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National JACL Plans to Enter **Ovama Case Testing Validity** of California Alien Land Law

San Diego County Escheat Case Appealed to State Supreme Court; JACL Believes Law Discriminates Against Future of Japanese American Group

Asserting its belief that the California Alien Land Law discriminates against the future of American citizens of Japanese ancestry, the National Japanese American Citizens League this week announced that it will file a brief as a "friend of ourt" in the appeal by Fred Oyama of a recent San Diego Superior Court decision escheating his land to the State of Calfornia for alleged violation of the Alien Land Law.

The National JACL has retained the services of the law

Leucadia Nursery,

Operated by Evacuees,

SAN DIEGO - A nursery at

Leucadia, near San Diego, operated by Usahiro Ito and his fam-

ily, was destroyed by fire on Oct. 24.

Two autos and all household and personal effects of the Itos,

who returned recently to San Diego county, were also destroy-

It was recalled that an un-successful attempt to burn down

the nursery was made three

Sheriff Bert Strand declared that he had no evidence to prove suspicions of incendiarism.

A 60-year old painter, however, has been taken to the

psychopathic ward of the county hospital for mental observation

after he had been heard to make threats that "Japs should be burned out."

disturbance in Ivanhoe on the previous night and had smashed watermelons over the postoffice

lobby and had written epithets on

which has held mass meetings to

Japanese ancestry to the area.

"We hate Jap lovers" and similar statements were scrawled on

Hoodlums Create

Disturbance at

windows.

the situation.

weeks ago.

firm of James C. Purcell and William Ferritter of San Francisco to file the amicus curiae brief.
The appeal in the Oyama case was entered in the Supreme Court of the State of California this week by A. L. Wirin, southern California counsel of the American Civil Liberties Union.

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Mr. Wirin and attorneys for the JACL will cooperate to contest discriminatory phases of the California anti-alien property own-

ership legislation. Mr. Purcell represented Mitsuye Endo in her case pertaining to the detention of loyal citizens in war relocation centers which resulted in an unanimous decision by the United States Supreme Court declaring such detention to be unconstitutional.

Mr. Purcell is also representing some eighty Americans of Japa-nese ancestry, former civil service employes of the State of Calif-omia, who were suspended by the State Personnel Board because of their ancestry at the outbreak of

The National JACL stated that it is going to have its attorneys emphasize the point in regard to present enforcement of the Alien Land Law in California that once real property is deeded to a minor, the parents who happen to be "aliens ineligible to citizenship" have no claims to that property and therefore the title should be absolute. If this contention is upheld, many of the persons who are now under suspicion for violation of the Alien Land Law will be

The California Alien Land Law, passed in 1913 and amended in 1921, prohibits the ownership of real property by "aliens ineligible to citizenship" and affects all aliens except Chinese who were excepted from the law in 1943. At the real property by "aliens ineligible to citizenship" and affects all aliens except Chinese who were excepted from the law in 1943. At ent time the law is being enforced only against persons of Japanese ancestry.

340 Returnees Move Into San Francisco Housing Project

SAN FRANCISCO-Three hundred and forty Japanese Americans, returning from the Central Utah relocation center at Topaz, have moved into the government's South Gate housing project at Hunter's Point in the San Frandisco metropolitan area, it was reported last week.

Three hundred others had arrived previously and 200 others were expected.

Community kitchens were estab-lished to feed the evacuees dur-ing their stay at the temporary

School buses are picking up Nisei children at the project and are distributing them to schools

Investigate Death Of Transient in Tracy

office was investigating the death level about 60 years of age and of Japanese ancestry, who apparently strangled himself to death Tracy bakery the night of Oct. 24.

portation to Hawaii.

The departures brought to 6,000 the number of Topaz residents relocated in 1945, more than 4,000 the cent of whom left the center since of whom left the center since Aug. 15 when the first special train for the Coast departed with 340 passengers.

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Nisei Soldier Killed by Gas In Tokyo Barracks

TOKYO—A 22-year old Jap-anese American soldier, Ben K. Hara of Seattle, Wash., died of suffocation from inhaling gas in the American barracks on the night of Oct. 22, according to a Reuters report.

room on the fourth floor where a coffee urn had been turned

Hara was attached to the Allied Translation and Interpre-ter Section of the U. S. Army. He is the son of Seichi Hara, hotel proprietor and former official of the Seattle Japanese Association. The Haras resided at the Minidoka relocation center in Idaho until recently.

848 Veterans Of 442nd Now **En Route Home**

Have Been Guarding German POWs While **Awaiting Orders**

LEGHORN, Italy-Eight hundred and forty-eight high point men of the 442nd (Japanese American) Combat Team, who have been "sweating it out" by guarding German war prisoners while awaiting redeployment to the United States, left the regiment last week for Naples on the first step of their scheduled journey

All enlisted men with 83 points or more and some with 80 points were included in the group, com-posed of 830 enlisted men and eighteen officers. The great ma-jority of the men were original volunteers of the 442nd Combat Team who came overseas in May,

Attends Tea at White House

VISALIA, Calif. — The Times Delta reported on Oct. 13 that a group of hoodlums had created a WASHINGTON—"The biggest thrill of my life" came to Mrs. Ira Shimasaki of Washington on Oct. 24 when she attended tea at the White House and met the President and Mrs. Truman.

was attended by 175 persons.

The Times-Delta reported that County and Federal authorities had been called in to investigate ably the first Nisei woman to meet Mr. Truman, Mrs. Shimasaki later commented upon his "big, broad, friendly grin."

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"I think they are both so friendly and they put us all at ease the minute we saw them," she said. protest the return of evacuees of

Escaping gas led to the dis-covery of his body in an unused

Japanese Plan for Philippines Defense Known to U.S. Forces Through Work of Nisei Troops

Intelligence Work by Japanese Americans Made It Possible for U. S. Commanders to Anticipate Enemy Operations in Pacific Island Campaigns

ST. PAUL, Minn.-Nisei Americans trained at Fort Snelling served with the English, the Australians, the New Zealanders and the Chinese, and they were with every major unit in every engagement from Attu and Guadalcanal up to the march into Tokyo, it was revealed here last week when the story of Fort Snelling, training ground for over 4,000 Nisei troops, was revealed for the first time.

One of the war's big secrets was Nisei aid in the battle of

the Philippines, according to Lawrence Boardman in the St. Paul Dispatch. It was due to the Nisei that the Japanese plan for defense of the Philippines was known by the American commanders before our forces landed on Leyte.

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The Americans had snitched the Japs' signals, Boardman said, and it happened this way:

Admiral Koga, then commander in chief of the combined Japanese fleets, was captured when the plane in which he was flying to join his command was forced down in the Philippines. From him were taken complete battle plans for the engagement which was to be fought in the San Bernardino straits.

Now this probably did not worry the Japanese leaders one whit, be-cause the plans were in code, Boardman said. If they had been in ordinary Japanese writing, it would be difficult enough for the Americans to understand them, but in Japanese code, it would be impossible.

But the Japanese omitted from their calculations the Japanese American linguists trained at Fort Snelling.

The plans were turned over to Nisei experts who decoded and translated them. When the Americans joined battle, they knew almost as much about the Japanese movements as the Japanese. It is not surprising that the enemy fleet

was virtually annihilated in the worst defeat in naval history.

This, said Boardman, was only one example of the vital assignments accomplished by the lan-

guage school graduates.

The complete Japanese war plan for defense of the Philippines was the White House and met the President and Mrs. Truman.

The tea was given for the United Council of Church Women and American division knew well in

Bougainville.

On many occasions, Boardman writes, Nisei intelligence work cleared the way for American troops moving through the jungles. Another function performed by these linguists was that of flushing caves and pillboxes. Armed with hand grenades, they would approach these objectives and call to the defenders to come out.

In these operations they worked so close to the enemy they frequently risked being shot by our own troops.

The Nisei operatives came from all walks of life and from various parts of the United States, Ha-waii and Alaska. In their ranks were lawyers, dentists, men with Ph. D. degrees, cooks, farm hands, gardeners, laundrymen and house boys. They even included a former member of the Hawaiian Territorial legislature and one professional gambler.
Records on the casualties they

suffered are not complete, but many were killed and many wounded.

At last 50 of them were com-missioned from the ranks, and 25 or 30 more received commissions or 30 more received commissions after completing training schools in this country and Australia. Decorations they are so far known to have received include one Distinguished Service Cross, two Le-

gion of Merit awards, five Silver Stars, one Soldier's Medal, more than 50 Bronze Stars and more than 15 Purple Hearts.

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The average Fort Snelling student's day is described by John Nyberg of the Minneapolis Star-Journal of Oct. 22.

To qualify for the training, the Nisei must be able to read and speak a "modicum" of Japanese.

His trained day begins at few modifications of the start o

His typical day begins at 6 a.m., with school call at 7:30. Except for

a brief lunch period from 11:45 to 1:30. "Joe Language Student" is engaged in language instruction 7:30 to 4:20 in the afternoon. After dinner there is supervised study

from 7 to 9.

On Wednesdays and Saturdays school closes at 11:45 a.m., but the Wednesday time off doesn't mean "liberty," Nyberg says. Usually the student is occupied with military training cuits of the student of th military training—quite often a good long cross-country march of from five to ten miles. Practically all classroom hours

are spent in Japanese language or Japanese intelligence training involving use of the language in prisoner of war interrogation and translation of captured documents. Two hours of the week are for theoretical military science and tactics courses.

Training equips the Nisei to be a good soldier and a good linguist. He is driven hard to prepare him for the heavy tasks ahead in the minimum of time allowed. He gripes like GIs, but he still takes his work in stride does his duty his work in stride, does his duty well and makes a success of his mission.

An indication of the valuable services provided by the linguists is furnished by an officer of a Pacific division to which a language unit was attached. "We would American division knew well in advance just where and at approximately what time and in what lime and in what to break down fear and supersti-tion and obtain vitally important information from both Jap soldiers and natives."

Of 14 Nisei who volunteered for service with Merrill's Marauders, six were commissioned as officers for meritorious service, one was decorated with the Legion of Merit

decorated with the Legion of Merit and three with the Bronze Star.

