

# 30 Nisei Killed, 188 Wounded on Italy Front

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### Latest Japanese American Combat Casualties Announced By Office of War Information

WASHINGTON—The Office of War Information this week identified 30 American soldiers of Japanese ancestry killed and 188 wounded in action on the European front.

All of the soldiers were presumably members of the 442nd Infantry Regiment and had participated in the Japanese American unit's recent offensive on the Italian front.

All next of kin of soldiers have previously been notified by the War Department.

#### Killed in Action in Europe

##### ARIZONA

ENDO, Pfc. Hiroo H.—Mrs. Fusako Endo, mother, 221-8-C, Poston.

KANADA, Pvt. James J.—Sam Kanada, father, 21-3-B, Rivers.

TAKASUGI, Sgt. Katsumi L.—Mrs. T. Takasugi, mother, 64-9-D, Rivers.

##### ARKANSAS

HOZAKI, Pfc. Toshio—Kyuji Hozaki, father, 11-5-B, Rohwer. IMAMOTO, T/4 William I.—Mrs. Alice T. Fujinami, sister, 38-10-A, Rohwer.

KISHI, Pfc. Robert T.—Yakumatsu F. Kishi, father, Rohwer.

##### CALIFORNIA

MUNEMORI, Pfc. Sadao S.—Mrs. Nawa Munemori, mother, Manzanar.

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INATSU, Pfc. Masami—Mrs. Toshiko M. Inatsu, wife, Route 1, Box 07, Stockyard Station, Denver.

KAWAMOTO, Pvt. Haruo—Saburo Kawamoto, father, 12F-60, Granada.

SHIMADA, Pvt. George M.—Mrs. Grace H. Shimada, wife, Route 1, Box 228, Greeley.

##### IDAHO

HOSODA, Pvt. Earl—Max Hosoda, father, Route 1, Emmett.

ISHIDA, T/4 Haruo — Mrs. Asano Ishida, mother, 40-2-F, Hunt.

NAGANO, Pvt. Hiroshi—Tsutaichi Nagano, father, Route 1, Pingree.

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IKEFUGI, Pfc. Lloyd—Mrs. Shigeyo Y. Ikefugi, mother, 112 Winter Ave., Staten Island.

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OTA, Pvt. Roy—Miss Rei Ota, sister, 2691 Wadsworth Rd. Cleveland.

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##### HAWAII

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KIRITO, Pfc. Toshio—Tsuru Kirito, uncle, Box 367, Pahala, Hawaii.

MIYAMOTO, Pfc. Thomas T.—William S. Miyamoto, brother, 31 Hialoa St., Honolulu.

NAKAGAWA, Pfc. Hiro—Mrs. Fumiko Hayashi, sister, Waimea Kauai.

NAKAMA, Pfc. Shigenori—Miss Elaine Nakama, sister, Kahuku Hospital, Kahuku, Oahu.

OKUMA, Pvt. Seiei—Masao Okuma, brother, 2111 Wilcox Road, Honolulu.

SEKIMURA, Pfc. Koichi K.—Mrs. Machiyo Sekimura, mother, 86 C Liholiho St., Hilo, Hawaii.

TERAMOTO, Pfc. Shizuo—Saichiro Teramoto, father, Pepee-ko, Hawaii.

YONAMINE, S/Sgt. Hideo—Mrs. James Iwata, sister, Box 209, Waialua, Oahu.

YOSHIMURA, Pfc. Jacob Y.—Choichi Yoshimura, father, Waiakeauka Camp No. 6, Hilo, Hawaii.

#### Wounded in Action in Europe

##### ARIZONA

DOI, Pfc. Toichi—Tonokichi H. Doi, father, 25-13-C, Rivers.

HARADA, Pfc. George—Mrs. Kinu Naoaka, mother, 7-7-B, Rivers.

HASHIGUCHI, Pfc. Henry S.—Frank K. Hashiguchi, father, 322-5-C, Poston.

IMAGAWA, Pfc. Junichi—S. Imagawa, father, 31-8-C, Poston.

KAIDA, Pvt. Hideo—Mrs. Itsuno Kaida, mother, 57-2-A, Rivers.

KATAOKA, Pfc. Tom—Mrs. Yoshiko Kataoka, mother, 23-10-A, Rivers.

KATO, Pfc. Tadakazu M.—Mrs. Utae Kato, 20-12-A, Rivers.

KUMAGAI, Pfc. Frank T.—Mrs. Chikano Kumagai, mother, 53-11-B, Poston.

MAYEDA, Pfc. Hideo C.—Minoru Mayeda, father, 52-8-B, Rivers.

MORIKAWA, Pvt. Bill M.—Magohachi Morikawa, father, 327-7-B, Poston.

MORIMOTO, Pvt. Sam S.—Mrs. Musue Morimoto, mother, 322-9-8, Poston.

MUKAI, Pvt. Alvino—Louis Mukai, father, 8th St., Glendale.

MURAKAMI, Pfc. Yukito N.—Mrs. Sano Murakami, mother, 44-5-C, Poston.

NAKADA, Pfc. George—Mrs. Kagi Nakada, mother, 47-9-AB, Rivers.

OGAWA, Sgt. Yoshio — Chiyo Ogawa, mother, 213-13-B, Poston.

OKINO, Pvt. Hiroshi—Miss Ichika Okino, sister, 327-10-A, Poston.

SAKAMOTO, Sgt. Harry—Mrs. Kikue Sakamoto, mother, 48-9-A, Rivers.

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### 442nd Infantry Occupies Turin, Climaxing Coastal Offensive

#### Japanese Brazilians Fighting in Italy, Says Nisei Soldier

Brazilian citizens of Japanese ancestry are fighting in the Brazilian Expeditionary Force now in action in Italy, the Pacific Citizen was informed this week.

One Japanese American soldier who has been in action in Italy recently reports of having met a Brazilian soldier named Kato who told him there were other Japanese Brazilians in the unit.

(Brazil has a population of between 250,000 and 300,000 persons of Japanese ancestry.)

### Trio to Face New Charges Of Violations

#### Defendants Acquitted Of Terrorist Activity Against Nisei Farmer

AUBURN, Calif.—Acquitted by a Placer county jury of charges of arson and attempted dynamiting of the farm property of a Japanese American farmer, James E. Watson, Auburn bartender, and Pvts. Alvin and Elmer Johnson were not through with the law this week.

Watson, 38, one of those who had been accused of the attempted dynamiting, was given a preliminary hearing on April 27 on eight counts of contributing to the delinquency of minors and sale of alcoholic beverages to minors.

The charges are the outgrowth of testimony given in the trial of Watson and the Johnson brothers over terroristic attacks against the property of Sumio Doi.

Witnesses called in the Watson hearing were the Johnson brothers.

Two teen-age girls testified in the Doi raid trial they and the three men had been drinking heavily the night the attacks were made against Doi's property.

Watson was arrested on the new charges on April 26 and was set free when he produced \$5,000 bail.

Meanwhile, Captain Karl Rupp, provost marshal at DeWitt General Hospital, took the two Johnson brothers into custody on charges of being AWOL from Camp Knight, Calif., and Fort Riley, Kan., respectively at the time they were accused of participating in the raids on the Doi farm.

District Attorney C. E. Tindall announced he does not expect to proceed with the case of Claude P. Watson, 35, brother of James E. Watson in view of the acquittal verdict in the trial of the Johnson brothers and James Watson. Watson was originally scheduled to be tried with the other three defendants, but the court ruled that he should have a separate trial since he admittedly was not involved in the trip which resulted in the arson charge.

#### Sumio Doi Takes Pre-Induction Physical Test

AUBURN, Calif. — Sumio Doi, Japanese American rancher and the recent victim of a terrorist plot, this week awaited a report on a pre-induction physical examination.

Doi was the principal prosecution witness in the trial of three men who were acquitted last week on charges of arson and illegal use of dynamite.

### Big Italian Industrial City Entered by Nisei Americans; Genoa Also Taken in Drive

In one of the final operations of the war in Italy, the 442nd Infantry Regiment, composed of Americans of Japanese ancestry, stormed into the great industrial center of Turin, one of the main cities of northern Italy, on April 30 and found it completely under the control of Italian partisans.

The Japanese Americans, who were previously reported to have occupied Genoa in dispatches published on April 28, were credited with being in Turin, a city of 629,115 persons, to complete an offensive along the western coast of Italy which was renewed on April 4 with their return to the Italian front from fighting in France.

#### Eleven Evacuees Employed on Farm In Placer County

AUBURN, Calif.—The Placer county sheriff's office disclosed this week that eleven men of Japanese ancestry, mostly elderly, are employed on the Harvey Whitten ranch, just inside the Placer county line near Wheatland.

It was reported that the evacuee workers were under contract to thin peaches. Most of the workers are said to be originally from the Fresno area before evacuation. One, however, is described as a resident of the Wheatland area for 40 years until the evacuation.

Several Wheatland residents are reported to have placed placards in their windows stating "Japanese trade is not solicited."

The Placer county sheriff's office said there have been no demonstrations and none is expected.

### Merced Sheriff Asks Funds To Protect Returned Nisei

#### Investigation Into Kishi, Morimoto Incidents Continues

MERCED, Calif.—Sheriff N. L. Cornell asked the Merced County Board of Supervisors on May 1 to provide him with additional deputies and funds to give adequate protection to returned evacuees of Japanese ancestry in the Livingston district, scene of recent acts of terrorism against Japanese Americans.

Sheriff Cornell's request followed the firing of several shots into the home of S. Kishi near Livingston on April 23. Two of Kishi's sons are in the service, Cpl. Sherman Kishi and Pfc. Fred Kishi, both of Fort Snelling, Minn.

After the shooting the two soldiers petitioned Secretary of Interior Ickes for proper protection for their family.

Meanwhile, an investigation of recent incidents against Japanese Americans in the Livingston area was proceeding, it was reported, with Investigator Harold Gillett of the State Department of Justice joining Merced peace officers in an effort to solve the recent firing of high-power rifle bullets into the homes of returned evacuees.

Gillett arrived in Merced last week on orders from Attorney General Robert Kenny.

Sheriff Cornell said that an investigation showed that the shots were fired from a moving automobile.

Cornell said his officers have gathered together the bullets found in the Kishi home and in the house occupied by Bob Morimoto, an honorably discharged serviceman, and his family. He declared that every clue to the

identity of the person who fired the shots is being run down and every bit of evidence that can be found in the locality is being assembled.

"Some people in the vicinity may know who did the shooting, and we are making every effort to get that information. But if they do know they are not telling us. The material evidence we have to go on is very slim," he said.

In his formal application for funds to be issued in the protection of the evacuees, Sheriff Cornell stated:

"Due to recent developments and unusual violations of law in this county, I found I must ask you for more help and money to properly carry on my duties as sheriff and do what I can to prevent further violations."

"Considering the delicacy of the situation at this time, due to the circumstances brought on by the war, I am firmly convinced any breakdown, or letdown in law enforcement now will prove to be disastrous and expensive later."

Sheriff Cornell recommended the placing of a steady night patrol in the areas in which returned evacuees are residing.

#### Governor Dempsey Says New Mexico Opposes Evacuees

FRESNO, Calif.—Gov. John J. Dempsey, governor of New Mexico, declared here on April 27 that "New Mexico has no Japanese, never has had them, and we don't want them now."

Gov. Dempsey specified that New Mexico does not want persons of Japanese ancestry either as residents or evacuees.

## 20 Members Of 100th Unit Given Honors

### General Tobin Tells Of Pride in Nisei In His Command

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—Expressing his pride at having the Japanese-Americans under his command, Brigadier General Ralph C. Tobin of Union Club, New York, presented awards to one officer and 19 enlisted men of the 100th Battalion of the 442nd Japanese-American Combat Team, in a ceremony held recently at Menton, France.

