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IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE WAR DEAD

National JACL President K. Patrick Okura pays his tribute at the Tomb of the Unknowns, Arlington National Cemetery, while a bugler blows taps. Okura has just finished placing the National JACL wreath at the tomb to honor all Americans killed in World War II, and especially those of Japanese ancestry. At the Army standard honor wreath ceremony, behind Okura, left to right, are Senator Daniel Inouye, Mrs. Nawa Munemori, and National JACL Vice President William Marutani, holding umbrella; next row, Congressman Spark Matsunaga, General Jacob L. Devers; last row, Judge John Aiso.

EDITORIAL OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

Rain or Shine, the Nisei Come Through

The commemorative services honoring Japanese American military service in World War II were held, in part, in the shelter of a chapel in Fort Myers last Sunday because of an early summer rain Sunday washing out the outdoor program planned for the Flagpole Area adjacent to the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. The laying of wreaths at the Tomb, Battleship Maine Monument and gravesites of 21 Nisei who are interred at Arlington were conducted despite the downpour.

It was also a rainy day that July 15, 1946, when President Truman welcomed back the 442nd Regimental Combat Team at the White House.

It seems fair to say that the loyalty of Japanese Americans remains steadfast—rain or shine.

Enough cannot be said here of the gigantic task facing members of the Washington, D.C., JACL in arranging this national public tribute and the efficient dispatch of their responsibilities. The 442nd RCT earned seven Presidential Distinguished Unit Citations. Perhaps similar honors can be instituted in JACL and be conferred upon the D.C. chapter. The rest of the 87 chapters in the nation will surely agree with this.

JACL CHAPTER ROLE IN STRUGGLE BY NEGROES FOR EQUALITY AIRED

Special to the Pacific Citizen
WASHINGTON. — Though each JACL chapter charts its own course, according to the needs and particular climate of its community, National JACL President K. Patrick Okura Saturday declared a JACL policy statement will be prepared to define the role of chapters in the current Negro struggle for equal rights.

The question was a major subject of the Eastern District Council meeting here this past weekend at Burlington Hotel.

Washington Representative Mike Masaoka stated the NAACP and other groups were asking for JACL support which would, in some instances include active participation in public demonstrations.

These groups, Masaoka said, have become impatient with purely legislative and judicial activity, are now taking bolder measures, and therefore want more support from other minority groups besides general statements favoring equal rights.

Advice: Join Them

If a JACL chapter were requested to participate in a picket or march with a civil rights group, such as the NAACP, Masaoka said he would advocate joining them.

Five records set at S.F. JACL Olympics

SAN FRANCISCO. — Livingston-Merced JACL claimed the NC-WNDC trophy symbolic of track supremacy in these parts at the San Francisco JACL Olympics at Kezar Stadium Sunday in a meet which saw five new records.

Livingston's John Kajiwara lowered the B-660 record with his 1m 28.6s., shaving 2.3s. off the mark set by Jerry Kitahama of Long Beach in 1961. San Jose's John Kanaya bettered his own mark in the Open high jump at 6 ft. 1/4 in.

Some 120 athletes representing a near dozen chapters and organizations competed under ideal, sunny skies. Mike Nishida of Stockton and Bob Sakai of Eden Township were triple crown winners in the Open division.

Mike nabbed the high point trophy with 16 3/4 pts., with wins in the 100 (10.3s.), 220 (24.9s.), pole vault (11 ft.), and running in the 880 relay won by Stockton (1m.46s.) Bob—the one-man Eden Township team—won the distance races: 440 (54.7s.), 880 (2m.11.6s.) and mile (4m.52.3s.)

Other three records were set in the junior and pee wee divisions. (Complete summaries will be published next week.)

MOURN DEATH OF INFLUENTIAL REP. WALTER, 69,

Co-Author of 1952 Act Which Granted Issei Naturalization

WASHINGTON. — The Eastern District Council in session June 1-2 authorized Mike Masaoka to send a wreath to the funeral of Rep. Walter and a telegram to the Speaker of the House communicating the condolences of the four EDC chapters (New York, Seabrook, Philadelphia and Washington) and their appreciation of Walter's works.

WASHINGTON. — Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.), co-author of the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 which repealed the Japanese exclusion law and extended naturalization privileges to Issei residents, died of leukemia on May 31.

Walter, 69, had served in the House since 1933 and at his death ranked seventh in seniority among Democratic members.

One of the most powerful members of the House, he was chairman of the House un-American Activities Committee and chairman of the Democratic patronage committee.

Walter was considered an expert parliamentarian, and often was selected to preside when the House debated its most intricate bills.

His Legislative Monument

Walter considered his legislative monument to be the Walter-McCarran Act of 1952, the first major revision of immigration laws in a generation.

It was passed over President Truman's veto and was assailed as too restrictive by both presidential candidates that year.

The act was assailed by liberals (Continued on Page 3)

Tribute to Nisei GIs at Arlington dramatic

Special to the Pacific Citizen
WASHINGTON.—Reverent tribute to the memory of Japanese Americans who rose above racial mistreatment to achieve an outstanding military record in World War II was paid at commemorative services at Arlington National Cemetery on Sunday, June 2.

Approximately 300 persons, including members of Congress, assembled to recall the wartime gallantry of Americans of Japanese ancestry who served in Europe and the Pacific-Asia theaters from Pearl Harbor till V-J Day.

PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S MESSAGE READ AT RITES

Washington.
"It is with pleasure that I extend warm greetings to the Japanese American community and their guests. I am delighted to convey these words through Mr. Mike Masaoka.

"As Americans of Japanese descent, you may well be proud of your historic heritage and the many contributions made by your countrymen.

"This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the formation of an organization that history has recorded as one of the most decorated units ever to serve the cause of freedom and our country. Our nation has cause to be proud of the men who composed the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

"At the same time, we must also remember that Japanese Americans too served with equal honor and distinction in the Pacific.

"With every good wish for successful commemorative services and for continuing progress in the important work you are doing."
JOHN F. KENNEDY

ceremony forced the program to be changed from the cemetery flagpole area outdoors to the Fort Myer Chapel just off Arlington Cemetery grounds.

Japanese American veterans, Gold Star mothers, including the mother of a Congressional Medal of Honor winner, military dignitaries and friends gathered for the services sponsored by the Japanese American Citizens League. The occasion marked the 20th anniversary after military service was reopened to Japanese Americans in 1943, after enlistments were halted following the Pearl Harbor attack.

A series of speakers eulogized the Japanese Americans who served in the U.S. armed forces in World War II. (The Pacific Citizen will publish the text of the various speeches in forthcoming weeks). Each stressed the role these men played in gaining the acceptance of the Nisei by the American community.

President Wires Tribute

The chapel ceremony began with the reading of a telegram from President Kennedy in which he noted the military achievement of Japanese Americans in Europe and the Pacific.

As noted by one of the speakers, Gen. Jacob L. Devers, USA ret., commander of American forces under whom the Japanese Americans served, the 442nd suffered 9,480 casualties, including 600 killed in action—more than three times its original infantry strength. Included in the more than 18,000 individual decorations awarded were 1 Medal of Honor, 52 Distinguished Service Crosses and 600 Silver Stars.

Their military record was achieved despite the hostility, mistreatment and suspicion they suffered at the outbreak of war.

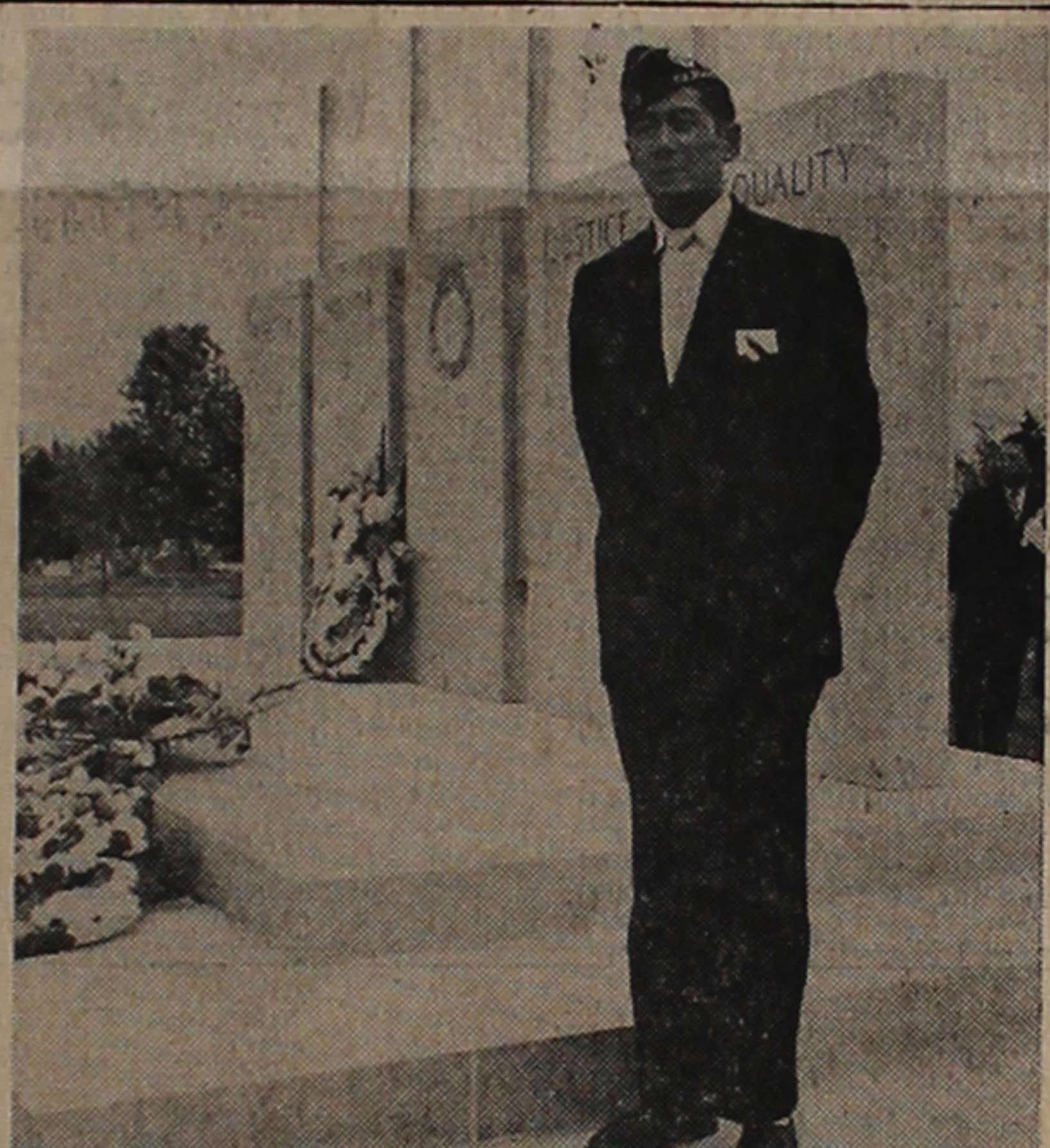
As recalled by K. Patrick Okura, National JACL President, at the commemorative services:

