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Little Likelihood Seen for Early Supreme Court Decision on Validity of Alien Land Act

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—For the past seven weeks thousands of Japanese Americans on the west coast together with their parents have looked anxiously to the United States Supreme Court for a decision on the Oyama case, hoping that once and for all the nation's highest tribunal would render a final and clear-cut ruling declaring California's alien land statutes unconstitutional. The high court met in session on Monday, resuming after a two-week recess, and although a number of opinions were de-

clined no decision was given in the Oyama case which the court rendered late in October. Court observers interviewed by the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee express the opinion that there is little likelihood that a decision will come several weeks, perhaps not until spring when the court will have had the opportunity and time to give full consideration to the many facets of the racial issues as agreed to review.

These observers point to the postponement last weekend by the court of the oral arguments in the cases involving racial covenants which had been scheduled for last week. Court attaches explain the illness of Associate Justice Frank Murphy is the principal reason for the postponement of the hearings on the restrictive covenants cases. Mr. Justice Murphy, who is convalescing from a recent attack of influenza, did not attend the sessions this week. It was uncertain whether he would attend the oral arguments next week, the court agreed to postpone the hearings until January. Court observers now believe that since the Oyama case is but one of a number of racial questions before the court, no decision will come until all of them have been heard.

The sudden postponement of the covenants cases by members of the court is held significant by observers who think that the Supreme Court is getting ready to lay out the meaning of racial equality under the law. Attorneys point out that this is the first time in some years that the high court has undertaken the responsibility of ruling on such a fundamental question as equality in a covenants case. They regard it as worthy that the court has agreed to consider and review this term explosive and controversial racial issues on a broader scale than it has been wont to do in a great many years.

The question in the Oyama case, in the four covenants arguments, involve constitutionality of restrictive laws. The issue in the alien land law case is whether the California statute as applied to American citizens of Japanese ancestry violates the 14th amendment guaranteeing equal protection of the laws. One of the issues in the restrictive covenants cases is whether anti-racial deeds can be enforced by court orders. The U.S. Supreme Court in 1923 did not believe the land act was tantamount to the equal protection clause. The high court also some years ago maintained that anti-racial restrictive covenants were unconstitutional.

But conditions have changed markedly since the high tribunal rendered an opinion in the 1923 case. That the nation's highest court had agreed last week to grant a writ of certiorari in the Oyama case is regarded by

observers as worthy of notice. The recent report of the President's Committee on Civil Rights, these observers noted, has emphasized strongly that protection provided by the Supreme Court on the civil rights of the American people against encroachment has gradually increased through the years.

Since 1925 this protection has become extremely important as a result of new developments in the law of civil liberty. One development is the rule now followed by the court that the 14th Amendment extends the basic guarantees of the Bill of Rights into areas of State and local governments. The apparent willingness of the Supreme Court to re-examine the land law issue and the covenants problems is full of import to those who have studied the Court.

Ultimate responsibility for determining the constitutionality of the California alien land laws was politely tossed back into the lap of the U.S. Supreme Court late last year when the California Supreme Court by a 7-0 unanimous decision upheld the anti-alien legislation. The California tribunal, basing its opinion on a decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in 1923, asserted that "decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court are controlling until such a time as they are re-examined and modified by that court."

Meanwhile there is growing interest in the four covenants cases to be argued here next month. To date more than a dozen organizations including the Japanese American Citizens League have submitted "friend of the court" briefs, challenging the validity of these racial deeds. The petitioners have been encouraged by the stand of the Attorney General's office which has entered a brief in the covenants because of the "Government's concern over its responsibilities for the protection of fundamental civil rights."

International interest has also been aroused by the action of the American Association for the United Nations in filing a brief against the covenants. This organization emphasizes the "extraordinary importance of these cases" and asserts that the wiping out of racial deeds in this country would testify to the good faith of the United States in carrying out its obligations under the United Nations Charter.

Thus, persons of Japanese ancestry, along with the Negroes and other racial minority groups who constitute the people of America, are looking to the Supreme Court for judgment on the fundamental question of whether they may own land, buy homes, or lease rooms on the same terms as other people. A number of observers believe that by spring we are likely to have the answers. And probably one of the first to be determined will be the Oyama case.

Seek Federal Intervention In Yolo County Incidents

NISEI VETERAN WINS HOMESTEAD IN U. S. DRAWING

RIVERTON, Wyo.—J. Y. Kobayashi, Idaho Falls, Idaho, is one of the 55 lucky veterans who won a Wyoming farm in the recent homestead drawing on the Riverton reclamation project.

A total of 8,160 acres of land were allotted in 160 acre tracts to the winners.

California Files New Case Under Alien Land Law

State Seeks Escheat Of Farm Property Sold in 1943

FRESNO, Calif.—Forty acres of farmland which were sold by Nisei owners to a Caucasian buyer in 1943 are now under dispute in the newest escheat case brought by the county of Fresno against George Abe, Sadame Koga and H. Yoshimoto.

The land was acquired in 1930 by Abe and sold to Yoshimoto in 1937. In 1943 the acreage was sold again, this time to a non-Japanese.

Title on the land has been refused by the title company, however, presumably on grounds that the original Nisei owners bought it in violation of the anti-alien land act.

The state now seeks to escheat the property and have named the former Nisei owners as defendants.

The acreage, sold for \$15,000, is now valued at \$45,000.

The case is in the second in which property originally owned by Nisei and later sold to Caucasian buyers is being escheated by the state in cases directed against the original Nisei owners.

The first such case was the Yamaguchi case in Madera.

NISEI STUDENT WINS PRIZE IN HEARST CONTEST

LOS ANGELES—Noriko Chiwaki, 15-year-old student at Belmont high school, last week was announced as the winner of second place in the Los Angeles competition of the 5th annual Hearst American history awards.

Miss Chiwaki received \$150 in savings bonds and won the right to enter the national competition.

A pre-evacuation resident of San Francisco, Miss Chiwaki relocated with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Chiwaki, from the Topaz relocation center.

She is reported to have received nothing less than straight "A" in all her classes since enrolling at Belmont in Sept., 1945.

ADC Financial Drive Launched In Colorado Area

ALAMOSA, Colo.—The financial campaign for the JACL Anti-Discrimination committee was launched last week in the La Jara-Alamosa and Blanca areas following the visits of Z. Kanegaye of Denver, chairman of the Issei supporters group in the Tri-State area, and Roy Takeno, director of Tri-State office of JACL-ADC.

The campaign in Blanca will be sparked by a general meeting which will be held soon at the Kyudo-kai hall. Among those meeting with the ADC and Issei supporters league representatives were J. Miyokichi Sumida, president of the Kyudo-kai, George Hayashida, George Hishinuma, Frank Yoritomo, an Issei veteran of World War I and an American citizen.

Ask Justice Department Action as Retrial Set for Lopez in Beating of Nisei

WASHINGTON—Immediate and direct action by the Justice Department in seeing justice done in three recent cases of violence against persons of Japanese ancestry in Yolo County, Calif., was asked on Dec. 12 by Mike M. Masaoka on behalf of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Declaring he was "gravely concerned" that fresh incidents will occur if local authorities allow the persons involved in assaults on Japanese Americans to go unpunished or unapprehended, Masaoka, national director of JACL ADC, made strong representations to the civil rights section of the Department of Justice. He asked that prompt action be taken by Federal authorities for the protection of the civil and property rights of Nisei.

Masaoka said he referred to the beatings of Henry Akao and Taira Matsushita, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, on Nov. 12 near Winters, Calif., and the attempted shooting of Koki Tsuji by "one Bud McLaughlin" near Esparto in Yolo County on Nov. 13.

Masaoka pointed out in his representations that "unless adequate protection is given to all persons of Japanese ancestry and unless all persons who attack the rights and property of Japanese Americans are quickly apprehended, and brought before the bar of justice, the situation could easily provoke new outbreaks similar to those which occurred following the return of Japanese evacuees to the Pacific coast in 1945."

He emphasized the danger of the failure of local authorities to take strong corrective action and said that a breakdown of local law enforcement could result in a general outburst of "anti-Japanese incidents."

The Washington office of JACL ADC reported Masaoka informed the Justice Department that while the attempted shooting of Tsuji occurred one month ago, McLaughlin, who was described as well known to local authorities, had not been apprehended while Edward Pete Lopez, involved in the beatings of Akao and Matsushita, is at liberty on bail pending a new trial.

The ADC office has been informed that a hung jury in Yolo County had been dismissed after voting 7 to 5 to dismiss the case against Lopez on Dec. 2.

A retrial at which both Matsushita and Akao are scheduled to appear as witnesses has been scheduled for Dec. 16 in Winters.

Joe Grant Masaoka, West Coast regional director of the ADC, reported that he had been informed by A. B. Avilla, deputy district attorney for Yolo County, that racial animosity was the sole mo-

tive in the alleged beatings. Avilla stated that three relatives of Lopez who were eyewitnesses to the affair have testified that there was no assault.

The trial for Lopez on Dec. 2 had been ordered by Justice of the Peace Degener on complaints filed by Akao and Matsushita who stated they were beaten and kicked by two men who said they "didn't like Japs."

Yolo County's District Attorney Means had told Joe Masaoka on Nov. 29 that "you can expect full justice, if we get a fair jury."

Court Grants Second Delay To Kawakita

Counsel Seeks Japan Trial, Jurisdiction Of Court Questioned

LOS ANGELES—Another delay was seen this week in the trial of Tomoya Kawakita, an American-born citizen who is charged with the alleged mistreatment of American prisoners of war.

Morris Lavine, counsel for Kawakita, won his client a second delay as Federal Judge Benjamin Harrison continued until Dec. 15 the hearing on the defense motion which challenged the jurisdiction of the Federal district court in the case.

Lavine declared that Kawakita should be tried in Japan rather than in a California court.

Nisei Volunteers As Nurse for Polio Cases

BOISE, Idaho—Mary Y. Natsuhara of Auburn, Wash., arrived here by plane last week with five other nurses from Seattle in answer to a call from the Red Cross for nurses to help fight the polio-myelitis epidemic in the Boise area.

Miss Natsuhara, one of the first to volunteer, is a graduate of St. Mary's college at Rochester, Minn.

Justice Department Declares Covenants Not Enforceable

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Justice Department contended on Dec. 5 in a brief filed before the Supreme Court that "restrictive covenants" among private citizens to bar Negroes and members of other non-Caucasian minority groups from residential areas are not enforceable by the courts.