In a short, simple speech, General Tobin said: "The Brigade is proud of the 100th Battalion's splendid record in fighting: There has never been a better disciplined group of soldiers, and I am proud to have you under my command. I hope in the future there will be less Purple Hearts and more awards presented to you men."

The ceremony opened with the 206th Army Ground Forces Band of the 442nd Combat Team playing honors to the General. Then, while a company of newly arrived soldiers stood at attention, General Tobin presented the awards. The ceremony was closed with the playing of "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Six Silver Stars and 14 Bronze Stars were presented to the men of the 100th.

Silver Stars were presented to Private Alvin Planas, 1155 McGregor Lane, Honolulu, Hawaii; First Lieutenant Paul E. Corbin, Raymond, New Hampshire; Staff Sergeant Fred H. Yamashige, Pulehu, Maui, Hawaii; Staff Sergeant Charles M. Takashima, Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii; Sergeant Minoru Kunieda, Hilo, Hawaii, and Private First Class Akira Nakagawa, Honolulu, Hawaii.

The 442nd recently rejoined the Fifth Army in Italy.

## NISEI SOLDIER AIDS COMRADES DESPITE WOUNDS

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—Although suffering several wounds on his back, Private First Class Joph Ito, formerly of San Mateo, California, a member of the 442nd Japanese-American Combat Team, rendered first aid to wounded comrades during five hours of a fierce enemy attack during the attack to capture Bruyeres, important communications center in the Vosges mountains of Eastern France.

In recognition of his valorous service and fortitude, the aidman was presented a Silver Star recently by Brigadier General Ralph N. Tobin, commanding a Six Army Group unit, at a 2nd Battalion ceremony at Antibes on the French Riviera.

Ito formerly lived at 412 Third Avenue, San Mateo.

His citation reads: "During a fierce enemy attack, the first platoon of (his company) was subjected to intense sniper, machine-gun and artillery fire which seriously wounded five soldiers. Private First Class Ito, an aidman attached to the first platoon, exposing himself to the terrific hostile fire, left his covered position in a draw and ran 150 yards across open terrain to the aid of the injured man. While administering first aid to one of the soldiers, Private First Class Ito was severely wounded in the back. Despite his painful wounds, he remained with the injured men for over five hours, constantly exposing himself to the heavy enemy fire."

The son of Mrs. Kita Ito, who lives at 16-11-D, Topaz Relocation Center, Utah, Ito entered the service on March 5, 1941, at San Francisco.

## WRA Camps Will Remain at Work On VE-Day

WASHINGTON — On the day that an official announcement is made of victory in Europe, it will be the policy of the War Relocation Authority to remain at work during the usual hours, Acting Director Malcolm E. Pitts announced this week. Mr. Pitts said that the policy was in compliance with a request from William H. McReynolds, Assistant to the President, that employees of Federal agencies observe V-E day by staying at their posts of duty.

## OWI Announces Casualties Sustained by Nisei in Italy

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SHIBA, Sgt. George—Mrs. Kazue Shiba, mother, 209-9-D, Poston.

SHIGENAKA, Pfc. Akira—Mrs. Masu Shigenaka, mother, 49-13-A, Rivers.

TAKESHITA, Pvt. Shigeo—Masamoto Takeshita, father, 214-9-A, Poston.

TSUDA, Pfc. Masuo—Mrs. Matsue H. Tsuda, mother, 219-N7-B, Poston.

UCHIYAMA, Pfc. George Y.—Senzuke Uchiyama, father, 39-4-D, Poston.

WADA, Pfc. Ted T.—Mrs. Akiyo N. Wada, mother, 30-2-B, Poston.

YAMAGATA, Pfc. Gichi—Tomichi T. Yamagata, father, 325-8-D, Poston.

YASUKAWA, Pfc. George—Mrs. Mura Y. Yasukawa, 226-9-B, Poston.

### ARKANSAS

HAMADA, Pvt. Nagao—Mrs. Hara Hamada, mother, 20-1-E, McGehee.

HATA, Pfc. Makota M.—Mrs. Toniko Hata, mother, Jerome.

HATA, Pfc. Teruzo T.—Masaichi Hata, father, 18-1-D, Denson (last War Dept. address.)

HONBO, Pfc. Yoshio—Shigeo Honbo, brother, 24-4-D, McGehee.

ISHIMARU, Pfc. Charles B.—Mrs. Mary E. Ishimaru, wife, 32-3-B, Jerome.

KAJIMOTO, Pvt. Shoichi S.—Mrs. Imayo Kajimoto, mother, 1-7-F, Rohwer, McGehee.

KANOW, Pvt. Hichiro—Mrs. Hide D. Kanow, mother, 3-11-C, Rohwer.

KUBOTA, Pvt. Kazuo—Mrs. Kazue Kubota, wife, 1-10-E, Rohwer.

MATSUDA, T/5 Monte T.—Mrs. Tsukano Nishimoto, mother, 28-3-E, McGehee.

NAGAOKA, Pfc. Shiro—Mrs. Tamaya Nagaoka, 15-10-E, McGehee.

NAKAMICHI, Pfc. Aido—Mrs. Sakio Nakamichi, mother, 17-2-D, Rohwer.

SHODA, Pvt. Bob I.—Miss Rose K. Shoda, sister, 17-7-F, McGehee.

SHIMIZU, Pvt. Yukio—Kazu Shimizu, father, 26-3-A, McGehee.

YOSHIMURA, Cpl. Hideo D.—Hajime Yoshimura, father, 14-10-F, McGehee.

### CALIFORNIA

HATANAKA, Pfc. Mitsuo—Hachibe Hatanaka, father, 27-8-1, Manzanar.

ITO, Pvt. Kiyoshi—Mrs. Kou Ito, mother, 30-4-1, Manzanar.

NAKAO, Sgt. Jack M.—Mrs. Shinyo Takao, mother, 30-7-2, Manzanar.

SAIDA, Sg. Hideo—Mrs. Florence M. Kawasumi, siser, 34-2-3, Manzanar.

TERADA, T/5 Riyoji—Mrs. Masa Terada, mother, 9-1-5, Manzanar.

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FURUYE, Pvt. Chikara H.—Shukei Furuye, father, 11F-11C, Granada.

HAMATAKA, Pfc. Toshio—Mrs. Sue Y. Hamataka, wife, 12F-5F, Amache.

HANADA, Pfc. Taki—Mrs. Helen Fujimoto, sister, Route 2, Box 179, Loveland.

HARA, Pfc. David S.—Mrs. Ruth K. Sato, sister, 12H-2C, Amache.

HEROTA, Pfc. Tokucchi B.—A. Herota, father, 7H-12E, Amache.

KIRITA, Pfc. James S.—Mrs. Ruby K. Kirita, wife, 8K-4A, Amache.

KITAGAWA, Pvt. Yoshiharu—Keijiro Kitagawa, father, 9J-6A, Amache.

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KOJIMA, Sgt. Sakaye—Mrs. Carole Jitsuda, sister, 2800 Arapahoe St., Denver.

MITOBE, Pfc. Roy K.—Mrs. Toku Mitobe, mother, 9H-1E, Amache.

OKUMURA, Pfc. James Y.—Minoru Okumura, brother, Box 11, Evans.

OZAWA, Pvt. Sei—Yataro Ozawa, father, 2420 15th St., Denver.

SHIRAKAWA, S/Sgt. John S.—Mrs. Teruko Shirakawa, mother, 11G-10F, Granada.

TAKAHASHI, Pfc. Tom H.—Mrs. Sally K. Takahashi, wife, 1935 Larimer, Denver.

TAKEOKA, Pvt. Babe Y.—Mrs. Aurora Y. Takeoka, 4208 W. 38th St., Denver.

TERAJI, 2nd Lt. Shigeo G.—Mrs. Shina Teraji, mother, 6G-11F, Amache.

### IDAHO

ASAKAWA, Pvt. Jack—Roy Asakawa, father, 31-2-E, Hunt.

HAMADA, Sgt. Harry H.—Junji J. Hamada, father, Route 3, Caldwell.

HIDAKA, Pfc. Frank S.—Mrs. Sada Hidaka, mother, 12-4-A, Hunt.

HIKIDA, T/3 Toego — Toshishi Hikida, father, Route 1, Rexburg.

ISEFUKU, Pvt. Yutaka—Mrs. Takezo Isefuku, mother, 13-8-C, Hunt.

KIDO, Pvt. Fred M.—Mrs. Tsuya S. Kido, mother, 29-4-CD, Hunt.

KOYAMA, Pvt. George — Mrs. Otsu S. Koyama, mother, Route 1, Nampa.

KURAHARA, Pvt. Ted N.—Kyotaro Kurahara, father, 3-1-H, Hunt.

MAEDA, Pvt. Roy M. — Mrs. Rikichi Maeda, mother, 34-6-F, Hunt.

MOCHIZUKI, T/5 Joseph Y.—Mrs. Hikono M. Mochizuki, mother, Hunt.

MORIHIRO, Pfc. George—Mrs. Patricia Kihara, sister, 19-11-E, Hunt.

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MUARO, S/Sgt. Shigeato—Shigekato Muaro, father, 24-9-B, Hunt.

MURAKAMI, Pfc. George—M. Murakami, father, 28-10-B, Hunt.

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OTSUKA, Pvt. Kengo — Mrs. Isuma O. Otsuka, mother, Route 1, Idaho Falls.

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SAGAMI, Pfc. Yahachi—Fusakichi Sagami, father, 12-1-E, Hunt.

SAKUMA, Pvt. Isaac L.—Mrs. Nobu Y. Sakuma, mother, 44-0-E, Hunt.

TATSUDA, S/Sgt. Jimmy T.—James K. Tatsuda, father, 24-5-A, Hunt.

TAKAYOSHI, Pfc. Saburo C.—Mrs. Raku Takayoshi, mother, 44-6-D, Hunt.

TAKENAGA, Pvt. Masami—Mrs. Yasu T. Takenaga, mother, 37-7-D, Hunt.

TERASHITA, Pvt. Henry—Motokichi Terashita, father, c/o Ray Pershall, Marsing.

WAKAMATSU, Pfc. Joseph—Mrs. Haru N. Wakamatsu, 21-7-C, Hunt.

YAGUCHI, Pvt. Kenji—Tsugio Yaguchi, father, 44-3-E, Hunt.

YAMASHITA, Pfc. Arthur W.—Taig Y. Yamashita, father, Route 1, Pocatello.

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MATSUI, Pvt. George T.—Mrs. Takino Matsui, mother, 9-4-E, Topaz.

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MORI, Sgt. Kazuo—Toshio Mori, brother, 29-11-D, Topaz.

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NISHIKUBO, Pvt. Hiroshi—Saichi Nishikubo, father, 1-11-C, Topaz.

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SAKAI, 1st Sgt. William I.—George Sakai, father, 16-9-CD, Topaz.

TAKAHASHI, Pfc. Kenge A.—Mrs. Ishiye B. Takahashi, mother, 33-2-E, Topaz.

YABUMOTO, Pfc. Shigeru—Mrs. Kinuye Yanagi, sister, 9-11-6, Topaz.

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ARAKAKI, Pfc. Joe M.—Taro Arakaki, father, 27-21-E, Heart Mountain.

FUJISHIN, Pvt. Kay K.—Mrs. Raku Fujishin, mother, 1-15-3, Heart Mountain.

HANADA, Pvt. Toshibumi—Mrs. Frances M. Hanada, wife, 20-16-A, Heart Mountain.

HATTORI, Pvt. Shigeru—Mrs. Doris Hattori, wife, Reliance, Sweetwater.

HAYAMI, Pfc. Frank Y.—Frank Hayami, father, 20-1-E, Heart Mountain.

