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## **California State Guard Chief** Says Returning Evacuees Will **Be Protected from Violence**

Brig. Gen. Hays Says, However, He Believes Return Ill-Advised

SACRAMENTO — Brig. Gen. by W. Hays, head of the Califma State Guard, declared on No-mber 17 that if disturbances note in connection with evacuees d Japanese ancestry returning to California areas which local authorities could not handle, the Sate Guard would step in and en-

The State Guard chief declared towever, that he personally beiered it unwise to permit the

Meanwhile, Governor Earl Warns, who is still convalescing from
a potracted illness, had not commented on a demand from a Maryile, Calif., rancher asking for id in preventing the return of

## First Alien Evacuee Back Sacramento

K. Osada Granted Permission to Reside In Evacuated Area

SACRAMENTO - The Sacrato Bee said on Nov. 16 that he first foreign-born person of manese ancestry to have been mated permission to return to armmento has been back in the ity about two weeks.

The Bee identified him as K. da, 65, who for 30 years opmted a farm labor contracting mpany in Sacramento. Permis-ion for his return from the Tous relocation camp, the Bee said, us granted by federal officials the to the illness of his wife, a

The Bee said the FBI checked (Suda's papers and found them approved form. The permit, the paper said, apparently gives (Suda the right to reside in Sacnento indefinitely.

#### Iamamoto Receives Army Permission

In Salt Lake City this week Walter Mewing, acting supervisor for the WRA in the Pacific intermountain area, said that James K. amamoto, employed at North gen, had applied for assistance returning to his home in Cali-

Yamamoto informed the WRA, wing said, that he had received mission from the Western Demaia. While it is customers and the farm would be vacated next month.

#### ARMY EXPLAINS POLICY ON RETURN OF TWO EVACUEES

SAN FRANCISCO—Follow-ing protests from local officials and veterans' groups in several California communities regarding army permission granted James K. Yamamoto and his family to return to their home at Cupertino, Calif., from Og-den, Utah, the Western Defense Command announced on Nov. 17
that the action in the Yamamoto
case was in accordance with
long-standing policy.

"Cases involving mixed marriage, direct family connection
with individuals in the armed
services and cases of illness or

services and cases of illness or other specially meritorious cases are covered by this policy," the United Press quoted the army

as saying.

Meanwhile, the army had notified the Burlingame, Calif., chief of police that Frank K. Fujiwara would return to Burlingame, The FBI reported that Fujiwara had been exempted from army exclusion regula-

## Legislator Will **Check Reports** On Evacuee

Anderson Informed Japanese American May Return to Farm

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Rep. John Z. Anderson, Republican incum-bent who was reelected to the House last week, declared in San Jose on Nov. 14 that he will "look into" reports that evacuees of Japanese ancestry are returning to the Pacific coast.

Anderson, who has opposed the return of evacuees, was informed that James K. Yamamoto, an American of Japanese ancestry who is residing in North Ogden, Utah, has written the custodian of his berry farm near Saratoga, asking that the place be vacated immediately because "I will return to my home about Dec 1." my home about Dec. 1.

Anderson added that he had heard that other evacuees were re-

"I have contacted both the War Department and the War Reloca-tion Authority on this subject," he said, "and have received only noncommital replies. I cerainly will

look into this when I return to the capital." J. Lester Miller, manager of a building and loan association which is custodian for Yama-

# War Department Announces Nine Hawaii Gls Wounded

WASHINGTON-The War Department announced on Nov. that nine American soldiers of Japanese ancestry from Hahad been wounded in action in the Mediterranean area, resumably in Italy.

The casualties reported included the following wounded in

ASATO, Pfc. Masanobu L.—Miss Humie Asato, sister, 1046

FUJIOKA, Pfc. Wendell S. — Tsukasa Fujioka, 802 Ala Moana Rd., Honolulu.

IKEHARA, Staff Sgt. Isaac I. — Mrs. Kanako Ikehara, mother, 408 Ohe Lake Lane, Honolulu.
ISHII, Pfc. Miyoji—Harold Y. Ishii, brother, 2752-B Kadoa-

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ISHIKAWA, Pfc. Frank T.—Mrs. Tatsu Ishikawa, mother,

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ISSA South King St., Honolulu.

MIMURA, Pfc. Toshiaki—Miss Sadako Mimura, sister, 610

Walakamilo Rd., Honolulu.

MIZUSAWA, Sgt. Toshio R.—Mrs. Toku Mizusawa, mother,

243, Walalua, Honolulu.

WISHITA, Pfc. Hiroto—Mrs. Kikuyo Nishita, mother, 2719

NISHITA, Pfc. Hiroto—Mrs. Kikuyo Nishita, mother, 2719
MISHITA, Pfc. Hiroto—Mrs. Kikuyo Nishita, mother, 2719
MISHITA, Pfc. Hiroto—Mrs. Kikuyo Nishita, mother, 2719
MISHITA, Pfc. Takehiro—Royei Oshiro, father, 2326 Kam
Rd., Honolulu.

# Report Fourteen Nisei Killed, 49 Others Wounded in France

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1944

## Three Japanese Americans Missing in Action, According To Messages to Next of Kin

Fourteen American soldiers of Japanese ancestry from western states were killed in action, 49 others were wounded and three are missing in action, according to War Department information received by next of kin last week.

All were members of the Japanese American Combat Team of the U.S. Seventh Army which has been in action in the Vosges foothills in the southern sector of the western front in France.

The great majority of the cas-ualties were sustained in a week's period between Oct. 15 and Oct.

Practically all of the casualties lived in California before the evacuation of persons of Japanese

ancestry from the state.
(The following list is unofficial and is compiled by the Pacific Citizen from information reported in war relocation projects and re-In war relocation projects and received from relatives. The pre-evacuation homes of the soldiers are listed in parenthesis. The list does not include casualties re-ported last week at the Minidoka, Granada or Manzanar centers.)

#### Killed in Action

PFC. PAUL FUMIO HORI-UCHI, Poston, Ariz., in France

on Oct. 18.
TECH. SGT. ABRAHAM
OHAMA (Sanger, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct.

PFC. BOB KAMEOKA (Hanford, Calif.), Rohwer, Ark., in France on Oct. 20.
SGT. SEICHI NAKAMOTO (Fresno, Calif.), Ann Arbor,

Mich., in France.
CPL. YOSHINORI SAKAI
(Sacramento, Calif.), Rohwer,

Ark., in France.
SGT. GEORGE MAYEDA
(Longview, Wash.), Heart Moun-

tain, Wyo., in France on Oct.

PFC. EDWARD OGAWA, Salt Lake City, in France on

Oct. 18.
PFC. GEORGE S. SAITO
(Los Angeles, Calif.), Belmont,
Mass., in France on Oct. 17.
PFC. KANIO HATTORI (San
Jose, Calif.), Topaz, Utah, in

France.
PFC. ROBERT ENDO (Seattle, Wash.), Salt Lake City, in France on Nov. 2.
PFC. HACHIRO MUKAI (Morgan Hill, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 22.
PFC. FUMITAKE NAGATO (Presuley Cailf.), Poston, Ariz.

(Brawley, Cailf.), Poston, Ariz. in France on Oct. 22. PVT. JIMMIE TOSHIO KO-KUBU (Portland, Ore.), Chica-

go, in France.

PVT. TATSUMI FURUKAWA (Concord, Calif.), Rivers,
Arizona., in France n Oct. 20.

#### Missing in Action

PFC. JOU OKITSU (Braw-ley, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France. PFC. K. MORIMOTO, Tyhee, Idaho, in France.
PVT. TOM T. KANNO, 30,
Layton, Utah, in France since
Oct. 22.

# Wounded in Action

PFC. SHO KATAYAMA (Orosi, Calif.), Milwaukee, Wis., in France on Oct. 20.
STAFF SGT. FRANK WADA
(Redlands, Calif.), Chicago, Ill.,
in France on Oct. 18.
SGT. FRED SAKASEGAWA

(Salinas, Calif.), Poston, Ariz.,

(Salinas, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in Italy on July 6.

PFC. HARRY KOWASE (San Diego, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in Italy on July 17.

PVT. JOHN S. OKI (Stockton, Calif.), Rohwer, Ark., in

PFC. TAKEO KANEICHI, Rohwer, Ark., in France on

2nd LIEUT. MASUO CHO-MORI (Glendale, Calif.), Rohwer, Ark., in France.

PFC. KENJI AKABA (Stockton, Calif.), Rohwer, Ark., in

ton, Calif.), Rohwer, Ark., in France.

PFC. SHIGERU MURANA-KA, (Long Beach, Calif.), Rohwer, Ark., in France.

CPL. HIDEO YOSHIMURA (Sacramento, Calif.), Rohwer, Ark., in France on Oct. 17.

TECH. 5TH GR. TOSHIO HOZAKI (Los Angeles, Calif.) Rohwer, Ark., in France.

CPL. JOE S. TAKAOKA (Los Angeles, Calif.), Rohwer, Ark., in France.

CPL. ROBERT TOSHIO YA-MAMOTO (San Jose, Calif.), Heart Mountain, Wyo., in France on Oct. 18.

PFC. SHOGI NAKADATE (San Diego, Calif.), Heart Mountain, Wyo., in France on Oct. 17.

Oct. 17. PVT. HIROSHI OYAMA (Los

Angeles, Calif.), Heart Mountain, Wyo., in France on Oct.

STAFF SGT. FRANK SA-KAMOTO, Montpelier, Idaho, in

France on Oct. 30.

PVT. ISAO DOI, Salt Lake
City, in France on Oct. 22.

PFC. HARVEY E. YAMASHITA, Tyhee, Idaho, in

PFC. LOUIS HIRATA (Los Angeles, Calif.), Poston, Ariz. in France on Oct. 15. PFC. KOICHI MATSUBARA

(Los Angeles, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 16. PVT. SHIGETOSHI MORI-MUNE (Watsonville, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on

Oct. 17. PFC. JAMES IZUMIZAKI (Watsonville, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 17. PFC. HENRY SHIBATA (Coachella, Calif.), Poston, Ariz.

in France on Oct. 18.

PVT. ROY KUWAHARA (San Gabriel, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 18.

PFC. TADAO OYENOKI (Calexico, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 18.

STAFF SGT. HIROSHI FU-JITA (Clovis, Calif.), Poston, Ariz. slightly wounded in France

on Oct. 18. PVT. TAKAMI HOKEDO, 27,

(Talbert, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 18.

PVT. GEORGE FURUYA
(San Diego, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 20.

PFC. HENRY HASHIGUCHI, 21, (San Diego, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 19.

PFC. FRANK KUMAGAI, 26, (El Centro, Calif.), in action in

(El Centro, Calif.), in action in France on Oct. 20.

PFC. FRANK S. KIZUKA (Bakersfield, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 20.

PFC. KENJI HIROKAWA (Watsonville, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 22.

PFC. YASUICHI J. KIMURA (San Diego, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 22.

PVT. PAUL HIDEO YOKOI, 25. (Sacramento, Calif.), Poston, Ariz., in France on Oct. 22.

PVT. ARTHUR KITAHARA
(Santa Cruz, Calif.), Poston,
Ariz., in France on Oct. 22.
PFC. RAYMOND MATSUSHITA (Watsonville, Calif.),

Poston, Ariz., in France on

Oct. 19.

PVT. GEORGE JIRO ABE
(Seal Beach, Calif.). Poston,
Ariz., in France on Oct. 28.

SGT. WILLIAM E. ARII

#### **Dominion Political** Party Leader Backs Japanese Canadians

WINNIPEG, Man. — M. J. Coldwell, national leader of the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation (CCF), urged at a public meeting on Nov. 7 in Winnipeg that Canadian-born Japanese loyal to Canada be treated as Canadians.

"They tell me its dynamite to bring up the subject," Coldwell said, "but I feel that it is too important an issue to let

too important an issue to let

### Bronze Star **Awarded Nisei** From California

Pvt. Tatsumi Furukawa Later Reported Killed In Action in France

WASHINGTON-The War Department announced on Nov. 16 the awarding of a Bronze Star to Pvt. Tatsumi Furukawa, a mem-ber of the 100th Infantry Battalion, for courageous action in Italy.

Pvt. Furukawa is a native of Concord, Calif.

(Pvt. Tatsumi Furukawa was reported killed in action in France

reported killed in action in France on Oct. 20.)

The War Department reported that Pvt. Furukawa "with utter disregard for his personal safety" pulled a burning camouflage net from a gun pit, saving lives and ammunition.

The citation declared:

TO: TATSUMI FURUKAWA, Pvt. Infantry, RFD 1, Box 27, Concord, Calif.

FOR: During intense enemy shelling of one of our mortar positions on May 10, 1944, in Italy, one shell threw hot fragments which set fire to a cache of mortar shell increments which in turn set fire to the camouflage net over the mortar pit. Though enemy shells continued to land in the immediate camouflage net over the mortar pit. Though enemy shells continued to land in the immediate vicinity, he and other infantrymen, with utter disregard of their own personal safety, left their cover and pulled the burning net from the gun pit. This prevented the blaze from reaching 40 rounds of high explosive shells which were in the gun pit. shells which were in the gun pit. Their initiative and quick thinking saved valuable ammunition and preserved the safety of the mortar crew and others who were in close proximity to the ammunition.

