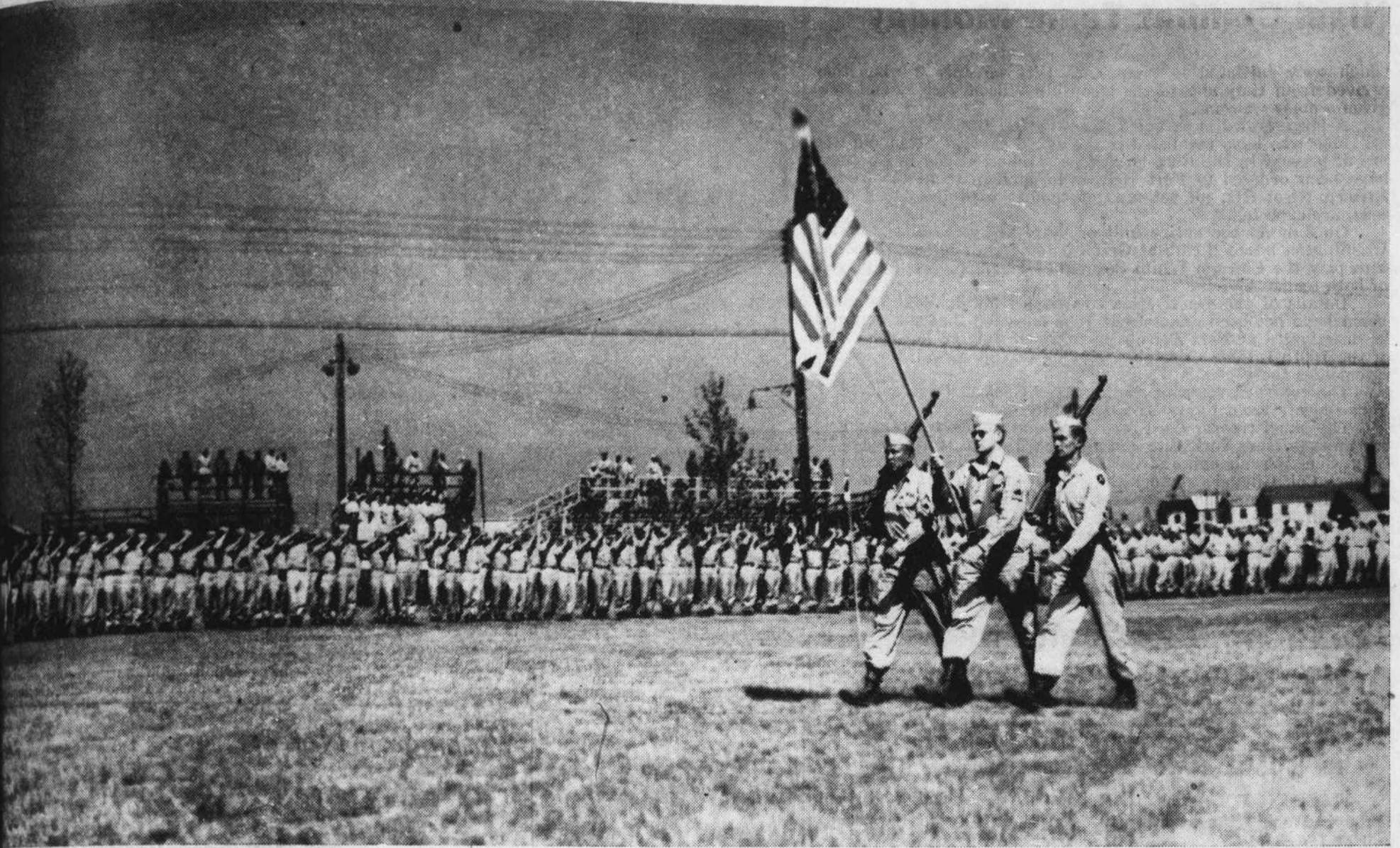


Nisei Troops Will Parade Before President



CAMP KILMER, N. J.—Men of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team salute the colors at the review given in honor of the Japanese Americans by regimental units at Camp Kilmer.

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Truman Will Affix Distinguished Unit Citation Streamer to Colors of 442nd Combat Team

Japanese Americans Will March in Full Dress Parade Down Constitution Avenue Monday; Final Deactivation Ceremony Planned at Fort Belvoir

WASHINGTON—President Truman will inspect the 442nd Central Postal Directory in full dress review on the ellipse adjoining the White House following the parade down Constitution Avenue on Monday, July 15.

The Nisei troops will form in the vicinity of the capitol at 10 a. m. and will arrive at the ellipse about 2:30 p. m.

After the parade arrives at the ellipse and is reported to President by the commanding officer of the 442nd, Lieut. Alfred A. Pursall, the President and his party will inspect the troops.

Following inspections, officers of the unit, the colors of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the 100th Infantry Central Postal Directory, and ten outstanding men of the combat team will march to the front of the reviewing stand where President Truman will affix the Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation Streamer to the colors of the 442nd.

The ten selected men will then join the party to review the troops in the formal review which will follow.

BY JOHN KITASAKO

WASHINGTON, D. C.—All the men who fought with the 442nd Central Postal Directory, one of the United States Army's most famous fighting units, will be honored on Monday afternoon, July 15, when the men of the Japanese American unit will parade down Constitution Avenue and will be reviewed by President Truman.

The tribute to the 442nd Combat Team, in which more than 18,000 Japanese Americans have served, will be received by approximately 500 officers and enlisted men who brought the colors of the famed regiment back from Italy recently. War Department officials have stressed, however, that the ceremonies are a tribute to all of the men of the 442nd.

President Truman will affix the Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation streamer to the colors of the 442nd Combat Team during the ceremonies Monday.

Secretary of War Robert Patterson, Brig. Gen. Claude B. Latta, commander of the Washington district of the U. S. Army; Maj. Gen. Harry Vaughn, military aide to President Truman; and Captain James Fossitt, naval aide, also will attend.

The famed 100-piece U. S. Army band from Fort Myer will accompany the Nisei GIs as they parade down the famous parade route of the nation's capital.

Men of the 442nd Combat Team, now based at Fort Belvoir, have been undergoing daily drills in preparation for the parade which will climax two weeks of homecoming receptions.

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Stay of Deportation Seen For Traders, Hardship Cases

Proceedings Will Be Halted Pending Congressional Action On Bills to Aid Deportees

All deportation proceedings against "treaty merchants" and "hardship cases" concerning persons of Japanese ancestry will be halted pending final court and legislative action by Congress, according to information received by the Japanese American Citizens League this week.

The decision was made known in a letter from Attorney General Tom C. Clark to Chairman John Lesinski of the House Immigration and Naturalization committee which was read to the full committee Wednesday, July 10.

Clark's letter was in answer to a recommendation made earlier by Chairman Lesinski that deportation be stayed until Congress had an opportunity to study the situation.

Following receipt of Attorney General Clark's letter, the full committee announced that emergency measures such as the Judd and Eberharter bills, which called

for limited relief measures, would be taken from the emergency docket and placed on the calendar for full legislative study.

The committee will recommend that these bills be made the basis for permanent legislation, it was reported.

Meanwhile it was reported that Congressman George Miller of Alameda, chairman of the special sub-committee studying Japanese hardship cases, had cabled from Chungking a request that the full committee take no action until his subcommittee had an opportunity to study the situation in the light of later developments, including possible court rulings on the matter.

Baseball Fans Give Ovation to 442nd Veterans

WASHINGTON—One of the greatest ovations in the history of Griffiths Stadium was accorded 350 veterans of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team who attended the Chicago-Washington night game on July 11 as guests of the Washington baseball club.

Thunderous cheers following the introduction of the Nisei GIs to the 15,000 fans attending the game. The announcer praised the combat record of the 442nd and said that the Nisei "had proved themselves real Americans."

Chicago's White Sox defeated the Senators, 4 to 2.

Court Upholds Conviction of Draft Resisters

SAN FRANCISCO — The Ninth Circuit Court on June 29 affirmed the conviction by a lower court of some 100 Japanese American draft evaders who refused to register while they were incarcerated at the Poston relocation center.

The draft evaders were represented in three test cases brought by attorney A.L. Wirin in behalf of Hideichi Takegume, Yasuto Fujika and Kingo Tajii. The three cases were consolidated as typical of those of the 100 youths who were all sentenced to one-year jail terms in June, 1945, by Judge David M. Ling of Phoenix, Ariz.

Judge William Denman expressed his sympathy for the defendants because of their illegal confinement in the relocation center.

Court Orders Fishing License Issued to Issei

Judge Willis Says State Commission Must Grant Permit

LOS ANGELES—A commercial fishing license for Torao Takahashi, Issei, was ordered this week by Superior Judge Henry M. Willis, despite the fact the Fish and Game commission has filed an appeal with the California Supreme Court.

The court ordered the commission to grant the license upon grounds that the continued refusal to grant the license would cause "irreparable damage" to Takahashi's business.

America's Welcome To 442nd Shown In Photo Section

A special four-page pictorial section in this issue of the Pacific Citizen, pages 9 to 12, depicts the homecoming ceremonies accorded the 442nd Regimental Combat Team on the East Coast last week. The Pacific Citizen photos are by Henry Yamada, New York photographer.

President Truman Will Review Nisei Combat Team Monday

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which were initiated in New York City on July 2 when they arrived from Italy aboard the troopship Wilson Victory and were given a noisy welcome.

A large crowd is expected to watch the parade.

Men who have reenlisted in the 442nd Combat Team and who are at present in the Eastern Defense Command and in Kentucky have been ordered to Fort Belvoir to participate in the parade. Fifteen Nisei GIs, all veterans of combat with the 442nd overseas, are expected.

On July 11 the entire unit of the 442nd were guests of the Washington baseball club at Griffiths stadium and saw the Senators play the Chicago White Sox. They met many of the players of both teams after the game.

Details of the deactivation ceremonies for the 442nd Combat Team have not been announced. It is expected that the unit will be deactivated at Fort Belvoir on or about July 16 but the colors of the 100th Infantry Battalion may be sent to Hawaii for special ceremonies there.

The returned veterans of the 442nd Combat Team arrived in Fort Belvoir from Camp Kilmer on July 6.

The Nisei troops, tired from the homecoming receptions held for them in New York City and at Camp Kilmer, were greeted by Brig. Gen. Ferenbaugh and Col. Morris W. Gilland, post executive officer. Col. Gilland extended the official greetings of Major Gen. W. N. Hoge, commanding general of Fort Belvoir.

Lieut. Col. Alfred A. Pursall, former executive officer for the 442nd in Italy, will be the commanding officer of the regiment during the coming ceremonies. Lieut. Col. V. R. Miller, commanding officer of the 442nd until the unit's return to America, remained behind in Italy and has been transferred to a new command.

Japanese American Troops Arrive In Nation's Capitol

Dillon Myer Welcomes Men of 442nd Home At Reception Sponsored by USO, Washington Nisei; GIs Prepare for Parade for President

WASHINGTON—The Nisei boys of the 442nd who went through Washington back in 1944 on their way to the bloody soil of Italy and France came back last Saturday to the Nation's capital for a 10-day stay, during which they will present their distinguished colors to the President of the United States and then will be deactivated.

The sun-tanned youths looked tired after their reception ceremonies in the New York area, but they were happy lads, eagerly looking forward to the day they will discard their khaki. Deactivation is tentatively set for July 15.

The seven-car special troop train carrying the 500 members of the 442nd arrived at nearby Fort Belvoir on the afternoon of July 6. Greeting the celebrated soldiers were Brig. Gen. C. B. Ferenbaugh, commanding officer of the military district of Washington; Col. M. W. Gilland, executive officer of Belvoir; the post band and a battery of newsmen and cameramen.

On Saturday July 13, the 442nd will parade on the Ellipse behind the White House, accompanied by a military police band, and later will present their colors to President Truman. It is expected that these colors will be placed in the National Hall of Archives. The standard of the 100th Battalion will be sent to Hawaii, according to present plans.

At a reception sponsored jointly by the USO and the Japanese community on July 7 at the YWCA, Dillon Myer welcomed the boys home and paid high tribute to their splendid fighting record by saying that nothing would make him more happy than to be a "buck private of the 442nd."

He was introduced by Earl Finch, who praised Mr. Myer for his courage and outstanding leadership in the "toughest job any man held in the government during the war."

Sgt. Yeiki Matsui, speaking in

behalf of the men of the unit, lauded the great work of Mr. Myer, and concluded by stating: "The fellas over there always knew that so long as Dillon Myer was at the helm of the WRA our folks would be well taken care of."

Col. Alfred Pursall, commanding officer of the 442nd, in commending the leadership of the two former commanders of the Nisei combat team, Cols. Pence and Miller, asked for a standing tribute by the entire audience.

The entertainment at the reception featured performers from Ruby Foo's Trade Winds floor show. Helene Johnson, assistant director of the YWCA USO, was mistress of ceremonies. Arrangements were made by a committee headed by Kenko Nogaki and Bob Iki.

