City photographer, this week was named one of three judges for the University of Utah's Founder's Day queen contest.

Six university coeds will compete in the finals Feb. 27 for two titles, 1850 queen and 1951 queen.

Finalists are Gerri Schilling, Dorothea Sharp, Shauna Wood, 1850 queen; and Lorraine Olsen, Eleanor Ricks and Bonnie Lewis for 1951 queen.

## Bacteriologist Helps Develop Machine To Purify Water

LOS ANGELES—A Nisei bacteriologist, Noel Tsuneishi, has aided in the development of a portable water purifier which was tested by the Los Angeles City Health Department last week and which may prove invaluable in civilian defense.

The machine will filter and sanitize 50 quarts of water an hour at a cost of only a few cents a gallon, according to Dr. Alexander Goetz of Caltech.

The machine, which weighs twelve pounds, does not remove minerals from the water but causes parasitic organisms to lose their ability to harm humans, according to Dr. Goetz.

Tsuneishi is chief bacteriologist for Dr. Goetz.

## Work of Nisei in Settlement Project Cited by Magazine

The work of Roy T. Kurahara, Nisei director of the Village House, non-sectarian settlement project in New York City, is cited by Ben Merson in a recent article in Collier's magazine.

The project is sponsored by a unique church-temple which houses the Village Presbyterian Church and the Village Temple. The church was formerly the Presbyterian Church, but it invited the Jewish congregation to use its facilities when the latter was in need of a place to meet. Since then the church has served both groups.

One of the church-temple's proudest achievements is its non-sectarian settlement house, which was created for neighborhood children between the ages of seven and fourteen.

Kurahara is director, with 30 volunteer teachers under him of Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Negro, Chinese and white backgrounds.

Tuition for the children is \$5 a year, if they can afford it. If not, it is free.

"Kurahara is no mere theorist," says Merson. "He learned about



LOS ANGELES—Shigematsu Takeyasu, vice-president of the Southern California Flower Growers, Inc. (formerly the Southern California Flower Market) is shown presenting a check for \$1,000 for JACL ADC to Regional Director Tats Kushida. Looking on are Kazuo Minami, treasurer, and George Kobata, secretary. George Inagaki is president of the newly-reorganized all Nisei wholesale flower marketing group.—Toyo Miyatake Photo.

## Southern California Florists Give \$1,000 to ADC

LOS ANGELES—For the third successive year, the Southern California Flower Growers, Inc. (formerly So. Calif. Flower Market) has contributed \$1,000 to the annual JACL and JACL-ADC drive, it was announced by the JACL Regional Office which divulged that this is the largest single contribution for the past few years.

Although no longer operating as a non-profit organization, the board of directors of the SCFG at its meeting on Feb. 12 unanimously voted to again support the JACL-ADC.

"We are cognizant and appreciative of the meritorious work of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee," said George Inagaki, president. "Its past achievements and its present objectives of improving the status of all Japanese Americans deserves every possible support. We Japanese Americans need an effective spokesman in Washington, D.C., and this is possible only upon a collective basis on the part of all Nisei and Issei. These are the sentiments of the board of directors and the all-Nisei stockholders of our corporation."

## Will Be Princess

ORTING, Wash.—Mae Sasaki is one of four Orting girls who will be princesses in the court of Queen Elaine Chipps in the three-day Puyallup Valley Daffodil Festival which will begin on April 6.

## PURPLE HEART GIVEN VETERAN OF KOREA WAR

SAN FRANCISCO — A Purple Heart was presented to Katsutoshi M. Mizumoto of Fresno, a wounded veteran of the war in Korea, at Letterman General Hospital on Feb. 7.

Mizumoto, who went to Japan for occupation duty as an interpreter, was wounded in action on Sept. 15 in Korea. He received head injuries and has lost practically all vision in one eye.

He was operated on twice in Japan and returned to the United States last November.

## Northwest Buddhist Groups Hold Annual Confab in Ontario

ONTARIO, Ore. — Representatives from eight chapters of the Pacific Northwest Young Buddhist League are now holding their fifth annual convention in Ontario.

The convention which is attracting nearly 300 delegates from Idaho, Oregon and Washington will end on Feb. 25.

Young Buddhist groups in Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Spokane, White River, Bainbridge, Yakima and Ontario are represented.

Theme of the three-day meeting is "Tri-Ratna, the Foundation of Buddhism."

A basketball tournament is being held in conjunction with the convention.

One of the convention's highlights will be the selection of a queen. The five contestants are Sumi Hashimoto, 23, Snake River Valley; Mary Nakata, 18, Portland; Mae Sasaki, 17, Tacoma; Mary Shigeno, Boise Valley, and Marge Tomoguchi, Seattle.

The 1951 queen will be crowned by the 1950 queen, Marion Kono of Seattle, at the coronation ball on Feb. 24 at the Gay Way ballroom.

Final event will be a banquet on Feb. 25 at the East Side Cafe.

Teams entered in the tournament are from Seattle, Tacoma, Wapato, Portland, the Twin Valley YBA and Ontario. The cagers will be competing for the Northwest Buddhist championship.

## Denver JACL Bridge Enthusiasts Raise \$91 for Polio Fund

DENVER, Colo. — A Denver JACL bridge benefit on Jan. 25 netted \$91 for the local polio campaign in January, according to Taki Domoto, Jr., co-chairman.

The amount was the second largest contributed by a bridge group in the city. In the two previous years the JACL's contribution ranked first.

## JACL Appeals Court Ruling Against Anti-Bias Statutes

### Nisei Canadian Fights in Korea With Noted Unit

HAMILTON, Ont.—Mas Kawanami, 28, of Hamilton is now fighting in Korea with the 2nd battalion of the famous Canadian Princess Pats.

Pvt. Kawanami joined the special Canadian force which was organized last year as the dominion's contribution to the United Nation's army in Korea and went overseas in November.

## JACL Invited To Conference On Citizenship

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Attorney General, in cooperation with the National Education Association, this week invited the Japanese American Citizens League to participate in the Sixth National Conference on Citizenship in Washington, May 16-20.

The JACL has participated in the conferences since they were initiated in 1946 by the Citizenship Committee of the NEA and the Department of Justice.

Attorney General McGrath wrote the JACL that:

"In these uncertain times, patriotic men and women from private and public organizations, representing every segment of wholesome American life and coming from all sections of the country in a spirit of unity, can render a vital service to the cause of freedom, here and everywhere. Significant and timely is the conference theme: Freedom in one World, Today and Tomorrow.

"We are looking forward with pleasure to your participation in this important work, which I feel sure will prove beneficial to all of us as we strive to carry out our responsibilities as citizens."

Corma Mowrey, president of the NEA, wrote: "I am happy to join with the Attorney General in extending an invitation to you to participate in the conference.

"In such widespread cooperative action lies our hopes of achievement of the conference theme."

Several hundred national organizations were invited along with the JACL to participate in last year's conference. Among them were: The American Legion, American Bar Association, AFL, American Jewish Committee, American Veterans Committee, Atomic Energy Commission, Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Hawaii Education Association, League of Women Voters, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Daughters of the American Revolution, Department of Labor, Department of Defense, Catholic Civic Clubs, Presbyterian Young People, and the YMCA.

Harold Horiuchi, chairman of the national JACL Citizenship Committee, Lily Yasuda Shino, former secretary of the Washington, D.C. JACL chapter, and Henry

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Japanese American Citizens League this week joined with a dozen other national organizations appealing a municipal court ruling that the District of Columbia's 75-year-old anti-discrimination laws have been "repealed by implication" and are not enforceable.

The appeal is the outgrowth of a District action against the John R. Thompson Co., Inc., operators of several local cafeterias, for refusing to serve three Negroes on the grounds they were Negroes.

The District brought the action several months ago after a group of attorneys studying laws passed by the District after the Civil War, when, for a few years, the local populace was given the power of home rule, made its own laws and elected its own governing officials, discovered the long-unenforced anti-discrimination statute passed in 1873. The statute provided both jail penalties and fines for operators of public places who refused service to any person on the grounds of race or color.

A further study revealed that while the anti-discrimination statutes were never repealed, they mysteriously disappeared from the District's books about the turn of the century.

A test case was promptly urged in the District to determine the status of the ordinance.

That case, brought against a Thompson cafeteria, was heard by Judge Myer of the Municipal court. The Judge declared the anti-discrimination statute was repealed "by implication," as well as the subsequent passage of laws in Congress with an apparently contradictory intent, and was non-enforceable.

The District of Columbia is appealing the decision to the Municipal Court of Appeals.

The JACL ADC is joining in a brief amicus curiae along with such other national organizations as: Americans for Democratic Action, the CIO, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, American Council on Human Relations, American Jewish Committee, American Jewish Congregational, the Anti-Defamation League, Catholic Interracial Council, the Friends Committee on National Legislation, American Veterans Committee and the Washington Bar Association.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said the JACL ADC decided to help sponsor the brief because the problem of racial discrimination, although in this case it involves primarily Negroes, is a "profound problem faced by all minority groups in the United States."

He pointed out before the war it was not unusual in California for Nisei to be refused service in some cafes and hotels, and otherwise publicly discriminated against, solely because of race.

"During a period of war and internal tension it is not inconceivable that latent prejudices against persons of Asian ancestry may again be aroused in this country. By acting wherever and whenever we can to defend the rights of one minority, we defend the rights and the dignity of all," Mr. Masaoka said.