"During battle," Merrill reported, "they crawled up close enough to be able to hear Jap officers' commands and to make verbal translations to our soldiers. They tapped lines, listened in on radios, translated documents and papers, aend make spot translations of messages and field orders."

Report Nisei Passed Unprecedented Test Of Loyalty to U. S.

PARIS-"A test of loyalty and patriotism never before required of Americans was demanded dur-ing the war of U. S. citizens of Japanese ancestry," Richard Wil-bur declared in the Paris edition of Stars and Stripes on Oct. 21. "But the Nisei passed the test and brought honor on themselves and

WRA Closes Central Utah Camp On Time as Last Group Leaves

Utah war relocation center at Topaz was closed on schedule on Oct. 31 with Project Director Luther T. Hoffman "locking" the gate behind the last group of degate behind the last group of the parting evacuee residents at a ceremony at 1 p.m., Dillon S. Myer, WRA director, reported this week.

Myer, week.

The group leaving the office and set their departure dates, only one individual had to dates, only one individual had to be "escorted" to the train.

Mr. Myer said that "nearly all relocatees" left with a friendly relocatees" left with a friendly relocatees toward the WRA and many

The final group leaving the camp consisted of 32 persons, mostly evacuees from Hawaii who will be quartered in Los Angeles until they are able to get transportation to Hawaii portation to Hawaii.

WASHINGTON - The Central | 559 occurred on Oct. 19 and the last special train left Oct. 26 with 324 persons aboard.

WRA officials said that relocation was nearly 100 percent voluntary. Although notices were sent to 17 families to come to the leave office and set their departure

feeling toward the WRA and many of the evacuee leaders have sent back letters of appreciation for the understanding attitude of the administration workers and the assistance given them in working out their individual problems.

He reported that only 44 per-

He reported that only 44 percent of the relocatable resdents of Topaz returned to the West Coast, 43 percent to California and one percent to Oregon and Washing-

Distinguished Unit Citation Awarded Engineers Group of Japanese American Regiment

LEGHORN, Italy-The Presidential Distinguished Unit citation was awarded last week to the 232nd Combat Engineers company, the only unit in U. S. military history with all of its enlisted and officer personnel composed of Americans of Japa-

Commanded since its activation at Camp Shelby as the engineers company of the 442nd (Japanese American) Combat Team by Captain Pershing Nakada of Nebraska, the company

received its citation as part of the 111th Engineer Combat Battalion to which it was attached during the 442nd's fighting in northeastern France as a part of the 36th (Texas) Division. The 111th is the 36th Division's engineer battalion.

The honor is the sixth Distinguished Unit citation to be won by elements of the 442nd Combat Team, five of which were awarded for actions in the Vosges Mountains tains of Alsace, France, in the fall of 1944.

The citation was awarded the 232nd for "heroism, espirit de corps and extraordinary achievement in combat from Oct. 23 to Nov. 11 near Bruyeres, France."

The Nisei engineers, operating that the 36th as part of the 111th Battalion, took part in the building of an citation added.

important supply road out of a mountain trail which rose one thousand feet above the valley floor and which progressed through a deep forest to the division objective. The men of the battalion constructed the road under heavy artillery fire and in the face of incessant sniper fire.

Almost continuous rain and snow made the work difficult and heavy casualties were suffered but at no time during the 19 days did the work cease, accord-

ing to the citation.
"Without this road, the division operation could not have succeeded and it is due to the extraordinary achievement of these men that the 36th Division was able to outflank the enemy forces," the

Last Evacuee Family at Hunt Refused to Leave Center

Parents Threatened Self-Destruction, Spend Night in Jail

HUNT, Idaho—The last evacuee family at the Minidoka relocation center which closed last week was ordered to jail for an overnight stay after refusing to pack their personal belongings and evacuate the Hunt camp, Sheriff Lee S. Johnson of Jerome County declar-

Sheriff Johnson said he was asked by W. E. Rawlings, project director, to arrest Mr. and Mrs. Matsuie Yamaguchi, parents of three children.

Mr. Rawlings said in a statement on Oct. 30 that the Yama-guchis threatened death to themselves and their three children rather than leave the Minidoka

Rawlings said the Yamaguchis deliberately missed their train connection that was scheduled to take them back to their former home area on the West Coast. They were scheduled to depart with the last group to leave the camp last week.

when it was discovered that the couple and their three children, ranging in age from 9 to 12, were still in camp, the family was brought to the hospital building to spend the night.

It was there that a disturbance broke out, the WRA official reported, in which the father was reported to have threatened to kill

ported to have threatened to kill his wife, his three children and remove the parents to the Jerome
County jail where they spent the night. The children spent the night in the hospital building.

The next day all five were put

Avenue on Sept. 16.

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Coast, the last family to leave the Minidoka relocation center.

Housing of Evacuees In Army Barracks Protested in Burbank

BURBANK, Calif.-Referring to the conversion of Army barracks for use as temporary housing facilities for returning evacuees of Japanese ancestry, a petition of protest has been signed by 87 Burbank residents.

"It is unthinkable that any progressive group of educated people or government agencies should establish such a slum even temporarily," the petition declared.

Preliminary Hearing Held in Centerville Terrorism Cases

CENTERVILLE, Calif. - Interrogation of witnesses in the pre-liminary hearing of two men charged with intent to commit mur-der and assault with a deadly weapon in an alleged terrorism attack on two returned evacuee families of Japanese ancestry was completed at the Centerville Justice Court on Oct. 26.

Robert F. Hailey, 36, Warm Springs tractor worker, and Charles Custom, 42, Centerville his wife, his three children and then threatened to end his own life. Rawlings said camp officials became alarmed and had officers

See Little Likelihood For Harsh Policy Toward Issei

WASHINGTON-Although there existence of any policy which has been no official clarification would penalize alien Japanese, from the Washington office of the Allied Reparations Commission, it is believed that there is little likelihood of the adoption of a "harsh policy" on reparations which would mean the seizure and confiscation of the properties of alien Japanese individuals who are legal residents of the United States and whose wartime conduct has not been contrary to the interests of the Unit-ed States.

Concern was expressed here re-Concern was expressed here regarding American reparations policy following an interview given by Edwin Pauley, American representative on the Reparations Commissions, in which Pauley had declared that the individual properties of alien Japanese in the United States, "including the corner grocery store," would be seized to supply reparations.

There is no indication of the

who are unable to become citizens because of provisions in the United States immigration laws, and whose actions during the war have been in support of the American war effort. It has been pointed out that virtually all Japanese aliens in the United States have sons and daughters or relatives in he American armed forces.

It is believed that at the most any reparations program which is adopted will not look beyond property which has been taken over by the Alien Property Custodian or that is still blocked by the Treasury Department.

by the Treasury Department.

It is also noted that there seems to be quite a difference of opin-ion among experts about whether any private property belonging to enemy aliens, whether resident here or abroad, should be confis-There is no indication of the cated for reparations purposes.

Lieut. Smith Visits Veterans



BUSHNELL GENERAL HOSPITAL, Brigham City, Utah-Lieut. Roger Smith, former company commander of the 3rd Bat-talion of the 442nd Combat Team, recently visited wounded veterans of the 442nd at Bushnell General Hospital in Utah. For the past two months Lieut. Smith, who has 140 discharge points, has spoken before more than 50 audiences in California, Utah and other western states on the story of the men of the 442nd Com-

In this photo he is shown with (back row) Pfc. Stanley Takemoto, Honolulu; Staff Sgt. Wally Doi, Port Allen, Kauai; Pfc. Noboru Seki, Honolulu, and Staff Sgt. Masaru Miyoshi, Fife, Washington. (Front row) Lieut. Smith and Lieut. William Oshiro,

Nisei Soldier Awarded Army Medal for Action in Japan

WITH THE SIXTH ARMY IN | JAPAN-For meritorious achievement in connection with military commanding general of the veter-an 33rd Infantry Division now oc-cupying the Kobe-Osaka-Kyoto cupying the Kobe-Osaka-Kyoto area in Japan. Sgt. Teramoto of the 172nd

Language Detachment was a member of the advance party that preceeded the 33rd Division into Japan. His services were of inestimable value in dealing with Japanese officials and civilians. He assisted materially in effecting good relations at once in Japan through his ability to readily green the in his ability to readily grasp the intent of the Japanese with whom

In part the official citation eads, "Sgt. Teramoto was devoted to his duty and was available ment in connection with military operations, Sergeant Toshi Teramoto, son of Mrs. Hashi Teramoto, Rt. 1, Parlier, Calif., has been awarded the Bronze Star medai by Major General P. W. Clarkson, devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Toshi Teramoto, Teramoto, Teramoto response of the vaters. geant Teramoto reflect great credit upon himself and the mili-tary service."

A veteran of 28 months over-seas, Sgt. Teramoto landed first in Ausralia and then joined the 33rd "Golden Cross" Division in New Guinea. He has participated in the "Second Battle of Morotai" in the "Second Battle of Morotal in the Netherlands East Indies and in the "Battle for Baguio" on Luzon in the Philippine Liberation campaign. He is entitled to wear the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with two battle stars and the Philip-pine Liberation ribbon with a star.

Sgt. Ben Kuroki Relates War **Experiences at New York Forum**

NEW YORK CITY-"Not only did I go to war to fight the fascist ideas of Germany and Japan, but also to fight against a very few Americans who fail to understand the principles of freedom and equality upon which this country was founded."

Thus Technical Sgt. Ben Kuroki, the Nisei farm boy from Nebraska, explained why he flew 30 missions in Europe, then volunteered for duty in the Pacific, where he flew 28 missions with the 330th Bombardment unit of the 20th Air Force.

Sgt. Kuroki spoke at the New York Herald Tribune forum, broadcast nationally by the Mutual Broadcasting System, on October 29.

The Herald-Tribune, sponsors of the annual forum, carried a picture of Sgt. Kuroki and a story on his speech, emphasizing that Ben Kuroki, being an American of Japanese ancestry, has a continuing battle to fight although the big war he helped to win is over.

Kuroki related his experiences after volunteering immediately after the attack on Pearl Harbor. Following his service in Europe, he was aided by many Americans in his desire to go to the Pacific theater.

