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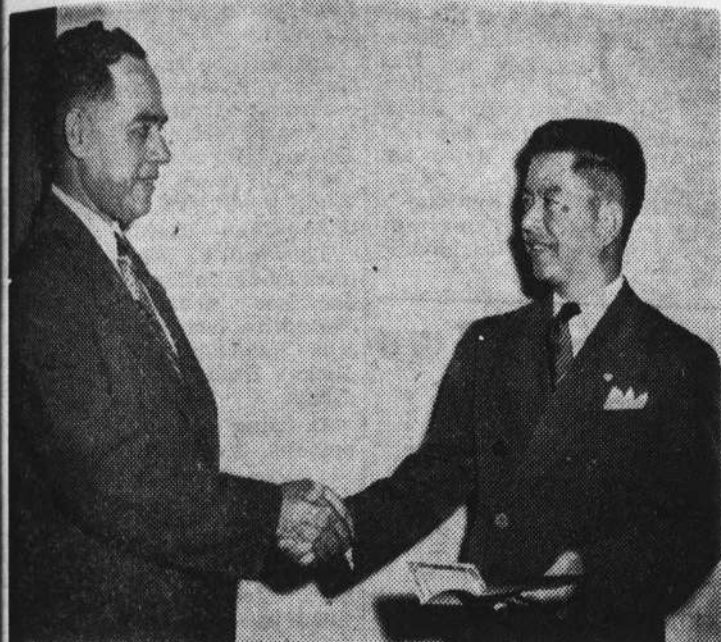


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An anti-militarist in Japan before World War II is shown as he became a naturalized American citizen, by special act of Congress. Tsuyoshi Matsumoto, Japan-born University of Hawaii language professor and a former sergeant in the U. S. Army, is shown as he received his citizenship certificate from William F. Thompson, Jr., Federal court clerk in Honolulu.

Tsuyoshi Matsumoto Becomes American Citizen Through Special Action of Congress

HONOLULU, T. H.—A happy and grateful University of Hawaii language professor has become an American citizen the hard way.

Tsuyoshi Matsumoto, born in Japan 39 years ago, fought the Japanese militarists and joined the American army, and finally took advantage of two congressional laws to become a naturalized citizen last week.

When he swore allegiance to the United States before a federal judge here on Nov. 24, he retained the distinction of being probably the first Japan-born resident of the territory to become a naturalized American citizen in a Honolulu court.

Several Issei veterans in Hawaii, like Prof. Matsumoto, have been naturalized under act of congress granting veterans of any race that privilege. But, as far as can be ascertained, they received their citizenship in mainland courts. Prof. Matsumoto served for 15 months in the U. S. army, 1946-47, as a Japanese language instructor at the Presidio army language school, Monterey, Calif.

Before he could avail himself of the alien veterans' naturalization act, he required a special act of congress to enable him to remain in this country as a permanent resident. Rep. Francis E. Walter of Pennsylvania introduced the bill which was passed in the last session of congress.

Otherwise he would have been deported as he had the status of a non-resident, having come to the United States as a student.

An outspoken anti-militarist in Japan, before he left there in 1937, he made public speeches on pacifism and wrote pro-American magazine articles. Friends in the United States who had followed his

Gravesite Rites Held for Nisei Dead at San Bruno Cemetery

LIVINGSTON, Calif.—Military graveside services for two Nisei from the Livingston area who were killed in the war were conducted at the Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno on Dec. 3.

Services were held for Pfc. Arnold Ohki, 23, of Livingston and Pfc. Mamoru Kinoshita of Winton.

Interment followed the services. Arnold Ohki, born and reared in Livingston, was a popular athlete during his high school days. He was graduated from the Livingston high school in 1939. He volunteered for the 442nd Combat Team and was living in the Amache relocation center in Colorado and was killed near Livorno, Italy on July

7, 1944, shortly after the Japanese American regiment was committed for action.

Mamoru Kinoshita, whose family has lived near Winton for many years, was graduated from the Livingston high school in 1942. He also went into service while at Amache and was serving with the famed 442nd in Italy when he was killed on April 27, 1945.

