



Defense Counsel in Tokyo Nisei Case Charges Use of Force by Army Investigators

TOKYO — Charging the use of force by agents of the Army's Criminal Investigation Department in obtaining a confession from one of the eight Nisei defendants in the murder of a Japanese national on July 1, Defense Counsel Vincent Esposito of Honolulu T.H. this week persisted in attempting to block admittance into the court record of the alleged confession from Kiyoto Nakamura, Honolulu, the chief defendant in the case.

Esposito and other defense attorneys contended that the statement by Nakamura, assuming responsibility for the knife slaying of Michimasa Kosaka of Tokyo in a dancehall brawl, was "involuntary."

Esposito charged that "promises

and threats" were used by CID agents to break down the defendants to take the stand in the trial which has been in progress in Tokyo for the past month. He testified that L. F. Ledebur, a special agent of the CID, had promised that if one of the defendants signed a confession the other seven would be freed.

Tadaki said Ledebur told the defendants that "unless one of us confesses and takes the rap we would all be charged with murder and serve 20 years to life in jail."

Esposito also charged that the eight Japanese Americans, seven of whom are natives of Hawaii, have been held in solitary confinement by the Army in Tokyo since September.

Masaoka Seeks White House Support for ADC Proposals

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In his first conference of the year with officials of the White House, Mike Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, on Jan. 5 sought President Truman's good offices in furthering the JACL ADC program for 1948.

The Washington office of the JACL ADC reported that Mr. Masaoka urged White House officials that the Chief Executive be prevailed upon to use his good offices in implementing the recent recommendations of the President's Committee on Civil Rights, particularly those sections dealing with persons of Japanese ancestry. The Nisei legislative director asked the support of the White House in the campaign which seeks early disposition of the evacuation claims and citizenship-for-Issei problems.

Mr. Masaoka also asked that the President be urged to lend his good offices in the Takahashi fishing case, which is expected to be reviewed by the United States Supreme court. The JACL ADC, it was pointed out, is soliciting the aid of the Justice Department in the legal fight and is attempting to get the Attorney General to file a "friend of the court" brief in the case, such as he agreed to do in the restrictive covenants cases. Mr. Masaoka added that the civil rights report had recommended prompt federal action looking toward repeal of state laws which discriminate against aliens, such as the alien land statutes and the prohibition against commercial fishing in California.

Members of the White House office, Mr. Masaoka reported, had expressed the President's interest in these cases.

Pacific Southwest District Council Meeting Called

LOS ANGELES—The first 1948 meeting of the Pacific Southwest district council of the JACL will be called Saturday, Jan. 10, at 10 a.m. in the JACL conference room, according to Frank Chuman, new chairman.

District council awards, building up of the council treasury, and organization of the 1948 Issei ADC committee will be among major problems to be discussed at the meeting.

Kaichi Maekawa Passes Away

CINCINNATI, O.—Kaichi Maekawa, 75, collapsed and died of a heart attack on Christmas day while visiting friends.

Surviving him are his wife, Rui, residing at 242 Northern avenue; a son, George; and four daughters, Cecelia, Mrs. Margaret Nagai, and Mrs. Mitzie Kato, all residing in Cincinnati, and Mrs. Mary Hashimoto of San Jose, Calif.

Funeral services were held at the Corner funeral home on Reading road.

Mr. Maekawa was formerly of Dunsmuir, Calif.

NISEI GIRL LEFT \$10,000 IN WILL OF AGED FRIEND

LOS ANGELES — A Nisei girl protege was left \$10,000 in the \$100,000 will of the late Mrs. Harriet Allen Heath of South Pasadena which was filed for probate in Superior court last week.

The girl is Shizuo Watanabe of 636 North Juanita Ave., Los Angeles, whom Mrs. Heath described as "having lived in my family for years."

Two grandnieces also were left \$10,000 each and a housekeeper received \$5,000.

Mrs. Heath died on Dec. 2 last at the age of 88.

Retrial Set For Man Who Assaulted Nisei

New Justice, Jury Will Hear Case Against Lopez

WINTERS, Calif. — Pete Lopez of Esparto, charged with assaulting Taira Matsushita, 21-year old Nisei war veteran, will be retried in Winters Justice court on Jan. 16, District Attorney E. L. Means reported this week.

Means said that Justice of the Peace R. E. Degener has disqualified himself and another judge will be sought.

The jury in the first hearing disagreed and was dismissed.

Matsushita and Henry Akao were assaulted near Winters on Nov. 12 by two men, one asserted, to have been Lopez.

Racial animosity was said to have been the cause of the attacks on the two Nisei.

Exporter Files Suit For Clam Shells Seized in Philippines

LOS ANGELES — Shin Shibata, a resident of Long Beach, recently filed suit in Federal court, seeking reimbursement from the United States government for 70,000 pounds of broken clam shells seized in the Philippines a week after Pearl Harbor.

Mr. Shibata asked \$5124.39 for the cargo he had consigned to a buyer in Shanghai. The suit declared that the shells were aboard the S. S. John Lykes and were seized in Cebu on Dec. 15, 1941, and that under international treaties there is an "implied contract" to reimburse him.

Four Persons Hurt As Autos Collide In Los Angeles Fog

LOS ANGELES — A three-car accident in a "pea soup" fog resulted in the hospitalization of four persons on Jan. 6.

Mrs. Fusako Endo, Chiyono Endo, Nancy Fujimori and Terry Kanamoto sustained slight injuries. A fifth passenger in the Endo car, Bill Wax, was uninjured.

The Endo vehicle was sandwiched between two other cars in the accident.

Spokane Nisei Succumbs of Sudden Illness

Joseph Okamoto Was President of JACL Chapter

SPOKANE, Wash.—Joseph Okamoto, 30, 1947 president of the Spokane JACL, died Jan. 5 at his home after a sudden illness.

He was a prominent member in Spokane civic affairs and was a former president of the Japanese American Civic club, forerunner of the JACL, and was also prominent in church and athletic circles. He was a former baseball and football star.

He attended Spokane Schools and was a graduate of Spokane junior college, where he excelled in sports.

He was married on Dec. 7, 1941, to Miss Sumi Yoshida, also of Spokane.

Mr. Okamoto was engaged in various business enterprises, including wholesale and retail marketing, at the time of his death.

He is survived by his widow, three children, Dennis, 5, Maureen, 2, and Elaine, 14 months, his father, Wahei Okamoto, and a sister, Mrs. George Honda.

Six Persons Hurt In Safety Zone

LOS ANGELES — Mrs. Michi Mikino, 33, and Ellen Kunitomi, 25, were among six persons waiting in a Sunset Blvd. safety zone who were knocked down on Jan. 5 by an automobile driven by a woman who was quoted by police as saying she had fallen asleep.

Senator to Investigate Asian Influences Among Hawaiians

ROSEBURG, Ore.—Senator Guy Cordon, R., Ore., said here shortly before his departure this week by plane for Honolulu that he would investigate any "Asiatic influences" among Hawaiian residents of Oriental descent, particularly among persons of Japanese ancestry, in his forthcoming study of Hawaii's qualifications for statehood.

Sen. Cordon said that the aptitude of the average resident of Hawaii for the duties of citizenship

will be one of the major factors considered in determining whether Hawaii should be admitted to statehood.

"The senate committee has all necessary statistical information," Cordon said. "What we wish to learn now is the general quality of the Hawaiian populace. A state is only as strong as its people. We must ascertain whether the man in the street is prepared for his responsibility as a citizen of the state."

JACL Files Supreme Court Brief in Oriental American Restrictive Covenant Cases

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In a last-minute effort to obtain a hearing in the United States Supreme court at the same time it reviews the four Negro restrictive covenants cases, the Japanese American Citizens League has filed a "friend of the court" brief, appealing for the high tribunal's immediate consideration of petitions for writs of certiorari to the California Supreme court in the Amer and Kim cases.

Counsel for the JACL, which for some time has sought to

argue the housing issue involving Americans of Asiatic descent during the week the high court hears the arguments in the Negro deed cases, reported that the U. S. Supreme court had been advised that attorneys for both Tom Amer, a Chinese American war veteran, and Dr. Yin Kim, a Korean American and also a veteran, as well as the State of California are ready to argue the cases at a moment's notice.

The Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported that it had been advised that any briefs which the JACL may file would be filed by the time the Negro cases are heard. The arguments are expected to begin next week. Counsel for amicus curiae also asserted that the California parties involved will arrange with attorneys in the four racial deed cases now set for argument, so that no further time for oral arguments than that already now allotted by the C. S. Supreme court will be sought.

In appealing for immediate granting of the writs, counsel for the JACL emphasized in its brief that while the U. S. Supreme court had granted petitions in four cases involving the validity of race restrictive covenants, they affect only persons of the Negro race. It pointed out that the Amer and Kim cases are not unlike the Negro cases and that they illustrate how the enforcement of the covenants affect minorities other than those of Negro birth.

The brief stated that the Kim and Amer cases present to the Court the actual facts, not by way of judicial notice, of the operation of the race restrictive covenants against persons of other races living in the United States. It added: "The same compelling reasons which urged the granting of the petitions in the four cases mentioned are, of course, present here—plus the fact that in consideration of the problem, this court should have before it concrete cases involving persons of different ancestry."

The brief noted the interest of the JACL in these covenants cases, emphasizing that the organization is "striving for the realization of

the goal that there shall be equal rights and equal opportunity for all, unhampered by the happenstance of race. The document, signed by Saburo Kido, member of the Los Angeles law firm of Wirin, Kido and Okrand, continued:

"The JACL is convinced that any discriminatory treatment of segments of our population, small or large, based solely on the accident of birth, runs contrary to this country's ideal. Accordingly, though its chief interest is with problems pertaining to persons of Japanese ancestry, the JACL is vitally concerned with problems affecting anyone where the issues arise merely because such persons were born or not born of a particular race.

"It is evident to the JACL that a wrong done one group by reasons of its race ultimately curtails the rights of other racial groups and consequently undermines the stability and security of the whole of our society.

"The widespread growth of the race restrictive covenant is such a phenomenon which calls for attention by the JACL."

The Washington office of the JACL ADC reported that the national JACL early last December had filed an amicus curiae brief in the case of Hurd v. Hodge, one of the four covenants cases. The other cases are Shelley v. Kraemer, McGhee v. Sipes, and Urcilo v. Hodge. They were scheduled to be argued in the Supreme court early in December, but the arguments were postponed to January because of the illness of Associate Justice Mr. Frank Murphy.

Writs of certiorari have been sought by counsel for Amer and Kim ever since last September when a writ of prohibition to prevent neighbors from bringing suit against Amer to enforce a restrictive covenants clause was denied by the California Supreme court. Amer served with the U. S. Army in Burma for nearly 3 years. Dr. Yin Kim, a former Army captain with three years of overseas service, is one of 13 non-Caucasians whom a Los Angeles residents association is trying to oust from their homes.

Nisei Veteran Plays Role Of GI Ghost in New Drama

HONOLULU — A Nisei veteran who nearly lost his life in Italy played the part of the ghost of a Nisei GI in John Kneubuhl's new play, "The City Is Haunted," which was given its premiere performance recently by the Honolulu Community Theater.

The Nisei veteran is Howard Miyake who was a lieutenant in the 100th Infantry Battalion and was executive officer of Company A. Miyake, now employed by a large Honolulu business firm, played the role of David, a Nisei GI of the 442nd Combat Team who loses his life in the war.

One of the poignant scenes in "The City Was Haunted" was the meeting between David and his sweetheart, Harriet, a Hawaiian girl played by Anna Kahanamoku, in the Honolulu park in which all the scenes of "The City Is Haunted" are laid.

David is one of the three Nisei "ghosts" in "The City Is Haunted." The other two, also Nisei GI's killed in war, are played by George Nakano as Malcolm and Hiramoshi Yamamoto as Tommy.

Margaret Cummings, Honolulu newspaper woman, played the role of Mrs. Segawa, mother of one of the Nisei GI's in the play.

During one of the ten performances given the play by the Honolulu theater group at Farrington hall, Mr. Miyake commented that he liked his role because he believed that John Kneubuhl's play had a sound message: that people should look upon others as people, not as racial individuals. He hoped that those who see the play will take to heart the lesson that prejudices are mental crutches used to compensate for inadequacies.

While leading his company in action at Lanuvia, Italy on June 3, 1944, Lieut. Miyake was seriously wounded by an enemy mortar shell that exploded just three yards behind him.

He regained consciousness just long enough to tell his sergeant to get an officer replacement for him.