Gosho, JACL chapter president, represented the JACL ADC at last year's conference.

## Nisei Plumber Fetes Birthday With Gift to Service Groups

HONOLULU, T. H. — A Nisei plumber who celebrated his 41st birthday here by giving checks for \$100 each to 12 different community organizations was cited by the Honolulu Star-Bulletin on Feb. 17 as an inspiring example of world brotherhood in action.

Hajima Asanoma, owner of Standard Plumbing Co., called off birthday plans and gave the money instead to the Hawaii Heart Association, the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, the American Red Cross, Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, Kuakini Hospital, the Tuberculosis Association, Honpa Hongwanji, Queen's Hospital, Children's Hospital, St. Francis Hospital, the Salvation Army and the Hawaii Society for the Control of Cancer.

The Star-Bulletin, noting the

contributions, said: "There could be no finer expression of the idea of World Brotherhood than this. There could be no finer tribute to the principles of American democracy and equal opportunity which have made it possible for an unknowing immigrant's son to achieve the means to make these generous gifts possible.

"It is in positive acts such as this that the solid foundations of World Brotherhood are laid. They take the idea of brotherhood out of the realm of philosophical or the logical idealism and give it vibrant reality.

"Here is World Brotherhood in action, on the offensive."

The editorial noted that Asanoma's parents were killed in the atom bombing of Hiroshima.



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## EDITORIALS:

### The Evacuation Claims Problem

The inability of the Justice Department to get the evacuation claims program going should be a matter of concern to every Nisei.

Last week the attorney general announced the department would pay out approximately \$450,000 in claims by July 1 and that claims paid in the twelve months to follow (fiscal 1952) would total half a million dollars.

In the first place the department in the first six months of the current fiscal year paid out approximately \$62,000. It thus figures to pay out an additional \$386,000 between Jan. 1 and July 1. Whether or not the department can so accelerate its program to increase its payments six times over remains to be seen.

At the same time the attorney general asked for \$250,000 for operating expenses in 1952. Now if the department expects to make a maximum payment of \$500,000 during that same period, the operating expenses will be one dollar for every two dollars allowed.

It hardly seems likely that any agency can be so slow in the granting of payments or that its expenses can be so high. The operating expenses of the agency to date have been figured as high as \$6 for every \$1 allowed. While higher operating expenses can be allowed in the early months of such programs, there's no reason to expect them to continue high in the later months, and certainly not in the third year of the program in question.

The evacuation claims act was passed in an effort to undo some of the injustices caused by the 1942 mass movement. It was a sincere gesture on the part of the country's Congressmen and Senators to compensate the evacuees.

The spirit and intent of the evacuation claims act, it appears, are violated by the extreme procrastination evidenced in the handling of claims to date.

One of the sorrier aspects of this violation lies in the rejection of many claims from persons evacuated from Terminal Island on the ground that they were moved out prior to the President's executive orders and thus do not come under terms of the act.

The Terminal Islanders, moved out on almost overnight notice, were the one group most acutely affected by the evacuation orders. Practically every family in that group had high losses. Personal and private profiteers made hundreds of dollars off these persons who had no recourse but to leave their possessions or sell them for only pennies on the dollar. A devastating account of these losses is given in "Removal and Return," a book by Dr. Leonard Bloom and Ruth Reimer.

Some action to force recognition of the situation of the Terminal Islanders is necessary. If this can be accomplished only by amendment to the present act, then this must be considered as a necessary action.

The present state of the evacuation claims program is so stalemated that it is becoming generally conceded that more drastic action must be taken to insure fair compensation for the evacuated people.

Among these proposals is one for a lump sum payment, which is made on the premise that every evacuee suffered at least a certain minimum loss. Granting of this type of payment would certainly facilitate adjudication of a large number of claims. It would not, on the other hand, interfere with the processing of those claims for larger than the lump sum payment. The theory of the lump sum payment was difficult for many to accept when the suggestion first was made, but its practicality becomes more evident with watching of Justice Department handling of the claims program. Exponents of this proposal point, certainly with justification, to the obvious factors of smaller administrative costs and speedier payments, to the benefit of both government and evacuee.

### A Test Case on Race Segregation

It is entirely possible that sometime this year the Supreme Court of the United States will be asked to rule directly upon the principle of segregation.

A suit testing the legality of separate facilities in southern schools will be heard May 28 in the Federal Court in Charleston. That suit will challenge the the south's long-standing system of "separate but equal" facilities on grounds that if facilities are separate, they cannot then be equal. From that court the suit will probably go on up to the highest court.

Federal court orders of recent months have ordered schools in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Virginia and Missouri to admit Negroes to white schools, since the "equivalent" Negro facilities were deemed obviously unequal.

The new case, however, goes more directly to the principle of segregation. The court will be asked to rule that separation of the races exists, inequality is inferred.

## MINORITY WEEK

### Landmark

The American Veterans Committee of Washington is proud of its clubhouse, at 1751 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., one of the very few social meeting places in Washington where men and women of all races can gather freely.

It's been in operation for nearly three years and serves as a sterling example of the principal that people can meet as brothers, whatever their color.

### Shattered

A three-quarter of a century old tradition went by the boards last week as the Chicago White Sox signed on two Negro players, Bob Boyd and Sam Hairston.

Hairston won't join the team until March 1, when it assembles in Pasadena, due to the fact he's doing some mighty fancy playing in the Venezuela winter league.

He's so good, in fact, that he's been told he won't get a visa until the season's over. Seems his club is three games out of first place, and it wants to be sure of Hairston's services until the race has been settled.

### City Stuff

South Bend, Ind., got a nod from the National Conference of Christians and Jews this week, winning the group's nomination as winner of its 1951 Community Human Relations Award.

The prize is given annually during Brotherhood Week (Feb. 18-25 this year) to the city making the outstanding improvement in relations among its religious and racial groups.

Some of the reason's for South Bend's selections:

There is no discrimination or segregation in public recreation, churches, public schools, transportation or health, welfare and hospital services.

The school system has conducted an outstanding intergroup education program.

There are regular meetings of Protestant, Catholic and Jewish leaders to consider problems of the community.

### Why Quibble?

It might be said that Maryland has knocked another prop out from under racial segregation by repeal of an old law which required segregation on railroads and steamboats within the state.

One might add, however, that the repeal represents only token action, since the only segregation that actually existed was on the state ferry boat system. And that's doomed to oblivion with completion of the new Chesapeake Bay bridge next year.

### Money, Money, Money

A million bucks being a big hunk of money, it's nice to note that the Ford Motor Co. has announced it's giving that amount to the National Conference of Christians and Jews for construction of a world brotherhood headquarters in New York City.

And if this is free advertising Ford is welcome to it.

### Focus

The Jackson, Miss., police department seems to be getting a new slant on things.

The city has no Negro policemen. Also, there has been no policing of Negro sections of the city, except for roving police cars manned by white policemen.

Lately city officials have been talking with officials of other southern cities which have been using Negro police. All the cities have noted complete success, pointing to reduced crime rates and better cooperation between Negroes and whites.

So now Jackson Mayor Allen Thompson says his town may fall into line. The plan, if adopted, should also provide more adequate police protection for the Negro districts.

### Solution

Georgia legislators have found an easy solution to the problem of non-segregated schools.

Believe it or not, the House has

# Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

## Old Lies Are Hard to Kill

It is now more than nine years since Pearl Harbor was attacked and the fact that there was no treason or sabotage committed by persons of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii before, during or after the Japanese attack is a matter of public knowledge.

But old lies die hard. Commentator Paul Harvey of the American Broadcasting Company revived one in his broadcast of Feb. 11 when he announced that he had warned before Pearl Harbor about the danger to security presented by Hawaii's aliens of Japanese ancestry and that during the Dec. 7 raid Japanese Zero planes had been guided to their targets by short-wave radios hidden in the garages of Japanese residents. Mr. Harvey was involved in an embarrassing situation, having been caught red-faced and bareheaded in an attempt to sneak into the Argonne Laboratory at the University of Chicago, the site of some super-secret experiments in atomic fission. Mr. Harvey's angle was that he was trying to prove that the Atomic Energy Commission was lax in security measures at Argonne. He faced prosecution as well as expulsion from his job as one of ABC's top commentators. He went on the air at the first opportunity to prove his loyalty from coast-to-coast and cited evidences of his patriotism.

It may be true that Paul Harvey, who works the same side of the commentator's street as another broadcaster who has attacked the integrity of the Japanese American group, Fulton Lewis, Jr., may have warned about possible treachery from Americans and residents of Japanese descent in the days before Pearl Harbor but such a line was a common one among the Yellow Peril gang, the Hearst press and the super-patriots. But his statement about Japanese residents in Hawaii guiding Japanese planes to their targets was an outright lie.

In her book "Hawaii's War Years" Gwenfreed Allen examines 23 such rumors concerning Hawaii's population of Japanese ancestry and finds each and every one of the rumors to be false. As she states categorically, there was no sabotage or fifth column activity of any sort before, during or after Pearl Harbor in Hawaii.

Whether or not Paul Harvey was guilty of an overt act in his attempted breach of security at Argonne, he certainly is guilty of circulating a false rumor about Hawaii's resident aliens of Japanese lineage. He owes them and the people of Hawaii an apology.