"We flew out of an airfield on Tinian in the Marianas," he said.
"The name of our bomber was
'Honorable Sad-Saki." I flew 28 missions in the Pacific, over Kobe and Osaka and finally Tokyo."

"When the boys in my outfit found out I'd flown a tour over Europe, they figured I had holes in my head for volunteering again," Kuroki said.

The Nisei tail gunner spent one full month sweating it out in the of Sacrar Marianas before he set sail for Granada.

home. Upon arriving in San Francisco he immediately flew to New York, where he was scheduled to make an appearance.

He was interviewed by the daily papers at the Waldorf Astoria where he is staying while in New York. He plans to return home after his discharge from the Army Air Corps.

Fair Play Group Formed in Sonoma

SANTA ROSA, Calif. - More than 50 Sonoma county representatives met here on Oct. 24 to form a Committee for Fair Play which will act to prevent discrimination against American citizens on the basis of racial prejudice.

Ayako Mori Talks On Race Relaions

ST. LOUIS — Ayoko Mori of St. Louis spoke on "Race Relations" at a conference held by Baptist girls at Camp Montebello on Oct. 27 and 28.

Italy Honors Role of Nisei Fighting Force

Col. Miller Accepts Medal for Part in Liberation of Nation

LEGHORN, Italy—On behalf of the 442nd (Japanese American) Regimental Combat Team, Col. V. R. Miller, commanding officer, was awarded the Italian Cross for Meritorious Warfare from Prince Umberto, Lieutenant General of the Realm, in special ceremonies in Viareggio on Oct. 19.

The medal, together with a certificate, was presented by the Prince on the recommendation of the War Minister and the Italian Royal Army. They were awarded to Col. Miller for the part which the 442nd played in the liberation of Italy.

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Col. Miller accepted the high honors for the Combat Team he commands, declaring that it was the officers and men of the unit who really won the awards by their great combat fighting.

In conversation with the Italian Crown Prince, Col. Miller found that the Prince was particularly interested in the achievements of the Combat Team. In reply to a personal request Col. Miller is sending a copy of the unit's history to Prince Umberto.

The 442nd has won two other decorations from foreign governments.

Canada Seeks Law to Deport Evacuee Group

Ten Thousand Who Sought Repatriation Affected by Measure

TORONTO, Ont .- The Dominion government will seek powers to revoke the citizenship of and deport Canadian citizens of Japanese origin under an administra-tion-sponsored bill which has been introduced into the parliament at Ottawa, it was reported here.

Sponsored by the Minister of Justice, the "National Emergency Powers Act, 1945," which had its first reading on Oct. 5, contains a clause extending the Governor-in-Council's power over "entry into Canada, exclusion and deportation and revocation of pational. tion and revocation of national-

Directly concerned with the clause are the more than 10,000 persons of Japanese origin, evacpersons of Japanese origin, evacuated from their homes in the West Coast area of British Columbia in 1942, who have signed "voluntary" repatriation forms indicating a desire to relinquish Canadian citizenship or legal residence rights. "Large numbers" of these people, it was stated, have changed their minds and wish to remain ed their minds and wish to remain in Canada.

The Cooperative Committee on Japanese Canadians in Toronto is now contacting organizations throughout Canada and have announced that they will seek have the clause stricken from the

Kinzie Tanaka, president of the Japanese Canadian Committee for Democracy, has stated that arbitrary powers over deportation should not be included among mea-sures the government may "deem sures the government may necessary or advisable for the security, defense, peace, order and welfare of Canada."

New York to Form Citizens Committee For Japanese Americans

NEW YORK CITY - A large group of New Yorkers representing all sections of the community is expected to attend the organizations. tion meeting of the Greater New York Citizens' Committee for Jap-anese Americans on November 16 at the Russell Sage Foundation,

130 East 22nd street.
Speakers will be Dr. Dan W. Dodson, executive director of the Mayor's Committee on Unity for New York City, and George Ya-maoka, Nisei attorney.

A number of persons of Japanese ancestry, including resettlers and non-evacuees, will attend the meeting. Businessmen, newspaper publishers, social workers, real estate owners, labor representa-Miss Mori is a former resident tives, professional men and wom-of Sacramento, California, and of en and leaders in other fields are also expected to be present.

Poses With 'Go for Broke' Flag



PENINSULAR BASE HEADQUARTERS, Leghorn, Italy-Major Mitsuyoshi Fukuda, until recently the commanding officer of the 100th Infantry Battalion and the first Japanese American field officer and combat battalion commander in U.S. military history, is shown in front of the standard of the famous 442nd (Japanese American) Regimental Combat Team. Major Fukuda, whose wife resides in Milwaukee, Wis., is now en route to the United States. Major Fukuda is a native of Hawaii and was a member of the original 100th Infantry Battalion.

Nisei Major Commands 100th Infantry for Last Time in Italy

PENINSULAR BASE HEAD-QUARTERS, LEGHORN, ITALY -Major Mitsuyoshi Fukuda, Mil-waukee, Wisconsin, and a native of Hawaii, commanded his famous 100th Battalion of the 442nd Japmese American Combat Team for the last time at a formal decora-tions ceremony and review held

Outstanding feature of the ceremony and review was the presentation of a second Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation to the 100th Battalion by Brigadier General Francis H. Oxx, Commanding General Peninsular Base Section. General Oxx pinned blue streamers of the guidons of the five companies comprising the Battalian panies comprising the Battalion and an Oak Leaf Cluster to the blue Distinguished Unit Badge worn by Major Fukuda, who acof the officers and men of his or- gallantry in action.

This was a fitting climax to the 28 year old former school teacher who came overseas with the orighal 100th Battalion as a First Lieutenant and worked up to the command of his unit, which General Oxx praised as "one of the most distinguished battalions in the American Army." Major Funda is the American Army." and is the only remaining member-officer or enlisted man of the criginal 100th which left Honolulu in June, 1942, for training in the United States. He is also the only person of Japanese appearance to Person of Japanese ancestry to command a combat battalion in the

Army of the United States.
As the youngest of the 12 commanders who have served with the unit since its activation almost four years ago, Major Fukuda has held his post since shortly after the war ended in Italy. He is scheduled to leave the Japanese American Combat Team in the hear future and is convince as the legimental Executive Officer, probably the highest field position ever held by an American soldier of Japanese extraction in our armof Japanese extraction in our arm-

of Japanese extraction in our armet forces, while awaiting his orders. The new 100th Battalion Commander is Captain Thomas W. Akins, Dallas, Texas.

Major Fukuda has served successively as platoon leader, company commander, and battalion executive officer, all within the 100th Battalion, before assuming command of his unit. mmand of his unit.

In October, 1943, shortly after the 100th landed at Salerno, in southern Italy, he was a first lieutenant and led a rifle platoon of Company "E" through the bitter fighting around the Volturno River, the strategic town of Coli and Alife, and towering hill 600. In December of that year, while the 100th was locked in struggle with the German enemy at Cassino, he was given command of "A" Company. He led through the hard fighting at the Anzio beachhead, the march on Rome, and the epic liberation of Belvedere.

It was at Belvedere that he commanded Company "A" in a brilliant strike upon this key town which helped route an entire Ger-man SS Battalion. For this action, the 100th received their first Pre-sidential Distinguished Unit Citawhich the Army confers in behalf orated with the Silver Star for

After a series of outstanding deeds, he was selected to return to the United States in July 1944, to see his family which had moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Returning to action when the Japanese American troops were guarding the Franco Italian frontier in the Maritime Alps of southern France, he was appointed Battalion Exec-utive Officer.

In the final spring offensives, which saw the 442nd Combat Team spark the Fifth Army drive which culminated in the unconditional surrender of the German armies in northern Italy, Major Fukuda commanded a Task Force which fought through enemy territory to seize a strategic town, thereby enabling other units to move up on the flank and continue the attack.

He received his gold leaf on May 7, 1945, at Nove Ligure, Italy, and was appointed to replace his long time friend Lt. Col. Jack E. Conley, Honolulu, who was advanced to Regimental Executive Officer, the post which Major Fukuda now fills since Colonel Conley's transshipment to Hawaii for discharge.

Having well over 100 points, more than enough for field grade officers, he will seek discharge after four years of active service. He was commissioned in the Infantry under the University of Hawaii's Reserve Officer Training Corps program in 1939. Major Fukuda will join his wife and 19 Milwaukee.

FIRE DESTROYS EVACUEE'S HOME NEAR SAN JOSE

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Fire believed to have been caused by a faulty oil heater completely destroyed a large dwelling occupied by Gisuke Kora and his family in Cupertino an Oct. 27

Sheriff William J. Emig said that Mr. Kora who had moved into the two-story farm home with his family only two days before had awakened at 4 a.m. to find the house filled with dense black

A few moments after the family had vacated the building, it burst into flame.

Investigation by Deputy Sheriff Phil Cuffaro and George Britton, State Forestry Division, disclosed no indications that the fire had been intentionally set, Emig de-

More Jobs Than **Evacuees Can** Fill, Says Ickes

Believes WRA Making Adequate Provisions For Displaced Group

NEW YORK-Japanese Americans leaving war relocation centers have experienced no difficulty in finding employment and most field offices of the War Relocation Authority have more po-sitions on file than they are able to fill, according to Secretary of Interior Ickes on Oct. 29.

Mr. Ickes discussed provisions being made for the evacuees by the WRA in a letter to Dr. J Quinter Miller, associate general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches. The letter was in response to a communication from the national inter-church group expressing concern over the announcement that all relocation centers would be closed by Dec. 31, 1945, and calling upon gov-ernment for assurances that "adequate provision will be made for the basic needs of the evacuees" before removing them from the

The WRA, Mr. Ickes said, was "making every feasible effort" to provide housing, employment assistance and welfare aid and to "the members of our displaced Japanese American minority are treated with humane consid-

Dr. Yanaga Joins Faculty at Yale

WASHINGTON — Dr. Chitoshi Yanaga on Nov. 1 will join the faculty of Yale University at New Haven, Conn., where he will teach Japanese history, government and

Yanaga has been with the Interim Committee and the Inter-national Services Section of the State Department in Washington.