Pfc. Ohki is survived by his mother, Mrs. Yaye Ohki, three brothers, Robert, Kenneth and Edwin, and a sister, Anne Ohki, all of Livingston. Surviving Pfc. Kinoshita are his mother, Mrs. Moto Kinoshita, two brothers, Mutaka and Leonard, and a sister, Betty Kinoshita, all of Winton.

Nisei Student Wins Top Award At Oregon U.

EUGENE, Ore.—Albert Akira Oyama of Portland, Ore., senior pre-medical student at the University of Oregon, won the \$1,000 Kenneth A. J. McKenzie Memorial Scholarship last week when he led all contenders with a total grade point average of 3.79 out of a possible 4.00.

The McKenzie scholarship is awarded annually to the outstanding pre-med senior. The award will help finance his education at the University of Oregon medical school for the next four years and he will get \$200 this year.

He is the son of Mr. I. Oyama, publisher of a Portland Japanese American newspaper, the Oregon News. His mother was one of the two victims of Japanese ancestry in the Vanport flood disaster of May 30, 1948.

Rep. Granger Will Support Issei Citizenship

Utah Congressman Praises Wartime Behavior of Group

OGDEN, Utah—Rep. Walter K. Granger, D., Utah, declared here on Dec. 2 that the loyalty of resident Japanese aliens to American principles during the war should give them the right to parity with all other resident aliens in their access to naturalization privileges.

Rep. Granger, who was reelected from the First Congressional district in Utah, met with representatives of the Ogden JACL to discuss the equality in naturalization program.

He said that he had been in favor of the Judd bill in the 80th Congress and had not changed his stand.

The delegation which met with Rep. Granger was headed by Ken Uchida, Ogden JACL president, and included Clyde C. Patterson, Mits Endo, Kaz Miya, Dr. Frank Saito and Russell Tanaka.

Northern California Bussei Name Placer Girl as Queen

MARYSVILLE, Calif.—TakaKo Yoshikawa of Placer was crowned "Miss Bussei of Northern California" by Mayor Charles Gross of Marysville at the Northern California Young Buddhists League convention on Nov. 28.

June Manji of Marysville, the 1947 queen who won the "Miss Western Young Buddhist League" title at Los Angeles last summer, presented Miss Yoshikawa with a cameo necklace on behalf of the Northern California YBL.

Miss Yoshikawa's attendants were Joyce Lee of Delta, Lorraine Yakatobi of Marysville, Clara Kuroko of Sacramento and Alice Ikesaki of Florin.

Miss Yoshikawa will represent Northern California YBL in the 1949 WYBL queen contest at Fresno on April 30 and May 1.

The 1949 Northern California YBL meeting will be held in Sacramento.

Eleven Canada Issei Receive Dominion Citizenship Papers

KELOWNA, B.C.—Eleven aliens of Japanese ancestry were granted Canadian citizenship papers at a ceremony held here recently.

The Kelowna residents, all long time residents of Canada, made their applications after attending citizenship classes which were held for a six months period.

Classes were given in English and Japanese.

Heavy Demand for Evacuee Claims Material Noted by JACL National Headquarters

A heavy demand for evacuation claims forms from the 115,000 persons of Japanese ancestry evacuated from the Pacific coast under military orders in 1942 was reported this week by the national headquarters of the JACL in Salt Lake City.

Masao W. Satow, national executive director of the JACL, declared that JACL offices in Chicago, Los Angeles, Denver, Salt Lake City and San Francisco were rushed with inquiries for information on the government program for payment of accountable business and property losses directly resulting from the mass evacuation.

Mas Horiuchi, manager of the National JACL office, said that 17,000 evacuation claims packets prepared by the JACL had been distributed to date and that local chapters were asking for more. The package consist of work sheets and an analysis of Public Law 886 in English and Japanese. The JACL also has distributed 10,000 copies of the government's evacuation claims form. In addition, it was reported that JACL regional offices already have distributed 10,000 additional copies of the forms.

The official claims forms are available from the Department of Justice in Washington and from regional offices of the Justice Department.

It was believed that government processing of the claims forms will be formalized as soon as a sufficient number of forms are received to provide a yardstick in measuring the average amount of claims.