In the more than five years since V-J day American military and naval officials have made a thorough examination of the Japanese War and Navy ministries. There has not been any evidence presented in the years since Japan's surrender to indicate the existence in Japan's master war plan of any proposal to utilize persons of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii and the continental United States for espionage or fifth column activity.

Nippon's warlords who had sent their legions marching across the broad face of Asia were the prisoners of 19th Century military tactics. They relied on the lessons of von Clausewitz and ignored many of the new techniques of warfare. The race-baiters on the Pacific coast who had shouted loudly for mass expulsion of persons of Japanese ancestry predicted that Tokyo would use fifth columnists in the United States. In the years before Pearl Harbor there were scare headlines in the yellow journals about a "secret" Japanese

passed the following segregation guarantees:

1. The State Board of Education will not give any funds to public schools which allow mingling of the races.

2. Any white school ordered to take in Negroes will be automatically cut off from state funds.

What an easy solution for a school if it gets a Negro student. Obviously white supremacy is preferable to education in the minds of some Georgia solons.

regiment in California which was preparing for the day. This ghost regiment was never located but stories of it persisted for some time and even aroused the interest of Martin Dies and his Un-American Activities Committee. After the evacuation Larry Smith, then broadcasting on NBC, told about a special meeting in Tokyo at which the Japanese warlords plotted the invasion of the Pacific coast and planned on aid from local residents of Japanese ancestry. That meeting, of course, took place only in the fertile imagination of someone interested in preventing the release of evacuees from the relocation centers. American intelligence experts have not reported of any such invasion plan in their studies of Japanese war documents.

Japan's war strategists either did not trust American residents of Japanese descent or ignored them completely as an instrument of wartime collaboration. The Japanese militarists also did not utilize in the field of intelligence the English-speaking abilities of several thousand adult Nisei who were stranded in Japan by the outbreak of war. This lack of accurate intelligence was an important reason for Japanese mistakes in battle.

On the other hand the United States used its reservoir of Japanese-speaking persons, mainly Nisei, and trained thousands of others and the work of these linguists in military intelligence materially affected the course of the war. The war in the Pacific probably was shortened many months through the use of information from captured documents and from the interrogation of prisoners.

The evidence to date indicates that all the talk about the use of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States as fifth columnists originated not in Tokyo but in the minds of those who sought to use the war situation for economic or political advantage. This does not mean that there were none among the population of Japanese ancestry who were favorable to the enemy cause and would have assisted it had they had the direction and the opportunity. Most of these persons, and they constituted a fractional minority, already were under the scrutiny of security forces in the United States. The dangers, if there were any, were not such as to require the wholesale evacuation of the Japanese American population and both the Justice Department and Navy Intelligence, which were closest to the situation, opposed mass evacuation.

Unlike the Nazi concept of war under which every person of German origin was considered a potential agent for the Reich it is possible that the Japanese war leaders dismissed the fact that approximately 300,000 persons of Japanese descent resided in the United States with the belief that this group would be loyal to the land of their residence. It is a fact that the wartime exploits of Nisei GIs in the 442nd Combat Team and in other units have aroused considerable interest but no resentment in Japan. Two books about the 442nd are selling well in Japan while Nisei G-2 personnel who took an active part in the war against Japan have continued to play an equally important role in the occupation, again without apparent resentment on the part of the people of the occupied nation.

Many of the false rumors about espionage or fifth column activity on the part of persons of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii and the United States mainland probably will crop up from time to time to date. From the evidence at hand it may be said that all were lies. Some were the by-products of wartime hysteria. Others were diabolical creations designed to discredit the Japanese American population.

There was no overt act of pro-Japanese activity by any Nisei or resident Japanese alien in Hawaii or the continental United States during World War II. The record is a proud one and one of which a rumor-monger with a coast-to-coast audience like Paul Harvey should be apprised.



## Do You Know? JACL Activities in 1948 Focused on Local Chapters

By ELMER R. SMITH

The activities of JACL during the latter part of 1947 to September 1948 were, precluding the legislative programs on a national scale, centered in the development of local chapters to the point where they could carry on fraternal and social service activities within their respective communities. Much of the activity focused on the setting up of new chapters and the re-activating of older ones suspended during the war period.

The membership drives during 1947-48 brought the total of JACL members to 6,608 in 63 chapters. These chapters were located from coast to coast, with the majority being located west of the Rocky Mountains. National headquarters of JACL played an important role in the membership drive. It sent out over 10,000 membership leaflets in 1947 and over 16,000 in 1948. These leaflets were sent to local JACL chapters for distribution and also to persons unaffiliated with the organization.

The local JACL chapters in cooperation with the various district councils carried on public relations and educational programs in the various local communities in relation to other racial groups. The principal function, however, of the various chapters in the many fields of possible activities seemed, according to a survey made by the National Committee on Program and Activities, to resolve primarily around the sponsoring and directing of bowling, basketball and baseball leagues and the holding of dances.

Both the local and national JACL faced its largest problem with determination during this period. This problem was the raising of funds to carry out the general and specific JACL program. The fund raising program was successful, but even then it failed to be adequate for many of the incidental jobs demanded of JACL during the period under discussion.

During the latter part of 1947 a group was organized in Japan known as the JACL Committee for Japan. The committee was organized at the suggestion of Roger Baldwin of the American Civil Liberties Union, and it was to function as a service organization for Nisei and Issei stranded in Japan. Membership was limited to civilian workers and Army personnel who had gone to Japan after the war for occupational du-

ties. By September 1948, the national headquarters of JACL did not recognize this committee as representing them in Japan. The committee had evidently failed to function properly due to the rapid turnover of personnel in the various agencies located in Japan.

The 10th national JACL biennial convention was called to order in Salt Lake City, Utah on Sept. 4, 1948 by Pres. Hito Okada at the Junior ball room in Hotel Utah. The registration committee announced that 450 persons attended the meeting during the five day convention, and all but a very few of the local chapters were represented.

PRES. Okada, after summarizing the accomplishments of the JACL over the two year period since the Denver convention, stated the basic theme of the convention in the following words:

"I believe that the present time is for the JACL to become a service organization. If such is the case, then I believe that our chapters should seriously consider the maintenance of chapter offices and the availability of an executive secretary. If service to the community is our responsibility, then let us give adequate service. The answer may be the maintenance of an office by several chapters in an area, the answer may be the maintenance of the regional offices by the district councils with an increase in staff members to cover the district adequately.

"The answer should come out of this National Council meeting.

"Let us implement our unfinished job, so that we can celebrate a victory convention in 1950. Let us chart a sound basic program for the next biennium."

### Book Review:

## Australian Soldier Writes Book on Japan Occupation

**TIME OF FALLEN BLOSSOMS.** By Allan S. Clifton. Illustrations by Yoshinori Kinoshita. Alfred A. Knopf, publishers. \$3.

The author of "Time of Fallen Blossoms" was an interpreter with the Australian Army during the war and later, in the early occupation days, as a result of his 12-year study of the Japanese language.

That knowledge gave him a two-way entry into the Japanese mind—in his official capacity and on the personal level. Thus his occupation experiences ranged from work connected with the routing out of black-marketeers to acting as liaison man in love affairs between Australian troops and Japanese women.

Arthur Clifton, however, was equipped with rather more than just his knowledge of the Japanese language. He had also a lively interest in people, a keen sense of humanity and a strong feeling for the underdog. He came across prostitutes, racketeering businessmen, the patient widows of Japan's soldiers, Buddhist scholars, and hundreds of others, good, bad and indifferent in much the same ratio as is found in any other population.

He struck up a friendship with a restauranter who whiled away lonely hours with recordings of Beethoven and Bach; he was father-confessor to a group of young prostitutes; he bartered on the black market to get supplies needed by a sick Japanese.

And while the active thread of

this story carries on with his activities in Japan, the author manages to get sidelights on Japanese history, social customs, language and letters. There are scores of interesting tid-bits, like his recording of the old missionary belief that the Japanese language, so incalculably difficult, had been invented by the Devil to prevent spreading of the Gospel.

Mr. Clifton seems betrayed, at times, only by his own deep sympathy for the Japanese. But if this is weakness, it is a forgivable one. He himself recognizes this, since he is at pains to explain:

"After reading this book you may say that I am pro-Japanese. No one called me that during five years in the army. No one could have found any reason to do so."

One comes to the belief that the author, in any country, would have found beauty and friendship and understanding.

"To adopt a Christian approach is not to condone guilt," he says. "Rather is it a demonstration of faith in the common man, of whatever race or color. I kept this faith with difficulty during the war, lost it completely in the jungles along the death road from Sandakan to Ranau, and regained it in the weed-grown ruins of Hiroshima. An American soldier had it, too, when, dying, he left his worldly possession to be devoted to a closer mutual understanding, through education, between Japanese and Americans. It is the faith that offers mankind a chance of survival.

"Without it we are lost."

## Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

### New Book on Japan

Denver, Colo.

We've just finished reading a book by Allan S. Clifton called "The Time of Fallen Blossoms" (Alfred A. Knopf, \$3). Clifton is an Australian who went to Hiroshima soon after VJ-day as an interpreter for the Aussie occupation forces. His book is about his experiences as an intruder in an occupied country.

Clifton comes as close to being a present century Lafcadio Hearn as any current writer. He views Japan with a tenderness and understanding, a sympathy and admiration, that escapes most observers including the Nisei. His is a realistic book into which has been woven the feelings of a compassionate foreigner whose perception transcends racial bounds.

