



Winona Camp for Evacuees Annually Closes

Nearly 1,000 Housed at Trailer Project During Emergency

LOS ANGELES — The Winona camp in Burbank, which housed emergency housing for nearly 1,000 returned evacuees of Japanese ancestry for 18 months, was being closed this week. The Winona camp was established Nov. 1945 following the mass evacuation of evacuees with the closing of the war relocation centers. At its peak the Winona camp housed 900 Japanese American evacuees under the operation of the Federal Public Housing Authority. The Winona camp originally was scheduled to close on June 30 but a months extension was requested from the owners of the property on which the camp was located.

The American Friends Service Committee which has sought to find permanent housing for families at the camp estimated this week that more than half of the families of Winona had managed to find homes of their own. Remaining residents are being moved to a new trailer housing project several miles from the Winona location.

The Pacific Automotive corporation, owners of the property, has announced that the site is needed for industrial purposes.

CHICAGO JACL URGES PROGRAM EXTENSIONS

CHICAGO — The Japanese American Citizens League joined with other civic organizations to urge citizens and public officials of Chicago to adopt immediately a carefully studied 10-point program for the control and healing of race prejudice and a healthy development of intergroup understanding in Chicago.

Outgrowth of the recent report at the Fernwood Veterans camp project, this statement drafted by a special committee of the Chicago Council Against Religious Discrimination and was revised and amended by representatives of the participating organizations. The statement commended Mayor Daley for his firmness in supporting the policy of non-discrimination in public housing.

Deadline Release Renunciants

Federal Judge Sets Sept. 8 in Recent Decision

SAN FRANCISCO — The government until Sept. 8 to release American-born persons of Japanese ancestry who have been held at Crystal City, Tex., in "relaxed internment" at Fort Lawton, N. J., the American Civil Liberties Union reported today.

ACLU noted that Federal Judge Louis Goodman had ordered release of the 319 internees, in writs of habeas corpus that the court had set the deadline.

ACLU office said that the internees involved in the suit are renunciants who "renounced their citizenship under duress" while confined in the Tule Lake segregation camp in 1945.

Jersey Post Region Backs Citizenship

ROCKY HAVEN, N. J. — A resolution endorsing legislation to grant citizenship rights to resident aliens was passed here recently by the Jersey Post No. 95 American Legion.

Hawaii Queens Go Sightseeing



Hawaii's two queens of 442nd Veterans club carnivals, Blanche Jikaku of Honolulu and Jane Udo of Hilo (right), are shown at Gardena airport after a sightseeing plane trip over Los Angeles in a plane furnished by Henry Ohye of the JACL. The two Nisei girls won the trip to California in queen contests held by 442nd Combat Team veterans in Hawaii in conjunction with recent carnivals to raise funds for the construction of a memorial clubhouse in Honolulu. The Hawaiian visitors were taken on a visit by officials of the Los Angeles JACL to the Paramount studio and were guests at a luncheon at 20th Century Fox before departing on Sept. 3 by plane for San Francisco en route home to Hawaii. —Photo by Toyo Miyatake, Los Angeles.

Utah VFW Delegation Urges Naturalization Rights for Issei at National Convention

CLEVELAND, O. — A resolution to place the Veterans of Foreign Wars on record as endorsing and supporting naturalization privileges for resident aliens of Japanese ancestry was introduced this week at the national encampment of the VFW.

The resolution, introduced by the Utah delegation, was taken under advisement by the resolutions committee.

Glen Thompson, Utah state department commander, declared that the resolution had been passed unanimously at the Utah state encampment in June and that the delegation had been authorized to present it to the national encampment.

The Utah resolution noted that Japanese aliens who are "ineligible to citizenship" under present Federal statutes had made "significant contributions" to the nation's war effort "by serving in strategic places and further demonstrated their loyalty in many ways to their adopted country."

Noting the record of the 442nd Combat Team and other Japanese American GIs in the war, the Utah resolution noted that the parents of these soldiers were "ineligible to citizenship" but that they had "willingly given their sons to fight in the cause of freedom."

Members of the Utah VFW delegation at the national encampment include Mike M. Masaoka and Masaru Horiuchi of Salt Lake City, members of Salt Lake's World War II Atomic Post.

Appoint Yori Wada Deputy Registrar in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO — Appointment of Yori Wada as a full-time deputy registrar for the coming November municipal elections was announced this week by Ken Baba, chairman of the local Golden Gate chapter of the American Veterans Committee.

Baba said that his chapter was the first to suggest to the area council to ask the city's registrar of voters to appoint two AVC members as full-time deputy registrars and to deputize three or four volunteer registrars for the coming registrations.

Japanese Racial Group Shows Gain in Hawaii Totals

HONOLULU — The Japanese racial group showed the second largest increase in population in the Territory of Hawaii since 1940 with an addition of 13,993, the territorial board of health reported recently to Governor Stainback.

The Caucasian racial group showed the greatest increase with 93,696.

Population of Hawaii was estimated at 525,477 persons and the population of Honolulu 268,913.

Japanese Canadians Organize National Body to Fight for Rights as Dominion Citizens

New JCCA Will Take Up Evacuation Property Loss Issue; Mike Masaoka Is Main Speaker At First National Conference in Toronto

By PETER F. YAMADA

TORONTO, Ont. — Drawn together by the imperative need for unity among Canada's Nisei, delegates from Japanese Canadian organizations in every major province where evacuees have resettled met in Toronto this week to initiate a new national organization, the Japanese Canadian Citizens association.

The new body, patterned after the Japanese American Citizens League in the United States, will represent Japanese Canadians on a national level in the developing campaign for the adjudication of the injustices visited upon the Japanese Canadian group as a result of compulsory evacuation from the West coast and wartime internment in the interior housing projects in the Canadian Rockies.

Main speaker at the first national conference held in Toronto over Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 was Mike M. Masaoka, legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee in Washington.

Stressing the necessity for unified action, Masaoka told the delegates: "If labor can organize to secure its rights, there is nothing wrong for you Canadians to organize to improve your status."

Masaoka spoke to a capacity crowd of Japanese Canadians at the Labor Lyceum on Aug. 31. He also assisted the delegates in setting up the new organization.

Delegates to the conference representing provincial organizations of Japanese Canadians included Hideo Onotera, Seiji Homma and Anthony Kobayashi from British Columbia, Komei Taguchi and Kyoto Shigehiro of Alberta, Takaichi Umezaki and Harold Hirose from Manitoba, Roger Obata, George Tanaka and Edward Ide of Ontario and Hiroshi Okuda from the Province of Quebec. Saskatchewan was the only province unrepresented.

The new JCCA will be composed of provincial chapters, which will be comparable in function to the district councils of the JACL. Existing local organizations of Japanese Canadians which have taken action to join the JCCA will become part of the provincial chapters of the JCCA. Delegates to the conference were instructed to standardize the chapter system in their own provinces and to convert the names of each organization to conform with the new JCCA organizational setup. Provincial chapters will send a minimum of three representatives to sit on the National council.

Roger Obata of Toronto was named national chairman of the JCCA. Other members of the national council will include Hideo Onotera, first vice chairman; Harold Hirose, second vice chairman; Kyoto Shigehiro, recording secretary and Hiroshi Okuda, treasurer. George Tanaka, present Chairman of the Japanese Canadian Committee for Democracy and chairman of the Ontario Canadian Japanese organization, and Thomas Shoyama, past editor-in-chief of the New Canadian, were nominated as possible national secretary of the JCCA, with an annual stipend of \$3000.

In addition, a slate of 22 names was presented for selection of the National Executive committee which will be directly responsible to the National council, and will carry out its directives. From the Nisei and Issei and Caucasian supporters, a maximum of 15 will be chosen to act on the Executive committee. Kinzie Tanaka, past chairman of the JCCA was elected chairman of the committee.

The JCCA will initially tackle the evacuation property losses issue which will come before a Royal commission at Vancouver, B. C. Hearings where claimants can testify to both real and personal estate losses as a result of the enforced evacuation, will be conducted province by province before the Honorable Mr. Justice Ryd of the B. C. Supreme court, after which the totality of evidence will be correlated and presented in its final form at Vancouver. The first session will commence at Ottawa on

Oct. 1, 1947 and will work westward to B. C.

By Order-in-Council, the Claims commission will endeavor to adjudicate the losses of evacuees suffered as a direct result of the lack of exercise of "reasonable care" on the part of the Custodian of Enemy Property in whose hands properties were entrusted and later sold by him. Moreover, only those claims which arise from the Custodian's having been entrusted with evacuee property will be considered. It is estimated that between 1700 and 2000 claims will be filed but only 74.3 per cent of these will receive any consideration since the balance of the property was sold by their owners before being reported to the custodian.

The JCCA has been delegated to urge the Canadian government to extend the terms of reference of the order-in-council to embrace all rightful claims of the evacuees, whether the property concerned were turned over to the custodian or sold by the owners at ridiculous prices.

Other projects contemplated by the National JCCA include the publication of the Canadian evacuation story to be written in a human interest vein by leading Canadian Nisei writers headed by Mrs. T. Muriel Kitagawa; removal of legal restrictions in British Columbia and other centers and cooperation with other minority groups to attain the improvement of the total pattern of civilization.

The objects of the national organization are to enable Japanese Canadian organizations in Canada to work together as a unified whole in order to undertake active political and collective action for the betterment and advancement of the welfare of Canadians of Japanese ancestry desirous of living in Canada as full Canadian citizens and, with the realization of the need to stress the responsibilities as well as the privileges of Canadian citizenship, to foster and spread the true spirit of Canadian democracy; to cooperate and work with all Canadian groups whose aim it is to extend to each and every Canadian citizen the fundamental democratic rights and liberties irrespective of race, creed or color, and to cooperate with organizations in other countries with similar aims.

The National conference was slated for the three-day period of August 30 and 31 and September 1. But the delegates were forced to reconvene in an all-night session with Mike Masaoka after his address on Sunday night, August 31. They again reported to the convention hall on Tuesday, September 2 to conclude their agenda. Throughout the entire conference, Mike Masaoka, with his wealth of experience in the JACL, lent invaluable aid in the formation of the first National JCCA.