Attorney General Tom Clark and Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman argued that judicial enforcement of such private agreements would violate sections of the Constitution which prohibit racial discrimination and guarantee "the right to equal treatment before the law."

Their joint brief describes the covenants as "an artificial quarantine of minority groups."

The brief was filed by the Justice Department as a "friend of court" because of the government's asserted concern over "its responsibilities for the protection of fun-

damental civil rights."

The brief was offered in connection with three cases now pending before the Supreme Court from Detroit, St. Louis and Washington, D. C., where lower courts held restrictive covenants were enforceable.

Along with the brief, the Justice Department sent the court a series of letters recently received by the attorney general from the Federal housing and home finance agency, the United States Public Health Service, the Interior Department and the State Department contending that covenants were causing them difficulties.

A letter from Ernest A. Gross, legal adviser to the Secretary of State, asserted that "the United States has been embarrassed in the conduct of foreign relations by acts of discrimination taking place in this country."

Canadian Evacuees File Suit for Three Millions in Losses

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The government commission investigating business and property losses of Japanese Canadians as a result of the forced evacuation in 1942 reported this week that more than 10,000 claims, totaling more than \$3,000,000, had been filed by evacuees and that new claims are being received at the rate of "50 to 100" a day.

The commission, headed by Mr. Justice Bird of British Columbia,

began its hearings last week in Vancouver.

Justice Bird described his task as "a tremendous responsibility."

One of the issues at stake is whether the government commission will consider loss and damage to property owners by persons of Japanese ancestry which were not taken possession of by the Custodian of Japanese Property but were disposed of through private custodians.

Los Angeles City Council Says Return of "Tokyo Rose" Will Taint Nisei Reputation

LOS ANGELES — Declaring that the return of Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino, identified as "Tokyo Rose," to the United States would "taint the reputation" of Japanese Americans who proved their loyalty during the war, the Los Angeles City Council on Dec. 8 unanimously approved a resolution vigorously opposing her return.

Councilman Harold Harby's resolution placed the city council on record as opposing the return of Mrs. D'Aquino or any person on record as connected with war-time propaganda broadcasts from Radio Tokyo.

Copies of the resolution are being sent to Federal officials and California representatives in Congress.

"There are thousands of loyal Japanese Americans who proved their loyalty to this country during the war, both in the army and in the civilian war effort, and there is no reason why one person who pulled the despicable tricks which 'Tokyo Rose' did on her broadcasts

to our men should taint the reputation of all the Japanese here," Councilman Harby declared.

Councilman Lee Warburton, who served in the South Pacific during World War II, told the council that "it makes no difference whether there is only one Tokyo Rose or not or whether this Iva Toguri has been identified as the person who made the broadcasts. Her return to Japan after education in America proves her disloyalty and we don't want her."

U. S. Action May Bar Return Of Mrs. D'Aquino to America

Justice Department Seeks Evidence to Initiate Prosecution

WASHINGTON—In a complete turnabout from its previous position that it could do nothing to prevent the return of Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino to the United States, the Justice Department last week announced that the American-born woman who allegedly made propaganda broadcasts on Radio Tokyo during the war "is not being permitted to return to the United States at this time."

The Justice Department also indicated it was ready to prosecute Mrs. D'Aquino if sufficient evidence was available.

A Justice Department official said that the agency did not yet have sufficient evidence to initiate prosecution.

"If the necessary evidence is obtained the case will promptly be presented to a grand jury," he added.

The Justice Department last week sent out a call for any witnesses who would be able to identify the voice of Radio Tokyo's "Tokyo Rose" and said that it also was looking for persons who may have witnessed actual broadcasts.

The department explained that the name "Tokyo Rose" was applied by the armed forces in the Pacific "to any of at least six English-speaking women" who broadcast over Radio Tokyo. Only one of these six women, Mrs. D'Aquino, was an American citizen.

Mrs. D'Aquino reportedly used the names "Ann" and "Orphan Ann" in her broadcasts.

The Justice Department statement admitted that, although the name has been applied to her, "she is not identified as 'Tokyo Rose' or having used the name in broadcasts."

It also was indicated that public reaction to the news that "Tokyo Rose" would be readmitted to the United States on proof of her American citizenship was responsible for the government's change in attitude on the case. A month ago both the State and Justice Departments had said that Mrs. D'Aquino could not be held in Japan, with the State Department declaring it had no alternative except to issue her a passport. Mrs. D'Aquino reportedly has papers proving her American citizenship.

IVA TOGURI SAYS INQUIRY BY FBI CLEARED STATUS

TOKYO — Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino reiterated here last week that she has been cleared of treason charges in connection with war-time propaganda broadcasts from Radio Tokyo.

She said the FBI "closed the books" on her case when she was released from Sugamo prison one year ago.

She claimed she was not the only native-born American on the program and that "FBI officials who conducted the investigation should know this."

Mrs. D'Aquino added that an Australian army major, Charles Cousins, whose treason trial was dropped by an Australian court, started the "Zero Hour" program on Radio Tokyo in which she participated.

JACL Representatives Confer With State, War Departments On Problems of Nisei, Issei

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Disposition of both Nisei and Issei strandee cases in Japan as well as clarification of property titles in that country which are held by Issei and Nisei residing in the United States were the subjects of a round of conferences which A. L. Wirin and Mike Masaoka have been holding this week with officials of the State and Army Departments and the Far Eastern Commission, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported today. All phases of the "nationality problem" of the Nisei in Japan were also discussed at length.

Mr. Wirin, legal counsel for the Japanese American Citizens League, who arrived here early this week from Los Angeles, and Mr. Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL ADC, have been conferring with a number of high government officials on the early settlement of problems affecting persons of Japanese ancestry.

On Dec. 10 both men called upon officials of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Philadelphia to clear up cases involving the so-called limited passports. The immigration authorities were asked to correct discriminatory provisions of our immigration laws which prohibit Japanese aliens in Hawaii from entering the continental United States as permanent residents. They were urged to remove these restrictions which hamper the free movement of alien Japanese to the mainland in view of the increasingly closer ties between the Territory of Hawaii and the mainland.

The immigration service's position toward pending deportation cases in the light of the recent Supreme Court decision in the Delgado case was sought by attorney Wirin and the JACL ADC director. Attention was called to the case of Shichizo Goshima whom the Justice Department seeks to deport on the ground that he had entered this country illegally. Goshima legally was permitted into the United States in 1908. Some years ago he left Seattle to work in the fishing canneries in Alaska. His ship pulled into a Canadian port, though Goshima himself never disembarked. The immigration authorities contended that as his vessel touched a foreign port, Goshima had made a new "entry" into this country when he returned to Seattle. The Supreme Court ruled several weeks ago in the Delgado case that the word "entry" did not include a "fortuitous and non-intentional" leaving of the country.

Mr. Masaoka and Mr. Wirin conferred on Dec. 11 with officials of the Alien Property Office on the disposition of pending cases involving assets of Japanese nationals which have been vested by the Government since December 1941.

Sacramento JACL Calls General Meet For Reactivation

SACRAMENTO — Moving towards early reorganization, the recently reactivated JACL Sacramento chapter is calling its first general meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 16, from 8:00 p.m. at the Park View Presbyterian church, 8th and T streets.

Items for discussion will include: Chapter constitution, membership drive, selection of various committees to initiate activities.

All interested Nisei are being urged to attend this important first meeting of the reactivated Sacramento JACL.

Paper Reports Disappearance of Key Witnesses

Army Times Declares Figures in Tokyo Rose Case Missing

WASHINGTON—The newspaper Army Times reported last week that the disappearance of two witnesses, one a former GI, had balked attempts of the United States government to prosecute Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino for wartime propaganda broadcasts from Tokyo.

The Justice Department commented on the Army Times story, however, by declaring it was unaware of the disappearance of any witnesses and that its search for witnesses in the "Tokyo Rose" case was of a general nature.

The Army Times story declared: "The strangely missing witnesses, who seem to have vanished from the face of the earth, were prisoners of war working either willingly or under duress in Tokyo broadcasting studios during the time propaganda broadcasts were being beamed to American troops in the Southwest Pacific in an effort to undermine morale."

"Both, it was learned, were actually present in the studio during at least one of Mrs. D'Aquino's broadcasts as a girl disc jockey."

The Army Times said that "one of these witnesses is or was an American GI named Keys and the other was an Australian soldier named Cousins."

Salt Lake Girl Will Wed Veteran

The forthcoming marriage of Miss Lily Yuriko Kamikawa, daughter of Mrs. Itsushi Kamikawa of Salt Lake City, to William Chiyosun Oshiro of Honolulu on Dec. 22 at the Unitarian chapel in Salt Lake City was announced this week by the bride-elect's mother.

Mr. Oshiro is a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team and was seriously wounded in France. He is now studying law at the University of Utah.

Canada Will Recognize Citizen Rights of Nisei Group in Japan

TORONTO, Ont.—The Canadian government will recognize the Canadian citizenship status of persons of Japanese ancestry in Japan claiming Canadian citizenship by birth or naturalization provided these persons are able to substantiate their claims, L. B. Pearson, Undersecretary of State for External Affairs, informed the National Japanese Canadian Citizens Association last week.

George Tanaka, executive secretary of the National JCCA, interpreted the government's definition of policy toward war-stranded Canadians of Japanese ancestry in Japan as facilitating the return of these strandees.

Approximately 2,000 Japanese Canadians are believed to have been stranded in Japan by the outbreak of war. None have been

permitted to return to Canada to date. An additional 3,000 Japanese Canadians, mostly minor children, are included among the 5,000 persons who were sent to Japan from Canada as "voluntary repatriates" since 1945.

In his letter to the JCCA, Mr. Pearson declared:

"Persons of Japanese ancestry now in Japan, claiming Canadian citizenship by birth or by naturalization, will be recognized as Canadian citizens by the Canadian Liaison Mission in Japan, provided they are able to substantiate their claims to Canadian citizenship."

"Should such persons wish to obtain documentary evidence of their Canadian citizenship, it is suggested that they apply to the citizenship branch, Department of the Secretary of State of Canada for certificates of citizenship."

Capitol Group Will Consider Nisei Problems

Announce Extension Of Activities to Cover Nisei Group

WASHINGTON—Broadening of its activities to take in the problems of Americans of Japanese ancestry was announced last week by the Committee for Racial Democracy in the Nation's Capital.