I visited the same area of which Clifton writes last summer, four years after he had arrived, had done his duty, and had gone. Much, much had been accomplished in the way of reconstruction and rehabilitation in those four years. But as a Nisei too close to the subject, I failed to see the beauty beneath the squalor, the strength behind the tawdriness. Clifton did. And he has written of it well.

For those who would understand postwar Japan, her trials and travail, "The Time of Fallen Blossoms" is recommended reading. For Clifton opens the reader's eyes on a new facet of Japan that is both disheartening and heartening at the same time. And altogether true of the unfortunate people of an unfortunate country.

### The Fruits of Age

The misery in my back got so bad the other day I threw all caution to the winds and went to see a doctor. He probed and pushed and thumped

for a short while and then pronounced the verdict: "You're just showing the signs of your age." It seems there was damage—not serious—to the spine years ago. It's just beginning to make trouble, and it's trouble that's likely to get worse as time goes on. Nothing critical, of course, but just irritating enough to make it unpleasant at times.

These, then, are the fruits of age, the ills to which all flesh is heir. I went home and looked into the mirror and didn't like what I saw. All the unbeautiful evidences of a rapidly approaching fortieth birthday. That's when life is supposed to begin. I'll have to find a copy of that book and learn what to expect. And perhaps be cheered.

### Toward Real Brotherhood

The most encouraging part of all this brotherhood business this past week is the realization among all minorities that they are indeed their brother's brother.

Not so very long ago, most minority groups were aware only of their own troubles and inclined to be very little concerned with the problems of others. In fact there was a tendency to set up a scale of acceptability, with those fairly close to the Anglo-Saxon Protestant looking down their noses at those further down the ladder.

It's different now. The Anti-Defamation League, predominantly a Jewish group, concerns itself with the Negroes, too. The Denver Urban League, which includes both whites and Negroes, has extended its services to Japanese Americans and Spanish Americans. And so it goes, right down the line, with the JACL among the leaders that have crossed the boundaries of narrow interest.

It looks like true brotherhood is closer to realization.

## Vagaries

### L'Affaire Couch . . .

The Couch affair at the University of Chicago, involving the dismissal of the director of the school's press, allegedly for publication of Morton Grodzins' book on the causes behind the Japanese American evacuation of 1942, "Americans Betrayed," is a closed issue. Although William T. Couch believes he was ousted from his post because of his insistence on publishing the book despite a protest from the University of California, University of Chicago sources insist the basic reason for the dismissal was a personality clash between the director and school officials. . . . Whatever the reason, the University of Chicago Press did little to promote or advertise the Grodzins book after its publication. A considerable part of the sales of the book was handled by the JACL, which took 1,000, and James Nishimura's Chicago Publishing Corp. which bought 500 for resale.

Honolulu's March of Dimes chapter will soon submit a photo of two-year old Roy Nakashima, son of Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Nakashima, as a candidate for the 1952 poster of the national polio campaign.

### Choreographer . . .

Dance news: Alice Uchida was the choreographer for two numbers, "Mixed Company" and "Souvenir" which were presented recently by the Orchestris group at Rockford, Ill., College. Miss Uchida also appeared in several dance numbers. . . . Mary Akimoto was one of the dancers in the concert given by the Jean Erdman studio on Dec. 17 in New York City. . . . Fumi Yanagisawa was one of the dancers of the Tosia Mundstock Modern Dance group which took part in the Detroit Opera Society's production of "The Emperor's Clothes" on Feb. 10.

### Nisei Article . . .

Ward Moore, Los Angeles novelist and literary critic, has written an article, "The Nisei—Ten Years Later," for the March issue of Frontier magazine whose cover girl is Frances Nishioka. . . . Howard Chuman, mostly recently seen as the Japanese captain who commits hara-kiri in 20th-Fox's "Halls of Montezuma," is now working in "China Corsair" at Columbia. . . . A number of Nisei worked in crowd scenes in Columbia's "Born Yesterday" but the entire sequence has been dropped from the film now on view. . . . Frank Kumagai recently finished up a long location stint in Florida with Paramount's "Crosswinds" company. Kumagai was seen as "Romeo" in "Halls of Montezuma."

### 442nd Story . . .

A Japanese language edition of "Americans: The Story of the

## Your Social Security: Note Principal Changes in U. S. Old-Age Pension Law

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In this last article of the series, we will bring together the principal changes in social security made by the 1950 amendments.

First, nearly ten million workers heretofore excluded from social security were brought into the system January 1, 1951. These include the self-employed (except certain professions), regular farm workers, regular household workers, employees of non-profit organizations, employees of state and local governments not under retirement systems, temporary Federal employees not under a retirement system, and a few miscellaneous groups.

The social security payments have been increased on an average of 77 1/2 per cent. The old minimum payment of \$10 a month has been raised to \$20, while the old maximum payment to a family has been raised from \$85 to \$150.

It is much easier to become eligible for payments. Only a year and a half of work under social security will be necessary when a worker reaches 65 or dies before the end of June, 1954. Anyone over 65 now needs only the six quarters of work. Thousands heretofore denied social security because of insufficient work will be paid under the new law.

Those entitled to social security payments may have their checks even if they earn as much as \$50 a month in work covered by the law, although previously the maximum they could earn and retain their checks was \$14.99 a month. Those 75 years of age or over may accept social security payments regardless of the amount of their earnings.

Several changes in the types of payments have been made. Children's benefits in death cases have

"442nd Combat Team" has been published in Japan, complete with the maps and photos of the original edition published by the Infantry Journal, and is reported selling well. In a letter to the Japanese publishers Maj. Gen. W. F. Marquat of Gen. MacArthur's headquarters declared: "The story of the 442nd Combat Team in World War II is one in which the United States is forever proud."

Several other Japanese, including a prominent novelist, also have been working on books about the 442nd Combat Team for Nipponese consumption, while Larry Sakamoto's "Nisei Butai" also was published last year in Tokyo in a Japanese translation.

been increased up to as much as three-fourths of the wage earner's monthly benefit.

Dependent husbands and widowers may receive social security benefits provided the wife was both fully and currently insured and they were dependent upon her.

Dependent parents 65 or over will receive three-fourths of the worker's monthly benefit instead of one-half as before.

Wives under 65 whose husbands are receiving old-age insurance payments may receive payments also if they have in their care a child entitled to benefits based on their husband's account.

A divorced former wife of a deceased worker may be entitled to mother's insurance benefits if she has in her care a child entitled to payments based on the worker's wages, if she was receiving at least half of her support from the worker at the time of his death.

In all cases where workers die in September, 1950 or later, a lump-sum payment will be made even though monthly benefits are also payable.

Wage credits of \$160 per month will be given for each month of active service in the armed forces of the United States in World War II. This will enable retirement payments and death payments in many cases where a worker otherwise lost his insured status because of long periods of service in the Army or Navy.

There are two times when every worker should pay particular attention to Social Security. At age 65 a worker should call at his nearest Social Security office and receive full advice as to his eligibility for payments, the effect continuing to work will have on his payments, etc. Whenever any worker dies after having worked under Social Security at all, some close relative should call at the nearest Social Security office so that the account may be examined and a determination made as to what payments are available to survivors.

Those having questions about their Social Security should feel free to call at the nearest Social Security office to ask them. There are over 500 such offices located throughout the United States, and representatives of those offices visit many smaller towns on a regular schedule. Your postmaster can tell you where the nearest Social Security office is and whether a representative will be in your town and how often.

The Social Security Administration wants to be of service to you and will consider it a favor if you will call on them for information instead of relying on hearsay, which may deprive you of benefits to which you are entitled.



# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Impending Spring Brings Baseball Talk

Hard-hitting Bill Yasui, the Hawaiian infielder who caught the eye of baseball scouts while playing on GI teams on the west coast several years ago, is now the batting star for Waipahu in the Rural Oahu AJA league. Yasui's three-run homer recently gave Waipahu a 4 to 2 win over Ewa. Yasui made the army's all-star team on the coast back in 1946. Four Japanese pro baseball stars are leaving Tokyo by plane tomorrow (Feb. 25) to join the San Francisco Seals for spring training at Modesto, Calif. Originally infielders Tetsuji Kawakami and Fumio Fujimura and Pitcher Shigeru Sugishita were scheduled to make the trip but they have now been joined by Outfielder Makoto Kozuru, Nippon's home run king who last year set an all-time Japanese record of 51 four-base blows. All four are under contract to their respective teams in Japan and are not candidates for pro ball in America. The Seals have invited them over as a goodwill gesture. However, Manager Lefty O'Doul already has announced that the four players will see action in spring training games with the Seals, including the important series against the New York Yankees. Meanwhile, there's nothing new on the immediate futures of the two Nisei in pro ball, Wally Yonamine of the Salt Lake Bees and Hank Matsubu of Yuma in the new Southwest International league. The Bees announced some time ago that they were negotiating for the sale of Yonamine to a higher classification ball club. Meanwhile, Yonamine is playing right field for Moiliili in the Honolulu AJA league while Matsubu is playing basketball this weekend for the Twin Valley YBA in a Buddhist tournament in Ontario, Ore. Four highly-rated Nisei college ball players will start their 1951 seasons next week. They are Fibber Hirayama, batting champion for 1950 in the California Collegiate Athletic Association at .435, who will play centerfield this season for Coach Pete Beiden's Fresno State Bulldogs. Hirayama played shortstop for the Santa Maria Indians in the national semi-pro baseball tourney at Wichita, Kans., last August and was named on the All-America team. He can also catch and pitch. He will be flanked in left field for the Bulldogs by Howard Zenimura, another heavy hitter who had a .412 average at the plate two years ago in CCAA play. Over in Berkeley Coach Clint Evans of the University of California is high on the prospects of his sophomore star, Bill Nishita, who won 15 games and lost one for Santa Rosa JC last season. Nishita, a native of Honolulu, is also handy with the willow and appeared in pinch-hitting roles on many occasions last year for Santa Rosa. At Stanford George Goto is now working for a spot as a front-line hurler and may tangle with Nishita on the mound when the Cards meet the Bears.