(Martinez, Calif.), Rivers, Ariz., in France on Oct. 19.
PFC. HIROSHI TAKUSA-GAWA (Santa Barbara, Calif.),
Rivers, Ariz., in France on Oct.

PFC. AKIRA SHIGENAKA (Compton, Calif.), Rivers, Ariz., in France on Oct. 18. PFC. ATSUSHI HAMAGU-CHI, Rivers, Ariz., in France on Oct. 18. TECH. SGT. GEORGE T. SU-

ZUKI (Pasadena, Calif.), Rivers, Ariz., in France on Oct. 19. PFC. HITOSHI SUMINAGA

(Redondo, Calif.), Rivers, Ariz., in France on Oct. 19.
PVT. NOBE MIYAMOTO (Selma, Calif.), Rivers, Ariz., in France on Oct. 18.

PVT. YUKIO SUMIDA (Monterey, Calif.), Rivers, Ariz, in France on Oct. 22. PVT. ARTHUR IWASAKI

PVT. ARTHUR IWASAKI
(Hillsboro, Ore.), Nyssa, Ore.,
in France on Oct. 20.
SGT. LOU TSUNEKAWA
(Stockton, Calif.), Topaz, Utah,
in France on Oct. 20.
PFC. JOSEPH ITO (San Mateo, Calif.), Topaz, Utah, in
France on Oct. 18.
SGT. TOM SAGAMORI
(Berkeley, Calif.), Topaz, Utah,
in France.

in France.

## **Japanese American Combat Team Attached to Famous Texas Division in France**

News Report Declares 442nd Infantry Now Part Of Veteran 36th Division Which Was First to Land On Beaches of Salerno and Southern France

The celebrated 442nd Regimental Combat Team, which rescued a "lost battalion" near St. Die in the Vosges foothills in France on Oct. 30, is fighting against the Germans as a part of the famous 36th (Texas) Division, a Chicago Tribune Press dispatch reported last week from the Seventh Army front in

The 36th Division, to which the Japanese Americans are now attached, is one of the most famous U. S. Army units and

Report Hunt

Inducted Last Year

At Minidoka Center

Pfc. Robert Endo, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noichi Endo of 147

South State Street, Salt Lake City, was killed in action in France on

Nov. 2, the parents were informed by the War Department this week.

Pfc. Endo volunteered for the army from the Minidoka relocation Center in Idaho and was inducted in May, 1943. He was a member of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, composed of Japanese A mericans.

ness Americans.

He is survived by his parents and two brothers, Pvt. Bill Endo at Camp Blanding, Fla., and Watson Endo of Salt Lake City, and a sister, Mrs. Jean Chew.

Two Nisei Casualties

Reported in Pocatello

POCATELLO, Idaho—One American soldier of Japanese ancestry was reported wounded and another was missing in action, according to War Department telegrams received last week by their parents in the Tyhee farming area near Pocatello.

Pfc Harvey E. Vameshita 27

near Pocatello.

Pfc. Harvey E. Yamashita, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Yamashita was reported wounded in action in France.

Pfc. K. Morimoto, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morimoto, was reported missing in action.

NYSSA, Ore.—Pvt. Arthur Iwasaki, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Y. Iwasaki of Nyssa, was slightly wounded in action in France on

Oct. 20, according to word received by his brother, George Iwasaki, from the War Department this

week.
Pvt. Iwasaki was inducted into
the army on March 15, 1942,
while residing with his parents in

DENVER, Colo. - One hundred

and sixty-one Americans of Japa-nese ancestry in the Denver area, including 30 from the city, have received orders to report for pro-cessing at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

These men have been enlisted re-

servists and are now ordered to

**Active Duty Orders** 

In Denver Area

Nyssa Nisei Hurt

In Recent Battle

were the first troops to land at Salerno to open the Italian inva-sion in September, 1943.

During the Italian campaign the 100th Infantry Battalion, now a part of the 442nd Combat Team, fought alongside the men of the 36th Division from Salerno to Rome. The 100th, and later the 442nd, was a unit of the 34th (Red Bull) Division which had a record of more days in the line. record of more days in the line than any other American unit.

Commanded by Maj. Gen. John W. Dahlquist, the 36th Division opened the invasion of southern France by landing on the Riviera last Aug. 15 and moving rapidly through southern France up the Rhone valley. Although retaining much of the original Texas cadre of National Guardsmen, the division has had replacements from nearly every state in the

The Chicago Tribune service correspondent reported that the

correspondent reported that the Japanese Americans were the first to break the enemy encirclement of the "lost" First Battalion of the 141st Regiment of the 36th Division on Oct. 30.

He quoted Second Lieutenant Erwin Blonder of Cleveland, an artillery observer, as remarking on the seventh day of the "lost battalion's" isolation: "I'll bet the 442nd is the first to reach us."

battalion's" isolation: "I'll bet the 442nd is the first to reach us."

Late the next day Mutt. Sakumoto was the first member of the Japanese American unit to reach the beleaguered soldiers. Mutt, a native of Oahu, Hawaii, had a lump in his throat at the tremendous, thumping welcome he got, and all he could say was:

"Do you guys need any cigarettes?"

## Report Poston Hero Missing In France

Pfc. Jou Okita Was Awarded Bronze Star For Heroism in Italy

POSTON, Ariz.—Pfc. Jou Okitsu of Poston, who was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement on the battlefield and the Purple Heart for injuries received in action has been expected with

in action, has been reported missing in France since Oct. 19, according to the Poston Chronicle.

The son of Eikichi Okitsu of 54-1-C, Pfc. Okitsu was cited for bringing medical aid to wounded bringing medical aid to wounde comrades with whom contact had

been lost.

He was drafted before Pearl Harbor but placed on reserve after the outbreak of war. His second call to active duty came in August, 1943, when he was assigned to Camp Shelby.

He graduated from Brawley Union high school in 1937 and Brawley junior college in 1939.

His father and a sister, Suji, reside in Poston.

reside in Poston.

Yuba Legion Reports Protests Against Nisei Honor Roll Hardly had the paint dried when

active duty.

SACRAMENTO - The Bee reported on Nov. 14 that tension involving persons of Japanese ancestry evacuated from the area was increased this week when the names of 13 soldiers of Japanese names of 13 soldiers of Japanese ancestry, inducted into the armed forces from Yuba county, were placed on the honor roll sign spensored by Yuba-Sutter Post No. 42 of the American Legion. The whole list, the Bee reported, was headed by a Japanese American whose name was placed first because it started with an "A".

furor began, the paper said. Tele-phone calls were received by members of the Legion committee.

"So hostile was the criticism that a Legion committee headed by Carl Hamon and William Blewett decided to group the names of Japanese Americans together in a special section on the honor roll," the Bee added. "This led Japanese to another storm of protest from persons who charged that those so grouped were being picked out for special distinction."

# Wounded Nisei War Veteran Ejected from Barber Shop

POSTON, Ariza - A crippled Japanese American war hero with seven army ribbons, including the Purple Heart and the combat in fantry man's badge, was ejected from a civilian barber shop near the Poston relocation center on Nov. 9 because of the owner's objection to his ancestry, it was reported by the War Relocation

reported by the War Relocation Authority on Nov. 11, according to an AP dispatch.

Andy Hale, the barber, acknowledged he had ordered the soldier not to come in his shop, but denied shoving or forcing the infantryman. The WRA said the veteran, walking with a crutch, had been shoved from the establishment

lishment. Hale, father of three sons in the armed service, said a sign on

the armed service, said a sign on the front of his Parker, Ariz., shop reads: "Japs, Keep Out, You Rat."

"I don't want none of their business," Hale asserted. "They might close me up but I sure as hell won't work on a Jap."

In answer to a question Ifale said it made no difference to him whether the Japanese-Americans were civilians or soldiers. "They look just alike to me," explained the Fort Worth, Texas, native walking into his establishment.

| who has lived 20 years in Ari-

zona.
Mrs. Pauline Brown, reports officer for Poston, said the soldier
was Pvt. Raymond Matsuda, 29,
former resident of Hawaii, who
was shot in the knee on the Italian front on July 22.
Matsuda served two years overseas, she reported, with the 442nd
Regimental Combat Team. Mrs.
Brown said the soldier came to
Poston to visit friends at Poston.

Poston to visit friends at Poston. He has been at the Army's Hammond General hospital at Mo-desto, Calif.

She reported Matsuda gave this version of the incident:

Matsuda went into the shop without noticing the sign and was confronted by Hale, who said, "Can't you read that sign?"

The soldier replied he hadn't

noticed it but even so he was wearing a U. S. Army uniform. Hale then shoved him out the

Hale said: "I didn't touch the soldier—he didn't even come into the shop. I met him at the door and told him not to come in. That's all there was to it."

## Son of Gila River Evacuee Killed, Twelve Others Wounded

Four from Arizona Camp Reported Killed At Front in France

RIVERS, Ariz.—The soldier son of a Gila River resident has been killed in action and 12 other Japanese Americans with next of kin at this WRA center have been wounded, according to War Department information received last week, the News-Courier re-

Pvt. Tatsumi Furukawa, formerly of Concord, Calif., and the son of Mrs. Fuji Furukawa was killed in action in France on Cct. 20. Pvt. Furukawa, a member of the 100th Infantry Battalion of the Japanese American Combat Team, went overseas in February, 1944. He enlisted in the army in February, 1941.

Pvt. Furukawa was cited this week by the War Department for courageous action in Italy, and was the recipient of a Bronze Star. He is survived by his mother, two sisters and these has been supported by er, two sisters and three brothers,

er, two sisters and three brothers, two of whom are in the army.

Those reported wounded in France include Pvt. Noboru Yoshimoto, Cpl. Seishi C. Iwamura, Pvt. Dane Kato, Pfc. Tetsuo Kato, Sgt. William E. Arii, Pfc. Hiroshi Takusagawa, Pfc. Akira Shigenaka, Pfc. Kazuo Muto, Pfc. Atsushi G. Hamaguchi, Tech. Sgt. George T. Suzuki, Pfc. Hitoshi Suminaga and Pfc. Nobe Miyamoto.

Additional information was also reported in the News-Courier regarding three Gila River soldiers who were reported killed in action last week They are Dec George H. Masumoto, Pfc. Nobuo Komoto and Pvt. Henry M. Kondo. Pfc. Masumoto, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hikozo Masumoto of 23-2-A, The are

was killed in France on Oct. 16. was killed in France on Oct. 16. He is a resident of Selma, Calif., graduating from the high school in Selma in 1937. He was inducted in December, 1941 and went overseas in August, 1944. He is survived by his parents, two sisters and two brothers, one of whom is in training at Camp Blanding Fig. in training at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Pfc. Komoto, 23, son of Mrs. Tatsujiro Komoto of 23-13-D, was born in Fowler, Calif.. and graduated from Selma high school in 1939. He is survived by his parameter one sister and three brothers. ents, one sister and three brothers two in service and one medically discharged. He was killed in action in France on Oct. 17.

Pvt. Kondo. son of Mr. and Mrs. Yasaku Kondo of 58-1-C, was killed in action in France on Oct. 19. A graduate of Pasadena, Calif., high school, he was enrolled at the University of Southern California at the time of evacuation. He volunteered from Rivers and entered the army in May, 1943. He is survived by his brother, Pvt. Harvey Kondo of Camp Blanding, and two sisters, Mrs. Hal Hoshino of Oregon and Mrs. Frank Morimoto whose husband is also fighting in France. Pvt. Kondo, son of Mr. and Mrs.

slightly wounded in France on Oct. 18. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Katsuo Yoshimoto of 23-5-B.

Mrs. Katsuo Yoshimoto of 23-5-B.
Cpl. Seishi C. Iwamura, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Tohei Iwamura of
21-5-D, was slightly wounded in
France on Oct. 18. He is a former resident of Selma, Calif.
Pvt. Dane Kato, 23, of Suisun,
Calif., was seriously wounded in
France on Oct. 19. He is the son
of Mr. and Mrs. Genkichi Kato of
5-13-C. He was wounded below the
right eye.

5-13-C. He was wounded below the right eye.

Pfc. Tetsuo Kato, formerly of Stockton, Calif., and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rinshi Kato of 30-9-A, was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 20.

Sgt. William E. Arii, formerly of Martinez, Calif., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arii of 4-4-D. He was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 18.

on Oct. 18.

Pfc. Hiroshi Takusagawa of Santa Barbara. Calif., the son of Mrs. Toyono Takusagawa of 54-11-A, was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 19.

Pfc. Akira Shigenaka, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Shinji Shigenaka of 49-13-A, formerly of Compton, Calif., was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 20.