When he regained partial consciousness, he found himself in a field hospital and heard a doctor say:

"This case is hopeless, but turn him over and we'll put some dressings on those wounds."

Miyake took part in a number of University Guild theater plays at the University of Hawaii before entering the army.

Alien Property Office Explains Regulations for Recovery Of Claims on Japanese Banks

By TOSUKE YAMASAKI

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Procedure by which persons of Japanese ancestry may file claims for the recovery of bank deposits, wages, and other contractual obligations, such as bond interest payments, owing to them either by the Japanese Government or by Japanese banks or other institutions whose properties have been vested by the United States Government since Dec. 7, 1941 has been further explained by officials of the Office of Alien Property.

Necessity for clarifying the matter of the proper forms to file has arisen in recent weeks out of conflicting reports reaching the regional directors of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee. Attorneys for Japanese clients in various areas appear to differ on what kind of obligations can be claimed in form APC-1C, which the Office of Alien Property has been sending to Issei and Nisei applicants. Reports reaching the Washington office of the JACL ADC indicated that there was some confusion as to what papers to file for yen and for dollar deposits in vested Japanese banks.

Contacts which the JACL ADC Washington office has maintained with OAP reveal that form APC-1C, the so-called "debt claim" form, can be used to claim both dollar and yen deposits, but claims for yen accounts in Japanese banks will only be applied to those banks whose deposit are guaranteed by the Japanese Government. This form can be used also to claim as a debt any contract obligation, such as interest on Japanese Government bonds or on bonds of private concerns whose interest payments are guaranteed by the Japanese Government. It was pointed out that there are no separate OAP forms for claiming yen or dollar deposits as long as the applicants are requesting payments for debts due them.

One possible reason why confusion may exist on the claim forms was ventured by an official of the OAP who asserted that claims against dollar deposits in some Japanese banks in California apparently still can be made with the Superintendent of Banks of the State of California, whose office is carrying out the liquidation under supervision of the OAP. The OAP, however, does not handle the forms in which former depositors can file with the California banking authority.

The California Department of Banking, it was recalled, has declared an 80 per cent dividend on dollar bank accounts held by depositors of Japanese ancestry in the Los Angeles and San Francisco offices of the Yokohama Specie Bank, but payments reportedly

have been delayed pending final disposition of a claims case instituted by California attorneys for a group of yen depositors. Those who have not filed with the California Superintendent of Banks in time for the first dividend may yet file for whatever remaining dividends that might be paid, it was indicated. The OAP stated that those who have failed to file with the California banking authority still may file to recover their accounts with the Office of Alien Property in Washington. The deadline for filing claims against bank accounts has not yet been determined.

Officials of the OAP warned however that although they will accept claims for filing, such acceptance does not constitute an admission of the validity or right to allowance of such claims, nor can they say at this time whether such of the claims as may be determined valid will be paid in full. They pointed out that payments made by the OAP to claimants depend upon the amount of money realized from the assets received in any given case and the amount of claims filed.

Though considerable time will elapse until the claims are eventually satisfied since the liquidation of vested properties is a slow and ponderous operation, the OAP indicated that those in doubt might still find it opportune to file a claim whether it be against yen deposits or against dollar deposits in Japanese banks vested in this country. As regards the possibility of obtaining satisfaction on claims on Japanese bonds, they asserted some assets of the Japanese Government had been seized and that claims by qualified individuals based on obligations, bonds or otherwise, owing to them by that Government are being accepted.

The Washington office of the JACL ADC meanwhile has learned that Feb. 25, 1948 has been fixed as the deadline for filing debt claims against 24 more Japanese individuals and business enterprises whose property was seized as alien property prior to Jan. 1, 1947. They include such firms as the American branches of the Asano Bussan Co., Itoh & Co., Morimura Bros., Inc., S. Murata & Co.; and Showa Tsusho Kaisha, Ltd.

Creditors of persons or firms whose property has been taken over by the U.S. Government under the Trading with the Enemy Act may file claims with the Attorney General. Of the debt claims, claims for wages receive priority, the Washington office of the JACL ADC learned. Form APC-1C, Notice of Claim for Payment of Debt, can be obtained from the Office of Alien Property, Justice Department, Washington, 25, D.C.

Church Group Asks Modification Of U. S. Naturalization Law

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Early modification of the federal naturalization laws to permit the granting of citizenship to all qualified persons legally admitted into the United States regardless of their race, color, or national origin was urged by the Human Relations Commission of the Protestant Council of the City of New York on Dec. 30, 1947, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported this week.

In an appeal addressed to President Truman, to leaders of both Houses of the United States Congress, and to all New York Congressmen and Senators from New York State, the Commission emphasized that the "holding of certain persons as unworthy of citizenship because of national origin is a violation of fundamental American principle even as it is a denial of the Christian principle of the dignity of each individual person." It urged the prompt enactment of "proper legislation in order to change this discrepancy between our national principles and practices."

The appeal, signed by the Rev. Dr. Robert W. Searle, executive secretary of the Commission, pointed out that nationals of eleven countries and colonial areas are not allowed to become citizens though they were admitted legally and are living in this country. It asserted that "special exemption,"

such as that granted the Chinese, Indians, and Filipinos, should not be necessary for any group desiring citizenship, adding, "our feeling is that the right to apply for citizenship and be judged according to the regular existing laws should be open to all immigrants legally residing in this country."

The Commission, in its letter to the President, said that it had seriously considered the provisions in our present naturalization laws and noted that "we are deeply disturbed by evident discrimination existing against nationals of certain Asiatic countries." And it referred to the recent recommendation on this subject by the President's Committee on Civil Rights which advocated the early abolition of racial bars to naturalization. A copy of a resolution adopted by the commission expressing its concern over this situation was also sent to the Chief Executive and more than a dozen Congressional leaders.

The resolution follows: "In 1924 laws were enacted which excluded certain Asiatic peoples from entry into the United States. Prior to the passage of these laws, peoples from such countries were already in legal residence in the United States and their right of residence was not rescinded. However, the right of naturalization was taken away from them. It has since been restored for the Indians,

Nisei Minister Named Rector for Billings Church

BILLINGS, Mont. — The Rev. George T. Masuda, who was ordained in 1942 in the Minnesota diocese, has been appointed rector of St. Luke's Episcopal church at Billings and will assume the pastorate Feb. 1.

Rev. Masuda succeeds the Rev. Henry L. Ewan, who will go to St. Barnabas church, Omaha.

The Nisei minister attended grade and high schools in Minneapolis. He served for five years as a missionary in the Whitefish, Mont., field, serving churches at Whitefish, Libby, Eureka, Troy and Columbia Falls.

He is a graduate of Carleton college and the Seabury Western theological seminary.

ADC Financial Drive Planned In Southwest

New Mexico, Texas Areas Will Be Canvassed in Campaign

DENVER—The Tri-State JACL ADC regional office, together with the Denver Kika Kisei Domei, will launch its first financial campaign in Texas and New Mexico beginning Jan. 10.

Chairman Z. Kanegaye and Vice chairman T. Kako of the Kika Kisei Domei will join Roy Takeno of the regional office on the trip, which will cover the principal areas of Japanese American population in the two states.

Interest in the progress of the ADC legislative program in Washington and throughout the nation has been shown by persons of Japanese ancestry in the Houston area, who contributed \$275 to the ADC last October through K. Saibara of Webster, Texas.

Complete schedule of the itinerary in Texas and New Mexico will be as follows:

Jan. 15-17, Houston-Webster, Tex.; Jan. 18-20, San Benito and Rio Grande valley, Tex.; Jan. 21, San Antonio; Jan. 22-23, El Paso and Mesilla, New Mex.; Jan. 24, Albuquerque, New Mex.

Nisei Seaman Aboard Stricken Liberty Ship

HONOLULU — Haruo Tomita, 34-year old Honolulu seaman, was one of the crew members of the Liberty ship, Simon Benson, which was stricken recently while on a voyage across the Pacific.

Tomita had an opportunity to visit his two daughters, Geraldine, 10, and Sylvia, 5, whom he had not seen in four years.

The Benson radioed she was in distress when the plates cracked open under heavy seas.

Long Beach JACL To Install Cabinet

LONG BEACH, Calif.—A dinner dance will be held by the Long Beach JACL Saturday, Jan. 24, at which time the new cabinet will be announced and installed.

The affair will be held at the Masonic Temple building, 835 Locust, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Highlights of the event will be a speech by John W. Wilson, principal of Jordan high school, and music by Julie Fukuzaki. Burrell Ubben and his orchestra, who have played for many events at the municipal auditorium, will play.

Tickets may be obtained from chapter members and will also be on sale at the following places: Favorite Juice Store, 1423 Daisy avenue; Kato Bros. market, 550 West 7th st.; and the Flower Shop, 2294 American avenue.

Chinese and Filipinos, but the people from 11 countries and colonial areas are still denied this right.

"Believing that citizenship is a basic right which should be granted to all peoples in a country where the democratic principles are established, the Human Relations Commission of the Protestant Council of the City of New York strongly urges the naturalization laws be amended and that the right to naturalization be granted to all persons who have been legally admitted to this country regardless of their race, creed, color, or national origin."

SENATOR TSUKIYAMA

Honolulu Attorney Is Dean Of Nisei in Public Service

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

Honolulu, T. H.

Senator Wilfred C. Tsukiyama, who has been in the public eye so long the younger Japanese Americans regard him as the "old generation," is generally considered in Hawaii as the dean of Nisei in public service. His "Who's who" is by far longer and more impressive than any other Nisei's.

The 50 year old attorney's distinction today is the fact that he is a senator in the Territorial Legislature—the only one of Japanese blood holding the highest elective post in Hawaii outside of the delegate to congress. His stature as a public figure has grown with the years and so has his versatility, as a politician, an attorney, a business and civic leader and a sportsman.

The name of Wilfred Chomatsu Tsukiyama is as widely known among the non-Japanese as among his own race, and he is equally respected by the Issei and the Nisei.

"Tsuki" got his name in the news as far back as 20 years ago. That was in 1926 when he went to Japan as one of five Nisei to thank the Japanese government for relaxing expatriation "red tape" for Japanese American "dual citizens."

Two years after, in January, 1929, he was back in the news, as a young lawyer appointed a deputy to the City-County Attorney of Honolulu. That was his debut in government service.

"Tsuki" studied law on the mainland where he mixed education and athletics with good results. Even in his prep school days, in Honolulu, he was a crack athlete, a four-year letterman at McKinley High. In the Army in World War I, he played regular right half back on the football squad.

After his GI service, he continued his baseball and football playing at Coe College at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and at the University of Chicago law school. One of his football achievements was to play a quarter opposite the famous "Red" Grange, Illinois right halfback. The senator was at left half for Chicago. His comment today on Grange's ability: "He was a pretty slippery fellow."

Back in Hawaii, he became associated with the legal firm of Huber, Kemp & Stainback—quite a high-powered trio. The partner became a federal judge and U.S. district attorney for Hawaii; Kemp is now chief justice of the territorial supreme court, and Stainback is now governor of Hawaii.

"Tsuki" became city-county attorney in 1933, the first and so far the only Nisei to make this grade.

At about this time, the navy "brass" at Pearl Harbor was agitating for military control of the islands and the commander, Rear Admiral Yates Stirling Jr., made some unkind remarks about the island Japanese.

"The bunk," replied Tsukiyama curtly in the press. "The admiral has no right to doubt the loyalty of citizens of Japanese ancestry because he has never associated with them. . . . There is no question in my mind that they will all fight for the United States in the event there is war with Japan."

The attorney made a sturdy defense again before a Congressional committee which came to Honolulu in 1937 to study the question of statehood for Hawaii. To critics who said the "Japanese problem" was the chief deterrent to Hawaiian statehood, he asserted: "Apprehension as to the future of the citizens of Japanese ancestry is unfounded and based upon erroneous information, if not deliberate fabrications."

"Tsuki" became a legal expert on the complex, controversial expatriation question and campaigned on the various islands to urge the Nisei to sever their Japanese nationality, to dispel suspicions about their Americanism.

He was spokesman for the Japanese American community in 1935 at the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants in Hawaii. A "haole" (Caucasian) newspaper editorial called him an "outstanding example of the American citizen of Oriental ancestry."