The committee last week urged President Truman to appoint immediately a group of prominent Washington citizens to implement the recommendations of the recent report of the President's Committee on Civil Rights.

More than a score of Washington organizations concerned with race relations in the District of Columbia were represented by individuals either as delegates or observers, at the meeting of the committee.

Leon A. Ransom, committee chairman, said that the group was planning an eventual change in name and the broadening of its activities to take in the problems of Nisei in the United States.

Peter Fujioka Reelected Head Of Detroit JACL

DETROIT, Mich.—Peter Fujioka was reelected president of the Detroit JACL chapter at the general election meeting on Dec. 6.

Other officers in the 1948 cabinet are: Willis Hirata, first vice president; Louis Furukawa, second vice president; Shu Miho, treasurer; Miyuki Inouye, secretary; Setsu Fujioka, historian; George Inouye, delegate-at-large; and Saburo Kunimatsu, alternate delegate.

Willis Hirata, co-chairman of the ADC fund drive, reported that first tabulations of the current campaign showed that more than \$600 had been collected. Taizo Kokubo, Issei chairman of the ADC campaign, said that the Issei group was given wholehearted support to the drive.

San Francisco JACL Forms Credit Union

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco JACL took the first step toward formation of a chapter credit union Thursday night when the credit union committee met to draft a constitution.

MINORITY WEEK

"The Right to Have Scoundrels"

Some weeks ago on a national radio broadcast a representative of the NAACP, in discussing restrictive covenants, asked, "Would you object to having Marian Anderson living next door to you?"

The answer to that, of course, from perhaps all but the rabidly prejudiced, would be, "No." But the speaker was unconsciously dodging the real issue, which would be, "Would you object to having a clerk, or a stenographer or a deliveryman living next to you—if he were of a minority group?"

Because of course it's the little man who takes the brunt of prejudice, though certainly Negro artists are often subjected to many indignities because of race. They are, however, protected by a certain aura of fame and glamour. That aura doesn't extend to the \$2500 a year Negro clerk or the Chinese American who works in the post office.

Libby Benedict, writing in the Saturday Review of Literature, calls it "the right to have scoundrels."

She points out that whenever someone attacks the Jews, there is the classic reply, "Look at Einstein!" Or when someone attacks the Negroes, there is the answer, "Look at Carver!"

"They mean well, these defenders," says the writer. "But their approach is wrong. Their approach is even bad. What a minority group wants is not the right to have geniuses among them, but the right to have fools and scoundrels—without being condemned as a group. Every group has about the same proportion of wrongdoers. But when wrongdoers belong to a minority their number is magnified in the minds of other people. Each individual wrongdoer is multiplied by the number of his whole group. Minorities would gladly give up the reflected glory of their great men, if only the world didn't burden them with the ignominy of their scoundrels. Both types belong to mankind as a whole and mankind as a whole may share the sorrow as well as the honor."

Another Freedom Train

Another kind of freedom train, promising freedom from want, will soon reach the starving Navajo Indians of the southwest. Called the "Navajo Trail Relief Caravan," the train will start from Hollywood under sponsorship of the American Indian Citizens League. Clothing, food and medical supplies will be aboard the train.

Unanimous Opinion

A precedent-shaking decision, given unanimously by the Supreme court, has reversed the murder conviction of a Mississippi Negro who was indicted and convicted by all-white juries.

The state of Mississippi failed to meet the "very strong evidence of purposely racial discrimination" charged by the petitioner, the court said. For thirty years or more no Negro has served as a juror in the criminal courts of Lauderdale county.

When a jury selection plan operates so as "always to result in the complete and long-continued exclusion of any representative of the large group of Negroes or any other racial group," the court said, indictments and verdicts returned by such juries "cannot stand."

Munemori Ship Plies Cargo for Army in Pacific

HONOLULU—The Wilson Victory, recently renamed in honor of Pte. Sadao Munemori of Los Angeles, is now being used as an army cargo ship in the Pacific. The Wilson Victory arrived in Honolulu recently from Guam. It is one of 29 Army transports which were ordered renamed by the War Department in honor of the winners of the Congressional Medal of Honor in World War II. Pte. Munemori was killed in action with the 442nd Combat Team on April 5, 1945 in Italy. His mother, Mrs. Nawa Munemori of Long Beach, Calif., accepted the posthumous award in a ceremony at Fort MacArthur, Calif., on March 13, 1946. Pte. Munemori was buried in the United States military cemetery at Castelfiorentino, Italy but it is reported wish of his mother that his remains be returned to the United States for final interment in Arlington National Cemetery. (In Washington it was reported that no date has been set for the ceremony at which the Wilson Victory will be renamed in honor of the Nisei hero. It was stated that such ceremonies generally are held when the ship arrives at its home port. At that time a member or representative of the family presents a picture of the war hero, the captain of the ship. The picture is then placed on board the ship.)

The Wilson Victory was used as troop transport in 1946 in the Atlantic and brought home 500 men and the regimental colors of the 442nd Combat Team from Leghorn, Italy to New York harbor.

Esther Satow Wins Queen Title at Cleveland Dance

CLEVELAND, O.—Esther Satow was crowned queen of the "Autumn Ecumenical" ball held by the Cleveland JACL Nov. 29 at the Cleveland Society of Engineers building. The dance was the first semi-annual to be sponsored by and for the Nisei of this city. Miss Satow, who was crowned by George Hantelman, was attended by Kiyo Sato and Mrs. Fumi Sato. The grand march was led by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shiba, chapter president and his wife, Mrs. Ella Kodomus of the Cleveland Church Federation, Mr. Hantelman and Mrs. Thomas Sashihara. The march was called by Kimbo Yoshitomi, master of ceremonies.

East Bay JACL Will Install New Officers at Dinner

OAKLAND, Calif. — Climax of the East Bay JACL chapter's 1947 activities will be the annual inaugural and award banquet set for Thursday evening, Dec. 18 at Angelo's restaurant, 43rd and San Pablo avenue in Emeryville. Regional Director Joe Grant Masaoka will install the 1948 cabinet officers, and trophies and medals will be awarded to chapter-sponsored bowling league and fishing derby champions. Reservations for the banquet may be made by writing to 3100 Irving street in Berkeley or calling Thornwall 3-3358. The charge will be \$2.25 per person.

Disclose Figure in Palo Alto Case Has Nisei Wife in Hawaii

PALO ALTO, Calif. — Howard Durham, a veteran involved in the case of Jadwiga Curtin, the Polish bride who is held here on a murder charge, was revealed here by the district attorney's office as a runaway father whose Japanese American wife and two young children patiently are awaiting him in Hawaii. Durham repeatedly has protested to authorities that he wanted to marry Jadwiga Curtin who is charged with shooting a man in an auto here recently. Deputy District Attorney Fred Wycoff identified Durham's wife as Harriet Tsuruyo Akamine Durham of Honolulu. In a letter to the district attorney's office, Mrs. Durham stated that her husband had sent her back

Honored by Classmates



Rose Hanawa, elected secretary-treasurer of the senior class at Denver University, poses for a picture with Joe Cribari, senior class president and all-Big Seven conference center for Denver, and Delaine Oberg, senior class vice president.—Photo by Hikaru Iwasaki.

Issei Supporters Pledge Full Support to ADC Legislative Program at National Meeting

Will Help Raise
\$120,000 of JACL,
ADC 1948 Budget

SAN FRANCISCO — Full support for the objectives and legislative program of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was pledged by delegates to the national conference of Kikaken Kisei Domei (Issei Supporters Association) on Dec. 8 and 9.

Delegates from Northern and Southern California, Oregon, Utah, Illinois and Alaska announced they would support the \$170,000 budget for 1948 which was approved for the JACL and the ADC at the recent JACL national board meeting in Idaho Falls.

It was disclosed that the JACL will have a budget of \$53,000, while approximately \$117,000 has

been outlined for the work of the ADC until Sept., 1948.

The Kikaken Kisei Domei was organized earlier this year by Issei leaders who wished to support the program of the Anti-Discrimination Committee.

The San Francisco meeting this week announced support of the JACL-ADC budget and KKD groups will participate in raising \$120,000. The projected sum was divided three ways between Northern California, Southern California and the remainder of the United States.

Delegates attending the conference reaffirmed their desire for American citizenship and announced support of legislation now in Congress which will remove racial restrictions from the naturalization law.

The meeting heard reports on the work of Kikaken Kisei Domei groups and discussed the anti-alien land laws of California, Oregon, Washington and other states as well as discriminatory legislation affecting persons of Japanese ancestry because of race.

K. Koda, temporary chairman of the group, acted as chairman for the conference. Shosuke Nitta, Santa Ana, and Nobuta Akahoshi, Oakland, were named assistant chairmen. Akimi Sugawara of San Francisco and Eiji Tanabe, Los Angeles, were the secretaries.

The 38 delegates attending the conference were:

Kihei Ikeda, Sacramento; Shonan Kimura, Sotaro Igauye, Nozomu Otera, Eiji Tanabe, Toraichi Ambo, Los Angeles; H. Sotaro Kawabe, Seward, Alaska; Motoji Kitano, S. Hideshima, Mitsuzo Uyeda, Akimi Sugawara, Bishop Eitten Ishida, Joe Grant Masaoka, Ichiji Motoki, San Francisco; Tahei Matsunaga, Chicago, Ill.; Setsugo G. Sakamoto, Gunzo Miyamoto, Torata Hoshiko, Fresno, Calif.; Nobuta Akahoshi, Oakland; Shigenori Motoike, Stockton, Calif.; Kiichi Nodohara, Lincoln, Calif.; T. Yasokichi Kanagawa, Sanger, Calif.; Kikumatsu Togasaki, Berkeley; Ensku Fukuba, Watsonville, Calif.; Tamaichi Yamada, Masuo Yasui, C. Daichi Takeoka, Portland, Ore.; Tsutomu Dyo, Santa Barbara; E. Takashi Matsura, San Juan Bautista; Shosuke Nitta, Santa Ana; Rev. Ryuzan Hayase, Monterey; Iwao Takahama, San Mateo; Hito Okada, Salt Lake City; Keisaburo Koda, South Dos Palos, Calif.; Yuhei Oshima, Richmond, Calif.; George Yuge, Delhi, Calif.; Shigetaka Onishi, San Jose, and Shigeru Yoshiwara, Walnut Grove, Calif.