FIRST NISEI WIFE LEAVES TO JOIN GI HUSBAND IN JAPAN

HONOLULU, T. H.—Mrs. Masanori Matsumoto of Hilo, Hawaii, left Honolulu on June 20 to join her husband in Japan, probably the first Nisei wife to join her serviceman husband in an overseas area.

Sgt. Matsumoto is presently serving in Akita prefecture in northern Japan.

1300 Flower Leis Flown From Hawaii to Men of 442nd

CAMP KILMER, N. J.—One thousand three hundred fresh flower leis, Hawaii's welcome home symbols for the men of the 442nd Combat Team, arrived by air from Honolulu and were presented to the Japanese American veterans on the Fourth of July at a "watermelon bust" sponsored by Earl Finch, friend of the Combat Team, in the wooded area near the 442nd's garrison at Camp Kilmer.

The presentation of the leis to the returned GIs of the 442nd, 250 of whom are from Hawaii, was made by members of a platoon of WACs from Camp Kilmer who attended the watermelon fete.

Included in the shipment of leis, rushed by plane from Hawaii, were personal leis from the wives and immediate families of the returned combat veterans. Among the men who received leis from their families in Hawaii were Sgt. Paul K. Masaki, Tech. Sgt. George Miki,

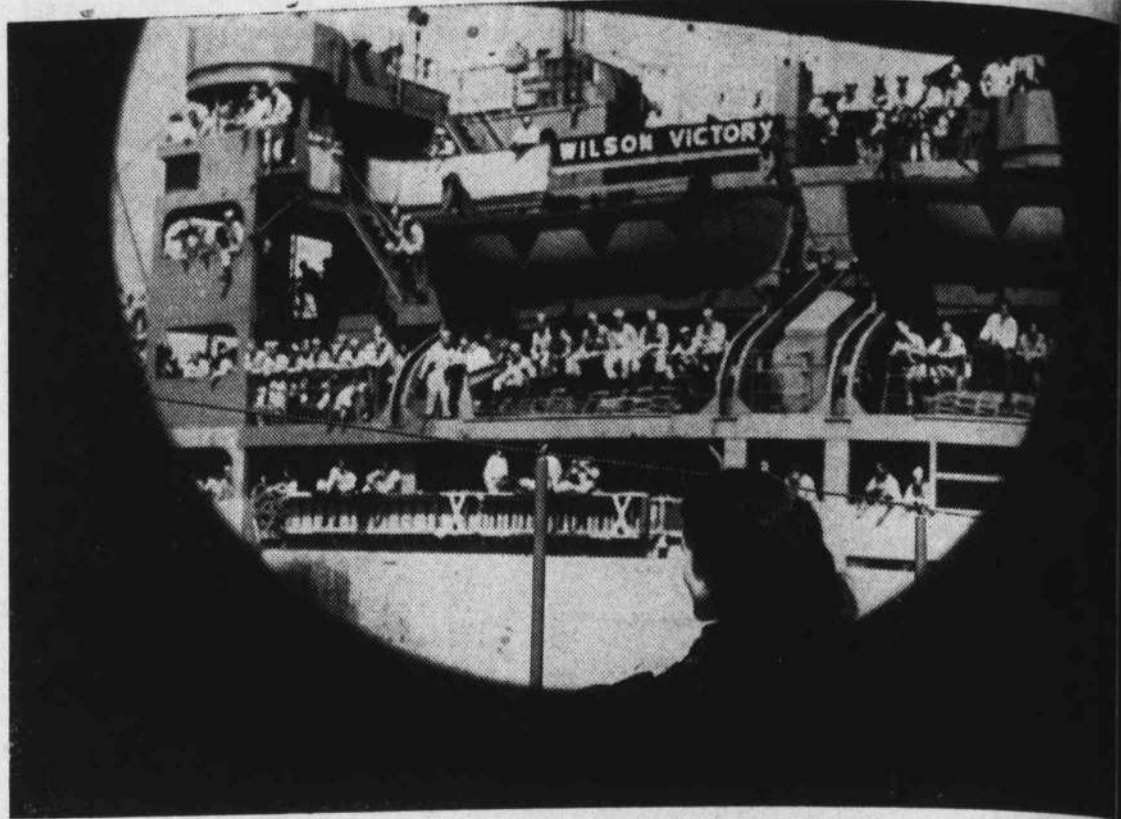
First Sgt. Tom Harimoto and Pfc. Haruto Harada.

More than 300 watermelons were flown to Camp Kilmer from Mississippi for the "watermelon bust."

Three amputees, all veterans of the 442nd Combat Team, arrived in Camp Kilmer on July 4 to participate in the "watermelon bust" and in the presentation of the leis. The three veterans, Pfc. Terumi Kato, 1241 Elm St., Honolulu, Pfc. Tadao Ono, 2029 North King St., Honolulu, and Pfc. Wilson Makabe of Loomis, Calif., came from Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington, D. C.

The 1,346 leis have an estimated value of \$27,000. Cards on the flower leis bore the names of individuals and civic organizations from all of the islands in the territory. Each of the 500 returned men of the 442nd received leis, while other leis were given to the WACs who took part in the presentation ceremony.

Girl Correspondent Greet Nisei Troops



NEW YORK—Shooting through the porthole of the Army tug which went down the bay to meet the incoming Wilson Victory, the cameraman catches a glimpse of Miss Lyn Crost, war correspondent with the famed Japanese American

unit, as she stood on the bridge of the tug to welcome home the men whose combat activities she reported for a Honolulu newspaper. Miss Crost recently was elected the only female member of the 442nd Veterans Club of Hawaii. Photo by Henry Yamada for the Pacific Citizen.

Nisei Segregation On Honor Roll Ended in Marysville

MARYSVILLE, Calif. — Names of American soldiers of Japanese ancestry no longer are segregated on the Yuba county honor roll.

The policy of listing the names of Japanese Americans in a special section on the honor roll had been imposed by the county during the war.

It was ended on Independence Day last week upon the initiative of the members of the Yuba-Sutter chapter of the American Veterans Committee. The AVC group, protesting the discrimination shown the Nisei GIs, spent their July 4th holiday in rearranging the names on the honor roll so that those of the Japanese Americans would appear in alphabetical order among all other Yuba veterans of World War II.

The AVC veterans were led in their project by Bob Worth.

Marysville Fete Honors GIs of Minority Groups

AVC Praised for Action in Rearranging Names on Honor Roll

MARYSVILLE, Calif.—Service-men of minority race groups who served their country in time of war now want the opportunity to serve in the same manner in time of peace. Bill Coats, president of the Yuba-Sutter chapter, American Veterans Committee, declared July 3 at a dinner honoring returned veterans of Japanese, Chinese, Mexican and Negro ancestry at the B Street USO.

The affair was sponsored jointly by Joe Williams, director of the USO, and Frank Nakamura of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Another speaker at the dinner, the Rev. B. W. Lowry, pastor of the First Methodist church of Yuba city, praised the American Veterans Committee for its action in rearranging the names of the Japanese Americans on the Yuba county honor roll so that the Nisei names are now in alphabetical order among all other names. He disclosed that the Ministerial association has attempted to accomplish this change for some time. Previously, all names of Japanese Americans had been listed separately on the honor roll.

Nakamura spoke briefly to welcome the returning veterans.

Referring to incidents of violence which occurred shortly after the return of Japanese American evacuees to California, Tom Mehan of Berkeley, a former official of the War Relocation Authority, said that these acts were committed for economic reasons. He said more than 10 per cent of the

Washington Notes:

Go Easy on Hero Stuff, Say Men of 442nd Combat Team

By John Kitasako

Washington, D. C.

The boys of the 442nd are glad to be back home, but they would prefer simple reception ceremonies. Hundreds of other buddies were in the scrap too, they remind you, so please go easy on the hero stuff . . .

Some of the fellows, according to Earl Finch, were not too enthusiastic about the plans for parading before President Truman and presenting their colors to him. It would be an auspicious honor, to be sure, but they wished the fellows who did the heavy fighting could have that honor. Earl and Army officials had to do a lot of powerful talking to convince the boys that they were representing every single buddahood who served overseas and that they were not chiseling in on the glory . . .

Earl Finch was scheduled to fly out west this week, but has remained in the request of Colonel Pursall, commanding officers of the 442nd, and War Department officials. The Mississippian is serving as unofficial adviser and go-between for the boys, and doing a marvelous job. The high recognition the Combat Team is receiving is due in large part to Earl's intercession with Pentagon authorities.

Earl is highly pleased with the cooperative attitude of War Department officials, all the way from Secretary Robert Patterson on down. And authorities at Fort Belvoir, where the unit is stationed, are doing everything possible to make the stay of the combat team pleasant. "The sky's the limit, they say . . ."

The 442nd hit town during Washington's muggiest and hottest week end, and did the boys groan. It took them back to the old days at Shelby . . .

Sidelights of the reception at the YWCA: Colonel Pursall set the pace when he got on the stage to speak. He loosened his tie and unbuttoned his collar. "Do likewise," he told the boys, "but be careful when you leave the building. They still have MP's in this town! . . . YWCA officials claimed that the reception was the most successful service affair staged at the Y, and they've had many a party there too . . . Washington Issei made sandwiches for 500 on a half day's notice. Two Issei merchants donated 20 cases of hard-to-

incidents were directed against non-Japanese friends of the evacuees and predicted that, had the evacuees been Swedes or Italians, the same events would have transpired.

Other speakers were Howard Jeter of the University of California and J. J. Collins, dean of Yuba college.

get soft drinks . . . Lyn Crost, Washington correspondent for the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, interviewed Capt. Cal Ushiro, highest ranking Nisei officer in the unit. Ushiro, who hails from Palo Alto, California, has not decided yet whether he'll go into medical practice or back to school to brush up . . . Perry Shimabukuro, of Laupahoehoe, Hawaii, ubiquitous press relation man for the 442nd, may come back to Washington to go into business. His uncle, Jesse Shima, is one of Washington's leading business men.

Nisei Officer Wins Promotion To Colonelcy

HONOLULU, T. H.—Maj. Iwao A. Kawasaki, who served as medical officer with Gen. George Patton's army in France and Germany and with the original 100th Infantry Battalion, has been given a terminal promotion to the rank of lieutenant-colonel, according to the Hawaii Times.

He is the second Japanese American to receive this rank.

Kawasaki was engaged in medical practice before the war but a reserve officer was called up shortly before Pearl Harbor and served at Tripler General hospital.

He went to the mainland with the original 100th Infantry and served as its surgeon. He was overseas with the first group and took part in the Italian campaign during its early phases.

Kawasaki was wounded at Capri, receiving shrapnel wounds in both legs. He was hospitalized seven months at Moore General hospital in North Carolina.

In November, 1944, he was sent to England for service in an evacuation hospital and was transferred to France, serving as assistant chief surgeon for General Patton's Third Army.

Three Persons Hurt in Auto Mishap in Stockton

STOCKTON—Seriously injured in a tractor accident, Fukuro Murakami, Robert Island farmer, was being rushed to Stockton for medical treatment on July 7 when a tire blowout caused an automobile to crash which injured his daughter, Irene, and Louis Sato, driver of the car.

All were reported critically injured.

Blowing its right front tire, the car careened off the road and struck a 60,000 volt power tower.

Minnesota Vets Fight Nisei Housing Ban

May Simplify Proceedings in Muster Cases

Government Counsel Asks Court to Ignore Fortas Letter

MINNEAPOLIS—Motions to simplify pleadings in suits that will result in deportation proceedings against 1500 persons of Japanese ancestry were taken under advisement on July 5 by Federal Judge J. M. Sweeney.

The persons against whom deportation orders have been issued include those who renounced United States citizenship at Tule Lake segregation camp.

Thomas M. Cooley II, special assistant to Attorney General Tom C. Clark, asked the court to limit proceedings to consideration of the constitutionality issue. He also requested that a letter written by former undersecretary of the Interior Abe Fortas be ignored. The letter said Fortas "understood" coercion had been used against the people at Tule Lake.

Wayne Collins, attorney for the defendants, resisted the motions. He said the cases are not simplified and consolidated, it would take two or three years to try the cases individually. Four hundred members of the group are now held at Crystal City, Tex., awaiting deportation.

42nd Veteran Dies in Caldwell

CALDWELL, Ida. — Mitsugi Murakami, 24, of Caldwell, Idaho, member of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, died in Caldwell on July 3.

Murakami was born Feb. 14, 1921, at Auburn, Wash. In civilian life he was a farmer. He was inducted into the army at Fort Lewis, Wash., on Feb. 15, 1942. He served the 442nd Infantry Central Postal Directory, sustaining a serious wound in combat during the Rhineland campaign in France on Nov. 6, 1944, when a piece of shrapnel penetrated one shoulder, passed through his body and came out the other shoulder. He was returned to the United States on Oct. 28, 1945 and was separated from the army at Fort Douglas on Jan. 4, 1946.

