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Install Officers at Idaho Falls



(Top photo) President Hito Okada of the JACL is shown installing the new cabinet of the Intermountain JACL district council on Nov. 29 in Idaho Falls. The new officers are (left to right) Ken Uchida, chairman; Hero Shiozaki, vice-chairman; Alice Kasai, secretary; and Yukio Inouye, treasurer. Masao Satow, Dr. M. Randolph Sakada, Dr. T. T. Yatabe and Mayor Fanning of Idaho Falls are in the foreground with backs to the camera. The lower photo shows a portion of the 300 guests at the farewell banquet.—Photos by Shig Hoki.

Bodies of Nisei War Dead French Cemetery Will Not Be Returned Until Early 1948

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Bodies of Nisei soldier dead, buried in the United States military cemetery in Epinal, France, will not be returned to the United States for interment until early next year, William Hines, chief information specialist of the Department of the Army, indicated to the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee last week. The Epinal military cemetery, which contains the remains of a number of men of the 442nd Central Postal Directory, was killed during the Battle of Bruyeres, is being "closed" this month.

The remains of most of the war dead in the Italian theater are not to be returned until the summer of 1948, while those temporarily interred in the U. S. military cemetery at Castelfiorentino, the burial grounds of a great number of Nisei casualties, will not be returned until late next winter as recommended earlier by the JACL-ADC.

Wherever possible, Mr. Hines stated, Nisei soldiers will be taken upon to escort the caskets to the distribution centers to the places of final interment. A military escort will be furnished by the Army, who will be responsible for turning over the body to the next of kin regardless of the method of burial, whether it is a national cemetery, such as Arlington, or a great number of Nisei are buried to be interred, or a private plot.

A Nisei soldier dead who was killed in combat in Eu-

rope will be brought first to New York, transhipped to San Francisco, and then taken to Fort Shafter. Mr. Hines emphasized to the JACL-ADC that the next of kin will be given ample notification to make necessary arrangements for final burial rites.

Dr. Ikeda Reveals Need to Replenish Hospital Blood Banks

ST. PAUL, Minn.—The need for replenishing of blood bank supplies at the Miller and Ancker hospitals in St. Paul was told here this week by Dr. Kano Ikeda, pathologist at Miller hospital, who is in charge of the blood bank.

The past practice of calling donors to come to the bank when the transfusion is to take place and to examine the blood of each prospective donor is now out-moded, according to Dr. Ikeda.

The modern blood bank would like to have a steady, year-round stream of donors who give blood which is examined carefully so that no disease may be transmitted through it.

The blood is placed in glass jars, properly marked, in refrigerators.

Dr. Ikeda suggested that relatives of the patient given blood help replenish the blood in the bank. Many persons who have had blood transfusions and recover from their illness forget the obligation they have in keeping the blood bank supplied, he said.

FBI Hunts for Ex-GIs to Identify Tokyo Rose's Voice

WASHINGTON — The Federal Bureau of Investigation said on Dec. 3 it would like to get in touch with any Pacific war veterans who think they can identify the voice of "Tokyo Rose."

The Justice Department said it has information that six different English-speaking women made the "Tokyo Rose" propaganda broadcasts from Japan. Only one of the six is alleged to have been an American citizen, Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino.

Counsel Seeks Evidence to Aid Nisei GIs

Eight Men Face Trial in Tokyo on Murder Charge

TOKYO — Defense counsel for eight Nisei members of the American occupation forces who face a murder trial in the death of a Tokyo gangster in a brawl outside a dance hall on July 1 last week appealed for information which would help his clients.

Seven of the eight soldiers on trial are natives of Hawaii, while the eighth is from California.

They were arraigned recently on the charges and the trial was scheduled to start this week.

Vincent Esposito, counsel for the soldiers, said that at least three Nisei army veterans who were in Tokyo at the time of the killing and have knowledge of the affair have returned to Hawaii.

He asked them to write and cable him what they know of the incident. He also said that a search is being made for witnesses who can clear the eight soldiers.

Esposito said that the eight Nisei soldiers were "unwittingly involved in a grudge fight between two strong-arm members of politically powerful Japanese gangs."

Those arraigned were identified as Edward Okizaki, Los Angeles, and Klotto Nakamura, Edward Okazaki, Kiyoshi Tsukayama, Shigeru Arata, Masaharu Shimizu, Robert Tamura and Mitsuo Takaki, all of Honolulu.

Extend Deadline For Filing Canadian Property Loss Forms

TORONTO, Ont.—The deadline for the filing of property loss claims by evacuees of Japanese ancestry as a result of the 1942 evacuation was extended last week by Commissioner Bird to Dec. 31 for British Columbia and Jan. 15 for other provinces.

New Site for National JACL Offices Discussed by Board

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho—Preliminary discussion on the location of the national headquarters of the JACL after 1948 was opened at the meeting of the national board of the organization on Nov. 30 at the Rogers hotel.

It was pointed out that the JACL's national council would make the final decision on the question at the 1948 convention in Salt Lake City in August.

The national board will study the problem and will make recommendations to the council which is composed of delegates from each of the more than 50 chapters of the JACL.

Most of the opinions expressed at the meeting of the board favored the moving of the JACL headquarters to a city which is situated in an area with a large population of Japanese Americans so that the services of the organization may be available more readily to a larger group.

Masaoka Challenges Idaho's Citizens to Repeal Alien Land Law in Talk at IDC Meet

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho—A challenge to the citizens of Idaho to repeal their Alien Land law which restricts agricultural property ownership by aliens of Japanese ancestry was made by Mike M. Masaoka, national ADC director, at the final banquet of the JACL Intermountain District Council convention on Nov. 29.

Masaoka noted that Idaho has not enforced its Alien Land law but declared that its existence as a statute was a "loaded gun" of race discrimination.

Following Masaoka's address, an informal campaign was initiated to obtain repeal of the Alien Land law at the next session of the Idaho legislature.

Meeting in the Blue Room of the Rogers hotel, delegates to the Intermountain District Council convention adopted resolutions supporting legislation to eliminate race restrictions from the naturalization law and for the adjudication of business and property losses sustained by persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States as a result of the mass evacuation in 1942.

The convention also commended the report of the Presidents Committee on Civil Rights which called for immediate action toward the strengthening of civil liberties in the United States.

Other resolutions extended appreciation to the city of Idaho Falls for the courtesies extended to the JACL delegates and boosters during the convention. It was noted that the Idaho Falls Chamber of Commerce issued placards which were prominently displayed in the windows of stores and business houses and which carried the words: "Welcome Japanese Americans."

Ken Uchida, president of the Ogden JACL chapter, was elected chairman of the IDC, succeeding Shigeki Ushio of Murray, Utah. Other new officers who were elected were Joe Saito, Ontario, Ore., first vicepresident; Hero Shiozaki, Pocatello, second vicepresident; Yukio Inouye, Shelley, Idaho, treasurer, and Mrs. Alice

Kasai, Salt Lake City, secretary.

At the opening session on Nov. 28 at the Idaho Falls senior high school auditorium, speakers stressed that the sincerity of the United States in its advocacy of democracy was being measured throughout the world by the treatment accorded America's racial and religious minorities.

The theme of the speeches at the session was that race relations constituted America's outstanding postwar problem and one which had international ramifications.

"The whole world is looking at America, the citadel of democracy, to see how she handles her minorities," Mike M. Masaoka declared. "One of the most potent propaganda weapons of Communist Russia is its boast of fair treatment of all minorities, and the Russians are anxious to raise an accusing finger at America. This is a test of democracy. Let's proclaim our rights, achieve them, and make for a greater America."

Other speakers pointed out that two of the principal objectives of the national Japanese American Citizens organization are naturalization eligibility for parents of Nisei who are veteran residents of this country but barred from citizenship, and elimination of the alien land law. The land law prohibits aliens to purchase or hold property or pass it on to their American sons and daughters. Under this law, operative in some states, American Japanese soldiers serving overseas were being dispossessed of their property in their absence, speakers said.

Saburo Kido, Los Angeles, Calif., immediate past national president, underscoring the value of proclaiming and insisting upon fundamental rights accorded all groups in America, reported that the league had been successful in California in minimizing effect of the alien land law in that state.

"In a period when we must speak up for the great tenets of our great America, we must have some organization like the JACL for expressing and fighting for these rights. Our loyalty has been proved, but we must speak up for fair play and I am sure we will receive fair play," Mr. Kido declared.

The keynote address was delivered by George Inagaki, Venice, Calif., national first vice president and war veteran who saw action in the Saipan, Tinian and Okinawa campaigns.

"We have inherited an obligation from the many Japanese Americans who fought and failed to come back, and to those who fought and came back not to find rest, but more strife. They fought for a greater America and our JACL program, in pressing for the principles they fought for, is fulfilling this obligation bequeathed to us," Mr. Inagaki reported.

Inagaki said certain discriminatory measures in some laws tends to make "second class citizens" of Japanese Americans entitled to first class citizenship.

"I recall a sergeant friend of mine during the past war who volunteered for action at Leyte, soon after another intense campaign. He didn't have to go, but he went, and never came back."

"He desperately wanted to prove to the people back home at Hood River, Ore., that there was no place for discrimination in the American way of life," the war veteran stressed.

Yukio "Eke" Inouye, Shelley, general convention chairman, was master of ceremonies during the senior high school session which attracted some four hundred delegates and Idaho Falls residents. The meeting followed a trout dinner served at the Rogers hotel.

CANADA POLITICAL GROUP OPPOSES EVACUEE RETURN

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The Progressive-Conservative party is opposed to the return of persons of Japanese ancestry to the Pacific coast evacuated area in British Columbia, Howard Green, member of Parliament, told the student Progressive-Conservative club on Nov. 17 at the University of British Columbia.

Green said that the evacuees should never be permitted to return to their former homes, particularly to the fishing industry.

"If the Japs had landed here in 1942 they would have been led by the local Japanese just as they were at the other places they landed, and we don't want to give them another chance," Green said.

Los Angeles, San Francisco and Chicago were suggested by board members, while the possibility of establishing the national headquarters in Washington, D. C. also was viewed.

It was stated that the problem of available office space and housing for National JACL office personnel were two of the major factors which will be studied by members of the national board.

It was also noted that Intermountain delegates at the convention which was held in conjunction with the national board meeting expressed an interest in the possibility that the national office would be retained in Salt Lake City where it has been located since 1942. Prior to the evacuation, the headquarters were located at the Kinmon building in San Francisco which now houses the regional JACL office and the Booker T. Washington Center.