"Just 20 short years ago, Americans of Japanese ancestry were eyed with suspicion by our fellow Americans. The majority of us were confined in war relocation centers following the mass evacuation of all persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast."

By contrast, Okura pointed out that "Today Americans of Japanese ancestry enjoy the respect and full acceptance of our fellow men and are fulfilling the obligations and responsibilities as full-fledged citizens of the United States."

Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, who served as program chairman, underscored the rapid recognition won by Japanese Americans when he introduced two decorated veterans of the 442nd Combat Team who have been elected to the U.S. Congress—Senator Daniel K. Inouye and Representative Spark Matsunaga. Senator Inouye, a Distinguished Service Cross recipient who lost his arm in combat, said in his speech that each war dead "in his own way gave up his life for a greater life—the life of the United States of America. It is because of them that the torch of freedom still illuminates the dark corners of the world and keeps tyranny at bay."

—Tom Masamori Photo



MEDAL OF HONOR AWARDEE ASSISTS DEDICATION

Hershey H. Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for heroism during the Korean conflict and a veteran of the 442nd RCT during World War II, stands in front of the Rocky Mountain Nisei War Memorial dedicated May 30 in Denver. In the background are Mr. and Mrs. Pat Okura of Omaha.

Rocky Mountain Memorial Dedicated

BY MINORU YASUI

Special to the Pacific Citizen

DENVER. — Almost a thousand persons gathered at Fairmount Cemetery here on May 30, for the Nisei War Dead Memorial monument, which bears the names of 75 Nisei soldiers from the Rocky Mountain region (including evacuees from WRA camps) who have died in the service of the United States during World War II and the Korean conflict.

Yoshiaki Arai and John T. Noguchi, both WW2 veterans and members of Cathay Post 185, American Legion, were co-chairmen of the region-wide project to erect this monument in memory of the Nisei war dead.

Hershey Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., Niseidom's only living winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, was the guest of honor for the ceremonies.

National JACL, in the person of K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, national President, represented the 88 chapters and more than 16,000 members in these solemn rites.

Bill Hosokawa of the Denver Post, and 1956 winner of the Nisei of the Biennium award, authored the inscription chiseled in granite: "Deeply aware the cloud of suspicion hanging over them in the early days of World War II could be dispersed only by a demonstration of loyalty, Americans of Japanese descent (Nisei) petitioned in 1942 for the right to serve their

country. America offered them the opportunity, and the Nisei served with distinction and valor in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team in Europe, in military intelligence units in the Pacific, and elsewhere. More than 30,000 Nisei bore arms in World War II and Korea, shedding their blood on such far-flung battlefields as the Arno and Bruyeres, Myitkyin and Porkchop Hill. It is to those who made the supreme sacrifice in demonstrating that Americanism is not a matter of race or ancestry that this monument is dedicated."

More than 15 of the Gold Star families were personally present for the dedication, including Mrs. Asao Tanamachi of San Benito, Tex., mother of Saburo Tanamachi, and Mrs. M. Akimoto of Upland, Calif., mother of John Akimoto and Victor Akimoto.

Other relatives and families of deceased Nisei war dead included: Mrs. Rose Fujiwaki of Brighton, sister of Jimmie Toshio Kokubu; Mrs. and Mrs. Harvey K. Goto of Denver; H. Morishige; K. Patrick Okura; Mrs. Ito of Denver, Colo., mother of Takashi Ito; Mrs. M. Kawano of Denver; mother of George Y. Kawano; Mr. and Mrs. Ben B. Kitagawa of Denver; parents of Roy Joseph Kitagawa; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Matoba of Denver; parents of Michio Matoba; Mrs. Chiyo Morishige of Denver; mother of Joseph H. Morishige; K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, brother of Susumu Okura; Mr. and Mrs. K. Shibata of Denver; parents of Kenneth Kentaro Shibata; Mrs. Chizuko R. Shiranishi of Denver; wife of James Kiyoshi Shiranishi; Mrs. Asao Tanamachi of San Benito, Tex.; mother of Saburo Tanamachi; Mrs. Tsuyo Tanaka of Denver; mother of (Continued on Page 4)



NINE JAPANESE AMERICANS CHAT WITH THE PRESIDENT

President Kennedy greets JACL delegation in cabinet room of White House, June 3. Incidentally, he is looking at history of 442nd book presented by Mrs.

Nawa Munemori. In picture, left to right, Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Mrs. Munemori, the President, Miss Kiku Munemori, Mrs. Thomas Munemori Tamura, Con-

gressman Spark Matsunaga, K. Patrick Okura, Mrs. Patrick Okura, Mike Masaoka, Judge John F. Aiso.
—Vincent Finnigan Phot.

'It pays to live long,' says Mrs. Munemori after White House call

Special to the Pacific Citizen
WASHINGTON. — President John F. Kennedy welcomed a JACL delegation to the White House in a brief meeting Monday morning.

The President particularly singled out Mrs. Nawa Munemori, 76, mother of Pvt. Sadao S. Munemori, who won the Congressional Medal of Honor posthumously in World War II. He described the entire group as "distinguished Americans."

He described the 442nd RCT and Nisei military service in World War II as outstanding and one which won for all persons of Japanese ancestry a permanent place in American history and hearts of all Americans.

Sen. Daniel Inouye of Hawaii introduced members of the delegation to the President: Mrs. Munemori, her daughters Kiku and Mrs. Thomas Tamura, all of Los Angeles; National JACL President and Mrs. K. Patrick Okura, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge John Aiso; Washington JACL Repre-

sentative Mike Masaoka and Congressman Spark Matsunaga.

Books on Nisei

Mrs. Munemori presented the President with a copy of "Americans: the Story of the 442nd". Judge Aiso presented a copy of "Military Intelligence Service Language School Album". Okura presented Allen Eaton's "Beauty Behind Barbed Wire".

President Kennedy told the group as photographers and reporters looked on:

"I want to welcome this distinguished family here with Senator Inouye and all the colleagues. I appreciate the gift of the story of the 442nd combat team which I think is an outstanding story of American courage, and we are glad to welcome to the White House particularly this outstanding American"—referring to Mrs. Munemori who looked down in shyness as the President spoke.

President Kennedy also invited Vice President Lyndon Johnson to meet the delegation members. The meeting took place in the cabinet room. He also called on presidential assistant David Powers to take the party on a special White House tour.

At noon, in the House of Representatives dining room, Congressman Matsunaga hosted the party at a special luncheon. In addition to those who went to the White House were Gold Star parents Mr. and Mrs. E. Nagato and daughter Mrs. H. Miyata of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. S. Nakashima of Pocatello, Idaho; and Hisako Sakata and Mary Toda of the JACL committee.

Co-hosting the luncheon was Rep. Ralph Harding of Idaho.

Congressmen who called on the party during luncheon included James Roosevelt, Harlan Hagen, Arthur Younger and George Miller, all of California, and Glenn Cunningham of Nebraska. Thereafter, Congressman Matsunaga took the party on a special personal tour of the Capitol.

Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka Commemorative Services

WASHINGTON. — Although an all-day rainstorm forced the solemn rites indoors at the last minute to Fort Myer chapel, an overflow audience participated in the commemorative services honoring Japanese American military service in World War II.

Aside from substituting an organist for the United States Army Band, the entire program went off as scheduled.