Another "haole" newspaper went to bat for him when city hall rumors had it that he was to be replaced after his first term as City-County Attorney. He was retained and continued in that job for eight years in all, until 1940, when he entered private practice. Even after his active playing



SENATOR TSUKIYAMA

days were over, "Tsuki" was still keen on sports. In 1934 he became owner of the Asahi baseball team in the Hawaii league. He poured in money, time and energy to rejuvenate the team but two years later he gave up the franchise, disappointed because he couldn't get harmony within his team and among the league officials.

Two former governors of Hawaii recognized "Tsuki's" ability. One named him to a commission on education and another to a "bureau of leisure activities and self-help."

In 1942 he volunteered for active military service but was not called on account of his age. He was a zone warden in civilian defense on the home front.

Drafted as a "last minute candidate," Tsukiyama succeeded in his first try for an elective office in 1946, as a Republican, placing third in a field of strong contestants.

He impressed colleagues as a freshman senator in the last session of the Territorial Legislature. He held down the job of chairman of the judiciary committee with fairness and efficiency.

His business connections are far-flung. He is an officer, director or adviser to a dozen Hawaiian firms—a laundry, several finance companies, a hotel, a store and miscellaneous employers.

He is the first Nisei to have been elected a director of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce. He is also president of the Kuaikini (Japanese) hospital.

Chuman Speaks to Methodist Group

LOS ANGELES — Eighty delegates to the YP conference of Kapa Beta, First Methodist church, met Sunday, Jan. 4, to hear Frank Chuman, chairman of the Pacific Southwest district council of the JACL, on the legislative program of the JACL-ADC.

Chuman made special point of the Judd naturalization bill, HR 8424, which would extend naturalization rights to persons still ineligible because of race or place of origin and would also extend equal immigration quotas to all nations.

The congregation unanimously voted to pass a resolution petitioning the 80th Congress to support the bill.

Rotary Magazine To Feature Story

George Inagaki, 1st vice president of the national JACL and member of Rotary, will be featured in an article, "George Inagaki Comes Home," in the February issue of the "Rotarian," monthly magazine of the organization.

Inagaki is a charter member of the Venice chapter.

Cleveland ADC Meets Pledge In Fund Drive

Report \$2,000 Goal Reached in Support Of ADC Campaign

CLEVELAND, O. — Successfully culminating an intensive campaign to raise funds for the JACL Anti-Discrimination committee, the Cleveland ADC council Jan. 2 announced fulfillment of its pledge for \$2,000 made at the Midwest district council organizational meeting in Chicago in April.

Treasurers Justin Matsuda and Shigeto Ohmura reported that a check for that amount has been sent to JACL national headquarters to help finance the ADC legislative program for 1948.

Frank Shiba, council chairman, expressed his appreciation for the support given by members of the Cleveland Japanese American community.

Members of the JACL-ADC who served on deputation teams that canvassed the city are Hiroshi Matsushige, Thomas Sashihara, Shigeto Ohmura, Seiichi Nako, Masuo Mitamura, Masao Kondo, Tak Toyota, Joe Kadowaki, George Chida, Tak Ogino, Tom Omori, Sumi Matsushige, Haya Uehara, Nobu Asamoto, Marian Fujimoto, Ben Ogino and Frank Shiba.

Report Substantial Contributions to JACL, ADC Drives

Substantial contributions for the JACL-ADC were announced this week from New York City, Mid-Columbia and Spokane by Hito Okada, national president.

A total of \$3,031.74 was reported from the New York chapter. The New York group recently completed its ADC fund drive.

Mid-Columbia has contributed \$500 for the JACL, Okada announced, while Spokane sent \$1,000 for the JACL.

Okada stated that the Seabrook and Detroit chapters also have collected substantial amounts for the JACL.

San Diego Group Holds Installation Of Cabinet Members

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Min Sakamoto, new president of the San Diego JACL, and his cabinet were formally installed in services held during an installation dance at the San Diego Buddhist temple.

The new officials were introduced by Mas Honda, retiring president, and installed by Eiji Tanabe, regional representative in Los Angeles.

Other members of the cabinet are Tom Honda, 1st vice president; Mari Kawasa, 2nd vice president; Ruth Takahashi, recording secretary; Yoshiko Inouye, corresponding secretary; Tets Hirasaki, treasurer; Paul Hoshi and Dr. George Hara, public relations; and Shig Yamashita, sergeant-at-arms.

District chairmen are as follows: Yosh Mamiya and Fred Katsumata, city to 47th st. and Coronado area; Kats Nakagawa, Mas Honda, Frontier, La Jolla, Missions valley, Pacific beach, Pt. Loma and the old town area; Carl Iwashita, Chula Vista, Otay, National City area; Fred Oyama, Lester and Palm City area; Shig Yamauchi, El Cajon, Spring valley area; Leo Owashi, Encanto, Lemon Grove and east of 47th st. area.

Tall Texan Returns to U. S. With Tiny Japanese Bride

SEATTLE — Wesley Hooper, 6 feet 6 inch Texan, arrived in Seattle on Jan. 2 with his Japanese war bride, the former Miyoko Urabe of Tokyo, on the Army transport General Omar Bradley. Hooper met his wife while he was serving with the occupation force. She was a telephone operator.

"We met on a balcony at a party," said the Texan. "That is, Miyoko was on the balcony. I was on the main floor."

Hooper was discharged in Japan and remained as a civilian employee with the Army billeting office. He and Miyoko were married last Aug.

Maine Political, Civic Leaders Endorse Legislative Aims Of Japanese American Group

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Endorsement of the JACL ADC legislative program by a number of influential civic and political figures in Maine, including Governor Horace Hildreth, was obtained by Sam Ishikawa, eastern states director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee during his year-end tour of Maine, the Washington office of the JACL ADC reported this week.

Mr. Ishikawa's trip marked the beginning of a campaign which will take the regional directors of the JACL ADC into every state of the Union in the next few months to secure legislative contacts necessary for insuring the success of the 1948 legislative program. Maine is considered by the JACL ADC as politically significant for it is the home of Senators Wallace H. White, majority leader of the Senate; Owen Brewster, ranking Republican member of the Upper House, and Congressman Frank Fellows, chairman of the House subcommittee on immigration and naturalization.

Besides the governor of Maine, with whom he had a short but friendly interview in the Maine capitol building, Mr. Ishikawa held a lengthy talk with Bishop Joseph Edward McCarthy, whose diocese includes jurisdiction over 200,000 Roman Catholics in the state of Maine. The latter expressed complete sympathy with the JACL ADC evacuation claims and citizenship-for-Issei programs. Mr. Ishikawa reported to the Washington office.

The eastern regional director also won substantial support from the Rev. Robert Y. Johnson, pastor of the Williston Congregational Church and also president of the Greater Portland Council of Churches; Mrs. Donald Payson, a member of one of the oldest and wealthiest families of Maine; Miss Marian Ulmer, executive secretary of the Maine Council of Churches; and the Rev. Percy Vernon of the United Baptist Church of Lewiston who is also head of the Social Action Committee of the Maine Council of Churches.

Other civic leaders contacted included Robert Haskell, State Senator; Harry Trust, president of the Bangor Theological Seminary; Mrs. Marion Bradshaw, leader of the Interracial group in Bangor; Mrs. C. William Gardner, wife of a Universalist minister; Mrs. Marion Potter Powers, of Brewer, a retired social worker; the Rev. Frederick Hayes of the High Street Congregational Church of Auburn, and Victor Taylor, executive director of the Jewish Community Center of Portland.

Mr. Ishikawa reported further that an effort will be made to get the Maine Council of Churches to go on record at its annual meeting on January 15 as favoring the JACL ADC legislative program. During his visit to Maine, Mr. Ishikawa spoke to scores of persons on JACL ADC objectives. En route back to New York after visiting the six Maine cities of Portland, Augusta, Bangor, Brewer, Lewiston and Auburn, he stopped in Boston where a movement is now afoot to organize a chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Progressive News Will Enlarge Plant

SAN FRANCISCO — The Progressive News, one of San Francisco's two Japanese American dailies, announced it was suspending publication temporarily from Jan. 5 "in order to install additional machinery and generally reorganize the plant."

Livingston Group To Consider JACL

LIVINGSTON, Calif. — In response to an invitation from Dave Kiriara of Livingston, Joe Grant Masaoka, West Coast ADC Director, is to meet with local Nisei on Thursday, Jan. 22 in their local hall. This action parallels similar chapter activation contemplated by the neighboring Cortez community.

The Livingston Japanese American community has given financial backing to the support of the Northern California Civil Rights Defense Union for protective legal action in escheat cases, although its own community thus far has been free of alien land law prosecutions. Livingston Nisei have also been foremost in promoting the ADC legislative program with generous contributions.

He is 21 years of age, his wife 23.

San Francisco GOP Asked to Aid Issei Bill

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco County's 30-member Central Executive Committee of the Republican party heard Joe Grant Masaoka, West Coast ADC Director's request to consider sponsoring the naturalization bill, H.R. 4824, in Northern California, on Jan. 6 at a dinner meeting in the Upton Restaurant.

Presiding at this meeting of the thirty elected representatives, Chairman Herbert Hanley referred the proposal for study to a 15-member committee which he appointed. Mr. Hugh Fullerton, who had introduced Masaoka to the group, was named chairman of this special study committee. Mr. Fullerton was formerly a lieutenant colonel on General John L. DeWitt's staff involved in the evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast in 1942.

Masaoka presented three points for the consideration of the Committee. He stressed that extension of naturalization was in accordance with American tradition and that the striking out of racial restrictions would be the logical and necessary final step in achieving an equitable naturalization law.

The West Coast ADC Director emphasized that America's prestige and moral leadership demanded equally sound statesmanship in such domestic issues as naturalization which have a bearing upon maintaining America's integrity.

Those present at the dinner meeting represented attorneys, businessmen and those active in civic improvement organizations.

Move to Transfer San Juan Gakuen To JACL Chapter

SAN JUAN BAUTISTA, Calif. — Moves to transfer ownership of the San Juan Gakuen Corporation to the San Benito County JACL Chapter are now under way, according to George Nishita, trustee. Contacts are being established with other trustees to secure unanimous action.

Several of the Gakuen trustees have resettled in other parts of the country and their endorsements are now being secured.

The San Benito County Chapter was never dissolved during the entire evacuation and its recent activation was not a re-activation, according to the local chapter officials. The San Benito County covering San Juan Bautista and Hollister claims one hundred per cent membership of all Nisei eligible to join.

Livingston Group To Consider JACL

LIVINGSTON, Calif. — In response to an invitation from Dave Kiriara of Livingston, Joe Grant Masaoka, West Coast ADC Director, is to meet with local Nisei on Thursday, Jan. 22 in their local hall. This action parallels similar chapter activation contemplated by the neighboring Cortez community.

The Livingston Japanese American community has given financial backing to the support of the Northern California Civil Rights Defense Union for protective legal action in escheat cases, although its own community thus far has been free of alien land law prosecutions. Livingston Nisei have also been foremost in promoting the ADC legislative program with generous contributions.

Japanese Canadian Evacuees File Claims for Losses

Large-Scale Looting Of Properties Told By Nisei Official

LOS ANGELES — Masao Satow, national secretary of the JACL, will visit all Pacific southwest area JACL chapters in a tour beginning Jan. 20.

Satow stated he would like to attend regular meetings of the chapters and participate in their meetings and discussions rather than address special meetings.

"The national JACL is interested in the development of chapters on the local level to serve as efficient service organizations as well as to build up leadership and various recreational programs among members," he said during his recent visit to Los Angeles. "Unless we have strong chapters throughout the nation, the national organization cannot expect to have strength," he said.

Unitarian Group Ends New York Hostel Project

Manhattan Building Served Evacuees in New York City Area

NEW YORK CITY — Final action on the liquidation of the Manhattan hostel for Japanese Americans was taken by the board of directors of the organization at a meeting held on Friday, December 20, at the office of the Unitarian Service Committee, 31 E. 35th street.

The Manhattan hostel for Japanese Americans, sponsored jointly by the Community church of New York and the Unitarian service committee had occupied the building at 58 East 102nd st. from November, 1945 to October, 1947. It was created to aid Japanese Americans who had been relocating from government centers and planning to resettle in New York. The chairman, Rev. Donald E. Harrington presided at the meeting.

The board reported that the hostel during this two year period provided temporary housing for 948 persons and served 26,500 meals. Surplus funds amounting to approximately \$1200 will be turned over for the purchase of food and clothing for the survivors of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and to victims of the Nazi political purge, the board announced.

The hostel was closed because the need to assist Japanese Americans was no longer urgent and because the building which was leased from the City Missionary Society of New York has been no longer available after October.