None of 21 Japanese Groups Named by Attorney General as Subversive Now in Existence

WASHINGTON—None of the 21 Japanese organizations in the United States which were named on Attorney General Tom Clark's 1943 list of subversive groups which was made public last week have been in existence since 1942 and none has been reactivated, according to information available in Washington this week.

All of the organizations named were groups organized by Japanese nationals.

Concern was felt in some quarters here, however, that the publication of the list of defunct organizations at this time may serve to retard the campaign for remedial legislation on behalf of persons of Japanese ancestry which is being pursued by the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee and other groups in Washington.

The 1943 list originally was prepared by the Justice Department and was disseminated among government agencies for use in the consideration of employee loyalty. It was believed that this list was used in the examination of hundreds of resident aliens of Japanese nationality who were employed by the War Department, the Federal Broadcast Intelligence Service and other agencies. It was reported that many Japanese aliens were employed by the Army Map Service in Cleveland, as well as in the preparation of American propaganda for use in the Pacific war by the Office of War Information and related agencies.

Most of the 21 Japanese organizations listed also were on the list prepared by the Dies Un-American Activities committee of the House. Membership in these organizations also was believed to have been a factor in the internment of Japanese nationals by the Department of Justice at Missoula, Mont., Bismarck, N.D., Santa Fe, N.M., and Crystal City, Tex.

It was believed that an effort would be made on behalf of Japanese Americans to obtain a statement from the Justice Department which would correct any implication of disloyalty on the part of members of the group which may have been imparted through the publication of the 1943 list last week.

The organizations listed by the Justice Department were the following: Black Dragon Society, Central Japanese Association,

of Southern California, Dai Nippon Butoku Kai, Heimusha Kai (Military Conscripts Association), Hinode Kai, Ilinomaru Kai, Hoku-bei Zaigo Shoko Dan, Japanese Association of America, Japanese Overseas Central Society, Japanese Overseas Convention, Japanese Protective Association, Jikyoku lin Kai (Current Affairs Association), Kibei Seinen Kai, Nanka Teikoku Gunyu Dan (Imperial Military Friends Group of Southern California War Veterans), Nichibei Kogyo Kaisha (Great Fuji Theater), Northwest Japanese Association, Sakura Kai (Veterans of the Russo-Japanese War), Shinto Temples, Sokoku Kai (Fatherland Society) and the Suiko Sha (Reserve Officers Association of Los Angeles.)

Date of Ogden Film Showing Set for Dec. 17

The motion picture program sponsored by the Army and Air Force recruiting service and featuring the Japanese film, "Shina No Yoru," will be shown for persons in the Ogden and Davis county areas on Dec. 17 from 7:30 p.m. at Ogden Supply Depot instead of Dec. 18 as previously announced.

Because of the fact that non-military personnel are restricted from entering certain areas at the supply depot, those attending the Ogden performance are being asked to meet at the Ogden Buddhist church at 7 p.m., according to Second Lieut. Spady Koyama, recruiting officer in the Intermountain area for the Army Language school.

The program will be presented for persons of Japanese ancestry in the Box Elder county area on Dec. 19 at the Capitol theater in Brigham City from 12 noon.

Nisei Advised of Steps to Take In Filing for Homestead Farms

SACRAMENTO — Applications are now being received for homesteading on 3,400 acres of rich land on the Modoc unit of the Tule Lake Division, Klamath Reclamation Project. This opening of new lands by the Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, lies near the Oregon border in Modoc County thirty miles north-east of Mt. Shasta, and includes land cultivated by evacuees of Japanese ancestry at the Tule Lake camp.

The lands comprise 44 homesteads ranging in size from 70 to 100 acres of level, sandy loam, once part of the bed of Tule Lake. They are ready for raising crops during 1948 with no preparation except the usual disking and seeding. First chance at the homesteads goes by law to veterans of World War II.

During the last opening of the public lands to entry on the Klamath Project, only four Nisei veterans out of 1,305 veterans applied, it was reported. The present homestead opening is adjacent to the 86 which were distributed by lot last December. As in the case of the 1946 area, the productivity of the land in this opening has been proved.

The filing date closes at 2:00 p.m., January 20, 1948. All applications must be in the office of the District Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 312 (Bldg. 61, Municipal Airport), Klamath Falls, Oregon, if they are to be considered simultaneously with others filed up to the deadline time.

Nisei attorney Henry Taketa this week urged Nisei applicants to send for official application blanks and complete information immediately, addressing their inquiries to: Ten Broeck Williamson, or Orrin Cassmore, Land Settlement Division, Old Post Office Building, Seventh and K Streets, First Floor, Sacramento, California.

In order to gain full rights to their homesteads, entrymen must

JACL Regional Offices To Carry Homestead Application Blanks

SACRAMENTO—Application blanks for veterans seeking homestead rights will be sent to JACL regional offices, where they will be available for Nisei applicants. Persons wishing these forms may apply at their regional office.

live on the unit for three years, building a habitable house during that period and must grow crops successfully for two years.

Construction of a habitable dwelling is possible by allotment of two of the barracks at the old Tule Lake Relocation Center near the homestead lands to each entryman.

Nearly all of the 1946 homesteaders have these barracks on their places; several of them have mounted them on concrete foundations, put siding or veneer over the well-insulated frame work and now possess permanent dwellings of substantial construction at a fraction of normal costs.

According to Regional Director Richard L. Boke of Sacramento, any veteran willing to work is practically assured success as a farmer by getting one of the homesteads.

Attorney Taketa emphasized that truck and berry farm operators, nursery men and others are eligible to apply. At the public drawing 88 names will be drawn. The first of the 88 who prove to have, in fact, the qualifications they listed on their application blanks should receive their farms in plenty of time for spring land preparation work. Assistance and review of completed forms may be obtained at the Land Settlement Division, Department of Interior, Old Post Office Building, Sacramento.

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EDITORIALS:

"Subversive" Groups

The Justice Department's action last week in releasing its list of organizations branded as subversive by Attorney General Clark, which included the names of 21 defunct West Coast Japanese groups, has tended to cast suspicion by implication upon persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

The fact that none of these 21 organizations is in existence today is a point which should be stressed. It should be noted that, with the exception of the various Japanese Associations which were primarily community service organizations, only a fractional number of the resident Japanese nationals in the United States were members of, or were acquainted with, the activities of the other groups on the list. One group listed, the Overseas Convention in 1940, was attended by only a handful of Issei from the United States. Another, the Great Fuji theater, is a former movie house in Los Angeles which showed Japanese films.

There are other organizations on the list which were actively engaged in the dissemination of Japan-inspired propaganda, like the Jikyoku Iin Kai of San Francisco which sought to justify Japan's aggression on the Asiatic continent. But it is a moot point whether such groups as the Kibei Seinen-kai, composed of Nisei educated in Japan, can be considered subversive. It should be remembered that many members of the Kibei youth groups later served with distinction in the war against Japan, as military personnel in Army intelligence and as civilians in the Army map service and similar agencies. The generalization of all Kibei as subversive, an assumption which the Dies Committee popularized, is an unwarranted assumption which is not in keeping with the record of the group.

The outright labeling of the various Japanese Associations as subversive also requires some explanation. The history of that particular organization is rooted in the background of economic, social and legislative discrimination encountered by Japanese nationals on the Pacific coast. The primary fact which should be considered is that the naturalization law prohibited any alien of Japanese race and nationality from becoming American citizens. Thus excluded from citizenship and limited from full participation in American life through discriminatory laws, the Japanese resident alien was forced by circumstance to maintain his ties with the land of his birth.

The Japanese Associations, though reactionary in character, served a useful function as a service agency in West Coast Japanese communities before the war. It is unfortunate that some of their officials became apologists for Japanese aggression so that the main function of the organization has become obscured. But it is difficult, by any stretch of the imagination, to consider mere membership in the organization as a subversive activity. Nearly all the Issei in America belonged or contributed to it at one time or another. The Japanese Associations declined with the growth of the Nisei to maturity and their influence waned with the passing of community leadership from the Issei to the Nisei.

It should be emphasized that these 21 organizations, listed as subversive by the Justice Department, abjectly failed in any effort to sway the loyalties of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States. The record of Japanese Americans and of resident aliens of Japanese ancestry during World War II is clear and the Justice Department itself has affirmed the fact that

there was no fact of sabotage against the United States committed by a person of Japanese ancestry during World War II. It will be unfortunate if the belated publication of the names of these 21 Japanese groups creates any misconceptions regarding the splendid wartime record of Americans of Japanese ancestry and their Japanese parents.

Holiday Edition

The annual holiday issue of the *Pacific Citizen*, which will be published next week, will be the largest in the history of the publication. It is expected that the edition will run to 56 pages.

The large amount of advertising which has been received for the edition, particularly from California, testifies to the fact that persons of Japanese ancestry are once again economically reestablished after wartime displacement. The fact that more than 150 individual greetings were received from Seabrook Farms, New Jersey alone also emphasizes the fact that members of the Japanese American group, once concentrated along the Pacific slope, are now located in all sections of the country as a result of wartime relocation.

The staff of the *Pacific Citizen* is grateful to the writers, photographers and advertisers, and to the JACL chapters and regional offices, who made the edition possible.

Today, in a period of inflated production costs, it is becoming increasingly difficult to sustain and maintain papers like the *Pacific Citizen*. The wholehearted response which the holiday edition has received from subscribers and advertisers will go far in insuring the continued publication of this newspaper.

Flowers for the Living

Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch, provost emeritus of the University of California, was honored by 600 of his fellow men and women the other day in San Francisco.

As the San Francisco Chronicle commented, these 600 persons "spent a long lunch period telling one of their number that they are better men and women for having known him."

"It was good," the Chronicle observed, "because flowers for the living are good; because not often enough do the deserving get to hear their own eulogies. It was good because it was well said by gifted speakers, and because makeup of the testimonial gathering was as eloquent as Dr. Deutsch in reaffirming this community's sense of perspective: Dr. Deutsch is Jewish, as were many of the leading citizens, rabbis and laymen and women, who attended. Present also were Right Reverend Parsons and Father Dunne; Dr. Reinhardt and Brother Austin, Dr. Lynn White and General Mark Clark, as well as many others, testifying to extra-sectarian social values respected by all."

The Nisei know Dr. Deutsch as one of many leading California citizens whose activity as an active member of the West Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play served to maintain emotional sanity on the subject of Japanese Americans at a time when racist propagandists were whipping up hysteria against the evacuated group on the Pacific coast. Dr. Deutsch is known and honored not alone for his important services as an educator but also for his extra-curricular efforts on behalf of democracy.