The JACL ADC office in Washington has asked the Justice Department to expedite the payment of "pots and pans" claims for losses of household furnishings and personal articles.

Nisei Attorney Admitted to Bar In Ontario Province

TORONTO, Ont.—Lucien Coe Kurata, 26, the first attorney of Japanese ancestry to be admitted to the Ontario bar, declared last week that he was going to learn Japanese in order to assist Japanese Canadian evacuees in their legal problems.

Kurata, a native of Toronto, was admitted to the bar in a ceremony on Nov. 18.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Taka Kurata. Mr. Kurata is a zoologist and has been associated with the University of Toronto for the past 35 years. His mother is an American, the former Elizabeth Stoddard of Cedar Rapids, Ia.

A graduate of Pickering College, the young Nisei lawyer was married in 1947 to Mary Frances Whitehurst of Ottawa. On Nov. 8, 1948 they became parents of a daughter, named Mary Elizabeth Ellen.

Los Angeles County Will Seek Court Ruling on Intermarriage

LOS ANGELES — A review in the United States Supreme Court of the California Supreme Court decision outlawing the state law barring interracial marriages is being asked by the office of James Colby, deputy counsel for Los Angeles County, it was reported this week.

Colby said that he is applying for a writ of certiorari in order to bring the issue of interracial marriages before the Supreme Court.

The California Supreme Court ruled last September that California's law banning marriages between Caucasians and non-Caucasians was unconstitutional.

The county's plea to the state court for a review of the case was turned down.

Colby said that the main basis of the Los Angeles County appeal will be that the intermarriage ban does not violate the 14th Amend-

Funeral Rites Set for Nisei Combat Hero

SANTA ANA, Calif.—A funeral service for Sgt. Kazuo Masuda, who was killed in action in Italy with the 442nd Combat Team and posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, will be held on Dec. 9 at the Wintersburg Japanese Presbyterian church.

The Rev. Kenji Kikuchi of San Diego will conduct the final rites for the Nisei hero.

Charles Ishii, who served overseas with Sgt. Masuda, will pay the final tribute at the service.

Sgt. Masuda's remains are expected to be returned to Orange County on Dec. 7.

HANFORD TEAM WINS CALIFORNIA DEBATE MEET

OAKLAND, Calif.—Masako Matsubara and Randall Reid of Hanford, Calif., high school won first place in the senior debate division of the state speech tournament on Nov. 20 at Oakland high school.

Miss Matsubara, winner of a number of oratorical contests in the San Joaquin valley, is an art major.

Farm Wife Found Dead in Cabin

CLEARFIELD, Utah—Mrs. Kuni Miyagishima, 47, wife of Eimatsu Miyagishima of Clearfield, was found dead on Nov. 21 in a cabin near the Smith Canning Co., according to Deputy Sheriff Zenas Bennett who investigated the case.

The body was found by Mr. Miyagishima who notified authorities. Jens K. Nelson, Clearfield justice of the peace, said no evidence of foul play was found.

Inducted

FRESNO, Calif.—Kauji Hata was one of seven Fresno County youths who were inducted into the United States Army last week as the first group to be enlisted under the peacetime draft.

Idaho State Farm Bureau Asks Naturalization Bill Passage

POCATELLO, Idaho—A resolution favoring the opening of naturalization to resident Japanese aliens and others still ineligible to citizenship was unanimously adopted by the resolutions committee of the Idaho State Farm bureau convention here on Nov. 28.

The resolution was presented to the state convention by the Tyhee Farm Bureau, of which George Shiozawa, former Pocatello JACL president, and Bill Yamauchi, former national vice president of the JACL, are members.

Masao W. Satow, national executive director of the JACL, attended the meeting of the resolutions committee on Nov. 28 and explained the purposes of the Judd bill for equality in naturalization, which the JACL is supporting.

Several members of the resolutions committee, in expressing support for the proposal, paid tribute to Japanese American farm families in Idaho.

The resolution was adopted by the general assembly of the Idaho State Farm Bureau on Nov. 29. The resolution stirred considerable interest and discussion and an attempt to table it was defeated.