Nisei Takes Part In Wallace Move

BERKELEY, Calif.—Shiz Yoshimura of the University of California was named one of the two executive committeemen-at-large at the meeting of the collegiate Henry Wallace for President organization on Jan. 4.

Thirty-seven delegates from nine California colleges attended the first meeting of the group.

ADC Aid Sought in Processing Claims for Evacuation Losses

SAN FRANCISCO — Expressing the view that many returned evacuees in farming communities look to the JACL West Coast office to help them process claims, George Nishita, member of the board of governors, San Benito County JACL chapter, called upon Joe Grant Masaoka this week to devise forms and procedures which will facilitate claims for evacuation losses on behalf of farmers of Japanese ancestry.

Nishita insisted that inasmuch as the JACL-ADC is shouldering the responsibility to sponsor the evacuation claims measure, H.R. 3999, the ADC responsibility does not end merely with its passage. He urged that until recipients actually are benefited, JACL-ADC will not have discharged its responsibility.

WINNIPEG, Man. — Claims totaling \$385,000 for property losses as a result of the evacuation have been filed by 159 persons of Japanese ancestry through the Manitoba Japanese Canadian Citizens Association through its counsel, Saul Cherniak, it was reported last week.

All those filing claims are evacuees who have relocated in Manitoba from government housing centers in British Columbia following the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the Canadian west coast in 1942.

Harold Hirose, president of the Manitoba JCCA, confirmed reports of large-scale looting of the property of Japanese Canadians in British Columbia during the first days of the evacuation.

Hirose said that claims still are being received and the total to be filed from Manitoba may reach \$400,000 before the Jan. 15 deadline.

The claims are being filed in line with a government program of investigation of the property losses sustained by the evacuees.

The Manitoba JCCA also is protesting a ruling of the government that the investigating commission headed by Justice Bird of British Columbia is not empowered to consider "many hundreds of claims" dealing with properties said to have been lost through forced sales, theft or vandalism during the time the owner evacuated and before the arrival of the government-appointed custodian.

Information from Vancouver recently quoted Justice Bird as declaring that his inquiry on evacuation losses may take three years to complete.

Pocatello JACL Sets Inaugural

POCATELLO, Ida.—The Pocatello chapter of the JACL will hold an inaugural ball at the LDS third ward on Jan. 17 at 8:30 p. m.

Bill Yamauchi will read the ceremony installing the 1948 cabinet officials.

Amy Kawamura will be general chairman.

Paul Ewer and his orchestra will play for the dance. The affair will be semi-formal, and corsages are banned, it was announced.

All chapters of the IDC have been invited to attend the ball.

ADC Representatives Will Make Tour Of Northwest

LOS ANGELES — Joe Grant Masaoka, Pacific coast ADC representative, and Eiji Tanabe, Pacific southwest regional representative, will make a tour of Pacific northwest areas beginning Jan. 12 to discuss JACL-ADC program and finances with supporters in the northwest.

Masaoka and Tanabe will speak in Portland Monday, Jan. 12, and other cities as follows: Mid-Columbia, Tuesday; Seattle, Wednesday; Tacoma, Thursday; and Spokane, Friday.

JACL chapters in each locality will make plans for the meetings.

ADC Aid Sought in Processing Claims for Evacuation Losses

As a yard-stick for measurement of losses, Nishita suggested that growing costs of various crops per acre be used. He believed that to facilitate calculations of losses the growing costs would be an effective yard-stick which would, however, be different between Southern and Northern California, as well as Oregon and Washington.

The costs of growers companies engaged in farm production could well be used in determining average growing costs in crops which Japanese American farmers were producing at the time of evacuation, he believes.

Nisei farmers were heavy producers of strawberries, garlic, sugar beets, orchard crops and vegetable row crops, Nishita stated.

PACIFIC CITIZEN

Official Publication of the
Japanese American Citizens League

National Headquarters: 413-15 Beason Building, 25 East Second South street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Editorial and Business Office: 415 Beason Bldg. Phone 5-6501.

Other National JACL Offices in Chicago, New York, Denver, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Subscription Rates: JACL members, \$2.50 per year. Non-members, \$3.50 year.

Entered as second class matter in the post office at Salt Lake City, Utah. Published weekly, under the act of March 3, 1879.

LARRY TAJIRI EDITOR

Unfinished Business of Relocation

By and large, the picture of resettlement of Japanese Americans in Chicago is a happy one. Despite a homeward trend to the coast since relaxation of restrictions, the Nisei and Issei in that city still number about 20,000. Strong sentimental ties with the coast have not yet convinced these resettlers that their future lies anywhere but in this midwestern city.

A surface report on the present and future of these Americans presents a picture of contentment, of employment in work suitable to training, of integration in this city of many minorities.

Nonetheless the state of mental and bodily health of these 20,000 new Chicago citizens is yet a matter of concern for civic and social agencies in the city.

Recently the Chicago Resettlers social analysis committee issued a report on Chicago resettlement in the year just ended. The report was made, the committee said, because many of these 20,000 Nisei "have not yet found a world where they can feel at home."

Generally speaking, the Nisei have made satisfactory adjustments to the economic life of Chicago. In comparison with their limited occupational opportunities on the west coast, Chicago has offered them broader and more permanent employment.

But generally, the committee reports, these economic opportunities have not been matched by a comparable social adjustment.

The long-run need in Chicago, as elsewhere, is good housing. Only about 25 per cent of the resettler population is settled in "good" areas, e.g., in uncrowded residential sections. But about 75 per cent of them—roughly 15,000 persons in all—live in overcrowded districts in marginal, near-slum areas.

But in the meantime, the committee finds, the immediate need is for a wholesome, attractive social program. In housing there have been efforts made to secure decent housing at moderate cost for the resettlers. But in the field of social relationships, the "infinitely more difficult and challenging problem of social adjustment by resettlers has gone untended." There has been no overall program by either government or private agencies to meet even the most urgent needs on a citywide basis.

The need is definite. The committee reports that crime and delinquency rates among Japanese Americans have increased over prewar levels. In the past four years at least 14 babies—"and probably more"—have been born out of wedlock to young evacuee women. The prevalence of gambling, apparent disregard for social conventions and individual instances of immorality are reflected in cases on record with the police department.

Furthermore, the committee says, a concerted move in the right direction might possibly save from the need of institutional care and treatment a growing number of so-called borderline cases—frustrated individuals on the margins of neurotic and psychopathic behavior. These have come to the attention of social welfare agencies at an increasing rate during the past year.

The committee makes certain definite recommendations in its 1947 report. While the ultimate goal is for Japanese Americans to become participating members of the Chicago citizenry, it must be realized that most Nisei find their sense of security in identification with the Japanese American group. Removal of this sense of security would result in further personal disintegration. Transference of this sense of identification from the smaller to the larger must be made gradually.

The committee proposes a program that will include survey of recreational needs of Japanese Americans, exploration of social and recreational facilities that can be used and designing of a program of activities to provide social-recreational outlets for Nisei which serve the ultimate goal of participation in the larger community.

What happens in Chicago to its 20,000 new citizens is a matter of concern to Nisei throughout the country. The picture of Chicago resettlement throughout the war years was an encouraging one. In almost all ways, the Nisei relocating in that city have been able to use their skills and training in employment commensurate with their ability. Today, with the largest new concentration of Japanese Americans in the country, the city of Chicago, to many persons, is a symbol of the relocation and nation-wide dispersal of citizens of Japanese ancestry.

But the need for immediate action is made clear by the committee's report:

The challenge now of the unfinished job of relocation is clear. Either the churches, social agencies and community leadership act with imagination and foresight to provide competing social-recreational outlets for these people, or else we shall surrender them from the potentialities of constructive citizenship.



ISAMU NOGUCHI, famed New York sculptor of complex abstractions, is shown above with playground equipment which he designed. In the background is a model playground. His work

ranges from busts of famous personalities (he has sculptured many of Hollywood's leading stars) to industrial designing.

Photo by TOGE FUJIHIRA

"Nisei U. S. A.:"

Isamu Noguchi, Citizen and Artist

By LARRY TAJIRI

In Isamu Noguchi's studio at the foot of MacDougal Alley in New York's Greenwich Village there are some mementos of the six months he spent as a resident of a war relocation center in the Arizona desert. There are polished pieces of ironwood and of tortuous manzanita which stand beside the sculptured stone, the metal and plastic abstractions and the industrial designs for which he is celebrated.

Noguchi has definite ideas about the role of the artist in the modern world. Long before Pearl Harbor he expressed his conviction that art can survive only in a free culture and participated as an American in moves to assist the democracies of Europe and Asia.

The son of a Japanese poet and an Anglo-Saxon mother, Noguchi was born 43 years ago in Los Angeles but probably did not consider himself a "Nisei" until the day the Japanese militarists attacked Pearl Harbor. He was on the Pacific coast at the time and felt the stirrings of public hysteria against persons of Japanese ancestry. He identified himself with his fellow Americans of Japanese ancestry and joined in the deliberations of the problems imposed by the war.

Noguchi foresaw the necessity of the organization of a pro-democratic program to counteract the propaganda of Japanese loyalists among person of Japanese ancestry, knowing that this group would attempt to exploit the bitterness and frustration which would be occasioned by race hatred and discrimination.

When mass evacuation was ordered, Noguchi could have returned to the security of his studio in New York. Or he could have accepted Frank Lloyd Wright's invitation to come to Taliesin West in Arizona, or he could have accepted any number of other invitations. Instead he chose to go with the evacuated Nisei to a war relocation center. He evolved a plan for a self-sustaining desert community, using the native clay for building materials. This community would be based primarily on an agrarian economy but would also utilize the by-products of the versatile soya bean and other produce from the land for industries which would employ those not engaged in agriculture.

Noguchi was not evacuated by the military. He left the Pacific coast military area of his own volition and, armed with letters from John Collier, then head of the Indian Service of the Department of Interior, and other friends in the government, he presented himself at the gate of the new Colorado River relocation center at Poston, Arizona, to the Indian Service officials who were staffing the project under the WRA. That was on a morning in May, 1942. He was inducted as the first resident of the Poston camp.

In Poston, Noguchi found tar-paper barracks and barbed wire. He learned that Poston was less a model community and more of a concentration camp. Neither the officials nor the evacuees were interested in permanent community planning. Any efforts to develop the community beyond the limits of the regulations set forth for the conduct of the center soon became entangled in red tape.

When Noguchi decided that he could be of more service to the Nisei outside the relocation center, he found that he could not leave until his application had been processed through the usual channels, although he had entered the camp voluntarily. It was while he was at Poston that the San Francisco Museum of Art held a one-man show of his works, an exhibition he could not attend. He finally left Poston in November of 1942, after nearly six months in the camp.

Back in New York, Noguchi helped get the Nisei story to the people of America. He interested several national magazines in doing stories and enlisted the support of his friends in the arts and in government.

Isamu Noguchi is the famous son of a famous father. His father, Yone Noguchi, once wrote poetry

while a resident of California which was taught to a generation of California schoolchildren. Noguchi was taken at the age of one to Japan by his father. He returned to the United States at the age of 13 to attend a private school. He took a college pre-med course before he embarked on his career as a sculptor.

Besides working in conventional marble and granite, Noguchi has introduced new techniques and new materials. His work in chromium was the subject of a Time magazine story in the early 1930s. Like his friend, Jo Davidson, he has done the busts of famous personalities. His work in this field includes the stone images of Katherine Cornell, Lillian Gish and many Hollywood people.

Noguchi also is celebrated in the field of industrial design. He has planned a playground for a trade union and interiors for business firms. With architect Minoru Yamasaki he designed the interior of the information center of the Time-Life building in Rockefeller Center. Winning a national competition for American sculptors, Noguchi produced the huge stainless steel bas-relief which graces the entrance to the Associated Press building in Rockefeller Center.

Primarily known for his sculptures which are now in the permanent collections of many American museums, Noguchi's designs for tables and other furniture often are featured in House and Garden and other magazines. This activity is another facet of Noguchi's thesis that art and art forms should be an integral part of the daily life of the people.

Noguchi is the recipient of Guggenheim fellowships in art on two occasions. He has worked in Mexico where he produced a bas-relief reflecting the history of the Mexican people. He also has worked in Paris and in other European centers. Before World War II he took a trip around the world and revisited Japan for the first time since he was 13 years of age.

In recent years he has won recognition as a foremost designer in the field of modern dance and the ballet. Most of the Martha Graham company's dance productions in recent years are performed with decor by Noguchi.