A Hero Comes Home

The long road from a muddy shell hole on the Italian battlefield to the peaceful waters of Honolulu harbor were bridged this morning when the USAT Sadao S. Munemori docked at Sand Island.

Today the USAT Munemori carries the name of a gallant soldier through all the sea lanes of the world. It carries more than his name; it bears a reminder that heroism and love of country, as the late war leader FDR phrased it "is a matter of heart and soul—not a matter of race or creed or color."

Honolulu should roll out the red carpet for the USAT Munemori. Its arrival calls for a public celebration. Recognition must be given not only to the gallant lad who gave his life in a muddy hole thousands of miles from home, but to his fellow soldiers here at home—and those who didn't come back.

Yes, roll out the red carpet—a real hero came home today!—From an editorial in the Hawaii Times of Nov. 22, 1947.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

A Film Hits Anti-Nisei Prejudice

Hollywood's new look is its sudden awareness of some of the social problems which beset democracy in these United States. Two recent films, "Crossfire" and "Gentlemen's Agreement," attack anti-Semitism, the former with a bludgeon and the latter with persuasive argument. Both recognize that racial and religious hatred of American minorities constitute a major problem for democracy.

This week Twentieth Century-Fox, which may win the Academy Award for "Gentlemen's Agreement," released "Daisy Kenyon," a film which stars Joan Crawford, Henry Fonda and Dana Andrews in an adult story of a career woman forced to choose between two men. The dramatic materials, drawn from Elizabeth Janeway's novel, are tried and tested but "Daisy Kenyon" has something new. It is the first Hollywood film to speak out against the anti-Nisei hatemongers in California. Although it occupies the screen for only a minute or so in a long and involved story of a triangle love, the subject of anti-Nisei prejudice in California and his decision to fight for civil liberties is made a focal point of Dana Andrews' career as a public official in the film.

"Daisy Kenyon" is a story projected against a background of contemporary American life. It is a significant fact that Miss Janeway's novel, although it touched on many other aspects of American life, carried no mention of the Nisei. The bit in the film involving the character portrayed by Dana Andrews was added by the writers who adapted the novel for the screen and undoubtedly had the approval of Miss Janeway, as well as of Darryl Zanuck who produced "Gentlemen's Agreement" and who runs Twentieth Century-Fox.

The fact that a motion picture attacks prejudice against Japanese Americans would be of only passing interest except that many Hollywood studios, Twentieth-Century Fox was not one of them, transmitted race myths and falsehoods about Japanese Americans in such films as Warner Brothers' "Air Force" and "Across the Pacific" and Universal's "Little Tokyo, U.S.A."

It should be recognized that in 1942, when most of these films were written and produced, the atmosphere in California was not conducive to objectivity or emotional balance on the subject of Japanese Americans. Hollywood writers do not toil in a vacuum, although some congressmen may want them to, and they are affected by the popular misconceptions and prejudices of the times. Thus the racist campaign against Japanese Americans in California was reflected in the films produced in Hollywood. Even such a writer and producer of integrity as Dudley Nichols, who wrote "Air Force," was fooled. Mr. Nichols wrote the screen plays of "The Informer," "The Grapes of Wrath," "The Long Voyage Home" and many other proud American films, but in "Air Force" he included all of the nasty stories about Japanese American sabotage in Hawaii which were then being circulated and believed on the United States mainland. Mr. Nichols, who is the writer and producer of the current film, "Mourning Becomes Electra," from the O'Neill play, has never refuted publicly the lies about Nisei disloyalty in "Air Force." He has shown in his work to be a man of singular courage and honesty and it would be a splendid gesture, since he is currently associated with RKO, if he would write the episode about the Japanese American soldier in Dore Schary's proposed production of "The Honored Glory."

The fact that he was the star of "Air Force" and thus unwittingly participated in the propagation of the false Hawaiian sabotage stories may account in part for John Garfield's interest in a film on the Nisei. We met John Garfield when he was in Salt Lake City some months ago and know him to be a man with fighting faith in democracy. He was interested in the role of Ben Kuroki when Ralph G. Martin's "The Boy from Nebraska" was offered to several Hollywood studios last year. None of the studios, however, was willing to take a chance on the story, primarily because of its war background as well as because

of its exposition of prejudice against an American minority.

The popular and financial success enjoyed to date by both "Crossfire" and "Gentlemen's Agreement" may force a revision of studio views toward such "controversial" stories. One reason for the success of these two pictures, of course, is the fact that, apart from their social content, both are technically excellent and dramatically entertaining. Mr. Garfield, incidentally, plays the part of Dave, the Jewish war veteran, in "Gentlemen's Agreement." His latest film, "Body and Soul," produced by the new Enterprise studio, is one of the most successful films of the year.

"Body and Soul" is a hard-hitting expose of some of the seamy aspects of American boxing. It is also a film which exhibits considerable courage in its approach to matters not so familiar to Hollywood. It tells of the lives of the poor and its hero, Charley Davis, a fighter corrupted by the lure of wealth, finds his salvation in his realization that he is a Jew and bears a group responsibility to others of his faith. It is also a film in which one of the major characters, a Negro champion played by Canada Lee, is given a dignity rarely accorded by Hollywood to the part of an American Negro. We can recall only two other roles on the American screen, the part of a young girl played by Fredi Washington in a Fannie Hurst story with Claudette Colbert, and the young lawyer in "In This Our Life," a Best Davis film from the Ellen Glasgow novel, in which the Negro has been given the full dimensions of human being. In both of these, of course, the implications were of a featist. Fredi Washington's Negro girl, whose skin was fair and padded for white, fled back to her ghetto, while the audience knew that the young lawyer who wanted to help his group wouldn't get very far.

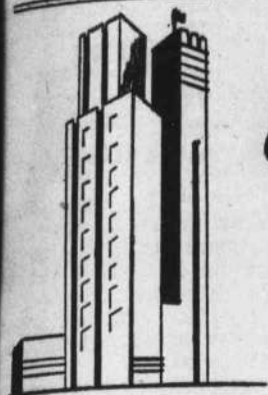
Hollywood has shown considerable courage in its cinematic challenge to the anti-Semites, while its repudiation of anti-Nisei prejudice reflects the shifting of public attitudes toward Japanese Americans. The capacity of Hollywood's willingness to use its powerful medium to fight for the extension of democracy to all Americans will be measured in its approach to the Negro whose present and past predicament is the domestic question of our time.

The patterns of anti-Orientalism on the Pacific coast and anti-Mexican prejudice in the Southwest are by-products of the second-class citizenship of the American Negro. Hollywood castigates the Jew-baiters and the anti-Nisei hoodlums, for both are now outside the pale, but the advocates of Negro segregation still sit in Congress and are treated with respect in some sections of the nation. Jim Crow is a reality, not only in the South, but in the North and West as well.

Hollywood has broken new ground in its films against anti-Semitism and in "Daisy Kenyon." The American public already has shown it will support such "controversial" films provided they have the attributes of good theater. The open discussion of these problems seem far better than hidden whispers. These motion pictures, however, were written and produced before the recent highly publicized Thomas committee's investigation of the motion picture industry. Only time will tell whether Hollywood will be intimidated by these pressures or whether it will extend and expand its influence on behalf of the basic principles of American democracy.

Japanese Student Club at UC Will Be Opened Soon

BERKELEY, Calif. — Reopening of the Japanese Student club at the University of California as a men's dormitory on Feb. 15 was tentatively reported here this week. A committee acting for representatives of the University Student Cooperative association last week to discuss preliminary steps toward the termination of the present lease under which the building has been used as a women's dormitory by the co-op group since the evacuation in 1942.



A Nisei in Manhattan by Roku Sugahara

Mecca For Writers

Manhattan has long been the national center of the written and the spoken word.

Here, almost every important book publisher is located, as well as the leading magazine companies and newspaper syndicates.

Concentrated around Radio City are the headquarters and business offices of all the national radio chains and where a majority of the national hookups are broadcast.

So, it is quite natural that the largest concentration of writers of books, magazine articles, radio scripts, and newspaper columns should be located here.

From all parts of the country, the starry-eyed writers come, some staying on and succeeding but the large majority of the hopefuls returning back to the Main Streets of their hometown. From orange groves and coal mines, from wheat fields and cotton plantations, the never-ending stream of hopefuls cascade into a tidal wave of humanity to be spewed on the streets of Manhattan.

So far, the Nisei writer has not gained the comparable stature of a Noguchi or a Kuniyoshi in the field of art. A few, minor, slow-selling books have made their way to the bookstores, a dozen or so lukewarm pulp magazine attempts, and a smattering of evacuation magazine articles have been the sum total of the contribution of Nisei writers in this country.

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Pre-war Scene

Before Pearl Harbor, the Japanese writers in New York formed a formidable group. Most of them were employed by the large Japan newspapers and other propaganda outfits. Almost a hundred formed this nucleus.

Several Nisei were employed by these companies, but their work never branched out into some independent and marketable project.

These crack Domei and Osaka Mainichi reporters shuttled between New York and Washington for their news stories and exclusive reports, cabling back their findings to Tokyo. More than a few contributed to top-notch Japanese magazines and several Japanese best sellers in the non-fiction field were written by these New York correspondents.

Somehow they never entered the American field of writing, perhaps feeling that their command of English was insufficient for marketability.

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The Book Publishing Field

Almost every book publisher of national consequence is located in New York.

Over their desks come dozens of manuscripts daily and perhaps only one or two a week will ultimately find its way to the printing presses. And of those books printed, a majority will not be money makers, perhaps ending up in a "remainder" shop with a 19-cent price tag.

Most authors of books feel it is much more advantageous to operate out of New York because they can have frequent consultations with their publishers in the preparation of their copy.

Royalties for authors usually range from 10 to 15 percent of the retail price of the book. It is not infrequent, therefore, that a hopeful writer of a printed novel, finally winds up with only a few hundred dollars for the fruits of his labors because of the narrow sales of his masterpiece. Best sellers are few and far between.

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Magazine Article Writing

The goal of most magazine article writers is to have their manuscript accepted by a magazine of wide national circulation like the Post, Colliers, or American. It is not uncommon for such publications to pay twenty cents a word for such articles.

Literally hundreds of manuscripts are received daily by the magazine editors and most of them wind up with the customary rejection slips.