Accident Kills Pingree Man

BLACKFOOT, Ida. — Raymond Saito, 42, died Tuesday, July 9, in a Pocatello hospital following an accident at the Omohundro Quisenberry ranch at Pocatello.

Saito was found by his employer lying on his back some distance away from a team of horses which had been driving while raking hay. The horses were tangled in his harnesses and one wheel was on top of him.

He was taken to the hospital, Saito died away of internal injuries and shock.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. May Ayane Saito, and two sons, Ronald and Gary.

German-Japanese Girl Seeks to Win Release in Seattle

SEATTLE, Wash. — A German-Japanese bride of a former American soldier this week sought release from the U. S. Immigration station in Seattle, where she has been detained for the past two months.

She is Mrs. John A. Bouiss, formerly Helene Emilie Wilson of Osaka, near Kobe, Japan.

Her situation was brought to the attention of the Japanese War Relocation Authority on July 5 when her husband, a former member of the Japanese Imperial Army, asked the federal court to order the release of his wife.

Mrs. Bouiss was born in Japan to a Japanese mother and a German father, but is a citizen of Sweden, she said. Her first husband, from whom she was divorced several years ago, was a Swedish naval officer.

Bouiss petitioned for a writ of habeas corpus for her release. He stated they were married on the ship May 9 aboard the War Relocation Administration vessel

Welcome for Nisei GIs



NEW YORK—Waving and smiling happily are these members of the fair sex who are shown at the pier where the Wilson Victory Team of Japanese American veterans. Left to right are Rose Sugiyama, Yone Higashi, Margaret Kuramoto (background) and Mrs. Francis Murakami and her baby, Beryl.—Photo by Acme.

AVC Members Picket Office Of Real Estate Firm in Protest Against Restrictions

Demonstration Gains Support of Minneapolis Community Groups

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Carrying placards protesting discriminatory practices in housing, members of the American Veterans Committee this week picketed the offices of the Minneapolis Board of Realtors, supplementing their picketing of the office of Dickinson and Gillespie, Inc., a real estate firm which has denied the application of an American war veteran of Japanese ancestry to join with 49 other war veterans in the Oak Hill housing project.

The demonstration was inspired by the exclusion of Jon Matsuo, a veteran of four years of army service, from the housing project by the real estate firm on the basis of Matsuo's Japanese ancestry.

The AVC pickets carried signs which read: "American Veterans Committee Denounces Dickinson & Gillespie's Discrimination Against Loyal American Citizens."

Other placards said: "Jap American Finds Prejudice In Country He Fought For."

Mollie Erlich, a former WAVE and a member of AVC, carried a placard which read: "American Veterans Committee Wants Equal Rights for All Citizen-Veterans."

Arnold Aberman, chairman of the anti-discrimination committee of the AVC chapter on the university campus, said that the picketing was a demonstration "to establish clearly our opposition in principle to real estate clauses on the

basis of national origin, race or religion."

Aberman stressed that the campaign, launched on June 25 with the appearance of Mrs. Jon Matsuo, wife of the veteran involved in the case, at a downtown AVC meeting, would continue, "until more people see what is clear to us—that restrictive covenants are unnecessary, undemocratic and un-American."

Harold Grossman, president of the downtown Minneapolis chapter of AVC, answered on July 1 the charges made by Elliot Gillespie, president of the real estate firm, that AVC members were "trouble-making, flag-waving communists."

"I'd like to tell Mr. Gillespie that when ex-servicemen stand up for the constitution in civilian life as they did in uniform, then we must have 12,000,000 communist veterans. If we are communistic now for upholding the constitution, then we must have been communists when we were fighting in the service," Grossman said.

Gillespie protested the picketing of his office by AVC members on the ground that he is "merely following the general pattern." He said that the AVC group was being unfair to single out one real estate firm for use of restrictive covenants on ownership of land.

"If these AVC members are sincere in trying to aid minority groups and not a bunch of trouble-making, flag-waving communists—as I think they are, they will attack the problem at a higher level."

"They will have to go to the real estate board, savings and loan associations, bankers associations and get an amendment to the Federal constitution if they hope to abolish use of restrictive covenants."

"If the real estate board and all the firms in town agree to strike out their restrictions, we're willing to go along. In reality, however, the majority of purchasers don't want to buy in an unrestricted area."

Meanwhile, the AVC's picketing gained the support of various community organizations. Hubert A. Schon, veteran of the European and Pacific theaters and executive director of the United Labor Committee of Minnesota for Human Rights, said that his group had passed a resolution to support the picketing action.

JACL Representative Speaks to Issei

DENVER—Eiji Tanabe, administrative assistant of the national JACL, spoke to Issei in Denver on naturalization, deportation, evacuation reparations and other pertinent national legislative measures on Monday, July 8, at a dinner sponsored by the Denver JACL.

Approximately twenty-five persons were present.

American Veterans Committee Leads Campaign to Challenge Racial Restrictive Covenants

Minneapolis Organizations Map Program Against Race Restrictions on Ownership, Occupancy; May Initiate Legal Test in Matsuo Case

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—The fight of the American Veterans Committee in Minneapolis in behalf of a Japanese American war veteran gained momentum this week as machinery for concerted action against racial discrimination in the ownership and occupancy of land was set up by representatives of 20 Minneapolis organizations on July 2.

In the fight against prejudice in land ownership which was dramatized last week by the refusal of a real estate company to accept the application of a Nisei veteran, Jon Matsuo, for the right to build a home at the Oak Hill housing project, approximately 90 persons met in the mayor's reception room in the city hall and agreed unanimously to begin an immediate and long-range program of action to abolish the use or restrictive racial covenants.

Nisei Couple Excluded from Homes Project

Matsuo Says Campaign Embodies Principles for Which War Was Fought

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Jon Matsuo and his young wife, Ruth, have decided to stay in the fight to remove restrictive covenants on the use and ownership of land in Minneapolis because the fight embodies the same principles for which Matsuo served four years in the United States Army.

Matsuo was one of 50 veterans at the University of Minnesota who applied for the purchase of a lot in the Oak Hill housing project recently in order to build a home.

Matsuo was notified by the real estate company, Dickinson & Gillespie, that his application had been denied because he was not of the Caucasian race.

Ruth Matsuo, who is now living in a three-room apartment at 1505 Second Ave. S. with the Matsuos 19-month old daughter, Susan, told Janet Russell of the Minneapolis Tribune that they are not inclined to raise the discrimination issue for their own sake.

"But," Mrs. Matsuo explained, "when I think of how the young Nisei fellows in relocation camps stood up against their elders in defense of America and democracy and how they entered the army, which previously had excluded them, in order to fight for democratic rights as citizens, I feel we're almost obligated to see this through for the sake of the ones who didn't come back from the war."

Matsuo returned this week to Minneapolis from Hinckley, Minn., where he had been working at a camp operated by Elliot Park Neighborhood House, in order to plan a legal battle for his rights in the housing project.

"While I stand to gain nothing personally, I'd like to clear up the situation so families of minority nationality groups will not have to go through this in the future," Matsuo said.

Matsuo is studying aeronautical engineering at the university. He previously attended the University of Washington where he was a member of the varsity swimming team. At the Elliot Park camp he served as waterfront director until his return to Minneapolis.

It was reported that the realtors had offered a compromise lot to the Matsuos which is outside the original development.

WRA School Records Available for Former Students

CLOVIS, N. M. — High school transcripts of students formerly in WRA centers may be procured by writing to the U. S. Office of Education, according to Katharine Stegner.

Students interested in securing their records should address their letters to Mr. Timon Covert, Specialist in School Finance, U. S. Office of Education, Washington 25, D. C., attention: Mrs. Esther Oliver, record clerk.

The immediate objective of the campaign, which gained wide attention by the action of members of the American Veterans Committee in picketing the office of the real estate company which had barred the application of Matsuo, will be to fight for the removal of covenants restricting ownership and occupancy of property in the Oak Hill housing project to Caucasians and all other housing developments subject to approval of the city planning commission.

Petitions will be circulated to urge the city council and the planning commission to accept a resolution introduced by Alderman W. Glen Wallace to reject all future applications for approval of housing plans containing restrictive covenants.

These signatures, together with the more than 1,000 already obtained among University of Minnesota students, will be presented this week at a public hearing of the city council's roads and bridges committee to consider approval of the Oak Hill plan.

The long range program which is under consideration may include court action in behalf of Matsuo and legislative action on the county and state levels against restrictive covenants, and a broad program of education and publicity.

The Minneapolis and University of Minnesota chapters of the American Veterans Committee, which has taken the leadership in the fight against the restrictive covenants, will spearhead the program with a four-man action committee which will be supported and sponsored by an advisory committee to be chosen from the various community groups which have indicated an interest in the campaign.

The action committee is composed of J. Steward McClendon and George D. Leonard, both attorneys and members of the Minneapolis chapter, and Norman Levenson and Gene Wilson, both members of the University chapter of AVC.

The fight against the denial of housing in Minneapolis to individuals on a basis of race, creed, color or national origin already has gained the unanimous support of the mayor's Council on Human Relations which on July 1 adopted a resolution condemning "arbitrary denial of home ownership opportunities by means of covenants restricting ownership or occupancy of real estate" on a discriminatory basis.

The resolution offered support to the Minneapolis and University of Minnesota chapters of the American Veterans Committee should they initiate legal proceedings in the case of Jon Matsuo, Nisei veteran who is now threatened with exclusion from the Oak Hill housing project because he is of Oriental ancestry.

The Hennepin county board of commissioners censured the subdividers (Dickinson & Gillespie, Inc.) for alleged discrimination in refusing to sell a lot to Jon Matsuo and his wife, Ruth.

The Minneapolis city council, at its regular meeting, heard a resolution introduced by Alderman W. Glen Wallace who asked that the Minneapolis Board of Realtors be requested "to secure elimination from all deeds in all new subdivisions of any discrimination against any person because of race."

The Wallace motion was referred to the city planning commission. Mary Blake, director of Neighborhood House, said several members of the board of directors have indicated they would furnish legal aid for the Matsuos if they desire.

The board is expected to take step to exert pressure in behalf of the Matsuos.

Meanwhile, Bernard G. Rice, executive secretary of the Minneapolis Board of Realtors, said that the majority of local subdividers generally follow a policy of excluding non-Caucasians from new subdivisions.

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EDITORIALS:

An Epic Story

One of the great stories of World War II will be that which concerns Americans of Japanese ancestry. It will be a story which will start with the attack on Pearl Harbor and with the evacuation of Japanese Americans from the Pacific Coast, an action which was ill-advised and hasty, hinging on hysteria, and whose military advantages were dubious at best. The wartime treatment of Americans of Japanese ancestry reached its lowest point in 1942 with the detention of these citizens in concentration camps which were euphemistically labeled "relocation centers" and the exclusion of Japanese Americans from military service.

The strength of American democracy has been its ability to rectify its mistakes. There were enough good democrats in the War Department, men who believed that race and ancestry had nothing to do with loyalty or disloyalty, to force a change in the Army's policy toward the Japanese American group. These men who trusted in the loyalty of the Nisei were able to win enough support, including the approval of President Roosevelt and General George Marshall, to achieve the activation of a separate combat team of Japanese Americans. The formation of the 442nd Combat Team was announced by Secretary of War Stimson in January, 1943 and Nisei in Hawaii and in the relocation centers responded.

The records of the 442nd Combat Team and of the 100th Infantry Battalion which preceded it into combat in Italy are today a part of the military annals of the nation. The War Department which evacuated the Japanese Americans from the West Coast in 1942 is intensely proud of its Nisei unit and of its faith in the loyalty of a racial minority which, at the time of the organization of the 442nd, was the object of hate and suspicion. The record of the 442nd reflects considerable credit, not only upon the Nisei group, but on those War Department officials who sponsored it and who fought for the right of Japanese Americans to participate in the military effort of the American nation. It may be remembered that other services continued to exclude the Nisei until the end of the war, although all of the arbitrary restrictions against the Nisei in the Navy and the Marines as well as in the air and armored forces have now been removed and Japanese Americans are processed on the same basis as all other citizens by selective service.

It is a long, long way from the barbed-wire fences of the West Coast assembly centers to a full dress parade on Constitution Avenue before the President of the United States but that is the distance that the Nisei have come in the four years since evacuation. All Americans can take pride in their democratic tradition on Monday when President Truman honors the 442nd Combat Team.

The WRA Passes

Buried in the news pages last week was a story from Washington which reported that President Truman on June 26 had directed Secretary of Interior Krug to abolish the War Relocation Authority. Created by executive order to take charge of the wartime relocation of the 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry who were displaced by the West Coast evacuation, the WRA was formally terminated on June 30.

During its four years of activity in the relocation of Japanese Americans, the WRA expended nearly \$200,000,000. It succeeded in its task because it had faith in the evacuees

and events have since proved that this faith was not misplaced. It is to be hoped that a WRA will never again be necessary—for the Japanese Americans or for any other racial minority group in the United States. The record of Japanese Americans and other American minorities in the war have proven false the concept on which the evacuation was carried out—the concept that race and ancestry are factors which determine the loyalty of an individual.