Officials Elected By Washington Committee for Nisei

WASHINGTON — At the annual meeting last week of the Washington Citizens Committee for Americans of Japanese Ancestry, the Very Rev. Lawrence J. Shehan and Allen White were reelected to the board of trustees, and Mrs. Florence Knight was chosen to succeed Mrs. William C. Kerr on the board. The meeting was held at the home of William R Castle, former U. S. Ambassa-dor to Japan. Dr. Chitoshi Yanaga, who is leaving Washington for New Haven, Conn., retired from the board.

Annual reports were presented by Mrs. Kerr, chairman of the so-cial activities committee; Mr. White, chairman of the hostel committee; Miss Olive Hodges, director of the hostel; Miss Gretchen Feiker, director of the Nisei USO; Mr. Murray Daninhirsch, WRA field officer; and John Kitasako, Nisei Council.

The Citizens Committee passed a motion to secure a paid execu-tive secretary and to dispatch a local businessman to the Rohwer relocation center to promote re-settlement in the Washington area.

months old son, David, who are have been have been purposes.

American Veterans Committee Protests Navy's Ban Against Enlisting Japanese Americans

Senator David Walsh Informs AVC He Will Take Up Matter with Navy Department; Charles Bolte Asks Congressmen to Take Initiative in Amending Policy

NEW YORK-Senator David I. Walsh, D., Mass., chairman of the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, has informed the American Veterans Committee that he will take up the matter of the Navy's ban against enlistments of Americans of Japanese ancestry, the Bulletin of the AVC reportd last week.

The AVC Bulletin said that "the indefensibility of the Navy's policy of barring Americans of Japanese ancestry from service was pointed out recently by Charles Bolte, chairman of

AVC, in letters to Rep. Carl Vinson and Sen. David I. Walsh, chairmen respectively of the House and Senate Committees on Naval

Affairs."

Mr. Bolte had declared: "The Navy alone of all departments of the Government bars the service

Acting in behalf of the American Veterans Committee, Chairman Bolte requested that the Congressional Committee on Naval Affairs take the initiative in amending "this fundamentally un-American doctrine." The AVC chairman pointed out

that the Navy had a record of re-peated refusal against the admis-sion of Americans of Japanese

Senator Walsh's reply was quoted by the AVC Bulletin:

"I did not know until I received your letter that the Navy Department bars the service of any American of Japanese ancestry, and I will be pleased to take the matter up with the Navy Depart-ment and get its point of view."

Rep. Vinson answered that "the matter will receive my very careful attention."

WRA Warehouses In South California To Close in February

LOS ANGELES-All War Relocation Authority warehouses in the Southern California area will be closed permanently on Feb. 28, 1946, according to an announcement this week from the Los Angeles WRA office.

It was emphasized that the WRA is attempting "in every way" to make it easy for returnees and evacuees to obtain their be-

"It is only necessary to sign two witnessed copies of WRA form No. 156, which is a request for transportation of personal property," the WRA announcement said. "Copies of this form will be mailed to anyone who writes or phones for them, or they may be picked up in person at any WRA office if help is needed in filling them out."

WRA will pay the cost of all packing, crating, transporting of such goods that are to be delivered more than 25 miles from the warehouse where they are stored. In short-haul deliveries, the owner has to furnish his own pickup

and transportation.

"Those who have no place to put their goods or who might prefer "Such bids will be submitted to to sell may ask WRA to assist in owners for approval and no sale

U.S. Deportation Program May Start Soon

Survey Will Be Taken Of Segregees at Tule Lake Center

NEWELL, Calif. - It was reported here on Oct. 30 that the Department of Justice may start its deportation policy for repatri-ates and expatriates at the Tule Lake segregation center as early as Nov. 15

Ivan Williams, in charge for the Justice Department, said the first step in the procedure will be a survey both of involuntary and voluntary repatriates. This check, which will be completed in two weeks, will include:

(1) Those who formally have renounced American citizenship, and families—alien or not—who desire to accompany them.

(2) Alien Japanese who are segregated parolees under enemy alien proceedings.

(3) Alien residents under deportation orders.

The announcement by Williams was the first official word to be released at Tule Lake concerning actual procedure dealing with the segregees slated for deportation.

Poston Honor Roll Holds Names of 1200

POSTON, Ariz. - Over 1200 names appear on Poston's honor roll, according to the Poston Chronicle, which adds that out of this number casualties totaled 117, with 18 killed in service.

Poston's gold star soldiers were listed as follows: S/Sgt. James Shiramizu, Pfc. Shichizo Toyota, T/Sgt. Atsushi Sakamoto, Pvt. Joe Shiomichi, Pfc. Johnny Yamawata Pfa Harry Madekoro Pfc. Joe Shiomichi, Pfc. Johnny Yamamoto, Pfc. Harry Madokoro, Pfc. Paul Horiuchi, Pfc. Fumitake Nagato, T/Sgt. Abraham Ohama, Pfc. Hachiro Mukai, Pfc. Henry Izumizaki, Cpl. John Narimatsu, Pfc. Torao Hayashi, Pvt. Tom Nishimoto, Sgt. John Ogawa, Pvt. Tadao Hayashi, Pfc. Lloyd Onoye and Pfc. Daniel Tsukamoto.

obtaining bids from possible purchasers," the announcement added. consent."

Lomita Property Owners Act To Bar Settlement of Nisei

fort to prevent Japanese American evacuee families, now being housed temporarily by the WRA at the Lomita Air Strip, from set-tling in the Lomita area, property owners are reported to have formed an association to "study the (California) law governing the acquisition and ownership of land by aliens of Oriental descent."

Relocation officials have indicated that there have been no incidents at Lomita although strenuous efforts were made by a group of Lomita citizens, led by mem-bers of the local VFW chapter, to prevent the use of facilities at the Air Strip for housing the evacu-

Before the evacuation a large number of farmers of Japanese ancestry operated truck farms in the Lomita region. Many of these lands are now under cultivation by new operators while some lands have been converted to industrial

Meanwhile, officials of

SAN PEDRO, Calif.—In an ef- United States Employment vice announced on Oct. 28 that the majority of the men in the first 45 evacuee families to be installed in the barracks of the Lomita Air Strip were aged, infirm and untrained and will have to be cared for by Los Angeles county

charity.
Only eight men of the entire group are not in this category, USES officials declared.

The employment service reported that, in general, the placement of the returned evacuees who are able to work is proceeding satisfactorily.

The first 45 families were re-

cently augmented by the arrival of 50 more families from the Granada relocation center in Col-orado. Most of the evacuee families arrived here with just enough money to pay a month's rent.

The Lomita center has been es-

tablished only as temporary quar-ters until the evacuees can find permanent locations elsewhere, the officials stated.



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EDITORIALS: Gls and Democracy

Perhaps better than any other artist of World War II Bill Mauldin has captured the misery and physical indignity that is the lot of the front-line infantryman. In Sicily and in Italy Mauldin's cartoons, first published in his divisional paper and later in Stars and Stripes, expressed the attitude of the combat doughfoot toward the rear echelons, spit and polish and Army brass. Mauldin spoke for the infantrymen on the front-lines of war, expressing their gripes and the reaction of the American citizen soldier toward the whole dirty business of war. Mauldin's "Willie and Joe" epitomized the infantryman in Italy.

Today Mauldin, honorably discharged, continues to speak out for the men who fought through the bitter winters of Italy. Mauldin is a success today—his book, "Up Front," is the nation's No. 1 non-fiction best seller. His syndicated cartoons appear in newspapers in almost every major city in America. But Mauldin has not forgotten the men with whom he fought in Italy and his cartoons since his discharge have continued to strike against reaction and prejudice. Young Bill Mauldin is using his success and the position which that success has given him to fight the enemies of democracy within our own country.

Among the fellow soldiers Mauldin has not forgotten are the Japanese Americans of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Upon his return to the United States Bill Mauldin declared that West Coast agitation against Japanese Americans "makes me sick." He told of Nisei troops in Italy "who did more than any others and killed themselves to prove something to the American people." He has since implemented his willingness to combat discrimination against Nisei veterans with two cartoons which exposed the natures of those who would use race hatred for economic purposes. Both cartoons also have been widely reprinted in GI newspapers in Europe and in the Pacific.

Last Wednesday night Bill Mauldin put down his pen and brush and appeared on the platform of the Herald-Tribune Forum in New York City to speak on the reactions of a returned combat soldier. Mauldin declared that the principles for which American soldiers had fought and died in World War II were embodied in the fight at home against the Bilbos, the Rankins and the Gerald L. K. Smiths who seek to incite civil strife by pitting Americans against other Americans because of differences in race, creed or ances-

Bill Mauldin's attitude as an individual is also expressed through group action by other Americans who have returned from the war against fascism overseas. At least two groups of World War II veterans have been forthright in their condemnation of discrimination against Japanese Americans and against other Americans who have served in this war and who have returned home to face the anti-democracy of racial prejudice. Both of these new World War II veterans organizations have found that their attitudes have the support of large numbers of returning GIs. One of these groups, the Veterans Committee for Equal Rights, was formed out of the spontaneous protests of 458 wounded combat veterans at Baxter General Hospital in Spokane against the rejection of a Nisei veteran by a VFW post in Spokane.

Communications received by the VCER from GIs in every section of the globe indicate that there is a sharp awareness among American soldiers of the dangers of racial fascism at home. As a result VCER is considering action to expand its activities nationally.

Similarly, the American Veterans Committee has acted on local instances of racist prejudice against Japanese Americans in Pittsburgh and Los Angeles and nationally in its representations to the Navy on behalf of the right of Japanese Americans to serve in any branch of our armed forces.

The outlook of Bill Mauldin, as a personal representative of thousands of GIs, and of such organizations as the VCER and the American Veterans Committee on 'the problem of race and democracy has been tempered and hardened in the crucible of war. This attitude of the returning GI is one which lends to a hopeful augury for the extension of democracy in our own United States.

The Fourth Estate

Traditional journalistic concepts of fair play and honest reporting took a beating in a certain few of the country's newspapers during the past four years when the position of the Japanese Americans became good copy. Pearl Harbor, the war, the evacuation and the present return to the coast have spotlighted the Nisei Americans, and in some instances that spotlight was colored by the ugly color of yellow journalism.