As one GI is supposed to have remarked to another in helping to arrange the shift necessitated by the unexpected weather, "After what these guys went through in Italy, France and the Pacific, a little rain will not stop these services today."

The whole program, timed to take an hour, took 75 minutes.

Congressmen Attend

Congressmen who attended in spite of the heavy downpour included Sen. Frank E. Moss of Utah and Reps. Don Edwards, George M. Miller, Edward R. Roybal and Lionel Van Deerlin, all of California; Thomas P. Gill of Hawaii and Compton I. White of Idaho.

All of them were so impressed to the "Nisei of G-2".

Although not as well known for their exploits because of the secret nature of their assignments, the Japanese Americans in combat intelligence served with courage and distinction as combat interpreters and translators in the war against Japan.

Judge Aiso recalled that "Nisei in G-2" work began on Pearl Harbor Day and at Bataan and Corregidor.

"The Nisei member of the beach patrol which captured the first Japanese prisoner of war—the sub-lieutenant that spied on Pearl Harbor from his one-man submarine—participated in his interrogation on the evening of Dec. 7, 1941. And Sgt. Arthur S. Komori of Hawaii served as combat linguist for General Wainwright until evacuated to Australia on General MacArthur's personal order," Judge Aiso revealed.

"As fast as graduates could be poured out of the Military Intelligence Service Language School, their activities extended into every major theatre of operations," Judge Aiso said.

After the ceremony in the chapel, wreaths were placed at the Tomb of the Unknowns, at the Battleship Maine Monument and at the graves of the 21 Nisei WW2 veterans who are interred in Arlington.

Finally, wearing raincoats if they had some, others carrying the umbrellas, more bareheaded, most of the 250 participants in the services slogged and slipped in the wet grass and mud of Arlington

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The long afternoon was ended with an informal reception at Patton Hall at Fort Myer.

One would have been proud to be a Japanese American at Arlington last Sunday, and proud of Japanese Americans too that day for in spite of a record downpour they came out to pay homage to their fellow Nisei who served in World War II and made possible the promising destiny of Japanese Americans in the United States today.

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Recognition is also due members of the Washington, D.C., JACL chapter who went all-out to make these commemorative services the outstanding and impressive success that they seem to have been.

Special thanks, too, go to Sen. Daniel Inouye for arranging a meeting with the President of the United States for a select delegation headed by Mrs. Nawa Munemori, and to Congressman Spark (Continued on Page 2)

Truman Recalls
INDEPENDENCE, Mo. — Former President Harry S. Truman, who greeted the 442nd Regimental Combat Team when it returned from Europe in 1946 at the White House, told the Pacific Citizen:

"I well remember the all-Nisei Regiment when they visited the White House and the great number of medals I was pleased to pin on them.

"I enjoyed that occasion very much. They were a fine looking body of men."

"(The Pacific Citizen had asked for his comments in view of the tribute being paid last Sunday to the Nisei serving in World War II on the 20th anniversary of the activation of the 442nd RCT.)

Gravesites Visited
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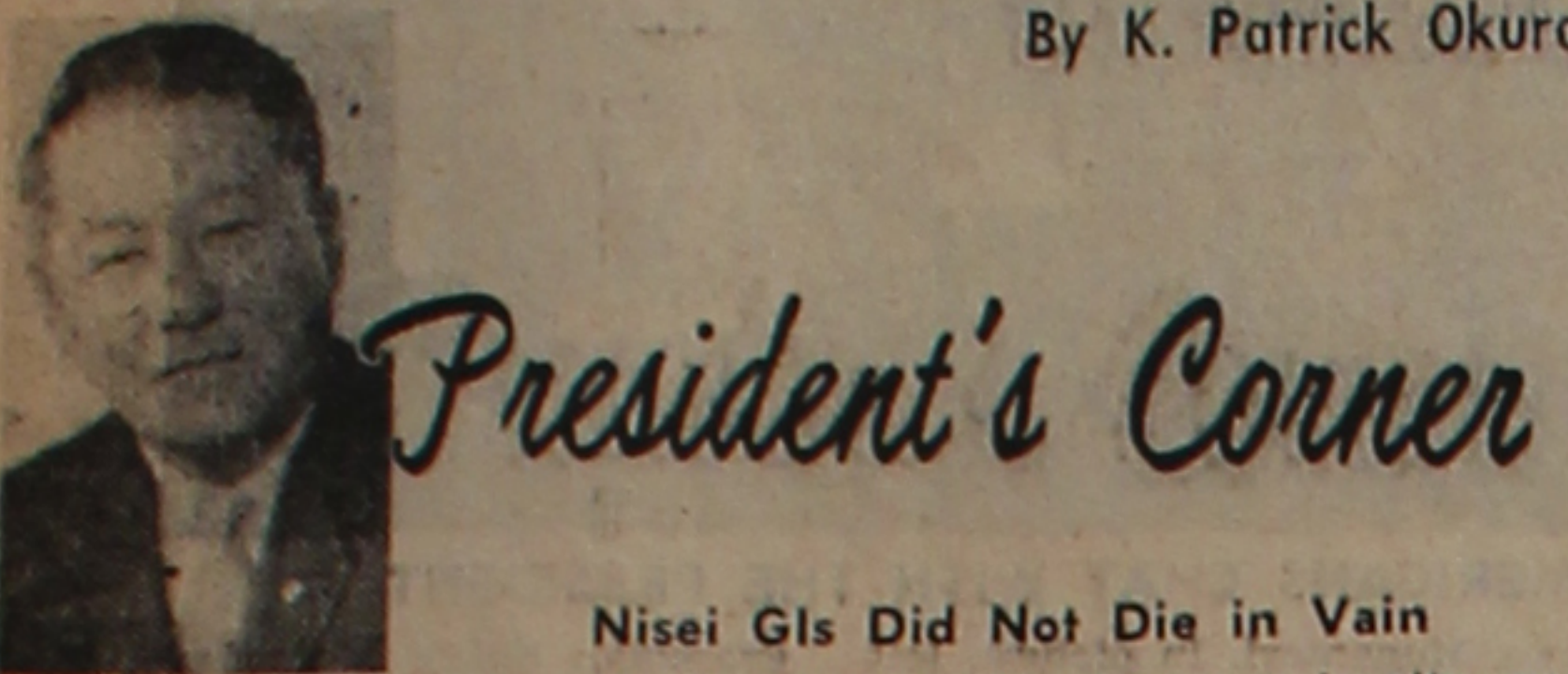
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By K. Patrick Okura

President's Corner

Nisei GIs Did Not Die in Vain

(Following is the text of the brief remarks in tribute to the Nisei servicemen of World War II delivered Sunday at Arlington National Cemetery.)

Washington

The Japanese American Citizens League is highly honored to sponsor this commemorative "Services in the Grove" here on the hallowed grounds of the Arlington National Cemetery to honor all of America's War dead and particularly the Unknown Soldier of World War II and more especially all Japanese Americans who served in our Armed Forces in World War II.

Just 20 short years ago, Americans of Japanese ancestry were eyed with suspicion by our fellow Americans. The majority of us were confined in war relocation centers following the mass evacuation of all persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast.

Today Americans of Japanese ancestry enjoy the respect and full acceptance of our fellow men and are fulfilling the obligations and responsibilities as full fledged citizens of the United States.

Devotion of Nisei

The unwavering devotion of the Nisei to their Country and their faith in it when our Country did not have faith in them has contributed most to the achievement of this goal.

Despite the hate and hysteria and the extreme hostility directed to all individuals of Japanese ancestry especially on the West Coast, thousands of Americans of Japanese ancestry wrote to the President of the United States and the War Department, demanding the right to serve our Country against our enemies.

The JACL joined with other organizations in urging the President and the War Department to authorize such service. Our leaders had the wisdom and foresight to recognize that our loyalty to the United States would continue to

Masaoka — (Continued from Front Page)

M. Matsunaga for hosting a luncheon in the House of Representatives dining room on Monday. Not only the White House party but all of the Gold Star parents attending the services dined and then taken on a tour of the Capital.

Sen. Fong Inserts Nisei WW2 Review in Congressional Record

(This is the second of a three-part installment of the "Fact Sheet" that was printed in the Congressional Record by Sen. Hiram L. Fong, who paid warm tribute to the Nisei military record of World War II. He is the first American of Asian descent to be elected to the U.S. Senate. The "Fact Sheet" was prepared by the JACL in connection with the special services held last Sunday at Arlington National Cemetery.—Editor.)

442nd RCT, 100th Bn. . . .
 The best known of Japanese American troops in World War II were the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, and the 100th Infantry Battalion, which was later integrated into the 442d as its 1st Battalion, June 10, 1944, though retaining its identification as the 100th Battalion of the 442d Infantry Regiment.

The 100th Infantry Battalion was organized as the Hawaiian Provisional Infantry Battalion on May 28, 1942, on orders of Gen. George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff. Its enlisted men and most of its officers were former members of Hawaiian National Guard units which were inactivated after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Immediately after the American victory at Midway, June 5, 1942, the Provisional Battalion left Hawaii for Camp McCoy, Wis. There it was redesignated as the 100th Infantry Battalion (Separate), or the One Puka Puka, and trained for infantry combat duties.