Most magazine articles are written by staff writers or specially assigned specialists in a certain field. Since most magazine articles deal with a specific problem, the magazine editors are anxious to hear only from leading authorities in that line.

Moreover, the editors feel that "name" writers or people of national prominence greatly help newstand sales. It is for this reason that the unknown, beginning writers have such difficulties in getting their manuscripts accepted.

The only possibilities lie in submitting articles to small magazines with restricted circulation. It naturally follows that the payment will be small.

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Short Stories

The field of short-story writing has distinct possibilities for the Nisei writer.

Editors are always looking for new ideas and different types of plots. At the present time there appears to be a shortage of competent short story writers and editors are combing over their files for possible stories.

In the field of writing the racial background is no obstacle inasmuch as manuscripts can be submitted under a pen-name.

Most short story writers enter this field thru the medium of the pulp magazine, getting a low return for their work but building up a reputation among editors. Pulp magazines are constantly looking for material to fill their pages and satisfy the demands of their huge reading public.

Most manuscripts with no possibilities are quickly returned by the editors. If there is a fair chance to use the submitted, it will require four or five weeks before a definite answer is received.

The newest and perhaps most interesting field open to young writers is in radio.

Many of the programs are still in their experimental stage and radio has that peculiar facility of wide changes in audience appeal.

Script writers for half-hour programs get as high as five hundred dollars for one program, with gag writers on variety shows drawing even more.

Most of the regular national programs have assigned writers for the script and present little or no possibilities of entering into the charmed circle.

On several programs, especially in the dramatic mystery field, sponsors are always looking for new material and ideas.

The technique of radio writing differs quite a bit from the short story field inasmuch as the radio must tell its story merely through the voice and sound effects on the air.

Almost all successful radio writers today are young men and women with unique ideas and slants. It is for this reason that the Nisei may easily fit into this changing pattern and achieve some measure of recognition in writing radio programs. There are no

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Xmas Seals Fight Disease

This is the time of year when citizens get an envelope of anti-tuberculosis Christmas seals in their mail. We're buying our two dollars worth, although in harder times we often had to return half.

Those anti-tb seals have been coming almost ever since we can remember, and they have become something of a favorite charity if it is correct to apply the word to one whose philanthropy has been limited by necessity to a few dollars a year.

Perhaps this is so because tuberculosis has struck down so many of the friends of our youth. What used to be called the white plague threw many a good joe for a loss and some of those who were lucky enough to recover are crippled for life.

Now we know that early diagnosis and proper care would have saved lives. Perhaps it is in memory of our friends who didn't get that diagnosis in time that we pass along our humble two dollars worth.

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Progressive Agriculturists

News Item: The four Abo brothers, Nisei who farm near Rupert, Idaho, are the first in their area to use a mechanical sugar beet topper and whipper and solved the labor shortage by almost complete mechanization for the harvest.

Once upon a time not so long ago Japanese American farmers were being assailed by competitors as backward stoop laborers who engaged in unfair practices by making their women and children slave in the fields.

Not only did they overwork themselves and their families, the accusers said, but they also overworked the land, ignored good conservation practices, depleted the soil and then jumped their leases to farm land still in good condition.

Perhaps this was true of some Japanese American farmers. It was also true of other farmers, too. But many scores of Japanese Americans are showing they can be progressive agriculturists, and some like the Abo brothers are showing the way for their Caucasian neighbors.

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Minorities on Denver Juries

Denver jury panels, a recent inquiry showed,

include representatives of minority groups in about the same proportion as the city population.

The investigation was made by a Denver Post reporter following a United States supreme court decision setting aside a death sentence imposed on a Negro in a Mississippi court because members of the defendant's race were "systematically excluded" from the jury.

Denver Jury Commissioner John B. Goodman, who puts 4,000 names into the jury wheel twice a year, says he deliberately picks out for inclusion names which indicate Spanish American and Japanese American citizens. He estimates that in the last jury service list there were some 22 Nisei, 160 Spanish Americans and 120 Negroes, although he didn't say how he could tell from a man's name whether he is a Negro.

Of course, attorneys are privileged to challenge a prospective jurymen, and these challenges prevent many minority group members from actually serving on a jury. But extreme wealth or lack of it, a man's profession or even the look on his face may be reason for a jurymen being excused.

In a left-handed sort of way, the deliberate planting of individuals from minority groups in jury wheels is a form of discrimination because it is acknowledgment that minority groups must have special treatment.

One of these days, perhaps, the authorities will simply pick a panel of prospective jurors from a list of citizens regardless of race or color.

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Canadian Nisei Bear Up

News Item: The New Canadian reports a gradual change toward the better in the attitude of residents of eastern British Columbia toward relocated evacuees of Japanese ancestry.

Canada's treatment of its citizens of Japanese extraction was and still is shameful. It's about time Canadians thought out the problem for themselves and quit letting the western British Columbia racists (as rabid as California's sun-kissed variety) do their thinking.

Outside of quite proper British accents (and perfectly good British first names which sound just a bit sissy to Americans) Canadian Nisei are little different from their American cousins. And they've borne up admirably under exasperating conditions.

A Short Story:

THE ADVENTURER

By TOSHIO MORI

Hiroshi's day had come. In his six years of experience he had never faced this strange situation. Tomorrow he was to rise early and accompany his mother to Hawthorne elementary school. Now he was allowed to venture forth freely and explore into a new world. Heretofore, he was confined to the block on which his house stood.

As he lay awake in his tiny bed, he could hear his dad and mom mumbling to themselves in the next room. What were they saying? Would they understand this feeling of his and its great importance?

Now he was wide awake. He raised himself on his elbow and peered through the window. Down below street cars and cars rolled by incessantly. The discordant notes jarred the room, rattling the windows with regularity. Sometimes it sounded like a missing chord of a symphony of night. At times he believed that life was composed of nothing but noise. And silence too, he thought, consisted of nothing of consequence. He was doubtful now. In silence he was thinking. A new world was being born within him without fanfare—and people were unaware of this phenomenon—even his dad and mom.

Not long ago he had been living in a camp in the middle of a barren Utah desert and there he was unable to gaze out the window. If it wasn't the dust and wind, it was the cold or the blaze of the sun. His world was small and fenced in. He could imagine other children catching the essence of his experience by playing within the confines of a bouncing rubber ball. Yes, that was it. Yet he had playmates. In his block were many faces like his—round chubby faces with short flat nose, black hair, oblique eyes. Oh, he was a Nisei. His dad told him so. Dad had said that he was to go out into the world as a Nisei. And he could not tell what it was that made him different from other Americans.

Yes, his Topaz friends' names had a familiar ring in his ears—Yoshio, Katsumi, Shozo, Akira, Minoru. In this new world, he wondered, would he find playmates? Now that he was a Nisei would he have the same interests that the boys at Hawthorne would have or would they have their own sort of laughter, games and conduct?

His eyes were wide open as the sun crept into the bedroom, slowly lighting up the objects in the

room. There were his new jeans and the gabardine jacket which his mother had bought for him a few days ago. New shoes shone beside the chair. On the bed was his favorite striped T shirt. Bright sox for his first day at school. His clothes were waiting for him. Now he was on schedule. No longer could he lounge leisurely and abide his time. He gazed at the clock. Mother said he must be at school by nine. Then the alarm went off and he remembered that it meant for him to rise and get dressed and have breakfast.

In the kitchen was his father finishing his cup of coffee and there was mother preparing the lunch boxes for two—one for dad and the other for him. Dad's eyes were twinkling as they gazed critically at him.

"All set for school, son?" Hiroshi nodded as he ate his cereal. He felt important. From this day forward he had a mission. He too had a purpose on his hands. He felt the rough hand of dad's tousling his hair. Then he saw his dad rushing out the back way and a minute later heard his car backing out of the garage.

In fifteen minutes he too would be on his way. He could just picture himself clinging to his mother's hand and walking down the street to school. The way was seemingly long and strangely foreign and forbidding. He glanced quickly at his mother who was hurriedly sipping her coffee to see if she had detected his growing fear.

What was before him? Would there be fearful and terrifying adventure waiting in the unknown future? The unknown appeared like a monster. The unknown was something alien and dangerous. How could he fare it without knowing what to expect? His mother and father won't be at his side. He would be alone. Panic seized him,

his tiny heart beating wildly and irregularly.

"Mamma, I don't want to go," he cried desperately.

For a moment she did not comprehend him. It came so sudden. "What are you saying, Hiroshi? You've been so anxious to go."

"I don't want to go," was all he could say. Would she understand this feeling of his? Already she was alien to him for not knowing his thought. He was facing the unknown all by himself. "She was not there to help him.

"Don't be afraid. There's nothing to be afraid of," she assured him. "You'll find friends easily. It'll be fun and you will like school."

She was preparing to leave the house, putting on her coat and hat. He sat at the table playing with his cup of chocolate. What to do next? He could be stubborn and refuse to budge from his seat, but would that solve his problem? Could he remain away from school while other children in the neighborhood attended the classes? Were they confronted with thoughts such as his?

"Mamma, I am afraid. I don't want to go."

She looked at him, picking up his lunch box. "Afraid?" she said laughing lightheartedly. "What is there to be afraid of?"

He tried to express his fear of the unknown, of the wide chasm between him and the ground of safety and familiarity. He wanted her to see the black night in the forest before him and the huge mountain after and beyond it the great ocean of depth. And the strange lurking ideas hidden innermost in his head.

"I am afraid, Mamma. I am afraid of everything."

She embraced him gently and laughed away his thoughts. "You silly boy. You must be brave. No harm is coming to you—Mamma and Daddy will see to it. Now, mind your mother and go to school. We'll be late."

He hesitated. For a second he wished to rebel. But before he was able to object, his mother led him out to the street.

Outside the morning bustle drowned out his thoughts. He watched the baker's truck coming down the street as usual. The driver hailed him and his mother. It comforted him. Other children were seen hurrying toward the school.

"See the boys and girls? They're all going like you are," his mother said.

He lost his fear momentarily. The hot September sun warmed his body. The sight of an ever increasing number of shoppers on the street comforted him. He was not alone. In number he was safe. He looked at his mother and he

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color lines behind the mike. Each contribution must stand or fall on its merit alone.

The Nisei writer should not feel restricted to his own community and to matters concerning his race. The entire world, the whole range of emotions, the full realm of human possibilities can be his oyster to yield the pearl of his genius.