The Washington Post: Justice for Nisei

Congress has had before it for four months a proposal to make restitution to persons of Japanese ancestry for property losses they suffered as a result of their evacuation from West Coast military areas, Alaska and Hawaii. Identical bills, sponsored in the House by Mr. Summers and in the Senate by Mr. Ellender, would set up, under the Secretary of the Interior, an evacuation claims commission with authority to investigate and make final adjudication of all claims arising from this tragic wartime hardship visited on more than 100,000 innocent persons. This is the obviously sensible way to deal with the problem. It will avoid a deluge of special relief bills in Congress and save the Court of Claims an impossible burden of litigation. At the same time it affords the most expeditious means of making amends to people seriously injured through no fault of their own.

It is not proposed in these bills to indemnify any of the Japanese-Americans for what they suffered personally in being excluded from their homes and interned for 2½ years without trial. The indemnification runs only to property damage. Merchants had to dispose of their stocks and businesses at sacrifice prices. Many were forced to sell their homes or other personal possessions for a fraction of their value. Vandals damaged or destroyed some of the belongings left behind. In consequence, many of the evacuees who have now been allowed to return to the West Coast find themselves in desperate straits. Settlement of their claims must be generous to be just and must be prompt to be effectual.

We think there is no opposition on the Hill to providing for a fair and speedy adjudication of the evacuees' claims. Unfortunately, however, the legislation has been sidetracked for other seemingly more urgent matters. It was referred in the Senate first to the Committee on Claims, then belatedly to the Judiciary Committee. It ought to be reported out and acted upon in both chambers before Congress adjourns so that investigation of the claims can begin at once. This is the least that the Government can do for the sake of its own good conscience to relieve men and women, most of them American citizens, who have borne with patience and loyalty a terrible discrimination visited upon them as an exigency of war.—An editorial from the Washington Post of July 8, 1946.

The Minneapolis Tribune: Restricted

When those in charge of the army's Japanese language school at Fort Snelling said their good-byes to the Twin Cities early this month, they were generous in their praise of this community's racial tolerance. For of the 700 officers and 5,000 enlisted men trained here, 90 per cent were Americans of Japanese descent.

Minneapolis, on the basis of its wartime record, deserved such praise and had reason to feel proud. Our experience demonstrated beyond all doubt the patriotism of Nisei Americans. And we came to appreciate more the blessings of a free democratic society by observing the ardor with which our temporary Nisei neighbors were striving to help us preserve it.

We can take no pride, however, in what happened to John Matsuo, Nisei veteran attending the University of Minnesota. Matsuo joined a cooperative association formed to obtain low-cost housing. He drew a second priority on choice of a lot only to be told the 50-lot plat has been reserved by the realtor "for Caucasians only."

This sort of thing, as practiced on the west coast, has long been an embarrassing blot on our national conscience. It has no place in Minneapolis. The only comforting factors in the incident derive from the promptness with which the American Veterans committee brought it to the attention of Mayor Humphrey and the mayor's sympathetic response. As the AVC chapter president pointed out, "a basic concept is at issue."

Perhaps, as the AVC resolution urges, legislation to outlaw restrictive covenants on use and ownership of land, is the answer. Certainly it would help prevent recurrence of what appears to be an isolated instance of discrimination. But laws, unless they have wholehearted support of the community, can be evaded. In the long run, responsibility rests with every individual. Discrimination will breathe its last when prospective real estate purchasers refuse to regard the word "restricted" as a tempting inducement to buy.—An editorial in the Minneapolis Morning Tribune of June 29, 1946.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

When the 442nd Came Home

New York City

In the morning there had been a thunderstorm and the city had been lashed by wind and sudden rain. By noon, however, the skies had cleared. The air was bright and a slight breeze took the edge off the summer heat. It was a good, pleasant day.

Port of embarkation authorities had provided two tugs which were to go down the harbor to meet the incoming Wilson Victory. One was for the press and newsreel men and the other for the Army band from Fort Hamilton and for the young girls in the bright summer dresses who worked for the POE and who were going to wave at the troopship as it came through the Narrows into New York Harbor. Before the Wilson Victory came in sight, however, the tug bearing the newsmen developed engine trouble and the news and newsreel men were transferred aboard the second boat.

Each of the tugs was decorated with huge replicas of the Torch of Liberty shoulder patch of the 442nd. When the press tug stalled in mid-bay its decorations, along with its passengers, were transferred to the other boat. The tug idled in the channel between Staten Island and the Brooklyn shore, awaiting its rendezvous with the troopship. Newsmen talked with POE public relations personnel who said that this was the first time in months that any incoming troopship was to receive an all-out reception. Newsreel men set up their cameras while the GIs of the Army band got out their instruments and gave out with a few practice licks. The Terry twins, Eileen and Ann, who sang with the band and who were the world's champion greeters of returning servicemen, recalled that they had welcomed 1200 ships and nearly 3,000,000 soldiers into the port of New York since V-E day.

It was about three o'clock when the Wilson Victory, eleven days out of Leghorn, Italy, was sighted in the Lower Bay. As the troopship came in view it could be seen that its decks were packed with a solid mass of men in khaki. On board, beside the 500 men of the 442nd RCT, were 800 other GIs who had served in Italy, men from the 88th (Blue Devil) Division which had fought alongside the 442nd in the final offensive in Italy and which was still on duty in the troubled streets of disputed Trieste, and men from ordnance, engineer and quartermaster units from Naples to the Alps.

As the tug chugged alongside the troopship the band started off with "Aloha Oe." There was a lot of waving and shouting. The Daily News' photo plane buzzed over the ship (the next morning the News published an air view of the Wilson Victory on its front page.) The band played and one of the Terry twins sang the "Victory Polka" . . . "when the boys come home, come home to stay. . ."

There was more waving and shouting when some of the men of the 442nd recognized Lyn Crost, girl war correspondent of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, who was aboard the tug. Miss Crost, wearing an Army uniform with the shoulder patch of the 442nd, had come up from her desk in the Washington bureau of the Star-Bulletin to cover the arrival. She had last seen the 442nd in Italy, having accompanied it during the final phases of the war in the Mediterranean when the Combat Team had spearheaded the drive which had cracked the Nazi Gothic line in Italy and had swept up the Ligurian coast, its elements entering Genoa, Turin and Milan as the "supermen" of the Wehrmacht laid down their arms.

New York Harbor's fireboats put on a spectacular water display as the Wilson Victory entered the Upper Bay and approached the towers of Lower Manhattan. A little armada of tugboats came down the bay to meet the incoming troopship, their horns blowing a cacophonous greeting. It was a dough-foot's foxhole dream of a homecoming, a technicolor dream in red, white and blue. And there was the sight so symbolic now of home, the Statue of Liberty, whose torch had become the emblem and shoulder patch of the 442nd Combat Team in its wars abroad against oppression and its battle at home against bigotry.

The Wilson Victory moved past the skyscrapers of Wall Street and arms and handkerchiefs waved from some of the windows. A shower of confetti or torn newspapers caught the afternoon sun. The ship moved past the docks of Lower Manhattan, some decorated with bunting for all the GIs who have come home to New York Harbor and some with signs like "Welcome Home, Well Done."

The formal welcoming ceremonies were to be held at Pier 86 at the foot of 42nd Street on Manhattan. There the dignitaries and the Army brass awaited. A special platform had been built and there were seats for the hundreds of friends of the 442nd who had come down to meet the ship. A large Army Ground Forces band tuned up. In the crowd were many Nisei with the "ruptured duck" of honorable discharge on their lapels, men who had fought with the 442nd Combat Team overseas. There were some Nisei in uniform, too, an original volunteer with the unit whose arm was still in a cast, and another who had reenlisted in the Army and was now on orders to return to Europe. There were hula girls from the Hawaiian shore at the Hotel Lexington, ready to start dancing to the tune of the "Song of the Islands" when the ship tied up alongside the dock. There were wives and parents and friends of the men on the ship, a blonde girl from Arkansas whose husband was one of the many white officers who had served with the 442nd and a dark-haired Nisei girl who had last seen her husband when he had left the relocation center for the training camp.

After the ship had docked the men came down the gangplank. A number of the Nisei GIs had been selected for the newsreel shots and they had to come down, go back and come down again several times before the cameramen were satisfied. Then the hospital cases aboard the ship were taken off in stretchers. After that the men came down in companies. They lined up on the dock and marched past the reviewing stand. There were speeches and the band played. Then the men broke formation for fifteen minutes while they met their friends and relatives and military Cross gray ladies passed out milk and doughnuts and coffee. Then they were ordered to reform their ranks and marched down the dock to the boat which was to carry them to the Jersey shore.

As the Nisei GIs marched down the dock the loudest cheers came from the 800 men still aboard the Wilson Victory, Americans soldiers of all ancestries, Negro and white, alongside whom they had fought in Italy and with whom they had returned home.

Book on Church and Japanese Americans Published in N. Y.

NEW YORK CITY — "Beyond Prejudice—A Story of the Church and Japanese Americans" by Tora Matsumoto has been published in New York City by Friendship Press.

The new book recounts the part played by the church in the life of Japanese Americans from the establishment of the first Japanese church on the west coast, to the present, including the crucial war period.

The author has been associated with the Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans.

Copies of "Beyond Prejudice" are available from the Friendship Press, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10. Single copies are \$1.50 for the cloth-bound volume, and 85c each for paper-bound volumes.

Nisei Ceramicist Interviewed on Radio

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Robert Kinoshita, designer of ceramics, was interviewed on WTMJ on July 7 by Nancy Gray, commentator on a weekly program sponsored by a Milwaukee department store.

Kinoshita discussed the art of ceramics, including the special processes, glazes and textures which have won him national attention.

Vagaries

Second Japanese American news-
paper to begin publication in the
San Francisco Bay area since the
end of the war will be in the Pro-
gressive News and Press, published
by Shigeki Oka. Howard Imazeki,
former English editor of the New
World-Sun, will be the English
editor of the new paper. Mr. Oka
worked with British propaganda
presses in India during the war,
and Howard Imazeki was in OWI
in San Francisco. The Nichi-Bei Times,
new paper of which Yasuo Abiko
is English editor.

Mac Nogaki, veteran of the
war, is reported to have been ac-
cepted for membership by the AFL
carpenters and joiners union in
Seattle. Previously, many of the
building trades unions refused to
accept Nisei as members. Before the
war, Mac Nogaki was a member of the
mill workers' union in Eaton-
ville, Wash., together with many
other Nisei.

John (Johnny) Fujii, former
newsman, is back in Singa-
pore, working for the Australian
crimes investigators as an in-
terpreter. Fujii, a Japanese nation-
alist who attended Pomona college,
newspaper work on the West
before he went to Singapore
1939 to work on the Herald, a
Japanese English language
paper. Fujii was arrested by Brit-
ish authorities with the outbreak
of war in 1941. He later acted as a
liaison official and interpreter be-
tween British authorities and Jap-
anese held in India. The Malay-
an Times reported recently that Fu-
jii "drives around in an army jeep
immaculately dressed in tropical
clothes and entertains his friends
at dinner." He is the author of a
book, "Singapore Assignment,"
which was published in Tokyo in
1943. Fujii was denounced as a
Japanese agent in Cecil Brown's
book in "Journey from the East."
Fujii noted the fact that Fujii,
born in Japan although raised in
America, was thus an alien inel-
igible to citizenship and this fact
influenced him to seek a future in
the Orient.

Many New York artists of Japa-
nese ancestry will be represented
in exhibitions this fall. Suet Ser-
awa who will have his first one-
man show in New York, is in
Woodstock, the art colony in the
Adirondacks, for the summer and is
working on the paintings which
will be shown this autumn. Also at
Woodstock is Usui, noted in the
past for his frames, who is at-
tending to paintings for a prospec-
tive show. Jun Iwamatsu (Taro
Shima) is in Connecticut for the
summer, finishing up work on his
second book, "The Horizon Is Call-
ing." Henry Sugimoto also may
have a fall show. Yasuo Kuniyoshi,
who usually spends his summers
in his home in Woodstock, is in
the city this year.

Works of Isamu Noguchi will be
among the features of an exhibi-
tion of sculpture which will open at
the Museum of Modern Art in New
York in September. Noguchi also
is designing the setting for a new
American ballet which will be pro-
duced by Sol Hurok from Edgar
Poe's, "The Bells." Ed-
ward Shimano, former editor of the
Santa Anita Pacemaker and the
San Francisco Tribune, two of the now-
defunct newspapers of war reloca-
tion, is in Bucks county, Pennsylv-
ania, for the summer with his wife,
Therine. He is now reported to
be ghost-writing a book for a re-
cent military figure.