HIGUCHI, Pfc. Hidemasa—Mrs. Helen Ogawa, sister, 23-20-F, Heart Mountain.

ICHIKAWA, Pfc. Kozo B.—Toshiro Ichikawa, father, 20-1-E, Heart Mountain.

KAWAKAMI, Cpl. Isamu S.—Takema Kawakami, uncle, 1-24-E, Heart Mountain.

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## Nisei Soldier Hero Succumbs Of Wounds in Nazi Hospital

A Japanese American soldier who gave up his sergeant's rating as to be able to volunteer as replacement in the 100th Infantry Battalion was reported this week to have died of wounds in a German hospital on Dec. 14, 1944.

Pvt. Victor Akimoto, 26, formerly of Los Angeles, had been missing in action since Oct. 23 in France. He is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Masanori Akimoto of 903 Third Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah, to die in Europe during the last year. A younger brother, Pvt. John Akimoto, 20, died overseas last year.

On the morning of the day on which they received the War Department's telegram which notified them that the International Red Cross had information that Victor Akimoto had died, members of his family received the first word from him since he was declared missing in action. A short letter, written by Pvt. Akimoto while in a German hospital, said that he was feeling "fine" and that he wanted cigarettes. It was dated Nov. 4, 1944.

According to information re-

ceived by the Akimoto family, who were evacuated from Los Angeles to the Granada relocation center in Amache, Colo., Victor Akimoto was wounded in the leg while participating in an action near Biffontaine, France, during the rescue of the "Lost Battalion" by the 442nd Combat Team of Japanese Americans. Although only a private, he was described as the leader of a platoon in the action. He and several other wounded soldiers were in a forward area and were captured by the enemy.

Previously in Italy, Pvt. Akimoto had been cited for his capture of four Germans while unarmed.

Besides the parents, he is survived by two sisters in Salt Lake City, Jane and Mrs. Margaret Kajikawa; a sister and a brother, Mrs. Martha Hamlett and Ned, in Chicago; a sister, Mrs. Ruth Kodani, in Denver, and Officer Candidate Ted Akimoto, another brother, at Fort Benning, Ga.

Mrs. Kajikawa's husband, Bill Kajikawa, is in action with United States forces in Germany. In civilian life he was head baseball coach and freshman football coach at Arizona State college at Tempe.

## Henry Aihara Places In Drake Relays

DES MOINES, Ia. — Henry Aihara, slim University of Illinois athlete, took fourth place in the broad jump at the Drake relays here last Saturday. His distance was 21 feet 9 3/8 inches, eight inches behind the winner. Aihara took part in the high jump but did not place.

## Azusa Family Learns Son Hurt in Italy

## Nakadas Have Seven Sons in Armed Forces; One Other Injured

LOS ANGELES — An Azusa family that has given seven sons to the Army of the United States this week had received its second "wounded in action" notification from the War Department.

Heads of the family are Japanese-born Mr. and Mrs. Ginzo Nakada, farmers of a small ranch at 1001 West Bonita avenue, Azusa. They returned there last January from Gila River Relocation Center in Arizona, where they were evacuated under the military mass-exclusion order of 1942.

Six of their sons, four of them volunteers, entered the army from the relocation center.

The Nakadas were informed their son Pfc. George, 21, who volunteered last August, was seriously wounded by German fire on April 7 while in action as a member of the famous 442nd Japanese American combat team.

Pfc. Henry, 23, also serving with the 442nd, was wounded last September 11. He has recovered and returned to Army duty.

Of the seven sons in military service, all are on active duty except the oldest, Yoshio, 28, who is waiting his call as a member of the enlisted reserve. He was inducted last February 26.

## Members of Iowa Family Write to Nisei Serviceman

PERRY, Iowa—Pfc. Tom Nishikawa, 21, a Japanese American soldier from Hawaii, who is now in Italy, has been corresponding with Mrs. O. G. Emerick of Perry, his "American mother," since May, 1943.

In May, 1943, Tom Nishikawa was with a contingent of soldiers traveling from Hawaii to an Army base in the United States. When the train stopped briefly at Perry, Tom waved a \$5 bill out of a window to attract attention. It caught the attention of Mrs. Emerick's son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. Orlan Emerick of Perry, and Tom asked them to cable his mother that he was well.

The couple obliged and Orlan's parents and his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George McKendrick of Des Moines, started writing to Tom.

Tom and the Emericks have exchanged several gifts, the soldier sending souvenirs and a valued bottle of perfume from France.

Mrs. Emerick has sent the Nisei soldier home-made peanut brittle, magazines and other personal necessities.

Tom spent his 1943 Christmas, before he went overseas, in the Emerick and McKendrick homes. Mrs. Emerick writes a weekly letter to Tom, now in Italy.

## Evacuees Integrated In Milwaukee Life, Mayor's Group Told

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Americans of Japanese ancestry are being integrated into Milwaukee's community life, Dr. William Rasche, principal of the vocational school, said at the third meeting on interracial problems sponsored last week by the mayor's committee on interracial relations.

Dr. Rasche said the vocational school had opened its doors to the Japanese Americans, Milwaukee's most recent minority group, and that employers had taken them in.

"Majority groups must see the problems of minorities and all must be treated alike," he said. "Desirable and undesirable characteristics can be found in every race."

## WRA Official Hits Promoters Of Commercialized Hate Drive Against Japanese Americans

## H. Rex Lee Says Relocation Authority Fights Those Profiting from Race-Baiting; Declares Movement Masked in Terms of Patriotism

CHICAGO—An administration official declared on May 1 that "a small but well-organized economically interested group of little Hitlers" are profiting from a commercialized campaign aimed at 2,000 Americans of Japanese descent who have returned to homes on the West Coast.

H. Rex Lee of Washington, director of the relocation division of the War Relocation Authority, declared in an address before the City Club, the campaign is "founded on race prejudice and masked in terms of patriotism."

## California State Senate Group Raps Return

## Asks for Stricter Enforcement of Alien Property Legislation

SACRAMENTO — The Senate fact-finding committee on "Japanese resettlement," in a report to the Legislature on May 1, advocated a stricter enforcement of the California Alien Land Act and a "careful" scrutiny of Japanese language schools "as they reopen with the return to California of evacuees of Japanese ancestry."

(Ed. Note: There has been no attempt made to reopen Japanese language schools in California and there is no indication that any language schools will be reopened.)

The State Senate group, headed by Senator Hugh P. Donnelly of Stanislaus county, reiterated its previous stand of "vigorous opposition" to the return of persons of Japanese ancestry to California until after the end of the war.

"The committee is of the opinion that there have been extensive and serious violations of the Alien Land Act," the report stated. "There are still many cases of such violations where action should be taken and escheat actions filed."

The committee recommended an appropriation of \$200,000 to the attorney general's office for enforcement work, as well as legislation to prevent the statute of limitations running out on Alien Land Act violations.

The "strategic" location of persons of Japanese ancestry in California before the evacuation was touched on in the report.

It also attacked the alleged "dual citizenship" status of citizens of Japanese ancestry.

Members of the committee, in addition to Senator Donnelly, are Senators Jesse R. Rorsey of Kern county, Herbert W. Slater of Sonoma county, Irwin T. Quinn of Humboldt county and George Hatfield of Merced county.

## Idaho Nisei Soldier Returns from Combat

POCATELLO, Idaho—Pvt. Roy Okamura, son of Mrs. Miyoshi Okamura of Tyhee returned from the European theater on April 9 aboard the hospital ship Arcadia and is being treated at Stark General Hospital at an east coast port prior to being transferred to another Army hospital for definitive treatment.

## Wounded Nisei Soldier Gets Ovation in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES — Corporal Heynai Iiyama, an American soldier of Japanese ancestry, knows that the people of Los Angeles' eastside, where thousands of Japanese Americans resided before evacuation, believe in the Bill of Rights.

Cpl. Iiyama, who returned recently from combat in Europe and is now convalescing at the Birmingham Hospital, was asked to speak at a United Nations rally, held in Hollenbeck Park.

He was introduced by Chairman Frank Wilkinson, who explained that Cpl. Iiyama had been in action with the famous 442nd Infantry Regiment of Japanese Americans. Wilkinson said the 442nd was the most highly decorated unit in the U. S. Army.

He said the WRA is fighting "not against the thoughtless and deluded people who join 'anti-Japanese' organizations," and explained:

"Our fight is against the men who keep the ledgers—the race-baiters who count their success in dollars and cents. Two many merchants have anti-Japanese signs in their windows because they are afraid to take them out."

"Too many people have signed Anti-Japanese resolutions because they were afraid not to 'play ball.' Too many produce men have refused to buy Nisei-grown vegetables because they were told other markets would be closed to them."

"The development of desirable and necessary non-Caucasian markets in Asia and the Pacific will not be helped by the existence of an unchecked 'for white men only' policy in the United States."

## JACL Supports Fair Employment Bill in Illinois

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—Dr. T. T. Yatabe, Midwest director of the Japanese American Citizens League, was among the leaders of various liberal, social welfare and civil liberties organizations who appeared before a State Senate committee on April 24 to urge the forming of an Illinois State committee on fair employment practices.

Samuel Adams Jackson III of Chicago, medically discharged veteran, also appeared before the Senate group to urge the creation of an Illinois FEPC.

Speaking for a delegation of war veterans favoring the bill, Jackson said:

"Service in the war together has forged strong bonds among veterans of different creeds and colors. This bill will further that unity."

"Americans have gone to the far corners of the earth to free enslaved peoples of other countries."

"There are no second-class citizens in this struggle, Christian, Jew, Negro, Americans of Chinese and Japanese ancestry—all have undertaken equally the greatest privileges and the heaviest duty their country affords—that of serving in time of war."

## Nisei Student Passes Iowa Bar

DES MOINES, Ia. — George Kita, Nisei Drake university student, passed the Iowa state bar examination here recently.

The young Japanese American was greeted with such a heart-warming show of applause from the 2,000 persons gathered in the park that, when he stepped up to the microphone, tears filled his eyes, and he completely forgot his carefully prepared speech and had to sit down.

He was seated next to Mrs. Faye Papock, a housewife and a resident of the eastside community. One of Mrs. Papock's sons is a prisoner of the Japanese.

Mrs. Papock helped the young corporal to overcome his nervousness and told him what to say to the audience.

Cpl. Iiyama returned to the microphone and finished his speech, while Mrs. Papock continued to prompt him from the platform and the crowd applauded.

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## EDITORIALS: Closing the Centers

Persons who in all sincerity advocate a program of keeping the relocation centers open for the duration at least, and who oppose the War Relocation Authority's announced program of closing all of the camps by Jan. 2, 1946, are getting support from wholly unexpected sources. Their cause has been taken up by the California Legislature's Tenney Committee on Un-American Activities, and more recently the Donnelly Committee of the State Senate at Sacramento has advocated the continued existence of the relocation centers—in exchange for the exclusion of the evacuees from West Coast areas. The Donnelly group is composed of as neat a collection of unregenerate race-baiters as could be gathered in California and their interest in keeping the relocation camps open must be ascribed, not to any concern over the welfare of the evacuees, but to a desire to see those evacuees interned for the duration.

Recent developments, however, offer no comfort to those who are hoping for a last-minute reprieve by the WRA on its program of closing all of the relocation centers. The WRA is jettisoning all non-essential materials and services and has already curtailed its farm program. WRA personnel officials are undertaking a program of "relocation" for members of the administrative staffs of the agency, promising assistance to members of the appointed personnel in transferring to other work after the termination of the work of the WRA. Under present plans, and there is no indication that there will be any major changes, the work of the WRA will grind to a stop in the next seven months. After that time any evacuees requiring Federal assistance must get such aid from established social welfare agencies and existing government bureaus. It is to the full interest of the evacuees remaining in the relocation centers to leave those camps and to resettle while WRA services are available. The WRA budget, included in the appropriations for war agencies, does not provide for the maintenance of the relocation centers after Jan. 2, 1946.