Pfc. Kazuo Muto, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hirokichi Muto of 3-7-A, was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 18.

Pfc. Atsushi Hamaguchi, son of Mrs. Miyo K. Hamaguchi of 24-7-D, was slightly wounded in France

D, was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 18.

Tech. Sgt. George T. Suzuki, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tokuji Suzuki of 60-7-B, was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 19. He is a former resident of Pasadena, Calif

Pfc. Hitoshi Suminaga, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nenohiko Suminaga of 45-11-A. and formerly of Redondo Beach, Calif., was slightly wounded in the shoulder on Oct.

Pfc. Nobe Miyamoto, whose brother resides at 26-8-C, was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 18. He is a resident of Selma, Calif.

#### LAYTON SOLDIER MISSING IN ACTION ON WESTERN FRONT

Pvt. Tom T. Kanno of Layton, Utah, is missing in action in France since Oct. 22, according to information received by next of kin from the War Department this

Pvt. Kanno, who was born in Idaho Falls in 1914, had resided in Layton and Ogden, Utah, prior to his induction into the army in January, 1942.

He went overseas in Sept. 1944.

He volunteered from Rivers and entered the army in May, 1943. He is survived by his brother, Pvt. Harvey Kondo of Camp Blanding, and two sisters, Mrs. Hal Hoshino of Oregon and Mrs. Frank Morimoto whose husband is also fighting in France.

Pvt. Noboru Yoshimoto, formerly of Kingsburg, Calif., was

## Sqt. Mayeda Killed in Action **Against Nazis**

Three Heart Mountain Soldiers Reported Wounded in France

HEART MOUNTAIN, Wyo.— One Heart Mountain soldier was last week reported killed in action last week reported killed in action while three others were reported wounded in France in War department telegrams sent to next of kin in this center.

The death of Sgt. George M. Mayeda in France on Oct. 15 was reported in a wire to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Mayeda of 30-3-D.

The wounded men are Galage.

The wounded men are Cpl. Rob-ert Toshio Yamamoto, son of Mrs. ert Toshio Yamamoto, son of Mrs. H. Yamamoto of 27-16-E, reported seriously hurt on Oct. 18; Pfc. Shogi Nakadate, son of Mrs. Kimi Nakadate, 22-22-C, slightly wounded on Oct. 17; and Pvt. Hiroshi Oyama, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Oyama of 1-20-C, seriously wounded on Oct. 17.

Sgt. Mayeda was born in Longview, Washington, where he attended Kelso high school and Longview junior college. Later he studied at the Frank Wiggins Trade school in Los Angeles. He was inducted in February, 1941, and went overseas in August, 1944.

He is survived by his parents, two sisters Fay and Masae of Evanston, Ill., and two brothers, Pvt. Tosh and Pvt. John.

Cpl. Yamamoto was born in San Jose, California, where he was drafted in February, 1942. He trained at Ft. McClellan, Ala., and went overseas with the 442nd combat team.

Private Nakadate volunteered for service on Dec. 27, 1941, as soon after Pearl Harbor as he could be accepted. After receiving

soon after Pearl Harbor as he could be accepted. After receiving training at Camp Blanding, Fla., Fort Hayes and Camp Grant, he joined the 442nd. He is a graduate of San Diego State college.

Private Oyama joined the army in January after Pearl Harbor. After training at Camp Grant and Shelby, he joined the 442nd.

#### TOPAZ KIN LEARN THREE WOUNDED ON FRENCH FRONT

TOPAZ, Utah—Three Japanese American soldiers fighting with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team in France have been woundred in action, according to information reaching next of kin at the Central Utah relocation center last week. The soldiers are Tech. Sgt. Lou Tsunekawa, Pfc. Joseph Ito and Sgt. Tom Saga-

Tsunekawa, husband of Mrs. Alice Tsunekawa of 23-12-F, was wounded in action in France on Oct. 20. He is a native of Stockton, Calif., and his parents reside at the Rohwer, Ark., relocation

at the Rohwer, Ark., relocation center.

Pfc. Ito, son of Mrs. Kita Ito of 16-11-D, Topaz, was wounded in France on Oct. 18. He is formerly of San Mateo, Calif.

Sgt. Sagamori was reported injured in action for the second time. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tomijiro Sagamori of 4-11-B and is a former resident of Berkeand is a former resident of Berkeley, Calif. He was wounded previously on the Italian front.

#### Pfc. Hattori Killed In Action in France

AMACHE, Colo. — Pfc. Kanio Hattori, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chikaji Hattori, reside at the Granada relocation center, was killed in action in France recently,

according to information received here. His wife, Mary, is a resident of Topaz, Utah.

Pvt. Hattori, a native of San Jose, Calif., was inducted in March, 1941. A sister and a brother live in Chicago.

#### Pvt. Sumida Wounded In Action in France

husband of Molly POSTON, Sumida, 24, husband of Molly Tsuboichi Sumida of 215-5-B, was wounded in action in France on Oct. 22, according to a War Department message this week.

Pvt. Sumida is the 50th casualty from the Colorado relocation

He is a 1940 graduate from Monterey high school at Monterey, Calif., and has two other brothers in the army.

## four Poston Soldiers Killed. wenty-Five Wounded in Action With 442nd Infantry in France

Relatives at WRA Center Receive Word Of Casualties

POSTON, Ariz.—Two more Jap-nese Americans from the Poston pleation center, T/Sgt. Abraham mams and Pfc. Paul Fumio Hor-nehi, have given their lives in the rice of their country, thus riging to eight the number of ad stars on Poston's service

Meanwhile five others, Pfc. Sho Istayama, S/Sgt. Frank Wada, M. Harry Kowase, Sgt. Fred Sa-negawa and Pvt. Sakaichi Soda ire been reported wounded, maka s total of 35 men from this who have been injured.

T/Sgt. Abraham G. Ohama, 28, message received by his parents, ir. and Mrs. Kunzo Ohama of

He was inducted from Sanger, in February, 1940. He graduted from Sanger Union high shool in 1943, where he was ac-tive in many sports and high on shelarship lists.

He is survived by his parents, three brothers, Willie, Ben and feorge, and a married sister in

Pfc. Paul Fumio Horiuchi was ported killed in action on Oct. sported killed in action on Oct. is in France while fighting with the 42nd Regimental Combat fam. Memorial services were add Nov. 10 in Poston at the Unit

hid Nov. 10 in Poston at the Unit lelementary school.

Pfc. Horiuchi, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Takeji Horiuchi of 2-14-L, volunteered for the Combat fam from Poston in May, 1943. He was born in Walnut Grove, chiff, and graduated from the high school at Watsonville, Califf. Prior to evacuation Pfc. Horitahi was a pressman for the Japanese American News of San Francisco. He came to Poston from the Salinas assembly center with his parents and four brothem, Thomas Tsuyoshi, Mitsuru, Yainari and Masaru. During the fall of 1942 he was out on seafall of 1942 he was out on sea-mal leave to Brush, Colo. Pfc. Katayama, son of Mr. and

In Tomoji Katayama of 305-4-l, Poston, was slightly wounded action on Oct. 20. He was draf-lm in January, 1942, in Orosi, Calt, where he was farming after modulation from Orosi high whool. Official War department milication was sent to his wife, les Midori D. Katayama of Mil-

white, Wis.

S/Sgt. Wada, 23, was reported lightly wounded in action in hance on Oct. 18, according to its mother, Mrs. Waki Wada of 30-2-D. Official notification was sent to her daughter-in-law, Mrs. lan I. Wada of Chicago, wife of wounded man.

Wada volunteered from Poston

Mr. and Mrs. Gitaro Kowase of 22-14-F were informed that their on, Pfc. Harry Kowase, was in-lared in action in Italy on July 17. Letters from Sgt. Sakasegawa of 213-12-A and Pvt. Soda of 213-BC informed their families that they were injured.

Sgt. Sakasegawa was wounded in France on Oct. 20. He is 24 was of age. He was called before tracuation for army service from his home in Salinas, Calif.

Pyt. Soda informed his family by letter that he was wounded in by letter that he was wounded in action on July 6. He is 19, a graduate of Gilroy high school. He rolunteered from Poston.

#### salt Lake Soldier Reported Wounded

Pvt. Isao Doi of Salt Lake City, son of Mr. and Mrs Sekizo Doi, was seriously wounded in the chest on Oct. 22 in France, accord-ing to War Department informa-tion last work

Ing to War Department tion last week.

Pyt. Doi, 22, enlisted in the Army in March, 1944, and trained at Camp Blanding, Fla. He is a member of the Japanese American Combat Team.

## Pvt. Jimmie Kobubu killed in France

CHICAGO — Rose Kokubu of bicago was informed by the War spartment this week that her other, Pvt. Jimmie Toshio Kodan, was killed in action in

Reports Disclose Deaths of Hachiro Mukai, Fumitake Nagato

POSTON, Ariz.—Two Japanese Americans were reported killed and 19 others wounded in action last week with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, composed of Japanese Americans, on the western front in France, according to War Department, information to War Department information received by next of kin at the Col-

received by next of kin at the Colorado River relocation center at Poston, the Chronicle, project newspaper, reported last week. The two men reported killed are Pfc. Hachiro Mukai and Pfc. Fumitake Nagato: Pfc. Nagato was previously reported missing in action since Oct. 20. Mr. and Mrs. Bunzo Nagato, 60-4-C, parents of Pvt. Nagato, were later informed that he nad died in action. A graduate of the Brawley, Calif., A graduate of the Brawley, Calif., high school, Pvt. Nagato was farming in Brawley at the time of evacuation. He is survived also by two brothers and two sisters, one of whom is working in Washington, D. C.

Pfc. Mukai, 25, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Jisaku Mukai, 318-3-A, was killed in action on Oct. 22, according to a telegram received by his brother, Goro Mu-kai. He is a 1937 graduate of Live Oak high school at Morgan Hill, Calif., where he won valedictory honors and was given a citizen-ship award for outstanding re-cords in both athletics and scholarship. He was farming before evacuation.

Those reported by the Chronicle as wounded in action are: Pfc. Louis Hirata, Pfc. Koichi Matsubara, Pfc. Shigetsugi Morimune, Pfc. James Izumizaki, Pfc. Henry Shibata, Pvt. Roy Kuwahara, Pfc. Tadao Oyenoki, Staff Sgt. Hiroshi Fujita, Pvt. Takami Hokedo, Pvt. George Furuya, Pfc. Henry Hashiguchi, Pfc. Frank Kumagai, Pfc. Frank Kizuka, Pfc. Kenji Hirokawa, Pfc. Yasuchi Kimura, Pvt. Paul Hideo Yokoi, Pvt. Arthur Kitahara tahara, Pfc. Raymond Matsushita

and Pvt. George Abe.
Pfc. Louis Hirata, is the son of
Mr. and Mrs. Jusuke Hirata of 359-C, who were informed that their son had been wounded for the second time on Oct. 15. He had previously been wounded in Italy, Mr. Hirata has already received two Purple Heart medals from his sons. Another son, Sgt. Manuel Hirata of the U. S. Marines was shot in the knee during the invasion of Tarawa. He is now instruction ting trainees at the Oceanside, Calif., Marine base.

Louis, who attended Lincoln high school in Los Angeles, vol-unteered from Poston in Oct. 1943.

Pfc. Koichi Matsubara, 27, ne-phew of Mrs. Kiri Matsubura, 19-2-A, was slightly wounded on Oct. 16 in France. A native of Los Angeles, the soldier's parents are now in Japan and he received his high school education there. He has a younger brother who has relocated to Chicago.

Pvt. Shigetsugi Morimune, a native of Watsonville, Calif., was wounded in France on Oct. 17, according to information received by his mother, Mrs. Tei Morimune of 213-10-A. He graduated from Watsonville high, where he was prominent in athletics, in 1939. He volunteered from Denver, Colo., in June, 1943.

Mrs. Kitako Izumizaki, 219-11-Mrs. Kitako Izumizaki, 219-11-C, was informed that her husband, Pfc. James Izumizaki, was wounded in France on Oct. 17. He is a native of Watsonville, Calif., where he graduated from high school in 1936 as valedictorian. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kanezuchi Izumizaki, reside at 220-8-C. He is with the 100th Infantry Battalion and has two other bro-Battalion and has two other brothers in service.