"I believe this is the first state organization of farmers in the nation to take this stand for equality in naturalization," Shiozawa declared. "It is the first state organization in Idaho to adopt such a resolution."

The resolution, sponsored by the Tyhee Farm Bureau, of which Jed L. Ashton is president, noted:

"Today American residents of Japanese ancestry not born in America but who have lived here for many years are barred from the privileges of naturalization because of race. For many years these Japanese residents in our midst have proven themselves worthy, law-abiding people who demonstrated their loyalty to the country of their adoption during the war.

"We, their neighbors, believe them to be worthy of the same privileges under the Stars and Stripes which we enjoy."

Copies of the resolution will be forwarded to Senators Glen H. Taylor and Bert H. Miller and to Reps. John Sanborn and Compton White.

Final Rites Given Seattle Soldier

SEATTLE—A rosary for Staff Sgt. Francis Tsukasa Kinoshita was said on Nov. 26 at the Maryknoll church.

The rosary was followed by a requiem mass on Nov. 27 in the church, after which the remains of the 442nd Combat Team soldier were buried in Veterans Memorial cemetery.

Sgt. Kinoshita died in action near Castellino, Italy, on July 9, 1944.

Colorado Nisei Named to Faculty Of Trinidad JC

TRINIDAD, Colo.—George Nakayama of Rocky Ford, Colo., has been appointed to the faculty of Trinidad junior college and will instruct in physical education classes during the winter quarter.

He is a June, 1948 graduate of Denver university where he majored in physical education and also studied in the graduate college at Colorado State in Greeley.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. Nakayama of Rocky Ford.

Television Carnival Held in Washington By JACL Chapter

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Washington JACL television carnival night was held on Nov. 27 at the YWCA.

With Henry Gosho as master of ceremonies, the evening was featured by a bazaar, a floor show and dancing.

Terry Honda was general chairman of arrangements.

Mrs. C. Taketa of Washington, D.C. won the television set, while J. S. Shima of Washington was the winner of the portable radio. The \$25 savings bond was won by George Matsumonji of Littleton, Colo.

Ira Shimasaki, president of the chapter, thanked all the chapters and individuals who took part to make the event a success.

Part of the money raised is expected to be expended for the JACL chapter's participation in the presidential inaugural ceremonies.

Chicago JACL Participates In Civic Unity Conference

CHICAGO Ill. — The JACL is among more than ninety community and citywide organizations co-operating in the second series of conferences on civic unity sponsored by the Chicago Commission on Human Relations, it was announced by the Midwest Regional office.

The first conclave, the Chicago Conference on Home Front Unity, was held in November, 1945. The present conference includes a schedule of weekly sessions on recreation, health and welfare, housing, law and order, education and employment, with a plenary session winding up the series on January 10, 1949.

Weekly meetings will consist of a report on an overall-view of exist-

Nisei Girl Commissioned in Ministry at Chicago Ceremony

CHICAGO — Mary Matsumoto, first Nisei Christian woman worker to be inducted into the Evangelical and Reformed church, was commissioned into the ministry in a consecration service Sunday evening, Nov. 28, at the Ellis Community Center church.

She was officially installed by President E. H. Plassman of the Synod, who was assisted by Dr. Felix B. Peck and the Rev. John Kleffmann.

The Rev. George Nishimoto preached the evening's sermon.

A reception followed the service. The church presented Miss Matsumoto with luggage, and other gifts

were presented by friends. Marion Yamabe was in charge of the reception. Hisako Ito, Susie Yawata, Hagai Teramoto and Yasuko Kusunoki served.

A special buffet dinner was given before the service at the parsonage with the following guests: Dr. and Mrs. Peck, Rev. and Mrs. Plassman, Rev. and Mrs. Nishimoto, Ben Matsumoto, James Matsumoto, Hisako Ito, the Rev. Oyama, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer and Miss Matsumoto.

Miss Matsumoto will continue to serve as program and nursery director of the Ellis community center.

San Francisco Mayor Asks Two Nisei to Serve on Committee

Human Relations Group Will Advise On Race Problems

SAN FRANCISCO—Two Japanese Americans are among 36 San Francisco residents who have been invited by Mayor Elmer Robinson to serve on a "Committee for Human Relations."