The death sentence has been signed for the relocation centers. From here on in, it will be a case of slow strangulation of available services in the relocation camps. Although no definite plans have been announced, it is apparent that any residue of evacuees remaining in the camps on closing day will be transported to the areas from which they were evacuated. Any indigent cases will be turned over to local authorities who already have been apprised of their responsibilities in this matter.

The mere recital of these facts lends to the impression that the administration is being hard-boiled in this matter. In reality, however, neither the WRA nor the Federal government had any choice once the military authorities relaxed their restrictions on the return of the evacuated population to the West Coast. Any evacuees considered ineligible for relocation will be maintained, of course, in a segregation center. The government's attitude toward relocatable evacuees will be that it has discharged its responsibility once an effort has been made to return those evacuees to the areas from which they were moved, or to reestablish them under circumstances comparable to those enjoyed by the evacuees at the time of evacuation.

Few will dispute the injustices suffered by West Coast residents of Japanese ancestry as a result of the evacuation. The losses, both material and spiritual sustained by the evacuated group, may never be regained.

But there is danger in looking backward to the evacuation and in hesitating to move forward toward the inevitable future.

## Senator From Washington

Senator Warren Magnuson of Washington has launched the congressional silly season with his announcement that he will demand that the Immigration and Naturalization Service clarify its attitude toward persons of Japanese ancestry, particularly toward Japanese Americans.

If Senator Magnuson does make his demand, as he has indicated that he will, he will probably be informed by the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Justice Department that it has no jurisdiction over Americans of Japanese ancestry who have the same rights and responsibilities as other citizens of the republic.

The young freshman Senator appears to be the victim of some bad coaching and, worse still, misleading information. His statement to the Hearst press repeated the line used by the race-baiters of two generations in their approach to the so-called "Japanese problem." His use of the dual citizenship bogey shows him to be the mental prisoner of the Remember Pearl Harbor Leagues and similar hate bands of his native state. It would seem that a member of the United States Senate would be more discriminating in his choice of facts and issues, and would certainly hesitate before repeating the native fascist claptrap of the racists of the White River and Puyallup valleys. It is possible that Senator Magnuson has mistaken the noisy clamor of the Remember Pearl Harbor Leagues and the stentorian voices of the professional organizers of the Japanese Exclusion League (initiation fee \$10) for the voice of the people.

## Student Relocation

The only group of Japanese Americans with a record of practically complete relocation is the college student group.

In 1942 some 2,500 Nisei were in colleges and universities in the later evacuated areas. Today 3,000 Nisei are relocated in schools from California to New York. This successful record has been the work of the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council.

Recently the council published a booklet, "From Camp to College, the Story of Japanese American Student Relocation."

Among pertinent facts revealed in this booklet were the following:

1. Up to December of last year the Council handled \$188,972 in scholarship aid funds, of which \$140,361 came from national church boards, \$34,971 from the World Service, and \$13,640 from other sources.
2. About 3,000 students have been placed in 550 colleges and universities.
3. The Council has effected the enrollment of 215 Nisei as student nurses, of whom 194 are members of the United States Nurse Corps.
4. Scholastic averages for the first 500 Nisei relocated revealed a grade point average of 2.3 (B plus).
5. An incomplete list of elective honors won by Nisei include five presidents of student governments, seventeen class officers, five athletic offices, and numerous miscellaneous honors, including one "Most Charming Girl" and one "Most Popular Boy."
6. Most of the relocated students earn a large part of their school and living expenses through part-time employment. Of 3,000 relocated, only 741 have received grants through the Council, though some others have received aid direct from church and other sources. The majority have financed their education through self-help and family resources. The average scholarship grant approximates the cost of tuition in eastern and midwestern institutions.
7. The Council averages twenty-five letters per student in arranging for his relocation. This correspondence arranges for transfer of transcripts, letters of reference, leaves, school application, financial aid, and advice and help to the student.

In order to help this group, the Council for the first time is making a general appeal for funds.

Persons interested in the welfare of this most important age group will see the necessity for completing their education. Contributions can be sent to the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council at 1201 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania.

## From the Frying Pan

By BILL HOSOKAWA

The Associated Press last week reported the acquittal of three men charged with arson and attempted dynamiting of ranch property of Sumio Doi, a Japanese American recently returned to his home near Auburn, Calif., from a war relocation center.

In selection of the jury, Judge Lowell Sparks ruled out questions by the prosecution concerning prospective jurors' attitudes toward the return of Japanese Americans to the West coast.

## Vagaries

### Broadcast . . .

A Japanese American soldier was scheduled to appear on Norman Corwin's world-wide program broadcast by CBS on the eve of the opening of the San Francisco conference, according to advance news issued on the program. Due to a change in arrangements, the Nisei GI did not appear on the CBS show . . . However, two Nisei soldiers did appear on a Blue Network show from San Francisco . . . Lieut. Col. Robert C. Williams, just back from Okinawa, told a press conference in Washington last week that "our Nisei are doing a splendid job."

### Panhandle . . .

Citizens of Idaho's northern panhandle were perturbed recently by news that the Department of Justice planned to terminate the work of a group of volunteer Japanese internees on a road construction project on grounds that the internees, all of whom are aliens, had completed all of the work that can be economically undertaken by them. Following a formal hearing, residents of the area agreed to accept the Justice Department's closing order. Approximately 150 internees have been employed on the project . . . S. I. Hayakawa, nationally-recognized authority on semantics, is the author of an introductory essay for George Kepes, "Language of Vision," a discussion of modern art.

### Hostel . . .

The Evergreen hostel for returning evacuees in Los Angeles has had a total of 353 guests to date with a peak of 86 guests . . . Edward Scheiberling, national commander of the American Legion, has written an editorial, "Tolerance Is Americanism," in the April, 1945, issue of the American Legion Magazine . . . An article on relocated Nisei, "New Neighbors Among Us," was featured in the March issue of Parents' Magazine.

### Veterans . . .

A veteran of the 442nd Infantry Regiment, now convalescing in an Army hospital, was walking down a San Diego street the other day. He was stopped by a GI wearing the light blue patch of the 36th (Texas) Division. "Are you a Japanese-American?" the GI asked the Nisei soldier. The latter replied that he was. "Then you must be one of those who rescued me in France," the 36th Division soldier said . . . From then on, the Nisei soldier relates, he was shown Texas hospitality in a California city. . . . Incidentally, news reports this week indicated that Field Marshal von Rundstedt, Nazi Army commander, had been captured by men of the 141st Regiment of the 36th Division. It was a battalion from the 141st which is now famous as the "Lost Battalion" of World War II and which was rescued by the Japanese American Combat Team on Oct. 30, 1944.

### Canadian Notes . . .

A group of 26 Japanese Canadians are working on farms and in mines near Dawson, far north in the Yukon Territory. All Issei and Nisei workers in the group are members of the mine workers union and of the CCF, and the New Canadian reports that they are being well integrated into their Arctic community. . . . Evacuee sugar beet workers in southern Alberta province have won slight wage increases in negotiations with growers. . . . Schools in Canada's "ghost town" housing projects for evacuees may be maintained indefinitely.

The House recently passed a law permitting foreign-born Filipinos to become American citizens. . . . Many letters condemning the Placer county grand jury's action in acquitting three men accused of terrorist activities against a Japanese American, despite the state's presentation of the confession of one of the men which implicated the other two, have appeared in San Francisco and Sacramento newspapers during the past week.

"Are you opposed to the return of Japanese Americans to this area?" District Attorney C. E. Tindal asked. Judge Sparks interrupted and told Tindal to confine questions "to specific issues involved in this case."

The defense attorneys, according to the Associated Press, produced no defense witnesses and offered no rebuttal to the prosecution charges the three had conducted "terror raids" on the Doi ranch.

But they did make much of the Bataan march of death and the atrocities committed by the Japanese enemy, claiming that the army training of two of the defendants (arrested by the army for court martial trial on charges of being absent without leave) was responsible for their display of hatred toward "Japs."

We do not take exception to Judge Sparks' use of his judicial prerogative to admit certain statements to the exclusion of others on grounds of pertinency, materiality and competence.

Nor do we believe it necessary here to point out the fallacy of the defense attorney's attempt to justify an attack against the property of an American citizen simply because that citizen's forefathers happened to be immigrants from a country with which we are at war.

But we do feel strong censure is necessary for the attempt to justify arson and dynamiting because of racial bias.

"This is a white man's country," the Associated Press quoted Defense Attorney Floyd Bowers, and he urged the jury to keep it so.

Such a plea cannot but raise grave doubts in the minds of thousands of California citizens of Negro, Chinese, Filipino, Mexican and other racial extractions.

Such reasoning can cause embarrassment to the state department sponsoring a world conference of 46 democratic nations who were invited on a basis of complete racial equality.

No, not even California is "a white man's country," and anyone who appeals to the fear and baser emotions of individuals with arguments of this kind is living in a never-never land that died in the flame of global conflict.

Once there was another man who prattled and screamed the nonsense of Aryan superiority, and there were millions who believed him, even when he found it necessary to extend the title of "honorary Aryans" to a yellow-skinned people as a matter of political expediency.

In northern Italy last week a polyglot army made up of white and black and yellow-skinned Americans, plus Britons and Indians and South Africans and Brazilians and Cubans, pursued the panic-stricken Hitlerite supermen whose only concern now was to save their miserable hides.

Despicable and false though the argument of white man's country is, apparently there were people on that jury to whom such talk made sense, judging from the verdict that was handed down.

We trust that the delegates to the United Nations conference will take note of this case and make allowance for the backward outlook of a segment of our people whose better judgment is obscured by wartime hate.

And we know that these delegates will understand that there is less racial hatred and intolerance involved than economic fear and greed.

These individuals seek to justify greed under the guise of racial bias, which, under their outmoded code of ethics, is reason enough for any act.

Fortunately for the world, this robber imperialism concept of justice is a dead issue, and it is high time this American minority realized it, too.

## Report Latest Casualties Of Recent Italy Fighting

Reports from war relocation centers and from next of kin listed 18 Japanese Americans killed and 62 others wounded in action in Italy, according to information received this week.

(Many of the casualties listed below are reported in the official Office of War Information list issued this week in Washington.)

### Killed in Action

PVT. VICTOR AKIMOTO, 26 (Los Angeles, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Masanori Akimoto of 903 Third Ave., Salt Lake City, reported died in a German hospital on Dec. 14, 1944. He was reported missing in action on Oct. 23, 1944.

PFC. ROY IKEDA, (San Francisco), son of Mrs. Takeko Ikeda, 6-11-CD, Topaz, killed in action on April 5 in Italy. He was previously wounded in action on Oct. 16 in France. He served in the army for three years, training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and Camp Shelby, Miss.

PFC. VICTOR K. HADA, 25, son of Mr. Karoku Hada of Keenesburg, Colo., and brother of Susumu Hada, 907 18th St., Denver, Colo., killed in action in Italy.

S/SGT. WILLIAM I. IMA-MOTO, 26, (Port Orchard, Wash.), brother of Mrs. Mae Fukui, 8-9-F, Hunt, killed in action on April 8. Sgt. Imamoto was one of the 40 Japanese Americans who received the 14th Division Commendation in southern France for completing successfully a 30-mile reconnaissance patrol in the vicinity of Pisa.

MASAMI INATSU, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mrs. Kayo Inatsu of Stockyard Station, Colo., killed in action in Italy.

T/4 HARUO ISHIDA, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mrs. Asano Ishida, 40-2-F, Hunt, killed in action on Apr. 6. T/4 Ishida was inducted in September, 1941, and was wounded in action during the rescue of the Lost Battalion by the 442nd combat team.