Election by Popular Ballot Will Select New President, Cabinet of National JACL

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho—The National JACL's first popular election of officers in 1948 is a major step toward the broadening of the base of participation in the policies and activities of the national organization for the individual chapter and associated members, Hito Okada, national president, declared during the meeting of the national board of the JACL in Idaho Falls last weekend.

A list of candidates for the national offices will be prepared by the nominations committee and a procedure will be established for the qualification of nominations from individuals and chapters.

Ballots will be mailed to active members.

Because the elections will be held before the 1948 national convention in Salt Lake City in August, the national board decided that all new officers will be invited to meet with the board prior to the convention in order that they may participate in the formulation of the policies and recommendations which will be made to the national council.

Mike M. Masaoka, national director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, discussed pending legislation in Washington and the ADC's immediate objectives.

Masaoka said that there appeared to be little chance that the evacuation claims commission bill, already passed by the House, will be considered by the Senate at the present special session. He expressed the hope that the two-man Senate committee of Senators Cooper and Magnuson which has been appointed to study the bill will hold hearings soon in order to facilitate early consideration of the bill when Congress reconvenes in January.

Much of the national board's attention was fixed on the budget which will be recommended for the coming year. Pending final approval a budget of approximately \$43,000 for the National JACL and \$97,000 for the Anti-Discrimination Committee was set up.

A committee was appointed to study the recommendation of the National JACL office staff meeting last August that legally resident aliens of Japanese ancestry be permitted to join and participate in the activities of the JACL.

The committee will submit its recommendations to the national council at the 1948 convention.

The possibility of a west coast attorney going to Japan to represent stranded Nisei in legal matters was also discussed. The national board recommended that the Tokyo office of the JACL would provide its information services to any American attorney in Tokyo.

The national board recommended that the Tri-State regional office of JACL-ADC be retained for the time being.

Masao W. Satow, acting national secretary, was instructed to tour California, visiting JACL chapters and assisting in the reactivation of new groups in January and early February.

Dr. M. Randolph Sakada and George Inagaki were appointed to a committee which will recommend the names of recipients of the JACL's awards for distinguished service to the organization.

At its preliminary meeting on Nov. 28 the board approved the suggestion of Mike M. Masaoka that CARE food and clothing packages be sent by the individual chapters to the citizens of Bruyeres, France who have set aside a plot of land for the JACL's memorial to the men of the 442nd Combat Team who rescued the "Lost Battalion."

Among the board members attending the session were Past Presidents Dr. T. T. Yatabe of Chicago and Saburo Kido of Los Angeles, President Okada, Vice-presidents George Inagaki of Venice, Calif. Dr. M. Randolph Sakada, Chicago, and William Yamauchi, Pocatello, Idaho; Kay Terashima, Salt Lake City, national treasurer, and Shigeki Ushio and Ken Uchida, retiring and newly-elected chairmen of the Intermountain District Council, respectively, and Frank Chuman, chairman of the Pacific Southwest district council.

National Campaign Opened To Outlaw Race Restrictions In American Bowling Group

DETROIT—The National Committee for Fair Play in Bowling, of which the National JACL is a participating member, this week asked Michigan's Governor Kim Sigler to refuse the American Bowling Congress use of the State Fairgrounds for tournaments until the ABC drops "its discriminatory regulations."

The ABC, which bars Negroes, Orientals and others not of Caucasian ancestry from sanctioned play, has announced plans to hold its 1948 national tournament at the Coliseum of the Fairgrounds in Detroit.

Mayor Hubert Humphrey of Minneapolis, committee chairman, and Betty Hicks, noted golfer who is vice-chairman, made the request in a letter to Gov. Sigler at Lansing.

They told the governor that if he permitted use by the ABC of state facilities supported by general taxation he would be giving "tacit approval to the discriminatory rules of the ABC."

"It would lend the prestige and authority of your administration to a practice which serves to under-

mine the fabric of civil rights and fair play you are pledged as a governor to defend," the Humphrey-Hicks letter said.

The letter was released in Detroit by William Oliver, co-director of the Fair Practices and Anti-Discrimination Department of the CIO United Auto Workers Union. The UAW group sponsored the formation of the National Committee for Fair Play in Bowling.

Hito Okada, national president of the JACL, is a member of the national committee of the fair play in bowling group.

Ouster of Chinese American Veteran Charged to ABC

All Non-Caucasians Barred from Entering ABC Tournament

The National Committee for Fair Play in Bowling, which charges the American Bowling Congress with discrimination against Americans of Japanese, Chinese, Hawaiian, Negro and Filipino ancestry, is building its campaign to outlaw racially restrictive practices in bowling around the case of Gim Wong, a Chinese American war veteran of Beloit, Wis.

Gim Wong, a veteran of the Battle of Leyte, returned from the Philippines after V-J day and entered two bowling leagues in his home town of Beloit. With other members of his teams in the UAW-CIO league and in the Yates American plant league in Beloit, Gim Wong sent his membership fee into the ABC headquarters in Milwaukee.

The ABC, according to a statement of the National Committee for Fair Play in Bowling, sent back a letter saying they were sorry but the rules stated that competition in ABC leagues was limited to "white males."

As a result of the Gim Wong case the United Auto Workers Union, CIO, instructed its Fair Practices and Anti-Discrimination de-

partment to initiate a campaign to "make the American Bowling Congress live up to its name."

The UAW announced that unless the ABC changes its policies regarding racial discrimination next year, no UAW members will take part in ABC leagues.

"Instead there are going to be CIO leagues all over the country," the announcement declared. These leagues will be open to all Americans regardless of race or ancestry.

Meanwhile, a campaign also is afoot to bring the matter of race discrimination before the Women's International Bowling Congress, the feminine counterpart of the ABC, which restricts participation to "white females."

Two years ago a Hawaiian team, including members of Japanese and Chinese ancestry, was refused the right to enter the WIBC tournament at Kansas City. Last year a Chinese American team was ousted from a WIBC league in Los Angeles. This team now is bowling in a Nisei league.

JACL Backs Move to Erase Bowling Bias

Satow Reports More Than 200 Teams on Mainland

Whole-hearted support of the campaign to eliminate race discrimination in bowling leagues was announced this week by Masao W. Satow, acting national secretary of the JACL, in Salt Lake City.

Mr. Satow declared that a preliminary survey indicates that there are more than 200 Japanese American bowling teams in the continental United States and an equal number in Hawaii.

Although the ABC's discriminatory rule is limited to the "continental United States" and Nisei participate in ABC tournaments in Hawaii, Japanese Americans and other non-Caucasian bowlers in Hawaii are not permitted to enter the national ABC tournament, Mr. Satow noted.

The JACL official stated that there are Nisei bowling leagues in New York, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, Denver, Salt Lake City, Portland, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Ontario, Spokane, Seattle, Portland, River, San Francisco, Sacramento, Oakland, Watsonville, San Jose, Fresno, Stockton, Los Angeles, Santa Ana and other cities.

Former Actress Succumbs in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES — Mrs. Kiyoko Kamiyama, known professionally as Chiyeko Mita when she starred at the Imperial theater in Tokyo, died on Nov. 30 of a cerebral hemorrhage. She was 62 years of age.

Born in Sendai, Japan, Mrs. Kamiyama was one of the stars of the Japanese stage, singing and acting in leading theaters. She came to the United States in 1912 and acted in Hollywood films.

Her husband, Sojin Kamiyama, was a star of the silent films. Mrs. Kamiyama appeared in "The Third Bagdad" and in many other films and was the screen's first Chinaman in "The Chinese Parrot" in 1928.

Mrs. Kamiyama is survived by her son in the United States and her husband and daughter who live in Japan.

Acceptance of Issei Group Into JACL Recommended By Eastern District Council

NEW YORK — Acceptance of Issei into JACL membership, subject to conditions as may be determined by the JACL national convention in 1948; stimulation of wider interest among the teen-age group in JACL objectives; and greater coordination in the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee's national fund raising campaign were recommended by the Eastern District Council, which wound up a successful two-day leadership training workshop at the McBurney YMCA in lower Manhattan last weekend. These three recommendations, along with several other resolutions on which decisions are expected shortly, will be forwarded to the national headquarters.

More than 45 persons, including seven delegates representing four chapters which constitute the JACL Eastern Council, and an observer from Boston, attended the discussion meetings. Five separate panels on membership, fund raising, community and legislative action, program planning, and public relations provided ample opportunity for the conferees to debate solutions to problems peculiar to the eastern seaboard chapters. Sam Ishikawa, Eastern regional director of the JACL ADC, in the closing address of the first Eastern workshop, expressed great personal satisfaction with the achievements and complimented those in attendance for their active and serious participation in the discussions. A luncheon and a dance on Nov. 29 marked the social phase of the two day affair.

The workshop was formally opened with an address of welcome by Thomas T. Hayashi, chairman of the EDC and president of the New York chapter, which was the host.

The four sessions yesterday included lively discussions on the following topics:

Membership, with Hiroshi Ueyehara, official delegate of the Philadelphia chapter, as moderator, and

L. E. Moore, boys work secretary of the McBurney YMCA, as the outside resource leader. Harold Horiuchi, president of the Washington chapter, and Miss Mitsu Takami, member of the local chapter, also served on the panel.

Fund raising: Sam Ishikawa served as moderator with Miss Clara Clayman, professional fund raiser, formerly with the children's bureau of the Bureau of Labor, and an ex-WRA worker, as outside resource leader. Serving on the panel with her were Ken Iseri of Washington, and Garry Oye of Philadelphia.

Community and Legislative action: Miss Ina Sugihara, member of the planning committee of the first Eastern District Workshop, acted as moderator, with Jules Cohen, Philadelphia lawyer and national coordinator of the National Community Relations Advisory Council, as outside resource speaker. Tets Iwasaki, ex-president of the Philadelphia chapter, and Ira Shimasaki of Washington, an official delegate, served on the panel.

Program Planning: Mrs. Grace Ueyehara served as moderator, with Wesley Marshall, membership secretary of the Harlem Branch of the YMCA, as resource leader. Toshi Miyazaki of New York also served on this panel.

The last discussion of the series was held on Nov. 30. The subject was on public relations. John Kitasako, well known Nisei journalist, served as moderator, while Miss Ethel Aaron, former public relations director of the China Aid Council, was the outside resource leader. Also serving on the panel were J. Everett Starr, assistant to the national advertising director of the National Realty Company, and Tosuke Yamasaki of the Washington JACL-ADC office staff.