## Chiyo Tashima Rolls 572 Series

Chiyo Tashima of Los Angeles will be one of the favorites in the National JACL women's bowling tournament next month. She posted a 572 series (206, 173, 193) for a new ladies' League record at Vogue Bowl last week. Mickey Oyama had a 235 in the Nisei Girls League at Seattle's Main Bowl last week while Kenny Oyama made the honor roll with 268 in the Nisei Commercial League. Kazie Yokoyama's 532 series, including a 212 game, was high in the Ladies' League at Ontario, Ore., last week. Yulene Takai, who formerly rolled in Ontario is now leading the Sacramento winter league with 184, followed by teammate Shig Imura of second-place General Signal at 182. General Produce holds a slight lead in the league, while Stop N Shop Markets is tied with General Signal for the second spot. The season's high game in the Sacramento circuit is Hisashi Nagai's 281 while K. G. Oshima holds the high series record at 727. Challenge Milk has the high team series and game of 3074 and 1101 respectively. Pyramid Market won the first half of the Stockton JACL winter bowling league. Two Nisei teams have entered the ABC and WIBC tournaments, respectively, in Denver for the first time. The American Stencil team, which is expected to be one of Denver's representatives in the National JACL tourney in Los Angeles, consists of Dr. Takashi Mayeda, Jim Nakagawa, Moon Kataoka, George Otsuki and John Noguchi, while the Cathy Post women's team is comprised of Mitzi Noguchi, Lillian Goto, Sally Furushiro, Gay Ozamoto, Fumi Uyemura and Rosa Mayeda. Mauri Shimada and Jim Nagahara are currently in 23rd place in the San Jose men's city bowling tournament with an aggregate of 1174, while Bob Tanaka is tied for 46th at 590 in the singles.

## Taro Miyasato Holds 199 Average

Probably the outstanding Nisei bowler on the basis of his record over the past decade is Honolulu's Taro Miyasato who finished the season recently in the Brewers league with a 199.14 average for 81 games, probably the highest ABC total ever recorded for a Nisei bowler. Tad Nagasawa, the young 442nd veteran who has developed into one of Hawaii's top bowlers, had a 197.10 average in the league. Miyasato has achieved practically every honor in the bowling book, including a "300" game and a "700" series. Both Miyasato and Nagasawa bowled on the Primo Beer team which won the championship. Both were members of Hawaii's Bowling Ambassadors who toured the United States in 1947. Gene Akamine who was on the Hawaiian team in the National JACL tourney in San Francisco last year had a 189.4 average in this same league. The two Nisei girls from Hawaii who competed in the National JACL tourney last year will be back on the coast this spring as members of the Hawaiian team which will enter the Women's International Bowling Congress in Seattle. They are Marion Nitahara and Inez Kama, both of whom have league averages above 160.

## Oyakawa Is Latest Hawaii Swim Star

Although the swimming spotlight in Hawaii has been focusing on the sensational 18-year old star, Ford Konno, the territory has another high school speedster in Yoshinobu Oyakawa, captain of the Hilo high school team and 1950 Hawaiian AAU backstroke champion. Oyakawa recently won three events in an interisle dual meet between Hilo of McKinley of Honolulu. He bettered by a full second the present Hawaiian record of 1:02.1 in the 100-yard backstroke which was set by Richard Cleveland last year and turned in a 27s flat performance in the 50-yard backstroke. Another Hawaiian Nisei backstroke star is Yoshinobu Terada who is now competing for the University of Oregon frosh and is expected to rewrite Pacific Coast conference record books in his specialty next year. Two other Hawaiian Nisei, Shunso Kotoshiroda and Henry Kaiura, are on the Oregon frosh while the varsity boasts Joe Nishimoto, Coast Conference northern division champion in the breaststroke. Mitsuo Sakayeda of UCLA decided Chuck Matsumoto of San Jose in the 115-pound division match at the Bruin-Spartan dual meet on Feb. 15. Bennie Ichikawa of San Jose pinned Don Carter of UCLA in the 127-pound division bout. Robert Mukai will wear the University of Utah colors in the 167-pound division in the Skyline Conference wrestling tournament next week in Logan, Utah. Yosh Kiyokawa,

## Eight Teams Enter Idaho Cage Tourney

IDAHO FALLS, Ida. — Eight teams will compete in the annual Idaho Falls JACL invitational basketball tournament which will be held on March 1, 2 and 3 at the Ammon high school gym.

Teams entered are the Salt Lake Indies, Salt Lake Centaurs, Murray Taiyos, Davis Comets and the Honeyville Bees, all from Utah, and the Rexburg JACL, Pocatello JACL and Idaho Falls JACL teams from Idaho.

The first game will start at 6:30 p.m. on the first two nights and at 7 p.m. on the final night.

An award dance will be held after the championship game at the Ammon gym.

Charlie Hirai and Speed Nukaya are co-chairmen for the tournament. Members of other committees include: Concessions, Sam Sakaguchi, D. Mikami, Tak Haga; Tickets, Mac Tanaka, Masayuki Honda; Scorekeeper, Katsuki Yamasaki; Trophies, Joe Nishioka, Sam Yamasaki; Dance, Margaret Yamasaki, and facilities, Tom Ogawa.

Ten individual awards will be presented to the outstanding players of the tournament. Awards also will be presented to the championship and runner-up teams and to the winner of the consolation round.

## Chapter Program Given Priority by East L.A. Cabinet

LOS ANGELES—Program and activities of the East L.A. JACL received priority at the first meeting of its newly elected board of governors at the JACL Regional Office on Feb. 2nd. Presiding was Akira Hasegawa, board chairman.

Sam Furuta was appointed as vice-chairman of the board, while Grace Shibata will serve as secretary for the calendar year. Assistant President-Elect George Akasaka on the cabinet will be Mac Shintaku, vice-president, Bill Ujifusa, treasurer, and Frances Tashiro and Florence Sahara, co-secretaries.

The major committee appointments include Sam Furuta and Bill Ujifusa, co-chairmen to work with the Issei chairman, Masami Sasaki, on the ADC fund drive scheduled to begin in mid-February; Ritsuko Kawakami as membership chairman, and Mac Shintaku as chapter delegate to the L.A. JACL Coordinating Council. The chapter constitution now being drafted by the regional office will be considered for adoption by the general membership in a following meeting.

The first chapter activity in 1951 will be an installation program and dance to be held at the end of the month. Date, location and time will be announced by President Akasaka as soon as confirmed.

Members of the board, in addition to the chairman, vice-chairman and secretary, are: Bill Takei, Lynn Takagaki, Ritsuko Kawakami, Margaret Takahashi, Mrs. Mary Oyama Mittwer, Tami Matsumoto, Anson Fujioka, Henry Mori and Minnie Ichiyama.

## Contributors Thanked

CENTERVILLE, Calif.—Receipt of donations from the following were acknowledged recently by the Southern Alameda County JACL: Mr. Nishi, \$10; Mr. Motozaki, \$10; Mr. Miyaoka, \$5; and Mr. Shikano, \$5.

Oregon State star in the 130-pound class, pinned Bob Easton in the third round as the Beavers trounced Eastern Washington college, 38 to 0, in a dual meet last week.

## Henry Aihara Wins Trojan Award

Katy Toda is a member of the University of Utah's women's ski team which is defending its 1950 title this week in the Tri-State intercollegiate meet at Berthoud Pass in Colorado. Vic Nakamoto got 12 points as Placer high school of Auburn, Calif., virtually cinched the Sierra Foothills basketball league title with a 46 to 40 win over San Juan. Henry Aihara, last year's co-captain of the USC track team and former Pacific Coast Conference and Big Ten champion in the broad jump, was awarded the Foy Draper award as "the most inspirational athlete" at the 5th annual Trojan alumni track team dinner last week in Los Angeles. Aihara is one of two Nisei who have bettered 25 feet in the broad jump. He leaped 25 feet 1 1/2 inches to help USC win the NCAA championship last year. The only other Nisei jumper to clear 25 feet is George Uyeda of the University of Hawaii. Scene Magazine, in its coverage of the Lefty O'Doul-Joe DiMaggio junket to Japan last fall, notes that Tsuneo Harada, one-time Guadalupe, Calif., baseball star and a former officer in Gen. MacArthur's command, was the person most responsible for the success of the visit of the two American baseball personalities to Nippon.

## Urge All JACL Groups Back National Bowling Tournament

LOS ANGELES—With the post-mark deadline of March 3 for tournament entries one week away, Harley Kusumoto and Dick Fujioka urged all leagues and JACL chapters intending to be represented in the fifth annual National JACL bowling tournament to forward their entries as soon as possible.