FRANK T. KANDA, 22, (Los Angeles, Calif.), son of Kenzo Kanda, 2361 Cleveland Pl., Denver, killed in action in Italy.

PFC. ROBERT T. KISHI, 27, (Stockton, Calif.), son of Mr. Yukimatsu Kishi, 27-5-F, Rohwer, killed on April 8 in Italy. A brother, T/Sgt. Yukio Kishi, is with the Army Air Corps in France.

JOE MORISHIGE, 29, son of Mrs. Chiyo Morishige, 1225 21st St., Denver, Colo., killed in action in Italy.

PVT. ROY NAEMURA, 20, (Gresham, Ore.), youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Naemura, 29-10-A, Hunt, killed on April 5. Pvt. Naemura was inducted on August 25, 1944, and went overseas on January 26 of this year.

PVT. FRED H. NAGANO, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Nakano of Pingree, Idaho, killed in action in Italy on April 6.

PVT. TAKAO T. NINOMIYA, 25, (Fowler, Calif.), son of Mrs. Misayo Ninomiya, formerly of Rohwer and now of New York City, killed on April 5 in Italy.

SGT. TOM SAGIMORI, (Berkeley, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Tomejiro Sagimori, 4-11-B, Topaz, killed in Northern Italy on April 5. Sgt. Sagimori was twice wounded, in France and Italy. He participated in the rescue of the "Lost Battalion" in France.

PVT. GEORGE SHIMADA, husband of Mrs. Grace Hisako Shimada and father of a son, Jimmie, of Greeley, Colo., killed in action in Italy on April 5. A graduate of Kersey, Colo., high school, he is the son of S. Shimada of Greeley.

SGT. ARTHUR T. TAKAHASHI, 29, husband of Mrs. Esther Fukushima Takahashi, Ogden, Utah, and son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Takahashi, Rohwer, killed in Italy on April 21.

PFC. MANZO TAKAHASHI, (Spokane, Wash.), brother of Jimmie Takahashi, 41-11-H, Hunt, killed in action on April 10. Pfc. Takahashi volunteered for Army service on Feb. 2, 1942. Two other brothers are overseas, attached to the 442nd in Italy.

PVT. SHOICHI TAKEHARA, 21, (Fife, Wash.), oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Yutaro Takehara, 12-7-C, Hunt, killed on April

17 in northern Italy. He was inducted in August, 1944.

PVT. TATSUO YOSHIKAWA, 20, (Norwalk, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Ryunosuke Yoshikawa, killed in action on April 6.

### Wounded in Action

PFC. JOE M. ARAKAKI, (Montebello, Calif.), son of Mrs. Taro Arakaki, 27-21-E, Heart Mountain, wounded in Italy.

PVT. JACK ASAKAWA, 26, (Gresham, Ore.), son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Asakawa, formerly of Hunt and now of Troutdale, Oregon, seriously wounded in action on April 5. Pvt. Asakawa is attached to the 100th Battalion.

PVT. KAZUO ENDOW, son of Mr. and Mrs. U. Endow, Tyhee, Idaho, wounded in Italy on April 16. He was wounded once before in the European action.

PVT. KAY FUJISHIN, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mrs. Kaju Fujishin, 1-15-E, Ht. Mountain, wounded.

PVT. TOSHIFUMI HANADA, (San Jose, Calif.), husband of Mrs. Frances M. Hanada, 30-16-A, Ht. Mountain, slightly wounded.

PFC. TERUZO HATA, (Torrance, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Masaichi Hata, 17-4-D, Rohwer, slightly wounded on April 10.

PFC. FRANK Y. HAYAMI, (San Gabriel, Calif.), son of Frank Hayami, 8-2-B, Heart Mountain, slightly wounded in action. A brother Stanley is also in the Army.

PFC. FRANK HIDAKA, 26, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mrs. K. Hidaka, 12-4-A, Hunt, slightly wounded on April 8.

PFC. HIEMASA HIGUCHI, brother of Mrs. Helen Ogawa, 23-20-F, Ht. Mountain, slightly wounded.

PFC. YOSHIO HONBO, (Stockton, Calif.), brother of Shigeo Hanbo, 24-4-D, Rohwer, slightly wounded on April 6.

PFC. KOZO ICHIKAWA, (Fremont, Calif.), son of Toshiro Ichikawa, 20-1-E, Heart Mountain, slightly wounded.

PVT. JUNICHI IMAGAWA, (Gilroy, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Shinjiro Imagawa, 31-8-C, Poston, slightly wounded on April 11 in Italy. A brother, Pvt. Shizuo, is also in the Army.

PVT. YUTAKA ISEFUKU, 21, (Seattle, Wash.), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Kotore Isefuku, 13-8-C, Hunt, slightly wounded on April 7.

PFC. ARTHUR IWASAKI, (Hillsboro, Ore.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Y. Iwasaki of Rt. 2, Nyssa, Ore., slightly wounded in action in Italy on April 8. His brother, Pfc. Akio Iwasaki, is also in Italy.

PVT. SHOICHI KAJIMOTO, 20, (Gardena, Calif.), slightly wounded on April 5. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kanroku Kajimoto, 1-7-F, Rohwer.

CPL. ISAMU KAWAKAMI, nephew of Mrs. Takuma Kawakami, 1-21-E, Heart Mountain, wounded in action.

PVT. HENRY I. KAWAGUCHI, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kawaguchi of Layton, Utah, wounded in action in Italy.

PFC. FRED KIDO, (Gresham, Ore.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Kyoze Kido, 29-4-C, Hunt, slightly wounded on April 6.

PFC. TOM H. KIMURA, 24, (Oakland, Calif.), brother of Mrs. H. Matsuno, 27-11-D, Topaz, slightly wounded on April 8. Pfc. Kimura was previously awarded a combat citation. Two brothers, Robert and Tony, are also in the Army.

PVT. KAZUO KUBOTA, husband of Mrs. Kazuyo Kubota, 1-10-E, Rohwer, seriously wounded on April 5. Pvt. Kubota formerly lived in Torrance, California.

PVT. TED KURAHARA, 19, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Kyotaro Kirahara, 3-1-H, Hunt, slightly wounded on April 5.

PVT. PAUL KUWADA, (San Jose, Calif.), son of Mrs. Hatsu Kuwada, 23-24-E, Heart Mountain, slightly wounded in action.

PFC. GEORGE T. MATSUI, (Oakland, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Matsui of 914-E, Topaz, wounded seriously on April 5.

T/5 MONTEMATSUDA, (Lodi, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Masaichi Hata, 17-4-D, Rohwer, slightly wounded on April 10.

PVT. BEN T. MATSUMOTO, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mrs. Suma Matsumoto, 26-5-F, Hunt, slightly wounded on April 5 in Italy.

PVT. ROY MAEDA, 26, (Portland, Ore.), wounded in Italy on April 5. Son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Maeda of Hunt, Ida. Pvt. Maeda was inducted in July, 1944, while attending Bradley college, Peoria, Illinois. A younger brother, Richard, was wounded in France during the rescue of the "Lost Battalion."

PFC. KIYOTO MIKAMI, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mrs. Matsushi Mikami, 1-12-E, Heart Mountain, slightly wounded in action in Italy. Two brothers, Rocky and Takumi, are also in Army service.

PFC. HENRY MIISAKI, brother of Setsuko Miki, 14-23-E, Ht. Mountain, slightly wounded.

PVT. TSUTOMOMU MIKI, (Alameda, Calif.), brother of Setsuko Miki, 14-23-E, Ht. Mountain, seriously wounded in Italy.

T/5 JOSEPH MOCHIZUKI, (Sumner, Wash.), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Mochizuki, 3-7-D, Hunt, seriously wounded in action on April 8. T/5 Mochizuki went overseas in May, 1944.

S/SGT. TSUTOMU J. MOCHIZUKI, (Torrance, Calif.), son of Konosuke Mochizuki, 21-18-C, Ht. Mountain, wounded in action.

SGT. KAZUO MORI, 29, (San Leandro, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Hidekichi Mori, 29-11-CD, Topaz, wounded on April 9.

PFC. GEORGE MORIHIRO, (Fife, Wash.), brother of Mrs. Patricia Kihara, 12-10-C, Hunt, wounded slightly on April 9.

PVT. SAM S. MORIMOTO, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chonosuke Morimoto, 322-9-A, Poston, slightly wounded on April 5.

PVT. BILL M. MORIKAWA, (Bakersfield, Calif.), son of Magahashi Morikawa, 327-7-B, Poston, slightly wounded on April 6. Three other Morikawa brothers are in the army.

PVT. HISASHI MUKUMOTO, 25, (Wapato, Wash.), brother of Mrs. Tadao Itami, Block 41, Hunt, slightly injured on April 6.

PFC. GEORGE MURAKAMI, (Sumner, Wash.), son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Murakami, 28-10-B, Hunt, wounded on April 14.

S/SGT. SHIGESATO MURAO, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Murao, 24-9-B, Hunt, slightly wounded on April 14.

PVT. SHIRO NAGAOKA, 20, (Gardena, Calif.), son of Mrs. Tamayo Nagaoka, 15-10-F, Rohwer, slightly injured on April 7.

PFC. GEORGE NAKADA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ginzo Nakada, 1001 West Bonita Ave., Azusa, Calif., wounded in action on April 7 in Italy. Pfc. Nakada is one of seven brothers in the Army.

PVT. JIMI ODA, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sadahiko Oda, Ogden, Utah, wounded in action in Italy on April 5.

PFC. KIROO OKUMA, (El Monte, Calif.), son of Kaso Okuma, 1-22-B, Heart Mountain, slightly wounded. Two brothers are also in the Army.

S/SGT. GENGU W. OKURA, (Temple City, Calif.), son of Shoichi Okura, 2-3-E, Heart Mountain, wounded in action.

CPL. JOE ONCHI, (Gresham, Ore.), son of Mrs. Mizu Onchi, 15-8-B, Ht. Mountain, slightly wounded in Italy.

PVT. KENGO OTSUKA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Otsuka, RFD 1, Idaho Falls, Idaho, wounded in action in Italy on April 8.

PFC. JOHN SADANAGA, 21, (Gresham, Ore.), son of Mrs. and Mrs. Y. Sadanaga, 34-10-B, Hunt, wounded on April 7.

PFC. YARACHI SAGAMI, 20, (Fife, Wash.), son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Sagami, 12-3-C, Hunt, seriously wounded for second time on April 5. Pfc. Sagami was previously wounded in France on November 2. A brother, Yosei, was killed in action in France on Oct. 15.

1st/SGT. WILLIAM SAKAI, son of George Sakai, formerly of Topaz and now of Sacramento, slightly wounded on April 6.

PVT. ISAAC SAKUMA, (Bainbridge Island, Wash.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Sakuma, formerly of Hunt, and now of Twin Falls, slightly wounded on April 6. Pvt. Sakuma is one of six brothers serving in the armed forces.

PT. KENGE TAKAHASHI, 24, (San Mateo, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Takahashi, 33-

## Carey McWilliams in PM: THE TSUBOTA BOYCOTT

By CAREY McWILLIAMS  
(The following is taken from an important series of articles on West Coast race tensions by Carey McWilliams, author of "Prejudice," "Brothers Under the Skin," and other books, which appeared in the New York newspaper, PM, on April 22 and in four succeeding issues.)

A more serious situation, however, exists on the produce market in Portland. Rukuta Tsubota of Maryhill, Wash.—located about 100 miles from Portland—recently returned to his farm. Tsubota had lived in the area for 30 years prior to evacuation; he had been educated in the local schools and had spent a year at Washington State College. Several weeks ago, he brought his first truckload of produce — parsnips, onions, and turnips—to the wholesale market in Portland.