Isamu Noguchi's versatility in his field of art is matched by the wide range of his interests outside it. He is an exemplification of the citizen artist of a democratic culture.

Nisei in Minnesota

ST. PAUL, Minn.

The story of Japanese Americans in Minnesota will be told soon in a new publication to be prepared by the Minnesota Governor's Interracial Commission, according to Clifford E. Rucker, informational representative.

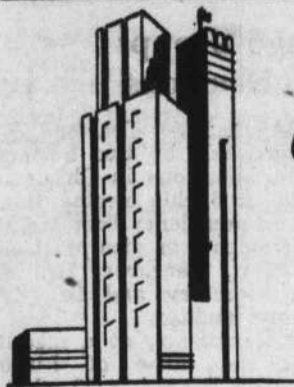
The publication, to be titled, "The Nisei in Minnesota," will give historical background material on Nisei Americans, as well as the specific story of Japanese Americans in the state. The publication will conclude with suggestions regarding the entire field.

During the war Minnesota played host to several thousand Japanese American GIs who received language training in Japanese for use in the Pacific theater. The army language school at Camp Savage and later at Fort Snelling was the primary impetus for the relocation of other Nisei in the Minneapolis and St. Paul areas.

At the present time some 1500 persons of Japanese descent are still living in the Twin Cities area.

The Governor's Interracial Commission was formed under the auspices of Governor Luther W. Youngdahl to investigate and correct discriminatory racial abuses in the state. It is led by Chairman Reverend Francis J. Gilligan, with Talmadge B. Carey as secretary.

Sponsors include many prominent persons in the state.



A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

Some Notes for the New Year

Now that 1948 is here, it's a good time to clear up a few items that I have been wanting to dispose of in '47.

So, thumbing through a few scraps of paper and going over snips of memo notes, I come across the following:

In the first place, '47 magazine will be '48 this year. On reading a little further down the page, I come across this squib: several New York Nisei artists have purchased shares in this magazine which is cooperatively owned by writers, artists and photographers. Also, John Hersey, celebrated author of "Hiroshima" is one of the editors. There is also a short reminder that '48 would like to distribute their magazine in Japan.

But before I go even a pica further, I must comment on the record snowfall in the big city. The 26 inches that fell in less than 20 hours was the heaviest ever experienced in Manhattan. Almost every means of transportation, except the subways, were virtually at a standstill. To transplanted New Yorkers, from the southern states and West Indies, it was a field day; they went sledding and snowball-fighting up in Central Park. And of course, there were the sharpshooters out for a fast dollar. The standard rate for shoveling snow was a quarter for a square yard. The big dealers were asking \$10-\$25 to shovel out your car from the snowdrifts. The city fathers spent over \$7,000,000 just to dig the city from out under the snow.

Then this time of the year always brings back memories of the fat New Year editions of Japanese vernacular dailies before the war. Now it appears that this time-honored newspaper tradition has given way to the not-so-fat Christmas edition. The feature articles of all of these papers used to be a dissertation of the prospects for the new year. The theme of each edition would deal with the animal of the new year. I wonder what happened to that zodiac arrangement? This must be the year of the dog, the rabbit, or something.

Then there is this item headed, "Isamu Noguchi." I went to his apartment in Greenwich Village a couple of times, but he wasn't in. So, the interview with this noted artist must wait till later this year. I have a notation, heavily underlined, to look up Kuniyoshi, Sono Osato, and Gyo Fujikawa. These articles also will come rolling along in the months to come.

Lapidarists and Dental Technicians

I come now to the word "lapidary." By definition it "pertains to the art of polishing and cutting stones." Here in Manhattan, this industry once had close to a hundred Nisei working at this precise work. They used to specialize on precious and semi-precious stones. At one time, a few years back, there were 14 or 20 Nisei lapidarists in operation. But the pressure of competition has whittled this figure down to a smooth half dozen. I must visit one of these cutting and grinding shops some day to see how they operate. I do know that some of these Japanese shops were operating decades ago, but that most of them flourished only during the boom of the war years. Seems that most Nisei are adept with their hands and for this reason they make excellent craftsmen in this specialized field.

The next entry deals with dental laboratories. These are shops who do the casting and bridgework for busy dentists. This has long been a highly lucrative profession for New York Japanese and their reputation in this field is among the best. Nisei are gradually getting into this line of work which promises to hold a good future for these technicians. Some of the largest and best known dental laboratories in this city are operated by Japanese. So, here is another article that should be forthcoming before long.

Stage Play with a Nisei Theme

For quite some time I have been hearing that a stage play with a Nisei theme would open on Broadway. I talked to two producers who had suitable scripts in their hands and who had hopes of staging such a production. Somehow they never did jell. They felt that it would not stir up enough interest to keep it alive at the box office. Since the Japanese and the Nisei in this country total only one per cent of even the minority Negro population, it seems foolish to attempt such a show. After all, Broadway production costs usually start at \$100,000 and wind up on a high of \$300,000 for a musical. There is a strange way of raising money for Broadway shows. The promoters usually contact the people in the "90% bracket." So, if a show flops, their loss will be only one-tenth of what they put up. Four out of five shows that hit Broadway never make expenses at the box office. I wonder what became of my script which I co-authored a few years back. I guess producers have no stomach for tragic endings and besides, the tale of a Nisei GI is pretty well dated now.

There is also a disturbing note. It concerns the Nisei of Hawaii. The government report shows that 90% of all Commies in Hawaii are of Japanese extraction. They are building themselves up to win top honors on a new purge list. Also, this investigation shows that most of these Nisei "liberals" were trained in an "indoctrination school" in San Francisco. The FBI and other security officers have a close eye on all of these graduates. Seems to me it is a tragic gesture to jump from one purge list to another.

Nisei Enterprisers Enter Foreign Trade

No report on 1947 would be complete without some story about import-export relations with Japan. A couple of dozen enterprising Nisei have set up offices and hatracks for some potential business. To date, the sum total of their business would fit into a size 6 fedora. The same is true throughout the country, even those boys in Los Angeles and San Francisco. After paying several thousand dollars for an airplane trip and paying hotel bills in Japan, the meager profits from the deals that are put through are vast disappointments. Many veteran New York traders are returning from Japan empty-handed and saying that it is several years too early yet to expect much from that country. A few cases of foodstuffs, chinaware, woodware, and scattered items are coming to this country, but the volume of business is only a small fraction of the prewar figures. Every week I hear that some Nisei in Japan is coming to open an office in New York, but nothing is done beyond the planning and talking stage.

I think that this will be the year that Nisei businessmen in all parts of the country will start hitting their stride. I notice that the large majority of businesses are owned and operated by the Nisei and that the Issei have taken only a passive and advisory role.

The last notation is a scrawled "Happy New Year." I don't know what year it is in the Japanese calendar nor if it is the year of the mouse or the year of the cow. I do know it is year 3 of the atom bomb, but nevertheless wish everyone good health, prosperity and good cheer.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Observing the Holidays

Since about Christmas many cliques of well-to-do Nisei, who otherwise are conservative in their politics, economics and social life, have been engaging in all-night card parties and drinking bouts with unaccustomed regularity. These cliques exist, and these parties are held, all over the country.

Just why the holiday season should be the time for these annual hi-jinx no one knows. At any rate the objective at each of the parties seems to be the same: to play for higher stakes than they can afford, and to see how much liquor it takes to put each other under the table.

The losses (it isn't sporting to talk about winnings) and the amount of liquor consumed make good subject matter for modest bragging sessions the balance of the year.

Even the wives seem to get into the mood. Alcoholic excesses, which might be the reason for threatening to go home to mother any other time of the year, and gaming losses which will have to be recouped through months of budget pinching, are borne in good humor. It is a strange phenomenon.

These paragraphs are written, not to censure these conservative, successful, middle-roading Nisei for their annual fling, but only to record their behavior. After all, the Issei in their prime were pretty exuberant celebrators of the new year. Remember the prewar kenjin-kai (prefectural association) new year parties?

And whatever happened to the small time hotshots who were going to make a killing on the resumption of trade with Japan.

Shoe Shines and Rickshas

We're still smalltown enough to be uncomfortable when the shine boy is working on our shoes. The business of polishing someone else's footwear for a fee (and the hope of a tip), strikes us as an honest but undesirable way to make a living. Like pulling a ricksha for instance.

Of course we patronize shine stands on occasion and are thankful that they exist. Rubbing one's shoes against the backsides of one's pantlegs is a

poor substitute for an expert shine when one has an important appointment and his shoes look as if he'd been on a 14-mile hike along a country road.

But when we remember, and have the time, we get out the dime can of polish and give ourselves a home shine. It's not so good as a professional job, but you'd be surprised at how far a single can goes.

The uneasiness about accepting menial service from others, services that we are able to provide for ourselves, is something that few non-Americans seem to understand. In almost every other country the caste system is so well established that the person who can afford to pay for it expects and gets those of lesser caste to do his dirty work. In fact the high caste-er would lose face if he washed his own car, shoveled his own snow, raked his own leaves or did any of dozens of chores considered routine by most Americans.

Few Americans enjoy their first ricksha ride. It runs counter to their grain to be hauled about by a human being laboring like a beast of burden. But others seem to take this sort of service for granted. After all the ricksha coolie is working because he wants to, and he will be paid by his fare. The more fares he hauls the more money he will make. And even the American overcomes his qualms after a few rides.

From Varga to Petty

One of the few pleasures connected with getting up each morning last year was that of looking at the Esquire calendar in our bedroom, to check the date of course. It was difficult to remain bleary-eyed for long in the presence of such curvaceous lovelies as graced those pages.

Apparently figuring the calendar was an excellent getter-upper, the wife presented us at Christmas with a Petty calendar for 1948. The mornings, it seems, will continue to remain lovely.

The discarded 1947 calendar was passed on to Mike, who was as proud as if he had inherited a pony. At the age of 7 he is showing a visible if vicarious interest in the opposite sex. The leggy blonde is his favorite, but he doesn't like the brunette with the cigarette. He doesn't think ladies should smoke.

Vagaries

Phone Call . . .

Toru Matsumoto, author of "A Brother Is a Stranger," received the first phone call from a Japanese national this week as occupation authorities in Japan initiated a new policy under which Japanese in Japan will be permitted to make phone calls to the U.S. The call came from Tsunego Baba, president of the Tokyo newspaper, Yomiuri, who asked Matsumoto a series of questions regarding prospects for world peace as viewed from the United States.

Hawaii . . .

Several national magazines are preparing articles on Hawaii which will comment on the integral role of Americans of Japanese ancestry in the territory's economic and social life. Life and the Saturday Evening Post have had representatives in Hawaii in recent weeks. Holiday also will have an article by Frank Taylor in April.

New Job . . .

Dillon S. Myer, former director of the War Relocation Authority, has a new State Department post as cultural director in the Inter-American affairs division. Mr. Myer was director of the Federal Public Housing Authority. He resigned recently when he learned that President Truman would not reappoint him in the face of possible Senate opposition which was sparked by the powerful real estate lobbies. Myer's successor in FPHA is John Taylor Egan.

Farm Bureau . . .

Auburn, Wash., was one of the centers of the Remember Pearl Harbor League, a violent wartime group which opposed the return of the evacuees to the west coast. Last week, however, the Pierce-King County Farm Bureau invited Nisei farmers in the area to attend its meeting and also declared that the bureau wanted to know whether the valley's farmers of Japanese ancestry would like to form a special unit or to join the bureau as regular members.

Plan Study of Nisei Students at Washington

SEATTLE — A survey of Nisei students at the University of Washington is being planned by the Department of Sociology, according to Gordon Hirabayashi, acting associate in sociology.

Hirabayashi reported there were 228 students of Japanese ancestry on the campus last year, 158 being male students.

MINORITY WEEK

This Week's Quote

"Our problems (on minority groups) are probed, surveyed, investigated until the remotest truths about them are known, known that is, to the people who will listen. But none of the committees has yet hit upon a workable plan for getting the ear of the people who perpetuate these problems."

"And even should they listen, will they act? Man's original sinning may be done out of ignorance, but when he goes on sinning and suffering the consequences of it, he does so either because it served his purpose very well, or he is too corrupt, weak, vicious, or proud to admit error and to change."

"What our commissions and committees need to study, therefore, is the means of forcing change. We are in full possession of the facts. What we want to know is where, and when, do we go from here."—The Los Angeles TRIBUNE, Jan. 3.