The outside resource leaders, notably Mr. Cohen, who has had long experience with American Jewish problems, and Miss Aaron, repeat-

Boston Nisei Club Hears ADC Official

BOSTON—The need for a JACL organization in the New England area was stressed by Sam Ishikawa, eastern district director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, in a talk before 40 persons on Nov. 22.

He stressed the need for the Japanese Americans to associate with other minority groups if they desire to put their programs across. They emphasized that no single group can work alone. Miss Clayman voiced the opinion in the discussions brought out the need for liaison among the chapters and with the national headquarters.

The workshop which just closed was the first meeting which the leaders of the JACL Eastern District Council have held since its inauguration last summer. Philadelphia will be the site of the next meeting scheduled for spring. The official delegates to the workshop were: Seabrook Farms — Vernon Ichisaka; Washington JACL — Harold Horiuchi and Ira Shimasaki; Philadelphia JACL — Tetsuro Iwasaki and Hiroshi Ueyehara; New York — Thomas Hayashi and J. Everett Starr. Attending as an observer with a view to forming a JACL chapter in Boston was Harvey Aki, who is associated with an engineering firm in Boston.

Tom Hayashi, Harold Horiuchi and Hiroshi Ueyehara, during the business meeting which followed the last discussion session, were re-elected to the respective posts of chairman, vice chairman, and recording secretary of the Eastern District Council for the next year. Mitty Kimura and Miss Ina Sugihara were elected treasurer and publicity director, respectively.

Three Renunciants File Suits To Regain Citizenship Rights

CHICAGO EVACUEE GROUP OPERATES 800 BUSINESSES

CHICAGO—Over 800 businesses are now operated by Japanese Americans in Chicago, according to the 1948 Chicago Japanese American yearbook, which will be published by the first of the year by the Californians. The largest single group of businesses is in the hotel and boarding house trade, with dry cleaning businesses second.

The new directory reveals that over 100 Nisei clubs and organizations, including athletic groups, are functioning in the city.

The Nisei-Issei population of the city, the publishers state, is about 15,000. The exact number cannot be determined because of the "constant moving" of the Nisei population and "jockeying for better housing conditions."

West Los Angeles Reactivates JACL

WEST LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Reactivation of the West Los Angeles chapter of the JACL was accomplished at a meeting on Nov. 28 at the Community hall.

The chapter is the 14th JACL unit to be reestablished in Southern California.

An immediate house-to-house membership drive will be conducted in support of the JACL's legislative program.

Twenty-one persons signed the petition for reactivation of the chapter.

Sho Komai was chairman of the reactivation meeting.

Charge Coercion At Tule Lake Segregation Center

LOS ANGELES — Suits were filed in Federal district court Dec. 2 by Iwao and Kiyoshi Shigei and Hajime Kariya to regain citizenship rights which they renounced while residing in the Tule Lake segregation center in 1942.

The suits charged that the renunciations were carried out at Tule Lake under "coercion" by named Attorney General Tom Clark and William A. Carmichael, district director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Los Angeles, as defendants.

According to the suits, Iwao and Kiyoshi Shigei were born in Honolulu and were residing in Terminal Island, Calif., at the time of evacuation. Both are married American-born citizens and have two children.

The Shigeis were removed to the Manzanar relocation center from Terminal Island and later were transferred to the Tule Lake center. Kariya, born in the state of Washington, also is married to an American citizen and also is the father of two children.

Each of the plaintiffs has alleged they were forced to renounce their American citizenship under duress and because of fear of threats of bodily injury to themselves and members of their families while at Tule Lake.

The plaintiffs are being represented by A. L. Wirin, Fred C. Rand and Frank Chuman.

The attorneys recalled that recent decision by Judge Charles Cavanaugh of the Federal district court in Los Angeles reversed the renunciation declarations of Japanese American citizens when it was shown that the renunciations were made under duress.

Buddhists Plan First Post-war California Meet

State YBA Group
Reactivated at
Fresno Conference

LOS ANGELES — Preliminary plans are being formulated here for the first postwar convention of the California Young Buddhists League which will be held in Los Angeles next year.

The CYBL was officially reactivated at a meeting held recently in conjunction with the Central California Young Buddhists association meeting in Fresno.

At the reactivation meeting Dr. Muneoka of Los Angeles was elected temporary chairman.

Dr. Muneoka is the men's vice president of the Los Angeles YBA and is the religious editor of San Francisco's monthly publication. Other members of the temporary cabinet are Amy Nomi, Los Angeles, secretary and Tokuo Fujii, Sacramento, treasurer.

More than 30 delegates from the various YBA chapters in California and Arizona attended the reactivation meeting. Carl Sato of Mesa, Ariz., presided.

Uden Chapter Sets Installation Service

OGDEN, Utah — Ken Uchida, newly-elected president of the Uden JACL, and his cabinet will be installed in ceremonies Dec. 6 at the Utah Power auditorium.

Other officers are Haruko Kato, Yoshi Sato, vice presidents; T. Enomoto, treasurer; Rose Hashi and Mrs. Esther Takahashi, recording secretaries; and Watanabe, corresponding secretary.

Yutomu S. Ochi is the retiring president.

Chicago Dance

CHICAGO—A gala New Year's dance at the Ashland boulevard auditorium west ballroom has been announced by the Californians and Hawaiians organization, sponsored by Takehara and his orchestra.

Provide dance music, with the Hawaiians under Taigo Miyahara playing native music.

Tickets may be obtained from the sponsoring groups or at the door for four dollars per couple. The room is located at the corner of Ashland and Van Buren streets.

Largest Group of Stranded Nisei Return on Gen. Meigs

SAN FRANCISCO—The largest group of Japanese Americans returning from war-enforced duration visits to Japan came home last week on the General Meigs.

The group included 82 Nisei and 18 Issei.

Among the passengers was Masao Osono of Buenos Aires, first Argentine to pass through the city since 1941. He is bound for his home in Buenos Aires.

Among the Issei was Motojiro Mori of Fresno, who introduced the science of chick sexing in the United States. He formerly conducted a school in Fresno.

The returned Nisei and Issei are as follows:

CALIFORNIA

Yusako Matsumoto, 21; Tai Sato, 21; Tamiko Moriawaki, 23; Sumiko, 19, and Shogo Yamamoto, 17, San Francisco; Yone Ito, 17, Oakland; Reichi Uo, Eisei Kato, 19, San Mateo; Masayoshi, 11, Sadao, 11, and Kazuko Suto, 9, and Mitsuko Hashimoto, 25, Richmond; Taeko Kishii, 14, Concord; Junko Kami, 16, Coyote; Mitsuko Ito, 22, and Yasuko Ito, 17, Monterey; Masae May Ota, 17, Shohai Kogata, 18, and Nobuo, 19, 18, and George Yura, 15, Sacramento; Motojiro Hattori, 53, and Sumiye Ishigame, 22, Fresno; Mikio, 19, Yoshiharu, 17, Miyoko Yamamoto, 15, Dinara, Hisaye Fujinami, 23, Santa Ana; Mary Kawasaki, 28, Roy Aoki, 19, Shizuko Endo, 21, 13, and Yoshimichi Sumi, 16, San Francisco; 18, Shoji Fukui, Mrs. Noriko Hayashi, 25, Hideko Kashara, 17, Fumiye Ikeda, and Hideko Kiuchi, 22, Madiye

Baldwin Speaks at JACL Meet



Roger Baldwin, noted authority on civil rights, was the main speaker at the Nov. 23 meeting of the Philadelphia JACL. Mr. Baldwin, national director of the American Civil Liberties Union, is shown here with Jack Ozawa, acting president of the Philadelphia chapter.

Prominent Philadelphia Area Residents Join JACL Unit

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Twenty-three prominent Philadelphia citizens who aided in the Japanese American relocation program were installed as honorary members of the local JACL at ceremonies held at the Nov. 23 meeting of the chapter.

The new honorary members, who were installed by Bill Sasagawa, are as follows:

Blanche M. Nicola, executive director of the St. Martha's settlement house and member of the Philadelphia Committee on Japanese Americans.

Mrs. Elizabeth K. Young, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Mrs. Adair McRae Roberts, president of the board of the International Institute, and associate chairman of the Community Chest

nationalities consultants committee.

Mrs. Katherine M. C. Arnett, Women's International League and board member of the Philadelphia hostel.

Col. C. J. Harrold, executive director of the National Conference on Christians and Jews.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brinton, former directors of the Cincinnati hostel, presently with the George school.

Henry Scattergood, chairman of the Philadelphia Committee on Japanese-Americans, Germantown Friends school.

Benjamin R. Spraffkin, executive director of the Jewish Welfare Society and member of the Philadelphia Committee on Japanese Americans.

Marian Lantz, executive director, International Institute, and member of the Philadelphia Committee on Japanese Americans.

Henry C. Patterson, former relocation officer, War Relocation Authority.

Henry Bell, Jr., board member, Philadelphia hostel.

Lewis Barton, New Jersey agriculturalist.

Mrs. Margaret S. Nix, consultant, family division, Philadelphia Health and Welfare Council; and secretary of the Philadelphia Committee on Japanese Americans.

Pearl Buck, author and editor.

Richard J. Walsh, editor, United Nations World.

Maurice B. Fagan, executive director, Jewish Community Relations Council; acting director, Philadelphia Fellowship Commission and co-winner, 1947 Bok Philadelphia award for outstanding service to the city.

Dr. John W. Nason, president, Swarthmore college.

Dr. George A. Trowbridge, president, Philadelphia Friendship Commission.

Dr. and Mrs. E. W. J. Schmitt, former chairman, race relations committee, Philadelphia Council of Churches.

Mrs. Sadie T. M. Alexander, member of President Truman's Committee on Civil Rights; assistant Philadelphia city solicitor; and commissioner, Philadelphia Fellowship Commission.

Henry Lee Willett, board member, Philadelphia, hostel, and commissioner, Philadelphia Fellowship Commission.

Roger N. Baldwin, director of the American Civil Liberties Union, was the main speaker at the meeting.

Baldwin told of his interviews with General MacArthur and the Japanese emperor and stated that democratic government is being accepted by the people of Japan.

Jack Ozawa, acting president, presided. Mr. R. T. Ono translated Mr. Baldwin's talk into Japanese for the Issei guests.

Restrictive Covenants Force Nisei Into "Little Tokyo" Areas Says National JACL in Brief

WASHINGTON, D. C.—With the long-awaited restrictive covenants issue to be argued before the United States Supreme Court during the week of Dec. 8, the Japanese American Citizens League has joined the growing list of organizations urging the nation's highest tribunal to declare racial housing restrictions invalid.