REPORT NISEI HANGS SELF ON CALIFORNIA FARM

MARYSVILLE, Calif. — The body of Shoyaku Sasaki, 35, fruit farm worker, was found hanging by a wire from an oak tree near here by a group of children on Aug. 28.

County authorities said the farm worker, a native of the United States, had committed suicide.

Deputy Sheriff Nick Kerhoulas and Deputy Coroner George Walley said Sasaki's mother-in-law told them he had been ill and despondent.

Civil Liberties Union Cites Challenge of Racial Prejudice In Annual Report on U. S.

Notes "Unexpected Degree of Adjustment" Shown In Restoration of Japanese American Group To Normal Participation in Community Life

NEW YORK—Restoration of the Japanese American community to normal participation in American life after the tragic years of wartime evacuation "continued with an unexpected degree of adjustment," the American Civil Liberties Union declared this week in its annual report on the state of civil liberties in the United States.

"After the initial return (of evacuees) to the west coast, no instances of open hostility were recorded following the first few flareups of violence," the ACLU report added.

The ACLU declared that discrimination against racial minorities remained "the most extensive and insistent challenge to American civil rights" during the past year.

The 80-page pamphlet, "In Times of Challenge," declared that "in a year in which American liberties suffered a sharply unfavorable change, racial minorities continued to constitute the one section of our national life in which American democracy fails most signally to live up to its professions."

In addition to its comment on the Japanese Americans, the report reviewed the civil rights developments concerning Negroes, Mexican Americans, American Indians and other Oriental Americans.

The ACLU observed that increased violence and intimidation against Negroes in the south reflected "growing racial tensions born of more determined resistance to Negro advance." In contrast to the relative absence of racial violence during the first postwar year, the Union reported "a wave of violence headed by four brutal lynchings in which seven Negroes lost their lives." The review cited the "scandalous acquittal" in South Carolina of 26 confessed lynchers of a Negro taxi-driver, and the failure of a Monroe County, Ga., grand jury to indict any members of an armed mob which slew four Negroes. The Union offered public rewards in both cases.

Major national adverse tendencies cited by the Union were the failure of Congress to pass a fair employment practices measure, an anti-lynching bill or an anti-poll tax bill.

No major gains for minority racial rights were scored in the states, the ACLU added.

On the legal front, the report noted renewed attacks in several states against racial restrictive housing covenants, with the U. S. Supreme court agreeing to review appeals from Michigan and Missouri courts.

The ACLU said that the "unexpected degree of adjustment" made by Japanese Americans was aided by waning west coast prejudice after the wartime evacuation years.

While discrimination continued in a few trade unions, veterans organizations and in residential areas, a "decline in prejudice" was noted generally in the ACLU report in respect to the Japanese American group.

The ACLU observed that the 80th Congress, to date, had passed only one measure directly concerning persons of Japanese ancestry—an amendment to the 1943 GI Brides Act to allow alien Oriental wives of GIs serving overseas to enter the U. S. Bills which failed of passage during the last session

provided for staying deportation of Japanese aliens, naturalization of alien parents of Purple Heart veterans, amendment of the Oriental Exclusion Act to permit naturalization of all Orientals now excluded and for the indemnification of the victims of wartime mass evacuation.

The House passed the deportation, Purple Heart and claims bills.

The American Civil Liberties Union noted in its report that it had joined the Japanese American Citizens League in support of all the bills.

The ACLU report said that the most important court case involving persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States is that which concerns the Alien land law, now before the U. S. Supreme court in a case supported by the Union, the American Jewish Congress and the JACL. Besides denying orientals "ineligible to citizenship" the right to own land, the act bars "dummy ownership" through American children. It is enforced only against Japanese. Popular opinion, the report observed, gave the alien land law a setback last fall when a proposal to write the law into California's constitution was defeated at the polls. The Union also cited as hopeful signs, the repeal of similar laws in Oregon and Utah. A California law barring Japanese aliens from coastal fishing was tested successfully in the federal court, and is now before the state Supreme court, aided by the Union.

Another major court issue, the report said, concerns those Japanese Americans who renounced U. S. citizenship during internment in relocation centers. No cases have yet reached trial, but over 1500 have been filed. The report noted that "the cases, which will doubtless go to the Supreme court, affect equally all 5,500 of those who renounced citizenship and remained in the United States."

An important pending issue, the report said, is the campaign to get Congress to establish a claims commission to compensate Japanese for losses sustained when they were evacuated from the west coast in wartime. The bill, backed by War, Interior and Justice departments, passed the House without a dissenting vote.

The problems of some 10,000 Japanese Americans, caught by the war in Japan and now wishing to return to the U. S., were seen by the Union as requiring complicated legal action by courts and officials in both countries to determine citizenship. The Union's director, Roger Baldwin, in a trip to Japan this spring as representative of the union and other agencies, organized a branch of the Japanese American Citizens League to aid the Nisei, the report said.

Report from Washington: Meet the Halls---Address, Somewhere in Europe

By ESTHER L'ECLUSE

Washington, D. C.

Passing through sweltering Washington last week like a fresh breeze from San Francisco bay was a quiet young man named Lawrence "Larry" Hall.

Due to assume some importance to Nisei and Issei America later this fall on a project to be made public soon, Larry stopped off briefly in the capital to complete plans for a somewhat fabulous jaunt to Europe.

A newspaperman, Larry and his wife, also a news writer,

Leaves JACL Work



SCOTTY TSUCHIYA

Scotty Tsuchiya Resigns Post With JACL

The resignation of Scotty Tsuchiya from the national staff of the JACL was announced this week "with deep regret" by Hito Okada, president.

Tsuchiya joined the staff in 1945 when he opened the Los Angeles regional office, aided by his wife, Setsu.

During the relocation period in Los Angeles he aided hundreds of people in securing employment, in reestablishing their homes and businesses and in settling many personal difficulties.

During the Lomita and Winona "incidents," in which hundreds of evacuees were ousted from temporary homes, Tsuchiya worked ceaselessly to insure full protection of their rights and personal comfort.

In 1946 he was placed on a roving assignment by the JACL and toured the midwest and eastern areas.

"Scotty Tsuchiya typifies the unselfish spirit of so many people in the JACL," Okada said in announcing his resignation. "He restored the self-confidence and pride of hundreds of people who were relocated to the Los Angeles area."

Okada said that on two earlier occasions Tsuchiya had asked to resign from the JACL but had been prevailed upon to remain with the organization.

Matsushita, Maki Approved for Posts At U. of Washington

SEATTLE — Iwao Matsushita, acting associate, and John McGilvray Maki, part-time associate, were approved by the University of Washington regents in a faculty change list announced this week.

Both are in the Far Eastern department of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Maki is the author of the book "Japanese Militarism," which was published in 1944.

Okuda Gets Teaching Post in Pennsylvania

SEATTLE—Kenji Okuda of Seattle will be an instructor in economics at Franklin and Marshall college in Lancaster, Pa., this fall.

Okuda is a 1945 graduate of Oberlin and received his master's degree in economics recently from Harvard University.

T. W. Tanaka's POST SCRIPT

World Famous Monstrosity...

WEST STANDS, Stagg Field, University of Chicago. — If you ever come to Chicago as a visitor, be sure to tour the Stagg yards, the Art Museum, and the Place.

This is the West Stands, Stagg Field. It's a funny looking building. It hides under some ancient bleachers for a whole block, and it's flanked by medieval towers.

Oldtimers around here say it's a replica of some European castle. They contend we have the esthetic tastes of a new Zealand bushman because we stood off and whistled "Heck's fire, what an ugly building!"

Grounds Used to Roar Here...

You stand on the corner of 56th Street and Ellis to look at the vine-covered, dirty greyish building that was once the football citadel of Amos Alonzo Stagg and his mighty Chicago Maroons.

That was before Robert Maynard Hutchins came along and bootlegged the University of Chicago out of the football business.

When we first moved into the neighborhood four years ago, as sophomoric football enthusiasts from the west coast, we sorrowfully wondered if the brain-burster of Chicago University people would ever find use for the West Stands, Stagg Field.

There the building stood, in its lone, solitary, European castle-like, ugly grandeur. Would it ever come back?

Supersecret Hush Hush...

One day in February, 1945, curiosity welled up like a big balloon. We took off, meandering across the street. Could we sit in the bleachers, look down into the field, gaze at the gates through which the invincible Maroons once thundered out onto the field?

In other words, could we admit the lump from the inside?

Guards with guns poking out of hip holsters popped up at the gates to bar the way. Signs were posted all around. Keep Out. Of course we never got inside.

We only had to keep wondering for six more months.

The Truth Exploded...

On August 6, 1945, we learned what it was all about. The West Stands of Stagg Field, once the Citadel of Chicago football, became the Cradle of the Atomic Bomb.

The newspapers broke the secret. Hiroshima had been destroyed with a single bomb.

Both the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombs had been hatched in the West Stands, Stagg Field, announced Manhattan Project General Groves.

Scientist Enrico Fermi had successfully conducted the crucial experiment on December 2, 1942. That was the atom bomb's real beginning. No wonder they looked suspiciously at a nosey stranger with Oriental high visibility.

Ever since we got the news, we walk by the West Stands each day en route to our place of work or see, not the mighty Maroons, Amos Alonzo Stagg, but mushroom explosions of atom bombs.

Even if this is Facing the Future of Life, we still think it's bad for the digestion.

Farewell to Bomb's Cradle...

Well, the neighborhood grapevine says that the West Stands, Stagg Field, will soon be torn down. We hope it's true.

They've already dug a tremendous hole in the ground down across the street. Soon, up will come the first million-dollar building, the Institute of Nuclear Studies.

The University of Chicago, according to the Associated Press, has become the world's leading center of atomic research. Commemoration is upon peacetime application.