Most of these unfair newspapers have, of course, been kicking newspaper standards about for so many years that it was not to be expected that in this one situation they could dust off and bring back into use those precepts of judicious and unbiased reporting.

But other newspapers, indeed most newspapers of the country, have generally maintained a fair and honest appraisal of the Nisei problem.

The San Francisco News, along with the San Francisco Chronicle and the People's World in that city, has insisted upon honest coverage of all news pertaining to the evac-

The News' position was made clear by its editor, Frank Clarvoe, recently when he spoke before members of the Council for Civic Unity in San Jose.

It is the job of newspapers, he said, to "take the wraps off of printing news of racial minorities." Papers should interview responsible people of these minorities about their problems, and print stories about what their members have done, he said.

"I might say that leaning over backward at this stage of the game is necessary . . . Newspapers should watch the courts to see that minorities are given justice . . . The press . . . ought to see what can be done about housing, recreation, community life for racial minorities, on the theory that what is good for one group is good for the whole community.'

Thus Mr. Clarvoe sees beyond the immediate Japanese American problem to the larger problem of all America's minorities, though he did not hesitate to state that economic interests are partly behind the opposition to the return of the evacuees and that much of the intolerance comes from those "who fear competition that might displace them."

Mr. Clarvoe, too, is representative of a new feeling in the American press that its function is not merely to report but to interpret. The enormous power of the press must be used to lead public opinion along the democratic way.

In California the problem of racial minorities looms large today. Into a state where racism has been the practice have come thousands of Negroes from the rigid race-bound states of the South. In that state are already thousands of Chinese and Filipino Americans, newly alert to their citizenship rights. And of course there are the Japanese Americans, returning to the state from which they were excluded for three years.

The state has a history of prejudice and exploitation. The Chinese, the Filipinos, the Mexicans, and the Japanese have one after another found that the hearts of some Californians were not so sunkist nor so golden as their beaches. These racial minorities have traditionally been played against each other by railroad and agricultural interests.

Critical war, housing and social tensions in San Francisco and in Los Angeles today make both metropolitan areas spots in which racism can again flare. Or, correctly guided, these cities have also the facilities and the people to make of themselves model communities of racial integration and harmony.

In this the newspapers of the state can take the lead.

Nisei USA

Anti-Nisei Racism and Politics

racism is no longer good business or good politics on the West Coast. The fast-talking promoters, like Seattle's Ritchie and McCoskey, who tried to parlay the prejudices of mean and angry men into a national organization for the deportation of all persons of Japanese ancestry, are no longer giving away statuettes of General MacArthur with every \$10 membership to their Japanese Exclusion Association. The Remember Pearl Harbor Leagues of western Washington, the California Pres-Washington, the California Preservation Association, the Ivanhoe Citizens Association and similar organizations are getting few new members and it may be that anti-Nisei activity may never again be as virulent as it was between 1942 and the spring of 1945.

With a major California election scheduled for 1946 it may be that a few politicians who specialize in fascistic appeals to race hatred, in the manner of Mississippi's Bilbo and Rankin, may try to revive the specter of the Yellow Peril but the results of the elections of 1942 the results of the elections of 1942 and 1944 have shown that anti-Nisei agitation does not pay off in votes. Among the California politicians who waged anti-Nisei campaigns in 1944 and were defeated were Lieutenant Governor Houser, State Senator Tenney and William Bonelli of the Board of Equalization (all of whom were running for United States Senator and lost to Sheridan Downey who and lost to Sheridan Downey who has proven that a fair and objective attitude toward Japanese Americans and other minorities is not a political liability in California.) Of course, Houser, Tenney and Bonelli were repudiated for other reasons besides their anti-Nisei at-titude but the results of the balloing proved, as it also did in the defeat of Congressman John Costello who achieved national notoriety as head of the Dies Committee's inquisition on Japanese Americans, that California voters were not as hate-blinded as some of their political representatives.

There is reason to believe that the Roosevelt administration's concern over the effect of the California vote upon the Presiden-tial election may have delayed the reopening of the West Coast area to Japanese Americans, on a limited basis at least, for at least seven months from May to Dec., 1944, when the Army announced the rescinding of the exclusion orders. In the spring of 1944 there were authoritative indications that the West Coast would be reop-ened. However, a high administra-tion official visited the West Coast and was impressed by worried political followers that the return of the evacuees would be utilized by the opposition as a campaign issue. Democratic party leaders felt that California might swing the balance in a close elec-tion as the Golden State did in 1916 when Charles Evans Hughes went to bed a president and awoke a defeated candidate.

Governor Bricker's avowal the arguments of the anti-Nisei hate-mongers during his tour of California shortly after the start of the Presidential campaign lent weight to the argument. Later Lieutenant Governor Houser, GOP nominee for Senator, charged that the reelection of President Roosevelt would mean the return of the evacuees within two weeks. Actually the exclusion bars were not let down until Dec. 17 and even then it seems that the decision was hastened by the impending Supreme Court decision in the Mitsuye Endo case which affirmed the right of loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry to all of the privileges of unrestricted travel and residence enjoyed by all other citizens.

Nevertheless, it appears that a Roosevelt administration's willingness to permit the evacuees to return was discouraged by the possibility that such a policy would become a major political issue which might conceivably af-fect the course of a national elec-tion. At that time the various rac-

It now appears that anti-Nisei turning en masse as the relocation camps is no longer good business acism is no longer good business ally no political activity in Congress or in local California political activi tics against their return.

There are two major reasons why the Yellow Peril issue no longer pays the sort of political dividends which the late Hiram Johnson and other California politicians once gleaned. One is that an anti-Japanese campaign is no longer a drive against aliens alone but also against American citi-zens. The second is the splendid wartime record of Americans of Japanese ancestry, particularly that of the Nisei GIs in Europe and in the Pacific. Ex-Senator J. H. Inman, one of the organizers of the California Preservation Association, which started out to be a statewide movement against the return and resettlement of Japanese Americans on the West Coast, stated the dilemma of the race-baiters when he complained in a public speech that the enlistment of Japanese Americans in the United States Army had struck the death knell of antianese activities on the West Coast. Ex-Senator Inman, who was a member of the political bloc which passed the first Alien Land Law against Japanese farmers and has been identified with two genera-tions of Jap-hating and Nisei-baiting in California, recognized that the racists had no answer to the splendid loyalty record of the sons and daughters of the much-maligned Japanese immigrants.

The Nisei war record has provided the final repudiation of the arguments of the Yellow Perilists whose arguments were based on the possibility of mass disloyalty on the part of the West Coast recordation of Japanese ancestry population of Japanese ancestry in the event of war in the Pacific That war has been fought and the racists have lost their major issue.

This does not mean, of course, that anti-Nisei hate-mongering will automatically cease now that the war is over. Since most of the racist activity has been utilized for economic causes it is to be ex-pected that the race-baiters will continue to be active although business will not be as good for those who sow the seeds of prejudice as it was during the war. Such an opportunist as Kilsoo Haan, self-styled expert on the Japanese problem, has already found a new field as an interpreter of Far Eastern political condi-tions. And the story is going the rounds in a California city that an active race-baiter, who has been a leading figure in the opposition to the return of the evacuees, re-cently applied for a job with the WRA—to help resettle the re-turning Japanese Americans!

The 25,000 persons of Japanese ancestry who have returned to the West Coast and the others who will return in the weeks to come will not ture, the sort of racist persecu-tion to which they have been subjected, in varying degrees, for two generations. The ineffectiveness of the "Japanese question" as a vote getting issue is becoming apparent even to the most calloused politician while the economic greed which has inspired much of the race-baiting has become so obvious that few are fooled by it. Thereis reason for hope that those who have returned to the West Coast will have an opportunity to rebuild their lives in an atmosphere free from hate and organized per-

Relocation: Chicago

formerly employed at the Wilson Avenue YMCA as a boys' work program secretary, recently opened an insurance business at 1 N. La Salle St., Chicago. . . . Sgt. Ben Sugeta, who served in the China, India, Burma theater and who recently returned from Okinawa, spoke recently to a newly-formed Issei discussion group at the Chi-Issei discussion group at the Chicago Buddhist church, 5487 S. Dorchester. . . Recent additions to the staff of the Midwest branch office of the AFSC include Sam Ishikasara Ishikawa, graduate student in economics at Harvard, and Lily ering on the reefs of public disinterest, were in their ascendency. This week, one year later, although the evacuees are now re
economics at Harvard, and Dozaki. . . . Chicago engagements recently announced include those of Lily Kobata and George Mukai and Dorothy Fumiko Okabe and Jijun Nakaji.

Vagaries

Visei and Navy . . .

The National VFW has sent a other to the Navy Department supin the Navy... Harry L. Staf-project director of Minidoka ind project director of Manager and project director of the U.S. Food and Agrimtor of the U.S. Food and Agrimtor of the U.S. Members tor of the Commission. Members the Los Angeles County Board Supervisors and others have d that story there have been mides in the war relocation cenof the camps. WRA sources that there have been no icides in the centers which can attributed to the agency's plan stutting down camp operations.

air Play . . .

With special reference to return-Nisei students from relocation amps the North Bay Principal's sociation in a meeting recently Petaluma, Calif., passed a resmion urging "tolerance and fair by for all persons regardless race, creed or color. . stice Department, which is now aking plans for the deportation triates and expatriates at repatriates and experience frequency and lake, estimates the deporta-pers, recently reported that a sovement has been launched in os Angeles to maintain good rehips between Negroes and se Americans. Possible nt of friction has been the fact t evacuees from WRA centers e returned to the former Japasee disrict in Los Angeles which as been filled with Negro war wkers and the return of Japase American owners has meant in some cases Negro tenants ere forced to move.

Reparations . . .