On this first trip, he sold about half of his load. But on two successive trips, buyers refused to come near his truck. When stores such as Safeway were asked to purchase from him, they at first agreed to do so—but later declined.

When the Good Samaritan Hospital offered to purchase from Tsubota, other dealerse announced that they would refuse to sell to the hospital. Over a period of weeks, Tsubota has been systematically boycotted on the market with the exception of a few isolated sales, one of the largest of which, incidentally, was made to a Chinese huckster. It will be noted that Tsubota is being boycotted, not in the area where he lives, but at a distance of 100 miles from his farm.

**ORGANIZED BOYCOTT**  
The "Tsubota" boycott, as it is known in Portland, has been organized by a group of growers known as the Ranchers and Growers Assn. Ironically enough, the association is made up largely of Italians and Italian-Americans. The market master, at the market, is an Italian. To appreciate the situation, it should be emphasized that all produce is sold on the

2-E, Topaz, slightly wounded on April 7.

PFC. MASAMI TAKENAGA, 23, (Gresham, Ore.), slightly wounded in Italy. Son of Mrs. Takenaga of 37-7-D, Hunt, Pfc. Takenaga trained at Camp Blanding, Fla.

PFC. SABURO TAKAYOSHI, (Bainbridge, Wash.), son of Mrs. R. Takayoshi, 44-6-D, Hunt, seriously wounded on the Italian front on April 6. Pfc. Takayoshi was inducted in January, 1942.

PFC. MASAO TSUDA, (Watsonville, Calif.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Yomoya Tsuda, 219-7-B, slightly wounded on April 8, and returned to duty on April 10.

2ND LIEUT. HARUNOBU TSUKUNO, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mrs. Kiku Tsukuno, formerly of 22-13-Bx, Ht. Mountain, seriously wounded in Italy.

PFC. SHIGERU YABUMOTO, 27, (Hayward, Calif.), wounded for second time in action. He is the brother of Mrs. Kinuye Yanagi, 9-11-CD, Topaz. He was previously wounded in France.

PFC. JOSEPH WAKAMATSU, Chicago, wounded.

PVT. KENJI YAGUCHI, (Fife, Wash.), son of Mr. and Mrs. Tsugio Yaguchi, Hunt, Idaho, slightly wounded on April 10. A brother, Saburo, is with the 442nd overseas, while another brother, Hiroshi, is now receiving training at Camp Blanding, Fla.

CPL. SHIRO YAMAGUCHI, 25, (Seattle, Wash.), son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Yamaguchi, 42-4-A, Hunt, seriously wounded in Italy on April 5. Cpl. Yamaguchi was among the 442nd squad that led the rescue of the "Lost Battalion," and has been awarded the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.

PFC. ARTHUR YAMASHITA, son of Mr. T. Y. Yamashita of Tyhee, Idaho, wounded in action on April 19.

PFC. WILLIAM YANAGIMACHI, (Spokane, Wash.), slightly wounded on April 8.

SGT. JIMMY TATSUDA, Chicago, slightly wounded on April 5.

CPL. HIDEO D. YOSHIMURA, 25, (Sacramento), son of Mr. and Mrs. Hajime Yoshimura, 14-10-F, Rohwer, slightly wounded on April 5.

market at established uniform prices. No charge is involved, therefore, that Tsubota has been undercutting the market. The market master has made it quite clear that the boycott is aimed at "keeping Japanese produce off the market." It is an economic measure, he says.

Evacuees in the relocation centers are watching the Tsubota case with great interest and, in some cases, have announced that they are delaying their return to the West Coast in order to see what happens. By the concerted action of a number of Federal agencies aided by organized action in Portland, the Tsubota boycott can be broken. In the face of a general food crisis this spite boycott should be of real concern to the War Food Administration.

## EDITORIAL DIGEST

### Promoter Ritchie OREGON DAILY JOURNAL

"Those residents of Gresham, Oregon, who hate Japs, hate 'em incorporated," says the Oregon Journal of April 24. "They pay good American dollars to do so, and Attorney General George Neuner has ruled that that is their privilege. The decision followed investigation of articles of incorporation of the 'Japanese Exclusion League,' with headquarters in Gresham."

The Journal quotes Time magazine's scathing account of Promoter Arthur J. Ritchie and the activities of the league, adding that "Greshamites may not be too pleased with the nature of the publicity."

### Americans, Too ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS

Denver's daily paper, the Rocky Mountain News, on April 30 noted that two American soldiers have asked the government to protect their parents from terrorist shooting raids on their California home.

"How can such a thing happen in this country?" says the News. "Well, the victims are Japanese-Americans. And there are some in this country who don't think those people have the same right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and to protection by the law, as the rest of us American citizens."

"The record shows the Japanese American units fighting in Italy are among our finest soldiers. They have earned fair treatment for themselves and their families here at home," says the News.

"Not only in justice to those fellow-Americans who have proved their patriotism the hard way, but also for our own self-respect and the preservation of American ideals, our law officers must protect the equal rights of all citizens, regardless of ancestry. We can't win a war against barbarism by becoming barbarians ourselves," concludes the News.

### Terrorism in America FT. SMITH (Ark.) S. W. AMERICAN

"Thousands of Jews who were imprisoned or tortured by the Nazis were German citizens," begins an editorial printed March 29 in the Ft. Smith S. W. American.

"That didn't stop Hitler and his henchmen. They used racial prejudice for all it was worth in advancing their cause."

"Thousands of the Japanese Americans who were evacuated from the west coast after Pearl Harbor are American citizens. That hasn't stopped some Americans of slightly longer family residence in this country from resorting to terrorism and fomenting of racial hatreds of the kind that were in large measure responsible for this war."

### Perplexed Sheriff SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

When Sheriff Lucius Cornell of Merced, called to investigate the shooting into Japanese American homes in his area, declared: "It's kind of difficult to find a suspect . . . I don't know exactly what we're going to do," he called down upon himself the ire of the San Francisco Chronicle.

"A sheriff would have to be unconscious not to know the back room resorts where this element gathers," said the Chronicle of April 25.

## Letter to the Editor: Correction on Preliminary Report on Los Angeles Area

### Fred Fertig Studies Opposition of Members Of Some Minorities to Return of Evacuees

April 27, 1945.  
Editor, Pacific Citizen:

In my "Preliminary Report on Los Angeles" published in your issue of April 21st, I allowed an error of fact to be printed that should be corrected. It is not true that "most" Chinese Americans and their parents are friendly to the returning evacuees. And the reasons for opposition to return by a large number of alien and American-born Chinese are most interesting.

Alien Chinese—and Filipinos—feel a strong antagonism to the Japanese in the United States above all because of this same psychological cause: They have not been able to take up their full citizenship in this country, and therefore their interests and their hearts are still turned to their homelands. It is that homeland that has been invaded by the Japanese military. What the Japanese do there, to their relatives and their countrymen, is more important than what happens here. What happens here—what is done by Japanese here, cannot be seen for what happens there—what is done by Japanese there.

These Chinese immigrants to America were prevented from understanding other Oriental immigrants by the American scheme of racial segregation. It is to the advantage of the economic and political forces that have a vested interest in perpetuating the minority system, that various minorities do not join together and make common warfare against the injustices suffered by each of them separately.

When the first generation of immigrants were kept so busy just earning a living, in making the simplest of adjustments to their new environment, they had no time left for establishing more subtle but creative relationships to peoples of other cultures or races that surround them. The first generation parents communicated their tiredness, their frustrations, to their American-born children. These children, despite their devotion to America—the America that Jefferson dreamed and the America that the movies pictured, were in turn made more disillusioned as to America when they—because of skin color—were not accepted as Americans. When one Issei returned to Los Angeles recently, a Chinese American boy remarked: "He, and all of them, ought to be taken out and shot." This Chinese Sansei got that notion from his parents, from his own experiences with prejudice that made him seek a whipping-boy to take out his own feelings upon—and the notion was strengthened by his reading of the Hearst papers.

But it is my general impression, supported by the observations of Chinese American friends, that there is more sympathy for the Japanese Americans among Chinese Americans and their parents than is usually believed. I cite a few more instances than given in the article. (These cases are selected from various areas in the U. S., and not just Los Angeles). A Chinese hotel owner on the West Coast has three Nisei tenants, and if anyone asks him if they are "Japs," his retort is: "Hell no! They're Chinese." A Chinese produce buyer is getting much of his produce from Japanese farmers, even though he might be subject to a boycott from other Chinese produce merchants if they knew about it. One of the sponsors of a chapter of the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play is in his community. A Chinese American boy dated a Nisei girl to a recent Los Angeles Chinese Club dance. Chinese American church, social and athletic organizations in the Middle West and East are having many exchange meetings with similar Japanese American organizations.

It should be remembered that one of the first organizations to speak out since the war in opposition to the "No Japs in California" campaign was in 1943, 11th Annual Chinese Christian Youth Conference held at Lake Tahoe. Their resolution called this campaign unequivocally "un-American, un-democratic and un-Christian."

Let not Japanese Americans despise those Chinese and their

children in the U. S. who are unfriendly towards them. Let Nisei and Issei alike know these things: The same class of interests that brought about passage of the alien land laws and the Oriental Exclusion Act against the Japanese promoted the passage of the earlier Chinese Exclusion Acts; the same prejudice that led to the Salt River bombings and the evacuation caused the earlier "Sand Lot" riots against the Chinese. The Japanese now have made progress over that of their fellow Chinese Americans. The Little Tokyos of the Japanese are being broken up, but the Chinatowns of America still stand. Due to the special vocational opportunities of the war, a few Chinese Americans have broken out of Chinatown's limited field of employment. But the Chinatowns of America—slums and ghettos that they are—remain still.

A prosperous third-generation Chinese American lawyer, the head of the local Chinese American Citizen's Alliance, told me just before Pearl Harbor: "I am recommending that Chinese Americans seek their future in China. There they will find acceptance without discrimination." That sounds like the advice of many Nisei professionals to younger Nisei before the war. And the discrimination that made this kind of advice seem right applied alike to Chinese—or Japanese Americans, Catholics or Jehovah's Witnesses. The shirted or hooded gangs ride against them all.

In this letter I've not really been making a case for the understanding of our Chinese Americans. What I have been trying to say is what I have constantly emphasized in my occasional column in the "Pacific Citizen." Let the minorities of America join together with white liberals in ending religious bigotry and racial prejudice. Let us never think we can gain the welfare of our own group by working only for our own group. To do so but perpetuates the habits and ideas that make for discrimination and segregation. Earl Johnson states it best: "We should not work for the solution of our Negro problem, our Japanese problem, our Jewish problem. What we must work for is the extension of democracy." Belief in democracy is the single thing that is required to destroy the foolish faith that yet threatens to tear our world apart even as the Hitler gang breathes its last breath.

The splendid task before the open-minded American, of any racial or ethnic group, is to keep America the home for the oppressed of all lands. America's source, we can never repeat often enough, was in its immigrant peoples seeking here a wider freedom and a more abundant life. America's destiny is to be that "Nation of nations" that Walt Whitman saw and that we can yet make real. We can be the leader for peace in the world when we find peace among our peoples here; peoples that came originally from the nations that compose the San Francisco United Nations Conference, and even from the countries now our enemies. The realization of the American dream waits upon the intelligent and courageous and unified action of all whose heart is in America, whether they can at present have their citizenship here: Japanese Americans, Chinese Americans, Mexican Americans, Korean Americans, Armenian Americans, German Americans, American Indians . . . All Americans.

Fred Fertig,  
Los Angeles, Calif.

### Parma Girl Heads Nisei Fellowship

NAMPA, Idaho—Grace Shirashi of Parma was elected president of the Nisei Young Adult Fellowship of the Caldwell Methodist Church on Sunday, April 22. Other officers are: Min Yamaguchi, vice president; Sue Matsumoto, secretary; Mary Ban, historian.