The Right to Vote

Most U. S. citizens, come election day, take their right to cast a ballot as a matter of fact. Not so many persons in the south who, plagued by poll taxes and the burden of race, have yet to establish that right.

Last week, however, the south had to backtrack a little in its continued determination to keep Negro citizens from voting in primary elections.

The U. S. 4th circuit court of appeals ruled that Negroes must be allowed to cast their ballots in Democratic primaries in South Carolina and added that the power of the state was being used to violate the constitution.

Judge John J. Parker, in ruling on the case, said that the U. S. Supreme court in 1944 ruled that the right to vote in a primary election held under state law could not be denied on grounds of race and color. The South Carolina legislature, after that ruling, repealed all laws relating to primaries and turned the regulating of voting over to the Democratic party to make it, in effect, a private club.

"The question," Judge Parker said, "is whether by permitting a party to take over a part of its election machinery, a state can avoid the provision of the constitution forbidding racial discrimination in elections and can deny to a part of the electorate, because of race and color, any effective voice in the government."

A Day to Remember

"I always remember Christmas. It's a day I've always respected. My folks are religious, been so ever since I was born, believing in God with reverence. When I was just a little girl, my mother, sister and I were standing on the auction block deep down in Georgia a few days before Christmas. I still remember because that Christmas was so different."—Mrs. Delia Barber, 112, of Cleveland.

Little Red Schoolhouse

The little red schoolhouse of former years has long been this country's symbol of the place in which democracy is first instilled in the minds of Americans.

Recently, however, the President's Commission on Higher Education put into writing what many people have known for years—that even in our schools there is often less democracy than is taught.

"The commission pointed out many discrepancies in the education given children of white and Negro parentage and used the Washington, D.C., segregated school system as an example.

Meanwhile, a picket line of determined Negro parents has, for the past month, sought to equalize some of those differences at the Browne junior high school and two annexes in the capital city. The parents ask for fulltime schooling for their children, modern equipment and a stop to the transfer of "hand me down" school buildings to Negro students.

Library Check List

CASTE, CLASS & RACE, by Oliver C. Cox, Doubleday & Co. Over 600 pages. \$7.50.

A study on the artificial social barriers of caste, class and race, this book has been awarded the second George Washington Carver award. An excellent book, it is invaluable as a reference and source book.

Fresno Chapter Names Cabinet

FRESNO, Calif. — The Fresno chapter of the JACL named Fred Hirasuna president for the coming year in elections held Dec. 18.

Jin Ishikawa was named 1st vice president, and Seichi Mikami was elected 2nd vice president. Mary Nishimoto and George Miyake will be recording and corresponding secretaries, respectively, and Mas Horishima was named treasurer.

Tom Nakamura was elected official delegate, with Howard Hata-yama as alternate.

Johnson Kebo is the retiring president.

Professional Notices

W. S. O'HIRA, D.M.D.
DENTIST
312 E. First St.
Suite 310-11 Taul Bldg.
Michigan 5446
Los Angeles 12, California

DR. F. T. INUKAI
DENTIST
1001 Appar Street
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
Phone: Piedmont 5-4942

Megumi Y. Shinoda
M. D.
244½ East First Street
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
Phone: Michigan 2576
Res: Normandy 2-7597

Dr. M. M. Nakadate
DENTIST
310 San Pedro Firm Bldg.
112 No. San Pedro St.
Los Angeles 12, Calif.
Phone: VAndike 1592

DR. K. SUGINO
OPTOMETRIST
122 So. San Pedro St.
LOS ANGELES, CALIF.
Telephone MU 7419
Eve. and Sun. by Appt.

WATARU W. SUTOW
M. D.
PEDIATRIC PRACTICE
313½ East First Street
Res. AN-18029, Off. MUTual 4647
LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Dr. RYO MUNEKATA
DENTIST
2107½ W. Jefferson
Los Angeles 16, Calif.
Phone: REpublic 2-4834

DR. ROY TESHIMA
OPTOMETRIST
841 E. 63rd St.
(Near Cottage Grove)
Suite 315 Chicago 37
BUT. 8158
Hours: 2-6 Sat. 9-6

Dr. Yoshiko Shimada
Dentist
312 E. 1st St. Ph. TU 2930
Room 309 LOS ANGELES

DR. GEORGE NISHIO
OPTOMETRIST
Contact Lenses
1435 Fresno Street
Fresno, California
Phone: 4-2305

DR. Y. KIKUCHI
DENTIST
124 South San Pedro Street
(Former Shokin Building)
LOS ANGELES 12, California
Tel.: Michigan 3580 Room 211

PC SPORTS

Nisei Ski Star

Rocky Mountain ski experts consider Amy Toda of Ogden, Utah to be one of the area's top women skiers. Miss Toda, who is now attending the University of Utah, was stranded in Japan by the war in 1941 and returned to the United States last year. In her first competitive effort, she placed third in the 1947 meet at Jackson, Wyo. Several weeks ago she was fourth in a ski meet at Alta, Utah.

Incidentally, Alta, considered to have the best powder snow for skiing in the U. S., had Nisei crews from the relocation centers on the lifts and at the lodge during the war.

Spartan Gridders

San Jose State's two Nisei grid-ders, Babe Nomura and Jack Kakuuchi, got a big play when the Spartans played the Moliili Bears and the Lielehua Alums in Hawaii last month. The Moliili game was officially dedicated to Kakuuchi who captained the San Jose team and who led the Spartans to a 53 to 0 victory. Kakuuchi, former top sergeant in the 442nd Combat Team, was honored at half-time by his former Hawaiian buddies. Nomura was unable to play in the Moliili game because of a leg injury suffered in San Jose's last mainland contest.

One of the few Nisei to play in a major bowl game in recent years was Nagata who was the regular halfback for Louisiana State in the Orange Bowl back in 1944 when the Tigers defeated Texas A & M, 19 to 14. Kishi, a tackle, also played for Texas in the Cotton Bowl in 1944.

The only Nisei players in a bowl game this year were the University of Hawaii's dozen players of Japanese ancestry who took part in the Rainbow's 33 to 32 win over Redlands University of California. Unkei Uchima and Sadao Wata-saki, two veterans of the war in Europe, co-captained the Hawaiian team this year. Other regulars included Doi, center; Saburo Take-yasu, guard; Ken Nakamura, end; and Richard Mamiya, quarterback.

National Champ

Only one Nisei name appears among the list of national champions in U. S. sports for 1947. He is Emerick Ishikawa of Hawaii, now a resident of York, Pa., who is Emerick Ishikawa of Hawaii, pound division in weightlifting. However, Takashi (Halo) Hirose is a member of the college cham-pion Ohio State swimming squad, while Wat Misaka was an important member of the Utah University team, "the Cinderella kids," who won the national invitational bas-ketball tourney title.

All-American

The CIO's United Auto Workers, one of the world's biggest unions, is in the forefront of the fight against the racially discriminatory policy of the American Bowling Congress. The unions sponsors hun-dreds of bowling leagues and has threatened to withdraw them all from the ABC if the latter con-tinues to exclude non-Caucasian bowlers. Recently CIO-UAW spon-sored its first All-American bow-ling tournament in protest against the ABC. The tourney was open to all bowlers, regardless of race or color.

Pass to Nakamura Sets Up Winning Hawaii Touchdown

HONOLULU — A fluke play in the last 30 seconds, in which a pass from Sol Kaulukukui to Charles Bassette was deflected into the arms of teammate Ken Nakamura, an end, set up the winning touch-down as the University of Hawaii Rainbows defeated Redlands Uni-versity, 33 to 32, in the Pineapple Bowl on New Year's day before a crowd of 12,000.

"Fun Nite" Social

CHICAGO—The Young People's Fellowship of the First Baptist church will hold a "fun nite" so-cial Saturday, Jan. 17, at 8 p.m., according to Fred Ohl, public re-lations chairman.

Johnny Ura will be general chairman and will be assisted by the following committee chairmen: Tatsie Miyaji, music; Tsugi Ieiri, hospitality; and Misao Saiki, re-freshments.

There will be a 35 cent admis-sion charge.

Ogden Resident Succumbs to Injuries

OGDEN, Utah — Teizo Nami-yoshi, 43, died on Jan. 6 of injuries sustained in a fall at the R. O. Pringle Co. plant in Ogden.

Sally's Beauty Salon

BERKELEY, Calif. — A new beauty shop called Sally's Beauty Salon will open here on Jan. 15 at 1925 Ashby avenue, according to Sally Ogawa, proprietor.

Letter

The JACL is seeking the present whereabouts of Mr. Y. Takehara, formerly of 263 East 6th South st., Salt Lake City, in order to forward a letter from Japan.

The JACL may be reached by calling 5-6501. The address is 413 Beason building, Salt Lake City 1.

Chicago Wedding

CHICAGO, Ill. — At a simple ceremony conducted by Rev. George N. Nishimoto, Nancy Ann Akita was married to Hiroshi Kasamoto at the Thorndyke-Hilton chapel on the University of Chi-cago campus on Saturday, Dec. 20th.

Dressed in a white satin gown with a fingertip veil, the bride, at-tended by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Marilyn Akita, was given in mar-riage by her father. Kei Hiraga served as best man, while Hiram and Robert A. Akita, brothers of the bride, and Atsushi Kasamoto, brother of the groom, were ushers.

The wedding at which Miss Hinae Koito sang two selections, was followed by a reception at the adjoining cloisters. Kasamoto, a student at the Illinois Tech and his bride, a federal employee, will reside at 4206 S. Ellis following a brief honeymoon.

Fresno Fellowship Elects Officers

FRESNO, Calif. — Yuri Matsu-moto was elected president of the Fresno Christian Fellowship at the annual election on Dec. 14.

Other officers for the coming year are: Hiro Kusakai, vice-pres.; Ruth Nagata, rec. sec.; Phoebe Ichinaga, corres. sec.; Etsu Mi-kami, publicity chmn.; Ernie Shira-kawa, treas.; Ed Henmi and June Ohara, soc. chmn.; Olive Ogawa, membership; Tae Mikami, music chmn.; and Min Okubo, relief chmn.

Recreation Group Sets Open House

CHICAGO—The newly-organized West Side Recreation Council of the Chicago Resettlers committee will be host at an open house Sat-urday, Jan. 24, at the St. Paul Neighborhood center on Ashland and Harrison.

Kay Asami has been named gen-eral chairman. Committee chair-men under her will be Mrs. Teruo Mukoyama, hosts and hostesses; James Ezaki, cleanup; Mrs. Dolly Aylesworth and Mrs. Fumi Saito, refreshments; and Ruth Saika pub-licity.

Abe Hagiwara, executive recrea-tion director of the Chicago Re-settlers committee, will be master of ceremonies. The committee met at the home of the Rev. Perry Saito on Dec. 30 to map out plans for the event.

The program for the evening will include movies, ping-pong, card games, singing, folk dancing and social dancing. Refreshments will be served. A fee of 25 cents per person will be charged.

Joe Masaoka Will Discuss ADC program

SAN FRANCISCO — Joe Grant Masaoka, Pacific coast director for the JACL-ADC, will be in Los Angeles Jan. 10 to confer on the ADC legislative program with McIntyre Farres, former campaign manager for Senator William Knowland, and Bob Halcomb, Los Angeles county Democratic chairman.

MODERN GARAGE

Phone 4-8257

630 So. 1st West
Salt Lake City, Utah

George Nakamura
George Sonoda

GEORGE'S MOTOR SERVICE
Texaco Products — General Repairs

RECAPS
BATTERIES



GREASING
WASHING

Gas - Oil - Lubrication - Tires

Operated by

GEORGE KURAMOTO

20th at Lawrence Sts.

Phone MAIN 9373

Denver 2, Colo.

Chicago Groups Hold Elections

CHICAGO, Ill. — Year-end elec-tions were held by two business-social organizations in Chicago.

The 20 & 5 club elected Harry Nakino as president; Tom Masuda (past president) as vice president; Fred Toguri, treasurer; Dr. Mas Sakada, secretary and Dr. Koki Kumamoto, auditor.

The Enterprisers, at a meeting held at the home of Lincoln Shimidzu on December 19, elected Ronald Shiozaki as president for the coming year. Other officers are Tats Kushida, vice president; Dr. Kats Uba, secretary; Kenny Yoshihara, treasurer; Takuji Tada, auditor.

The entire Enterprisers group voted to continue its organization for an additional two-year period to terminate in December 31, 1949. The constitution of the 20 & 5 group provides for its termination on December 31, 1948.