An estimated prize fund of \$3500 plus trophies for each event and squad prizes for team, doubles and singles will be awarded.

The following entry fees were announced for the various men's events: \$25 per team; doubles, \$10 per team; singles, \$5 per man. All entries include bowling. Participation in "all-events," \$1 per man.

The special classic sweepstakes to be held on March 16 will see the distribution of an estimated \$750 plus a permanent trophy donated by Henry Ohye. The entry fee, including bowling, is \$6

for five games across 10 alleys with early entrants given preference in scheduling.

The women's events, incorporated since 1950 as part of the National Tournament include: team \$15 entry; doubles, \$6 per team; singles, \$3 per woman. All entries include bowling. Participation in women's "all-events" is \$6. The entry for the mixed doubles is \$5 per team.

The tournament is sanctioned for the first time by the American Bowling Congress and the Women's International Bowling Congress, whose moral support sanction requires bona fide 1951 JACL membership in any chapter or with JACL Headquarters.

All known Nisei bowling leagues have been forwarded detailed information of the tournament, entry forms, and other announcements. The tournament will be held from March 16-18 at the Vogue Bowl alleys in downtown Los Angeles.

## Konno Sets Two New U.S. Prep Swimming Records in Honolulu

### Mukai Wins Bout

PROVO, Utah—Robert Mukai, 167 pounds, pinned Gaylon Masters of BYU in 4:07 as the University of Utah defeated Brigham Young, 26 to 8, in a Skyline Six conference wrestling meet on Feb. 22.

### Seaman Pleads Guilty On Stoway Charge

HONOLULU—A Nisei merchant seaman who stowed away on the Lurline from San Francisco to Honolulu recently was fined \$138 recently when he pleaded guilty in Federal court.

He is Toshinori Tamiyose, 28, a native of Maui, who has been away from Hawaii since 1946.

He told Federal Judge Delbert Metzger he had been hospitalized in New Orleans for about a year and had no money to pay his passage back to Hawaii.

The fine is the amount of a minimum fare and is a government realization. In addition to the fine, Tamiyose is on probation until it is paid.

### Parlier JACL Installs Officers

PARLIER, Calif.—Marshall Tanaka was installed as president of the Parlier JACL chapter at a dinner on Jan. 27.

Other new officers include: Kaz Komoto, 1st vice-pres.; Kenso Tsuboi, 2nd vice-pres.; Teruko Sunamoto, corres. sec.; Betty Doi, rec. sec.; Jimmy Kozuki, treas.; Ralph Kimoto, historian; Noboru Doi, sec. chmn.; and Ken Osumi and Gerald Ogata, delegates.

## Thank Congressman for Bill Admitting Two Japanese Girls

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Tatsuki-chiro Horikawa of Tokyo paid a visit of gratitude to Washington, D.C., on Feb. 13 to thank Rep. Henry M. Jackson, Democrat of Everett, Wash., who successfully

sponsored a bill in Congress last year that permitted Mrs. David B. Carpenter to bring her twin daughters to the United States.

Mrs. Carpenter, daughter of Horikawa, accompanied her father to the capital. She is the wife of a former University of Washington instructor who is now teaching at Washington University in St. Louis.

Mrs. Carpenter was the widow of Ichigi Higo, a Japanese naval commander. He left with his ship a month after their marriage and was never seen again. Carpenter met and married the widow while serving as chief of the statistics division with the United States naval staff in Tokyo. He is the only father the twins, now nearly six years old, ever have known.

Mrs. Carpenter was permitted to enter the United States with her husband under the GI Brides act but the twins, Teiko and Yoshiko, were not permitted to enter the country until Congress passed the private bill introduced by Rep. Jackson.

The Washington congressman is a veteran of World War II.



Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Katashi Yamabe a girl in Oakland, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. Kanji Nishijima a girl on Feb. 4 in Sacramento. To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi G. Kunigi, Blanca, Colo., a boy. To Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Yoshito Shibata, San Leandro, Calif., a girl on Feb. 10. To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Tanaka a girl, Terumi Terry, on Feb. 7 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Toll Okazaki a girl, Diane Teiko, on Jan. 31 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Doi a girl, Janice, on Jan. 25 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Chiyomitsu Maruyama a girl, Shirley Sachiko, on Jan. 25 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rikito Momii a girl, Judith Matsu, on Jan. 30 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Hideto Nelson Tanaka, Long Beach, Calif., a girl, Susan Haruko, on Jan. 31. To Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Furuya a boy, Akira Eric, on Jan. 30 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. William Shigeru Miyashiro a boy, Glenn Russell, on Feb. 2 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Ted Terumasa Kojima a boy, Don Teruo, on Feb. 4 in Los Angeles. To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mas Matsumura a boy on Feb. 7 in San Francisco. To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Katayama a boy, Dennis, on Jan. 27 in Berkeley, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. S. Hirahara a boy on Feb. 5 in Madera, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. Noble Terada a girl on Feb. 16 in Salt Lake City. To Mr. and Mrs. Harue Aoki a girl on Feb. 13 in Seattle. To Mr. and Mrs. Masashi Fujii, Morgan Hill, Calif., a boy, Ben Tsutomu, on Feb. 1. To Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Ernie Ishimaru, Mountain View, Calif., a girl, Sandra Aiko, on Feb. 1. To Mr. and Mrs. Tatsuo Koga, Ogden, Utah, twin sons on Jan. 24. To Mr. and Mrs. Tadao Handa, Rio Linda, Calif., a boy on Feb. 1. To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Harano, Isleton, Calif., a girl on Feb. 3. To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuru J. Ikeda, Acampo, Calif., a girl on Jan. 24. To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tadashi Katai, Campbell, Calif., a girl, Gayleen, on Feb. 8. To Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Yamashita, Cupertino, Calif., a boy, Henry, on Feb. 8. To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fumio Yoshioka a boy, Ronald Reoge, on Feb. 5 in San Jose. To Mr. and Mrs. George Yamazumi a boy on Feb. 9 in Sacramento. To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Takekoto a girl on Feb. 11 in Auburn, Calif. To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi Takeuchi, Rio Osa, Calif., a girl on Feb. 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ohara a girl on Feb. 9 in Sacramento. To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Iwata a boy on Feb. 6 in Sacramento.

DEATHS

Yoshitaro Takahara, 74, on Feb. 11 in Pocatello, Ida. Tami Kaku, 64, on Feb. 18 near Littleton, Calif. Mitsue Ota, 50, on Feb. 13 in Seattle. Ryonosuke Enomoto, 62, on Feb. 15 in Fresno.

MARRIAGES

Chiyo Ishino to Hiroshi Kikawa, Pasadena, on Feb. 18 in Los Angeles. Nobuko Yamamoto to Akira Oshida on Feb. 4 in Los Angeles. Kay Tatsuguchi to Harry Ushijima on Feb. 4 in San Mateo, Calif. Chika Kosuge to Dennis Kida on Feb. 11 in Denver. Patricia Yaeko Matarai to Lieut. John Yamauchi, Watsonville, Calif., on Feb. 24 in Tokyo, Japan. Yuriko Sensaki to Yataka Nagasaki on Feb. 11 in Los Angeles. Kumi Matsushita to Arthur Sakakura on Feb. 11 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Fumi Inaki, 22, and Kenji Fukuda, 24, in Fresno. Yoshiko Konatsu, 27, and Hoover M. Hiroto, U.S. Army, 22, in Seattle.

Santa Monica YW Urges Registration For Activities

SANTA MONICA, Calif.—Mrs. Shigeki Takeda, secretary on the staff of the Santa Monica YWCA, will help any Nisei girls or women interested in joining any of the YW activities, the organization announced this week.

The Santa Monica Y, which recently celebrated the first anniversary of its move into its new building at 1332 6th St., offers dancing, swimming, sports, arts and crafts and special classes in skiing, horseback-riding and golf when requested.

Classes of interest to adults include exercise, swimming, sports, modern dancing and social dancing. Nursery facilities are offered for children while their mothers are attending classes.

Persons interested in joining any of these clubs or instruction groups can contact Mrs. Takeda or Ellen Sangermano, director of health education activities, at EXbrook 32721.

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Seek Return Of California Liquor Licenses

SACRAMENTO — A bill has been introduced in the state assembly to provide for the reissuance of hard liquor sales licenses to persons of Japanese ancestry who lost their permits at the outbreak of World War II. The bill is being sponsored by Assemblyman Thomas A. Maloney, D., San Francisco.

Following the return of the evacuees to the state after the war the State Board of Equalization has held up licenses to the great majority of persons of Japanese ancestry who held them for the evacuation.

A similar bill was introduced in the state senate by Sen. Gerald O'Gara of San Francisco County.

Camp Hobby Pays For Evacuee Couple

SANTA ANA, Calif.—A relocation center hobby has become a livelihood for an Orange County couple, Mr. and Mrs. Yogenuma Takahashi of Garden Grove.

The Takahashis make beautiful hand-carved bird pins which are painted and lacquered.

The husband carves the birds from rough blocks of white holly wood. When he is finished his wife, Kiyoko, applies water color to give the birds their plumage. Ten coats of lacquer are then applied.

The birds are used as lapel pins or earrings.

Takahashi, who formerly operated a vegetable business before the evacuation, took up carving in a WRA camp and soon discovered he had talent for it. When they returned from camp the Takahashi's set up a shop to produce and sell their carvings.

Takahashi now carves some 30 different birds and usually tries to produce ten a day.