Sumio Doi, whose Placer county
home in California was the target
of the first act of violence fol-
lowing the reopening of the
West Coast to the evacuees, is
one of the 1300 men of the 442nd
Central Postal Directory who were
unable to return home
last month and have been re-
assigned to new duty in Italy. A
Japanese publishing house in Den-
ver has turned over several thou-
sand photostatic copies of the Japa-
nese surrender documents and are
sending them to Brazil where a
fanatic refuse to concede that
Japan has surrendered uncondi-
tionally and are causing some trouble
among Brazil's 200,000 persons of
Japanese ancestry.

Ebony Magazine Tells About "The Race War That Flopped"

When the Japanese Americans
returned to Los Angeles' Little
Tokyo, they knew they were going
to a community that had been taken
over by incoming Negro Americans.
Apprehension was felt by both
groups of people.

The story of what happened in
Little Tokyo when the two groups
came together is told in the current
issue of Ebony magazine in a text-
and-picture story titled "The Race
War That Flopped."

When the evacuees began their
return to the area, hate-mongers
thumped the drums of race war,
the magazine says. The Herald-
Express on August 3, 1945, had a
front page headline: Japs Rein-
vade Little Tokyo.

A small meeting of Negroes was
headlined: "Meet Tonight to Pro-
test Jap Return," in a local Hearst
newspaper. But in the next edition,
says Ebony, the paper buried the
story in which it had to tell the
truth: Negroes To Welcome Re-
turning Japs.

"The race war died a-borning,"
says Ebony.

"The Bronzeville man-in-the-
street was not scared by skin color,
felt a strong brother-bond towards
discriminated-against Japanese. On
the Little Tokyo side, returned Ni-
sei were glad to share crowded
quarters with Negroes."

"In the 16 months since the Jap-
anese started their slow return,"
says Ebony, "there has not been a
single case of violence, a single dis-
turbance between the two minor-
ities. The War Relocation Author-
ity, given the job of bringing back
the Nisei, calls it 'a miracle in in-
terracial adjustment.'"

Credited with doing outstanding
jobs in making the adjustment pos-
sible are Pilgram House, a com-
munity center, and the First Street
Clinic, an interracial hospital.

Pilgram House was founded in
October, 1943, by the City Welfare
Council to meet emergency prob-
lems of housing and juvenile care.
It was headed by Dr. Harold M.
Kingsley, former Congregational
pastor in Chicago.

Head of the First Street Clinic is
Dr. George Iki, with a Negro doc-
tor, Dr. Howard H. Allen, as the
other staff doctor.

Nisei pictured in the article's
photographs include Dr. Iki, Mrs.
Kiku Kamimura, the Rev. Arnold
Nakajima, Scotty Tsuchiya of the
JACL, and Nisei veterans Victor
Abe and Charles Nakagawa.

The photos depict the completely
interracial character of the area
in play and at work. Many of the
photos show scenes at Pilgrim
House and at the interracial clinic.

Washington News-Letter

Jimmy Sugioka Has Some Ideas About Nisei Intergration

By JOHN KITASAKO

One of the strongest exponents of integration we've met in
a long time is Jimmy Sugioka, one-time executive secretary of
the JACL and at present National Director of Construction and
Maintenance of the Church of the Disciples of Christ, with head-
quarters in Indianapolis.

Jimmy uses another word for integration; he calls it "blend-
ing." The Nisei, he says, can't hold his own as a Nisei. He belongs
to too small a minority. And if he is to get anywhere he must
blend himself into the life of the
majority race instead of remain-
ing on the fringe looking in.

Become active members of
churches and organizations, and
enlarge your circle of Caucasian
friends, urges Jimmy. And don't
go about this blending process by
making any distinction about your
being a Nisei. Take the natural
approach and consider yourself an
American and others will accept
you as such.

If Nisei will appraise their po-
sition honestly most of them will
find that while their ability and
character may have had much to
do with whatever measure of suc-
cess they enjoy, it was mostly the
helping hand extended by some
Caucasian friend that got them
where they are. Making good
friends among Caucasians, he
stresses, is the best insurance
against insecurity.

The ultimate in blending, of
course, is inter-racial marriage.
Jimmy is married to a Caucasian
girl, and naturally looks with fa-
vor on Nisei-Caucasian marriages,
but he doesn't encourage them un-
less the parties concerned are thor-
oughly aware of what they have
to face.

Whenever you step across the
bounds of accepted customs and
traditions, you must expect to run
into certain difficulties, warns
Jimmy. And don't be fooled into
believing that love will solve all
problems; it takes more than that
—common sense, courage, adapt-
ability, and self-sacrifice.

In his travels Jimmy notes that
the majority of inter-racial mar-
riages he has seen are working
out satisfactorily. One trend which
pleases him is the increasing num-
ber of Caucasian boys who are
marrying Nisei girls, whereas for-
merly the preponderance was Nisei
boys marrying Caucasian girls. It
is always encouraging, he says,
when the males of the majority
race begin marrying girls of mi-
nority races in larger number.

Jimmy is also heartened by the
way the majority of Nisei who
stayed in their new homes in the
east and midwest have made good.
You don't hear very much about
them because they have blended so
well into their new environment.
It is only through traveling from
one town to another that one can
truly appreciate the remarkable
progress Nisei have made in so-
cial integration, he declares.

The Nisei relocatees who have
been jumpers, hopping from the
city to another and never being
satisfied no matter how good con-
ditions may be, usually wind up on

the west coast, and slip back into
the same old pre-war rut. How-
ever, some of the jumpers who
headed west and found conditions
bad at least had the sense enough
to come back east, which is prob-
ably the smartest thing they ever
did in their lives.

Stay away from the Pacific
states if you possibly can, urges
Jimmy. The Nisei got virtually no-
where in social blending in their
many years' residence there. What
reason is there to believe that a
war has changed the west coast-
ers' concept of social equality for
the Nisei.

Continuing the WRA

POSTSCRIPTS: Asael Hansen,
community analyst at Heart
Mountain and until recently a
member of the community analysis
group in Washington, left last
week with Mrs. Hansen for Santa
Clara Valley, California, where he
will conduct surveys for the WRA
continuation study project. He will
work for three months and in Sep-
tember will resume his post as
professor of sociology and anthro-
pology at Miami College, Ohio.
The continuation study project

From the Frying Pan

By BILL HOSOKAWA

Back to the Home Town After Four Years

SEATTLE, Wash.—The old home town is an amazing place
after an absence of more than four years. It has grown tremen-
dously during the war.

It is full of strange new bus lines. Familiar roads are now
speedways to take care of the enlarged population.

But more apparent is the new tempo of the town—everyone
seems to be racing along with his accelerator down to the floor-
boards. Everyone is in a terrific rush to get somewhere and do
something.

EDITORIAL DIGEST

First Class Citizens New York Times

The men of the 442nd Regimental
Combat Team who returned from
Europe on July 2 "deserve well of
their country," the New York
Times stated on July 4 in an edi-
torial titled "First-class Citizens."

"By any test," the editorial be-
gan, "the men of the 442nd Regi-
mental Combat Team who came
home belatedly from Europe to a
sincere welcome by New York City
are a fine type of American citi-
zens. All were born in the United
States, or in United States terri-
tory. They were educated in Amer-
ican schools. As a group they and
their parents and their grandpar-
ents have the highest record of
law observance in Honolulu and on
the West Coast. Some of them were
in military service before the be-
ginning of the war. Practically all
of the rest were volunteers in the
sense that they did not wait their
turn to be drafted. Their military
record is unsurpassed by any or-
ganization of like size in the
United States Army."

"These men deserve well of their
country," said the Times. "They
are of Japanese ancestry, descend-
ents of a people with whom we
have just fought a bloody war. But
if anyone ever lived up to a demo-
cratic ideal it was the men of the
442nd, 650 of whom died in action,
or of wounds, and of whom 4,349
more were wounded in action and
4,881 suffered from combat-induced
illness. Even more important than
their combat record, however, is
the report of their commanding
officer that their morale has been
as good in camp, as they waited
long to come home as it was in
combat."

"For these men, it is hoped, there
will be waiting here no second-
class citizenship or social or eco-
nomic discrimination. For they and
the families from which they came
are first-class citizens in every
sense. They won that honor the
hard way—with blood, sweat and
tears. They are men of whom the
whole United States should be
proud."

is headed by Bob Cullum, former
chief of the Cleveland office of
the WRA. Tosh Yatsushiro and
Tom Sasaki, former OWI employees
who assisted Commander Leighton
on his book, "The Governing of
Men," are also heading west to do
field work for the project, Sasaki
in the Los Angeles area and Yatsushiro
in the Seattle district.
Mitzi Kinoshita, of the New
York office of the Political Action
Committee, was in Washington
last week assisting in the sessions
of the school of politics conducted
by the National Citizens PAC.

Perhaps this is the normal tempo
of a boom town, a city which grew
from just another Pacific coast
seaport to a great military and
naval staging area and a producer
of the sinews of war.

And then again, perhaps we have
been too long in that easy-going,
overgrown Midwestern village, Des
Moines.

Home to Seattle

We reached Seattle this week
after a 2,500-mile Odyssey in a
1936 car. Miraculously the tires
survived the journey and we ex-
perienced no more mechanical mis-
haps than reported last week.

The car, naturally, bears an Iowa
license. And as we plodded west-
ward we often wondered what went
on in the minds of those who
passed us expecting to see a load
of corn-fed, corn-growing Iowans.

A half dozen persons—fellow
wayfarers, service station attend-
ants, an auto court proprietor who
was born in Sioux City—asked us
about Iowa. And we replied with
the wisdom of one who has been a
transplanted Iowan for 32-months.

Long hours of driving enabled us
to get closer to our 5-year-old than
ever before. A sample conversation
at 45 miles per hour across the
Wyoming wasteland:

"Dad, what's a dummy?"
"Well, a dummy is somebody
that isn't very smart."
"Doesn't a dummy know what a
tree is?"
"Nope."
"Doesn't a dummy know what a
bird is, or a bus, or a diesel truck?"
"Nope."
"You mean a dummy is even
dumber than you, Dad?"

Old Friends

In Denver, in Ogden, Portland
and Seattle, we ran into persons we
haven't seen for years.

The gaunt ones were more gaunt.
The thin ones leaner, the fat ones
more rotund, the dark ones darker,
the balding ones baldier, the poor
ones poorer and the rich ones richer.

The years, it seems, do little
but accentuate the quirks and
foibles that nature has foisted on
us.

As for our friends, we will let
them guess about our descriptions
of them.

The conversation of Nisei is turn-
ing from baseball to babies.

Where once it was on Joe Nisei's
prowess at the bat, now it's about
his youngsters. And the Ann Niseis
compare their children's growth
rates, brag modestly about the
number of teeth and exchange
ideas on how to overcome small
fry tantrums.

Verily the one-time younger gen-
eration of the Japanese Americans
is well on the way to middle age.

Encouraging Sign

One of the most encouraging
signs observed on our trip west
was the number of Nisei vets who
are re-establishing themselves in
civilian life.

Most of them seem to have
shaken off the unrest that was in
their bones when they first doffed
their O.D.s. Many have taken ad-
vantage of their war-won G. I.
rights to study or set up small
businesses.

And others are—thanks to
their service records and to the
greater victory won over preju-
dice as a result of the collective
efforts of all Nisei—in more de-
sirable jobs than they ever
could have expected before Pearl
Harbor.

As one Caucasian real estate op-
erator put it, the Japanese Amer-
icans are in a far better position of
acceptance and economic opportu-
nity than before the war.

It is an encouraging develop-
ment.

the organization of a chapter. Jac-
hiro, chairman of the temporary
organizing committee, will preside.

Other members of the commit-
tee are Gladys Shimasaki, Ken-
Nogaki, Joy Takeshita, Susie Tsu-
da, Don Komai, Bob Iki, Harold
Horiuchi, and John Kitasako.

Nisei Artist Plans Exhibition Of Relocation Camp Drawings

SAN FRANCISCO—Mine Oku-
bo, young Nisei artist, will present
an exhibit of paintings and draw-
ings of scenes in the war reloca-
tion centers at the Gump Galleries
July 10 to August 3 under spon-
sorship of the Common Council for
American Unity of New York and
the International Institute of San
Francisco.

Formal opening will be held
July 10 at 3 p. m. Professor S.
Pepper of the art department of
the University of California will
be the speaker. The public has
been invited.

Miss Okubo has held a number
of one-man shows on the west
coast. Prizes and awards given her
work include the Anne Bremer
prize at the 1941 San Francisco
Museum of Art annual oil exhibi-
tion, the anonymous donor award
at the same show in 1940, first
prize in the 1940 University of
California art exhibition and first
purchase prize in the San Fran-
cisco Museum water color exhibi-
tion this spring.

The young artist made over 1500
sketches of the evacuation, some
of which were developed into oils,
while others were made into a se-
ries of drawings depicting the
mass evacuation.

Miss Okubo, who is now a New
Yorker, recently completed a man-
uscript and sketches for a book
about her experiences.

WASHINGTON NISEI PLAN DISCUSSION ON JACL CHAPTER

WASHINGTON—A meeting to
discuss the possibility of forming
a JACL chapter in Washington
will be held on July 19, 8 p. m.
at the parish hall of the New York
Avenue Presbyterian Church, 13th
and H. Streets N. W.