The committee, formed pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Supervisors, will advise the mayor, the board and city departments on problems which may arise between various racial, religious and ethnic groups.

Dr. Carl T. Hirota and Fred Hoshiyama are the Nisei who have been invited to serve.

Superior Judge Edward P. Murphy has been named as chairman.

Japanese Canadian Student Wins Top Honors at Graduation

TORONTO, Ont.—A young Japanese Canadian student, who took the first three years of his high school training in an improvised night school at an interior housing center for evacuees at Tashme, British Columbia, won the highest honors of any student at the Forest Hill College graduation on Nov. 19.

The student, Arnod Arai, 20, won the E. J. Tamblin Memorial award for the student who, in the opinion of the staff and students, has been the most outstanding in leadership, service to the school, sportsmanship and academic record. He also won a Dominion-Provincial scholarship.

Following his graduation from Forest Hill, Arai has enrolled at Toronto University.

Nisei Passes Bar Examination In Minnesota

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Charles Tatsuda, formerly of Ketchikan, Alaska and recent graduate of the University of Minnesota law school, passed the Minnesota bar examination on Nov. 5, it was learned this week.

Tatsuda, a veteran of the recent war in the Pacific theater, is the first Nisei who will practice law in Minneapolis. He recently met with other Nisei attorneys in Chicago and also attended the Midwest District Council, representing the Twin Cities UCL in conferring with Mike Masaoka and Edward J. Ennis, JACL legal counsel, on evacuation claims matters.

St. Louis Unit Elects Tanaka As President

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Joe Tanaka, winner of the national JACL oratorical contest this summer at Salt Lake City, was elected to the presidency of the 1949 St. Louis JACL cabinet, a recent mail ballot revealed.

He will be assisted by Dr. Al Morioka, vice-president; Fumi Iseri, recording secretary; Mrs. Mitsuko Kurihara, corresponding secretary; Jimmie Hayashi, treasurer; Maki Koyama, historian; Henry Tani, public relations; and Dan Sakahara, delegate.

They will be installed at the annual inauguration dinner scheduled for late January, for which a committee including Fred Oshima, Jinx Kawahara, Joe Tanaka and Mickey Shoda are making preparations.

Drawing a crowd of nearly 150 persons, the fall festival, held at the YWCA on Nov. 27 featured Japanese dishes, carnival booths, a floor show, movie and dance.

Entertainment numbers included dances by Lois and Arlene Sakahara, Eleanor and Frances Hara, vocal by Jean Hattori, piano solo by Helene Honda, magic tricks by Roger Miyasaka, and Hawaiian songs by Al Tsuda and the "Surf-riders."

Mrs. Jean Eto and Mrs. Florence Okuyama, assisted by Jinx Kawahara, Ed Koyama and Joe Tanaka headed the evening festivities.

The St. Louis chapter looks forward to a heavy December program: assisting in evacuation claims filing, ADC fund-raising, Christmas social on Dec. 11, a children's Christmas party on Dec. 13, a Japanese movie on Dec. 26, New Year's Eve dance, a special luncheon on Dec. 12 to hear Tai Akagi, from Sendai, Japan, presently a student at Eden seminary, and a work shop at the relief clothing center on Dec. 20.

Final Rites Held For Denver Soldier

DENVER, Colo.—Final rites for Pvt. Joe Morishige of Denver, who was 29 years of age when he was killed in action with the 442nd Combat Team on April 14, 1945 in Italy, were held on Nov. 30 at the Tri-States Buddhist church in Denver.

Military rites also were held under the sponsorship of Catholic Post No. 185 of the American Legion.

Pvt. Morishige was working at an airport in Dayton, Ohio before enlisting in the 442nd Combat Team. Born in Honeyville, Utah on Oct. 18, 1916, he is survived by his mother, Mrs. Chiyo Morishige, two brothers, Preston and Shig, and five sisters, Chiyeko, Chikako, Chiseko, Sumiko and Michiko.

Denver YWCA Will Give Christmas Party

DENVER, Colo. — The YWCA this week invited all of its Nisei members and participants in its programs to bring their families to the All Association Christmas party which will be held on Dec. 15 from 7:30 p. m. at the YWCA building, 1545 Tremont.