Washington: There has been no kion to back up the recent statement by Edwin W. Pauley, American representative on the Allied rations commission, that asets of individual Japanese aliens the United States "even to the panese corner grocery store"
ald be seized to satisfy reparous demands . . . Col. C. W.
one, commanding officer of the d Combat Team from the Shelby, Miss., in February, 1943, mtil early in 1945, is now the coming officer of the 10th Reinforcement Depot in England. It's reported the Civil Service has med interviewers and job ement helpers to help "relo-"WRA employees in government or private industry when her jobs end . . . According to hames Daniel of the Washington Dally News, the recent move in longress to slash \$5,000,000 from he WRA budget was an attempt accelerate the move to ship re-patriates and expatriates at Tule ake to Japan. The move was actaimed at the Justice Departnt rather than the WRA but the atter became the target because be Justice Department had no unexpended funds which could be taken away.

Horizontal Hank . . .

As a result of his participation in Mutual Network's "Opinion Requested" program, which features a panel discussion on the problems of servicemen and war veterans, llenry (Horizontal Hank) Gosho, who served with Merrill's Maraudts in Burma, may realize his amon to work in foreign relations. bring the program a member of the radio panel, formerly on the staff of Georgetown University, he would see to it that ex-Sgt Gosho had an opportunity to the Foreign Service school of he University under the GI Bill

Relocation: Hartford

HARTFORD, Conn.-One of the less families to relocate in the last is that of Mr. and Mrs. smekishi Kaname and their ight children from Tule Lake. Lay, Margaret, Toshio, Florence, argaret, Toshio, Florence, and Roy are settled with heir parents in Hartford, while wo daughters, Mary and Lily, are sewhere in the East. . . . Hartford resettlers participating in the control of the c

Ben Kuroki's Story:

Nebraska Boy Over Japan

(The article below is the transcript of a speech delivered by Tech. Sgt. Ben Kuroki of Hershey, Neb., and broadcast na-tionally on Oct. 28 by the Mutual Network from the Herald Trib-une Forum at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City. Sgt. Kuroki, a Nisei air gunner who has completed tours of combat duty in both the European and Pacific theaters of war, spoke from the same platform with General of the Army George Marshall, Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, Col. Harold E. Stassen, Dr. Herbert V. Evatt, Australian Minister of State for External Affairs, Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault and Sergio Osmena, president of the Philippine Commonwealth.

By TECH. SGT. BEN KUROKI

The town I come from is called Hershey, Nebraska. It's across the Platte River, between Cozad and Ogallala, about 12 miles down the road from North Platte. We've got a farm there my father and mother and my brother Fred and I. We raise sugar beets and seed potatoes. Dirt farming isn't a very easy life, but it suits us fine.

I never traveled much. I'd go down to North Platte for feed, or go fishing up in the mountains over Colorado or down to Chicago to see my sister. I figured some day I'd get to New York, but I didn't plan on visiting Tokyo. Japan is the land of my ancestors, but I never had any desire to go there. And yet, one morning like a lot of other American boys, I started out down the road from my house and I was headed for Tokyo. And like a lot of

other American boys, I got there the hard way.

The day after Pearl Harbor my kid brother and I piled in the Chevrolet and drove 150 miles down to Grand Island and enlisted. I remember, after we were sworn in, before we got our uniforms, we were on a train headed for camp. There were some people on the train and they stared at me and said, what's that Jap doing in the Army. They said it good and loud, so I'd hear. It just knocked me off my feet. After coming from a town where I knew everybody, I suddenly realized that no matter where I was born or what was in my heart, to these people I was an alien. All the way to camp, people kent looking at me staring at me. I'll never forget that train ride.

ple kept looking at me, staring at me. I'll never forget that train ride.

I went into the Air Force and applied for flying. Somehow my papers got lost; they always seemed to be lost, or held up somewhere, or going through channels. When I finally got overseas it was as a clerk with the 93rd Bomb Group. It was quite an outfit—the newspapers called it Ted Timberlake's Flying

Those were the early days in England and things weren't going so good. Liberators were getting knocked off like flies, and there was a shortage of gunners. I remember one day in England, I picked up a magazine and read about an organization called The Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West. They had a plan to isolate all Japanese Americans down in the swamp-land somewhere. I kind of blew my stack when I read the article. I volunteered for gunner. I had five days of training and then the outfit pulled out for Africa.

I flew my first bombing mission over Bizerte. Our tail gunner got it on that mission and I moved back to the tail turret and that's where I stayed. We tagged some rough missions those days—Naples, Wiener-Neustedt, Rome. We had a saying, "On the way to the target you're flying for Uncle Sam. On the way back you're flying for vourself" yourself.

My 24th mission was to Rumania, to a place called Ploesti. It was the first raid on that target. It was murder. Two out of

nine planes came back.

I finished my tour of missions and our outfit was set to go home, but I volunteered to stick around and fly five more. My brother Fred still wasn't overseas and so I figured I'd just check off five more missions for him.

The last mission was Muenster where flack ripped open my turret and the plexiglass cut my face, and the blast ripped off my oxygen mask. A gunner named O'Connel from Superior, Wisconsin got a mask and held it to my face, and everything came out okay.

Then I came back to the States, back to Nebraska. I felt

like a kid on Christmas morning. Everybody looked at my ribbons and shook my hand. It was wonderful to know that people appreciated what I'd done and respected me for it.

When I reported back to the Army in California, they asked me to go on a radio program. That was still pretty early, when returned veterans were something special. I really felt like a big wheel. I invited some of my buddies to see the show, and they all sat there in the front row. And then an hour before we were to start, word came that I couldn't go on. They didn't object to my being a tail gunner. They didn't mind my having two DFCs. But it seemed I was a Japanese American, and that made it a controversial issue.

In California I met a boy I'd flown with in Europe. Ed Bates—kind of a rough and tumble kid. He'd had his fingers frozen off on a mission. It didn't seem to bother him. Nothing bothered Bates.

a mission. It didn't seem to bother him. Nothing bothered Bates, except his brother. His brother had just been killed in the Pacific. He went half crazy when he heard the news. Bates wanted another tour in the Pacific, but they wouldn't let him go on account of his hand. Maybe that was when I first got the idea I wasn't through with this war. And when I got to Denver, that cinched it. I started to get into a taxicab, with somebody, and he said he wouldn't ride with "no lousy Jap." I was wearing my wings and all my ribbons, but it didn't matter. I almost cried, I was so mad.

After that, it was Tokyo or bust. I wanted to fly in a B-29 and for about three months I listened to people tell me, no, it was impossible; there were regulations against it. But I also ran into some people who were willing to go to bat for me, Dr. Deutsch, vice president of the University of California, Chester Rowell of the San Francisco Chronicle and Ray Lyman Wilbur of Stanford University—a lot of people all over the country who believed my record earned the most to be structed. A Company from Nebrosky me the right to be trusted. A Congressman from Nebraska, a former Commander of the American Legion from Wisconsin, the head of the War Relocation Authority—they all put up a holler, and the next thing I knew I was training for B-29s. It gave me a little courage to meet people everywhere who didn't judge a man by his grand-father's nationality or the color of his skin.

It was just before I left for the Pacific I heard about Gorden Jergeson. I guess he was the closest friend I ever had. Back in Hershey we played together since we were kids. We were on the basketball team. In high school he was president of the class and I was vice president. I got a pass and went to see his folks. We sat there and his father and his mother remembered how we used to go duck hunting and I'd come by at 3 in the morning and honk the horn and wake everybody up. Gorden was killed in the Solomon Islands.

That was another reason for going to Tokyo.

We flew out of an airfield on Tinian in the Marianas. The name of our bomber was "Honorable Sad-Saki." I flew 28 missions in the Pacific, over Kobe and Osaka and finally Tokyo. I even had a crack at my mother's home town. Velchame even had a crack at my mother's home town-Yokohama.

When the boys in my outfit found out I'd flown a tour over Europe, they figured I had holes in my head for volunteering again. I used to kid around and tell them that communications were all cut off from Japan and that this was the only way I could visit my Uncle Negreshi. I was talked much about my need recent for head of the second for head Uncle Nagasaki. I never talked much about my real reason for being

Not only did I go to war to fight the fascist ideas of Germany and Japan, but also to fight against a very few Americans who fail

From the Frying Pan

By BILL HOSOKAWA

Nisei Integrated Into Corn Belt Life

The corn belt at harvest time is a sight to be remembered. It is mile after mile of bleached cornstalks with the ears fat and heavy and here and there showing through the husks in a rich sun-catching gold.

It is acre on acre of soybeans drying in the sun, and of tractors and combines, with a two-man crew, raising the dust

as they clatter over the rows.

It is green pastures dotted with sleek dairy cows, and herd after herd of white-faced Herefords and chunky Black Angus feeder steers from the ranges of the

southwest. It is scores of barrel-shaped hogs in every barnyard and flocks of Leghorn and White Rock hens that run into the hundreds.

It is mile on mile of well-kept farms, comfortable looking homes, huge barns and haystacks and fresh paint and that in-repair appearance despite the wartime shortage of manpower, materials and machinery.

The corn belt economy is strange

to one who has been accustomed to the West Coast garden crop country where a man specializes on peas, or lettuce, or berries, or

grapes and on little else.

Corn is the mainstay of the corn belt, but it is only a part of the farm economy. The theory of diversity is well circulated here, and that means the farmer divides his land into a stand of corn, a stand of alfalfa, a stand of soybeans and perhaps oats, and pasture land.

Some of the corn he sells. The rest he keeps in great, bulging cribs and with this he feeds his hogs and milk cows and beef steers. Throughout the winter he is fattening his stock, and by spring when it it time to plow and plant again, he is ready to real-ize a substantial income from marketing the animals.

The wealth of the land is obvious, even to one speeding over the fine concrete highways. The

Letter-Box FROM OUR READERS

Nisei Veteran

Editor,

The Pacific Citizen:

On page 3 of your Oct. 13 edition is an article about "Nisei Veteran Joins World War II Post of American Legion." I would like to call to your attention that my wife's name is not Dorothy but Doris and that she is from Ber-keley, Calif. I have been referred to having been married to various names in other publications and I'm writing to them all of the

The American Legion post I belong to is temporarily named "The Victory Post" for the purpose of securing a charter. Traditionally, American Legion posts are named after the first dead from the city and we haven't as yet ascertained the name of the

first to die from Madison.