Christmas Dance

CHICAGO—A Christmas dance will be sponsored by the Westside Enterprise group at the Temple hall, Van Buren at Marshfield street.

Bob Takehara and his orchestra, featuring Jim Hashimoto as vocalist and Shelly Graha on the trumpet, will play for the dance.

Admission is \$3.25 per couple. The Westside Enterprise group and the Kalifornians and Hawaiian organizations of Chicago will hold a New Year's eve dance in the west ballroom of the Ashland auditorium.

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Vagaries

Test Case . . .

Last Monday went by without the Supreme Court's announcement of its decision in the Oyama test case on the California Alien Land law which many had expected. Now it's believed that the decision may not be delivered until January. One reason may be the illness of Justice Frank Murphy who has been in the hospital with a touch of influenza. . . . Incidentally, a historic Supreme Court decision concerning Japanese Americans was delivered in December. It was the unanimous decision in the Mitsuye Endo test case which had challenged the detention of American citizens in relocation centers and their exclusion from the Pacific coast. That decision was read on Dec. 18, 1944. The War Department beat the court to the gun by issuing a proclamation on Dec. 17 which rescinded the order excluding persons of Japanese ancestry from the evacuated area. . . . Mitsuye Endo, incidentally, was married in Chicago last month.

Chester Tanaka is in charge of production for the monthly magazine, Consumer Reports, published by Consumer's Union in New York. . . . Wing Ong, the Phoenix grocer who was elected to the Arizona House last year and is the only Oriental American legislator on the mainland, believes that Chinese and other Oriental Americans should participate more actively in community affairs.

Wat Misaka, the sparkplug of the University of Utah team last year who was released by New York's pro Knickerbockers recently, was offered a job by Ned Irish, manager of Madison Square Garden. However, Misaka decided to return to Utah to get his degree.

Short story: The Adventurer

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tightened his grip on her hand. She smiled and pressed tighter.

But the gnawing fear returned. A sinking sensation of loneliness gripped him. He was forever alone. Only the brief entry of his mother and father drove away the dark thought. Even the number of many faces did not comfort him. Now the many tiny faces on the school grounds appeared hostile and impersonal. When she led him into the principal's office he was trembling with concern of his fate. When he was separated from his mother after a hasty good-by and escorted to a strange room with a strange lady and a sea of tiny faces, his heart pounded fearfully.

He was led to a seat in the middle of the room and dared not look about for fear of losing his control. He stayed back his tears. Faintly he heard his name mentioned and repeated again. Then other names were called in many numbers. He felt like a tiny marble in a great big can filled with marbles. He wanted to cry out, to protest, to lament but knew it was useless. He felt futile and yet defiant. He was here at present to seek out his path to brief happiness and long ideals about which he was aware unconsciously in spite of the loneliness of his being and his fear of the unknown.

Salt Lake Nisei Cagers Will Play In Jordan Gym

With the beginning of the fourth round, all games in the Salt Lake Nisei basketball league will be played on the Jordan high school court, 7800 South State street, it was announced this week.

The following schedule was released:

January 7, 1948
7:00 Salt Lake Seagulls vs. Pagoda Zephyrs
8:10 City Cafe vs. Sleepy Lagoon
9:20 Orem vs. Utah Auto Club
10:30 University Niseis vs. Good Laundry

January 14, 1948
7:00 Good Laundry vs. Murray Taiyos
8:10 Salt Lake Busseis vs. Salt Lake Seagulls
9:20 Sleepy Lagoon vs. Pagoda Zephyrs
10:30 Orem vs. City Cafe

January 21, 1948
7:00 City Cafe vs. U.A.C.
8:10 Pagoda Zephyrs vs. Orem
9:20 Good Laundry vs. Salt Lake Seagulls
10:30 Star Coffee Aztecs vs. Sleepy Lagoon

January 28, 1948
7:00 Seagulls vs. Orem
8:10 Aztecs vs. Good Laundry
9:20 Sleepy Lagoon vs. U.A.C.
10:30 Niseis vs. Taiyos

February 3, 1948
7:00 City vs. Aztecs
8:10 Seagulls vs. Sleepy Lagoon
9:20 Orem vs. Niseis
10:30 U.A.C. vs. Busseis

February 11, 1948
7:00 Murray Taiyos vs. U.A.C.
8:10 Busseis vs. Niseis
9:20 Good Laundry vs. City Cafe
10:30 Aztecs vs. Orem

February 18, 1948
7:00 Busseis vs. Sleepy Lagoon
8:10 U.A.C. vs. Good Laundry
9:20 Taiyos vs. Aztecs
10:30 Pagoda Zephyrs vs. Niseis

February 25, 1948
7:00 Pagoda vs. Good Laundry
8:10 Niseis vs. City
9:20 Orem vs. Busseis
10:30 Seagulls vs. Taiyos

March 3, 1948
7:00 Niseis vs. Sleepy Lagoon
8:10 Taiyos vs. Orem
9:20 Star Coffee vs. Pagoda
10:30 Good Laundry vs. Busseis

Chicago Baptists Will Hold Social

CHICAGO—Frank Takahashi and Hannah Okamoto will be the co-chairmen for the First Baptist Fellowship's Christmas social on Dec. 21 at 8:30 p.m.

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Buddhists Sponsor Central California Basketball League

FRESNO, Calif. — The Central California Young Buddhists Association's basketball team got under way this week and will continue until Dec. 21 with eleven teams competing.

The winning team will represent the Central California Bussei at the California YBA tournament to be held in Sacramento in January.

Shigeko Masuda, girls' athletic manager of the CCYBA, announced that the girls' basketball league will start on Dec. 20 at Fowler high gym. Three games will be played on Saturday nights and one on Sunday.

It was announced at the meeting of the CCYBA board of directors on Dec. 5 that Kazuo Sekiya has been named the new editor of the Bussei Review.

Fujihira, Okada Named Candidates For Milwaukee Post

MONTEREY, Calif. — Kiyoshi Nobusada was elected president of the Monterey JACL at the general election meeting last week.

Other members of the 1948 cabinet are: Mamie Honda, first vice pres.; Min Charles Uyeda, 2nd vice pres.; Jimmy Tabata, executive sec.; Kenneth H. Sato, treas.; Chisa Oda, reg. sec.; Nancy Enokida, social chairman; Helen Uyeda, historian, and Harry K. Menda, publicity.

Kiyoshi Nobusada also is vice president of the Monterey Peninsula Council for Civic Unity and last week was chosen by the council to represent the group at Santa Barbara as a representative on the state board of directors.

Eight Teams Enter National Cage Tourney

SEATTLE — The first national all-Oriental basketball tournament will be played at the Seattle College gym on Dec. 26, 27 and 28. The Nisei Veterans Committee and the Cathay Post, American Legion, the co-sponsoring groups, announced this week.

Five Nisei and three Chinese American teams will complete the field of eight.

The Nisei teams are: The Hawaiian All-Stars, which is making a tour of the mainland United States.

Salt Lake Seagulls, one of the strongest teams in the Intermountain area.

Berkeley Nisseis, winners of the recent Northern California Drake tournament and last year's California NAU co-champions.

Chicago Huskies, champions of last year's eastern Nisei tournament.

Seattle NVC, made up of Seattle Nisei stars, including players from the Tokuda team.

The three Chinese American teams are:

St. Mary's of San Francisco, winner of 41 out of 43 games last year, one of California's strongest Chinese American teams.

Fresno All-Stars, representing the Fay Wah club of Fresno, Calif.

Seattle community team, sponsored by the Cathay post.

Fresno Fellowship

FRESNO, Calif. — The Christian Fellowship group will hold its annual election of officers at the Methodist church on Dec. 14.

Koko Yemoto, president, will act as chairman.

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Dissolve Group Formed to Aid Coast Evacuees

SAN FRANCISCO — The Japanese resettlement committee of the San Francisco Council for Civic Unity was dissolved last week after three years of activity, Mrs. Josephine Duveneck, chairman, announced at the council's annual meeting on Dec. 9.

Mrs. Duveneck praised the cooperation of various Nisei groups, including the churches and the JACL, for their efforts in working out their own problems and said that there was no further need for the council committee.

In her report, Mrs. Duveneck told of the council's participation in many Japanese American problems during the past year, including the fight against the Alien Land law appropriations in Sacramento last spring and in the evacuee housing situation at Hunter's Point.

Dr. Togasaki Named

SAN FRANCISCO — Dr. Kazuo Togasaki was nominated last week to the board of directors of the San Francisco Council for Civic Unity. Dr. Togasaki will replace Joe Grant Masaoka who has served two terms.

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Northwest Issei Group Aids ADC Financial Campaign

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Northwest Naturalization and Evacuation Claims Committee, organized last summer by Issei residents of Seattle, Washington, to mobilize support for the JACL legislative program, has donated \$2,000 to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, the Washington office of the JACL ADC disclosed this week.

A check in the amount of \$2,000, which was described by H. H. Okuda, chairman of the Seattle organization, as the "first contribution" to the legislative campaign was forwarded recently to Mike Masaoka, the national legislative director of the JACL ADC.

Mr. Masaoka, acknowledging the contribution, thanked Mr. Okuda and each member of his committee. He declared that the support rendered at this time by the Seattle Issei "becomes a source of deep gratification and encouragement to us in our work to put through our legislative program here in the nation's capital." Mr. Okuda was informed that the national headquarters of the JACL ADC has been told of the substantial gift.

The Northwest Naturalization and Evacuation Claims Committee was inaugurated in Seattle on June 30, 1947. It has its offices at 518 Main Street, Seattle. Founders of this committee have pledged wholehearted support to the JACL ADC drive to win naturalization privileges for the Issei. Mr. Masaoka, during his tour of the Pacific Coast States in November, met with committee members in Seattle.

Fujihara Named To Prep All-Stars

SEBASTOPOL, Calif. — Everett Fujihara, star guard for Analy high school, was "an almost unanimous choice" on the 1947 North Bay league all-star team selected by team coaches.

Fujihara was the only Analy player to make either the first or second team.

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Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Masamori a boy, Robert Delmar, on Nov. 16 in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jo Kayashima, Ponona, Calif., a boy on Dec. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Yamada, Penryn, Calif., a boy on Nov. 24.