A friend of the court brief in the case of Hurd vs. Hodge, one of a number involving persons of the Negro race which are scheduled to be heard by the Supreme Court justices, was filed with the Supreme Court on Dec. 1 by the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee on behalf of the National JACL.

The brief, prepared by the legal counsel for the JACL, Los Angeles attorneys A. L. Wirin, Saburo Kido and Fred Okrand, stressed the interest of the Japanese American Citizens League in the race covenants issue. It pointed out to the high court that while the JACL was "primarily concerned with assisting persons of Japanese ancestry—whose problems because of the evacuation program are necessarily varied and different from other racial groups—it sees only too well that discrimination or unfair treatment against any minority redounds to the detriment of all minorities and therefore to the nation as a whole."

The decision of the National JACL to enter the cases as "friend of the court" was made in accordance with the firm policy of the JACL to assist wherever it can in stamping out racial discrimination, the Washington office said. Though the cases to be argued directly concern the Negroes, the problem is the same for all minority groups. The 12-page brief attempts to call the court's attention to how harmful race restrictive covenants affect the American Japanese.

The argument in the brief emphasizes that the public policy of the United States is clearly against racial discrimination. And then, by citing numerous examples throughout the country whereby persons of Japanese ancestry have been deprived of the right to live in the homes of their choice because of the existence of race covenants, it is demonstrated that this policy has been violated by the courts of the land enforcing the covenants.

The brief referring to provisions in the Constitution and in other laws as well as in treaties to which the United States is a party, such as the United Nations Charter and the Act of Chapultepec, emphasizes that it is "crystal clear" that enforcement by the courts of land covenants based exclusively on race contravenes those laws and treaties as well as the Constitution. It adds that "it seems plain that when a court lends its arm to enforcement of covenants prohibiting persons from using their own land solely by reason of the accident of birth, they are acting diametrically contrary to these principles."

The forced segregation of the Japanese into racial ghettos and how the fact that being segregated was used against them at the time of their evacuation from the west coast is brought out by the brief, which points out that race restrictive covenants again are forcing the returned evacuee to "Little Tokyoize" himself. He is thus again placed in the position of being criticized for being "clannish" and "unassimilable."

Race covenants have worked innumerable hardships on returning American veterans of Japanese ancestry who fought for this country in the war for the ideal of ridding the world of the pernicious doctrine of the "Master Race." But, the brief goes on, the Nisei "finds that theory more prevalent in this country than ever before. But an even greater blow is for him to find an official arm of his government, the very courts themselves, aiding in and making possible the further spread and growth of this cancer."

The brief lists a number of cases in which veterans were unable to obtain necessary housing accommodations because of a restrictive covenant. It shows how areas in California by the use of restrictive covenants have prevented the evacuees from returning to their former homes. "Couple this experience with the restrictions placed by the Alien Land Law and we see a picture of an integral part of our population driven from desirable areas and pushed into cramped and overcrowded ghettos solely because of the accident of

Eleven Groups File Briefs in Covenants Case

Urge Court Verdict
Outlawing Practices
Of Housing Prejudice

WASHINGTON, D. C. — When the Japanese American Citizens League filed a brief amicus curiae in the Hurd versus Hodge restrictive covenants case to be heard by the Supreme Court on Dec. 10, it became the eleventh organization to enter a brief protesting racial deeds, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee learned today.

Counsel for the Hurd, the law firm of Houston, Houston and Hastie, disclosed that ten other organizations had already filed friend of the court briefs questioning the validity of restrictive covenants. Three others including the American Federation of Labor, were also expected to file briefs to back up the petitioners.

Those organizations which have filed are: The Congress of Industrial Organizations, American Veterans Committee, American Jewish Congress, National Lawyers Guild, American Indian Citizens League of California, St. Louis Civil Liberties Committee, and the American Jewish Committee which together with the B'nai Brith Anti-Defamation League, Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America, and Jewish Labor Committee entered a consolidated brief.

Joint Meeting

FRESNO, Calif. — The Rev. George Aki of Fresno was the main speaker at a recent joint meeting of the Fresno YPCF and the Livingston Young Peoples Christian Fellowship. Tom Nakashima was chairman for the devotional service.

Frank Shoji led the group in outdoor and indoor games.

their birth," the brief adds.

The brief notes that use of the word "ghettos" to describe the areas to which the Japanese and other minority groups are pushed because of the covenants are "not our own." The President's Committee on Civil Rights in its report had described these areas in just that term. It makes reference to reports appearing in the Pacific Citizen, to the Department of Interior's publication on the return of the Japanese Americans, "People in Motion" and to the testimony of Mike Masaoka, legislative director of the JACL ADC, before the President's Committee on Civil Rights as illustrations of the hardships created by the racial housing restrictions.

It concludes: "Originally punished because he was 'clannish,' 'unassimilated' and lived in concentrated areas—a situation to a large extent brought about by reason of the restrictive covenant — the Japanese found himself subject to the forced migration of the Evacuation. Returning therefrom and attempting to become assimilated, he found himself effectively kept out of area after area and tract after tract and forced back again into the 'Little Tokyos.' By reason of this he is once more criticized as being 'unassimilable.' To all this, the court enforcement of racial restrictive covenants has given aid and comfort. A clearer case of action that is contrary to our avowed public policy could hardly be found.

"We have passed laws condemning racial discrimination; we have signed treaties to the same effect; this court has struck down laws which accomplished such discrimination; this court should now, in the same view, prevent the courts of our land from violating that policy."

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EDITORIALS:

Health Facilities Limited

We borrow the title for this editorial from a pamphlet published by the health committee of the San Francisco Council for Civic Unity.

The lag between theory and practice in the matter of equal opportunity for all citizens is markedly clear in this committee's report on the health and medical facilities available to San Francisco's residents of minority ancestry.

The committee's findings are summarized by Dr. Ralph Arthur Reynolds, who says:

1. The problem of making hospital privileges or staff positions available to physicians of certain minority groups is, in the opinion of the committee, a serious one.

2. A large majority of private hospitals segregate racial minority patients in either private rooms or separate wards.

3. The burden of ill health found among residents of the slum and blighted districts of San Francisco is most heavily borne by the minority families.

The general health problems of the city have been heightened by war crowding and population increases. Twelve thousand San Francisco families are without dwellings of their own—most of these are doubled up with others. Forty to fifty thousand families live in substandard units. In regard to minority groups, population increases include a 700 percent increase in the Negro population (5,000 to 40,000) and a 50 percent increase in the Latin American group. (The Japanese American group, affected by the evacuation, was reduced from 6,000 in 1940 to 5,000 at the present time.)

These large population increases by minority group members are not absorbed by the city as a whole but by a few areas which are in the slum areas of the city. This situation, of course, is doubly enforced by low income status and the operation of racially restrictive covenants.

Because housing is basically a part of health conditions, the committee makes the following recommendations to improve housing conditions: expansion of low-rent public housing program; provision of low and moderate rental housing in redevelopment of blighted areas; opposition to the extension or enforcement of residential race restrictive covenants; and slum clearance.

The story of health facilities, as it relates more personally to the ill and diseased among minority groups, makes clearer the need for unlimited health facilities for all.

The Council for Civic Unity's health committee also found additional discouraging facts on the health status of the minority groups.

The city of San Francisco has one physician to every 475 persons, a gratifyingly high number. But in respect to minority groups, the figures are different. There is one Chinese physician to every 1,112 Chinese in San Francisco; one Japanese physician to every 1,680 Japanese; and one Negro physician to every 6,667 Negroes.

Negro physicians in the city are in an almost impossible situation with regard to hospital patients, for nearly every hospital denies them courtesy privileges. Only two hospitals allow them to treat patients in their buildings.

The small proportion of minority group physicians in ratio to population indicates that training facilities for the medical and nursing professions are limited, with respect to persons of these minority groups. Negro

medical students, the committee reports, have the greatest difficulty in obtaining medical training. Often Negroes are referred to schools away from the bay area because of the difficulty in obtaining admission to schools in the area. Of eleven nursing schools in the city, one accepts no minority trainees, two "strongly discourage" prospective minority group students, and one refuses admittance only to Negroes. At the same time one nursing school which does accept girls on the basis of qualification and without regard to ancestry reported that it handles minor problems of adjustment with a minimum of difficulty.

It should also be noted here that a poll of physicians in the city indicates that 92 percent believe that qualified physicians of all groups should have access to the facilities of one or more accredited hospitals; that 52 percent believe that there should be more doctors from each minority group; that 85 percent believe that facilities of non-profit or otherwise publicly supported hospitals should be available without limitation or segregation by reason of color, creed or ancestry.

The relationship of health to good citizenship cannot be overstressed. Overcrowding, illness and disease have bearing upon mental delinquency and moral delinquency.

The council's report on the health facilities of San Francisco, greatly limited with respect to minority group citizens, makes many positive recommendations to change "health facilities limited" to "health facilities unlimited."

Lessening Tension

Now that the problems of Japanese Americans have been removed from the area of emotions, mainly through the dissolution of an active opposition to the group on the Pacific coast, the possibilities for the favorable consideration of remedial legislation affecting persons of Japanese ancestry have increased in recent months.

It is to be noted that bipartisan support has been announced for the evacuee claims bill and the proposal for the removal of race restrictions in the naturalization law. This support ranges from such rock-ribbed Republicans like Rep. Fellows of Maine to such Democrats as Reps. Helen Gahagan Gahagan Douglas and Frank Havenner of California who still hold fast to their New Deal heritage. In addition, the statement of Rep. Norris Poulson that he was mistaken in his opposition to the Nisei during the war reflects the good will which the war service of Nisei GIs has brought the group. It may be recalled that Rep. Poulson was a member of a group of Coast congressmen who played hob with the WRA during the early days of war relocation. His admission, along with that of Los Angeles' Mayor Bowron, is to be saluted because it is not easy for a public official to admit that he has been mistaken.

Since congressmen are unusually sensitive to local public opinion, the fact that there has been no opposition expressed on the part of West Coast representatives to such measures as the evacuee claims bill is expressive of the change in public attitude in the area.

California's Loss

California's prejudice in employment and public service against citizens of Oriental ancestry is costing her hundreds of distinguished residents, in the opinion of the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California.

"Thousands of American citizens of Japanese ancestry will never return to the coast because they are being treated as equals elsewhere in the United States," the ACLU group's publication, the Open Forum, stated last week.

The Open Forum cited three examples: "A cum laude graduate of USC was compelled to earn his living at a vegetable stand. He is today the chief clerk of the Civil Service Commission of Cincinnati. In the same city Dr. (Makoto) Yamaguchi formerly of Los Angeles, is head of the health department. In Cleveland another evacuee who had been kept 'in his place' in California is now accountant for the Civil Service Commission. These and thousands of others are accepted for what they are—keen minded, well trained, efficient Americans. Their associates take democracy seriously."