MANCHU GRILL AND CHOP SUEY

1956 Larimer St. Ta 9576
DENVER 2, COLO.

Fine Foods a Specialty
"Meet Your Friends Here"

TODAY'S BEST BARGAIN

is legal reserve life insurance. Life insurance is the only property that you can be absolutely sure will cost you less today than it will five years from now. Be ready for tomorrow's bargains by building your insurance estate to-day.

Write Frank R. Maenaka or George Fukukai at P. O. Box 1599, Boise, Idaho for YOUR Bargain rate.

SECURITY STATE LIFE INSURANCE CO. OF IDAHO
IDAHO'S Own Insurance Company

各地食料品店を販賣

自然の味を活かし
短い時間でおいしい料理を

SHIRAYUKI
99.9% PURE
NO SODIUM GLUTAMATE
MODERN FOOD PRODUCTS CO.

十八四
十六
オス
スヘリ
スヘリ
スヘリ

Sole Distributor
Modern FOOD PRODUCTS CO.
SAN FRANCISCO * DENVER * LOS ANGELES

Deadline Set For Enrollment In GI School

Seek Nisei Recruits For Training in Key Languages

January 20 is the tentative deadline for enrollment in the army language school at the Presidio of Monterey, Calif., Lt. Spady Koyama, school representative, announced this week.

Lt. Koyama emphasized that not only high school graduates but any applicants with the equivalent of a high school education and an aptitude for languages are eligible for the special language courses offered by the school. The language curriculum includes Russian, Korean, French, Arabic, Greek, Spanish and Japanese.

The course consists of nine months to a year of study. Lt. Koyama stated that the course is comparable to value to the four-year language course offered by many colleges and universities.

Enrollees receive regular army pay and allowances and guaranteed promotions, Lt. Koyama said. Veterans are accepted by the school in the grade authorized by current recruiting regulations. Non-veterans will be enrolled as privates first class immediately upon completion of basic training, with promotion to corporal at mid-term.

All graduates of the school are guaranteed a sergeant's rating. The top 10 percent of the class will receive ratings of staff sergeant or higher.

Lt. Koyama may be reached at Room 218, Brooks Arcade building, 268 South State street. He also states that he will visit the home or place of business of persons unable to come into Salt Lake City. He may be reached by phone at 4-1796 for appointments.

After Jan. 20 Lt. Koyama will return to the school for duty.

Dawn Noodle Tops Season's Records in Women's Bowling

Exceptional bowling by the Dawn Noodle team marked play on Sunday, Jan. 4, last week of the second round of the JACL women's league, at the Temple alleys.

The Dawn Noodle team hit the highest single scratch game and the highest total scratch series of 814 and 2289, respectively.

Mieko Kusaka scored the first 500 series in the women's league with a 520 series and high game of 191. High game of the day was rolled by Yasuko Oike, also of Dawn Noodle, who had a 192 and a 474 series.

Team standings at the end of the second round are as follows: Sage Farm, 35 wins, 21 losses; Dawn Noodle, 31 wins, 25 losses; Aoki, 30 wins, 27 losses; Pagoda, 26 wins, 30 losses; Duplers, 25 wins, 31 losses and Pacific Citizen, 19 wins, 38 losses.

WANTED

Japanese growers to farm in the Gunnison, Utah section. Excellent opportunities for those interested in raising sugar beets, celery and cabbage. Plenty of land available to lease. Water and land excellent. Japanese growers now located in Gunnison can tell you about situation. For real profits in farming, contact us for further information:

E. O. MUIR & COMPANY
P. O. Box 328 - Salt Lake City
Office Located:
426 South West Temple

HITO OKADA

Complete Insurance Service
403 Beason Building
Salt Lake City 1, Utah
Phone 5-8040

IMMEDIATE DELIVERY

On These Hard-to-Get Appliances:

WESTINGHOUSE Hot Water Heater — EVANS Oil Hot Water Heater — SUNBEAU Hot Water Heater
LEVERATION Water Softener

Now Available at

ROY'S SERVICE

Everything Electrical for Home, Car and Farm
SALES AND SERVICE

256 25th St.

Ogden, Utah

Ph.2-6683

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Masashi Shimozaka a boy on Dec. 29 in San Francisco.
To Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Yamamoto a girl on Dec. 29 in San Francisco.
To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Iso-shima a boy on Dec. 29 in Seattle.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Hatsuo Omachi a girl on Dec. 10 in Fresno, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Nakamura a girl, Helen Margaret, on Dec. 29 in Chicago.
To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tsutsumi a boy on Dec. 30 in Lodi, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Hamamura a boy on Jan. 9 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Iwata a girl on Dec. 10 in Chicago.
To Mr. and Mrs. Shuichi Yamamoto a boy in Denver.

DEATHS

Teizo Namiyoshi, 43, 427 24th St., Ogden, Utah, on Jan. 6.
Takeshiro Watanabe, 69, of Orosi, Calif., on Jan. 1 in Reedley.
Ichiro Migaki on Dec. 26 at Colfax, Wash.
Peter K. Yamamoto, 68, on Jan. 1 in Marsing, Idaho.
Mrs. Kume Nishiyama on Jan. 5 in Guadalupe, Calif.
Benzo Nameka on Jan. 2 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Miyoko Kuramoto and Joseph D. Nakatsu in Seattle.

St. Louis Approves "Goat for Japan" Relief Project

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—"A goat for Japan" will be the goal of a relief effort of the St. Louis JACL recently approved by its cabinet. In charge of this project are Yuki Kato, chairman, with Betty Uchiyama and Joe Inukai on the committee. According to Henry Tani, president, \$50 will purchase a milk goat which will be shipped to Japan to provide aid for the needy.

A "Kids' Christmas Party" for children under twelve years of age was held on Dec. 14th. The chapter provided gifts and refreshments. The committee members included Martha Toyama, Fusa Doi, Susan Yamashita and Yae Ogino.

A New Year's Eve dance was sponsored by the St. Louis Chapter at the Sutter Dancing Studio. In charge of the program was Mrs. Jane Akamine, assisted by Jim Hayashi, Dolly Sakita, Joe Inukai, Edie Tanaka, Flora Yamaoka, Ida Mitori, Harry Oshima, Edith Hayashida, Ted Kurahara and Kazuko Nakamichi.

Ellis Center Group To Elect Cabinet

CHICAGO — The work camp group of Ellis community center scheduled its first election of officers for the new year Friday, Jan. 9.

Members planned to spend the first portion of the evening in cleaning the walls of the canteen room.

Election of officers and the planning of future events were scheduled to begin at 9 p.m.

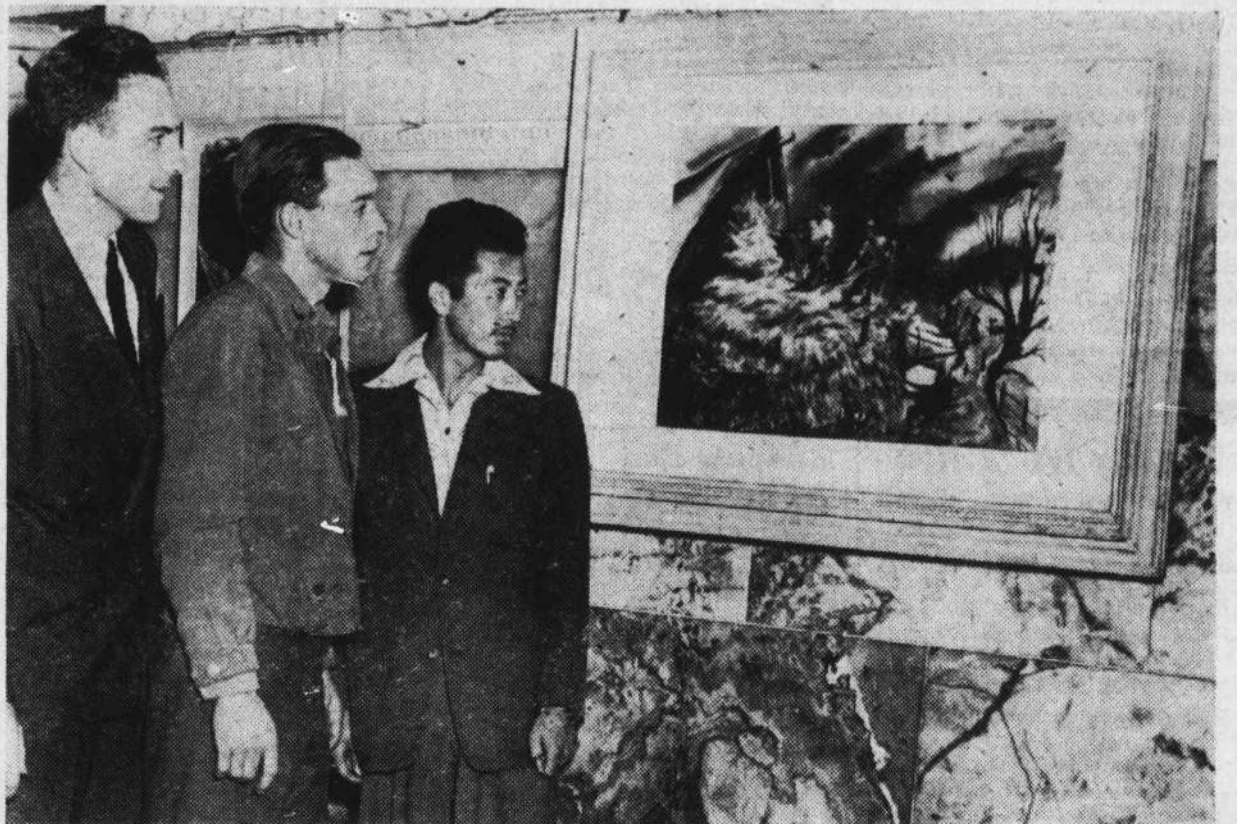
Chuji Sowa and Rey Nakahara were in charge of refreshments. In place of the regular Friday night work camp project the preceding week, the Rev. George Nishimoto gave a New Year's message on "Our Place in the World." A fellowship period with games and refreshments followed Rev. Nishimoto's talk.

Portraits by . . .

TERASHIMA STUDIO

Phone 4-8261 66 E. 4th St. SALT LAKE CITY

Chicago Nisei Artists Form Gaka Guild



CHICAGO—Mas Nakagawa, president of the Gaka Art Guild of Chicago discusses one of the paintings in the guild's recent exhibit at Roosevelt college with Roger W. Axford, (left) general service office of the school, and David Colin

Faegre, associate professor of art and head of the college's arts and crafts department. The painting is by Ken Nishi, Chicago artist and member of the guild.

CHICAGO, Ill.—The Gaka Art guild was organized early last year in Chicago to promote cultural activities among Nisei, create and stimulate interest in the arts and to provide an outlet for the exchange of ideas and fellowship. Its 25 members, many of them advanced students of art, are mostly Nisei although the guild also includes artists of other racial and nationality groups.

The guild has held two exhibits in which each member has submitted a work of art, including painting, sculpting, ceramics, graphic art and constructions. The latest exhibit of the Gaka Art guild was held at Chicago's new Roosevelt college during October when thirty oil and water color paintings were displayed. This was the first of many exhibits to be held in the lobby of the historic Auditorium hotel building, new home for Roosevelt college. The next exhibit is scheduled for the spring of 1948 with plans being considered for a costume ball.

Among the many members in the Gaka Art guild is its president, Mas Nakagawa, who is prominent in Chicago chapter activities as well as directing

the guild. Vice president is Joe Eto. Nori Kenmotsu serves as secretary while Mary Takahashi is treasurer, both members of the Chicago JACL. The latter is an instructor at the American Academy of Fine Arts.

One of their prominent members is Byron Goto, sculptor and painter, recently awarded the Anne Louise Raymond Travelling Fellowship of \$1,500 from the Art Institute of Chicago. Goto also studied in Europe.

Miyoko Ito (Mrs. Torao Ichiyasu), formerly of Berkeley, Calif., and a graduate of the University of California, is winner of the Borgus James Clark Memorial prize and the Paul Bessinger prize in 1946 at the San Francisco Art association's annual exhibit of water colors.

In addition to their monthly meetings, the group conducts outings and sketching parties. It is hoped that a location can be found for use as a studio which can be used as an outlet for selling works of art and also serve as a classroom, meeting place and general workshop. Headquarters for the guild is 5634 Maryland, Chicago 37.

Hibbard Drug Holds Strong Lead in Men's Bowl League

Hibbard Drug held a four-point lead in the Salt Lake City JACL men's bowling league Monday with 43 wins and 13 losses, a lead of four wins over Okada Insurance, former first place team.