In early January 1943, the 100th was transferred to Camp Shelby, Miss., for further training. It left Camp Shelby on August 11, 1943, and on September 2 debarked at Oran, North Africa. There it was attached to the 34th Infantry Division.

100th Starts at Salerno
 The 100th saw action in Italy beginning September 25, 1943, at Salerno, at Voltorno, at the Rapido River, at Cassino, at Anzio beachhead, and on the breakthrough to Rome, prior to its integration into the 442d.

In its rugged fighting through some of the more difficult battles of the early Italian campaign, the 100th earned its place in the military annals of our country, being given the identification of the "Purple Heart Battalion" because of its battle casualties.

Indeed, it suffered so many casualties that most of the 1st Battalion of the 442d were used as replacements, so that when the 442d was sent overseas in May 1944, it sailed minus its 1st Battalion.

Without detracting in any way from the unprecedented record of the 100th Battalion which was the first all-Nisei unit in American history, this is more the story of the 442d Regimental Combat Team, which was composed only of volunteers and was activated with special Presidential blessing.

'Go For Broke'
 It is probably the only World War II outfit whose motto, "Go For Broke," meaning to "shoot the works" or "go all out," has become an accepted part of the English language.

It is said to be the only American unit of less than division strength to be cited by Winston Churchill on the floor of Britain's House of Commons and the only unit of regimental strength to be mentioned in General Marshall's war summation and to be honored with a special Presidential parade in Washington, where it received

personally from then President Harry S. Truman its seventh Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation, more than any other regiment in U.S. history.

It was featured in MGM's motion picture tribute "Go For Broke," which was released in 1951.

In testimony on numerous occasions before congressional committees, it has been described as "the most decorated unit in American military history for its size and length of service."

After the War Department and the President invited volunteers from among the Japanese Americans to enlist for combat duty early in 1943, within a week more than 10,000 eager Nisei in Hawaii volunteered.

Volunteers from Camps
 Though the response from the mainland was not nearly as enthusiastic, it was in some respects even more heartwarming, for most of these Japanese Americans had to volunteer from behind barbed wire fences of what might be referred to now as concentration camps, American style.

These volunteers—some 2,500 in number though only 1,500 qualified for the 442d—had the courage and the vision to see beyond the watchtowers of the camps, into which the Army for which they were volunteering had sent their fathers, and mothers, and families, to the kind of country America had to be if it were to lead the world toward peace and freedom after the end of hostilities in World War II.

Because of Hawaii's response, its quota was doubled and on April 13, 1943, 2,888 volunteers from the Pacific Territory were received at Camp Shelby, where many of them had reunions with brothers, relatives, and friends in the 100th Battalion, then in final training there.

The 1,500 mainland volunteers struggled in until late summer in ones and twos from such relocation camps as Manzanar and Tule Lake in California, Poston and Gila River in Arizona, Topaz in Utah, Minidoka in Idaho, Heart Mountain in Wyoming, Granada in Colorado, and Rohwer and Jerome in Arkansas.

Units of 442d
 The 442d Regimental Combat Team was composed of the 442d Infantry Regiment, the 522d Field Artillery Battalion, the 232d Combat Engineer Company, and the 266th Army Ground Forces Band. Most of the officers of the 442d, especially in the beginning, were not of Japanese ancestry, though all of its enlisted personnel were.

As might be expected, many of the enlisted volunteers won combat promotions in the field as commissioned officers, including now Senator Daniel Inouye.

It may be of incidental interest that the average military IQ of the 442d was 119 per man, which was some 9 points higher than that required for office candidate school. But these Nisei had volunteered for combat, not for OCS.

Also of interest may be that five of the Masaoka boys volunteered for combat, more than any other known American family. One was killed, another is 100 per cent disabled. Four of the Sakura boys volunteered.

Altogether, nine of the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ginzo Nakada, now of Pasadena, have served in the War II, when two were in the Armed Forces—five during World War II, when two were in the 442d, two in Military Intelligence, and one with the Office of Strategic Services.

On June 2, 1944, the 442d landed in Italy. Eight days later, as previously noted, the 100th Infantry Battalion became its First Battalion, though retaining its special 100th Battalion identification in tribute to its own war record.

At dawn, June 26, 1943, north of Rome near the town of Suvereto, the 442d was first committed to the attack. A few days later, it was involved in the fighting for Hill 140, the main German line of resistance before the Arno River.

The 442d participated thereafter in battles for Belvedere, Luciana, Leghorn, the crossing of the Arno, the southern France invasion and northward thrust, Bruyeres, the rescue of the Lost Texas Battalion, the holding action in the Maritime Alps, and back to Italy for the final drive to victory—La Spezia, Massa, Carrara, and Genoa.

Incidentally, in the final 5th Army push, what started out as a diversionary attack became a full breakthrough when the 442d smashed the anchor of the Gothic Line that had held up the Allied advance for 5 months in less than 5 days and hurried Victory in Italy.

Among the major infantry divisions to which the 442d was attached in Italy and in France were the 34th "Red Bull" Infantry Division, the 36th Texas Infantry Division, and the 92d "Buffalo" Infantry Division. It was attached to the 5th Army in Italy and to the 7th Army in France.

Rescue of 'Lost Battalion'
 Probably the best known command of the 442d was its rescue of the Lost Texas Battalion, the First Battalion of the 141st "Alamo" Infantry Regiment of the 36th Texas Infantry Division, in the forests of the Vosges Mountains in northeastern France, near Biffontaine and Bruyeres, on October 30, 1944.

According to the official history of the 36th Texas Division, "the Fighting 36th":

"The beleaguered force (1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment) held on. It was completely surrounded and heavily bombed by enemy artillery. Of a combat patrol of 40 men sent out to get through to our lines, only 3 returned. Lieutenant Blonder, to conserve his radio batteries, communicated with regiment only twice a day. For 3 more long days, the 100th and 3rd Battalions, 442d, struggled along the trail. The Germans had to be dug out by bayonet.

"The rescue came on the 29th day when a furious counterattack by the Germans was beaten off by the 3rd Battalion, 442d. Early next day, the Nisei broke through. The 211 surviving brave men, who had withstood a 7-day siege without food or water or little ammunition, had been rescued by their courageous comrades of the 442d whose companies in many cases had shrunk to 40 or 50 men out of 200 men that started the rescue. No greater example of fortitude and courage was shown in the war."

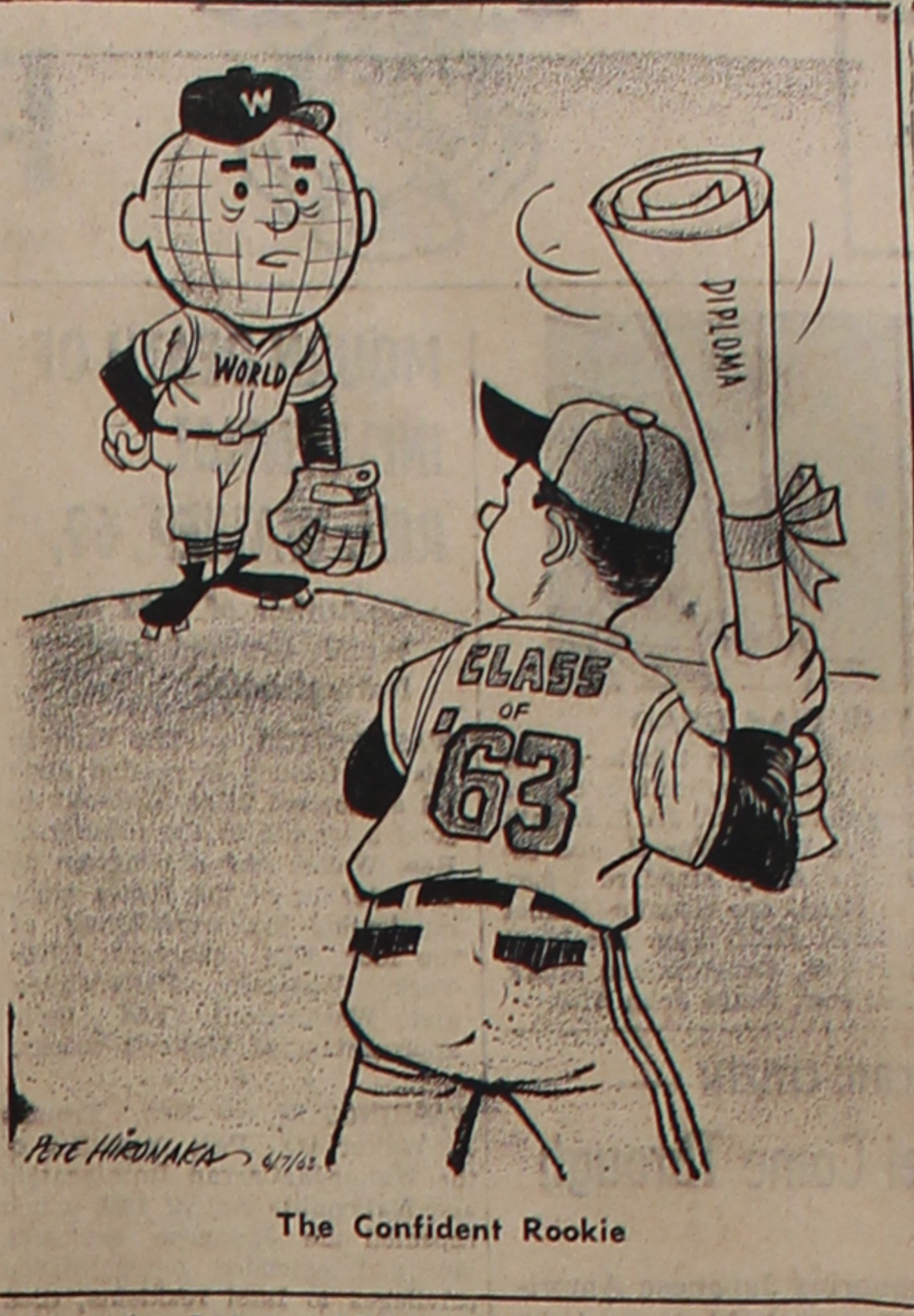
In gratitude, the men of the 36th Division began a drive to have all members of the 442d declared "Honorary Texans."