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

Back Home with Two GIs

There are a lot of parallels in the stories of Bill Mauldin and Ben Kuroki.

Both came back from the war to find they were famous. Both came back to learn that the prizes of victory were not the shiny new world and blueberry pie that the adwriters had promised in the slick-paper magazines. Both found reaction and racism and became very angry and a little bitter. Both were disillusioned but they resolved to do something about it.

Mauldin and Kuroki returned from war along with millions of other GIs who felt the same way but Bill and Ben had access to popular mediums of public information and propaganda—the press, radio, the platform. Both felt a deep sense of responsibility to the men who would not return, men who had died in the mud of an Italian winter or in the numbing cold of a gunner's turret in the thin blue sky over Fortress Europe.

Neither had asked to be famous. Kuroki is a Nebraska farm boy who had volunteered for the Air Force on the day after Pearl Harbor because he thought it was the thing to do. A member of a Liberator crew, he had been in the invasion of North Africa and in the historic mass raid on Ploesti, had been forced down in enemy territory and interned by Franco in Spain, had tried to escape and failed and finally had been freed through the efforts of American authorities. All this before anyone in the States, outside his immediate family, had ever heard of his wartime record. Ben Kuroki came home in Dec. 1943, having completed his tour of duty, 25 heavy combat missions and then five more. He came home at a time when the Nisei desperately needed a hero, someone who would symbolize the Nisei GI in answer to the campaign of racist hysteria emanating from the west coast. The men of the 100th battalion were then in Italy in the battle for Cassino and the 442nd Combat Team was in maneuvers in the red clay hills of Mississippi and Louisiana.

The War Department, which had carried out the west coast evacuation, now was interested in fighting anti-Nisei sentiment, particularly because such activities directly affected Nisei soldiers. The War Department's publicists helped make Kuroki a Nisei symbol. Kuroki was featured on army-sponsored radio programs, many broadcast on national networks, like Millard Lampell's "The Boy from Nebraska" on Mutual. The army permitted Kuroki to accept an invitation to speak before the Commonwealth club of San Francisco. That speech, the first public address ever made by the Nisei sergeant, thrilled an audience of 800 San Francisco business and professional men and civic leaders. It was a turning point in the fight against the anti-Nisei racists. Ben went on to speak at relocation centers and volunteered again for combat, this time in the Pacific. He became a member of a crew of the top-secret B-29s and flew 28 combat missions in the Pacific.

When Ben Kuroki arrived in San Francisco a few weeks after V-J day, his only thought was to go home to Nebraska. Three days later, with hardly the chance for a haircut, he was on the stage of the Waldorf-Astoria auditorium in New York City. On the stage with him were a lot of brass and braid and a lot of civilian VIPs. There were Generals Marshall, Wainwright, and Chennault, Navy Captain Harold Stassen and Australia's Evatt and President Osmena of the Philippines. There was also one other enlisted man on the speaker's platform. That was the first time Ben met ex-Sergeant Bill Mauldin.

In his pictures Mauldin has an impish, elfin look which belies the power of his cartoonist's pen and the trenchant quality of his prose. Mauldin's book, "Up Front," is still the one book written by a GI which has brought to the people at home the life of the ordinary dogface at the front. His humor has purpose and his book has bite.

Mauldin had met the men of the 100th and the 442nd in Italy. He knew their story and when he came home and found that the Nisei were still meeting with discrimination, he used his pen and brush against the race-baiters.

Ben Kuroki told his story to an-

other ex-GI, Ralph G. Martin, who made it into a book, "The Boy from Nebraska," which Harper's published in 1946. Bill Mauldin wrote a foreword for the book in which he said that "in the case of Kuroki and the Nisei, any slob who makes disparaging remarks about American soldiers of Japanese descent is making a mistake—if anybody who knew the Nisei overseas is around."

Bill Mauldin elaborates on this in his new book, "Back Home," which was published last month by William Sloane Associates and was the Book-of-the-Month club's November selection. The book contains the two Mauldin cartoons of the Nisei, the one about the wounded veteran with the "Red Bull" patch who is shown a "No Japs Allowed" sign by a west coast bartender and the one about the profiteers who have taken over the fruit stand of a Nisei evacuee. The second cartoon has the caption: "Now—don't hafta worry about th' owner comin' back. He wuz killed in Italy."

Bill Mauldin notes that he had grown up in New Mexico and Arizona where he had heard some talk in his childhood about the "Japs" and the "Chinks" who would so cheaply and threatened the standard of living of the white men.

In "Back Home" Mauldin adds: "But if my other prejudices had just sort of disappeared, I became positively lyrical about the Japanese Americans. I saw a great deal of them in Italy where they had been formed into a battalion that fought with the 34th Division and into to full regiments that sort of free-lanced around doing heavy fighting for everybody. Some of the boys in those outfits were from the west coast, and some from Hawaii. . . . Except for facial characteristics, there was nothing to identify them with the soldiers who fought for the land of Hirohito."

"We all heard a lot about suicide attacks and thirty-mile marches performed, with a handful of them by the Imperial Japanese army. The Nisei in Italy didn't get it right, they raised hell just like any other American soldier. They liked to come to town on parade and make whoopee as much as anybody else, and they certainly wanted to survive the war as much as their fellow soldiers in other units. But when they were in the line they worked harder than anybody else because they wanted to prove something. They were willing to take extra chances and do extra jobs in hopes that a grateful nation would maybe give their families many of whom were in concentration camps formally known as 'location centers,' a few breaks that were long overdue. A lot of us were in Italy used to scratch our heads and wonder how we would feel if we were wearing the uniform of a country that mistreated our families. Most of us came to the conclusion that we would pretty damn sulky about it, but we marveled at those guys who didn't sulk but took a positive attitude about it and showed more character and guts per man than any ten of the rest of us. As far as the army in Italy was concerned, the Nisei could do no wrong. We were proud to be wearing the same uniform."

Ben Kuroki, following the publication of his biography, undertook several speaking tours for the eastern office of the JACL and for the East-West Association. Last June he enrolled in journalism at the University of Nebraska. Like Mauldin, will continue to speak out and fight against the racism which threaten the civil liberties of the Nisei and other Americans.

The stories of these two ex-GIs provide an affirmation of a fighting faith in the basic principles of a democratic culture.

Takasugi Elected Ventura President

OXNARD, Calif.—Nao Takasugi was elected president of the Ventura JACL at the election meeting on Nov. 21 at the Nisei Methodist church.

Other new officers are: T. Otani, vice pres.; Alico Kikuchi, sec.; Tadashi Tokiyama, treasurer; Masako Moriaki, auditor; Min Sakata and Seichi Mochizuki, sergeants-at-arms.

Actor Attends Chicago Dance



Actor John Forsythe was the guest of honor at the Chicago JACL's second annual inaugural ball on Nov. 22 at the Sherman hotel. Mr. Forsythe who has a leading role in Arthur Miller's Pulitzer prize play, "All My Sons," now playing in Chicago, is shown discussing the drama with (left to right) William R. Simms, Mike Hagiwara, Mari Sabusawa, president of the Chicago chapter for 1948, Roxie Takehara and Jack Nakagawa.

—Photo by Masaji Morita.

MINORITY WEEK

Beulah

The radio show, "Beulah," is finally going in for a little long-played realism. In times past the starring role of Beulah, a Negro maid, has always been played by a non-Negro male. This week "Beulah" went on for the first time with a Negro woman, screen star Hattie McDaniel, in the starring role.

While the role of Beulah comes pretty close to representing the stereotyped Negro maid so distasteful to many people, the show does mark a definite advance in the status of Negro actors. "Beulah" will be the first sponsored radio show starring a Negro.

Hattie McDaniel's first performance went on with the mixed blessings of Thomas L. Griffith, Los Angeles NAACP president, who declared that Miss McDaniel's role "may be catalogued as the beginning of Negro actors playing leading parts."

Almost Unanimous

Ninety-five percent of the student body at Cornell university voted in favor of having Negro teachers on the faculty. Seventy percent of the heads of departments at the university also voted in favor of Negro teachers, but expressed the old bogey that "other teachers and alumni might object." It's getting obvious that in the field of race relations, one objection is worth a dozen approvals.

This Week's Quote

"When segregation of one race receives social approval, the practice is extended to other races. When it receives judicial blessing, it ripens into a political institution. This is precisely what is happening in America today."—Charles Abrams, counsel, New York City Housing authority.

Equal Education

Mexican American school children in four Texas school districts have filed suit in federal district court asking for equal nonsegregated schools for all children in the state, temporary and permanent injunctions against segregation and damages of \$10,000 each (for 20 defendants).

The damages are asked for failure of the school districts to provide educational recreational and health facilities equal to those for white school children.

Hope for First Americans

There's reason to hope that the Navajo Indians of New Mexico and Arizona will get sufficient aid to see them through the winter. These American Indians, whose near-starvation plight has finally been brought to the attention of the country, are now getting aid from the American Friends Service committee and other private organizations.

Meanwhile a recommendation that Congress appropriate \$2,000,000 immediately to aid the Navajos has been made by congressional committee that investigated conditions among the Indians in October.

The committee also made long-range recommendations, including: employment of at least 12 persons, preferably Navajos, to be trained off-reservation labor-management relations to encourage employment of Navajo Indians outside the reservation; the addition of 20,000 acres of 16,750,000 acres of grazing land available to the Navajos for agriculture; immediate construction on additional school facilities, including roads to the schools; supplement funds for needy children, the aged and the unemployables; institution of a health education program, followed by building up of medical facilities.

The committee also suggested re-seeding of the range and soil erosion control.

The American Friends Service committee, in its own survey conducted by Howard G. Taylor, Jr., found that the average annual income of the Navajos is \$81.89 and that 16,000 children have no school facilities, despite a treaty with the government that promised that adequate facilities and teacher would be furnished.

The city of Portland is aroused over news that Carol Brice, Negro concert singer, who was invited to sing with the Portland symphony orchestra, was refused service in two restaurants.

Bill Mauldin in Words

I remember having a conversation with a Negro reporter from a Harlem newspaper, in the course of which I used the unfortunate word tolerance. "Damn it," he exploded, "I don't want to be tolerated!" So I looked up the word "tolerate" in the dictionary, and discovered that when you tolerate people you are overlooking the fact that they might be unpleasant. I got his point.—Bill Mauldin in "Back Home."