Nisei Performers Invited to Take Part In Brotherhood Show

LOS ANGELES — By popular demand, Nisei performers of the dance and Japanese instruments have been invited to participate in a second brotherhood program this month in East Los Angeles.

Their artistic talent at the Soto-Michigan Center's program of Feb. 11 won high praise from the several hundred attending and they have been asked to appear at a similar program of the Menorah Jewish Community Center, 328 East Wabash Avenue on Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Students of Fujima Kansuma, noted teacher of classical and popular Japanese dancing, Teruko Ikari, Mitsuko Gotanda and Kayoko Morimoto, will perform "Sakura Dojyoji," "Mitsumen Komori," and "Hibai No Fu."

Performing on the koto will be Kazuko Ikenaga and Sadako Kai-zoji, who will accompany Kimpei Takii on the shakuhachi.

Mrs. Molly Mittwer, member of the East L.A. JAACL Chapter's Board of Governors, will speak briefly during the intermission period as will the Honorable Edward Roybal, L.A. City Councilman.

The public is cordially invited to attend this brotherhood event, which is co-sponsored by the Community Service Organization.

Japanese Americans Will Aid Red Cross Blood Bank Drive

LOS ANGELES—The Japanese American community's Red Cross blood bank program is the official designation for the cooperative project on the part of Issei and Nisei in the Los Angeles area, according to the community-wide organizing committee which met at the Miyako Hotel Conference Room on Feb. 14.

Dr. Tom Watanabe and Katsuma Mukaeda will serve as co-chairmen of the project with George Waki as secretary. Co-chairmen of the public relations committee are Tats Kushida and Matao Uwate.

The officers will appoint sub-chairmen in geographical areas outside of the metropolitan downtown section, it was announced. They are the Santa Monica bay area, the Long Beach harbor area, Gardena Valley, Pasadena-San Gabriel Valley area and Orange County.

Chairman Pro Tem Tats Kushida called the meeting to order, and discussed the background of how the Japanese community of Los Angeles has been requested by the Red Cross for cooperation in the blood program, pointing to the increased demand for whole blood in Korea. It was revealed that blood donations on the part of the Japanese community will serve not only other Japanese who may need blood from the Red Cross, but will go toward military needs as well as civilian defense. It was expected that organizations and groups who have not already cooperated independently with the Red Cross and other blood banks will join this community-wide program upon invitation from the committee.

The initial organizations include the Southern California Nisei Ministerial Association, the JAACL, the Nisei Veterans Association, the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, the Japanese Women's Club, the YBA, the Southern California Medical Society, the Japanese Hospital, and the vernacular and Crossroads newspapers.

The function of this committee will be to serve as liaison between the American Red Cross and the Japanese community and its various organizations and groups. It was reported that facilities for blood donations are available at the Japanese Hospital. The next meeting of the committee has been scheduled for Monday, February 26, at 7 p.m. at the Miyako Conference Room.

Present at the meeting were: Masami Sasaki, Gongo Naka-mura, Katsuma Mukaeda, H. M. Sato, Junichi Yoshitomi, Dr. John M. Yamazaki, Tats Kushida, Jun-ichi Asakura, George Akasaka, Mac Shintaku, George H. Waki, Mrs. K. Murayama, Mrs. Shige Iwaki, Mrs. Saku Shirakawa, Dr. Tom Watanabe, the Reverend Harry H. Murakami, R. Higa, Ray H. Uno, Henry Mori and Isamu Yoneyama.

Chicago Group Deplores Acts Of Prejudice Against Chinese

CHICAGO—A resolution deploring hoodlumism and other anti-Chinese acts was passed by the board of governors of the City Club of Chicago on Feb. 7.

It was drawn up by Richard Akagi, regional director of the JAACL and member of the City Club.

The resolution said intervention of Chinese Communists in the Korean conflict had caused a "small, misguided segment" of the community to become hostile to persons of Chinese ancestry in Chicago.

It pointed out that many Chinese Americans served in the armed forces and that, as a community, persons of Chinese ancestry contributed more than their share toward community enterprises.

"First and foremost," the resolution said, "they are Americans. While they regard with justifiable pride the rich heritage that is theirs and show a normal interest and sympathy toward the land of their cultural lineage, they are not involved in the immediate political fortunes of China except as any intelligent American is involved in and concerned with such events."

Fourteen Nisei Qualify for Placer Honor Society

AUBURN, Calif. — Fourteen Nisei are among 50 students who have qualified for temporary membership on the basis of grades in Alpha Gamma Sigma, state junior college honor society.

Masamune Kojima is one of three students who compiled perfect records, according to Alpha Gamma Sigma standards.

Other Nisei whose applications were approved are: Roy Doi, Harry Hirohata, Sue Horikawa, Ben Hanamoto, Marian Inamoto, Sumi Maeda, Janice Makimoto, Clayton Nakagawa, Fusae Nii, Yukie Nii, Eve Tsuetaki, Mae Wakinaka and Fay Yoshizuka.

Kuwahara Re-elected By Cortez JAACL

CORTEZ, Calif. — Sam Kuwahara was re-elected president of the Cortez JAACL at its annual election.

Other officers will be Fred Miyamoto, vice pres.; Hiroshi Asai, rec. secy.; Mae Taniguchi and Jim Yamaguchi, corr. secs.; Nobuo Baba, treas.; Mrs. George Yuge, historian; and Takeo Yotsuya, Ernest Yoshida, K. E. Miyamoto, Kiyoshi Asai, George Yuge, Joe Nishihara, Kazumi Kajioaka, Nobuhiro Kajioaka and James Yoshino, directors.

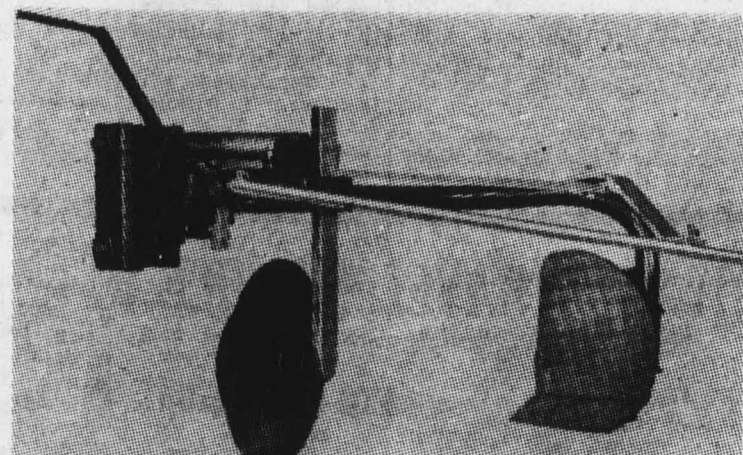
U. S. Drops Case

HONOLULU — United States citizenship has been restored to William Ishikawa of Honolulu, a Nisei who served in the Japanese army during the war and who was employed before the outbreak of World War II as an interpreter in the Japanese consulate at Nanking.

Howard K. Hoddick, acting United States attorney, advised Ishikawa's attorneys, A. L. Wirin of Los Angeles and Senator Wilfred C. Tsukiyama of Honolulu that the appeal the government had taken from the ruling of U.S. District Judge J. Frank McLaughlin in favor of Ishikawa's petition for restoration of citizenship was being dropped by the government.

After two trials Judge McLaughlin entered a decision in favor of Ishikawa to the effect that his service in the Japanese army was under coercion and therefore did not result in the loss of his United States citizenship.

After granting a new trial, Judge McLaughlin ruled that Ishikawa's service in the Japanese consulate at Nanking was not followed by a forfeiture of his U.S. citizenship.



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## Intermountain Council to Hold JACL Parley in Salt Lake

### Idaho Chapters Act To Obtain Repeal Of Alien Land Law

POCATELLO, Idaho—The Salt Lake City JACL's bid for the Intermountain district council convention to be held during the Thanksgiving weekend was accepted as delegates from the council's eight chapters met on Feb. 18 at Red Rock Inn.

The Pocatello chapter under President Bill Yoden was host for the meeting.

Manabu Yamada of the Boise Valley chapter, chairman of the IDC's committee for the repeal of the Idaho Alien and law, reported that a bill for repeal of the statute which bars land ownership to Japanese and other "aliens ineligible to citizenship" has been introduced in the state legislature and is now in committee. The Idaho chapters of the IDC already have pledged support to the campaign for repeal through their local representatives.

National Director Masao W. Satow attended the meeting and brought the group up to state on the JACL's national program.

An interesting feature of the meeting were reports on local chapter activities. Most of the chapters are now following a trend toward money-raising activities to cover chapter expenses, building funds, JACL ADC fund quota and other commitments, instead of soliciting donations from individual families.

Cooperation of the entire community, in addition to the Japanese American group, also is being stressed. On the night before the IDC meeting the Pocatello chapter held its annual carnival at which funds were raised for the coming year's activities. The carnival was patronized by non-Japanese residents of the Pocatello area. A similar carnival also was held by the Idaho Falls chapter. The Idaho Falls group also raised funds for their JACL building through farming a special plot on which sugar beets were grown. All labor and use of equipment were donated and funds from the sale of the crop were placed in the JACL treasury.

The next IDC meeting will be held in May in Ogden.

Chapter representatives also pledged efforts to get renewals of all JACL "1000" club members in the area.