We'd rather walk by new buildings that remind us of human brains devoted to human work than to stare each day at the Cradle of the Atom Bomb. Therefore, tourists to Chicago, if you want to see a relic of the past before the wreckers take it expertly to pieces, you'd better come by here before we hope. — By arrangement with the Colorado Times.

ADC Officials Discuss Claims Bill at Justice Department

WASHINGTON—"The Evacuation Claims bill is the first attempt to obtain compensation for wartime internment losses in the history of the United States," J. E. O'Loughlin, Justice department official, declared this week in an interview with staff members of the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Mr. O'Loughlin, assistant to the liaison officer of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said that the United States previously has not compensated any enemy alien who was interned, including those in the Spanish American war and World War I.

O'Loughlin noted that a number of German aliens residing in the United States were interned by the Customs Service in World War I.

Some restitution was made, however, to interned enemy aliens whose properties were seized and sold by the government, the ADC office learned. The Alien Property Custodian's office disclosed that a special amendment passed in 1928 permitted enemy aliens whose properties were seized in World War I to file claims for 80 per cent of the proceeds from the sales of the properties. Under this 1928 provision the Winslow amendment to the Trading with the Enemy act, enemy aliens of World War I whose properties were seized were able to recover 80 per cent of the value of those properties.

The JACL office said it had sought the information on past compensation of enemy aliens as background material for the Evacuation Claims bill.

Madokoro Sues For Loss of Personal Goods

Test Case Figure Charges Baggage Lost in Shipment

LOS ANGELES — Sannosuke Madokoro, central figure in a Supreme Court test case which involves the issue whether a visit to Mexico constitutes a new entry under the Immigration law of 1917, has brought suit for damages for the loss of his personal property valued at \$2,500.

The suit names W. A. Carmichael, director of the Los Angeles office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and Major Haynes, commanding officer of the group movement of the Portland, Ore., Port of Embarkation.

The suit declares that Madokoro had obtained release on a writ of habeas corpus which prevented his deportation to Japan in 1945 but that the government, through its immigration and army officials, placed his baggage on the deportation ship and the luggage was lost en route to Japan.

Madokoro's case involving the question of new entry will be heard by the full term of the United States Supreme Court. Madokoro entered the United States legally in 1915 and resided continuously in the United States except for a brief visit to Mexico. Immigration officials have contended that his visit to Mexico, made after 1924 when Japanese aliens were excluded under the Japanese Exclusion Act, constitutes a new entry and that Madokoro's reentry to the United States was not legal.

Madokoro is represented by the Los Angeles law firm of Wirin, Fido, Okrand and Chuman.

\$200,000 Donated To Japan Relief, Declares Ishikawa

SAN FRANCISCO — More than \$200,000 has been donated for Japan relief by persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States since food and other relief services to Japan were opened eighteen months ago, Sam Ishikawa, member of the Japan relief section of the American Friends Service Committee, declared here last week.

Ishikawa is on a nation-wide tour, contacting local relief committees.

He said the \$200,000 figure was the sum given through LARA (Licensed Agencies for Relief in Asia).

Ishikawa is resigning from his Friends Service post and will become the Eastern regional director of the Japanese American Citizens League on Sept. 15.

Race Relations Will Be Discussed By Chicago Group

CHICAGO—Horace Cayton, director of Parkway Community House, will be the resource leader at a meeting of an informal discussion group at the McCormick Club, 1001 N. Dearborn st., on Friday, Sept. 12, 8 p. m. His subject will be in the field of race relations.

This is the third discussion group to meet under the recently inaugurated program to supplement regular monthly meetings of the Chicago JACL. Those wishing to attend should notify Ryo Sato at the above address. Hostesses for the evening with Miss Sato are Grace Ichi and Toshi Harada.

Survivor of L. A. Explosion To Join Husband in Japan

LOS ANGELES — Mrs. Fusako Shibuya, who miraculously survived the O'Connor Electroplating Corporation explosion last February when two other Nisei girls were killed, will join her husband, Koichi, a member of the U. S. occupation force in Japan.

Following a hearing before the Industrial Accident Commission last week, Mrs. Shibuya was awarded disability pay to date from the state, an allowance for further medical care and an award for the possibility that she may have sustained permanent injuries

Bataan Hero Crowns Queen



Major Garry James Anloff, Jr., survivor of the Bataan death march, presents JACL Centennial Queen Mardya Yasuda with her prize trophy during ceremonies at the Salt Lake chapter's Labor Day dance at Memorial house in Memory grove.

Miss Yasuda was the candidate of the LDS Fireside group.

—Photo by Ben Terashima.

First Foreign Japanese Bride Of Nisei ex-GI Arrives in U.S.

Urge Payment For Canadian Evacuee Group

TORONTO, Ont. — Payment for damages sustained by Japanese Canadian evacuees, similar to a system proposed in a bill before the United States Senate for the indemnification of evacuated persons of Japanese descent, was proposed by Andrew Brewin, legal counsel for the Toronto Cooperative Committee on Japanese Canadians, in a discussion with Minister of Justice J. L. Hiesley and Secretary of State Colin Gibson.

Mr. Brewin urged that the order-in-council setting up the commission of inquiry into Japanese Canadian evacuation losses be amended so as to provide that all losses reasonably and naturally arising out of the evacuation orders should be compensated for in the same way as proposed in the United States bill.

Chicago Chapter Plans Meeting

CHICAGO—The Chicago chapter of JACL will resume its regular monthly meetings on Friday, Sept. 26 when it will meet at the Woodrow Wilson room of the International Relations center at 84 E. Randolph st., according to Mari Sabusawa, program chairman, who will announce the speaker and subject next week.

as a result of the explosion. Previously she had been cut off from state compensation after 32 days, although she had received serious injuries to her chest, legs, arms and the loss of hearing as a result of the O'Connor plant accident.

She was represented by John F. Aiso of the firm of Aiso and Meano at the hearing.

Her husband, Koichi Shibuya, is a former master sergeant who is now on the staff of the translators and interpreters section of General MacArthur's headquarters in Tokyo.

Japanese Canadian Girl Will Make Home in California

LOS ANGELES—The first foreign-born bride of Japanese ancestry of an American serviceman to enter the United States under the recent amendment to the GI Brides Act arrived in Los Angeles last week.

She is Mrs. Frank Kawagoe, the former Edith Nishikawa of Westwood, British Columbia. Her husband is a veteran of the U. S. Army's military intelligence service.

Mrs. Kawagoe is one of three Japanese Canadian girls who married U. S. Nisei soldiers during the war. Before the amendment to the GI Brides Act was signed by President Truman on July 22, 1947, these brides were denied entry into the United States under the classification that they were "ineligible to citizenship" because of their Japanese ancestry.

Mrs. Kawagoe visited the Southern California regional office of the JACL last week and expressed her appreciation to Eiji Tanabe, JACL regional director, for the part that the Anti-Discrimination Committee of the JACL had played in urging passage of the GI Brides Act amendment. The ADC also had assisted in the introduction of a private bill in Congress which would have permitted Mrs. Kawagoe's entry.

The Nisei veteran and his Canadian bride will make their home in Long Beach, Calif.

The Canadian Nisei girl said that she thought California was "very nice" but that she missed Canada's "tall pine trees." She was a resident of Vancouver, B. C. until 1942 when she and her family were evacuated with other persons of Japanese ancestry to the interior of British Columbia.

Kitajimas Leave

WINDSOR, Ont.—Robert Kitajima, Nisei veteran of the U. S. army, and his Japanese Canadian bride, the former Molly Enta of Winnipeg, Man., left Windsor for Alameda, Calif., on Aug. 18.

Because of previous regulations which had prohibited the entry of his bride because of her Japanese ancestry, Kitajima, who served overseas in the military intelligence service of the U. S. army, had been living in Windsor with his bride.

CIO Farm Union Ousts Local President for Refusal to Admit Nisei to Membership

FRESNO, Calif.—The CIO Fresh Fruit, Vegetable and Agricultural Workers union, Local 78, filed an affidavit in Judge Arthur Shepard's Superior court last week announcing the ousting of M. J. Gillette as president of the union local for his alleged denial of union membership to workers of Japanese ancestry.

The union's action came in the midst of a court hearing on an injunction requested by the Mendota farming corporation of Ensher, Alexander and Barsom to enjoin picketing of any nature against its Mendota melon harvesting.

Intermarriage Ban Will Be Tested in California Court

SAN FRANCISCO—A test of California's racial intermarriage ban was held open by the California State Supreme court on Aug. 28 in the case of a Los Angeles couple refused a marriage license.

The couple, Andrea D. Perez, white, and Sylvester S. Davis, Jr., Negro, had challenged the law as interfering with their religious scruples. Both are Catholics and the sets case is supported by the Catholic Interracial Council of Los Angeles.

They sought to force the Los Angeles county clerk to issue them a marriage license.

The State Supreme court issued an alternative writ permitting arguments at Los Angeles on Oct. 6.

Nisei to Reopen Student Clubhouse In Seatele

SEATTLE, Wash. — The Japanese students clubhouse for students at the University of Washington will reopen this month for the first time since the evacuation, according to Frank Yanagimachi of Seattle.

Students in need of housing may contact Hiroshi Nakashima, 311 11th avenue, Seattle 22.

The house will be run on a co-operative basis, and vacancies will be filled in order of application, according to Mr. Yanagimachi.

Selma Editor Takes New Position with San Jose State

SELMA, Calif.—Lowell C. Pratt, who as editor of the Sema Enterprise crusaded for the rights of Japanese Americans during the war, will join the faculty of San Jose State college as assistant professor of journalism and director of public relations.

Throughout the war the Enterprise demanded full protection for the rights of the evacuees.

"I am most proud of what the Selma Enterprise was able to do during the war years in behalf of the Japanese Americans," Pratt said. "Nothing that the paper accomplished during my twenty years as editor was more important and I am glad to have had a part in this particular chapter of the unending battle for tolerance and freedom."

Immigration Service Relaxes Policies Following Protests

SAN FRANCISCO—Following a protest filed by the American Civil Liberties Union which charged that the Immigration Service in San Francisco was holding Chinese wives and children of war veterans incommunicado "for months on end," a relaxation in Immigration service policy was announced this week by Irving F. Wixon, district chief.