Jun Okazaki will present reports
on the preparatory committee's
meetings, and a member of the
local Issei group will express the
views of the Issei residents on

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SEATTLE, Wash.—Contraband goods turned in by persons of Japanese ancestry to the U. S. Marshal in Seattle prior to the evacuation, will not be sold at auction as previously announced, according to Wesley Durland.

Chief U. S. Marshall Denise has announced that the office will not dispose of any unclaimed contraband without special authorization from Congress, despite an earlier warning that such goods would be disposed of shortly.

It was emphasized, however, that the office of the marshal has no provisions or money for shipping such goods directly to the owners and the articles in question can be claimed only in person by the owner or a representative.

Goods turned in at Kent and Puyallup must be claimed from those offices, even though the property is held in Seattle, Durland reported. Duplicate property slips must be obtained from the police department or sheriff's office where the property was turned in.

**Lt. Yaye Togasaki
To Be Discharged**

BRENTWOOD, N. Y. — First Lieutenant Yaye Togasaki, of Berkeley, California is now on Terminal Leave, pending her honorable discharge from the Army Nurses Corps. She was last stationed at Mason General Hospital, Brentwood, New York.

Lt. Togasaki entered the service in November, 1944. She wears the American Theater Ribbon, and the Meritorious Service Award insignia.

She is a graduate of the University of California.

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**Yuta Yamasaki Weds
Sgt Mitsuo Hagio**

WASHINGTON — Miss Yuta Yamasaki was married to Sgt. Mitsuo Hagio at the Rhode Island Methodist Church on July 7 at 4 p. m. Dr. Edgar A. Sexsmith, minister of the church, performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Lorraine Yamasaki, sister in law of the bride, was matron of honor, while Corp. Glenn Fukuda served as best man. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Tosuke Yamasaki.

The bride is employed as a surgical nurse at Doctors' Hospital in Washington. Sgt. Hagio, who reenlisted this spring after returning from occupation duties in Yugoslavia, was recently transferred to Camp Lee in Virginia. Both are former residents of Salt Lake City.

A reception was held at the Strong Residence annex of the YWCA.

Shower

DENVER—Mrs. Toshi Ando was given a surprise baby shower by Miss Atsu Sakamoto and Mrs. Takashi Mayeda at the latter's home on Saturday, July 6.

Guests were the Mesdames Yutaka Terasaki, Jimmy Imatani, Jack Noda, Ed Matsuda, George Furuta, George Miura, Gard Yokoe, and the Misses True Shibata, Haru Tanaka, Bess Matsuda and May Sato. Mrs. Ando was formerly secretary at the Tri-State JACL office.

Sequoia Retreat

SELMA, Calif.—Plans for the Lake Sequoia Retreat, to be held by the Japanese Christian churches of Central California, August 1 to 4 at Camp Games, are rapidly being completed, according to Ethel Otomo, publicity chairman.

The following discussion topics have been chosen by the program committee under chairmanship of Haruye Nakamura of Reedley: World Order, Cooperatives, Future of Christian Evangelism, Personal Evangelism and Personal Relationships.

**Portland Chapter
Plans Support for
Vets Convention**

PORTLAND, Ore.—As part of their program in support of the Portland All-city Purple Heart convention, the local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League will sponsor a carnival dance July 20 at Nichiren hall.

All proceeds from the affair will go toward defraying the expense of a JACL-sponsored Nisei delegate during his stay here for the convention.

General chairman for the carnival-dance will be Marian Hamada. She will be assisted by Mary Furusho, Florence Anazawa, mailing Lily Kobayashi, P. A. system Shizuka Ikeda, Frances Moriyama and Kenzo Nakagawa, refreshments; Abe Oyamada, Reiko Mura and Jimmy Mizota, concessions; Tamae Yamamoto, Shige Sakamoto and Shig Hongo, dance and K. Tambara, publicity.

**Hawaii Minister
To Visit Memorial
In Wisconsin City**

HONOLULU, T. H.—The Rev. C. P. Goto of Hawaii will visit the memorial to Nisei soldiers elected in Sparta, Wis., during his trip to the mainland, according to the Hawaii Herald.

The Rev. Goto's trip to Sparta will be made at the special request of Japanese American soldiers' families in Kaneohe, Oahu.

The minister left Honolulu on June 28 to attend a Methodist conference at Oakland, Calif.

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Paul Hostel to Remain Open for Nisei Guests

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The Saint Paul Resettlement Hostel at 191 West Kellogg boulevard, will remain open for Nisei guests so long as the need for rooms exists, according to Elizabeth Evans, director.

Six or seven rooms will be available after July 7, it was announced.

Board is provided at reasonable rates, and either temporary or permanent guests can be accommodated, according to the director. The hostel is situated in downtown St. Paul and is close to business offices, schools and the public library. The building was leased by the resettlement committee the fall and initial expenses were supplied by church groups and individuals in the city. It is operated on a non-profit basis.

Outing Planned by Denver JACL

DENVER — The Denver JACL will hold an outing Sunday, July 14, at Dedisse Park. Bessie Matsumoto, general chairman, will be assisted in preparing for the outing by Yuri Nogami, food chairman, and George M. Kaneko, transportation chairman. Games, rides and horseback riding have been planned. Everyone is invited to attend, it was announced.

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United Citizens Bowling League Enters First Week

SAN JOSE, Calif. — The biggest sporting event on the peninsula Nisei sports calendar got underway Monday, July 1, when the Nisei Bowling League sponsored by the United Citizens League sent its 12 teams and 60 keggers into action in quest of the coveted team championship trophy donated by the Drudis Means Wachter company of Los Angeles through its representative, Larry Lombardo of San Jose.

In the opening matches the Jio Nursery team trounced the S & R Motor Lines 4-0 with 2426 pins against 2144. George Sakamoto with 523 points starred for the losers.

Maggio and Company defeated Mountain View 3-1, with Clark Taketa scoring a 514 series for the winners. Main Drug Store defeated Kiraku-tei 3-1.

The National Printing team, led by Leroy Takaichi's 514 series and a 215 game by Warren Okagaki, defeated San Mateo 3-1. Mountain View Bees took Mike and Roy Service 4-0, while the Flower Growers eked out a close 3-1 win over the Drudis Means quintet.

Death of Former Los Angeles Girl In Tokyo Reported

CHICAGO — News of the death in Tokyo of Emiko Amy Tomita, formerly of Los Angeles, on June 22, 1946 has been received by friends in Chicago.

Miss Tomita, 23, attended Daichi Gakuen and Lincoln high school in Los Angeles.

She was evacuated to the Manzanar relocation center and later went to the Tule Lake segregation camp with her grandparents. She accompanied her grandparents to Japan last year when they were repatriated.

Engagement

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — The engagement of Miss Yuriko Sase, daughter of Mr. G. Sase of St. Louis, to Mr. Ken Yamaguchi, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Yamaguchi of Chicago, was announced at an informal party on July 7.

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To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Nakagawa a boy in Tacoma, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Ikeda, Selma, Calif., a girl on June 18.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Nishimoto, Riverside, Calif., a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hisakichi Sakaguchi, Riverside, Calif., a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takehiko Yoshihashi, 2020A, Bush St., San Francisco, Calif., a girl, Jane Michiko, on June 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masuo F. Daik-ai, a girl, June 10, in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Keijiro Kawahara, a son on June 28 in Lodi, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ken Osajima, 2123 Lafayette, San Francisco, a boy, Glenn Ken, on June 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Kojima, 231 Emeril Ave., Salt Lake City, a boy on July 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kurose, 329 S. W. Temple, Salt Lake City, a girl, Tillie Aiko, on June 16.

DEATHS

Mitsugi Murakami in Caldwell, Idaho, on July 3.

MARRIAGES

Yoshiko Nitta to James Kaoru Iwai on June 29 in Los Angeles.

Nobuko Okano to Shigeki Nakayama on June 29 in Riverside.

Hiroko Nishida to Royal Manaka on June 30 in Monterey.

Grace Keiko Fujii to Chihiro Kikuchi on June 8 in Detroit.

Mary Monji to Masao Nagajiro in Los Angeles.

Yoshiko Kamatani to Tokuji Matsuda on June 30 in Los Angeles.

Mitsue Akimoto to Henry Ohji on June 29 in Denver.

Amey Yamane to Hatsuho Aizawa on June 16 in Yuma, Arizona.

Makiko Kajiwarra to Edward Koyama on June 14 in St. Louis, Mo.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Arthur Morimitsu and Virginia Asaka in Chicago on June 23.

G. Yoshida and A. Maruoka in Los Angeles.

Masashi Takashi and Virginia Ogur in San Francisco.

Community Fun Night

SAN FRANCISCO — A third Nisei community fun night will be held Saturday, July 20, at the YMCA at 220 Golden Gate avenue.

Gym sports, swimming, card games, ping pong and social dancing will make up the program, which begins at 7:30 p. m. and ends at 11:30 p. m. All Nisei are invited to attend.

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Carnival Plans Made By CCYBA

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DENVER — Dramatic newsreel shots of the homecoming of the 442nd Combat Team in New York will be shown at the Telenews Theater, 1550 Welton St., during the week beginning July 12, T. Wayner, manager of the theater, advised the Denver JACL office this week.

Wayner said that the commentary quotes President Roosevelt's statement that "Americanism is a matter of the heart and mind, and no of race."

Also being shown on the same program is a War Department film, "Don't Be a Sucker," which condemns racist intolerance.

(Newsreels shots of the 442nd's arrival are being shown in theaters in all parts of the country this week.)

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Honolulu Nisei Named for Boys' Game in Brooklyn

HONOLULU—Henry Kiyoshi Tominaga, McKinley high's southpaw pitching star, has been chosen to represent Hawaii in the "Brooklyn Against the World" teen-age baseball classic which will be sponsored by the Brooklyn Dodgers next month.

Tominaga was picked by Hawaiian baseball experts from among the best of Hawaii's young players following a recent series in Honolulu.

He has a no-run, no-hit game to his credit in Honolulu prep competition.

Tominaga will leave Hawaii soon to join George Sisler's team which will play an all-star team of young Brooklyn players at Ebbets Field.

Cleveland Nisei Meet to Organize JACL Chapter

CLEVELAND, O. — Nisei in Cleveland were scheduled to meet Friday, July 12, at the YMCA to plan the organization of a local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League under chairmanship of Abe Hagiwara, according to Joe Kadowaki, membership chairman.

Reports were to be given by the nominating and constitution committees.

Approximately 2200 Nisei live in Cleveland, it was reported, and leaders in the area hope to make the chapter one of the largest in the entire midwest and eastern area.

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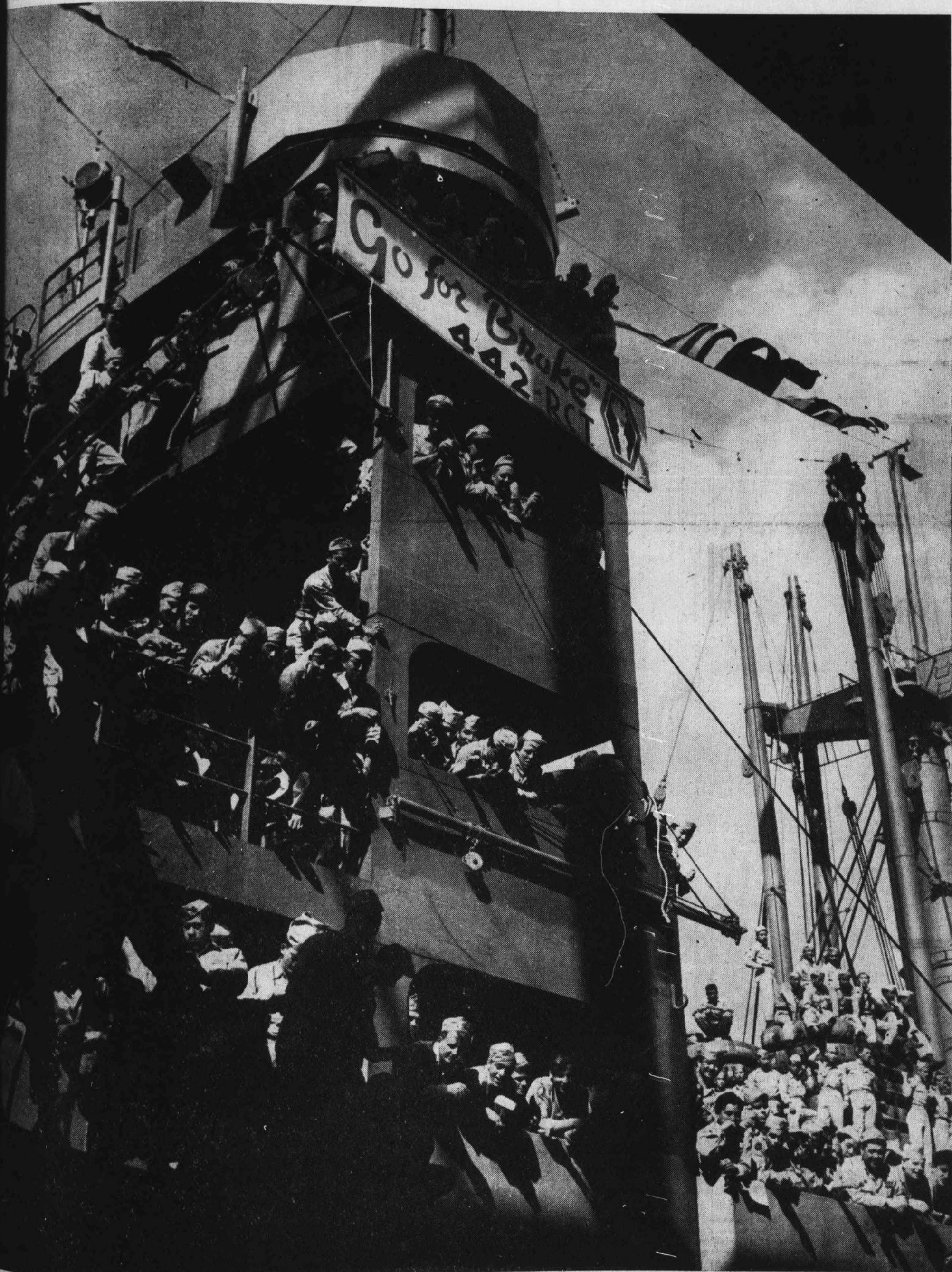