Okada Insurance was thrown for a 3-1 loss by New Sunrise Fish market in the surprise match of the evening. Scores were 2704 to 2695. Mac Furushiro, New Sunrise, took high game honors with a 220 game in a 532 series.

Excellent Cleaners split 2-2 with Hibbard Drug, and Dawn Noodle defeated Terashima 3-1 in a thrilling match that saw Dawn Noodle boys take the final game by one pin. The team is now tied for second place with the Okadas in standings but behind in total pins.

Kenny Arita of Ma's Cafe recorded the evening's high series with a 573, but his team dropped three to Modern Garage, 2609 to 2589. Pagoda collected three points from Star coffee shop. In other games OK cafe took US cafe, 3-1, and Pacific Citizen took Metro Motors, also by a 3-1 score.

Engagement

The engagement of Miss Priscilla Yasuda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Y. Yasuda of Salt Lake City, to Mr. Wallace T. Nagao of Hilo, Hawaii, was announced by the bride-elect's parents on Dec. 27.

Mr. Nagao is attending Michigan State college. Miss Yasuda is presently employed in Salt Lake City.

EXPERT "CHICK SEXORS" WANTED At Once!

Contact: Tom Nishimura
2103 No. Huston Ave.
GRAND ISLAND, Neb.

Correction

Last week's issue of the Pacific Citizen erroneously stated that a twelve-week course on table decorations by Dr. Mary Takahashi in Chicago will be under the auspices of the JACL. The course is sponsored by the Loop YWCA at 59 E. Monroe, where the subject will be taught Wednesday evenings.

Co-Ed's Beauty Salon

1305 E. 53rd St. - Chicago
Shizuye Yamayoshi
Kay Kawamura
Phone Fairfax 4371

CURTISS CANDY COMPANY

Employment Offer — NISEI GIRLS WANTED

Openings immediately: female candy wrappers (between ages of 17-35) to pack and package candy and other food products.

HOURLY AND PIECE RATES AVAILABLE

Pleasant Working Conditions — Group Life Insurance
Retirement Income Profit Sharing Plans — Group Health Insurance — Vacation with Pay — Pension Plans
Company employs many Nisei workers. No experience necessary
Report to Main Office, 101 W. Belmont Avenue, Chicago
See Mr. Harry B. Mayeda or Elmer L. Shirrell at that address
BITTERSWEET 6300

NEW YORK CITY

NOW AVAILABLE

All Models of KODAK Cameras

Also Bell & Howell Filmo Movie Cameras & Projectors
IMMEDIATE SHIPMENTS MADE ON ALL

Kodak Models and Hamilton Watches

Portable Typewriters - Toastmaster Toasters - Alarm Clocks
Remington Electric Shavers - HAMILTON & ELGIN WATCHES
Parker 51 Pens - Waterman New Taperite Model Pens - Holmes & Edwards (International Silver Co.) - Dinner Wares and other Silver Plated Sets.

Y. TERADA, Prop.

AOYAGI CO.

147-157 West 42nd St.

New York City 18, N. Y.
House of Quality - Est. 1923 - Reliable

"Insist on the Finest"



Kanemasa Brand
Ask for Fujimoto's, Edo Miso, Pre-War Quality at your favorite shopping centers

FUJIMOTO and COMPANY

302-306 South 4th Weest
Salt Lake City 4, Utah
Tel: 4-8279

Cortez Nisei May Form JACL Unit

TURLOCK, Calif.—Nisei in the community of Cortez have invited West Coast Director Joe Grant Masaoka of JACL ADC to meet with them on Jan. 21 at their local schoolhouse to consider plans for formation of a local JACL chapter, according to George Yuge.

This action follows the recent visit of Mike Masaoka in this district.

The local Japanese American community have been strong supporters of the ADC program and have given substantial financial backing to its program.

SEND BY AIR!

Medicines urgently needed in Japan

3,000,000 Units penicillin in oil and wax
Reg. price\$15
Our price, including \$1.75 postage\$15
(Insurance, 15% extra)

Parcel post rates via APO San Francisco costs:

20 lbs.18c
50 lbs.33c
70 lbs.43c

Ask for free catalogue of ready packed gift parcels of food, clothing and medicines, such as penicillin, Monsanto saccharin powder or crystals, santonin, streptomycin, sulfadiazine, etc. for shipments to Japan.

TAKAHASHI TRADING CO.

1661 Post St., San Francisco 15

Salt Lake Seagulls Will Appear on Benefit Cage Bill

The Salt Lake Seagulls, who recently returned from the All-Oriental basketball tournament in Seattle, will play the Taylorville Lions in the preliminary match of a polio benefit program on Jan. 19 at the Coliseum in Salt Lake City.

The Coors team of Golden, Colo., will meet the Salt Lake Eckers in the feature game.

Tickets for the benefit basketball bill may be obtained from Yosh Kojimoto of the Seagulls team at \$1.00.

Students Plan Valentine Dance

FRESNO, Calif.—The Japanese students club of Fresno State college will hold a gala Valentine dance Feb. 14 at the student union.

Twenty per cent of the proceeds will go to the "Operation Gate" fund. The club will also contribute \$50 to the Florence Akiyama memorial student scholarship fund.

All persons are invited to attend.

Ticket Agent for
American President Lines



KUSANO HOTEL

1492 ELLIS ST.
SAN FRANCISCO 15

GarageJ-Ordan
Steam Heat7-1402
Phone in Rooms7-1403
Rooms with Bath7-1404

Dr. Watanabe Named Prexy In Los Angeles

Fills Vacancy Left
By Resignation
Of John Aiso

LOS ANGELES—Dr. Tom Watanabe, 2nd vice president of the Los Angeles JACL, was named president pro tem of the chapter at the first 1948 cabinet meeting on Jan. 6.

The vacancy was caused by the resignation of John Aiso.

Dr. Watanabe's former position of 2nd vice president was temporarily filled by Dick Fujioka, 1947 chapter treasurer.

In asking Dr. Watanabe to assume the responsible position of leading the new cabinet, former cabinet members Frank Chuman, Noboru Ishitani and Ken Utsunomiya pledged their full support to the new president and the incoming cabinet.

Other members of the cabinet are George Umezawa, 1st vice president; Reiko Inouye, rec. sec.; Alice Sumida, corr. sec.; Mikio Miyamoto, treas.; and Frank Suyenaga, auditor.

Eiji Tanabe, regional representative, will assume the duty of executive secretary pro tem of the Los Angeles chapter, the post formerly held by Fred Fertig.

ADC Group Will Hold Meeting

LOS ANGELES—The Issei ADC will hold a meeting Saturday, Jan. 10, in Los Angeles in conjunction with the Pacific Southwest district council meeting, according to a report from the regional office of the JACL-ADC.

The ADC meeting will be called by Kohei Koda, chairman of the Northern California Naturalization committee, and the regional office.

The ADC will meet separately from the district council, but the Issei and Nisei representatives will meet at a luncheon at the Kow Nan Low.

WANT ADS

Gen. Housekeeper; plain cook-exp; private room and bath; 1 story house; no heavy cleaning; excel. salary; refined family. Call Crestview 62597. —West Los Angeles, Calif.

SAITO REALTY CO.

HOMES . . . INSURANCE

John "TY" Saito, Notary Public
Business Opportunities
Rm. 211 Miyako Hotel—MI 2673
2421 W. Jefferson RO 3385

HOTEL ANNEX

EVERY ROOM PRIVATE -
BATH, STEAM HEAT
RENOVATED

1612 Fillmore St., (near Geary)
San Francisco
Phone: FILLmore 46-9926

RADIO REPAIRS

S. KOGURA & COMPANY

Col. 4011 San Jose, Calif.

Warren Okagaki

Motorola Radios For Sale

TOM T. ITO

INSURANCE: Life - Auto-Fire
General Liability

312 E. First St. Room 204
Michigan 8001 Los Angeles
669 Del Monte Street
Pasadena 3 SYcamore 7-0725

AKI HOTEL

1651 Post St.
San Francisco, California
JO 7-1114
I. Kataoka, Prop.

Civil Rights Problem Discussed by AVC

SEATTLE — Civil rights problems faced by racial minority groups in Washington were discussed at a forum on Jan. 7 by Toru Sakahara, Seattle attorney, and Prof. R. G. Tyler of the University of Washington.

The discussion, sponsored by the Seattle chapter of the American Veterans Committee, centered on the phases of the report of the President's Committee on Civil Rights as it applied to the Seattle area.

Hawaii Nisei Cagers Win Two Games in Northern California

SAN FRANCISCO — The barnstorming Hawaii Nisei All-Stars defeated the San Francisco Vets and the San Jose Zebras in basketball games last week.

With Dick Asato hitting for 13 points, the Hawaiians defeated the San Francisco team, 43 to 33 on Jan. 5.

On Jan. 2 the visitors scored a 56 to 47 victory over the Zebras in San Jose.

Two Stranded Nisei Return to America

SAN FRANCISCO—Two returning stranded Nisei, Lily Seto, 19, and Teru Seto, 17, arrived on Dec. 31 aboard the Marine Adder from Yokohama.

KING of shoyu: Quality and Flavor



Brewed in Hawaii

THE NIPPON COMPANY

Distributors

112 Market St., S. F.
3801 Vallejo St., Denver

Urge Speedy Repatriation of Okinawa Nisei

Honolulu Group Plans
Drive to Assist
Stranded Group

HONOLULU—The speedy repatriation of American citizens stranded during the war in Okinawa is being sought by the repatriation committee of the Okinawa Relief and Repatriation Foundation in Honolulu.

"It is more than two years since hostilities ceased but there are many Nisei who are still stranded in Okinawa because of red tape and who rightfully should be repatriated as soon as possible," the committee stated.

It was announced that the committee is planning an extensive campaign to assist in the early return of the repatriates, most of whom are residents of Hawaii.

Joseph Bishop, assistant supervising principal of Oahu schools who served in the military government in Okinawa, informed the committee there are approximately 300 Nisei now in Okinawa. Mr. Bishop declared that these Nisei were anxious to return to their homes in Hawaii.

LOS ANGELES

Occidental Life Insurance
Company of California

H. H. KODANI

General Agent

Phone: MI 8001

312 E. 1st St. - Los Angeles



Sally's BEAUTY SALON

1925 ASHBY AVE.

BERKELEY near GROVE

Phone Ashberry 3-3886

Sally Shigeko Ogawa

BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

ST. JAMES HOTEL

HEART OF BUSINESS SECTION
Downtown San Francisco

87 THIRD STREET
Near Market - San Francisco

MARTHA and TOM IMAGAWA
Managing Owners
Telephone: EXbrook 2-9887



TIME and JEWELRY SHOP

Henry Y. Okamoto

1501 Kern

Phone 3-1591

FRESNO 1, CALIFORNIA

KYODO DRUG COMPANY

PRESCRIPTION SPECIALISTS

Quality Merchandise at Lowest Prices

TOILETRIES: Complet Yardley's - Solon Palmer - Max Factors
CLEAN, MODERN SODA FOUNTAIN

316 E. First St. Phone MU 3894 Los Angeles, Calif.

WESTERN MOTEL

Smartest Motel in Los Angeles

CLEAN

COMFORTABLE

MODERN

Write or Wire for Reservations

Corner West 37th Street and South
Western Avenue

Phone ROchester 8805

Eddie Dauzat, Manager

FRANKLIN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF ILLINOIS

Masao R. Mizokami & Associates

Phone MADison 63393

124 South San Pedro St.

Los Angeles, Calif.

WOOLENS FOR MEN and WOMEN'S WEAR

— for —

Suits, Coats, Slacks, Skirts, Dresses, etc.

Sold By the Yard

Write for Samples Stating Material and Color Desired

ALEXANDER BRICK

728 South Hill Street

Los Angeles 14, Calif.

MIYAKO TRAVEL SERVICE

PASSPORT SERVICE TO JAPAN

Also Special Service for Stranded Nisei

TICKET AGENCY

American President Lines

United Air Lines

Northwest Airlines

American Bus Lines

Pan American Air Lines

Burlington Bus Lines

Western Air Lines

WESTERN
UNION
AGENT



PHONE IN
EVERY
ROOM

FAMOUS HONEYMOON SUITES

258 E. First St. Los Angeles 12
Phone MICHigan 9581
G. T. ISHIKAWA, Prop.

MIYAKO
都一ホテル
HOTEL