A special Mother's Day service will be held on May 6. There will be a buffet supper at Rev. I. L. Shaver's home in the evening.

### DSC Winner Hurt In Action in Italy

POCATELLO, Ida. — Pfc. Arthur Yamashita, wearer of the Distinguished Service Cross, the Purple Heart and a Unit Citation, was wounded in action in Italy on April 19 while serving with the 100th Battalion of the 442nd Combat Team.

Pfc. Yamashita is the son of Mr. T. Y. Yamashita of Tyhee, Idaho.

Four other Yamashita sons are in the U. S. Army: Pfc. Harvey E., Pvt. Melvin R., T/5 Frank G., and Pvt. Ben Yamashita.

### Idaho Soldier Killed in Recent Action in Italy

Pvt. Nagano Member  
Of Famous 100th  
Infantry Battalion

By JEANNE KAWAMURA  
POCATELLO, Idaho—Word has been received here by two families of Nisei servicemen of the death in action of one and the wounding of another during recent Italy fighting of the 442nd Combat Team.

Pvt. Fred H. Nagano, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Nagano of Pingree, Idaho, was killed in action on April 6, according to word received last week.

Pvt. Nagano entered the Army in August, 1944, and trained at Camp Blanding, Fla. He was a member of the famous 100th Battalion of the 442nd. Prior to his induction he attended the University of Idaho, South.

He is survived by his parents and five brothers, William, Roy, George, Edward and Gary Nagano.

Pvt. Kazuo Endow, son of Mr. and Mrs. U. Endow of Tyhee, Idaho, was wounded in action on April 16, according to word received last week by his parents. It was the second time he was wounded.

Pvt. Endow is a 1942 graduate of Pocatello high school and attended the University of Idaho, South, for a year before entering the army.

A brother, Pvt. Seiji Endow, is also in the army.

### JACL Official Talks on Nisei at Milwaukee Meeting

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—The Nisei are Americans and if there is a Nisei problem it belongs to the United States, not to Japan.

This was the opinion expressed by Dr. T. T. Yatabe of Chicago, first national president of the JACL and at present Midwest representative of the organization, at a talk before the George Williams Club on April 26 at the YMCA.

"We are Americans. We have been educated to become American citizens. Our parents thought we could do more for this country by becoming good American citizens than they were able to do toward repaying the debt they felt they owed America for the opportunities granted them. We are im-

## Frontier Fighting Ruse Used By Nisei to Confuse Germans

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—It's a frontier fighting ruse old in American history, but it worked on the Western Front.

For employing it successfully and heroically against superior odds, Staff Sergeant James S. Koizumi, son of George K. Koizumi, 124 Milo Lane, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, of the 442nd—Japanese American Combat Team, was honored with a Silver Star recently.

In recognition of Koizumi's gallantry in action, Brigadier General Ralph N. Tobin, commanding a Sixth Army Group unit, pinned the medal on his chest during 2nd Battalion ceremonies held at Antibes on the French Riviera.

The 442nd is now fighting with the Fifth Army in Italy.

The action for which Koizumi was decorated took place during the 442nd's fight for a strategic hill directly east of Bruyeres, an important communications center in the Vosges Mountains of Eastern France. When his superior officers were wounded, according to the citation:

## Sparta Selects Park Site for Memorial to 100th Battalion

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—One of the first memorials contemplated for the fallen heroes of the 100th Battalion of the 442nd Japanese American Combat Team has been proposed by the citizens of Sparta, Wisconsin, in the Sparta Memorial Park.

The park site borders Perch Lake where men of the 100th used to spend the summer afternoons swimming.

A letter forwarded by Mr. Harry L. Beckman, city clerk of the council of Sparta, to the unit's "Command Office" reads:

"Gentlemen:  
Excerpts from the council Meeting of Dec. 5, 1944. Alderman Sweeney spoke regarding the special fund on deposit received from the 100th Infantry Battalion, from Lieutenant Col-

onel Farrant L. Turner during the flood of 1943, in the sum of \$343.25.

A motion by Alderman Kirchoff seconded by Alderman Telles, the foregoing fund to be used to place a memorial in the contemplated park for the 100th Battalion. Motion carried.

We wish to highly commend you and your men for your gallant services since you left Camp McCoy.

Sincerely yours,  
Harry L. Beckman  
City Clerk

Soldiers of the 100th Battalion frequently visited Sparta, five miles from Camp McCoy.

A number regularly write to families and friends there, and many furloughed soldiers have paid visits to Sparta before returning to Hawaii.

## Japanese American Soldier From Hood River Posthumously Awarded Silver Star Medal

Sgt. Hachiya Cited for Valorous Action During  
Campaign on Leyte; U. S. Army Authorities in  
Philippines Honor Nisei's Conduct on Patrol

### Chicago Girls Group Sponsors USO Party

CHICAGO—Joining in with the other clubs affiliated with the Business and Professional girl's clubs of the YWCA, the Chicago Girl's Service Club sponsored a USO party at the USO Club located at 131 S. Wabash Ave. on May 5 from 2:00 to 7:00 o'clock. Nine clubs, six from the Loop YWCA, two from the Westside YWCA and one from Evanston YWCA, are the sponsors of this party. They provided all the refreshments, four hostesses per club and K. P. workers.

The Chicago Girl's Service Club, which has as one of its purposes, "to be of service to members in the armed forces," has been active in sending hostesses to the USO Club regularly, sponsor socials when a large number of Nisei service men come to Chicago, do bandage rolling at the Red Cross headquarters, and visit wounded men in the hospitals in the vicinity of Chicago.

Alice Inouye is chairman of the club. Other officers are Ayako Mori, vice chairman; Yuri Tanaka, recording secretary; Merian Amano, corresponding secretary; and Catherine Matsumoto, treasurer. Mrs. Dolores McKee is adviser of the club.

bued with America's traditions, customs and ideologies."

Dr. Yatabe visited Milwaukee to help organize a branch of the league. He was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sakemi, Indio, California, and Colorado River, during his stay in the city.

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—The Hood River valley, which received national attention when its American Legion post expunged the names of 16 American soldiers from an honor roll because of their Japanese ancestry, had a Japanese American hero this week.

The soldier was Tech. 3rd Gr. Frank T. Hachiya, who was born in Odell in the Hood River valley, and who has been posthumously awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action on Leyte.

News of Hachiya's citation was published in the Hood River News.

In general orders from headquarters, 7th Infantry division, dated March 4, 1945, the story of Sgt. Hachiya's gallantry is told, as follows:

"On Dec. 30, 1944, on Leyte, a combat patrol of two rifle companies was sent out to attack an enemy position protecting a regimental command post.

"Hachiya, a regimental interpreter, requested special permission to accompany the patrol. En route, three enemy soldiers were seen to run into a bamboo thicket on the edge of a deep and heavily wooded gorge. Hachiya went to the spot and tried to 'talk the enemy out.' He entered the thicket alone, saw a faint trail into the gorge and requested permission to pursue the enemy and try to capture them.

"He was required to take a two-man patrol, but moved out rapidly ahead of the patrol in going down the gorge. After proceeding about 100 yards, a 12-man enemy patrol in the bottom of the gorge opened fire, fatally wounding Hachiya.

"After being hit, and while lying helpless on the ground, he fired a complete magazine at the enemy, driving them up the ravine.

"His actions were an inspiration to the entire command and reflected great credit upon himself and the military service."

The soldier's next of kin was listed as Junkichi Hachiya, father, Adrian Farm Administration, Nyssa, Ore.

Although it was originally reported in news dispatches that Hachiya's name was among those expunged from the honor roll by the American Legion, it was later ascertained that it was never on the memorial. Although he was born in the Hood River valley and had lived there most of his life, Sgt. Hachiya had entered the service while attending the University of Oregon. Only those inducted by the Hood River board are listed on the honor roll.

### St. Louis Nisei Girl Weds Fellow Student

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Momoyo Koga, Nisei laboratory technician at St. Louis City hospital, recently became the bride of Philip Ackerman, a research chemist, it was revealed here.

Both were fellow students at Washington University.

# Evacuee Girls Hear Sinatra Speak on Racial Tolerance

PHILADELPHIA — When Frank Sinatra recently visited Fellowship House here to address the High School Fellowship Group on "Racial Tolerance," the occasion was especially exciting for the Kaneda family, formerly of the Rohrer Relocation center, who have been making their home in a top-floor apartment at Fellowship House since coming to Philadelphia a year ago.

Ruby Kaneda, 15, a student at Girls High School, is co-chairman of the youth group, which represents 38 junior and senior high schools throughout Philadelphia. In addition to Ruby, her mother, Mrs. Tome Kaneda; her sister, Mrs. Grace, a secretary at the Family Society of Philadelphia, and her brother, Ben, a freshman at Temple University, were in the audience which heard Sinatra. Also present were Yone Okamura, a neighbor of the Kanedas at Rohrer and now a teacher of Japanese at the University of Pennsylvania, and Irene Tomino, Philadelphia-born Nisei friend of Ruby Kaneda.

This is how Grace Kaneda tells the story of Sinatra's visit to Fellowship House.

"The night before Sinatra's visit we were told by Miss Marjorie Penney, director of Fellowship House, an inter-racial and inter-faith organization, that 'The Voice' would be the surprise speaker at the meeting of the High School Fellowship Group the next day.

"The meeting was arranged quite secretly through one of the board members, who knows Sinatra's manager. Over 200 school editors and student council members from 67 public, private and parochial schools in Philadelphia heard him speak, but only the teachers who accompanied them, our family, and a few others knew before hand that he would be present. Negroes, Irish, Italian, Chinese, Japanese, Jews, Catholics and Protestants, etc., were all there together. The surprising element was that Sinatra came to speak on 'Racial Tolerance' rather than to sing as 'The Voice.'

"I got the afternoon off from my work to join the bobby-sox bri-

gade and got a choice seat by the aisle where Sinatra would pass to get to the front. My brother, Ben, helped with the admittance of students and teachers.

"Ten cameramen and reporters were at Fellowship House when Sinatra arrived. Some pictures were taken in front of the House, and my brother was picked along with a few lucky girls to pose with Sinatra. Later other pictures were taken while Sinatra was speaking, and these included my sister and her friend, Irene Tomino. Were they thrilled!

"Sinatra was just what everyone expected him to be—friendly, natural, and sincere. He was dressed in a loose sport coat and deeply pleated slacks, and wore a large grey bow tie. He was surprised by a new audience which did not go completely wild. However, 'ohs' and 'Fran-n-kie' were heard whispered all over the room, and the young girl sitting behind me gave a sigh and began crying silently.

"During his talk Sinatra said that 'Fellowship House is one of the most wonderful things I have seen in my life.' He said that more should be done for the House and its cause. He added that after he returns from his overseas trip to the armed forces in May, he would organize a rally to raise funds for the House to carry on its inter-racial and inter-faith work on a larger scale. He indicated that he would interest other talents from the West and East coasts in carrying forward his type of work, for, he said, 'disunity only helps the enemy.'

"After Frank Sinatra finished his talk, a mere dozen or so were fortunate in getting his autograph. My sister and Ruby Tomino, who were almost in front of him, were among those who got his much-prized signature. For the rest of the day they wore deliriously happy expressions.

"This is just one of the many happy experiences our family has experienced since coming to Philadelphia. We had previously met, through living at Fellowship House, Dr. Charles Drew, discoverer of blood plasma; Mrs. Curtis Bok, a member of the Curtis Publishing House and Curtis Music School family, and Alice Anderson, sister of Marian Anderson, famous Negro singer."