Also, in another unprecedented gesture, the 211 survivors purchased out of their own pockets a silver plaque and presented it to the 442d. The inscription simply read:

To the 442d Infantry Regiment: With deep appreciation and utmost (sic) appreciation for the gallant fight to effect our rescue after we had been isolated for 7 days: 1st Bn. 141st Infantry Regiment, Biffontaine, France; from 24th to 30th October 1944."

Casualties Mount
 Altogether, the records of the Selective Service System reveal that the 442d Regimental Combat Team was involved in seven major campaigns—in Italy, in France, and in Italy again.

In these campaigns, it suffered 9,486 casualties, or more than 300 per cent of its original infantry strength, including more than 600



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killed in action. In terms of Purple Hearts, this means almost 9,500, including oak leaf clusters. Some men had Purple Hearts with three oak leaf clusters.

Among the 18,143 individual decorations for bravery were:

- 1—Congressional Medal of Honor
- 52—Distinguished Service Crosses
- 1—Distinguished Service Medal
- 28—Oak Leaf clusters to the Silver Star
- 56—Silver Stars
- 22—Legions of Merit
- 15—Soldiers' Medal
- 1,200—Oak Leaf clusters to the Bronze Star Medal (approx.)
- 4,000—Bronze Star Medals (approx.)
- 12—French Croix de Guerre
- 2—Pains to the Croix de Guerre
- 2—Italian Medals for Military Valor

Among its unit honors were 7 Presidential Distinguished Unit Citations, 2 Meritorious Service Unit Plaques, 13 Army commendations, and 43 division commendations. But treasured most of all by the officers and men is the silver plaque presented by the survivors of the rescued Lost Texas Battalion.

What Ernie Pyle Noted
 Several correspondents, including Ernie Pyle, wrote that, though the men of the 442d killed more than their share of Germans, it was particularly noteworthy that in most of their personal bravery decorations were awarded for saving the lives of their comrades.

Typical of these awards is the Congressional Medal of Honor awarded posthumously to Pfc. Sadao S. Munemori, whose mother, Mrs. Nawa Munemori, now of Los Angeles and a naturalized American citizen, will be one of the guests of honor at the commemorative services. Incidentally, on October 31, 1947, the U.S. Army renamed its cargo ship, Wilson Victory, the U.S.S. Private Sadao S. Munemori, and converted it into a troop transport, the first and only U.S. vessel to be named after a Japanese American.

During the final Po Valley campaign in northern Italy in April 1945, this young Los Angeles native who had volunteered from the assistant squad leader in Company A, 100th Battalion, 442d Infantry

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BILL HOSOKAWA: From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

VISITOR — Modesty prevents the columnist who occupies this space on alternate weeks from making this report, so it gives me great pleasure to write the story. A notable but unobtrusive visitor to our city two weeks ago was one of the world's most distinguished contemporary sculptors, Shinkichi Tajiri of Baarlo, Netherlands, en route home after a highly successful exhibit in Tokyo. Reason for his stop here was a reunion with his brother, Larry Tajiri, drama editor of The Denver Post.

Shinkichi Tajiri is a slight, shy, soft-spoken young man with a shaggy black mustache who grew up in Southern California. He found the creative atmosphere he needed in Europe after serving there with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Except for one brief visit, this was his first trip back to the United States since the end of World War II.

The Dutch branch of the Tajiris lives in a genuine castle, 300 years old, which Shinkichi is renovating little by little. The castle comes complete with 40 rooms, secret passageways and creaking doors. Tajiri took 22 of his pieces with him from Holland to the exhibit in the Tokyo Galleries, and half were snapped up by Japanese collectors, an outstanding batting average in any league.

The changes that have taken place in American life during his absence amazed Tajiri. He was fascinated by suburban shopping centers, impressed by the extent to which we have become motorized. Even though his visit coincided with the demonstrations by Negroes in Birmingham, Tajiri was pleasantly surprised by the progress his native land has made in race relations, especially regarding the Nisei. One of the reasons he chose to stay and work in Europe, he said, was the more receptive racial attitudes.

During the sculptor's visit the Denver Tajiris took him to New Mexico to see the pueblos and the arc colonies in Taos and Santa Fe. Know what they had to eat in Sante Fe? A Chinese dinner complete with tofu flown in from Denver.

INCLUDE THEM IN — In any listing of notable Japanese American families, the clan Tajiri certainly deserves inclusion. Of the six Tajiri offspring five have made a place for themselves in some phase of the arts, and the sixth has won distinction in an unrelated field.

Larry, of course, is the best known among the Nisei. He was English editor of the Kashu Mainichi in Los Angeles and the Japanese American News in San Francisco in the heyday of Nisei journalism; editor of The Pacific Citizen during the troubled war years and the immediate postwar period, and more lately is the drama critic of The Denver Post. (Some readers of The Post, which is published in an area of strong Spanish influences, pronounce his name Tahiri.)

Next in order of birth is Vince who has found his niche in the job probably most coveted by young American males. Vince is picture editor of Playboy Magazine, known for its full-color reproductions of lush nudes and near-nudes. The job requires a good eye, a profound appreciation of pulchritude, and considerable strength of character. Vince lives in Chicago.

The only girl of the family, Yoshiko Roberts, third-born, was once an editor of Stars and Stripes in Tokyo. She is now in Berkeley, Calif., in real estate.

Then comes Shinkichi, and after that the twins, Tom and Jim. Tom is an expert in rotogravure printing and lives in Chicago. Jim, a captain in the regular army is a paratrooper. He recently ended a tour of duty in Korea and is now stationed in Japan.

Shinkichi visited brother Jim in Tokyo, sister Yoshiko in the Bay Region, Larry in Denver and Vince and Tom in Chicago. And after that it's home to Holland.

Vagaries: by Larry Tajiri Pat Suzuki's Coming Back

PAT SUZUKI hopped off the show business carousel for marriage (to photographer Mark Shaw) and motherhood after more than a year as Linda Low in the original New York production of Rodgers' and Hammerstein's "Flower Drum Song."

The past two years Pat hasn't made too many appearances, although she joined the show celebrating President Kennedy's inauguration at Frank Sinatra's invitation and she has appeared in Las Vegas, Palm Springs and Honolulu. Pat also has made a number of guest bows on television.

Pat is resuming her career as a singer in earnest, however, and just the other night she broke in her new act far from her apartment in New York. Pat returned to Vancouver, B.C., where she made one of her first professional appearances back in 1957 when she was fresh out of the cast of the touring company of "Teahouse of the August Moon." Six years ago she appeared at the private Arctic Club which has since been razed by fire. That was before Bing Crosby heard her one night at the Colony Club in Seattle and she was to be invited down to Hollywood for a recording session.

"The Many Sides of Pat Suzuki," her first album, is the best of the several which Pat has made. This time Pat appeared at The Cave in Vancouver for the break-in of her new act. She has been offered engagements at Las Vegas, Miami Beach and in other night life centers.

Those who heard her in Vancouver find that Pat still was "Miss Pony Tail," but that she had additional attributes of poise, style and performance. Her songs in the new act includes "From This Moment On," which has been identified with her, as well as "Get Me to the Church on Time," "Cockeyed Optimist" and "The Lady Is a Tramp."

Pat Suzuki, it seems, is back in the full swing of a fruitful career. PAT SUZUKI became a Broadway personality in 1958, the same season when Shubert Alley, in the heart of the Times Square theatrical district in New York, became an Oriental thoroughfare. When Pat and a dozen other Nisei were doing "Flower Drum Song" at the St. James Theater on 44th Street, a like number of Japanese Americans as Mary Mon Toy were appearing in "The World of Suzie Wong" across the street at the Broadhurst. Meanwhile, Tsuruko Kobayashi, Marc Marno and others were the cast of "A Majority of One" at the Shubert.

The Oriental accent was so heavy that season that Producer Kermit Bloomgarden, who did "The Music Man," called off a

scheduled production of "Cry Hapshopy," a musical romp of geishas and GIs. "Cry Hapshopy" turned up later as a film, however, and had Miyoshi Umeki, Mikko Taka, Michi Kobi, James Shigeta and others in featured roles.