Pfc. Henry Shibata was wounded in action on Oct. 18 in France, ed in action on Oct. 18 in France, according to a message received by his brother, George, of 42-1-A. A resident of Coachella, Calif., he graduated from Coachella Union high school in 1942. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Toyoichi Shibata, also reside at Poston.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kuwahara 26-11-A. were informed last

Nisei GI Still Pursues Butterfly Hobby in Pacific

AMACHE, Colo.—Before Bill Torium went into the Army, his hobby was collecting butterflies. And it still is,

His parents, who have been at the Granada relocation center since leaving their home in Calusa, Calif., recently received a souvenir from their son. It was a collection of several hundred butterfies which Toriumi collected between battles in the South Pacific.

noki of 59-8-B. Pfc. Oyenoki attended Calexico Union high at Calexico, Calif., and was engaged in farming at the time of evacua-

Staff Sgt. Hiroshi Fujita, who has been cited in news dispatches as having been one of the first American soldiers to enter Pisa, Italy, was reported slightly wounded in France on Oct. 18, according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Soga-taro Fujita of 22-14-E. He is a native of Clovis, Calif., and attended high school there, being prominent in football and basket-

Pvt. Takami Hokedo of Talbert, Calif., was slightly wounded on Oct. 18 in France. Twenty-seven years of age, he is the son of Mrs. Soi Hokedo of 38-5-A. Pvt. George Furuya, a 1943 vol-

unteer from Poston, was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 20, according to his mother, Mrs. Iwa Furuya of 28-8-B. He is a 1931 graduate of Grossmont, Calif., high school. He was a tuna boat engineer and a truck driver before evacuation.

Pfc. Henry S. Hashiguchi, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hashiguchi, 322-5-C, was reported slightly wounded in France on Oct. 19. He is a graduate of Hoover high in San Diego, Calif. He was employed by the Weaver Aircraft in San Diego before evacuation.

Mrs. Chika Kumagai has received word that her son, Pfc. Frank Kumagai, 26, was slightly wounded in action in France on Oct. 20. Pfc. Kumagai is a native

Oct. 20. Pfc. Kumagai is a native of El Centro, Calif., and attended Calexico Union high school.

Masano Kizuka, 19-4-A, teletype operator at the Colorado River center, was at her job on Nov. 11 when word came through that her brother, Pfc. Frank S. Kizuka, had brother, Prc. Frank S. Kizuka, had been slightly wounded in France on Oct. 20. Born in July, 1927, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tora-kichi Kizuka. Pfc. Kizuka is the husband of the former Ruth Kaji of Poston. He is a graduate of Bakersfield, Calif., high school and attended Bakersfield J. C. He was drafted in 1941 was drafted in 1941.

Mr. and Mrs. Rutaro Hirokawa of 216-2-B have been informed that their son, Pfc. Kenji Hirokawa, 26, was seriously wounded in action in France on Oct. 22. Pfc. Hirakawa is a native of Watsonville Calif sonville, Calif., and graduated from Watsonville high. Pfc. Yasuichi J. Kimura, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kumataro Kimura,

330-3-D, was slightly wounded in France on Oct. 22. Pfc. Kimura, a resident of San Diego, Calif., volunteered while attending Gross-

Pvt. Paul Hideo Yokoi, 25, was reported seriously wounded in action in France on Oct. 22, according to information received by his father, Kikutaro Yokoi of 19-4-B. A graduate of a Sacramento high school, Pvt. Yokoi enlisted before the Pearl Harbor attack.

Pvt. Arthur Kitahara was reported seriously wounded in France on Oct. 22, according to a telegram received by his mother, Mrs. Aguri Kitahara of 328-6-D. Pvt. Kitahara volunteered for the army from Poston in June, 1943. He has four brothers and five sisters. One brother, Sgt. Franklyn Kitahara, is stationed at Ft. Lew-

is, Wash.

Pfc. Raymond Matsushita, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ichimatsu Matsushita, 211-9-A, was wounded for the second time when he was hit in France on Oct. 19. He was previously reported wounded in Italy. viously reported wounded in Italy. He volunteered for military service from the Poston camp in 1943. He has three brothers and a sister. Two of his brothers are also in the army.

Pvt. George Jiro Abe, son of Mrs. Akino Abe who resided at 37-4-D in Poston, was wounded on Oet. 28 in France. The Abes were former residents of Seal Beach,

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kuwahara, 26-11-A, were informed last week that their son, Pvt. Roy Kuwahara was wounded in action in France on Oct. 18. Pvt. Kuwahara was drafted in 1941 from San Gabriel, Calif. He is a graduate of San Gabriel high.

Pfc. Tadao Oyenoki was seriously wounded in France on Oct. 18, according to a telegram received by his father, Juzo Oyeformer residents of Seal Beach, Calif. His family relocated to Philadelphia recently. Pvt. Abe volunteered for the army from the Minidoka relocation center. He has

# Second Son of Issei Killed On European Battlefield

Death of Pfc. George Saito Recalls Letter Written to Father at Time of Death of Brother, Pvt. Calvin Saito, During Battle in Italy

BELMONT, Mass.—"America is a damn good country and don't let anyone tell you otherwise," Pfc. George Saito wrote to his father, Kijchi Saito, after another son of the family, Calvin, had been killed in action in Italy on July 7.

This week Kiichi Saito, who came to Belmont from the Granada relocation center, learned that George had died in action

in France on Oct. 17.

## Three Rohwer Soldiers Die In Recent Action

Eight with Relatives In Arkansas Center Reported Wounded

ROHWER, Ark.—Three Rohwer servicemen met death and eight others were wounded in France during the week of Oct. 15 to 21, according to the Outpost of Nov.

A wire reporting the death of Cpl. Yoshinori Sakai was received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Yasuke Sakai of 17-9-D. The Sakais are former residents of Sacramento, California, and transferred to Rohwer from Jerome.

Pvt. Bob Kameoka, who volunteered from Denson for the armed forces, was killed in action on Oct.

20. He was a former resident of
Hanford, Calif.

Also killed in action was Sgt.

Seichi Nakamoto of Fresno, Calif. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moritaro Nakamoto and two brothers recently relocated to Ann Arbor, Mich. The Nakamotos were residents of Block 28.

Seriously wounded in action on Oct. 21 was Pfc. Takeo Kaneichi, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Kaneichi of 34-7-C. Also seriously wounded was Pvt. John S. Oki of Stockton. A sister, Mrs. Kazuye Ishimaru, resides in Rohwer at 24-11-D, while his parents are in Tule Lake.

Six other Rohwer men were reported slightly wounded, 2nd Lieut. Masuo Chomori, Pfc. Kenji Akaba, Pfc. Shigeru Muranaka, Cpl. Hideo Yoshimura, T/5 Tosh-io Hozaki and Cpl. Joe S. Takaoka.

Mrs. Elsie Chomori of 12-6-F, Rohwer, was notified that her husband, 2nd Lt. Chomori was slightly wounded in action. Lt. Chomori's parents are in Manzan-

Mrs. Tokue Akaba, mother, and Mrs. Dorothy H. Akaba, wife of Pfc. Akaba, were notified of his

slight injury.

Pfc. Muranaka, who was also slightly wounded, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Yasaki Muranaka of 14-1-F. The Muranakas lived in the son of the Long Beach prior to evacuation. Cpl. Yoshimura is the son of

Mr. and Mrs. Hajime Yoshimura of 14-10-F. He was wounded on

Oct. 17.

T/5 Hozaki is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kyuji Hozaki of 11-5-B, formerly of Los Angeles.

Mrs. Fujiko Sakata of 7-6-F, sister of Cpl. Takaoka, was notified of his slight injury. Cpl. Ta-

Calvin and George Saito were two of the first five Japanese Americans to volunteer for mese Americans to volunteer for military service at Granada. With their death the Saitos are the first Japanese American family in the United States to lose two sons in action. Still another son, Shozo, is in the army. The Saitos lived in Los Angeles before evac-

Kiichi Saito's sorrow is great but with pride in his sons has made it bearable, the Associated Press reported on Nov. 13.

George's letter reciting the details of how Calvin died a hero "personally directing and guiding the fire on positions which routed the enemy," was recalled.

In his letter to his father George

"Dad, this is no time to be preaching to you, but I have something on my chest which I want you to hear. In spite of Cal's supreme sacrifice, don't let anyone tell you he was foolish or made a mistake to volunteer.

"Of what I've seen in my travels on our mission I am more than convinced that we've done the right thing in spite of what has happened in the past.

"America is a damn good country and don't let anyone tell you otherwise."

Kiichi Saito was born in Mor-ioka, Japan, and came to this country as a young man, served as a head waiter in a Los Angeles hotel and later worked as a gardener on the coast.

His fourth son, Kazuo is a war worker in Chicago and his only daughter, Mary, is employed at the International Institute house

#### Wounded Soldier Visits Ft. Lupton

FORT LUPTON, Colo. — Pfc. Harry Yanaga of Fort Lupton, who was wounded in action in Italy, has been visiting friends in Fort Lupton after receiving treatment at Fitzsimmons General hospital in Downwest pital in Denver.

#### Montpelier Soldier Wounded in France

MONTPELIER, Idaho — Staff Sgt. Frank Sakamoto of Montpe-lier, son of Carl Sakamoto, was wounded in action on the French front on Oct. 30, according to a War Department telegram this

# Nisei Who Urged Volunteering For Army Killed in Action

"Proving the loyalty of 70,000 Japanese Americans and the American interest of 40,000 American Japanese is in the hands of a very few," said Edward Ogawa of Ashton, Idaho, in the spring of 1943 when he volunteered for the U. S. Army.

Today Pfc. Ogawa is dead, another American casualty on the fields of France.

His death is action on Oct. 18 was reported this week in a War Department notification to his family, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ogawa of 71 South West Temple St., Salt Lake City. He is also survived by his sisters Many and El. vived by his sisters Mary and Ellen S. Ogawa of Arlington, Va., and a brother, Fremont T. Ogawa, Milwaukee, Wis.

He was twice wounded in battle and had been awarded the purple

When Japanese Americans were accepted in the U. S. Army upon volunteering for the Japanese American combat team, Eddie Ogawa recruited many Nisei from his home area in Idaho.

At that time in a written message to Japanese Americans of military age he said:

"In all the history of man in general and America in particular, progress in the welfare of mankind has been achieved only through life and death struggle. It is the only way. It has been so in the past, it will be so in the future, it is so today. This is not an invitation to tea. This is not a picnic. We ain't agoin' fishin'. This Japanese American combat team plan is life and death."

A memorial service for Pvt. Ogawa will be held at the Japanese

A memorial service for Pvt. Ogawa will be held at the Jap-anese Christian Church in Salt Lake City on Nov. 19.



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## **EDITORIALS:** Farewell to Isolationism

In the recent national elections the American people have demonstrated that history does not necessarily repeat itself. Perhaps the major development of the Nov. 7th plebescite was the resounding repudiation of isolationism as national policy. Many of the leading purveyors of isolationist doctrines in Congress, among them Senators Nye, Danaher and Gillette and Representatives Fish and Day, were defeated.

Hindsight is not a particularly remarkable trait, but hindsight has brought home the lesson that American isolationism contributed to the breakdown of world machinery for collective security which, in turn, permitted agressor nations to embark upon their careers of international banditry. In the two decades between the first and second World Wars, it was difficult for the average American in particular to believe that the overrunning of Manchuria by the Japanese war machine, the bombing of Ethiopian native huts by Il Duce's airmen or Hitler's demand for "living space" would one day involve him and his sons and all of his neighbors along the Main Streets of America in the most terrible of all wars. In fact, in those comfortable days it was considered in the nature of good business to let the rest of the world stew in its own troubles and to sell such "necessities" as scrap metal and oil and machine tools over the counter to anyone willing to pay the price.

We know today that the peoples of the world who believe in freedom and justice suffered one defeat after another in Asia and in Europe while we in America lived on complacently, secure behind two mighty oceans. The fascist army of Gen. Francisco Franco invaded the republic of Spain on July 17, 1936, and it was perhaps on that day that the second World War, which is still raging, was actually started. Germany and Italy sent crack divisions and fleets of planes to aid the Spanish fascist-monarchists, but the democracies adopted a policy of non-intervention. There were some in America and in England and France who saw the danger. An international brigade, including a battalion of Americans, fought as volunteers for the Loyalists. As the Loyalists retreated across the Ebro, Vincent Sheean warned that the waters of the Ebro flowed down Oxford Street and down the Main Streets of the capitals of the democratic world. And it was not long afterwards that the blood of the Ebro flowed down Oxford Street.

There was a place called Munich and there was a meeting there. The password was "peace in our time," but an umbrella had pierced the heart of the world. To most of the people of America, to Japanese Americans on West Coast farms or at their jobs in the cities, Munich was just a headline in a newspaper. But millions of men throughout the world are dead (though it is hard to visualize the death of millionsthe fact of death only comes real when it happens to someone we know, someone we love) because of Munich and because of a long history of appeasement. We had not yet learned what we know today, that the world is interrelated and interdependent.