Wixon said that immigrants coming into San Francisco as families of ex-servicemen will be allowed visitors after their preliminary examinations.

(In Honolulu, Mayor John H. Wilson lodged a complaint that Immigration Service authorities in Los Angeles have been forcing passengers of Japanese ancestry arriving by Clipper from Honolulu to undergo undue questioning. It was noted that the questioning of passengers on arrival at the Los Angeles airport is normally brief except in cases where many Japanese Americans are aboard.)

Previous practice of the Immigration Service prohibited communication between citizens and aliens until the immigrant had

passed both the preliminary examination and, when necessary, a special board of inquiry.

Last February, in response to protests from the ACLU, Attorney General Tom Clark sent Willard Kelly, assistant commissioner of immigration in charge of alien control, to San Francisco to inquire into the manner in which Chinese wives of American soldiers were being treated on arrival in San Francisco. Following Kelly's visit, the Immigration service announced what it called a radical change in its regulations, under which immigrants would be held incommunicado no longer than 7 or 8 days.

In a wire to Attorney General Clark last week, the ACLU office in San Francisco charged the Immigration service with breaking faith with the public and particularly with veterans "in surreptitiously reestablishing a barbaric practice in handling immigrants seeking admission to this country." The ACLU urged that "an immediate investigation be undertaken to the end that a humanitarian system of examination and detention of immigrants be established."

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EDITORIALS:

State of the Union

"During the war national unity and necessary government controls resulted both in protecting and even extending domestic liberties, and in a remarkable lack of hysteria and intolerance. Now with world disunity reflected in our politics, and economic control in conservative hands, conditions are not nearly so hospitable to the processes of unlimited public debate and the role of minorities on which our liberties so largely depend. The optimism expressed by the (American Civil Liberties) Union for some years must today give way to a considerable measure of apparently justified skepticism concerning the immediate future of our democratic liberties as instruments of progress."

This statement, taken from the ACLU's most recent annual report, indicates that organization's opinion as to the status of our civil liberties in the twelve months ending July 1947.

"The national climate of opinion in which freedom of public debate and minority dissent functioned with few restraints during the war years and after, has undergone a sharply unfavorable change," the report states. Today the atmosphere is "increasingly hostile to the liberties of organized labor, the political left and many minorities."

The ACLU polled 125 correspondents in 44 states in the spring of this year to determine their feeling on the general status of civil liberties during the year. There was, the report says, "general agreement" on the trend to greater restrictions upon civil liberties, with race relations holding first place in local attention.

There was, however, lively local interest in such matters as restrictive housing covenants, public aid to religious schools, and the inattention of press and radio to the views and interests of minorities.

The ACLU's report must serve as a warning to all groups and individuals interested in civil liberties.

The end of war may have brought an end to the immediate necessity for national unity, but it did not bring to an end our many restrictions upon the rights of minority Americans.

Dispute at Mendota

The CIO's rule of forthright activity against racial and religious discrimination is too well known to be repeated here. This week an exception to that rule made news. Local No. 78 of the Fresh Fruit, Vegetable and Agricultural Workers Union, a subsidiary of the Food, Tobacco and Agricultural Workers Union (FTA), had discriminated against members of Japanese ancestry and the local's president, M. J. Gillette, was ousted by the FTA but not before management had seized upon the local's discriminatory attitude in an action which can be described only as anti-labor.

The Ensher, Alexander and Barsom melon ranch at Mendota is one of California's huge farm factories. During the melon season it employs more than 50 workers in packing operations. In view of the tactics of the Ensher ranch in its dispute with the CIO local, it can be assumed that the management was aware of the fact that the union discriminated against Japanese American workers, although the exclusion of Nisei apparently was a policy determined at the local level. This year the Ensher ranch recruited 50 workers of Japanese ancestry, mostly Nisei, on the apparent thesis that these workers would be non-union since they were not permitted membership in the Fresh Fruit, Vegetable and Agricultural Workers local in the

area. The employment of these workers was challenged by the union which claimed that a contract with the Ensher ranch was in effect calling for preferential hiring through the union. The Ensher ranch denied existence of a contract and the union answered by throwing a line of pickets across entrances to the Mendota ranch.

The issue was taken to court when the Ensher ranch filed suit to enjoin the union from picketing operations. During the hearing the union filed an affidavit which admitted that Local 78 had refused to take employees of the Ensher ranch, most of whom were of Japanese ancestry, and that M. J. Gillette, president of the local, had been ousted. The Ensher ranch filed a complaint in court which declared that it had been a policy of the union involved "that there should be no Japanese American packers in melon packing sheds in melon packing areas."

The moral of the Ensher ranch dispute is that Local 78 had deviated from the CIO national policy of anti-discrimination. In doing so, the union had made itself vulnerable to attack by management and the management, in this case the Ensher ranch, had succeeded in placing the union in an awkward position. Had the FTA acted as forthrightly as another CIO union, the ILWU, which suspended its Stockton, Calif., local when several members refused to work alongside a Japanese American in 1945, the trouble at Mendota probably would not have occurred.

The National JACL

The initiation of new JACL projects in Colorado, as reported this week, gives rise to the hope that within a short period of time the national JACL will have regained its pre-war membership.

Prior to 1941 the organization had 66 chapters with a peak membership of 20,000. The evacuation, of course, wiped out all but ten chapters in the intermountain region.

A picture of the JACL during the ensuing war years is given in "People in Motion," a study prepared by the War Agency Liquidation unit, formerly the War Relocation Authority.

That the JACL successfully weathered the war period is the opinion of the liquidation unit report. Its strength lay, the report says, "in the ability of a small number of leaders to correctly analyze and interpret a swiftly changing social situation."

The JACL gained considerable prestige among officials and interested persons outside the JACL group, the report states, but it was "without mass support within its group."

In a literal sense, the JACL was "a head without a body," and Japanese Americans generally were "antagonistic or fearful" of attracting attention through organization.

The report continues:

"In addition, during 1945 and early 1946, Japanese Americans generally were too busy with the adjustments required by the closing of the war relocation centers to give much attention to long range issues. By the summer of 1946, however, concern was growing with regard to the alien land law cases brought before California courts, and the United States Congress was considering legislation seeking to grant the privilege of citizenship to Japanese aliens and to set up a claims commission. The national JACL office worked vigorously for these measures, but was hampered by lack of mass support among Japanese Americans and by the newness and inexperience of local leadership in the few chapters that had been reconstituted."

"As the status of Japanese Americans in the community strengthened they became less concerned about segregated organization and the Nisei especially began to come together to discuss mutual problems. The realization began to crystallize that the questions mentioned above were the primary issues affecting Japanese Americans as a group and as the need for an effective national channel to focus efforts toward finding a solution became apparent, the national JACL launched an expansion program on the basis of its wartime and postwar record of leadership."

The present trend in JACL membership, showing an increasing tendency for organization and expansion upon a nation-wide basis, gives rise to the hope that within the next few years the JACL will have the mass support it did not have during the war.

It is vitally important that during the next crucial years—years in which the problems of evacuation claims, Issei citizenship, alien land laws and restrictive covenants must be settled—the JACL be an organization representative of the entire Nisei group.

MINORITY WEEK

Home of the Brave

Many a Chinese American GI, sent to the land of his ancestors by the U.S. army, found himself a Chinese wife and in many instances began to raise a family. Just like everybody else. And again in many of these cases, the Chinese wife wanted to rejoin her husband after he was sent home. Still just like everybody else. But many Chinese American GI, after rushing down to the dock in San Francisco to greet his incoming wife and child, found that he couldn't take her home to meet the folks. Which was not like everybody else.

It turns out that San Francisco immigration authorities have been holding many Chinese wives and their children incommunicado for periods ranging into several months time. Immigration authorities have held many such families for hearing before a special board of inquiry.

Last week, after the American Civil Liberties Union lodged charges against this practice, the San Francisco office was ordered to relax its rules and permit such entry applicants to have visitors.

It was not indicated whether or not the waiting period for such persons would be cut down.

Encampment

Tak Maruyama, University of Utah student who attended the Encampment for Citizenship at Fieldston college in New York, tells of the young girl from a small South Carolina town who wrote home on penny postcards. The encampment, a completely interracial affair, housed all its members in dormitory wards without regard to color, and the little girl described her very happy experience in living with young Negro girls.

Mama, of course, wrote back right away. Mama, being broad-minded, didn't mind her daughter living in the same room with these girls. But would Daughter please send letters home, and not tell all on the backs of penny postcards for all the whole small town to see?

The encampment, an experience in interracial living and in citizenship training, is a yearly event. A number of scholarships will be available next year for Nisei Americans. They will be given out by the JACL.

Color Blind—a National Disease

Several years ago a sparkling little book, "With Malice Toward Some," delighted the whole American reading public. It happened to be a book by an American woman, Margaret Halsey, on the subject of her trip to England. It was sharp, gay, witty, biting. She had what some would call a "barbed-wire tongue." She was classified a humorist.

During the war Miss Halsey was in charge of a servicemen's canteen in New York City. It was distinguished by the fact that it was completely interracial. It not only said so, it worked at it.

Some of the things that happened and some of the irate southerners who blundered in were enough to upset any normal person, and particularly Miss Halsey, whose sense of justice is as sharp as her acid tongue.

But eventually her good sense and good humor restored her and made her look with compassion not only upon the victim of prejudice, but upon the perpetrator of it as well. For it became apparent to Miss Halsey that it wasn't the Negro alone who needed help. It was the prejudiced southerners as well. And so she turned her talent for biting humor to the question of race relations.

Miss Halsey sat down and wrote "Color Blind," specifically a story about the canteen but in general a handbook on interracial relations. It's no longer a new book, seeing as how books go out of date as fast as the daily newspaper. But now, 1947, the book is still as sharp and humorous and yet sensible as when it first came out.