This season, however, the cherry blossoms are long gone from Broadway. We were in New York the other day and there was not a single production, on Broadway or off, in which a Nisei actor was performing, although Yuriko (Kikuchi) and her company were doing a concert in town.

The graduates of Broadway's Oriental seasons of 1958-59 have been doing well, of course. Miyoshi Umeki recently turned in an excellent performance as a dramatic actress in "Tears for a Nobody Doll" on the Sam Benedict Show. She has appeared as a singer on TV shows and has made many films, the latest being "A Girl Named Tamiko" for Paramount.

Jack Soo (Goro Suzuki) was established as a comedian in "Flower Drum Song," although he had a background of some 15 years as a singer, m.c. and comedian in night clubs. Since then Goro has toured with "Flower Drum Song" and headed the cast of the same show for a year in Las Vegas. He has just finished the role of a TV cameraman in the Dean Martin comedy, "Who's Been Sleeping in My Bed?" for Paramount.



D.C. JACLERS DECORATE NISEI G.I. GRAVES

Both pictures were taken on Memorial Day at Washington, D.C. JACLERS decorate the graves of 21 Nisei war dead interred at Arlington National Cemetery. Identifiable in the top photo are Mr. and Mrs. John Yoshino at left. Lower photo shows at least 20 JACLERS on their way to decorate the individual gravesites.

Men and Women Behind the Scenes

WASHINGTON. — The Memorial Day weekend here was an extremely busy one for members of the Washington, D.C., JAACL, who were hosts of the June 1-2 Eastern District Council session, and who participated in the Memorial Day ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery and who sponsored the national JAACL tribute to Nisei servicemen of World War II.

Names of the key personnel were reported in Mike Masaoka's Washington Newsletter last week. Here is a detailed list of their responsibilities:

Mike Masaoka, chmn. — general arrangements, program activities, Mary Toda, sec. — invitations, welcome dinner, Masaoka Tea for Issei, honored guests, printed programs.

Joe Ichijima, treas. — budget and finance, assisting on informal reception, Edwin Mitoma, chmn., Washington, D.C. Chapter Board — EDC dinner-dance, usherettes, program distribution, gravesites photographs, gravesites assignments, Arlington Cemetery maps.

John Yoshino, chmn., Eastern District Council — EDC meetings, public relations, publicity, press, still photographs, Voice of America liaison.

Hisako Sakata — hosts and hostesses for Gold Star parents, transportation, parking stickers distribution, stenographic help.

Sury Sakato — assisting with hosts and hostesses, reserved seating, Ira Shimazaki wreaths, flowers, and corsages, individual grave visitations.

Harry Takagi — informal reception, veterans' liaison, greeting honored guests.

Harry Takai — motion picture project.

Fowler JAACL: Hideo Kikuta represented the chapter at community memorial services held May 29 at the Fowler Hall.

Uptown L.A. JAACLer cited by alma mater with degree

BERKELEY. — The Church Divinity School of the Pacific here invested five persons with the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree at its commencement May 30. Among them was Father John H.M. Yamazaki, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Los Angeles.

The honorary degree was conferred for his outstanding ministry over 20 years and for his special contribution in the field of human relations. Father John is actively engaged in summer work projects, metropolitan planning and race relations of the Episcopal Church.

Fulbright lectureship

SEATTLE. — Dr. George H. Kakiuchi, assistant professor of geography at the Univ. of Washington, has been awarded a 10-month Fulbright lectureship at the Tokyo University of Education starting in the fall. He has been on the local faculty since 1957 after completing a study of the Japanese fruit industry on a Fulbright grant in 1954.

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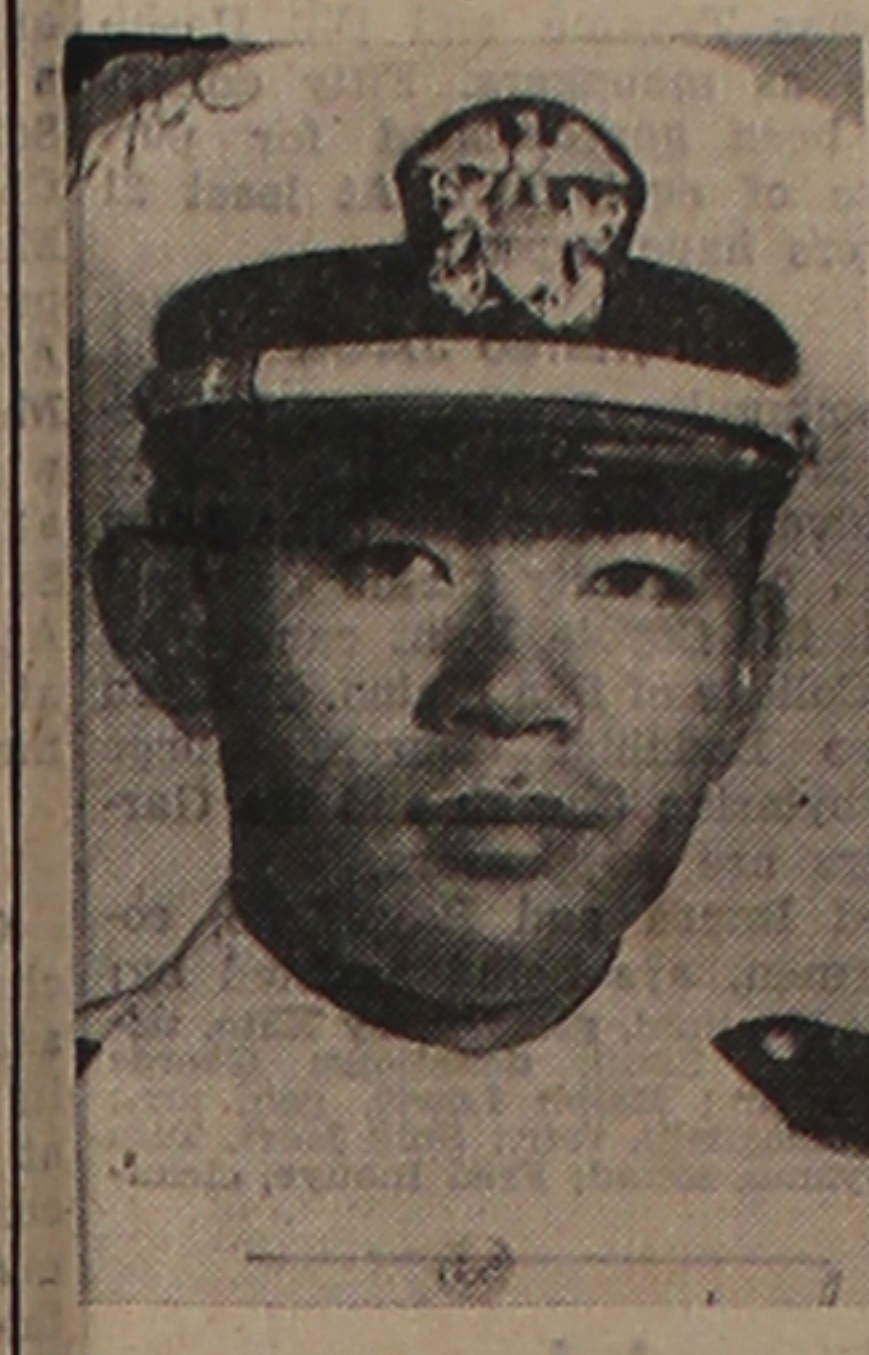
Denver ensign lays JAACL wreath at Tomb of Unknowns

Special to the Pacific Citizen WASHINGTON. — On behalf of the National JAACL, Ensign Kenneth K. Tagawa of the Washington, D.C. Chapter placed a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day, May 30.

JACL was one of about 25 national civic and veterans organizations that laid wreaths in a ceremony held after the wreath-laying by President Kennedy. Ensign Tagawa was accompanied by Edwin Mitoma, president of the Washington JACL.

Tagawa is with the naval communications office in Washington. He is originally from Denver and is a graduate of the Univ. of Colorado, where he studied electrical engineering. He was married earlier this year to the former June Tsumura of Brighton, Colo.

As in past years, members of the Washington chapter placed wreaths at the graves of all Nisei buried in Arlington Cemetery on behalf of the national organization. Ira Shimazaki again directed the Memorial Day observances.



Ens. Ken Tagawa, stoned in Washington, D.C., laid the National JAACL wreath at the May 30 ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery.

IDAHO CONGRESSMAN PAYS TRIBUTE TO NISEI GIs

WASHINGTON. — Idaho Congressman Compton I. White paid tribute to the Nisei servicemen in his Extension of Remarks in the Congressional Record of May 31, noting that four of the 21 veterans of the 442nd RCT interred at Arlington National Cemetery were born in Idaho.

His tribute featured the list of the Nisei dead and their parents or next-of-kin "so that the roster may become a permanent part of the archives of Congress."

Stubborn 2-pin robs bowler of 300 game

BY CLANCY MATSUSHITA Special to the Pacific Citizen

ST. LOUIS. — Frank Itogawa rolled an excitement-packed 299 game in the St. Louis County Sunday Trio Classic League at Arcade Lanes on April 28. His applause-winning effort came in the third game of four, enabling him to finish with an 826 series.