The aggressor nations grew stronger and more avaricious. Their appetites knew no bounds and nations fell. And one December Sunday it was our turn. Today as a consequence of Manchuria and Ethiopia, Spain and Munich and Czecho-Slovakia, more than

six million Americans are defending the frontiers of freedom on battlegrounds overseas, while millions more prepare to take the places of those who fall. Among these millions are thousands of Japanese Americans who are fighting and dying in the forests of the Vosges foothills in France, on Leyte in the Philippines, in Burma and in the southwest Pacific. These men know that they are fighting to prevent a third World War, and the people of America know, too. On Nov. 7th they repudiated isolationism, and in doing so they gave hope to all the freedom-loving peoples of the world that this time America would exercise her moral leadership toward international cooperation for a just and lasting

## The Casualty Lists

Casualties among American soldiers of Japanese ancestry from western states have been particularly heavy during the past two weeks. Many soldiers from the Pacific coast and the intermountain states have been killed in action, and many more have been wounded. During the early part of the Italian campaign and through the siege of Cassino, the very great majority of casualties among Japanese Americans were from the Territory of Hawaii. The 100th Infantry Battalion which was the first large group of men of Japanese ancestry to see combat action was composed of elements of the Hawaiian Territorial Guard, and its record of more than 1000 Purple Hearts for the 1300 men who served in the battalion is one which few similar units have equaled in this war. The 100th Battalion, now in France as a part of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, sustained heavy casualties in Italy along the Volturno and before Cassino. At one time, it has been reported, the battalion was reduced to some 200 men during the siege of Cassino and these 200 did the work of a normal complement of an approximate 800.

It has been pointed out that the city of Honolulu, the home of so many of the men of the 100th Battalion and the 442nd Combat Team, has a higher casualty rate than any city of comparable size in the United

The 442nd Combat Team, when it went into action in July, 1944 in Italy, was composed of men from both the Hawaiian Islands and the mainland. Since that time it has received reinforcements, including a large number of Japanese Americans from western states, and many more casualties may be expected before the German enemy is defeated.

Americans of Japanese ancestry in Italy and France, and in the Pacific as well, have written with blood and courage a record of loyalty which will insure for them a permanent place in the America of their birth. When these Americans return from the fighting fronts, they will expect to be treated as Americans. It is now evident, however, that there are individuals and organizations, particularly in the evacuated area along the Pacific coast, who have been so blinded by economic greed and fear of competition that they are unwilling to concede even the most elementary privileges of citizenship to any Japanese American, whatever his service record. The recent, regrettable incident in an Arizona barber-shop points up the disgraceful extreme to which race hatred extends.

It is incumbent on those of us who have remained at home to fight those groups and individuals who would sustain and extend existing discriminatory attitudes against Japanese Americans, as well as against any of our other racial or religious minorities. This fight against prejudice at home is an inseparable part of the war overseas against fascism and aggressor nations. Let us hope that we at home can do as well in the fight against this evil as Americans of Japanese and their GI comrades in arms have done and are doing against the enemy abroad.

## Sixth War Loan

The Sixth War Loan drive will get under way on Nov. 20. We know that Japanese Americans will support the war Loan campaign in the manner in which they have backed the previous drives. Buying War Bonds is a most effective way to back up the men on the firing lines of democracy.

# Nisei US

## 33 Months Since Evacuation

try, restricted in the exercise of their full rights as citizens since March, 1942, are finally completing a cycle of experiences unprecedented in the history of the United States. The time is rapidly approaching when Japanese Americans will return, legally at least, to the status quo they enjoyed before the issuance of General DeWitt's curfew and evacuation orders.

Japanese Americans already have regained much of the ground which was swept out from under them by the military proclama-tions which preceded the mass evacuation. In the thirty-three months which have passed since the dark and troubled spring of 1942 Americans of Japanese ancestry have demonstrated their loyalty so conclusively that only the diehards remain to doubt. In March, 1942, selective service procedures were cancelled for all citizens of Japanese ancestry. Today, this week, this minute, thou-sands of Japanese American soldiers, incorporated as a unit in the famous 36th Division, stand with other Americans and their Allies of the Free French before the Belfort Gap in the foothills of the Vosges, while other thou-sands are scattered throughout military establishments and battle stations which girdle the earth. They stand with other Americans on tiny atolls in the endless stretches of Pacific water. They have known the twin hells of Tarawa and Saipan, the malaria-ridden heat of New Guinea jungles, and they write home of sunrises in the Solomons and of night fighting in the jungles of Burma. They have gone wherever the American flag has gone in the war against fascism. And there are Japanese names on the white crosses as one lieutenant white crosses, as one lieutenant wrote, in the bitter Italian hills. They have fought as part of famous fighting units, the 34th Red Bull Division and Merrill's Ma-rauders, and with the Texans of the 36th. And perhaps the most remarkable fact of all is that many of these men, who are to-day in France, in Burma, in the Marianas and on Leyte, stood in those long lines before the Army civil control centers in the uncertain spring of 1942 and were processed and were packed off in busses and in trains to what some believed were concentration camps for the duration.

Young Americans with Japa-nese faces have endured their Valley Forge during the past 33 months and George Washington and Tom Paine would have been proud of them.

The record to date of the wartime conduct of Americans of It is inconceivable that the arm Japanese ancestry is one which in whose hands rest the final de in these Americans has not been proved wanting. The Japanese Americans stand as proof of the The Japanese President's statement that Americanism is a matter of the heart and mind, and not of race or ancestry. The fact that persons of Japanese ancestry, born and educated in a democracy, have fought so valiantly for the pres-ervation of that democracy is one of the singular facts of our times. For Hitler is proved wrong, and the Japanese militarists are wrong. Race has nothing to do with loyalty, and democracies are neither decadent or weak, but are strengthened by the very loyal-ties of men of all races, colors and creeds.

The final abrogation of the restrictions which still bind Japanese Americans is now inevitable. The knowledge of 1944 outweighs the uncertainty of 1942. The military regulations levied against Japanese Americans on the basis of ancestry are now outdated, and the right of the evacuees to re-turn to their homes has already been established altohough only a handful of the 110,000 who were

Americans of Japanese ances- volving evacuation and detention and the national election campaign.

One of these Monday Mornings the Supreme Court of the United States will announce its decisions in the Korematsu and Endo cases, two of the most important involving civil liberties of Americans in wartime since the now-historic Milligan case of Civil War times, If these cases are decided on the basis of broad questions of citi-zen rights which are involved, the decisions will determine the na-ture and extent of the military power over civilians in the absence of martial law and will, specifically, have an almost im-mediate effect on the course of the relocation of Japanese Amer-

As for the elections, it can be assumed that policies which may have contributed toward the restitution of the citizen rights of Japanese Americans may have been held in abeyance because of the unwillingness of the authorities concerned to make the question of the wartime treatment of Jaranese Americans a political issue. However, the past weeks have seen that power-hungry politicians can create their own issues and many candidates have campaigned loudly and at length on the menace of the possible re-turn of the Japanese Americans to their pre-evacuation homes.

It would seem that if there were any issues involved in the government's treatment of Japanese Americans that these issues would arise from the fact that the government has been forced, through the circumstances created by mass evacuation, arbitra-ily to limit the rights of these evacuees in order to carry out effectively its relocation program. However, the opposition's appoach and reproach has not been to point out any abuses of gov-ernmental authority in this pro-gram, but rather to demand fur-ther limitations.

The results of the balloting have shown, however, that the citizens of the western states, in which the issue of Japanese Americans was raised by political office-seekers, do not disapprove of the government's present program. The election results presage an early solution to the unusual problems created by mass evacuation. It is to be hoped that this solution will not be delayed.

There is an active opposition to the return of the evacuees to their homes and the completion of the cycle set in motion by mass evacuation. This opposition, however, consists of diehard ra-cists whose anti-Orientalism goes back half a century and of selfish interests whose opposition is based soley on economic teams. It is inconceivable that the army, reflects credit upon the group and cision for the abrogation of the on the government whose faith military restrictions, will be deterred either by race-baiters or by the opposition of commercial interests.

The final step remains, but Japanese Americans have come long way since the spring of 1942. In the interim Americans of Japanese ancestry have established themselves for all time to come as an integral mart of American society, and all the angry shouting of the Remember Pearl Harbor Leagues and other exponents of Know-Nothingism cannot alter that fact.

In the wartime experiences of Americans of Japanese ancestry is proof of the strength and vitality of the democratic idea. The evacuation of Japanese Americans and their detention in desert relocation camps has been compared to the experiences of the Jewish minorities in the concentration camps of Hitler's Europe. But there is one indisputable dif-ference which makes the comparison counterfeit. American democracy has proved that it can rectify its mistakes. The Japanese Americans, with the assistance of a handful of the 110,000 who were moved have returned to date.

The government's relocation program has marked time in recent weeks because of two factrs, the imminence of Supreme Court decisions in the cases in-

# **Vagaries**

Inter-racial . . .

Suydenham hospital is New York's first big inter-racial hospi-lals. Negro and Caucasian doctors and nurses work together on its staff. The hospital's receptionist is a Japanese American. . . . John Gould Fletcher, the noted Arkan-sss poet, has written an article on Japanese Americans at the Rohwer, Ark., relocation center for the December issue of Asia and the Americas. . . Speaking of arti-les, the story of Esther Takei and des, the story of Estiler Taker and Pasadena is told in an article by Joseph William Hansen in the November issue of Common Sense.

An article by Jitsuichi Masnoka, Japanese American sociologist, on "Race and Cultural Con-

pist, on "Race and Cultural Conflicts in the Emporium," appears in the November, 1944, issue of the American Journal of Sociology.... Galen Fisher's "Unsnarling the Nisei Tangle" is published in the Nov. 8 issue of The Chrisisn Century.

Housing Project . . . Seabrook Farms in New Jersey, one of the nation's largest food processing industries, employs a arge number of Japanese Ameran workers recruited from reloation centers. There are 518 peration centers. There are 518 person of Japanese ancestry living at the federal housing project adjoining Seabrook Farms. . . . The War Department's "Army Hour" over the NBC network on Nov. 12 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 141st Page 141st Page 141st Page 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 141st Page 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36th Division's 150 presented a front-line interview with the 36 of the 36th Division's 141st Reg-ment which was rescued by Japa-see Americans of the 442nd Com-let Team. . . . John B. Terry, who do a series of 15 articles on the nese American Combat Team to the Honolulu Star Bulletin in 143, died on Oct. 31 of wounds recived during a Japanese air aid on Leyte on Oct. 26.

lip-Flop . George (Flip-Flop) Kelley is re-portedly back at his old anti-evac-me stand. Kelley, who repudiated is own "Ban the Japs" committee and his one-man crusade against lather Takei last month, recently alled another meeting of his anti-Facuee organization . . . Certain los Angeles area realtors are now whising their clients to draw up restrictive covenants against sale restrictive covenants against sale of their property to Japanese Americans or other non-Caucasians before the evacuees return. . One much campaign has been undertaken in South Pasadena by an organization called "South Pasadenas, Inc.," which is carrying on its drive under the direction of the Land Escrow and Safe Deposit Co. of Pasadena. A letter sent it Co. of Pasadena. A letter sent but by this group declares that the evacuation of Japenese people makes this an especially opportune time to take immediate

Canadians . . . Canadian notes: The Vancouver, C. Province recently published letter protesting a suggestion of number of British Columbia cittens that the memorial erected to onor Japanese Canadian soldiers ho gave their lives in World War should be removed. The letter declared that "there is something inhuman in the suggestion."... Action in Canada's segregation program for Japanese Canadian evacues is expected before the end of the year. Relocation to eastern provinces has slowed down. One reason which deters relocation is that Japanese Canadians relocating to eastern areas adians relocating to eastern areas are made subject to various travel and business restrictions . . . Evacuee high school students in Alberta province, where many who were evacuated from British Columbia have resettled on sugar beet farms, are no longer required to pay non-residence fees.

Contrasts: Two Japanese Amercan farmers returned on a visit to a central coast town in California recently. They ate dinner with Filipino and Caucasian friends at the town's Chinese restaurant. The Chinese owner of the restaurant refused to accept money for the dinner, declaring that he was happy to see the Nisei back again . . Evacuee farm workers and farm conversions. farm workers and farm operators have made a "boom town" of a small town in the inland west. All of the shops, restaurants, ice cream parlors and other establishments in the time have welcomed the trade of the Japanese Americans, except for the Chinese restaurant in the town which refuses to serve the Nisei.

## Joe Grant Masaoka's Column:

# Citizens of Colorado Reject Proposed Racist Legislation

DENVER-Dwarfed by the momentous personalities in the recent election, Colorado's Amendment 3 was but one of the minor issues. But to 64 alien property owners of Japanese ancestry, it was the finger of discrimination. Should it have passed, its effects might have been felt by Nisei soldiers whose farms in this state are being worked by the old folks. Doubtless, some of these doughboys had designated their fathers as beneficiaries in last wills. In event of their deaths lands inherited by their parents might have been subject

to seizure by the state.

While no one can gainsay the right of a sovereign state to place the rights of citizens above those of an alien, to place those who are "ineligible to become citizens" in an especially vulnerable position is sheer discrimination. Such a law is aimed directly at

Carey McWilliams declares that the vicious phrase "ineligible to citizenship" was established by judicial fiat in a series of decisions. That catch phrase, he asserts has been the basis of a number of prejudicial laws in California.

McWilliams believes that such a McWilliams believes that such a classification of aliens is un-American. He points out that this country was developed through immigration of aliens. Such migration was encouraged by limitless opportunities and by a hun-gry demand for labor in this New World. Newcomers were accorded the same treatment as citizens. Now to shut off a certain segment of our population from securing citizenship is limiting American liberty, he avers.