I was in Italy for a short time but I saw most of the action with Co. F. 442nd Regimental Combat Team in Southern and Eastern France. Was wounded twice in the Vosges Mountains and was shipped back to the States in Feb., 1945 and CDD's in July. Very truly yours, Roy G. Mita,

Madison, Wis.

earth is rich and black, so black that it glistens in the sun where the plow has turned a furrow. And the size of the barns and the upkeep of the homes is confir-mation that the years have been

Much of America's power and wealth is in terms of the steel mills of Pennsylvania, the assem-bly lines of Detroit, in the shipbuilding ways that Henry Kaiser and Andrew Jackson Higgins have

developed on two of our shores. But the corn belt played its part too-meat and meat products, corn for food and for starch and industrial alcohol, soybeans and flax for oil, hemp for rope fibers. Here in the heart of America is an agricultural reserve that was able to meet the test of feeding a fighting nation and providing vast stocks to replenish the lard-

ers of our Allies overseas.

Must we find a "Nisei angle"
for this column about the impressions of an autumn day's drive through Iowa? Few evacuees have taken up farming here. Good land is expensive and there is little for sale. When a family can dispose of a \$11,500 mortgage in four years, as one family did recently, it pays to hang on to one's property and let it produce despite the difficulties.

Besides, this and of farming is strange to Issei and Nisei farm-ers from the West Coast. But there have been evacuee farmhands and at least one of them is farming on a share basis now.

The integration of Japanese Americans into corn belt life has manifested itself in ways other than farming. Two osteopathic physicians — both Iowa trained — have practices of their own in county seat towns and both are doing well. A Nisei radio repairman has settled down in a community of 600. A chick-sexor, who had operated in Iowa since before the war, now has a modest farm of his own operated by an elderly Americans into corn belt life has of his own operated by an elderly Issei couple while he continues his business with the hatcheries.

In the larger centers there are Nisei photographers and accountants, watchmakers and refriger-ator repairmen, nurses and pharmacists, newspaper men and lino-typers, mechanics and machinists, chefs and bus boys, domestics and retail clerks, gardeners and stenographers, factory hands and foundry workers.

The pay never has been high here, for the state was not really caught in the great war boom. Therefore there has been no letdown and there is not likely to be because of the solid agricultural background upon which the area's economy is based.

There are only a few hundred evacuees here. They dislike the hot, humid summer nights when the corn crackles as it grows, and they dislike the long cold winters. Living was much more pleasant on the Pacific coast. But already these transplanted Americans have sunk their roots down deep into Iowa soil. It is likely a large percentage of them are here to stay.

to understand the principles of freedom and equality upon which

this country was founded. I'm no authority; I'm not an expert or a big wheel. I don't know anything that any boy from Nebraska couldn't tell you. But I know this: I fought with a lot of men in this war—all kinds— a Polish gunner, a Jewish engineer, a German bombardier and even a full-blooded Dakota Indian. I saw men wounded, and whatever land their grandfathers came from, their blood was always the same color. And whatever church they went to, the screams of pain sounded just

about the same. I've had 58 bombing missions now, and I'm still tired enough so my hands shake, and plenty of nights I don't sleep so good. I'd like to go home to Nebraska and forget the war, and just lie under a tree somewhere and take it easy. It's hard to realize that the war is not over for me. Not for a lot of us, Jewish Americans, Italian Americans, Japanese Americans. While there is still hatred and prejudice, our fight goes on. Back in Nebraska on our farm, when I planted a seed, I knew that after a while I'd get a crop! That's the way it was with a lot of us in this war—we went to plant the seeds to bring in a crop of decency

and peace for our families and our children.

Back in high school in Nebraska, one of the things they taught me was that America is a land where it isn't race or religion that me was that America is a land where it isn't race or religion that makes free men. That's why I went to Tokyo. I went to fight for my country where freedom isn't color but a way of life, and all men are created equal until they prove otherwise. That's an old idea we have in Hershey, Nebraska, just down the highway from Cozad, which is near North Platte. directed toward establishing peace

directed toward establishing peace and harmony along racial lines, an outstanding American institution was violating the very principles of Americanism which it was organized to uphold. It made them realize that if Americans and their institutions are going to live by the same racial standards which existed before the war then the peace has not been

war, then the peace has not been

won on the home front, and never

Similarly, the reaction evoked by the persecution of Nisei on the West Coast is gradually contrib-uting toward the breakdown of the

fetters of prejudice against the

Nisei. It will take time, but as long as there are enough fairminded people who will drag into public spotlight any and all discriminatory incidents, there is hope that we shall all be moving

toward that better day when the

rights of all minority groups will

HOMEDALE, Ida.—Pfc. Tommy Matsushita of Marsing, Idaho,

member of Company K of the

442nd Regimental Combat Team,

has been awarded the Silver Star

for gallantry in action on Oct. 31

Pfc. Matsushita killed four rifle-

men and one machine pistol op-erator on Oct. 31, taking a lead-

ing part in repulsing the counter-

attack. On Nov. 1 he crawled 30

yards under sniper and automatic

fire, killing one machine gunner,

and assisted in the destruction of

a second enemy machine gun po-sition, his citation said.

LEGHORN, Italy—Pfc. Arthur Iwasaki, son of Billy Y. Iwasaki of Hillsboro, Ore., has been award-ed the Bronze Star medal for

heroic achievement in action. He

is a member of the famous 442nd

Japanese American combat team.

Pfc. Iwasaki's family is pres-ently reestablished in Hillsboro, where they resided for 25 years

prior to the evacuation.

Another brother, Sgt. Akin
Iwasaki, is also with the 442nd.

Pfc. A. Iwasaki

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Washington News-Letter

DAR's Attitude Dramatizes Race Bias in Nation's Capital

By JOHN KITASAKO

Washington, D. C.

Constitution Hall, the huge auditorium in Washington operated by the sedate Daughters of the by the sedate Daugnters of the American Revolution, was again catapulted into the public limelight recently when it refused to grant permission to Hazel Scott, talented colored piano stylist, to use the hall for a recital. In 1942 the DAR received similar attention when it barred colored contralto Marian Anderson, as a retralto Marian Anderson, as a result of which Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt reportedly resigned from the

The DAR flatly states that it abides, and will continue to abide, by its rule adopted in 1932 of permitting only white artists use of the hall, and furthermore that as an independent organization, it reserves the right to grant or deny any request for its use.

reserves the right to grant or deny any request for its use.

A gratifying upshot of the incident was the storm of protest it evoked. The first blast naturally was levelled by Hazel Scott's husband, the Rev. Adam Powell, Congressman from New York's Harlem. Powell, going directly to the head of the nation, asked President Truman to force the DAR to dent Truman to force the DAR to rescind its ban on colored performers. Truman strongly repudiated the action of the DAR, but declined to take direct action inasmuch as the DAR is a private enterprise.

Representative Clare Luce, always spoiling for a good scrap, spoke up immediately for Miss Scott, and threatened to resign from her home chapter in Connecticut unless it drafted a resolution opposing the discriminatory policy of the DAR in Washington.

The National Committee Catholics for Human Rights, an influential body including in its membership such prominent people as CIO President Philip Murray, Supreme Court Justice Frank Murphy, and Ohio Governor Frank Lausche, urged its members to re-sign from the DAR in protest.

Then the fight was taken to the halls of Congress. In the House, Representative Coffee of Washington tangled with that arch foe of equality, Mississippi's John Rankin, who faithfully stuck to his time-worn argument that the attack on the DAR, like all other attacks on American institutions. attacks on American institutions, was instigated by Communists. In the Senate, New York Senator Mead engaged in a bitter debate with that other shameless dema-gogue from Mississippi, Senator

Newspapers and commentators joined the controversy, rapping in varying degree the staid Daugh-ters of the Revolution. Of course, there were a few people who stuck up for the DAR, and demanded that the press and public stop making the DAR the whipping post for attacks on Washington's segregation policy.

But the voluminous barrage of criticism of the DAR was significant and gratifying. While it not succeed in making the DAR reconsider its stand, it did arouse a great amount of healthy discussion. It underlined the crying need for putting into practice the ideals for which this war was fought by white and colored alike.

It made people realize that at a time when energies should be

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Saburo Kido Declares He Will Not Be Candidate in 1946

Elections Will Be Held at JACL Meet In Denver in March

Election of national officers for the Japanese American Gitizens League is expected to take top billing at the March conference in Denver next year with the reiteration of President Saburo Kido this week that he will not be a candidate in the '46 elections.

The elections will be the first held since 1940. An emergency conference held in March, 1942, voted to retain the incumbents in office for the duration.

Incidents such as the Hazel Scott case, while they may be un-pleasant to the individual directoffice for the duration.

The nomination committee, announced this week in Salt Lake City, will be headed by Taki Domoto, Jr., of Denver, and consist of the following persons: Shigeki Ushio, Murray, Utah; Al Funabashi, New York City; Susumu Togasaki, Chicago; Rio Kashiwagi, Los Angeles; and advisor. T. T. Vatabe. ly concerned, have a salutary effect in the long run. They focus attention on the Hitlerian and Ku Klux Klannish precepts which still prevail in this supposed land of the free, and as a result some progress, although it may not be immediately perceptible, is made toward the liberation of America's

Other committee appointments were announced as follows:

Constitution committee: William Minami, Chicago, chairman; Henry Taketa, Sacramento; Tooru Sakahara, Salt Lake City; Elmer Yamamoto, Los Angeles; Mamoru Wakasugi, Weiser, Idaho; and Advisor Major Walter Tsukamoto.

Finance and Budget committee; Kay Terashima, Salt Lake City, chairman; George Furuta, Denver; Shig Masunaga, San Jose, Calif.; Dixie Ishida, Chicago; Roy Tak-agi, San Francisco; and Advisor Hito Okada.

Membership drive committee: Masao Satow, Milwaukee, chair-man; Nobu Kawai, Pasadena; Don Stevens, San Francisco; Eli Koba-yashi, Idaho Falls; and George Kitahara, Parlier, California.

Program and resolutions committee: Dave Tatsuno, San Francisco, chairman; Teiko Ishida, St. Paul; Clifford Forster, New York City; Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, Chicago; Minoru Yasui, Denver; Advisor Lee G. Massacka Advisor Joe G. Masaoka.