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Something to Remember

Tomorrow happens to be Sunday, Dec. 7. Has a familiar ring about it, hasn't it. Even after six years.

A lot of good Joes went away to avenge what President Roosevelt called a day of infamy, and they didn't come home. Let's remember that.

Five years ago this week scientists working under the direction of Enrico Fermi made history's first atomic pile work in a demonstration on the athletic field of the University of Chicago.

Now the United States is developing a super secret testing ground for atomic weapons on the mid-Pacific atoll of Eniwetok. The step, the authorities explain, is a natural and inevitable result of Russian refusal to agree to measures controlling atomic warfare.

Eniwetok came under Japanese mandate after World War I, and soon it disappeared behind a curtain of secrecy. American marines captured it in 1944 after a six-day battle. Now it becomes a No-Man's land once more.

Nisei Jobs in Denver

As an aftermath of Denver's investigation of racial and religious discrimination, it has been brought out that Nisei are employed in a variety of state and federal jobs. There are Nisei, for instance, in both state and federal revenue departments, in the offices of the state water commission, in the local offices of the federal crop reports and livestock marketing research divisions.

Some months ago when the power and light company was seeking a renewal of its franchise a vigorous attempt was made to get the vote of minority groups. When a Negro leader protested that his people were not being employed by the company, even as menials, an official put his foot into his mouth by asserting that white women did not feel safe in close proximity to Negro men. The campaign came to a jarring halt.

Since then the company has employed a number of individuals from minority groups, among them a Nisei girl.

And if you're interested, Red Fenwick, the Denver Post's roving reporter, brings word that an

Vagaries

Loyalty Cases . . .

There are no Nisei involved in the present State Department "loyalty" cases in Washington, although at least two Nisei employees resigned Federal jobs in recent weeks. One Nisei was cleared for U. S. government work in Tokyo but was not cleared for work in Washington, D.C. . . . Meanwhile, at least one Nisei has been suspended from a teaching job in Hawaii in the territory's present anti-Communist campaign.

Comment . . .

First comment of Col. Robert R. McCormick, publisher of the Chicago Tribune and leading booster for the candidacy of Gen. MacArthur as the GOP candidate in 1948, on his recent visit to Japan was that the Japanese were much smaller physically than the Nisei he had seen in Chicago . . . Speaking of MacArthur, Teruo Mukoyama of Chicago last week had a long interview with the general. According to Mukoyama, persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States have contributed \$300,000 worth of supplies for relief purposes in Japan. Mukoyama credits MacArthur and SCAP (Supreme Command of the Allied Powers) in Japan with the "profound respect" now accorded by Japanese nationals toward Nisei soldiers and civilians in Japan.

Clark's List . . .

All of the "Japanese" organizations listed in 1943 on Attorney General Tom Clark's list of subversive groups and which were included in the list announced by the Justice Department this week are defunct. None of the groups, which included the Heimushakai, the Japanese Associations, the Sokoku-kai and the Suiko-Sha, have been active since the outbreak of war. None have been revived since V-J day. The list was made public by Clark in connection with the loyalty investigation of government employees.

Senator Tom Stewart, author of the "concentration camp" bill in 1943 which would have authorized the War Department to seize and intern any American citizen of Japanese ancestry for the duration of the war, probably will not run for reelection. It's reported that Stewart probably won't be put up again by the powerful Crump machine in Tennessee.

attractive Nisei girl is stationed in federal service at the Window Rock, Ariz., Navajo Indian agency.

Nisei on U. S. Payrolls

The number of Nisei now in federal employment is, no doubt, considerably under the wartime peak. A large percentage of those still on the federal payroll may be considered career civil service employees, members of the great, anonymous bureaucracy needed for government's manifold functions and services.

In the few years preceding war's outbreak more and more Nisei were turning to federal and state jobs as they found the doors to west coast private employment hard to open.

Civil service held pretty closely to the theory that an employee would be judged by ability and performance rather than on the basis of who his ancestors happened to be, a decided break for prejudice-plagued Nisei.

Since the evacuation, other Nisei with ability, training and perseverance have been making careers for themselves with non-Nisei employers in virtually every state and industry east of the Sierras . . . What they are doing is spectacular in no way except that each is chiseling a tiny crack in the crumbling wall of American racial discrimination.

We've been bothered by a persistent woman who calls every few nights to solicit our business for the cleaning establishment she represents. Our protests that our present cleaner is providing thoroughly satisfactory service apparently makes no difference to her.

The other night the wife succumbed to persistence and admitted there was a summer coat and a pair of trousers on which they might operate. Fine, fine. They'd be up tomorrow.

But the cleaner never did show up. Now we're waiting for that woman to call again so we can tell her off.

Had any home-made apple pie lately? We're hankering for some, hot with cheese. That combination is hard to beat of a winter night.

Kimi Ishihara of Seattle and now of Nampa, Idaho, makes marvelous apple pie. She ought to run a pie-making course for brides. It'd help cinch the matrimonial ties.

Definition of Americanism Is One of Issues of Day

By KOJI ARIYOSHI

New York City.

Is Americanism the acceptance of the status quo? Of America as we find it today?

Is Americanism the struggle to attain all rights and privileges guaranteed in our constitution for all Americans, regardless of race, creed or color?

What is American? What is un-American.

Is it un-American to fight race bigotry and discrimination through such films as "Crossfire" which combats anti-Semitism?

Or is it American for a Hollywood film magnate to release and blacklist the courageous producer and director of such a film?

Is it un-American for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to "by-pass" Congress and President Truman in appealing to the United Nations to give "Freedom" to 13 million American Negroes? Or is it American to continually deny full democratic rights to our Negro people, even by the use of force and violence of lynch mobs?

Is it American for the Freedom Train which is a rolling show window of American democracy to by-pass Memphis, Tenn., or Hattiesburg, Miss.? Or is it un-American to let Negroes and whites of these cities to view together, without segregation, the wonderful display of our great democratic tradition?

Is it American for members of the Glendale American Legion Post 127 to raid a Democratic club meeting? Is it American for "super-patriots" and their misguided followers to disrupt and break up political campaign meetings in New Jersey? Or is it un-American for those who were molested to continue holding meetings in securing the "right of assembly"?

Was it American to uproot 110,000 of us and expel us from the West Coast in 1942 without the benefit of hearing or trial when courts were operating, on the pretext that we were "potentially dangerous"? Was it American for those responsible for our expulsion to do everything possible in keeping us from returning to the West Coast after the "ban" was lifted, even by the use of vigilante actions? Or was it un-American for our Caucasian friends to fight for our right to return home?

Yes, what is Americanism and what is un-Americanism?

If Americanism is conformity to status quo, it means in the eyes of those who officially define it for us, for example Rankin—that the Ku Klux Klan is American, that the Native Sons of the Golden West is a noble embodiment of Americanism.

It also means then that the Ne-

gro people will be denied franchise rights; that Negro lynching will continue. It means that restrictive covenants will deny Negroes, Jews, Japanese, Chinese, Filipinos, Koreans and others the right to live wherever they choose.

It means we cannot criticize and participate in our government but say "Yes" to whatever it does, whether it be sending arms and military advisers abroad to kill innocent people, or say "Yes" to loyalty purges, doing away with OPA and crushing of trade unions through the Taft-Hartley Law. It can go to the extreme when we must say "Yes" to Rep. Charles K. Fletcher (R., Calif.) when he states, as he did at a recent Congressional housing hearing, that, "It is positively un-American for so many people to want so many things they cannot have."

Fortunately, Americanism is not conformity — the blind, uncritical acceptance of our status in this nation. Americanism is the bringing to fruition of all constitutional rights. It means more. It means the fight to change bad and discriminatory laws to good and democratic laws. It means, for instance, the giving of citizenship to Japanese immigrants, our parents.

Was it not the United States, after it annexed Hawaii, which freed thousands of Japanese immigrants from contract labor on Hawaiian sugar plantations, a form of slavery that subjected some of our parents to harsh exploitation?

Americanism goes forward, although haltingly at times like these. Loyalty purges and un-American Committee investigations must not only make us bow our heads in shame but we must learn to fight this great plague and fight well. It was this kind of un-Americanism that marked us "potentially dangerous" and banished us from the West Coast. No one or group need suffer, in whatever way, as we did.

Only the constant, concerted struggle of all minorities, a truly great segment of our nation, will make Americanism grow. Someday it will truly blossom.

Army Veteran Accepted by Paris Sculpture School

CHICAGO—George Tajiri, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, will leave for Europe next year to study at the Zadkin School of Sculpture and Drawing in Paris.

Tajiri, who was wounded in Italy, has been attending the Chicago Art Institute.

He had his first "one-man show" of paintings while at the Poston relocation center. He is expected to work on sculptures at the school in Paris.

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Survey Discloses Limitation In Health Facilities for Minorities in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO—Revealing that the heavy burden of ill health found among San Franciscans in slum and blighted districts of the city is borne disproportionately by Japanese Americans and other racial minority families, a report on health facilities and services in San Francisco was made public today by Daniel E. Koshland, president of the Council for Civic Unity.

The report, titled "Health Facilities Limited," represents the findings of the Council's Health Committee, headed by Mrs. Robert McWilliams, after an extensive survey of local conditions which was carried on over many months.

Main committee findings are:

1. "A large majority of our private hospitals segregate racial minority patients..."

2. Most of San Francisco's Negro physicians have no accredited hospital facilities at their disposal for care of patients. This means that when their patients require hospitalization, they must be turned over to white doctors who have hospital privileges.

3. Ninety-two per cent of physicians responding to a special Council poll believe that "Qualified physicians of all groups should have access to the facilities of one or more accredited hospitals."

4. Although medical training facilities in the Bay Area are so limited that large numbers of applicants must be rejected each year, Negro students seem to have the greatest difficulty obtaining such training. (Only two are currently enrolled in medical schools here.)

5. Our overcrowded and blighted areas are "a constant health menace to the whole city" as well as to the people living in these areas.

"We found widespread agreement among people working on health problems," said Mrs. McWilliams, "that whatever measures may be taken to improve the general health level, progress will be seriously limited if the desperate housing situation continues unchanged."

The report, replete with charts and tables, discloses many startling facts. Referring to the burden of ill health resting on minority group residents, it points out that the greater number of them are forced to live in slum and blighted areas by low income status or by the operation of race restrictive residential covenants in other sections.