The book deserves to be read again and again and again. And in the public welfare we reprint just a bit from it:

"Passionately prejudiced people always turn out, under scrutiny to be people who cannot get along on a footing of equality with anyone, either Negro or white."

"A conspicuous example of people who must always be either inferiors or superiors are those southerners who oppress and exploit the Negro and at the same time put southern womanhood on a fluted pedestal, before which they prostrate themselves in postures of unbecoming abjection. But other examples of the same behavior pattern abound: men who are inordinately scornful of Jews, Negroes, Catholics, foreigners or other minorities, but who occupy year after endless years a position of martial inferiority to a dominating wife. Or women who are callous, condescending and heartless with all their beaux except one, and with that one occupy a position of crawling and whimpering inferiority."

"The only people capable of equality, with anyone, are people who are themselves used to being treated as equals. An individual finds himself in an inferior relationship to somebody or something. It may be wife, husband, parent or employer. It may be, as in the case of the southern poor whites, a cruel and oppressive economic situation. But if the individual believes his position to be hopeless, he instinctively tries to match the inferior-superior situation in which he is the inferior with another inferior-superior situation in which he is the superior."

In case you missed the book, it sells for \$2.50 and was published by Simon and Schuster.

MPF—A Good 3c Meal

Nisei and other readers who want to put three pennies to good use should inquire into MPF, a new multi-purpose food that is bringing relief to millions of people in former war areas.

Three cents worth of MPF will provide the equivalent of a meal of beef, milk, green peas and potatoes. It can be made into soup, stew, sauce, or hamburger-like cakes. Or it can be added to other foods to provide nutritive elements lacking in today's European or Asiatic diet. It is already getting wide distribution among day nurseries and TB hospitals in Japan.

The food was developed at the California Institute of Technology and is made available at relief agencies through the Meals for Millions Foundation, Inc., of 648 South Broadway, Los Angeles 14.

A check for \$1 to that organization will send 33 meals to starving people abroad. If you can spare \$100, it will buy 3,333 meals. Contributions may be earmarked for Japan or any specific relief agency. (LARA—Licensed Agencies for Relief in Asia—will handle food shipments to Japan.)

MPF can also be sent directly to individual Japanese, or you can buy it packaged and mail it yourself. The cost either way is low:

Overseas relief parcels, 11 pounds, postage prepaid anywhere abroad: \$4 for 6 tins containing 10 meals each; \$4.35 for 2 tins containing 36 meals each. MPF, postpaid anywhere within the United States: 45 to 75 cents (depending on zone) for 10-meal tin; \$1.50 to \$2 for a 36-meal tin, depending on zone. A 10-meal tin will be shipped anywhere abroad for \$1, a 36-meal tin for \$2.25.

Epitaph

"The recent Sen. Theo G. Bilbo now lies alone at last in the protective shadow of the Juniper Grove Baptist church. The virulent rhetoric, the link sausage epithets for which he was known in life, had been diminishing in the public ear ever since the U.S. Senate deprived him of its sounding board and banished him to his 'Dream House,' a remittance man on the bounty of the federal taxpayer. There is, indeed, a lull, a quiet that is not the absence of sound, but one of peculiarly rasping sound, on the native scene. 'The Man' has gone over Jordan to see how far the color line extends."—Jennings Perry in PM.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

The Saga of T. John Fujii

We last saw T. John Fujii on a torrid May day in 1940 from the decks of a liner slipping away from Singapore wharf. Fujii had just waved goodbye and was headed rapidly in the other direction. That was the way he worked, played and lived—rapidly—although on occasion he could enjoy leisure with complete relaxation. But those periods were not for long.

T. John was a lover of the fleshpots, a realist and a sentimentalist, a reader of good books and a devotee of the prize fight arenas, a romanticist and a crack newspaperman. He was an independent, interesting and complex character, one of the most colorful Nisei we've ever met. Only he wasn't a Nisei.

It was his destiny to be born in Japan, and to live in the United States from early infancy. In his outlook and cultural background he was as thoroughly American as anyone could be. But, in the legal terminology that has become so familiar, he was an alien ineligible to citizenship.

That, perhaps, is one of the bigger reasons he chose to remain in Singapore after we left. There the war caught him, and the adventures that befell him were heard in fragmentary reports.

Last week T. John's sister dropped by and brought us up to date on her brother's personal history. How time changes people.

T. John is married now, a state which he long had scorned. And T. John is a Hearstling, something unthinkable in the old days.

We report these developments, not with harshness but with understanding, for they are logical and inevitable. We wish him well.

T. John is doing as well as any Japanese can expect under the circumstances. As a fulltime employee of International News Service he makes a better living than most Tokyoites.

He commutes to the city from a distant suburb, and his bride is of a culture unknown in the United States—one who arises before dawn to prepare her husband for the day, and who meets him at the station when his interurban pulls up in the evening.

His photographs show him a little older and a little thinner. But who isn't these days? He hungers sometimes for American food and the comforts of an overstuffed suite and the conveniences of a refrigerator. That's natural, too.

But on the whole T. John has found a peace that

he never had known. He was on vacation recently and he basked in the warm Japanese sun and watched the blue waves lap the shore. It would have been perfect if he had the latest Steinbeck to read, or perhaps John Gunther's "Inside U.S.A."

Memories of Camp Life

The following is a story from the English section of Michi Onuma's *The Progressive News* published in San Francisco. We read it with fascination:

"Let your mind wander back a few years and remember your camp."

"Forget the diet of beans and rice, sixteen bucks a month, the dust, and the heat and the cold and the insecurity of it all. Instead recall the 'silver lining'—all the new friends, catching up on sleep and books, and most of all the camp dances."

"How dear to our hearts were those dances. And perhaps at times when work days are too long and nights are lonely and friends are far away, memories of camp days come back and you long for just one more night of dancing under desert skies."

"And if you were in Gila you can't forget 'Mess 13' our special dance hall. Remember the disguised rafters, crepe-papered poles but most of all remember soft sentimental music of the name bands."

"So to all you sentimental Gilans and to the curious who wish to know what our camp dances were like, we extend a welcome to the 'As Time Goes By' dance . . . when a touch of Gila will be brought to the San Francisco Buddhist hall."

"Decorations, refreshments and people will be the same and dancing will be to the time-honored tunes of camp days. Perhaps the only great difference will be that for fellas this dance will be a suit and necktie affair and the girls will be wearing heels."

What should our comment be on the above story? Should we laugh? Weep? Scold? Or smile sadly? Is it good? Is it bad? We are not quite sure. Perhaps the psychologists can give us an explanation.

Just now, we can make only a suggestion—a Society to Perpetuate Memories of Camp Life whose chief objective would be the sponsorship of two-week pilgrimages each summer to old campsites. The trips, of course, would be made in day coaches with 50 passengers per car and a car monitor. Otherwise one would lose the flavor and pungency of old memories.

A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

The Legion Comes to Town

The big event in Manhattan a few days back was the national American Legion convention. They did everything but turn the town upside down.

All during those bustling, bubbling, noisy days, I looked searchingly at thousands of those blue-uniformed visitors, hoping to recognize a buddy from basic training days or meeting up with some member of our battalion overseas. It was no dice. I couldn't spot a soul I knew to exchange greetings, much less have a chance to indulge in some elbow-bending and reminisce over the "old" days.

A year ago I was in Paris, taking in the sights and at the same time waiting for the wigwag signal to scoot back to the States.

The Older Vets Take Charge

I couldn't help but notice the complete dominance of the scene everywhere by the World War I crowd.

They led the charge on Times Square with their boisterous singing and merry-making antics. Their crack shock-troops, the "Cold-Stream Cards," armed with cleverly concealed water pistols, deployed wide encircling formations. Their scouts and reserves formed conga lines and impromptu wooly parades all the way from Penn station Grand Central.

On the western front, along Eighth avenue and the Madison square Garden, the more serious and sober of these oldsters sat down for some serious deliberation and campaigning.

The Newer Vets Feel Differently

The World War II men were in the distinct minority. These recent soldiers don't seem to enjoy the shennanigans like their elders. Perhaps the memory of the war is yet too fresh in their minds to spend a week of prankful mischief at a convention. Perhaps the men of the 1940s want to forget, rather than recall, those days at Tarawa, Guadalcanal, Cassino, the Rhine river, and the Bulge.

There is also the money angle. The younger men don't seem so anxious to spend. They have better use for their couple of hundred dollars in savings than to march down Fifth avenue and cut up like a tribe of Indians fresh off the reservation.

The greying elders, most of them fat, flabby, and fiftyish, nevertheless, took a thumping delight in dressing up in pouchy uniforms and acting like a rookie on his first week-end pass. It was a little pathetic to see them try to by pass Father Time by the mere expedient substituting their toy water pistols for their 1919 Springfields.

Parades Are Big Business Here

All New York loves a parade. For most any and every occasion, million people will crowd along Fifth avenue to toss out an avalanche of confetti or any loose paper that is handy.

The 1947 Legion parade was a humdinger. Over two million people lined a three-mile-long canyon of humanity along Fifth avenue to watch this colorful event. It started at 9:30 in the morning and the unit did not pass the reviewing stands until 10:30 that night.

The harder of the parade-watching species think nothing of holding their hard-won places on the curb for a thirteen-hour stretch.

There were close to 800 bands in all, each followed by a contingent of marchers and preceded by the usual flags and banners. Here in the east most of the musical units were dressed in the Revolutionary War type of uniforms which looks trim and elegant.

Delegations from California and the west coast were few and far between.

Nisei Are Too Busy

There were only a very few Nisei marching in the parade or participating in the manifold Legion activities. I guess the most of them were too busy attending to other and important matters as the task of day-to-day existence.

Getting reestablished in their old jobs, trying to develop new businesses, finding suitable homes, or strengthening their home ties were more important to keep most of the Nisei vets home.

The parade itself was a magnificent sight, expertly handled and well organized. There were some 6,000 policemen along the line to march, supervising the lines of spectators and skillfully diverting traffic to other sections of the city. One enterprising gum company lowered down a couple of million gum wrappers at strategic points along buildings along Fifth avenue, falling confetti-like on the passing parade.