Proponents of Amendment No. 3 borrowed this convenient clause of California's racist legislators to accomplish a similiar purpose here. Liberal and democratichere. Liberal and democratic-minded groups picked up the challenge and waged a campaign to keep the State Constitution clean of such a law that would blot out the property rights of Japanese

With the exception of the sold-ier's ballots for which the deadline is Nov. 22, and all except 91 of the state's 1663 precincts reported, the tally for rejection of the bill has a plurality of about 12,000. Political observers believe that this is a safe majority to defeat the bill.

In the face of overwhelmingly substantial votes for adoptions of the other three amendments on the same ballot, the see-saw contest on the Alien Land Amendment which finally nosed out the

strong clash of differing philoso-

The City and County of Denver carried by a clear majority of ten thousand votes to pass the bill. The rest of the State had a ma-

The rest of the State had a majority of 22,000 to reject the bill. The net balance is 12,000 to defeat it denoting that much of the opposition to the bill came from the rural areas.

In an analysis of the voting pattern of the City and County of Denver, the solidly Republican areas voted strongly to void the bill. The Italian and Mexican districts were strongly indicating their affirmative. On the other hand, the Negro and Jewish communities heavily disapproved of munities heavily disapproved of the measure. This might be due to the campaign carried on by Negro and Jewish organizations

The Colorado Committee For Fair Play which has carried on an extensive campaign for educating the public on the issues of the Amendment admitted that per-haps their efforts should have been redoubled among the Italian and Mexican groups.

In the race for the State House of Representatives 15 contenders were to be elected from a field of 30 candidates. Incum-bent Earl Mann placed with the fourth largest number of votes. Mann had been active in combatting the anti-alien land measure when it was considered at

sure when it was considered at the special legislative session last February. Mann is a Negro.

Outstanding in denouncing the vicious character of the bill, Arthur A. Brooks, Jr. was in the running for the state senatorial seat. Several of his colleagues felt that his position in defending the rights of alien Japanese was jeopardizing his election. Though he was the strongest contender in the primary, he was just able to

the primary, he was just able to gain the post of state senator. Proponents of the Amendment had threatened that the bill would not affect many of Japanese de-scent but that it would be "an proponents is indicative either of opening wedge for other restrictive ambiguous wording or the tive measures."

# — Nisei in Uniform ——

By the Crusaders
T/5 Masami Yamato, whose address is now: 540th Repl. Co.,
APO 372, % Postmaster N. Y.,
N. Y., writes:

"I'm no longer with the old atfit. A close shell fixed that up for me—so here I am in a re-placement depot awaiting my new assignment under limited service status while the rest of the boys are somewhere in France having a tough time fighting the Jerries as well as other elements."

Yamato of Paia, Maui, was with the 442nd Service Company.

#### And Aloha

From some embarkation point, T/5 George Chinen sent the following note of "aloha" . . . aloha

lowing note of "aloha" . . . aloha for awhile.

"In a short while, we will be far away. We've been waiting and training a long time for this. I'm glad to be going.

"We will be going into battle, not with illusions of glory, but with high ideals and grim determination. We know that in our hands rests the future happiness of our parents, our families, and our friends. And above all, I'd like to believe that we are fighting to create a new world, a world in which our little sisters and brothers, and the millions of other brothers, and the millions of other children like them, can grow up and live in peace and security.
For that cause, I gladly fight and
give my life if need be. Some
day, you will know the answer to

the question that haunts all of us whether we, too, shall have fought and perhaps died in vain or not. With the help of God, we won't Aloha, George."

#### In Hospital

I was discharged twice but I'm back in again for the third time. At the present time, I'm classed as limited service and I'm working here doing a little typing and this an' that. I don't know if this is an' that. I don't know if this is going to be a permanent assign-ment for me, but as far as that goes, I'll have to wait. For a while I thought I had a chance of maybe going back to the states but so far no hope. I feel lucky that I'm through as far as the fighting is concerned, but my heart is still with the boys in France."

across with Co. L.

## From the Frying Pan

By BILL HOSOKAWA

#### The Andy Hales and the Super-Patriots

EDITORIAL

DIGEST

The New Republic, noted progressive weekly, noted on Oct. 30 that "liberalism recently won a

victory" in California in regard to the Esther Takei case in Pasa-

". . . the decent Americans, of whom there are plenty in California although one does not hear much about them, came to the resmuch about them.

much about them, came to the rescue. The Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, whose honorary chairman is Dr. Robert Gordon Sproul, president of the University of California, held a public meeting in Pasadena. In the chair was Dr. Robert A. Millikan, famous scientist of the California Institute of Technology, and the chief speaker was Dillon S. Myer, director of the War Relocation

director of the War Relocation Authority. Decency won out, and the disgraceful attempt to perse-cute Miss Takei was dropped."

The Milwaukee Journal again saluted Japanese American fighting men when, on Nov. 9, it told of relief troops getting to the "Lost Battalion" near St. Die in

"At the last minute," said the Journal, "relief troops got through. Who were they? Japanese Americans of the famous 442nd regiment—the outfit that had already blazed its way to glory in the toughest spots in Italy. What the relieved Yank soldiers think of their Nisei buddies is best expressed by one grateful private who said: 'Boy, they are real Americans!'"

The editorial was based upon an article by Galen Fisher in "The Christian Century," which points out recent signs of emerging tolerance on the west coast.

Others convalescing in Vaughn

are 1st Sgt. Kaz Ohka, Sgt. Stanley Serikaku, Pfc. Shigeo Suemori, Pfc. Paul Tokusato, Pfc. Kenichi Ishikawa, S/Sgt. Jiro Matsui, Pfc. Fumio Furutani, Pfc. Joe Hiron-

aka, Lt. Kudo, and Pvt. John Mat-sudaira. Vaughn Hospital is locat-ed in Hines, Ill.

Pvt. James Kakuda, also in the same replacement company, says:

"This replacement depot is like a relocation camp. We have a Red Cross building where we can

go and write letters, play ping pong, cards, checkers, chess, or get a book to read.

"I attend the movies nearly every night. You have to attend the show early in order to get a good seat cased deleges at the

couple thousand soldiers at

Action on Return

EXAMINER

OGDEN STANDARD

Our Heroic Nisei MILWAUKEE JOURNAL

Victory in Pasadena NEW REPUBLIC

dena, saying:

A barber named Andy Hale didn't like Japs, so when a wounded Nisei soldier in uniform, his tunic ablaze with service ribbons, hobbled into Hale's shop wth the aid of a crutch, Hale did what he thought was the American thing to do. He just gave the damned "Jap" the bum's rush.

The first impulse is to get boiling mad about the bigotry and blind prejudice of the Andy Hales, in Arizona where this incident took place, and elsewhere in this world. But the Andy

Hales aren't going to read this, and it wouldn't help matters a great deal even if they did. Reading a column isn't going to

change the benighted views of the Andy Hales who believe that the rights and privileges of America are the God-given gift of Anglo-Saxons alone, and damned be any foreigner — Negro, Mexican, Italian, Jap or American Indian
—who thinks he's as good as a white man.

white man.

It is deplorable that we have our Andy Hales in America. It is also deplorable that we have persons who pick the pockets of blind newspaper peddlers, who poison their mothers and abandon their children, who bribe tricycles away from children with a candy bar, who ransack the homes of servicemen's widows and try to pawn medals which some try to pawn medals which some

Yank paid for with his life.

These are incidents that in the overall picture of American life do not amount to a great deal. In newspapers they are scarcely more than one-day stories, read today and forgotten tomorrow.

But each little incident is an outrage to the American sense of human decency, and Andy Hale added to the foul record when he let his emotions overcome logic and reason.

Andy Hale joins the same class Andy Hale joins the same class of super-patriots as the unidentified man on a New York srbway car who berated a Nisei soldier for daring to have Japanese ancestors and for having the impudence to be in the U. S. army, only to discover, as did others in the car, that the Nisei Yank was blind.

We hope Andy Hale is proud of himself for the way he treated the wounded Nisei. It would not do for Andy Hale to be remorsedo for Andy Hale to be remorseful, for that is not in keeping with the spirit of his sense of patriotism. Besides, nothing would have been gained for the glorious cause of democracy—for which we presume Andy Hale believes he struck a mighty blow—if there were remorse attached to such an act of courage.

Besides, it's possible, you know.

Besides, it's possible, you know, that the wounded veteran might have struck back with his crutch, and so maybe it was an act of self-defense after all.

And we rather fancy Andy Hale's motto which he has emblazoned on his barber shop like a coat of arms: "Japs Keep Out, You Rat." Despite a somewhat obvious deficiency in its grammatical properties, it might be suggested to the 442nd Regimental Combat team as more appro-Combat team as more appropriate as a war cry than its present motto "Go For Broke." Peo-York City. When I was at the Halloran General Hospital they were nice to come over and see the boys." ple like Andy Hale might under-stand it better.

feel that somehow. taking this incident much more seriously than the Nisei veteran himself. It is altogether likely that out of the thunder and misthat out of the thunder and misery and sudden death of the battlefield, the agony of field hospitals, the tedium of long months of recuperation, he has built up a tolerant, understanding philosophy about the outlook of the Andy Hales.

The wounded Nisein probably

The wounded Nisei probably The wounded Nisei probably feels that it was an inevitable insult—inevitable so long as men are human and therefore often stupid and not always rational animals. It is probable that he feels the American army uniform was left out of it when he was affronted on the basis of his facial characteristics.

But others of us who have not had our philosophies tempered in the heat of battle cannot be so charitable. We feel that an American soldier honorably wounded in battle and wearing the decorations of meritorious service was subjected to an unnecessary and humiliating affront solely because of his racial origin.

of his racial origin.

We do not know what Andy Hale's three sons in service are fighting for if they back their father's action. But we do know that millions of GIs will condemn an insult to one of their number as unforgivable and inexcusable.

# Action permitting the return to the coast of Japanese American evacuees "may be expected," now that the elections are over, it was predicted on Nov. 8 by the Ogden Standard Examiner, which added however, that "there are signs that only about half of the 110,000 evacuees will wish to return." The editorial was based upon an Letters From Servicemen

Pvt. Harry Oda writes from the 2628 Hospital Section:
"Yes, I'm still in the hospital.

Oda, originally from San Francisco, volunteered from the Jerome Relocation Center, and went Like WRA Camp

#### At Vaughn

From Vaughn General Hospital, S/Sgt. Shinko Nohara pens: "I am doing very well and find people out here very nice. There are many boys from the 100th and 442nd in here. It seems that all the haole officers and enthat all the haole officers and enlisted men I've come across here know the famous fighting one puka-puka. I can say the boys are really doing a good job over there. I remember the fun we had with the Jerries (SS Troopers) at Beliand vedere. As you read in The Yank, the Battalion won the War Dept. citation. It's one of the highlights to remember but there are many

couple thousand soldiers at the show. They have a news broadcast before the show starts. You can hear a lot of talking before the news starts, but once it starts, everyone is so quiet you can hear a pin drop. That shows how interested everyone is in the progress of this war, both here and in the South Pacific." others.

"By the way, do you know Mary Nakano and Yoneko Ichiki from Rohwer? They are now in New prior to his injury.

gress of this war, both here and in the South Pacific."

Kakuda was with Company L, prior to his injury.

# ANN NISEI'S COLUMN

#### Directions for Men's Argyle Socks

Two ounces scotch fingering, 3 ply. One ounce each light and dark contrast color. Sock needles No. 1.

Size 10.

With main color (M) cast on 68 sts loosely on one needle. Do

not join. Using only two needles work back and forth in ribbing of k 1, p 1 for 4½ inches.

Break off ball of M. Divide dark (D) and light (L) contrast into two balls each and start diamond pattern. Always twist yarns around each other when chapting colors to prevent make changing colors to prevent making hole.

1st row: Attach ball of L and k 1 L, attach ball of D and k 32 D, attach ball of M and k 2 M, attach 2nd ball of D and k 32 D, attach 2nd ball of L and k1 L.

2nd row: Purl across as follows: 2 L, 30 D, 4 M, 30 D, 2 L.

3rd row: K 3 L, 28 D, 6 M, 28

4th row: Purl 4 L, 26 D, 8 M, 26 D, 4 L. Continue in this manner, decreasing D diamonds and increasing L and M diamonds on each row until, ending with a knit row, sts are on needles as follows: 17 L, 34 M, 17 L, (D half-diamonds have been completed.)

Next row: Purl back, using same colors as on previous row. Following row: Knit 16 L, 2 D, 32 M, 2 D, 16 L, thus starting new M diamonds.

Next row: Purl 15 L, 4 D, 30 M, 4 D, 15 L. Continue in pattern as before, but increasing D diamonds and decreasing L and M diamonds until, ending with a purl row, sts are on needle as follows: 1 L, 32 D, 2 M, 32 D,

Break off balls of L and M, wind a second ball of M and work as follows:

Next row: Attaching colors as necessary, knit 1 M, 32 D, 2 L, 32 D, 1 M.