Those attending the meeting were: George Nishitani, Manabu Yamada, George Ishihara, Boise Valley; Kay Tokita, Joe Nishioka, Sud Morishita, Idaho Falls; Mits Hoki, Helen Shimizu, Mount Olympus; George Sugihara, Ken Uchida, Ogden; Bill Yoden,

Masa Tsukamoto, Bill Yamauchi, Pocatello; George Mochizuki, Jim Miyake, Salt Lake City; George Sugai, Joe Saito, Snake River Valley; and Jack Matsuura, Yutaka Hanami, Hit Miyasaki and Tommy Miyasaki, Yellowstone. George Mochizuki, vice-chairman of the IDC, presided.

### Denver Chapter To Sponsor Meet

DENVER, Colo.—A Mountain Plains JACL conference will be sponsored here by the Denver chapter, it was voted Feb. 15 by the cabinet of the Denver JACL.

Tentative dates suggested were March 1 and April 1.

The Fort Lupton chapter will be invited to act as co-sponsor for the meeting, which is expected to attract delegates from the nine chapters and 41 community JACL-ADC communities in the ten-state area.

Selection of the conference chairman and committees will be left to Tad Terasaki, president of the Denver JACL, with approval and suggestions from the Fort Lupton chapter, in the event it accepts co-sponsorship.

Three previous district conferences in this city, held in 1948, 1949 and 1950, were led by Bess Matsuda, chairman.

Regional JACL officers include K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, chairman; Chiye Horiuchi, Denver, secretary; and Tosh Ando, Denver, treasurer. Regional vice-chairmen include Tom Koyama of Montana, Roy Inouye of La Jara and Henry Kawahata of Texas.

### Anonymous Gift Starts Fund Drive For Japan University

CHICAGO—An anonymous gift of \$500 has officially started the Japanese International Christian University fund drive among Chicago's Japanese Americans.

Canvassers will start a two-month city-wide canvass for funds. The local goal has been set at \$10,000.

Start of the campaign was temporarily delayed by the death of Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, national executive chairman of the ICU foundation.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur is honorary chairman and Joseph Grew, former ambassador to Japan, is national chairman for the campaign to build a ten-million dollar university in Japan as an expression of goodwill between the two nations.

### Colorado Chapter Honors Inductees At Dinner-Dance

LA JUNTA, Colo.—Nisei entering the armed forces from the Arkansas Valley were honored Jan. 27 at a dinner dance at the Kit Carson Hotel sponsored by the Arkansas Valley JACL.

Guests of honor included Sam Ashida of Crowley, Hoover Ushiyama of Rocky Ford, Noboru Hasui of Las Animas and Tom Nagamoto of Swink. Other guests included Kaku, Genzo and Shigeru Akagi, Frank and Mike Uyeno, Henry Udo, Sam Mugishima, Herb Shironaka, Herb Mameda, Yasuhiko Masuda, Gene Hirataka, George Hiraki, Haruo Shiba, Franklin Hirakata, Tenchi Mayeda and Tom Shiba.

Present as special guests were George Friedenberger, county sheriff, and Mrs. Friedenberger and Mayor Bill Gobin of Rocky Ford and Mrs. Gobin.

Sam Mayeda was toastmaster. The welcoming address was made by Ugi Harada, chapter president. Kaku Akagi responded on behalf of the inductees.

### Seek Deportation Stays for 18 Japanese Aliens

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Judiciary Committee this week urged the Senate to approve stays of deportation for some 600 aliens, including 18 Japanese, according to the JACL ADC.

The list will come up for action in the Senate on the next consent calendar call. If approved by the Senate and House, the aliens will become permanent residents.

Japanese approved for stays are treaty visitors stranded in the United States by World War II, have since resided here seven or more years and are of good moral character. An amendment to the Stay of Deportation Act, introduced at the request of the JACL ADC, gave Japanese aliens the same privilege of seeking stays as applied to other aliens.

Japanese included on this week's list are:

Michio Aoki, Taro Miyahira, Shizuo Mori, Tokio Tamura, Chiyokichi Yamanaka, Shizuko Miyagishima, Kazuye Sumi, Yone Sumi, Kengo Takahashi, Shiro Takeda, Shinichiro Watanabe, Arturo Shinye Yakabi, Tadashi Yanagida, Mitaka Matsumoto Harada, Hiroshi Matsushita, Yako Nakamatsu, Natsue Nakamatsu and Kyuichi Sugihara.

### "Japan Night" Show Planned in New York For Relief Funds

NEW YORK—A "Japan Night" show to raise funds for Japan relief will be sponsored on March 9 in the main auditorium of the Central High school of Needle Trades under the sponsorship of the Japanese American Committee of New York, Inc.

In addition to Nisei artists the program will feature five entertainers from Tokyo. They are Kouta Katsutaro, Taro Shoji, Samisen Toyokichi, Minoru Shinoda and Fusanobu Shinoda.

Ruby Yoshino, soprano who recently made her New York concert debut at Times Hall, will sing a group of numbers. Lily Miki, young pianist, and Mrs. Sumako Aiso are among the other artists who are contributing their talents for the benefit show.

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## House, Senate Groups Plan Hearings on Omnibus Bill

WASHINGTON, D. C.—House and Senate Subcommittees will open joint hearings on the Walter-McCarran Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization bills March 6, the JACL ADC was advised this week. National JACL ADC legislative director Mike Masaoka said the JACL ADC will testify.

The bills are quite similar, although in some details the Walter bill is the more liberal. Both, however, propose to restore immigration quotas to all Asian countries, and eliminate racial requirements for naturalization.

Because these latter suggestions were adopted from the Judd bill, long advocated by the JACL ADC, Mr. Masaoka said the ADC would concentrate its testimony on these two subjects.

The bills have met a mixed reaction. They contain many controversial security provisions, although such provisions already are law in the Internal Security Act of 1950. The Walter and McCarran measures do, however, add certain clarifying amendments to the security regulations.

## Arrest Solicitor in Alleged Intimidation of Issei Group

### Arimoto Installed As JACL Prexy

SAN MATEO, Calif.—Richard Arimoto, prominent Redwood City nurseryman, became president of the San Mateo JACL in ceremonies conducted by Mayor Carrol M. Speers of San Mateo on Feb. 10.

The ceremony took place at the chapter's annual dinner held in the Garden Room of the Benjamin Franklin hotel.

Joe Grant Masaoka, regional director for the JACL, was the main speaker.

Awards won during the chapter's annual bowling tournament were made by Bud Boodell of San Mateo Bowl. Kunio Yamaguchi was chairman of the tournament.

Guests for the evening included Mayor and Mrs. Speers, Mayor and Mrs. Carl Britschgi of Redwood City, Supervisor and Mrs. William Werder of Redwood City and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hicks, former WR official.

Shig Takahashi was master of ceremonies. Hiroshi Ito was in charge of general arrangements.

Installed in office with Pres. Arimoto were Eugene Omi, 1st vice-pres.; Kunio Yamaguchi, 2nd vice-pres.; Tom Shiinoki, treas.; Dorothy Dozen, corr. secy.; Dorothy Kani, rec. secy.; Hideko Hamasaki, historian; and Tomiko Sutow, publicity chmn. First meeting called by Arimoto was a cabinet meeting Feb. 20 at his home to discuss plans for the coming year.

### Credit Union Tells 4% Dividend for Chicago Shareholders

CHICAGO—Shareholders in the Chicago JACL credit union will get a four per cent return on their shares.

The dividend rate was announced at the group's annual general meeting here.

Lincoln Shimidzu was elected president by the board. Serving with him will be Kuneo Yoshinari, vice pres.; Tom Okage, secy.; Mike Hagiwara, treas.; Sumi Kobayashi and Ariye Oda, ass't treas. Voted in as new members of the board were Tom Okabe, Ken Yoshihara, Sumi Kobayashi, Wiley Higuchi and Kay Tamada.

BERKELEY, Calif.—A warning published in the English section of a Japanese American newspaper in San Francisco on Feb. 17 caused the arrest of Virgil Keith Pounds, 25, magazine salesman, on a charge of soliciting with a permit.

Complaints made to police by persons of Japanese ancestry in the San Francisco Bay area charged Pounds with "intimidation and threats" when they refused to take subscriptions or did not sign up for long periods.

According to police the salesman said he had been in a Japanese prison camp and "demanded" subscription in payment for his alleged sufferings.

Sam S. Nakano, 26, called police when Pounds visited his home and he recognized him as the solicitor about whom a warning had been printed in the Japanese vernacular newspapers.

Pounds is at liberty on \$100 bail.

### Install St. Louis Chapter Cabinet

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—The 1951 cabinet of the St. Louis chapter of the JACL, headed by Ed Koyama, was installed on Feb. 10 at a dinner dance.

Mary E. Brooks, executive secretary of the Missouri Association for Social Welfare, was the guest speaker. During the war Miss Brooks served as WRA director of relocation in the St. Louis area.

Henry Tani, former national vice-president of the JACL, installed the cabinet.

Other members of the new cabinet are: Fusa Doi, vice-pres.; James Hayashi, treas.; Grace Oshima, rec. sec., and Mrs. George Hasegawa, corr. sec.

Fred Oshima was chairman of the dinner dance.

### Wins Contest

FRESNO, Calif.—Jimmie Masuda of the Selma Future Farmers of America recently won a second pair of pruning shears in the Fresno-Madera sectional vine pruning contest.

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