Vendors Are Right On the Job

As usual, the hustlers and hucksters were out in full force. They miss a trick. The ice cream and peanut hawkers did a land-o'-business. Souvenir salesmen darted in among the crowd to sell their wares. Seats in the main grandstand went for five dollars apiece and were gobbled up hours before parade-time. Some of the vendors with a quick eye for a stray dollar, gathered up dozens of tall, shabby hampers and sold them to short standees in the rear rows. As the parade was progressively over, their prices were proportionately graduated downward.

Gunners Out in Full Force

The merry-making, gag-loving element of the Legion haven't changed their format in years. There were the usual dice games on the intersections, the bags of water plopped down from hotel windows, the electric canes and suitcases that scared the daylight out of unwary passerby, and the hordes of self-appointed traffic cops blowing phoney whistles and snarling up traffic tighter than a drum. The water pistol brigade was out in full force, squirting streams of water on any well-turned calf that sauntered by. Of course, with longer skirts in fashion this year, the limited target area demanded more in the way of accuracy and control. More than one disgruntled miss carried her own water pistol as a matter of protection and retaliation.

One wild-eyed visitor carried a bucket on his shoulder and painted a red brush in his hand. He was making wild and frequent stabs at anyone and every one nearby, midst a wild accompaniment of shrieks and screams. The joke in this case being the bucket was empty and the brush was coated only with old, hardened paint.

Dozens of spontaneous parades started in all sections of the city. Somewhere there was a stray 40 & 8 locomotive or some musician with a drum or bugle. Pied Piper himself couldn't have had a more anxious following.

How, when, or where these legionnaires got their sleep, heaven only knows. I guess they must have slept it off on the train ride home. In the meantime they are going to rest up for next year's parade.

Vagaries

Protests . . .

The Midwest office of the JACL is protesting the denial of membership in the Chicago Society to an Issei physician whose son was a volunteer in the 442nd. The application was turned down on the ground that the applicant was "not a citizen." . . . A Nisei applicant for membership in a national organization of the cleaning and dyeing industry has been informed that the group, which has some 50,000 members, does not accept Japanese Americans because of the opposition of west coast members. The applicant, a Nisei war veteran, was informed that the organization's board might take up the restrictions at their next meeting but that the quota for members for 1947-48 already had been filled.

GI's Letters . . .

"Wear It Proudly," a book of letters by a Nisei at war, will be published by the University of California Press on Sept. 30. The author is William Shinji Tsuchida who served in France and Germany with the 71st Infantry Regiment. . . . "One Touch of Venus," the musical play which made ballet dancer Sono Osato a Broadway star, is being filmed by Universal International with Deanna Durbin in the role originally taken by Mary Martin. . . . There are a few fleeting shots of Nisei GIs and their Japanese girl brides in Tokyo in current releases of Universal-International and RKO-Pathé newsreels.

Foujita . . .

Tsuguharu Foujita's paintings are being shown in New York this week for the first time in 15 years. Foujita, whose bangs and horn-rimmed glasses were a popular sight along the Left Bank in the 1920s, is anxious to get back to Paris. Foujita enjoyed something of a rage in the Golden Twenties among American sophisticates and his art, usually drawings of cats or nudes, was widely reproduced in such magazines as *Vanity Fair*. Foujita toured America with his wife, a former French artists' model, in 1933, exhibiting and selling his paintings before going to Japan. In Nippon he commercialized his art for the East Asia Co-prosperity sphere and also made motion pictures which were designed to impress Americans with Japan's culture. Now Foujita will admit that he was mistaken and he wants to go back to the western world, and Paris in particular.

Book Review:

Iwao Kawakami's Poetry

THE MOTHER

(death beats a drum in my mother's throat—
the dark tide of pneumonia washes in)
you, whose firm fingers delivered a thousand babies
you, who was so hard of hearing
what do you whisper now?
—those nights when the phone jangled
when I pulled your sleepy father out of bed
when we tumbled into the silent streets
(the smell of lysol—in the hushed whiteness of the hospital
your face is a part of newly-carved statue)
—the dingy gaslit halls—cramped bedrooms—kettle steaming
on a two burner—father, hand me the forceps—even
though the soundless fog about me I hear the parturient
woman moaning, the spasmodic wail of a newborn child.
Remember me, mother, who overturned an oil stove
my brother tripping into a blazing sheet
—flames threatening my sons—smothering the fire with a
blanket—my face, my face
(removal of bandages and only a faint scar showing—
the husband breathes easier)
mother, you need more sleep—
you cannot forever walk away exhausted from the dawn
(who is Hippocrates? yours the eternal dictum unsaid)
—I am so tired the sewing needle sinks into the third wave
of sleep—this is my last year of work—this is the
resting on the edge of infinity
(only a cold at home—chills and fever—a light bulb begins
to dim)
Mother, I am here by your bed
(futile call in glacial darkness)
—now do I hear a thousand voices
voices shimmering on a beam of light
—now shall I follow the beckoning children
(pulse stopped beating at 2:32 a. m.; the body's dissolution
leaves ashes crumbling in the wind)
—Iwao Kawakami

THE PARENTS and other poems, by Iwao Kawakami. Printed by the Nichi Bei Times, San Francisco. \$2.00.

A California Nisei, Iwao Kawakami, has now published "The Parents and other poems," one of the few volumes of verse produced by the Nisei.

The content is varied, with the book itself being divided into three sections, one in free verse, the second in conventional verse forms, and the third consisting of translations from the Japanese haiku.

Kawakami draws poignant portraits of his family, of his mother in the poem printed above; of his father, who was an "artist who regarded himself as a failure;" and of his brother in "The Room." Nisei, perhaps, will be especially impressed by "The Paper," which describes the shooting of an old man by a sentry at the Topaz relocation center. The reader is led to wish that the poet had included more verse on these subjects with which the poet and his audience have common experience.

Kawakami shows versatility and competence in his handling of the many verse forms, and the subject matter is just as rich and varied.

Kawakami was born and educated in Berkeley and has been in newspaper work since 1928. He is married to Toyo Suyemoto, well-known Nisei poet.

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**A Chicago Sketch:
Knock on Any Bar Door**

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Chicago, Ill.

When life's situation becomes untenable and problems become too difficult to resolve, man seeks various avenues of escape. There are many forgotten and friendless men, shabby and unshaven, who drift aimlessly up and down Madison street or Clark street and who have repressed their past into the deep wells of their minds.

After being turned down for the seventh time for a Saturday night date, we decide to join these sad-eyed gentlemen of the streets.

The darkness of the night on near-North Clark is sympathetic and at once we lose our identity and wander along with men who also have lost the stars in their eyes. There are rows and rows of seedy-looking, tiny hotels. Interspersed between honky-tonks and old hotels are Japanese foodshops, which are lit to the wee hours of the night, catering to the ill-clothed wives and bachelors of the tenement area.

After walking up and down the street a couple of times, we pause under a flickering arlight on a dusty street corner. We screw up enough nerve to wade into a place called the "Casablanca," anticipating a Lauren Bacall draped over a piano.

Trails of blue smoke thread the dark room like a spider web, and men sit around a U-shaped bar drinking their stuff like poison in one hurried gulp, wiping their mouths with the back of their hands. Along with the usual quota of painted bar-flies, there are tired-looking factory girls who have come to forget the heaviness of their feet and heart. Nattily dressed men are perched on high chrome stools; a few are gigolos and pimps and some are business men who have come to watch the girls dance.

A delightfully plump lady with very fluffy blonde hair presents an interesting dance series which not only combines the freedom of the Martha Graham school and the estheticism of Ballet Russe but ventures into a daring interpretation of an old theme.

After the blonde lady has departed to her sanctity, retrieving her filamentous coverings on the way back, a huge Negro fellow with a big gentle smile entertains the motley crowd with a few ditties. He is so big that his guitar looks like a ukelele. His songs are sad and sympathetic, telling the men who are now crying in their beer that in each life, some rain must fall . . . but too much has fallen in theirs.

A meek-looking man stands at the cashier's counter and shoots dice for high stakes. His face is serious for he is losing money. But he stands there not betraying his plight; like Thurber's Walter Mitty, he is proud and disdainful, inscrutable and undefeated to the last.

We spy some Nisei in the booth. One of them talks with a red-head who has purplish lipstick on her mouth and long shiny black eyelashes. He looks like a guy who might have sweated out paychecks from the A and P warehouse hauling and heaving crates off and on

trucks. She whispers in his ear. He buys her a drink and they talk some more.

Beer chokes in our throat. We order ginger ale; it also chokes in our throat. We push the stuff aside and walk outside where the air is relatively clear, but the sad ditties that the big Negro fellow sang with his guitar still cling moistly to us like the smoky mist of the streets.

**Letter-Box
FROM OUR
READERS****Veteran's Answer**

August 26, 1947.

Editor, Pacific Citizen:

I think it is only fair that I be allowed to take sides on this problem of integration, and air freely my feelings concerning that sorry argument given by a Nisei veteran. In the first place, the guy who had the gall to write such tripe should have had the decency to sign his article, rather than make the Nisei veterans targets of another slur. By this action alone, I can plainly see why he condoned Japan-ism, for that backward culture is the cause of so much false pride and anti-social tendencies that are predominant with the Nisei.

Frankly, I do agree with you, Mr. Nisei Veteran, in that you are all wet and off the track. In reading your article, I have failed to find any substantial or sane ground on which you have based your argument. If you've nothing to offer in the way of a solution, why berate others for their valiant efforts? In failing to cite any virtues of that culture of which you are so fond, there is in its stead nothing but bitter criticism of an Americanism which is an all too small a fraction of our society to be of any cause for great alarm. True, our G.I. ambassadors of good-will have not met with the standards of your Japanese friends, but I find that Japanese culture has affected the Issei, Nisei and Kibei by instilling them with a haughtiness that relates each person as a son-of-heaven, and a descendant of a Samurai myth. This, we find is not compatible with our American culture. And too, the very discriminating attitude towards class and caste, which is also a part of our Japanese heritage, is playing its part in inhibiting the freedom of our people for integration.