Next row: Purl 2 M, 30 D, 4 L, 30 D, 2 M. Continue working in diamond pattern as before until, ending with a knit row, sts are on needle as follows: 17M, 34 L, 17 M, (D diamonds are complet-

ed.)
Next row: purl back, using same colors as on previous row. Following row: knit 16 M, 2 D,

Following row: knit 16 M, 2 D, 32 L, 2 D, 16 M. Continue in pattern until, ending with a purl row, sts are on needle as follows: 1 M, 32 D, 2 L, 32 D, 1 M.

Heel: Break off all balls of yarn. Attach ball of M and work back and forth in stockinette stitch with M over the 1st 17 sts for one-half of heel for 26 rows, ending with a purl row. To rows, ending with a purl row. To turn this half of heel, k 2 sts, turn this half of heel, k 2 sts, slip 1 st, k 1, pass slipped stover the knit st, k 1, turn. Slip 1 st, p 3, turn. Knit 3 sts, slip 1 st. k 1, pass the slipped stitch over the knit st, k 1, turn. Slip 1 st. p 4, turn. Knit 4 sts, slip 1 st. k 1, pass the slipped st over the pass the slipped st over the

knit st, k 1, turn. Continue in this manner until all sts have been worked and 10 Dr. and Mrs. Izamu Tak sts remain on needle, ending with a knit row. With M pick up 14 sts along side of heel, then slip next 34 instep sts onto same needle. Attach second ball of M for other helf of heel and work lest 17 sts. half of heel and work last 17 sts in stockinette stitch with M for 25 rows, ending with a knit row. To turn this half of heel, purl 2, p 2 together, p 1, turn. Slip 1 st, k 3, turn. Purl 3, purl 2 together, p 1, turn. Slip 1 st, k 4, turn. Continue in this way until all sts have been worked and 10 sts remain on needle, ending with a purl row. Break yarn. Slip 34 instep sts back onto this needle, turn, and attaching yarn as necessary, work across instep sts as follows but all the best states. follows: knit 16 D, then knit 2 M. Knit 16 D, attach another ball of M and pick up 14 sts along side of heel, then knit last 10 heel sts with M. There are 82 sts on needle.

Following row: Purl 24 M, in-

per a marker on needle, purl 15 D, p 4 M, purl 15 D, insert a marker on needle, purl 24 M.

Instep: 1st row: With M knit across to 2 sts before marker, then k 2 together, slip marker, work in pattern across part 24 work in pattern across next 34 sts, slip marker, with M slip 1 st, k 1, pass slipped stitch over knit st, knit to end of row.

2nd Row: Purl across to marker, with M slip marker, purl in

with M, slip marker, purl in tern across 34 instep sts, slip

marker, with M purl to end of row. Repeat these 2 rows alternately until there are 34 sts in center diamond, ending with a

knit row.
Next row: Purl back, using same colors.

Following row: Decrease for in-step as before, slip marker, K 1 D, work 32 sts of center diamond k 1 D, slip marker, decrease and finish row. Continue to work in pattern, working D half diamonds on each side of center diamond and decreasing as before until 64 sts remain.

Work in pattern with sts at outside of markers in M until only 2 sts remain on center diamond. Break off center ball of yarn, attach ball of L at center and start new diamond. Work as before, increasing center diamond until, ending with a knit row, there are 34 sts in center diamond and D half-diamonds have been completed.

Next row: Purl back, using same colors.

Continue in pattern until piece measures from back of heel, end-ing with a purl row, 7½ inches for size 10. (Or 8½ inches for size 11.),

Break off all but 1st ball of M. Divide sts on 3 needles, having the center 32 sts of instep on one (second) needle and dividing remaining sts on 2 needles for sole. Join and work around in stockin-ette stitch for ½ inch.

Toe: 1st round: Starting at center of sole, knit to 2 sts from end of 1st needle, k 2 together. On 2nd needle, knit 2 together, knit to last 2 sts, k 2 together. 2nd round: knit around. Repeat these 2 rounds alternately until 24 stitches round:

24 stitches remain. Weave stitches together.

Sew up back seam.

#### JACL PRESIDENT ADMITTED TO **UTAH STATE BAR**

Saburo Kido, national president of the JACL, was admitted to the Utah Bar on Nov. 14 on the pro-posal of W. Lee Skanchy and ap-proval of James H. Wolfe, chief justice of the State Supreme

Mr. Kido was admitted to law practice in Utah through reciprocity with the State of California where he has practiced law for 16 years, it was stated.

He was also recently admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States.

Seven young lawyers were also admitted to the Utah Bar this week, among them Toru Sakahara, formerly of Tacoma, Wash, and a graduate of the University of Utah Law school.

#### First Nisei Couple Wed in Steel City

GARY, Ind.—Miss Viola Takeda and George Kitahara became the first Nisei couple to be wed in Gary, Ind., upon their marriage November 5 at the Grace Lutheran church.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Izamu Takeda, while Mrs. T. T. Yatabe, sang "O Promthe bridegroom is the son of Mr. ise Me" and "Because" to the and Mrs. Ichizo Kitahara.

## Letter-Box FROM OUR **READERS**

Editor, The Pacific Citizen:

It might interest you to know that the people of Japanese ancestry in this little community of Kaneohe on the island of Oahu are kaneone on the island of Oahu are doing their share to combat racial prejudice and to encourage the bonds of common brotherhood.

The Henry Parker Memorial Church whose pastors are the Revs. C. P. Goto and James Terauchi invites servicemen stationed.

auchi invites servicemen stationed in the area to attend services and join in the weekly get-together afterwards. Though the church in Kaneohe is situated in the country, soldiers stationed in the city of Honolulu have been known to of Honolulu have been known to journey down the Nuuanu Pali to attend as regularly as possible. Oftentimes the congregation is composed of three-fourths or more of service personnel. Chaplains, officers and "service regulars" alike attend.

The luncheon which is served after the service is prepared by "mama - sans," American - Japanese high school girls as well as young matrons. Credit should also go to the junior girls who do the odds and ends of work and whose ages range from 10 to four-teen. Money to maintain the luncheons is donated by the residents of Japanese appears in the case.

of Japanese ancestry in the area, most of whom are farmers.

Occasionally, "luaus" (Hawaiian feasts) are held to celebrate important dates like Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.

Sincerely, Mary Hirakawa, Kaneohe, Oahu.

#### Corrections

Dear Sir:

As I was reading your last is-sue's paper I came across a column about Sgt. Motonaga. noticed that you have made several mistakes in the last paragraph.

Sgt. Motonaga has never lived in Heart Mountain, nor was he drafted in Oklahoma. Although he has a mother and sister living at Heart Mountain and also has an-other sister who has relocated to Minneapolis, he has never lived in any relocation center.

Sgt. Motonaga lived in Los Angeles and before Pearl Harbor, in geles and before Pearl Harbor, in October, 1941, he was drafted and completed his 13-weeks basic at Fort Warren, Wyo. From there he was sent to Camp Barkeley, Texas and when the Nisei combat team was organized he quickly volunteered. He was one of the first group who was sent to the new camp which was to train the 442nd. He was then stationed at Camp Shelby over a year with the 522nd F. A. until the time he was sent overseas last June with the 442nd.

-A Reader.

(Editorial note: The story on Sgt. Motonaga was sent out as a War department release and re-printed by the Pacific Citizen. This paper regrets that it inadvertantly reprinted errors contained in the release.)

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# TIMELY TOPICS

By SABURO KIDO

Credit Union Report Pleasant Surprise

The latest report of the JACL Credit Union was a pleasant surprise. It shows that there are members who are systematically saving their hard earned dollars. The accumulation of \$7,800 by 137 members is a good start. There is considerable room for expansion because of the total membership of the JACL itself. Hito Okada, the manager, states that the JA-CL Credit Union has made splendid progress in comparison with other groups.

other groups.

A goal of \$10,000 by Christmas has been set. If the members save an average of about \$10 a month 137 members would be saving \$1370 each month and over \$16,000 in one year. And if this pace should be kept up for a few years, the credit union could grow into an important financial institution.

The record established by our Issei as far as banking is concerned has made every one skeptical. All the banks organized have closed their doors. The favorite story we used to hear in California was that the Bank of America was started by A. P. Giannini at the same time as the one by Issei in San Francisco. One has grown into a powerful bank and the other disappeared long

The 1944 objective has been set as \$10,000. This should not be difficult if the members scrimp here and there for the next two months. Once this goal is reached, the second \$10,000 should be eas-

There are good prospects for a dividend. As a perennial optimist, we are looking forward to the day

when the JACL Credit Union will be a large, strong financial insti-tution, serving as a steadying factor in the economic life of the

Developments have made it necessary that another conference be called by the National JACL. The structure of the organization may need overhauling. Future plans must be studied in the light of the must be studied in the light of the happenings of the past two years. When the last gathering assembled in Salt Lake City in November of 1942, most of the delegates were from the relocation centers. The situation will be different at the forthcoming meeting to be the forthcoming meeting to be held from December 1 to 3 inclusive in that representatives will be from the "free zone" chiefly.

National headquarters has had change in personnel it has in

a change in personnel; it has increased its offices and staff members; and it has sailed through financial storms which nearly sank the organization. The time has come to take an inventory as far as the organization is concerned.

The change in the outlook for Nisei makes it necessary that further study be given as to what the JACL should do to help improve the position of persons of Japanese parentage in this country.

All former chapters should have their delegates together with those which are active today. their

Although the conference will be small as far as number is concerned, the deliberations should be of significance to all Nisei. Problems of post-war planning, reset-tlement in the Middle West and the East and the return to the Pacific Coast should be some of the non-organizational matters which must be taken up.

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# Three GI Veterans of Italy Campaign Reunited in Iowa

DES MOINES, Ia.-Three Am-DES MOINES, Ia.—Three American GIs, two of them of Japanese ancestry, were reunited in Des Moines last week, thus reliving a friendship that began during the attack of the famous Mth division against the Germans

The GIs are Tech. 4th Gr. For-rest Bark of 1712 Ninth St., Des Noines, and Staff Sergeant Kat-sumi Murai and Tech. Sgt. Rich-ard Oki of Honolulu.

Technician Bark had been over ess for about a year with Iowa's amous 34th Infantry when the apanese Americans joined the led Bull division.

Red Bull division.

"We did everything together in Italy," Technician Bark said. "In fact we did everything a GI can possibly do in a foreign country. Iurai, Oki and I spent all our rest periods together while we were in laby."

taly."
The three men received their furloughs at the same time and returned to the United States to t after many gruelling months

The three stopped at Chicago, from where Bark went to Des Moines to visit his wife and par-

"We got to thinking of Bark and decided to surprise him," Sgt. Oki said. "In a few days we are going on to Waterloo and other owa towns to see some more of the boys that were with us in the

Following their furloughs, Sgts. Murai and Oki will report to Fort Sheridan, Ill., and Technician Bark to Jefferson Barracks, Mo. Their tope is that if they are reassigned to overseas duty they will be able to stick together until after the

Then I'm going to Honolulu surprise Murai and Oki," chinician Bark said.

Sgts. Oki and Murai both wear

presidential unit citation, the bat infantryman's badge as el as campaign ribbons.

r, and Sgt. Murai wears the ple Heart, awarded for a hip and received during the fightat Cassino.

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#### WRA Closes Four Field Offices

RIVERS, Ariz.—Four WRA re-location offices located at Bill-ings, Mont., Scottsbluff, Nebr., Casper, Wyo., and Grand Junction, Colo., will be closed during the month of November, it was reported in the News-Courier.

#### Nisei Anthropologist Volunteers for Service in WAC

CHICAGO-Tamie Tsuchiyama, 29, an anthropologist studying for a doctor of philosophy degree, was sworn into the Women's Army Corps on Nov. 9 in Chicago.

Miss Tsuchiyama, who came to Chicago from the Colorado River relocation center at Poston, ex-pects to begin her basic training at Fort Des Moines, Ia., in about two weeks.

Prior to her enlistment, Miss Tsuchiyama worked as a reader in the anthropology department at the University of Chicago. Born in Hawaii, she was educated at the University of Hawaii and the University of California and speaks several languages.

She expressed no preferences regarding service, but declared she "wants to do her bit."

#### Kelley's Committee Holds Meeting

PASADENA, Calif.—The "Ban the Japs" committee conducted its second meeting in the Pasadena Public Library on Nov. 3.