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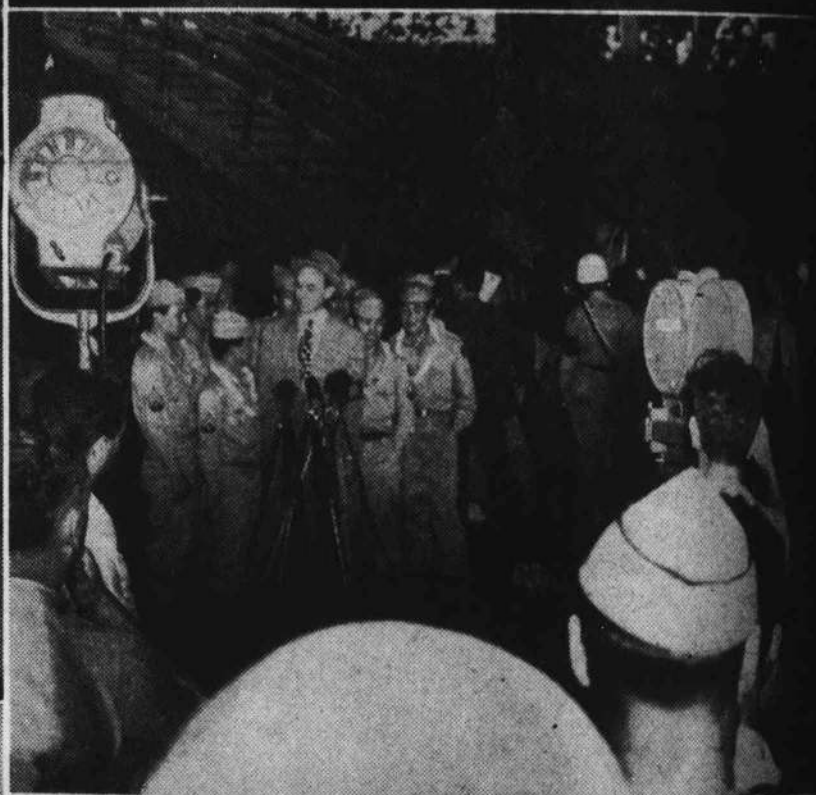
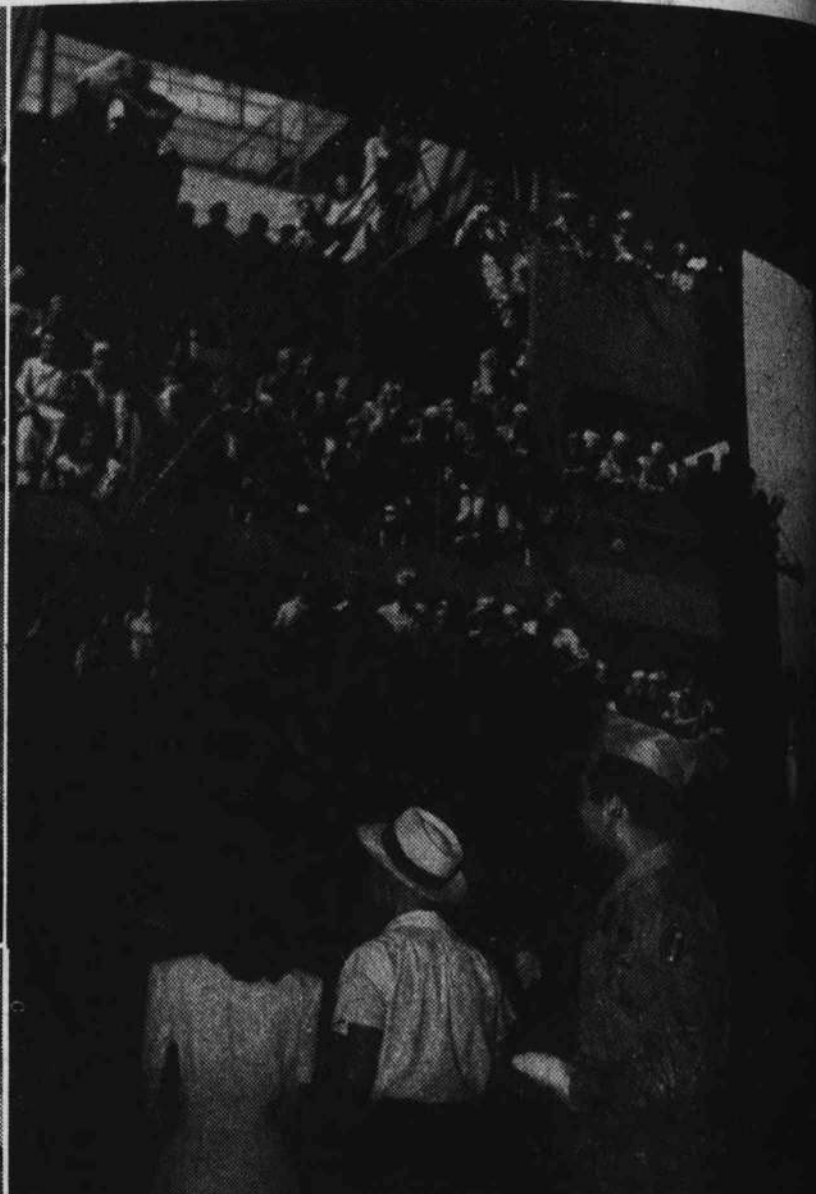
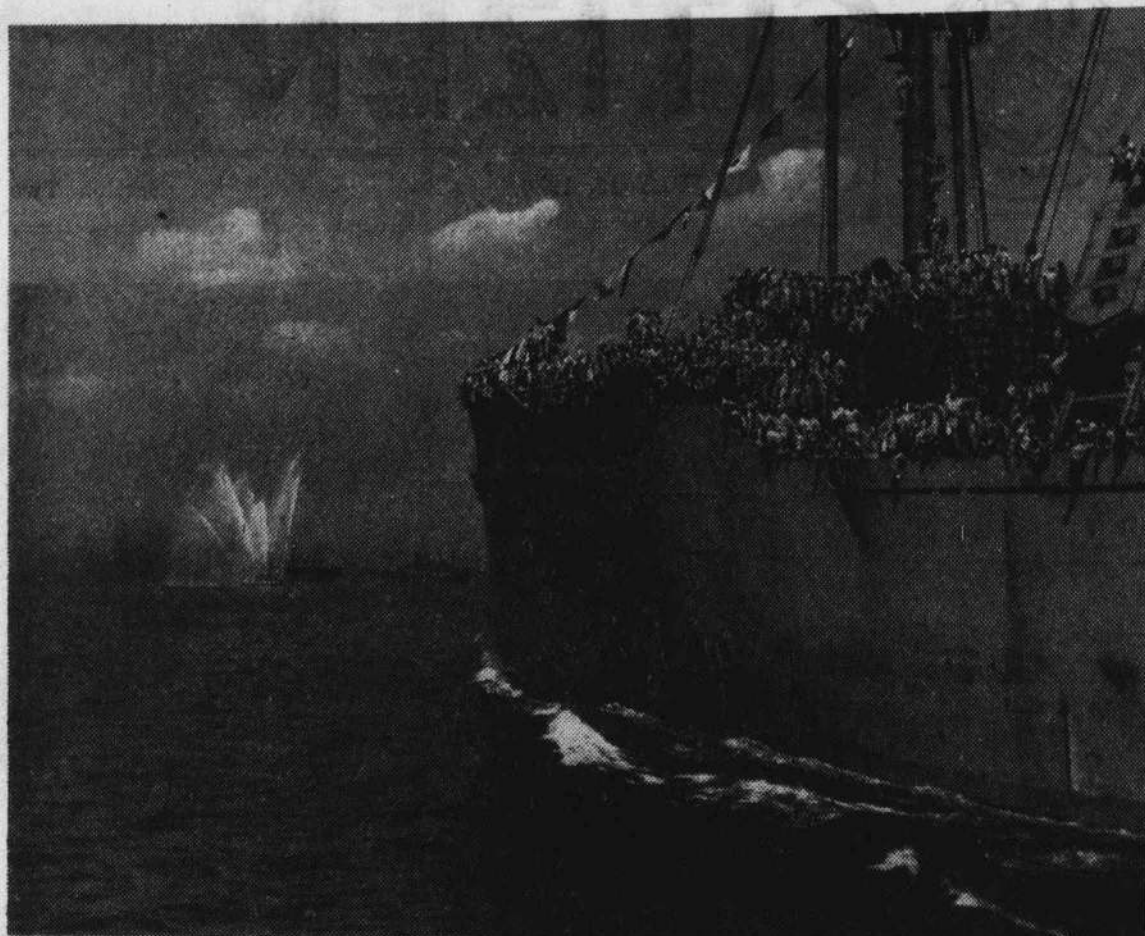
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Section Two



The Wilson Victory docks at Pier 84, North River, and men of the 442nd (Go for Broke) Combat Team lean over the rail to greet their friends.

The 442nd Comes Home From the War



(Top Left) As the Wilson Victory steamed into upper New York bay a fireboat put on a water display as part of the harbor's welcome demonstration for the 442nd Combat Team.

(Center Left) Mary Kawata of Washington, D. C., whose fiance was aboard the Wilson Victory, was the only Nisei girl on board the Army tug carrying newsmen which went down the bay to meet the Wilson Victory. Miss Kawata, who is employed by the National CIO in Washington, recognized her fiance among the 1300 GIs who lined the deck of the Wilson Victory.

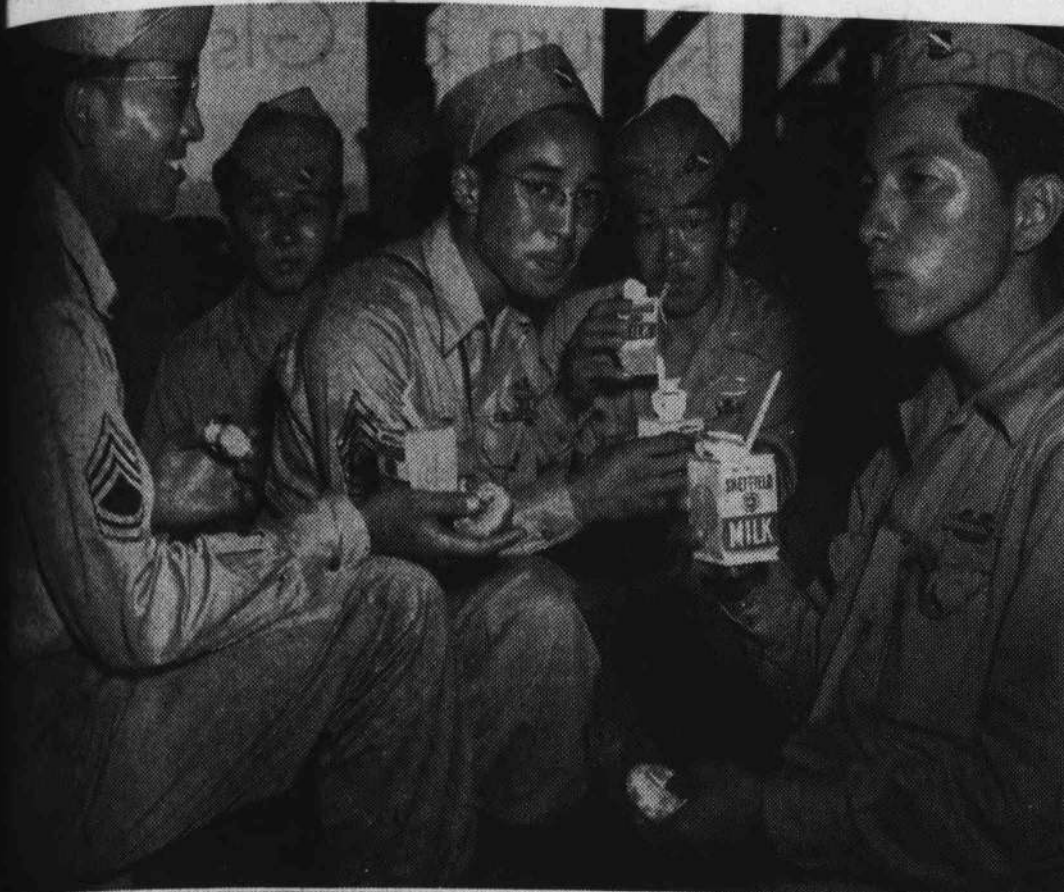
(Bottom Left) Returning GIs on the Wilson Victory line the rails to pay tribute to the Statue of Liberty as the troopship sailed past Bedloe's Island.