The ex-Sacramento 200-average bowler already has three 900 series — 910, 952 and 960 — in the same league.

Reeling off 11 strikes in a row, Frank missed the perfect 300 when he left one pin, a stubborn 2 pin, standing on his last try. "That was a dead ball," he lamented.

The local JAACLer is one of the classic Nisei pin-tumblers in the metropolitan St. Louis area. He paced his team in the Wednesday Mt. Olive Businessmen's League to championship in the final stretch when three teams were neck and neck for top honors. In the final weeks he rolled a 725 series, followed by a 756 and 685. His 279 game in the 756 series was the league individual high.

Salt Lake JAACL: Toby Ikegami was elected president of the Salt Lake JAACL Women's Bowling League for the coming season.

GRID COACH CLARKSBURG. — Akio Iwanaga was named head football coach of the Clarksburg High Comets this fall.



Rep. Francis E. Walter

Death mourned—

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because it retained the "national origins" formula which favored the North European countries and because it retained the Pacific triangle restrictions for Orientals.

However, in the writing of this bill and many subsequent amendments, Walters agreed with many proposals presented by the JAACL through Mike Masaoka, the league representative in Washington.

It is generally conceded that the portions of the bill affecting the Nisei in naturalization survived the long efforts to compile the final proposed law through Walters' insistence that they remain in the measure.

Masaoka Aids in Fight

Masaoka was able to assist Walters' office staff in the tense hours prior to the deciding vote in both House of Congress on motions to override the Presidential veto.

He contacted many congressmen to explain the merits of the bill as to its effect on Issei and Nisei in this country in the last minute battle to save the bill from defeat.

Later Walters obtained passage of refugee and other immigration bills at a time when there was them. In nearly every instance, he included minor changes in the final bills to provide for situations called to his attention by the JAACL.

Walter leaves his wife and two children.

Nisei GI record—

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trine to win—to make this great Republic stand for what the Constitution says it stands for: the welfare of all the people all the time."

As a final summary of the kind of fighting engaged in by the 442d is the following: the seventh Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation presented by then President Truman in the above-mentioned ceremony:

"BATTLE HONORS: 442D REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM (General Orders No. 34)

War Department, Washington, D.C., April 16, 1945. VII. Battle honors: As authorized by Executive Order 9596 (sec. 1, WD Bull. 22, 1943), superseding Executive Order 9713 (sec. 1, WD Bull. 11, 1942), the following units are cited by the War Department under the provisions of section IV, WD Circular 32, 1943, in the name of the President of the United States as public evidence of distinguished honor and distinction. The citation read as follows:

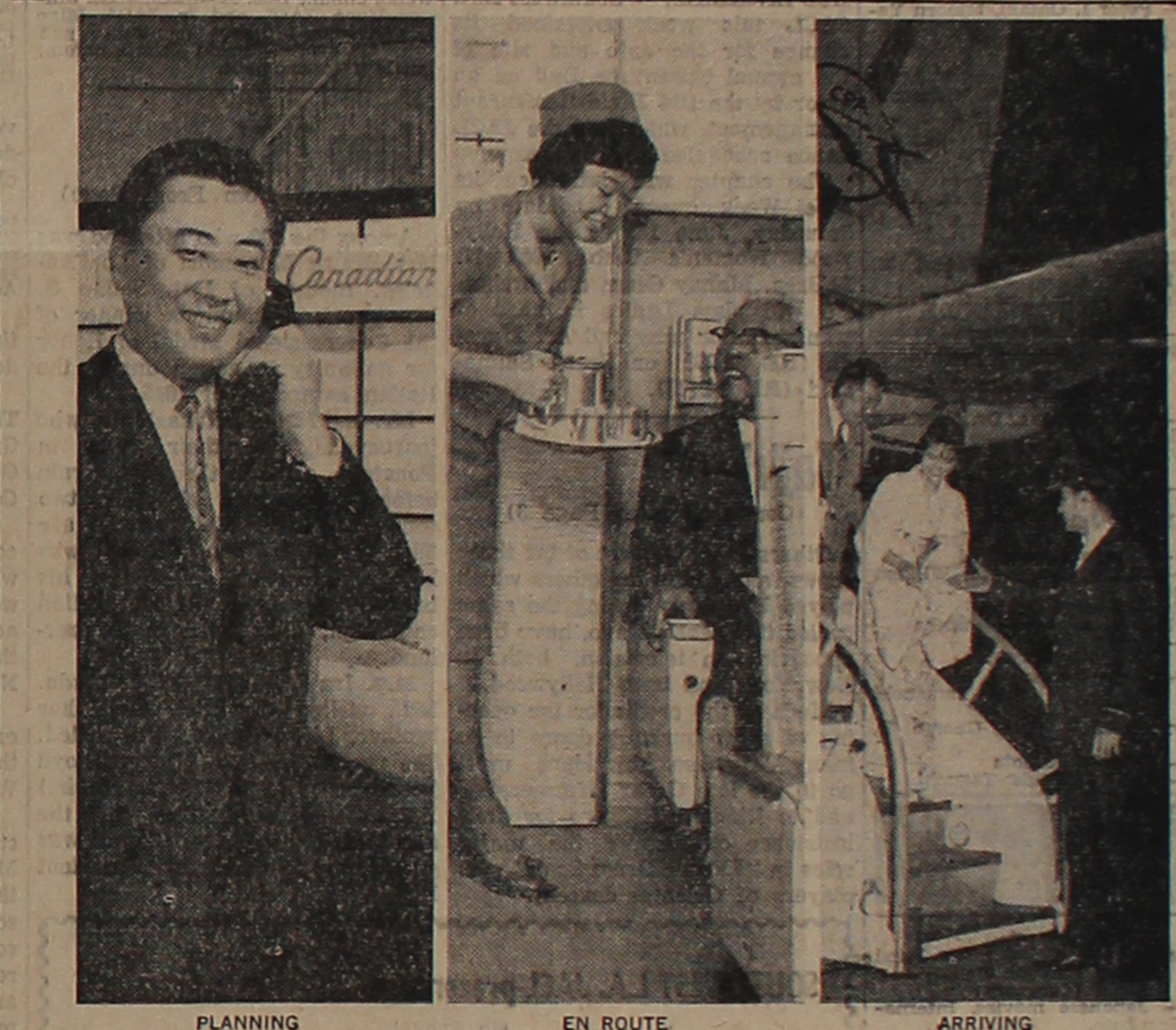
2. The 442d Regimental Combat Team, less the 52d Field Artillery Battalion composed of the following elements: 442d Infantry Regiment and 888th Central Postal Directory, in combat for the period April 5-14, 1945, in the vicinity of Serravalle, Carrara, and Poggio, Italy. When the 92d Infantry Division with the 442d Regimental Combat Team attacked the Ligurian coast to execute a diversionary attack on the Ligurian coast of Italy, the combat team was ordered to make the main effort of the attack, it was done by executing a daring and skillful flanking attack on the positions which formed the western anchor of the formidable Gothic line.

In 4 days, the attack destroyed positions which had withstood the efforts of friendly troops for 5 months. This was accomplished in the face of skilled enemy forces nearly equal in strength to the attacking forces and who had at least 5 months in which to improve their position. The 442d Regimental Combat Team drove seaward, despite heavy casualties. Allowing the enemy no time for rest or reorganization, the combat team liberated the city of Carrara, seized the heights beyond, and opened the way for further advances on the way to the key road center and port of La Spezia and to Genoa. It accomplished the mission of creating a diversion along the Ligurian coast, which served as a feint for the subsequent breakthrough of the 5th Army forces into Bologna and the Po Valley. The successful accomplishment of this mission turned a diversionary action into a full-scale and victorious offensive, which played an important part in the final destruction of the German armies in Italy. The gallantry and esprit de corps displayed by the officers and men of the 442d Regimental Combat Team in bitter action against a formidable enemy exemplify the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

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Go Detroit in '64

BY KENNETH MIYOSHI
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queen contest has assessed the queen's wardrobe down to the undergarments.

The souvenir booklet sub-committee on Detroit JACL history has interviewed old-timer Pete Fujitoka, who's really only 39, but whose faraway look reveals memories galore that are recalled too fast for the reporter to copy. He's going back with a tape recorder

Woes of convention board chairman Frank Watanabe are not always wearisome. He was recently asked: "How much money can be spent on the queen's transformation?" The answer was amusing, "Plastic surgery or Vic Tanny?" But the task of the convention board to select a person for this important role as convention official hostess is becoming increasingly hard-pressed.

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Southwest L.A. JACL to reveal queen candidate

LOS ANGELES. — Southwest L.A. JACL this week explained its change for the date and site of the annual Quentime Ball as an error by the Old Dixie Restaurant management, which had the JACL dance scheduled for tomorrow.

The chapter will introduce its Nisei Week queen candidate on Saturday, June 15, at the Hollywood Women's Club, 1749 N. LaBrea, Manny Glass and orchestra will play. Ladies in need of transportation may call Art Mayeda (RE 3-6853) or Frank Shimazaki (RE 1-2495).

Tajiri —
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Others from the cast of the three shows, along with the others which played Broadway during the same period five seasons ago, have been appearing on television, both in New York and from Hollywood.