Four major housing recommendations are offered:

1. Expansion of the low-rent public housing program.

2. Provision of low and moderate rental housing in redevelopment of blighted areas.

3. Opposition to the extension or enforcement of residential race restrictive covenants.

4. Slum clearance.

With regard to hospital bed shortages and limitations in professional medical services and training, the Committee recommends:

1. Cessation of all segregation of patients by race or color.

2. Expansion of Bay Area training facilities for the medical and nursing professions, and admittance of students at all times on the basis of qualifications, without regard to race, color, or creed.

3. Further consideration by hospital governing bodies of the need to grant hospital privileges to minority physicians, and, at least until the present critical

shortage of hospital beds is eased, "extension of courtesy privileges to all qualified physicians regardless of race, creed, or color."

4. Immediate steps to provide more hospital beds, particularly in large general hospitals.

"Drawing color lines in hospital care is not only undemocratic," states Mrs. McWilliams, "it is offensive to any true scientist and it is downright inefficient. No such inefficiencies in operation can be condoned at a time when every bed is urgently needed."

The Committee found further that the County Medical Society officially states that there are no racial or religious qualifications for admittance. The County Nurses Association made no reply to the Committee's inquiries.

The Committee's special poll of physicians revealed also that a majority of respondents felt there should be more doctors and more nurses from each minority group. Eighty-five per cent stated that "facilities of non-profit or otherwise publicly supported hospitals should be available without limitation of segregation by reason of color, creed, or ancestry."

Members of the CCU Health Committee which conducted the study are Mrs. Robert McWilliams, Chairman, Drs. Ralph A. Reynolds, Yoshiye Togasaki, Rodney Yoell, Theodore C. Lee, Rev. Bruno Drescher, Mrs. H. R. Braden, Mrs. Frank Gerbode, Seaton W. Manning, Robert C. L. George, staff research assistant, and Edward Howden, CCU Executive Director.

The report noted that "the number of physicians per capita in the various minority groups is strikingly low."

It pointed out in the total population of San Francisco there is one physician to every 475 people.

"But, so far as the minorities are concerned, we find one Chinese physician to every 1,112 Chinese in San Francisco; one Japanese physician to every 1,680 Japanese; one Negro physician to every 6,667 Negroes, and no practicing Filipino physician," the report said.

The report listed three physicians of Japanese ancestry in the city, in addition to one Nisei interne.

(At the time of the evacuation in 1941 five physicians of Japanese ancestry were in practice in San Francisco.)

Hits 1055 Game

LOS ANGELES — The Frank's Auto team laid claim this week to the highest single scratch game hit by a Nisei bowling team this season, a 1055 in a 2815 scratch series.

The team, leading the Nisei Minor League at Vogue Alleys, came up with the following scores for the high game total: Willie Hiroto 203, Frank Uyeda 187, Yoi Nomura 216, Ichi Kaminaka 202 and Tad Yamada 247.

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Tenans Back ADC

DENVER—Enthusiastic support of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee's program in Washington by persons of Japanese ancestry in San Antonio, Houston and San Benito was reported by Jinzo Noda who returned last week from a business trip to Texas.

It was reported that a delegation from the Tri-State Issei naturalization group will accompany Roy Takeno, local director of JACL-ADC, on a forthcoming trip to Texas areas.

Philadelphia Nisei Aid Chest Campaign

PHILADELPHIA — Two Nisei organizations, Club 20 Jesters and JACL, are helping the Philadelphia Community Chest reach its goal, it was reported here. Both groups are active members of the Red Feather Nationalities Consultants Committee.

Club 20 Jesters sponsored a Community Chest Benefit Dance on October 18, 1947. Proceeds of \$50 were turned over to the Chest.

The Philadelphia JACL Chapter wrote letters in English and Japanese to all Japanese and Nisei in the Philadelphia area, requesting Red feather gifts. On Nov. 28, JACL had turned in \$114.

These contributions to the Chest were supplementary to the gifts which the Philadelphia Japanese Americans are giving through their employers' campaigns and through solicitors who come to their homes.

Two Nisei Players Perform with Utah State Champions

Two Nisei are members of the Jordan high school Beetdiggers who concluded an unbeaten, untied season by defeating Logan high, 20 to 6, on Nov. 15 at the University of Utah stadium to win the state high school class A championship.

The Jordan team was unscored upon in regular season play.

Kay Hirashi at halfback and Roy Ajioka, guard, are members of the championship squad.

Two Nisei were also on the squads which entered the finals of the state Class A high school championships. Ted Hideshima is an end on the championship Lincoln squad from Orem, Utah, while Kojami Masuri is a guard on the Cyprus high team from Magna.

Ellis Community Center Group Enjoys Social

CHICAGO—The regular weekly work camp group of the Ellis Community Center, 4430 South Ellis Ave., spent an evening of social following on Nov. 28.

Putting aside their slacks and overalls, members of the group who have volunteered their time to help redecorate the center spent an evening of games under the leadership of Mary Matsumoto, program director of the center.

Among those participating were the Rev. and Mrs. George Nishimoto, Hiroshi Nakamura, Florence Numajiri, Goro Takeshita, Tei Nakamura, Grace Sayegusa, Etsu Nakahara, Margaret Nakahara, Ruth Yamada, Shinobu Kusumoto, Hagiyo Teramoto, Mickie Ogawara, Misao Shiratsuki, Martha Yamasaki, Kim Yamasaki, Kiyoshi Yashimura, Tama Yoshimura, Jerry Sowa and Tad Sumida.

Three Nisei Play On Elk Grove Team

ELK GROVE, Calif. — Don Tsutsui, Dave Kawamura and Hiro Yamamura are members of the Elk Grove high school varsity which won the Sacramento County League football championship this season.

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Interior British Columbia Areas More Friendly Toward Evacuees

WINNIPEG, Man. — With the passing of war hysteria a gradual change is reported in the attitude of the residents of Okanagan valley in eastern British Columbia toward relocated evacuees of Japanese ancestry, the New Canadian reported last week.

Although eager to employ evacuee labor during the war, the towns and communities of the Okanagan valley were reported as "not over-enthusiastic" about having the evacuees stay as permanent residents. During the war nearly 20,000 evacuees of Japanese descent lived in government-sponsored industrial housing projects in eastern British Columbia.

The New Canadian said that the feeling of "coolness and suspicion" toward the evacuees is now disappearing and that some sort of permanent housing recently when the city council of Vernon decided, after some hesitation, to approve the sale of a city-owned lot to a group of Japanese ancestry.

The news of this sale was featured on the front page of the Vernon News, the local weekly, which stated that the property in question was situated in a new residential subdivision.

"It is believed that this is the first time since the evacuation that a person of Japanese ancestry is being allowed to live inside the Vernon city limits," the New Canadian said. "But no Japanese has yet been permitted to carry on business in the city."

The New Canadian also reported that a Nisei veteran of World War II, a resident of the Vernon district for 30 years and married to a Caucasian woman, has been refused permission to open a confectionary store in the city.


Because the government restrictions excluding persons of Japanese ancestry from the coastal area of British Columbia still are in force, the evacuees are looking elsewhere for jobs and homes. Many may elect to remain in eastern British Columbia where they spent the war years if community attitudes continue to improve.

YPCC Group Backs Program of ADC

DENVER — Endorsement of the legislative program of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was voted at the Young People's Christian Conference on Nov. 29 at the Albany hotel.

Peggy Yamato was elected chairman of the YPCC group.

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To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Watanabe a boy on Nov. 27 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tani a boy on Nov. 27 in St. Louis, Mo.

To Mrs. and Mrs. Tom Yataro Sakai a boy on Nov. 14 in Indio, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kunitomo a girl on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsugi Nomoto a boy on Nov. 23 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Otojuro Yamaguchi a girl on Nov. 22 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shimpei Miyake a girl on Nov. 22 in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tanaka, Mt. Eden, Calif., a boy, Wayne Alden, on Oct. 15 in Hayward.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tomu Nishimura, Parlier, Calif., a boy on Oct. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsugi James Tagawa, Sanger, Calif., a girl on Nov. 9.

To Sgt. and Mrs. Hisashi Nagai a girl on Nov. 18 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Iwagoshi a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. James T. Muroya a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mikio Fujii a boy on Nov. 12 in Stockton, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Yoshikawa a girl on Nov. 15 in Stockton.

To Mr. and Mrs. John T. Noguchi a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Okida a girl in Cleveland, O.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masayuji Tao a girl in Cleveland.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fujino a girl on Nov. 27 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haruki Koba, San Diego, Calif., a boy on Oct. 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Yamamoto a girl on Nov. 25 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. S. Chikusa, a boy, Jeffrey Allen, on Nov. 17 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masato Akune, Arvada, Colo., a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Suekama a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Iwakoshi a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. James T. Muroya a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Keiji C. Mizunaga, Brighton, Colo., a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yasuo Tanaka a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shunichi Takaka a girl on Nov. 15 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hatsuyuki Hirabayashi a boy on Nov. 16 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Saichi Kikuta, Norwalk, Calif., a boy on Nov. 16.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Iwanaga, 214 I Street, a boy on Nov. 19 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Hata a girl on Nov. 2 in Fresno.

DEATHS

Tom Kiyoto Mukai, 24, on Nov. 30 in Chicago.

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MARUO MAY GET CRACK AT ORTIZ BANTAM TITLE

HONOLULU—Tsuneshi Maruo, veteran of the 442nd Combat Team and 1946 National AAU bantam-weight champion, has been promised a world's championship bout next spring with Manuel Ortiz, world's 118-pound titleholder, Sad Sam Ichinose, manager of Maruo, said here recently upon his return from England with the Nisei star. Ichinose said that Maruo had established his ability by defeating Stan Rowan, one of the best bantamweights in Europe, in a bout in London in October.

Engagement

CUPERTINO, Calif. — The engagement of Miss Susie Hirano to Tad Kato has been announced here. Both are of Cupertino.

Mrs. Toyo Honda (Mrs. Torakusu Honda) on Nov. 25 in Los Angeles.

Eijiro Aoki on Nov. 25 in Madera, Calif.

Kichitaro Kimura, 81, on Nov. 21 in San Jose, Calif.

Masako Louise Kono on Nov. 11 in Los Angeles.

Tokujiro Yamasaki on Nov. 29 in Los Angeles.

Shokichi Miyahara, 59, on Dec. 1 in Brigham City, Utah.

Mrs. Uraji Kamiyama, 62, on Nov. 30 in Los Angeles.

Mamoru Nagasaki on Nov. 29 in Upland, Calif.

Kiyoshi Imazu on Nov. 29 in Los Angeles.

Tetsukichi Tsuchiya, 70, on Nov. 15 in Ogden, Utah.

Itaro Kato on Nov. 12 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGES

Masayo Yasui of Sanger to Mamoru Arie of San Jose.