(Top Right) All the veterans of the 442nd Combat Team were not on the Wilson Victory. Among the thousands of 442nd veterans who had returned previously to the United States was Pfc. Iwao Yamaguchi, a member of the original 442nd, who was on hand at Pier 84 to welcome his buddies.

(Center Right) Earl Finch and a group of his friends of the 442nd pose for newsworld cameras shortly after the arrival of the Wilson Victory at Pier 84.

(Bottom Right) Men of the 442nd Combat Team line up to be checked off the ship.

—Photos for Pacific Citizen by Henry Yamada.

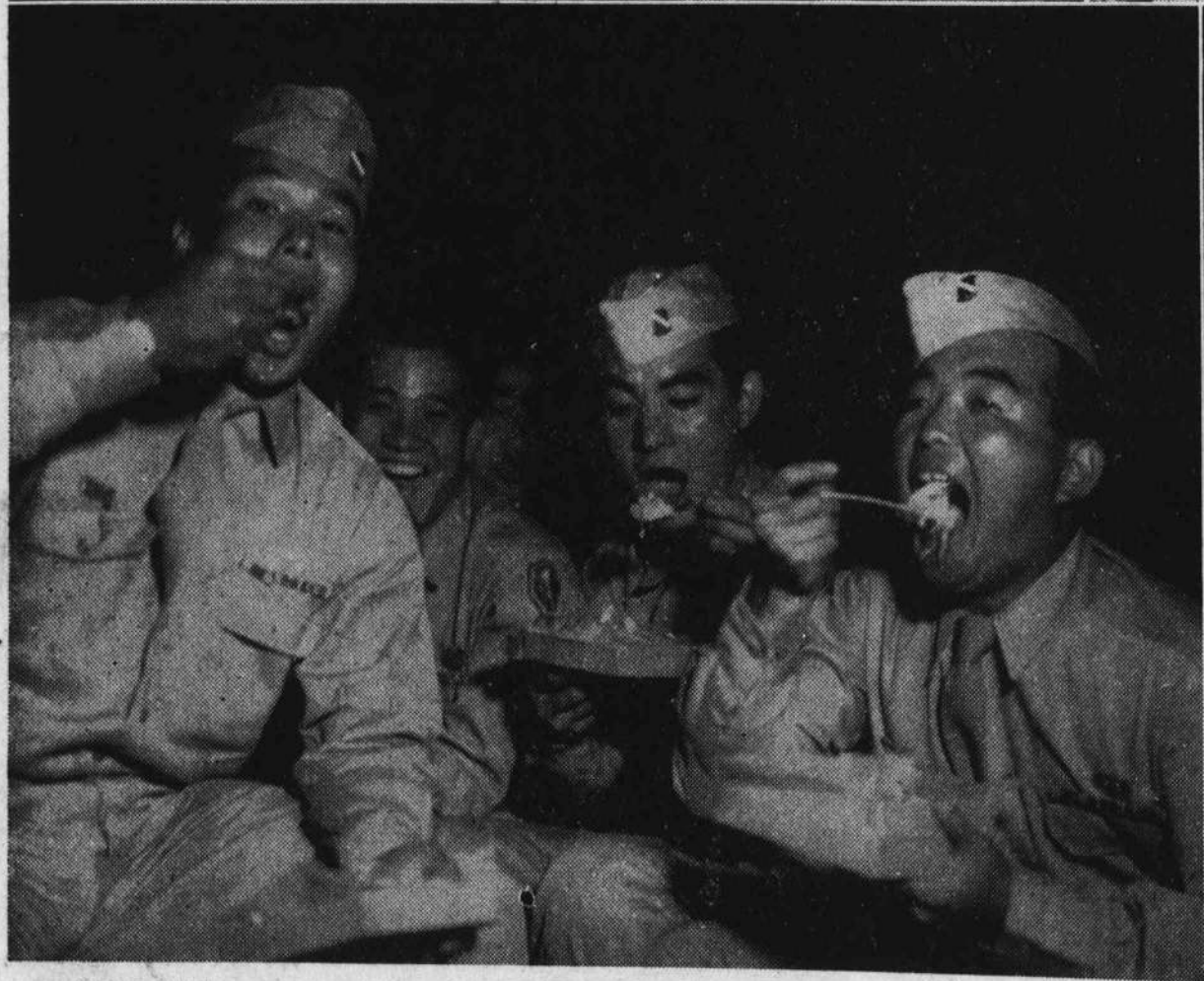
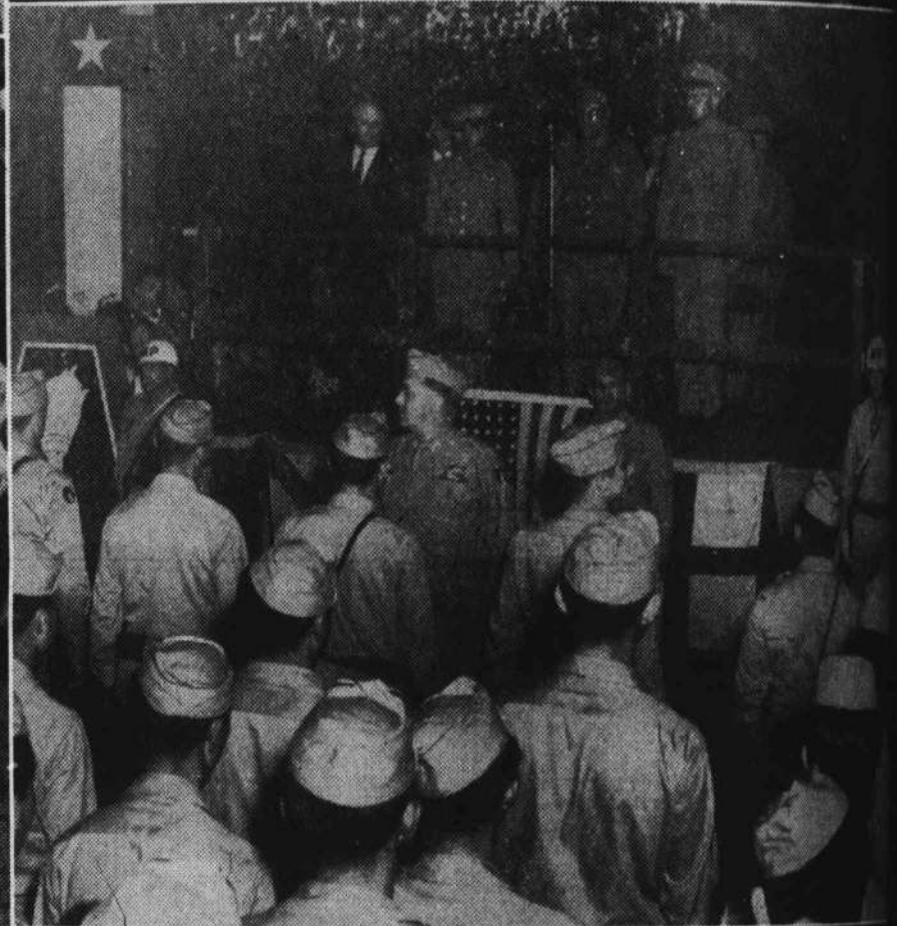


(Top Left) Nisei GIs from the Wilson Victory enjoy milk and doughnuts at the dock after they had debarked from the troopship. The soldiers are Tech. Sgt. Akira Miyoda, Yorba Linda, Calif.; Sgt. Yeiki Matsui, Elko, Nev.; Pfc. Mitsuo Nakamura, Honolulu, T. H.; Pfc. Jimmy Kodama, Honolulu, T. H., and Pvt. Harry T. Katahara, Honolulu, T. H.
(Center Left) The men of the 442nd were entertained at a "welcome home" program of entertainment at Kilmer Bowl, Camp Kilmer, on July 3. The entertainment featured Johnny Pineapple and his orchestra from the Hawaiian Room of the Hotel Lexington in New York City.
(Bottom Left) The returning veterans were guests at a dance on the night of July 3 at the 14th Street Armory in New York City. Several hundred Nisei girls from the Japanese American community were on hand to welcome the 442nd at the dance which was sponsored by the Japanese American community. Among the stage and screen stars who dropped in to greet the Nisei veterans was Max Falkenberg who had performed for the 442nd in Italy and who had been voted the favorite group girl of 442nd men in Italy.
(Top Right) After the ceremonies at Kilmer Bowl on July 3 these Nisei girls hitched a ride

on an American Legion truck to the parade ground at Camp Kilmer where the 442nd was honored by a review staged by two regiments of overseas replacements. The girls are (left to right) Mieko Morooka, Lila Abe, Chickie Shibuya, Chiyeko Watanabe and Hisaye Sakanishi.
(Center Right) Major General Ewart Plank, commander of the New York Port of Embarkation, addresses the 442nd Combat Team at the homecoming ceremonies held at Camp Kilmer on July 3. On the platform are (left to right) Col. Duffy, commander of Camp Kilmer; Ioji Sekine, representing the Japanese American community; Earl Finch; Major General Alfred M. Gruenther, former chief of staff to General Mark Clark in Italy; Brig. Robert Wylie, chief of the Army transportation corps; Joseph R. Farrington, delegate to Congress from Hawaii; and, John J. McCloy who, as Assistant Secretary of War, was instrumental in the activation of the Japanese American Combat Team. Mrs. James O'Brien of Honolulu, editor of "Paradise of the Pacific" is behind Mr. McCloy.
(Bottom Left) Men of the 442nd Combat Team take the review of Camp Kilmer regiments and salute as the colors go by.

—Photos for Pacific Citizen by Henry Yamada.

Welcome Receptions Mark Return of GIs



(Top Left) Three amputee veterans of the 442nd Combat Team came up from Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington D. C. on the Fourth of July to participate in the "watermelon bust" given by Earl Finch for the returned men of the 442nd at Camp Kilmer. In the wheelchair at left is Pfc Terumi Kato, 1241 Elm St., Honolulu, with WAC Sgt. Muggie Howell of Dallas, Tex., behind him. In center is Pfc. Tadao Ono of 2029 North King St., Honolulu, with WAC Cpl. Michlina Ficociello behind him. On right in the wheelchair is Pfc. Wilson Makabe of Loomis, Calif., with WAC Sgt. Ethel Frieze of Long Island, N. Y. The three amputees were members of the original 442nd Combat Team which went overseas in May, 1944.—Army Pictorial Service Photo by Stephenson.

(Center Left) The 1,346 flower leis, flown to Camp Kilmer from Honolulu, arrived on Fourth of July morning and were distributed to the men of the Combat Team at the "watermelon bust" at Camp Kilmer. Here a WAC from Camp Kilmer is presenting three officers, all members of the original 442nd Infantry, with leis made of carnations, akulikuli, orchids and other Hawaiian

flowers. The officers, all of whom are slated for discharge are Second Lieut. Unkei Uchima, Kalaheo, Kauai; First Lieut. Robert I. Wakuya, Waiolua, Oahu, and First Lieut. Kiyoshi Teraoka, Paahana, Hawaii.—Army Pictorial Service Photo by Stephenson.

(Bottom Left) Three Hawaiian veterans of the 442nd enjoy the "sushi" provided at the welcome home dance sponsored by New York's Japanese Americans on July 3 at the 14th Street Armory. They are Pfc. Saburo Takayoshi, Honolulu; T-4 Francis Rathbun, Honolulu, and Cpl. Masatoshi Kawabe, also of Honolulu.

(Top Right) At Pier 84 friends of the 442nd Infantry await the arrival of the men on the ship. (Center Right) Col. Alfred Pursall, commander of the 442nd RCT during the East Coast ceremonies, lines up the unit before the reviewing stand on Pier 84.

(Bottom Right) The camera catches a portion of the crowd at the Armory dance in New York for the 442nd.—Photos by Henry Yamada.