Much of the credit for the opening of show business doors to so many Japanese Americans must go to the late Oscar Hammerstein and to Richard Rodgers for their insistence on casting the major roles in "Flower Drum Song" with players of Oriental descent.

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Mile-Hi, Ft. Lupton welcome Miyamura

DENVER—Hersey Miyamura of Gallup, N.M. and Mr. and Mrs. K. Patrick Okura of Omaha were special guests on May 30 at a joint meeting of the Ft. Lupton JACL and Mile-Hi JACL at the Akebono.

William Hosokawa served as toastmaster, and president Tom Koshio of the Ft. Lupton JACL and Bill Kuroki of the Mile-Hi JACL extended greetings on behalf of their respective chapters.

Medal of Honor winner Miyamura spoke briefly, recalling that it was nine years since he and his wife, Terry, were guests of the Mountain-Plains JACL district convention here in 1954. This year, he was guest of Cathay Post 185.

Okura, as National JACL President, spoke briefly concerning the national JACL programs and the Issei History project. In addition to annual efforts to keep up memberships, finances and 1000 Club, Okura urged chapters to carry on an active program of local activities, in order to make JACL meaningful on the chapter level.

Fifty JACLers, including 10 from Ft. Lupton JACL, attended the dinner meeting.

To form Jr. JACL at Santa Barbara

SANTA BARBARA. — It appears the Pacific Southwest District Council has a Jr. JACL in the making with the appointment of Amy Hirata and Barbara Fukuzawa as co-chairmen by Santa Barbara JACL president George Ohashi recently.

Others serving on the committee to organize a Jr. JACL (for youth under 21 years of age) include: Florence Tsunoda, Akira Yamada, Ethel Sumida, Mary Nishimoto, Tokio Yoneda, Harumi Yamada, Jean Mori, Frank Mori, Reiko Uyesaka, Ken Kurosumi, Bernice Ohashi and Jane Uyesaka.

Other appointments are: Ikey Kaimoto, memb., Tom Hirasima, 1000 Club; Mike Hide, pub.

The board also approved the following calendar of events:

June 30—JACL picnic, Richard Tokumaru, chmn.; Sept. 1—Fishing derby, John Suzuki, chmn.; Oct. 26—Issei recognition dinner, Harold Sumida, chmn.; Nov. 4—Elections, Jerry Kawano, chmn.; Dec. 28—Installation dinner-dance, JACL and Jr. JACL, Miyata, chmn. Dates pending: golf tournament, Dr. Yoshio Nakaji, chmn.; bowling tournament.

June 2 rites —

Among the 300 who attended was Mrs. Nawa Munemori of Los Angeles, mother of Pvt. Sadao S. Munemori, posthumous winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor for gallantry in action during the Italian campaign of 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Nakashima, who journeyed from their farm in Pocatello, stood in the driving rain before the graves of their two sons, Raito and Wataru, who are buried side by side. Raito was killed in action in Italy; his brother, a veteran of the Italian campaign, died later in Switzerland.

Mrs. Ira Shimasaki of Bethesda, Md., visited the site where her brother, Lloyd Onoye, lies buried. She remembered him when Lloyd joined up from the Poston (Ariz.) Relocation Camp in 1943 when the all-Nisei combat team idea was given the go-ahead by President Roosevelt.

Chapter Call Board

Mid-Columbia JACL
To Honor Grad: Mid-Columbia JACL will honor graduates at WyEast High School on June 15 at a prime-rib dinner catered from H & V Cafe, operated by Harlan Shank, a 1000er, according to Harry Inukai and Taylor Tomita, chapter social chairmen. WyEast vice principal Charles Bowe, Jr., will be guest speaker.

Graduates this year being honored include: Tom Yasui, the astronaut calling president of the WyEast Student Body; Gary Morioka, student body president of The Dalles High School; Carol Takahashi, Washington State College; Nancy Hirata, Nancy Kobayashi, Shirley Endow, all of WyEast, and Karen Tsubota of Rufus.

Admission will be \$2.50 and children of members and the high school set will be admitted for \$1.25. Entertainment and dancing will follow.

Fowler JACL
Heart Disease: Dr. Emma Y. Hatayama of Del Rey and Fresno will be guest speaker at the Fowler JACL dinner meeting June 13, 7 p.m., at Bruce's Lodge. She will speak on "Heart Disease and Strokes". Reservations are being accepted by Haruo Yoshimoto.

Youth Baseball: The chapter is organizing two baseball teams for boys, 13 to 18 years of age, with Thomas Toyama and Bill Hashimoto as managers. Fifty dollars has been appropriated for purchase of equipment. At least 21 players have reported.

San Mateo JACL
Community Picnic: Local merchants are contributing prizes to be given away at the San Mateo JACL community picnic on June 16 at the Coyote Point campus of the College of San Mateo. The San Mateo Buddhist Church, Sturge Presbyterian Church and the Gardeners are co-sponsors.

Ted Imura and Roy Kato, co-chairmen, are being assisted by: Kaz Kunitani, games; Roy Kato, tickets; Art Shoji, donations; George Suto, food; Ralph Lewis, gen. arr.; Ky Yamaguchi, ref.; Shig Mori, Tom Takayama, sound; Fred Inouye, cleanup.

Washington, D.C. JACL
Talent Show: To raise funds for the Washington, D.C., JACL scholarship, the chapter is presenting a talent show at Leland Jr. High School, 44th and Elm Sts., Chevy Chase, Md., from 8 p.m. Mrs. Mary Lou Yoshino, chairman, promised an enjoyable evening.

Among the performers will be Mrs. Yukiko Takashima, vocalist who sang two Japanese numbers at the EDC banquet here last Saturday. Judge John Also of Los Angeles, who was main speaker at the banquet, paid high compliments to this Japanese soprano.

Sacramento JACL
Community Picnic: Local church, civic and youth groups are assisting Sacramento JACL stage its community picnic this Sunday at Elk Grove Park. Opening flag ceremonies at 10 a.m. will commemorate the 20th anniversary of the founding of the 442nd RCT, according to Frank Hiyma, general chairman.

JACL CREDIT UNION'S THRIFT-SHARE POPULAR

SALT LAKE CITY. — Since the inception of the "thrift-share savings" program by the National JACL Credit Union, a total of \$111,504 has been deposited as of May 27, according to credit union treasurer Hito Okada.

Popularity of this program must be credited to the U.S. savings bonds being offered, the winners of which are to be selected at the June 27 meeting.

The board of directors, at its May meeting, declared that if any of the bonds are not claimed by July 20, another drawing will be made for the unclaimed bond or bonds. It was also decided that there will be allowed only one bond to a family.

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Calendar

San Francisco — Scholarship Fund benefit movies, Kinmon Hall.
June 8 (Saturday)
Detroit — Japanese movies, International Institute.
West Los Angeles — Queen's Ball, Elks Club, Santa Monica.
Puyallup Valley — Graduates banquet, The Farm, 6:30 p.m.
Salt Lake City — Nat'l JACL Youth Commission.
Dayton — Men's Night, Dr. M. Nakasuka's res.
June 9 (Sunday)
Idaho Falls — JACL Picnic, Shelley HS grounds.
June 11 (Tuesday)
Santa Barbara — Chapter meeting.
June 12 (Thursday)
Fowler — Dinner meeting, Bruce's Lodge 7 p.m.; Dr. Emma Hatayama, spkr., "Heart Disease and Strokes."
June 13 (Saturday)
Mid-Columbia — Graduates dinner, WyEast High School.
D.C. — Scholarship Fund talent show, Leland Jr. High, 4th and Elm Sts., Chevy Chase, Md., 8 p.m.
Sonoma County — Graduates dinner-dance, Emmanji Memorial Hall, 6:30 p.m.
Southwest L.A. — Quentime Ball, Hollywood Women's Club, 1749 N. LaBrea.
Mile-Hi — Graduates dinner-dance, Prienre Motel.
Detroit — Spring Dance, Veterans Memorial Bldg.
Boise Valley — Graduates dinner-dance, Eagles Hall, Nampa.
Contra Costa — Japan Night, Richmond Memorial Youth Center, 8 p.m.
June 16 (Sunday)
Pocatello — JACL picnic, Blackfoot Fairgrounds, 10 a.m.
San Mateo — Community picnic, Coyote Pt. Campus, 10:30 a.m.
Chicago — Graduates dinner-dance, No. Park Hotel.
San Francisco — NC-WNDYC Bowling tournament, coronation ball; Downtown Bowl, 11 a.m.; The Village, 9 p.m.
Seattle — 1969 Club whine ding, Edge-water Inn, Pier 67, 7 p.m.
June 21 (Sunday)
San Francisco — Community picnic, Spreeway Meadows, Golden Gate Park.
Detroit — Community picnic.
Chicago — Tr. JACL Talent Show, Olivet Institute.
June 26 (Sunday)
San Francisco — JACL picnic, Edgen Township — Picnic, Lake Temescal.
Hexburg — JACL picnic, Hexburg Park.
July 3 & 4
San Jose — Benefit movies, Okita Hall.
July 6 (Saturday)
Detroit — Japanese movies, International Institute.
July 7 (Sunday)
Pasadena — Steak bake.
Oakland — NC-WNDYC executive bd. meeting.