Tatsuye Fujita to Fred Toshimasa Miyata on Nov. 27 in Los Angeles.

Kisako Mibu to Tom Noboru Arima on Nov. 27 in Los Angeles.

Mitsue Yamada to Masaichi Kojima on Nov. 30 in Woodland, Calif.

Martha Imagawa to Sumio Yoshii of Berkeley on Nov. 30 in San Francisco.

Rose Kokubu to Dr. Charles Fujisaki of Denver in Chicago.

Kimi Takino to Chiaki Takizawa on Nov. 8 in Minneapolis.

Mari Kawanami to Carl Somakawa on Oct. 25 in Minneapolis.

Rose Yabuki to Ted Matsushita on Nov. 23 in Seattle.

Yoshiko Komoriya to Yoshizo Katsuda on Nov. 19 in Chicago.

Suzuki Ohki to William Muramoto on Nov. 23 in Chicago.

Mitsuye Endo to Kenneth Tsutsumi on Nov. 22 in Chicago.

Meriko Kobayashi to Kinya Tanaka on Nov. 30 in Los Angeles.

Mitsuyo Kishishita to Sam Isamu Kakiba on Nov. 30 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Mizuye Yamada, 22, and Masakazu Ojima, 25, in Sacramento.

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Yokoyama Wins Fishing Derby

BERKELEY, Calif.—Fred Yokoyama of Berkeley won the first annual East Bay JACL fishing derby at Frank's Tract on Nov. 30, hauling in an 18 and three-quarters pound striped bass.

More than 150 fishermen from all parts of Northern California participated in the event.

Yokoyama was awarded the first prize of an outboard motor and will be in possession of the East Bay JACL perpetual trophy until the event is held next year.

Second prize went to James Kozuki of Parlier who caught five fish aggregating 46 pounds, while Bob Manabe of Watsonville took the third prize for the second largest fish, a 17 and one-quarter pound bass.

Other prize-winners were George Yoshioka, Hayward; Mits Ikebe; Kay Mori, Berkeley; Dr. George Ochikubo, Oakland; M. Iriki, Berkeley; Harry Ikebe and S. Goto. Shig Akagi won the prize for the small fish, one measuring 12 one-quarter inches, barely over the State minimum limit.

Hibbard, Okada Tied In Bowling League

Hibbard Drug and Okada Insurance remained in a tie for first place in the JACL bowling league at the Temple alleys after the 10th round of play Monday night. Hibbard is ahead on pins with a 22-point margin.

Hibbard Drug defeated Pagoda 3-1, with a 929 scratch first game, which included a 214 by John Aoki and a 213 by Choppy Umemoto. Hibbard recorded three high series, including 580 by Aoki, 513 by Umemoto and 570 by George Kishida, anchor.

Okada Insurance also took three points from Dawn Noodle, with 2655 to 2514. Okada rolled a 944 scratch first game, which included Sho Hiraizumi's 213, Doc Kurumada's 211 and Maki Kaizumi's 206. Kaizumi bowled two other games of 200 and 245 for a 651 series while Hiraizumi rolled a 536. Kiyo Nakayu came up with a 559 series for Dawn Noodle.

Modern Garage rolled two 900-plus scratch games during the night to beat Pacific Citizen 4-0. George Sakashita rolled a 589 series for the winners.

A 565 series, including a 215 game, by Shigeki Ushio led Terashima studio to a 3-1 win over OK cafe. Excellent Cleaners split 2-2 with New Sunrise fish market. Ma's Cafe defeated Metro Motors 3-1, and U.S. Cafe took three from Star Coffee shop.

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Hawaii Nisei Active in CIO Sugar Union

HONOLULU—Yoshikazu Morimoto, receiving 4066 votes, entered the runoff election for the presidency of the new CIO United Sugar Workers Local 142. His opponent is Antonio Rania who received 3901 votes in the primaries.

Local 142, which covers all workers in the sugar industry in Hawaii, recently was formed through the amalgamation of sugar industry locals in the CIO's ILWU. It is now the largest single local in the ILWU with more than 15,000 members.

H. Shigemitsu received 1556 votes and Leoncio Velasco got 1381 in the race for the presidency.

Americans of Japanese ancestry who constitute a large section of the membership of Local 142 are taking an active part in the leadership of the new local.

Saburo Fujisaki was elected secretary-treasurer without opposition, while Thomas Yagi was elected vice president from Maui and Robert Kunimura is the vice president on Kauai.

Kenji Omuro is one of the four candidates for two posts of union business agent. Yasuki Arakaki was one of the four who were elected outright to business agent posts.

Wameo Ichimura was unopposed in the race for business agent on Maui.

Major Okada, Newton Miyagi and Shigeru Tanaka on Oahu and Mitsu Shimizu on Kauai were among those elected to business agent positions at the primaries.

Hospitality Group

CHICAGO—The hospitality committee of the First Baptist Fellowship held a dinner on Nov. 30 at the Sawada home.

May Zaiman and Midori Sawada were hostesses for the affair.

Aoki-Shiba Pair Hits 1236 Series In Doubles Play

John Aoki and Bob Shiba blasted 1236 pins to set a new season's record in the JACL traveling men's doubles league at the Ritz alleys in Salt Lake City on Dec. 4.

Aoki shattered 638 pins (171, 210, 257) while partner Shiba scored 598 (192, 195, 211) to blank George Kishida and Joe Sase despite Kishida's 600 series (191, 204, 205).

The team of Dr. Jun Kurumada and Maki Kaizumi regained the league lead by defeating Tadao Sako and Sho Hiraizumi, 3 to 1, by totals of 1093 to 1081. Kurumada with 575 and Hiraizumi with 574 had high series scores.

Isamu Tanabe with 564 teamed with Sam Matsukawa to defeat Hito Okada and Larry Tajiri, 3 to 1, 1057 to 1039, while George Obayashi and George Sakashita defeated Bill Honda and Choppy Umamoto, 1041 to 976.

In the traveling team matches at Ritz alleys, Dawn Noodle defeated Main Appliance, 3 to 1, with scratch totals of 2636 to 2599. Pagoda maintained its league lead by hitting 2605 to blank Doi's Cleaners, while Gil's Service splintered 2613 pins to defeat OK Cafe, 4 to 0.

Holds Carnival

PHILADELPHIA — The Philadelphia JACL Community-Wide Carnival entertained more than 300 people on Nov. 15. Several clubs cooperated in making the event a success and a net profit of \$250 was reported.

Bingo, darts, penny pitch, roulette, fortune telling, and dancing were the features of the evening. Udon and osushi and hot dogs and cider were served throughout the evening. Mr. K. Hasegawa and Miss Mary Mitsudo were the winners of the raffle prizes, a turkey and a Zenith radio, respectively.

The proceeds of the event were divided between the cooperating clubs: Nisei Youth Club, Club 20 Jesters, Y. B. A., Fujin-Kai, Nisei Athletic Club, and JACL.

Chairman of the Carnival was Garry Oye.

Nisei Introduce Mechanical Topper For Beet Harvest

RUPERT, Idaho—The four Abo brothers who farm west of Rupert weren't seriously troubled with labor problems in their beet harvest this year—in spite of the fact that they had 170 acres of high producing sugar beets.

According to Amalgamated Sugar Company officials, the brothers — Roy, Tom, Tad and George Abo—harvested 170 acres of beets in just four weeks' time with only two, and part of the time three, workers.

The brothers used a Kiest topper with a whipper rigged to the tractor which pulled the loader. With the addition of two tractors and three trucks, they had an almost completely mechanical harvest.

The whipper was constructed by the Paul Tquipment Company for the Abos and was the first to be used in this area. About six or seven of them have since been put into operation in the county.

Army, JACL Will Sponsor Film Show At Murray Theater

Five reels of postwar Japanese newsreels and the feature film, "Shina No Yoru," (China Night) will be shown at the Iris Theater in Murray, Utah on Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m. through the courtesy of the U.S. Army and Air Force Recruiting Service and the Mount Olympus chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League.

On Dec. 18 the films will be taken to Ogden by Lieut. Spady Koyama of the Army Language School at the Presidio of Monterey who is now recruiting linguists in the Intermountain area. The Ogden showing will be at the Ogden Supply Depot theater at 7:30 p.m. Since there are areas at the Army depot from which civilians are excluded all those wishing to attend the Ogden showing are being requested by Lieut. Koyama to meet at the Buddhist church in Ogden by 7 p.m. so that the group may go in a party.

If present arrangements are completed, the films may also be shown in Brigham City. Since no showings are contemplated in Layton or other areas in Davis County, Lieut. Koyama requests that all residents of the district who are interested in the films attend the Ogden showing.

Lieut. Koyama may be contacted in Salt Lake City at the Army and Air Force Recruiting Office, 268 South State St.

Alameda Acorns Seek Uniforms

ALAMEDA, Calif. — A request that all former members of the Alameda Acorns basketball team return their uniforms to Taizo Imura, 2225 Pacific Ave., was made this week by Tom Haratani on behalf of the reactivated Acorn team.

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Kawakita Evades Arraignment As Counsel Questions Court's Jurisdiction in Treason Case

LOS ANGELES—Tomoya Kawakita, 24, accused of mistreating American prisoners of war in a Japanese prison camp, evaded arraignment on Nov. 28 in Judge Benjamin Harrison's United States District court when his attorney, Morris Lavine, challenged the jurisdiction of the court.

Judge Harrison set the matter over until Dec. 8 to hear legal arguments. Lavine contended that all offenses charged in the indictment were committed in Japan and that therefore the United States district court in Los Angeles had no jurisdiction over the case.

Originally indicted four months ago on the same charges, Kawakita was named in a new true bill by U.S. District Attorney James M. Carter which listed additional overt acts, including the charge that he was responsible for the death of an American prisoner.

Kawakita, born and educated in Calexico, is accused of going to

Salt Lake Nisei Team Enters Cage Tournery in Seattle

The newly-formed Salt Lake Seagulls basketball team, composed of leading Nisei basketball players in the Salt Lake area, have entered the National All-Oriental basketball tournament which will be held in Seattle on Dec. 26, 27 and 28.

Yosh Kojimoto of the Seagulls team announced that a bus will be chartered providing enough passengers can be secured to make the trip. The bus will leave Salt Lake City on Dec. 24 and will leave Seattle on Dec. 29. A special rate will be accorded passengers making the trip with the team.

Those wishing to make the trip are asked to contact Mr. Kojimoto at the U.S. Cafe, 71 West First South St., by Dec. 15.

The Seagulls are now playing in the Salt Lake County Recreation league and in the local Nisei league.

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