To the Rev. and Mrs. Waichi Oyanagi, Sacramento, Calif., a girl on Nov. 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tsugio Kawaguchi, Arlington, Calif., a girl on Nov. 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Teizo Matsumoto, Longdale, Calif., a boy on Dec. 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Matsuhara, San Diego, a girl on Nov. 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shiochi Dobashi, Madera, Calif., a girl on Nov. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shinji Ogawa, Riverside, Calif., a boy on Nov. 27.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Matsuo, Walnut Grove, Calif., a girl on Nov. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Fujita a girl on Dec. 5 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Saburo Ikuta a boy on Nov. 15 in Reedley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Tanabe a boy on Nov. 29 in Lodi, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yoshida a boy on Dec. 4 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masashi Yamane a girl on Dec. 4 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Y. Tsuchida, Sacramento, Calif., a boy on Nov. 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeichi Yamamoto, San Diego, Calif., a girl on Dec. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Uyeno, Newcastle, Calif., a girl on Nov. 23.

DEATHS

Mrs. Hisako Okubo, 60, on Dec. 3 in San Francisco.

Uichiro Hara on Dec. 1 in Oxnard, Calif.

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

MARRIAGES

Dorothy Sekiko Furukami, Longmont, Colo., to Harold Minoru Nitta, Stockton, Calif., on Nov. 30 in Denver.

Miyoko Morikawa to Arthur Hayashi on Nov. 29 in New York City.

Fumiko Suzuki to Harry Shimizu on Nov. 23 in Chicago.

Ema Takahashi to Minoru Sakamoro on Dec. 7 in San Diego.

Toshiye Maruyama to Kazuji Fujii on Nov. 30 in Gardena, Calif.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. — Fresh opportunity for alien veterans to petition for American citizenship through naturalization is provided in two bills introduced last week into the House of Representatives, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee revealed today. These measures would reopen the period during which non-citizens who served honorably in the armed forces of the United States could file papers for citizenship.

Under Public Law 507, approved by Congress in March 1942, aliens serving in the military or naval forces of the United States at any time during World War II, were given the privilege of filing a petition for naturalization. They were required however to petition not later than one year after the termination of the war. A number of Japanese aliens were able to gain American citizenship under provisions of this law. On December 28, 1945, the deadline for filing was extended to December 31, 1946 by another act of Congress.

One of the bills, submitted last week by Representative Antonio N. Sadlak, Republican of Connecticut also provides the same time limit. His bill, however, is more inclusive and would not only benefit alien servicemen of World War II, but would aid honorably discharged veterans of World War I, and those who served on the Mexican border as a member of the Regular Army or National Guard from June 1916 to America's entry in the first World War.

The Sadlak bill seeks to amend Public Law 791, passed by Congress on December 7, 1942, which provides for the naturalization of certain alien veterans of World War I. Provisions of this Act ex-

clude those aliens ineligible to citizenship. Noting the discriminatory phases of this piece of legislation, Mike Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL ADC, is making early representations to the Connecticut congressman and to members of the Judiciary Committee to change the wording of the Sadlak measure to include all aliens. Both bills are now being considered by the House Judiciary Committee.

Four Candidates Named for Murray Chapter Presidency

MURRAY, UTAH — Four candidates are listed for the presidency of the Mount Olympus chapter of the JACL following the Dec. 4 meeting.

They are Kay Harada, Mas Namba, James Ushio and George Fujii.

Other candidates are: Mary Harada, Florence Seo, first vice-president; Shig Hoki and Leo Iseki, second vice-president; Joe Kuwahara and Hiroshi Mitsunaga, treasurer; May Akagi and Toshiko Hoshida, corres. sec.; Masaye Tadehara and Kathrine Tamura, rec. sec.

Frank Harada, Michi Iwata, Min Matsumori, Nobe Mori and Helen Shimizu were members of the nominating committee.

The Dec. 4th meeting was the third annual "boys' meeting" and was held at the Murray Youth Center.

Male members of the organization presented a program, "Casa del Rae," which was centered around a night club theme.

During the business meeting the Blue Cross hospitalization plan and the recent Intermountain district council convention were discussed.

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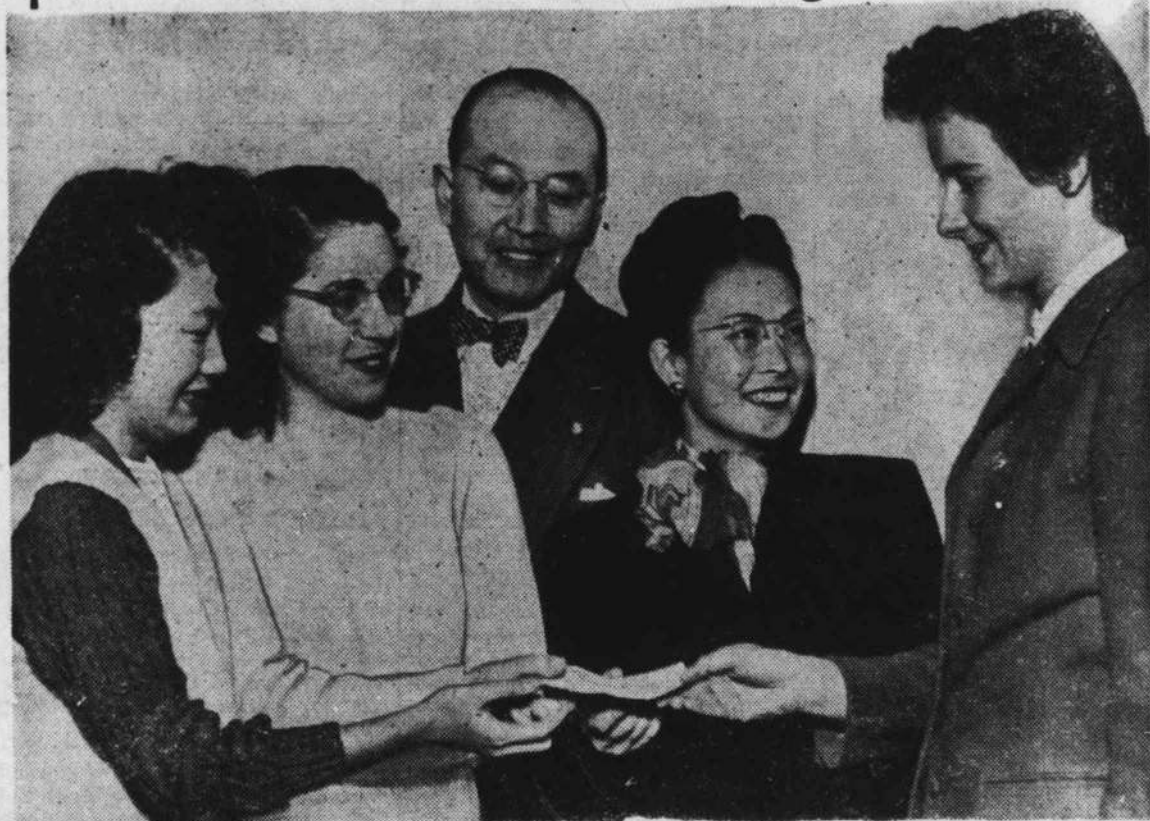
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HONOLULU—A 66-yard run by halfback Jyun Hirota led Hawaii's Roaring Rainbows to a 27 to 13 triumph over the Fresno State Spartans before 27,400 fans in the annual Shrine bowl game.

In the second quarter, with Hawaii trailing 7 to 13, Hirota cut around left end, found a hole opened by the blocking of co-captain Unkei Uchima, and went all the way.

Hirota also helped set up Hawaii's first touchdown, while the passing combination of Dick Mamiya and Louis Collins scored the third Rainbow tally. A pass from Sol Kaulukukui to Rocky Sugino scored the fourth touchdown.

Bob Shibuya, Hawaii's center from Salt Lake City, and Saburo Takeyasu at guard were among the starting Hawaii eleven.

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New Jersey AFL Union Plans Appeal to Congress to Pass Evacuation Claims Measure

BRIDGETON, N. J.—One of the largest American Federation of Labor unions in New Jersey, the Meat, Cannery and Farm Workers, Local 56, is planning an appeal to Congress when it reconvenes in its regular session in January on behalf of thousands of persons of Japanese ancestry who were evacuated from the Pacific coast in 1942 and who are now employed in the vast Seabrook Farms and the Deerfield Packing company plant near Bridgeton.

Announcing that nearly 1500 of these evacuees now employed in New Jersey are "good union members," the AFL group will ask the government to reimburse the evacuees for financial losses incurred as a result of the evacuation.

"They are as American and as loyal as any of our other members," Elmer J. Hewitt, union vice-president, declared last week. "They are honest and hard-working. They are good union members, and we wish we had more of them."

Mr. Hewitt pointed out that the evacuee families now living near Bridgeton are "typical of more than 100,000 who were uprooted from their homes in a moment of hysteria, and who are trying desperately to reestablish themselves as happy, useful Americans."

Three of the evacuee families at Seabrook lost sons in the war, Mr. Hewitt said, while 50 veterans of the famous 442nd Combat Team are among the ex-GIs now employed there.

The AFL official said a survey has shown that the evacuees at Seabrook lost or were cheated out of physical property ranging in value from \$500 to \$87,000. In the turmoil of evacuation, which most had refused to believe was going to materialize, they disposed of property "for a fraction of its worth," Mr. Hewitt said.

"Some entrusted all of their belongings and savings to 'friends' who betrayed them. Others saw the fruits of years of hard work wiped out in one day at the hands of unscrupulous racketeers who posed as officials. In the confusion none really knew what was 'official' and

what was not. They knew only that the United States, their government, had ordered them into concentration camps," the union official added.

The Seabrook Farms and Deerfield plant workers, many of them former professional people, substantial home owners, successful independent farmers and businessmen, were recruited from the war relocation centers in 1944. Some persons have moved to other areas or returned to the Pacific coast since the war ended but most are staying on in New Jersey.

"These people want no gifts, no bonuses, no rewards from the government," Mr. Hewitt declared. "They simply want the property they lost returned to them. And they want this because they deserve and need it."

He noted that the House of Representatives last July 23 unanimously passed HR 3999, the evacuation claims bill.

"We are planning to help guide that bill through the Senate as soon as possible after Congress reconvenes," Mr. Hewitt said. "Since these people were wrongfully torn from their homes, our union and most of the people in Bridgeton who have come to know them, believe that as a matter of simple justice and good conscience the government owes a moral obligation to do everything possible to make up for that action."

Seattle Girl Wins History Award

SEATTLE — Etsuko Ichikawa was named the winner of the American History Contest Award at Garfield high school last week.

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