In lauding our Oriental heritage, if you had stated your premises in regards to arts and literature, I might have agreed with you that it is humble. But even that need not depend on the support of us who are Americans. Let the future immigrants sip tea and dance the 'ondo,' I'll take a soda and a jukebox at my corner drug store any day.

Integration is not just an ideal. It is a goal which is real enough to be the motive and drive for our life on this earth. Like all other

**Sad Sam Ichinose Reports
Another Sad Experience**

LONDON, Eng.—Sad Sam Ichinose, manager of the Hawaiian fly-weight, Dado Marino, is even sadder than usual this week.

With Marino, who fights Rint Monaghan for the world's fly-weight title in London on Oct. 20, Ichinose took off by plane on Aug. 30 for Paris, first leg of a holiday in France and Italy.

When the party, including Tsuneshi Maruo, Tommy Blondin and Baldwin Okamoto, three other fighters from Hawaii who are managed by Ichinose, got to Paris, customs officials would not let them off the field because they lacked French visas. They had to take the return plane to London.

"Someone told me we didn't need French visas," Sad Sam Ichinose explained. "Boy, was that an expensive ride—\$240 and we're right back where we started."

They expected to try again later in the week—with French visas.

Ichinose charged here that Maruo, Japanese American veteran of the 442nd Combat Team and 1946 National AAU bantamweight champion, had been "robbed" twice in recent bouts by "home town" decisions.

"I hate to keep hollering 'robber' but here I go again," Ichinose said.

Ichinose previously had charged that Maruo had defeated Eddie McCullough in the latter's home town of Belfast, Ireland but had lost the decision. In his second fight in the British Isles Ichinose said Maruo lost an eight-round bout to Charlie Kerr of Glasgow at Kirkcaldy, about 45 miles from Glasgow.

great achievements, it is worthy of the efforts of each person, demanding a selflessness and socialization of our attitudes. Rather than preach or theorize on that point, let us look a moment at ourselves; the Nisei is guilty of making the Negro, Jewish and Mexican races the scape-goats for the ills they may have suffered. It is high time that you and I, and the whole of the Nisei population stop pitying ourselves, and practice a tolerance towards others, which, up to now, has been our battle-cry for freedom.

M.O., I am grateful that you have insight enough to realize the value and importance of integration. As for our opponent, I can only say that in presenting his own experience to augment his case, he has gone from one extreme of emotionalism to another, narrowing his views to national patriotism. He is in dire need of an integration within his own mind so that he may strike a happy medium. And what is the end result of this? Integration.

Ernest Uno,
Los Angeles.

"Non-partisan newspapers and fans agree with me that Ichinose should have won both decisions," Nisei fighter had won six of eight rounds in the Kerr fight.

Utah Wedding

Miss Shizuka Ikeda and Dr. William K. Sata were united in marriage Saturday, Aug. 30, in afternoon ceremony at University of Utah's Carlson hall, where bride has made her home for past two years. The Rev. Mr. Fred Stiernotte officiated.

The bride was attended by an Tanaka, maid of honor, Elsie Sata, bridesmaid, George maguchi was best man and Sata was usher.

The newlyweds left for York City the morning after wedding. Dr. Sata will intern at Montifore hospital in that city.

**Two Chicago Nisei
Leave for Okinawa**

CHICAGO — Two Nisei, Yoshida and Roy Kurotsuchi, among ten Chicago residents left recently aboard the U. S. Army Transport General Hase the U. S. base of the Ryuky Command at Okinawa.

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All-Hawaii Named
Most Popular Team
at Wichita Meet

WICHITA, Kan. — The All-Hawaii Stars, whose roster included players of Japanese ancestry, won the designation as most popular team in the 13th National Semi-Pro Baseball tournament which was concluded last week at the Fort Wayne, Ind., Hotel Electric. The All-Hawaii team, Coors nine to win the championship.

The Hawaiian team, which also won a team sportsmanship trophy, took sixth place in the tournament. Muramoto, centerfielder for the All-Hawaii, was cited by officials for the tournament's most spectacular play—one of several "possible" catches that marked performance for the Islanders. The tournament drew entries from 30 states.

The Hawaiian team won four games, defeating the Tucson, Ariz., team in their final victory. The team was losing to the Coors team in a double-elimination tourney. The defeat suffered by the Hawaiians was at the hands of the water, Calif., Packers. Les Webb, former Brooklyn Dodger, hit the Hawaiians on the head with a \$25,000 a year contract by the Cleveland Indians.

Sawtelle Garage Team Wins L. A. Bowling Tourney

LOS ANGELES—Sawtelle Garage won the team championship of the first postwar Los Angeles Nisei bowling tourney with a score of 2658 (842, 952, 864) on Labor day at the Vogue alleys. Nisei Rec Los Angeles was second with 2559, followed by Aihara Insurance 2559.

Shizawa of Sawtelle Garage won the all-events crown with 54 (532, 550, 612).

Shizawa's 612 took the men's singles, followed by Bill Honda of Lake with 595, George Yasuaki with 592 and Kaz Katayama 590.

Buster Komatsu and Kiyo Yano placed first in the men's doubles with 1170.

Mas Fujii won the women's singles with 475 while Chiyo Tashima and George Takeuchi 609 in the mixed doubles.

Mrs. Tashima and Tosh Sato scored 988 to win the women's doubles.

Kaz Meifu's 545 series was high in the Class B singles.

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Yonamine Carries Ball Only Once in Game with Dodgers

SAN FRANCISCO—Wally Yonamine, Hawaiian backfield ace with the San Francisco Forty-Niners, had little opportunity to display his triple-threat wares in his first league game with the Forty-Niners against the Brooklyn Dodgers on Aug. 31 at Kezar stadium.

Yonamine carried the ball once on a delayed buck and was held for no gain.

Hirose Swims On All-Star Relay Squad

Mitzi Higuchi Places
Second to Nancy Merki
In Honolulu Event

HONOLULU — Takashi (Halo) Hirose, Ohio State university swimming star from Hawaii, was a member of an all-star relay team which broke the American record in the 400-meter free-style during the second annual Keo Nakama invitational meet last week.

Hirose and his mates, Bill Smith, Wally Ris and Dick Weinberg, were clocked in 3:56.6s for the distance. The American record is 4:06.8s but the new mark will not be allowed because it was set by an all-star "pick-up" team.

Smith won the 400-meter free-style event in 4:48.6s, followed by Charles Oda and Robert Kumagai of the Hawaii Swim Club.

Hirose, Smith, Weinberg and Ris also won the 200-meter free-style relay in 1:42.7s.

Mitzi Higuchi, Nisei girl star, finished second to Nancy Merki of Portland in the 200-meter breast-stroke.

Hawaiian Queen

LOS ANGELES—Blanche Jikaku, queen of the recent 442nd Veterans carnival in Honolulu, extended the greetings of Hawaii's veterans of the 442nd Combat Team, to Mayor Fletcher Bowron at City Hall on Aug. 27.

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To Mr. and Mrs. Haruo Taketa a girl, Lea, on Aug. 16 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshitaka Murakami a girl, Karen Chisato, on Aug. 16 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Nobuo Mizota, Alviso, Calif., a boy, Milton Steven, on Aug. 17 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tsukaso Kumada a girl, Kathleen Crystal, on Aug. 18 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Sakata a boy on Aug. 18 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Ishida a girl on Aug. 18 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Tanaka, Vanport, Ore., a girl on Aug. 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazumasa K. Kikawa a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nakayama a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Tominaga a girl on Aug. 23 in Stockton, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hiro-nori Hirose twin girls in Aug. 15 in Stockton, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Matsui a girl on Aug. 19 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Miyoshi a girl on Aug. 10 in San Diego.

To Dr. and Mrs. Henry I. Sugiyama a boy on Aug. 21 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Shigeru Yamadera a girl on Aug. 9 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tadashi Tsukamoto, Florin, Calif., a girl on Aug. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Karasawa a boy on Aug. 26 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jiro Yamanaka a boy on Aug. 26 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noriyuki Yonemura, Burbank, Calif., a boy on Aug. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Setsuo Masaki, Torrance, Calif., a boy on Aug. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Yano a boy on Aug. 22 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Inafuku a girl on Aug. 22 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuma Hayashi a boy on Aug. 23 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hide Setoguchi, West Los Angeles, a boy on Aug. 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Will Hiroto a girl on Aug. 24 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tsutomu Yusa, Pasadena, Calif., a girl on Aug. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takawa Sada-hiro a boy on Aug. 21 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tatsuo Tanaka, Hawthorne, Calif., a boy on Aug. 18.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Andow a girl on Aug. 19 in Los Angeles.

DEATHS

Yoshio Kuwata, 16, on Sept. 3 in Brigham City, Utah. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Sakuoto Kuwata, and six brothers, Sam, Dick and Frank, Honeyville, Utah; Jimmy, Sacramento; Noble, Berkeley; and Toni, with the U. S. army in Japan. Death was due to a sinus infection.

MARRIAGES

Archie Sugioka of San Francisco to the Rev. Robert Gildner in Denver, Colo., on Aug. 21.

PC SPORTS

Bowling Champs

Los Angeles' Sawtelle Garage squad established themselves as the nation's top Nisei bowling team when they won their third straight open tournament at the Vogue alleys in Los Angeles on Labor Day. Previously the Sawtelle Garage five, bowling as the Los Angeles JACL team, beat the Intermountain champions, Okada Insurance, in the first National Nisei tournament at Salt Lake City. In this tourney the score posted by the Angelenos (the three Ishizawa brothers, Bowman Chung and Tad Yamada) topped the scores turned in by the best Nisei teams from Chicago, Denver, Seattle, Ontario, Ore., Boise Valley, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Ogden and Salt Lake. Recently the Los Angeles team went up to San Jose for the Northern California Nisei handicap tourney and took first place honors.