George L. Kelley, president of the committee, declared that his group intends to seek a constitutional amendment barring persons of Japanese ancestry and will ask for a moratorium on the will ask for a moratorium on the return of Japanese American evacuees until six months after

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To Mr. and Mrs. Tadao Kimura (3219-G, Tule Lake) a girl on Oct. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shinichi Yama-saki (1501-C, Tule Lake) a boy

on Oct. 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takayoshi Ichikawa (7703-E, T le Lake) a boy on Oct. 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Akune (418-C, Tule Lake) a boy on Oct.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eichi Yama-moto (4007-A, Tule Lake) a girl on Oct. 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Kusumoto (7005-E, Tule Lake) a girl on

To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Yamashita (3215-D, Tule Lake) a boy on Oct. 27.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harumi Sakai (5613-F, Tule Lake) a boy on Oct. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hachi Yasuk-ochi (7001-E, Tule Lake) a girl on Oct. 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Nishi (15-20-BX, Ht. Mountain) a girl

To Mr. and Mrs. Masakatsu Kito (2-14-E, Ht. Mountain) a girl on Nov. 4. To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Higa

1-8-F, Ht. Mountain) a boy on To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nouchi (25-21-D, Ht. Mountain) a girl on

Nov. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mura-kami (1-17-F, Ht. Mountain) a boy on Nov. 8.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tokuichi Nohara (27-11-C, Ht. Mountain) a girl on Nov. 8.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Miki (14-2-F. Ht. Mountain) a girl on Nov.

2-F, Ht. Mountain) a girl on Nov.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadao Kuruma (6E-11C, Granada) a boy on Oct.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shuji Imai 7K-5D. Granada) a girl on Oct. 16. To Mr. and Mrs. Hifumi Ogata (11K-1A, Granada) a boy on Oct.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Otani (11F-2A, Granada) a girl on Oct.

18.
To Mr. and Mrs. Kaneto Kinoshita (6-5-A, Poston) a boy on Nov.

To Mr. and Mrs. Namba (13-2-B, Rohwer) a girl on Nov. 6.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Hata-naka (13-6-E, Rohwer) a girl on

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Takashi Miyamoto (63-4-A, Gila River) a

miyamoto (53-4-A, Gila River) a girl on Oct. 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Masanori Oyama (55-12-A, Gila River) a boy on Oct. 31.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Masatoshi Fujii of Fort Lupton, Colo., a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. Hirata, (26-3-C. Rohwer) a girl on Oct. 19 3-C, Rohwer) a girl on Oct. 19. To Mr. and Mrs. Shingu Sato

(4-10-D, Rohwer) a boy on Nov. 7. To Mr. and Mrs. Toshimitsu Omote (1-8-B, Rohwer) a boy on

Nov. 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Haraguchi (14-12-C, Topaz) a boy on Nov. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Okimo-(11-2-D, Topaz) a girl on Nov.

To Mr. and Mrs. Nobuo Otani (316-13-F, Poston) a boy on Nov.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Ninomiya (211-13-F, Poston) a girl on Nov. 7. To Mr. and Mrs. Kumagoro Na-

gata (8-3-B, Gila River) a boy on Nov. 3.

#### DEATHS

Toshio Seki, 52, (6707-B, Tule Lake) on Oct. 24. Wasuke Hirota, 71, (14-8-A, Heart Mountain) on Nov. 5. Kumataro Sumihiro, 69, (14-22-B, Ht. Mountain) on Nov. 9.

Taketaro Okawachi, 67, (5-7-B, Topaz) on Nov. 10.
Setsu Suganuma, 64, (36-4-D, Poston) on Nov. 4.
Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Shiromatsu Horiba (20.1 A Poston)

gematsu Horibe (39-1-A, Poston) on Nov. 5.

Juisho Hiraga (33-1-B, Gila River) on Oct. 31.

Yai Masunaga (47-11-A, Gila River) on Oct. 31.

Setsuko Matsubara (33-14-B, Gila River) on Nov. 8.

Veeno Vamanake, 52. (40-12-F.

Yaeno Yamanake, 52, (40-12-F, Rohwer) on Nov. 8.

Kikujiro Marumoto, 66, (7G-5C, Granada) on Oct. 16. Noakichi Oda, 66, on Nov. 7 in Ogden, Utah.

#### MARRIAGES

Kathleen Sonoda to George Shimada on Oct. 21 at Tule Lake. Lillian Tokuda to Pvt. Tommy Imamura on Nov. 3 at Hatties-

burg, Miss.
Kiyomi Dodo to Pvt. Yoshio
Inouye on Oct. 11 at Rohwer.

# Seattle Nisei Cited for Aid To Wounded During Battle

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—For three hours, during heavy enemy bombardment, Private First Class Frank T. Okita, of Seattle, Washington, aid man with the Japanese American 442nd Regimental Combat Team, recently ministered to the wounded and supervised their evacuation to

Southwest of Castellina, Italy, in the vicinity of Hill 140 on the Fifth Army front, Okita's heavy weapons company was dug in to withstand a heavy German bombardment of artillery and heavy mortars.

When a buddy was wounded, he left the safety of his slit trench and moved to the forward slope, where enemy fire was heaviest, to administer first aid. He then carried the control of the ried the injured man to his own slit trench, and for several min-utes, lying prone on the outside of the trench, Okita calmed the

wounded comrade. He returned to the forward slope and for three hours, during the bombardment, remained in the danger zone, caring for the wounded and supervising their re-moval to places of safety.

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Okita was a student at the University of Washington when evacuated from his home in Seattle along with other persons of Japanese ancestry. He volunteered anese ancestry. He volunteered for combat duty from the Minidoka Relocation Center, from which his mother, Mrs. Fusao N. Okita, later relocated to Cincinnati, Ohio. He entered service at Fort Douglas, Salt Lake City, Utah, May 1, 1943.

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# New York Newspaper Salutes Nisei Sergeant in Air Force

NEW YORK — The New York daily, PM, saluted a Japanese American soldier, Staff Sgt. Kenje Ogata of the Army Air Forces, in its daily feature, "Hats Off," on New 6

"We're proud to salute Sgt. Ogata and all the other boys who are in the fight to wipe out racial and national hatred," the New York newspaper declared.

In the story under an ink sketch f the Japanese American, PM

said:
"Today PM is taking its hat
off to an American who also
happens to be of Japanese ancestry. He is Staff Sgt. Kenje

Air Medal for outstanding service with a B-24 (Liberator) group fighting in Italy. Ogata, popular among his bomber buddies, is a native American whose home is in Sterling, Ill. That makes the Sergeant pretty much of a boy from Main St., and we feel he represents the patriotic efforts of many Japanese Americans. At a time when the reactionary press is sniping at such people, and when the Presiden-tial campaign is polluted with racial and 'anti-foreign' smears, we're proud to salute Sgt. Ogata and all the other boys who are in the fight to wipe out racial and national hatred."

## **WRA Disputes Figures Given By Anti-Evacuee Committee**

Estimates of 2500 Farmers Out of Line With Facts, Charge

SANTA BARBARA, Calif.—R. B. Cozzens, assistant director of the War Relocation Authority last week disputed a statement made by Robert E. Easton, chairman of the California Citizens Committee, that an estimated 2500 persons of Japanese ancestry engaged in agriculture and controlled 12,000 agreetiture and controlled 12,000 acres of farm lands in Santa Barbara county before Lieut. Gen. L. DeWitt's order excluded them from the West Coast.

The committee headed by Easton reportedly has obtained the pledges of more than 1200 farmers in the Santa Maria and Lompoc valleys that they will not sell or lease to American citizens of Japanese ancestry after the war.

Denial of the correctness of Easton's figures was carried in a letter from the WRA official. Cozzens wrote:

zens wrote:

"These statistics are entirely out of line with the facts. We have checked and found altogether that there were 2187 people (men, women and children) of Japanese ancestry in the country. Of this number only 461 were engaged in agriculture which includes farm laborers. Only 71 farms were operated by people of Japanese descent; only four were fully owned; two were partly ownfully owned; two were partly owned; three were managed and 53 were tenant operated.

"The figure of 12,000 acres operated is close, being 11,956.5. Of this number 142.5 acres were owned by persons of Japanese ances-

"The farm average owned or op-

"The farm average owned or operated is 1.4 per cent of the total county farm acreage."

In reply, Easton said it is true that the large Japanese operators employed Filipinos and Mexicans for stoop labor, and declared the statement that only 71 farms were operated by people of Japanese ancestry to be misleading. He named persons of Japanese ancestry who allegedly operated 3500, 3000, and 1500-acre farms.

"No explanation is given," Easton said, "as to the basis of the

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#### Davis County PTA Votes 4 to 1 to Hire Nisei Nurse

CLEARFIELD, Utah-Members of the Davis high and North Davis junior high or-ganizations voted 64 to 16 in favor of hiring a Japanese American nurse in the county health program at a meeting

on Nov. 9.
Mrs. Francis M. Seegmiller, county president, told the members that the Japanese American girl was the only nurse available at the present time and asked for a vote.

#### Nisei Girls Plan Tea Dance for GIs

CHICAGO—Anticipating a large number of service men in Chicago during the Thanksgiving Day hol-idays, the newly organized girl's idays, the newly organized girl's "Y" club will sponsor a tea-dance at the Loop YWCA, 59 E. Monroe St. on November 23. It will be held in the lounge and gymnasium from 1:00 to 5:00 o'clock. Plans for the afternoon are in charge of committees headed by Aya Funa-biki, Bessie Takeyama and Sono Kenmotsu.

Not only the members of the club, but other Chicago girls are invited. However, the men will be limited to service personnel only.

This "Y" club sponsored a successful dance at the YWCA on November 11. More than 400 persons attended. Some 10 service men, all members of the Chicago men, all members of the Chicago WRA staff, representatives of the YWCA and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer L. Shirrell were among those pre-

percentage in the statement that Japanese owned or operated 1.4 per cent of the total county farming acreage. It is a well known fact that the Japanese operate only irrigable land and that therefore the total farming acreage in the county should not be considered. The admitted figure of approximately 12,000 acres would indicate that the Japanese controlled from 40 to 50 per cent of the To-tal irrigable land in the Santa Maria and Lompoc valleys."

## JACL to Hold Conference on Nisei Future

Japanese American Problems Will Be Discussed at Meet

The second national conference of the Japanese American Citizens League in two years will be held Dec. 1, 2 and 3 in Salt Lake City at the Japanese Christian church, it was reported here this week at the national headquarters of the JACL.

Major topics of discussion will be postwar planning and return to the Pacific coast evacuated areas of persons of Japanese an-

Togo Tanaka, former editor of the Los Angeles Japanese News, and Masao Satow, YMCA representative, will appear as special guests at discussion groups.

Invitations have been sent to community councils and block manager groups of the eight relocation centers to send special observers to the conference. Sixteen JACL chapters will send

#### Nisei Rookie Shows Marksmanship

POSTON, Ariz. — Pfc. Minoru Shigematsu, a rookie who had never before stepped up to the firing line with a rifle, recently turned in a brilliant 200 for his company during a marksmanship workout of Co. D, 171st Infantry Battalion at Camp Shelby.

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Carey McWilliams Will Speak to Chicago Nisei

CHICAGO—Carey McWilliams, author of the bestseller, "Prijudice." the story of Japanese Americans and the evacuation, will address Chicago Nisei on Sunday, November 26 at the Olivet Institute at 8 p.m., according to the Chicago chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Former California state commissioner on immigration and housing, McWilliams is the ac-knowledged national expert on minority problems. His reputa-tion has been built upon several books on this question, including
"Factories in the Fields," "Brothers Under the Skin" and "Ill
Fares the Land," and upon McWilliams' active participation in
issues facing racial minorities.

Earlier this month he spoke in Denver against passage of Amend-ment No. 3, the anti-alien land amendment which was defeated Nov. 7.

While McWilliams has addressa large number of Nisei groups in the past, this will be his first for a Nisei audience in Chicago.

Directions for reaching the Olivet Institute, 1441 N. Cleveland, were given by the Chicago JACL as follows: Cleveland Avenue is 500 West. By street car: take any car running north and south to North avenue (1600 North). Take North avenue car to Cleveland avenue and walk south. By elevated: Take Wilson avenue local, get off at Sedgwick Station and walk two blocks west to Cleveland avenue.

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## **NBC** Speaker **Would Deport** Nisei from U.S.

Larry Smith Visits Fresno to Open War Loan Campaign

FRESNO, Calif. - In Fresno to help local schools conduct a special Sixth War Loan drive, Larry Smith, NBC commentator, asserted on November 13 that all "disloyal" Japanese should be compelled and all "loyal" persons of Japanese ancestry asked to "re-turn" to Japan after the war.

Smith, who is scheduled to discuss his Far Eastern experiences before various civic organizations in the Fresno area as part of the Sixth War Loan drive, said that he hoped to see a postwar America in which the only persons of Japanese ancestry will be forced labor, the Fresno Bee reported.

Smith's schedule included appearances in the Alexander Hamilton Junior high school, Fresno high school and Edison Technical and junior high schools.

#### Inter-Faith Group Opens Hostel in Washington D. C.

TOPAZ, Utah — A new hostel for relocators has been opened in Washington at 2311 Pennsylvania avenue under sponsorship of the Inter-Faith Committee of the Washington Council of Churches, according to the Topaz Times. Mr. and Mrs. Parker Barrett will act as hostel directors.

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