## Vital Statistics

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Norio Kiyama, 6901-C, Tule Lake, a girl, April 9.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tadasu Nishi, 2302-D, Tule Lake, a boy, April 9.  
To Mr. and Mrs. James Takehara, 1201-B, Tule Lake, a girl, April 10.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kazumi Tsuchio, 4908-A, Tule Lake, a girl, April 11.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hisai Fujioka, 5806-B, Tule Lake, a girl, April 11.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Miyamoto, 8116-A, Tule Lake, a boy, April 11.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Horioka, 7013-B, Tule Lake, a boy, April 11.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kojuro Sakai, 519-E, Tule Lake, a boy, April 12.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kaneshige Matsumoto, 4202-A, Tule Lake, a girl, April 13.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Shimasaki, 5611-B, Tule Lake, a boy, April 13.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yurao Kobata, 7706-A, Tule Lake, a girl, April 13.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Yamaoka, 8214-E, Tule Lake, a boy, April 14.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Mitsuda, 3918-D, Tule Lake, a boy, April 14.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tetsuo Wakida, 5305-B, Tule Lake, a girl, April 14.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kataro Kobayashi, 5204-C, Tule Lake, a boy, April 15.  
To Dr. and Mrs. Henry Kazato, 1053 25th St., Detroit, a boy, Ernest Wayne, April 25.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kunihiro Tanaka, 20-3-A, Ht. Mountain, a girl, April 22.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Jistuo Kubo, 17-9-B, Ht. Mountain, a girl, April 27.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Bunnosuke Sakamoto, 21-10-C, Ht. Mountain, a girl, April 27.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nakao, 28-10-B, Topaz, a boy, April 19.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Teichiro Tao, 4-3-E, Topaz, a boy, April 19.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hatsuichi Yamagami, 13-1-F, Topaz, a boy, April 20.  
To Mr. and Mrs. James Juichiro Yokomizo, 8-6-F, Topaz, a girl, April 23.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Katsumi Tao, 16-4-D, Poston, a girl, April 19.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio M. Nagase, 18-10-C, Poston, a girl, April 22.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Heichi Shimashita, 213-2-A, Poston, a boy, April 22.

### DEATHS

Dr. Takashi Namiki, 50, of 317, Poston, on April 21.  
Mrs. Yasu Munemitsu, 55, of 38-9-A, Poston, on April 22.  
Masakichi Takahashi, 66, of 4-8-E, Rohrer, on April 20.  
Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shokichi Fujii, 29-22-E, Ht. Mountain, on April 22.  
Isaburo Hattori, 63, of 919, Tule Lake, on April 8.  
Tamaki Yamada, 68, of 2019-C, Tule Lake, on April 11.  
Chiyoko Iwata, 44, 5006-C, Tule Lake, on April 11.

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# Nisei Soldiers Prove Popular With People of Riviera Towns

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—American soldiers with their good nature and good will make friends wherever they go, and the Japanese Americans of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team have the knack to a superlative degree.

"For the first time I have been happy to invite soldiers into my home," said Monsieur Andre Soulier, who lives in Beausoleil near famed Monte Carlo, expressing his sadness on seeing his friends leave. "My wife has been more than glad to have you come to visit the family."

During the 442nd Combat Team's tour of duty in the Maritime Alps of the Franco-Italian border, the Japanese Americans made many friends among the citizens of the French Riviera. The residents of Menton, Carnolles, Castellar, Beausoleil, Nice, all cities near Monte Carlo, frequently invited the men to parties and celebrations.

Monsieur Marcelle Maurice,

who owns a perfume shop in Menton, said: "I have seen a lot of soldiers during the five years I have stayed here on the Riviera. I have seen Germans and Italians; our own troops and other Americans, but I have not seen a group of better mannered soldiers."

Monsieur and Madame Bedarida who live at the Hotel Windsor, near Monte Carlo, with their two sons, Robert and Albert, and daughter, Joyce, were one of the best liked families. The men were accustomed to call Madame Bedarida "Mama," and more than 20 of the men were in the habit of visiting her regularly.

In her slightly accented English she said: "I have seen many soldiers during the long time I have lived here in France, but I have not seen a group of grander boys anywhere. I feel so flattered to hear the boys call me 'Mama.' I wish they were all mine, for everyone of them is a credit to his mother."

The 442nd recently rejoined the Fifth Army in Italy.

# Nisei Girls Act as Hostesses At USO Club in Chicago Loop

CHICAGO—A few months ago the USO Club at 131 S. Wabash Avenue saw hardly any Nisei service men, but today this popular center located in the Loop is fast becoming a popular rendezvous for many Nisei men in uniform.

Through the efforts of Hazel Orth, head of the center and who probably has more friends among the service men than any other person in Chicago, Nisei girls were able to serve regularly as junior hostesses. Two members of the Chicago Girls Service Club were first invited to serve as hostesses on a trial basis. These two Nisei proved so popular, not only among the service men but among the co-hostesses that the club was invited to send girls at regular intervals.

Arrangements have been made for the girl's club to send two junior hostesses on the first and third Saturday nights of each month. When a large number of Nisei service men come to Chicago, then the number is increased to five hostesses every night while the boys are in town. Jean Kawamoto, the Chicago Girl's Ser-

vice Club's USO hostess committee chairman, has a list of girls who have volunteered their services to act as hostesses and she assigns the girls on a rotation basis.

Dolly and Yuri Tanaka were the first members of this girl's club to go to the USO Club as junior hostesses. The two girls had so much fun that evening that they have been urging other girls to sign up.

"We check in at the USO Club at 7:00 o'clock sharp," explained Yuri Tanaka. "We get our badges and then report to our chaperone who gives us pointers to remember during the evening, such as where things are located so that this information can be passed on to the men. Then we go around to see that all of the service men are enjoying themselves. There are ping pong and other indoor games, a craft room for those interested in making things, music room for those who like classical as well as boogie woogie and even a place where a man can be alone, if he cares to be."

Nisei girls serve as hostesses with all the other girls who represent various clubs affiliated with the YWCA, the Jewish group and Catholic organizations.

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## Recall Nisei Union Leader's Fight Against Cargoes to Japan

### CIO Official Praises Record of Hawaii's Japanese Americans

SAN FRANCISCO—The story of how a Japanese-American union leader "fought with us in our efforts to prevent shipments of scrap iron to Japan in 1937" was told to a recent meeting of Local 6 of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, CIO, by John Elias, a representative from ILWU Local 137 in Hawaii.

Elias said the Nisei union leader, Sgt. Karl Yoneda, was now in action with United States forces in the China-Burma-India theater.

Elias told the San Francisco union group of the fight of Japanese-Americans in his local in Hawaii "not only against fascism, but also to develop democracy in the Islands."

The CIO official from Hawaii praised the labor record of Japanese-Americans in Hawaii and described their participation in the trade union movement.

He called for a welcome to returning Japanese-Americans in keeping with the democratic principle of "equality of opportunity, regardless of race, creed, ancestry," which is a part of the principles of the CIO.

Fred Ross of the WRA presented a film, "Challenge to Democracy," to the longshoremen audience.

In an accompanying talk Ross

warned against the boomerang of race prejudice. He pointed out that it was used in Germany against the Jews.

"It smashed the Jews," he related, "but eventually smashed the unions, too."

"It has been used here to weaken the effectiveness of unions, also," Ross said, pointing out that in the early depressions in California, people organized behind the slogans, "The Chinese Must Go," instead of against the causes of the depression.

### Minidoka Residents Raise Red Cross Fund

HUNT, Idaho — Residents and appointed personnel of the minidoka relocation center have contributed a total of \$1978.83 to the American Red Cross, according to Roy Akiyama, chairman of the drive at Hunt. Of the total, \$1394 was contributed by evacuee residents.

### Constance Nayematsu Weds Lieut. Ishio

HARDIN, Mont.—At a double ring ceremony Miss Constance Nayematsu, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kay Nayematsu of Garryowen, Mont., was united in marriage to Lt. Philips E. Ishio of Salt Lake City on Tuesday, April 24, at a Crow Agency, the Hardin Tribune - Herald reported last week.

Lt. Ishio is on a 45-day furlough after serving 31 months with the armed services in New Guinea and the Philippines. He has received the Bronze Star medal, the Presidential Unit Citation ribbon with one oak leaf cluster, the American Defense ribbon, and the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with three campaign stars.

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### Nisei Employees Are Cited for War Effort

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Frank M. Yamaguchi, employee at the Curtiss Wright plant in Buffalo, has been cited for his purchase of \$1,000 in war bonds and awarded a gold pin for his war production drive record.

Awarded a silver pin at the same time was Riyo Sato, formerly of Palo Alto, California.

### Sen. Magnuson Asks Policy on U. S. Japanese

WASHINGTON — Senator Warren G. Magnuson, D., Wash., last week demanded a "clear-cut national policy on Japanese residing in the United States," according to Hearst newspaper sources.

Dan Markel, a Hearst correspondent in Washington, quoted Magnuson as declaring that he will call on the Immigration Service immediately after V-E Day to ask how it proposes to handle the "Japanese problem."

The Washington Senator declared that he would demand that persons of Japanese ancestry who have indicated sympathy to Japan should be deported immediately.

"Persons of Japanese ancestry born in America should also be subject to deportation unless they attest their loyalty to the United States by formally renouncing the principle of dual citizenship," Magnuson said.

### Seek Review Of Decision In Draft Cases

LOS ANGELES—A petition, seeking review of the decision of Judge T. Blake Kennedy in a Federal court at Cheyenne, Wyo., which resulted in three-year prison sentences on Mineola Tamesa and 62 other defendants from the Heart Mountain relocation center on charges of violation of the selective service act, was filed with the Supreme Court of the United States last week by A. L. Wirin and J. B. Tietz of Los Angeles, attorneys for Tamesa.

The petition sought a "writ of certiorari" from the Supreme Court and posed the question whether American citizens of Japanese ancestry in war relocation centers were subject to induction under the draft law.

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## U. S. Army Utilizes Many Nisei Specialists in Okinawa Battles

### Japanese Americans Play Important Role In Pacific Campaign

HONOLULU, T. H.—"A larger number of Japanese Americans in (Army) language teams than have been used in all of our previous occupations put together" are being utilized by United States forces on Okinawa, Roy Cummings, war correspondent for the Honolulu Star Bulletin, reported in a recent dispatch.

Cummings said he believed the majority of the Japanese American Army interpreters of Okinawa were from Hawaii.

"They are members of the several groups of volunteers from Hawaii who were recruited especially for this work and trained for the most part in Camp Savage in Minnesota," he reported.

Cummings said that "while wandering around near where our right flank was driving down the route to Naha, I met a staff sergeant of Honolulu."

"He and another sergeant of Wahiawa were hoarse from talking to civilians. They had talked to some 300 in the last day or so and were almost out of words."

"The sergeant said that now that the civilians had found they are not to be killed or tortured they are emerging from their musty tombs and damp caves to give themselves up."

"It is really pitiful to see some of them," the Japanese American sergeant told Cummings. "These poor people have been filled up with frightful stories as to what would happen to them if the Americans took them. They were told they would be horribly tortured and then killed. So at first they came out crying and trembling, falling on the ground and begging not to be killed."

"It was hard to convince them that we meant no harm," the Jap-

anese American soldier continued. "One old man who I talked to came out of his cave and knelt before the soldiers with his head bowed down. He said that he wanted them to behead him immediately and not to torture him before they killed him. I tell you, it was sad to see them."

Cummings reported that the Japanese American sergeant had an enemy Japanese soldier to his credit.

"The language team men don't generally get close to the front, but several are on advanced details," he said. "He was standing guard watch the third night on Okinawa when he challenged a man who came out of the darkness. The man did not halt and when he came closer the sergeant saw that it was an enemy soldier so he cut him down with his carbine and added one less enemy to the scoreboard."

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