Pacific Citizen: Yasuo Abiko, Philadelphia, chairman; Jock No-

da, Denver; William Yamamot San Jose; Joe Itano, Salt Iak Fred Ochi, Idaho Falls.

Four 442nd Men **Enter Golf Tourney**

LEGHORN, Italy — Four me from the 442nd Combat Tea were entered in the Florence Ope golf tournament last week. The were Major G. C. Green, Lieu George A. Seeley, Pfc. Kenie Tamura and Sgt. Keichi Ideguct

Conference Set On Problems Of Evacuees

West Coast Conditions Will Be Discussed at Meeting in New York

. NEW YORK CITY — The Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans of the Home Mis sions Council of America will had a national conference on Japanes Americans on Thursday, November 8, at the Parkside hotel, 1 Gramercy Park South, in Ne York City.

Speakers will include Mrs. Rut Kingman, executive secretary of the Pacific Coast Committee of American Principles and Fai Play, and a representative of th Japanese American Citizen eague.

Captain Taro Suzuki of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team has been tentatively selected as a speaker on the problems of the Nisei GIs.

The program has been planned

as follows:

"Conditions on the Pacific
Coast," Mrs. Ruth Kingman, 18 Coast," Mrs. Ruth Kingman, 18
a.m.; "The Concern of the Nise
GIs," 12 noon; "Unsolved Problems, of Japanese Americans," 19
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WASHINGTON, D. C. — Frank 24, 26-year-old Nisei from Mountain, is now operating n, Alaska.

NEW YORK CITY-Hideo Katformer Japanese section or of the Minidoka Irrigator, with the Japanese Ameri-News Corporation, 11 West St. . . Clifford Tanaka, mer Los Angeles photographer, ently started business as a com-rial artists' agent at 8 West St. His firm is known as the ford Art Service. . . . The New Japanese American Commit-

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OMAHA, Neb. — In attendance at the Nebraska State Teachers' meeting in Lincoln, Neb., last week was Peter M. Ida, principal of the High School at Silver Creek, Neb., about 100 miles from Omaha about 100 miles from Omaha. Newcomers to Omaha include Mr. and Mrs. Iwao Mihara and their two children, Tomiko and Kuniaki. They reside at 1130 South 31st

MILWAUKEE, Wis. - Mrs. Masao Satow was recently presented with a sterling silver service pin by the USO. The former Miss Chizu Uyeda, she is at present as-sociated with the boys' department of the Milwaukee YMCA... Miss Machiko Mori, who graduated this fall from a local beauty school, is the first Nisei beautician in Milwaukee, and is presently employed by Slyvia's Beauty Lounge, 2264 N. Prospect Ave.

DES MOINES, Ia. - With the basketball season's approach, Nisei enthusiasts have formed a team under sponsorship of Harry's Watch Shop, 1161 24th St., owned by Harrie Taka. Among those signed for the team are Taro Matsui David Occurs. Sid and Frank sui, David Onoura, Sid and Frank Inouye, Frank and Tom Tayashi, Toru Nishioka and George Yoshimura. All games will be played at the local YMCA.

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To Mr. and Mrs. Isao Tahara, 4304-A, Tule Lake, a girl on Oct. 7. To Mr. and Mrs. Shinobu Ta-keta, 7011-C, Tule Lake, a boy on

To Mr. and Mrs. Masashi Matsumoto, 3916, Tule Lake, a girl on

To Mr. and Mrs. Mac Goishi, 5013-A, Tule Lake, a girl on

To Mr. and Mrs. Saburo Shimada, 1518-B, Tule Lake, a girl on Oct. 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaaki Nagata, 2519-D, Tule Lake, a boy on Oct. 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshiyuki Taga, 8215-H, Tule Lake, a girl on Oct. 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Doi, 6716-C, Tule Lake, a boy on Oct. 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shoji Matsui, 7716-I, Tule Lake, a girl on Oct.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shizuo Mori, 1801-A, Tule Lake, a girl on Oct.

To Mr. and Mrs Takashi Takahashi, 1705-B, Tule Lake, a girl on Oct. 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Isao Takano, 5816-DE, Tule Lake, a girl on To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Furuya,

8114-I, Tule Lake, a boy on Oct. 14. To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Ted Kawata, 2708-Farnam St., Omaha, a boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Ikeda,

171 E. 9th South, Salt Lake City, a boy on Oct. 25. To Mr. and Mrs. Tetsuo Tanaka,

7912-I, Tule Lake, a boy on Oct. 3. To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Uyekawa, 7417-E, Tule Lake, a boy on

Oct. 4.
To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi Yamamoto, 7505-I, Tule Lake, a girl To Mr. and Mrs. Masayuki Tsutsumi, 7317-C, Tule Lake, a boy on Oct. 5.

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MARRIAGES

Kimi Toyota to Hideo Iwamoto on Oct. 28 in Ogden, Utah. Emiko Taguchi to Kenji Nitta on Oct. 4 at Tule Lake.

Emiko Loretta Yoshida to Masato Miyamura on Oct. 6 at Tule Lake.

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Kohler.
Captain H. W. Pullsbury, United States Army liaison officer for the project in which the Federal Public Housing Administration is cooperating with the War Relocation Authority, said that the first group of evacuees would arrive at Camp Kohler on Nov. 9.
WRA officials in Sacramento said a number of returned evac-

said a number of returned evacuees already here and housed in the overcrowded hostels set up for them also will be transferred to

Camp Kohler.
The barracks, now being prepared for the evacuees, are available because of the curtailment of activities at Camp Kohler, which is an Army Air Forces overseas replacement center. It was explained that no more men are being sent overseas from the center but that it may become a separation point in the near future. This may increase the Army's need for facili-ties at the camp but is not expect-ed to interfere with the evacuee

Many of the evacuees will be re-

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NEW YORK CITY—First fall showing of the Japanese American art exhibit sponsored by the Japanese American Citizens League was held Oct. 21 at the In-League was held Oct. 21 at the International House, University of Chicago, through arrangements made by Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, of the Chicago JACL. Members of the Chicago chapter were hosts at a tea held in conjunction with the showing.

The exhibit will move to Cleve-land College, Cleveland, Ohio, on land College, Cleveland, Ohio, on Oct. 28. A reception will be given by the Cleveland Resettlement committee, headed by Beatrice Burr, executive secretary.

Other showings scheduled for the exhibit will be in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and the Rochester Memorial Art Gallery.

Artists who have loaned their work for this exhibit are Thomas work for this exhibit are Thomas Yamamoto, Sueo Serizawa, Mine Okubo, Benji Okubo, Yasuo Kuniyoshi, Teru Matsumoto, Leo Amino, T/Sgt. Lewis Suzuki, Thomas Nagai, Chuzo Tamotsu, Aiko Tera, George Terasaki, Masao Mori, Sakari Suzuki, Nanpo, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hibi, Sinko Mikami, Corrine Dohi, Eitaro Ishigaki, Makoto Hara, Fumi Kato, Kazumi Sonoda, Fumi Haraguchi, Harry Yoshizumi, Howard Horii, Susumu Hirota, and Gus Nakagawa.

turned to the same place they first were taken when the evacuation began. Camp Kohler originally was Camp Walerga, an Army as-sembly center for evacuees of Jap-

anese ancestry.

The decision to use Camp Kohler was made after the original plan to use the Federal housing dormitories at Grand Union high school in North Sacramento

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The victory kept the 442nd on top of the PBS League with three victories and no losses. So far the 442nd has scored 59 points to none for their opponents.

Agressive, heads up ball won the game for the Nisei eleven against their heavier opponents.

Kanno, Minata, Sadaniro and Yoshiwara scored the 442nd's

touchdowns. The 442nd Regiment's bid for the PBS championship will depend on its coming game with the Golden Buffaloes of the 92nd Infantry Division, it was stated. Coach Melvin Tsuchiya is reportedly point-ing for the game with the 92nd which is expected to determine the league champion.

Speak in N Y

NEW YORK—Two speaking engagements, one at the Walton high school, Bronx, New York, the other at the Bayside high school, Bayside, Long Island, were filled by two Nisei, Mrs. Martha Tachina and Ina Sugihara, on Oct. 16

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Only One of Three Evacuees Returns to San Joaquin Valley

FRESNO, Calif. — Dwindling rosters in relocation centers and official statistics on returnees inofficial statistics on returnees indicated last week that the San Joaquin valley's future population of Japanese ancestry will be far below prewar levels.

Want Domestic Workers Union

Less than one-third of the pre-war total of the valley's residents of Japanese ancestry have re-turned although several of the War Relocation Authority's camps are now closed and the others are thinly populated.

On a state wide basis, the WRA reported that 18 per cent of Cal-ifornia's prewar total of 92,756 persons of Japanese descent have returned. Of these, 14,806 returned from WRA camps, including 8,549 citizens and 6,257 aliens.

In all 3,380 evacuees have returned to the six San Joaquin valley counties, a figure representing 32.5 per cent of the prewar

Fresno county has received the largest percentage of this group, the 2.552 who have relocated in the Fresno area representing 44.4 per cent of the pre-evacuation group.

group.

In other counties the returnees and prewar population percentages are: Tulare, 385 and 17.2; Merced, 193 and 40.9; Madera, 116 and 64.4; Kings, 112 and 22.8, and Kern, 22 and 1.8.

Numerically, Los Angeles county has received the largest number of returnees in the three West.

ber of returnees in the three West Coast states with 4,646 or 24.6 ling there.

Organization Would Set Standards for Work in Homes

LETHBRIDGE, Alta.—A labo union for domestic workers to se standards for wages, workin hours and days-off for Japanes Canadian girls employed as cook and domestic servants in left bridge homes was proposed at the Southern Alberta Youth Councimeeting here recently. meeting here recently.

Council executives and delegate were reported as wholehearted in favor of the proposed union but definite action could not be taken, however, until it could be ascertained whether it was "legal for Canadians of Japanese ancest ry to work in Lethbridge,

It was stated that "some un derstanding" is believed to exis between the Canadian Departmen of Labor, the government agency which is in charge of Japanes Canadian evacuees, and the Leb bridge City Council whereby N sei evacuees are barred from ob-taining employment within the taining employment within

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