The bowling situation in Salt Lake City is indicative of Nisei interest in the sport. Three leagues are in prospect. The regular JACL winter league is expected to include fourteen teams, while a new "major league" is being organized as a traveling loop, bowling at the Temple, Ritz and K-B alleys. A women's league also will start play in a few weeks. In the Intermountain area bowling leagues also are being organized for fall play in Idaho Falls, Pocatello, Ogden and Ontario, Ore. An eight-team league will start play again in Denver.

Nakama Meet

It isn't often that an athlete will be honored by having an athletic event named in his honor but Ki-yoshi (Keo) Nakama, Hawaii's great swimming star, is a exception. Last year Nakama, who had just returned from Ohio State where he had captained the baseball team and starred on the national championship swimming squad, was refused service at Honolulu's snooty Outrigger Canoe club where he went as the guest of Bill Smith, Jr. The incident created considerable comment and the Outrigger club's policy of refusing admittance to persons of Oriental ancestry was condemned by the Honolulu board of supervisors and by various civic groups. Some weeks later Nakama, former National AAU champion in the 1500-meters free-style, was informed that he was considered ineligible for future amateur competition by the AAU because his post of physical education instructor at Farrington high school included the teaching of swimming.

As an expression of how Honolulu felt about one of her native sons, the Keo Nakama Invitational swimming tournament was sponsored last summer. Last week the second annual Keo Nakama swimming meet was held at Waikiki and drew nearly all of America's top men and women swimming stars, including members of the Ohio State and Michigan University teams and such feminine performers as Suzanne Zimmerman, Nancy Merki, Brenda Helser and Zoe Ann Alson. The Keo Nakama meet, now an annual affair, is established as one of the outstanding events on the national aquatic calendar.

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San Jose Nine Wins Northern California Title

BERKELEY, Calif. — The San Jose Zebras, unbeaten in league play this year, won the Northern California Nisei baseball league championship by defeating Richmond A. C., 9 to 8, on Aug. 31 at the San Pablo diamond.

The Zebras staved off a five-run Richmond rally in the ninth inning to preserve their unbeaten record.

Chi Akizuki, hard-hitting Zebra outfielder, was named the league's "most valuable" player. John Horio of the Zebras, with a record of ten straight victories on the mound, was named the leading pitcher in the league.

Mas Okuhara of Lodi won the batting championship with an average of .527. Sumito Horio of the Zebras finished the league season with a .522 average for second place.

Davis Comets Lose Two Games in Utah State Tournament

The all-Nisei Davis Comets lost their two games in the Utah state amateur baseball tournament at Derks Field in Salt Lake City on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1.

St. George, Utah defeated the Comets 20 to 5. In a consolation round match Plain City blanked the Nisei team, 5 to 0.

Serisawa Painting Shown at Fair

SACRAMENTO—An oil painting, "Girl in the Blue Jacket," by Sueo Serisawa of Los Angeles and New York was awarded honorable mention in the art show at the California state fair last week.

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Crowley Area Nisei Discuss JACL Chapter

CROWLEY, Colo.—A temporary JACL committee for the Crowley area in the Arkansas River valley was established at a meeting on Aug. 26 in the Crowley city hall.

A general meeting is being called for Nisei in the Crowley-Ordway-Olney Springs area on Sept. 10 at Crowley city hall to determine whether a JACL chapter or a JACL committee will be organized.

The preliminary meeting on Aug. 26 was attended by Roy Takeno, Tri-State regional representative of the JACL, and Z. Kanegaye and T. Kako of Denver.

Kat Akagi was elected chairman of the temporary committee.

Fresno Fellowship Slates Meeting Poses Problem

FRESNO, Calif. — The Rev. George Aki will be chairman and advisor of the September 7th meeting of the Fresno Christian Fellowship, which will feature the theme, "If I Were Chairman."

Taking part in the program will be Hiro Kusakai, Kiyo Sanbongi, Miyoko Masada, Yuri Matsumoto, Isosuke Kawai, Lois Kanagawa and Lillian Goto.

Nisei Injured In Bus Crash

STOCKTON, Calif.—Jan Shimizu, 23, Lathrop, Calif., was one of 25 passengers who were treated for injuries following the roaring head-on crash of a Greyhound bus and a heavy grape truck on the highway 12 miles south of Stockton on Aug. 27.

Four persons were killed in the accident.

Susumu Nakamura Will Head UC Language Course

BERKELEY, Calif.—Susumu W. Nakamura, former head of the U. S. Navy's Japanese language program at Boulder, Colo., will direct a full-time extension course in Japanese to be offered this fall by the University of California's Far Eastern and Russian language school.

Canada Commission Will Investigate Property Losses

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The government investigation of property losses suffered by Japanese Canadians as a result of the forced evacuation in 1942 will be initiated on October 1, Justice H. I. Bird of the British Columbia Appeals Court, head of the inquiry authorized by Parliament, declared this week.

Notes Race Problems



EDWARD ARNOLD, screen actor, said in San Francisco on Sept. 2 that "California faces grave problems in readjusting and housing Japanese Americans, absorbing large numbers of Negroes attracted by war industries and of assimilating displaced persons from Europe." Mr. Arnold was guest speaker at the San Francisco Council for Civic Unity's luncheon which opened its campaign for funds to support the organization's 1948 program on minority problems in housing, employment and civil rights. Urging community support of the Council for Civic Unity, Mr. Arnold declared: "National unity is based upon unity within the community." He lauded the Civic Unity group's three years of work on behalf of Japanese Americans and other California minority groups. Among the guests at the luncheon were Joe Grant Masaoka, Northern California director of the JACL, and Mari Sabusawa, chairman of the JACL's Midwest district council.

Install New Officers

OMAHA, Neb. — Installation of newly-elected officers of the Omaha JACL has been tentatively set for Sept. 27 or 28, according to K. Patrick Okura, chairman of the JACL organizing committee, this week.

The election was held on Sept. 5.

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Fresno Group Will Hold Discussion on Interracial Issues

FRESNO, Calif.—A panel discussion on interracial problems will feature the Sept. 19 meeting of the 20-40 Fellowship.

Four members of other racial groups will speak at the meeting which will be under the chairmanship of Chiaki Renge.

Yuri Matsumoto, Phoebe Ichinaga and Olive Ogawa will be in charge of refreshments.

A speaker from the district attorney's office will discuss current problems in the Fresno area at the Oct. 24 election meeting of the 20-40 fellowship. Seichi Mikami will be chairman.

Newly-elected officers will be installed at a dinner-dance scheduled for Nov. 21. Koko Yemoto and Harry Hiraoka will be co-chairmen.

The final meeting of the year will be held on Dec. 19. Julia Goto will be chairman of the fireside meeting while Helen Hasegawa will be in charge of music.

Fifty fellowship members enjoyed a swimming party and weenie bake at the Playmor pool in Pineale on Aug. 22.

Dr. Togasaki Leaves to Study At Harvard

SAN FRANCISCO—Winding up her term as San Francisco Chapter president for the past eight months, Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki this week left to study for a master's degree in public health at the Harvard Medical School.

Until her departure Dr. Togasaki was medical health officer with the California State Department of Public Health. Her duties included administration of the Emergency Maternal Infant Care Program as authorized by Congress under state supervision. She has been employed by the State since Dec. 2, 1946. Her Harvard studies are undertaken under a scholarship grant of the California State Health Department.

Prior to her employment with California Department of Public Health Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki was a captain in the United States Public Health Service and was in charge of five displaced persons UNRRA camps in Italy.

Upon the establishment of the first assembly center at Manzanar Dr. Togasaki was placed in charge of the public health program there. She was evacuated from Los Angeles, where she was a licensed physician-surgeon since 1935. She was also connected as a clinic physician at the Los Angeles County General Hospital.

Dr. Togasaki will make her home while attending school at 56 River St., Boston 8, Massachusetts.

Law Firm Seeks Nisei Addresses

SAN FRANCISCO — The law firm of Ferriter and Purcell, Mills Tower, San Francisco, is seeking the present addresses of Alice Haruye Nomura, formerly of Los Angeles and Torrance, Calif., and Kitty C. Yamashita, formerly of Oakland and Chicago.

Both are former employees of the state of California.

Chicago Report: Wide Midwest Support Given Claims Bill

By TATS KUSHIDA
ADC Director, Chicago Area
Behind the passage of HR 3999 the evacuation claims bill in the House of Representatives is a story of nation-wide participation by supporters of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee. This bill passed without a single dissenting vote is a clear indication of the full Congressional support that has been won for this measure by friends of the Japanese Americans.

The midwest office of the JACL ADC received excellent support for the ADC legislative program. Locally active members and friends of the ADC have done their part in expressing their views to their respective representatives in Congress.

In April, the City club of Chicago, a highly respected civic body, passed a resolution supporting several bills sponsored by the Chicago Oriental council, of which Eugenio M. Estacion is president. The Chicago Japanese American council is represented through three delegates in Mr. Estacion's newly founded organization, which also include representatives from the Filipino and Chinese communities in Chicago.

When H R 3999 was referred to the House rules committee because it would not be considered on the consent calendar (as it involved expenditures of more than \$1,000,000) John Leonard Eist, chairman of the Cook county Republican central committee wrote to Congressman Leo E. Allen, chairman of the rules committee.

"It seems to me a matter of justice that such a bill be given an opportunity to pass in this session of Congress," Mr. East wrote.

Congressman Allen's reply indicated that he anticipated that his committee would grant a rule on this legislation which would permit it to be brought before the House for consideration. Mr. East, in following up this action by the rules committee, contacted other congressmen from Illinois, requesting their favorable consideration of this legislation.

It has been reported that Congressman Robert J. Twyman of Chicago was the first congressman this session to urge passage of this bill on the floor of the House. In a letter to the judiciary subcommittee in charge of this measure Congressman Twyman said, "I am sure the majority of members of Congress would welcome an opportunity to vote favorably on this bill."

Two Nisei Lead Qualifiers in Seattle Salmon Derby

SEATTLE, Wash. — Two Nisei are among the three winners of outboard motors in the Seattle Times city salmon derby.

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