Mrs. Yoshiko Aiki Varney and Mrs. Virginia Roberts are the co-chairmen for the event.

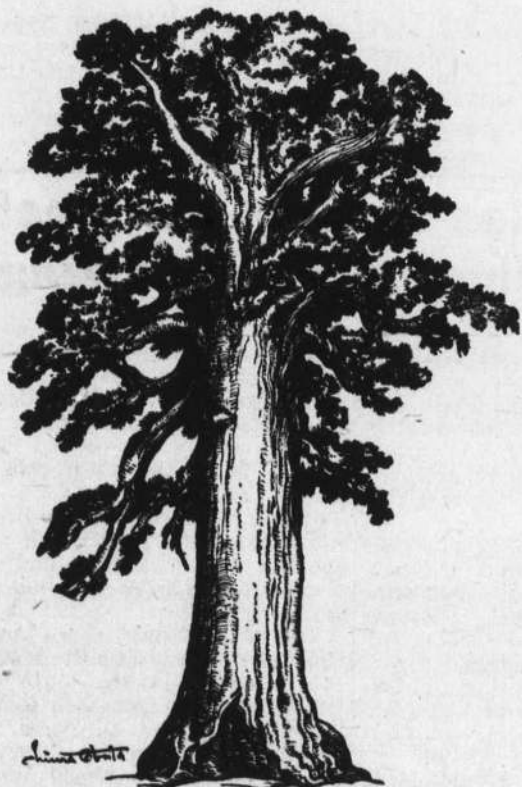
The evening will start on a serious note with an auditorium program based on the theme of "peace on earth, goodwill to men." In this program the seasonal observances of many faiths and countries will be portrayed and prayers for peace expressed in many languages.

The remainder of the evening will be devoted to informal Christmas fun with caroling, square dancing and social dancing as the chief features.

Benefit Dance

CORTEZ, Calif. — Nisei from many surrounding communities attended the Cortez Young Peoples club's second annual benefit dance held here recently.

A drawing, main event of the evening, was held at midnight. First prize, a radio clock, was won by George Kajioke. Second prize, a pressure cooker, was won by Puccinelli Packing Co. of Turlock. Michi Baba won a Flint knife. Other prizewinners were Mrs. Ide, Mrs. Dorothy Manabe, K. Yotsuya, Fred Miyamoto and Asa



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Three Stranded Nisei Ask for Right to Return

Attorney Says Trio Forced to Serve in Japanese Army

LOS ANGELES — Three additional suits were filed in United States district court in Los Angeles last week on behalf of war-stranded Nisei who seek to re-establish their American nationality through court action.

They are Tomio Ito, Minoru Furukawa and Harumi Sameshima. Ito and Furukawa went to Japan on a trip in 1941 and were stranded by the outbreak of the war. Sameshima has been in Japan since 1933.

They are represented by Attorneys A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand.

Mr. Wirin said that all three were forcibly inducted into the Japanese army during the war and have been refused passports to return to the United States by American consular authorities in Japan.

Robert Mukai Aids Utah University Speech Victory

SEATTLE — Robert Mukai and Richard Laney, both freshmen at the University of Utah, won a third place tie with representatives from Oregon State, Gonzaga and Vanport college in the competition at the Western Speech conference in Seattle recently.

Utah won the "over-all sweepstakes" as 42 men's debating teams competed.

Mukai, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Mukai of Ogden, Utah, won fourth place in the individual contest for extemporaneous and impromptu oratory in which 65 students competed.

The young Nisei speaker was the valedictorian of the 1948 summer graduating class at Ogden high school and also won third place in the National JACL oratorical contest in Salt Lake City in September where he spoke as the representative of the Intermountain JACL district council.

Despondency Given as Reason for Suicide

SACRAMENTO — Coroner's deputies reported here last week that Hideyoshi Koyama, 55, whose body was found on Nov. 27 in a hotel room here, took his own life by shooting himself in the chest with a .22 caliber rifle.

Other tenants in the hotel told the deputies Koyama had been despondent and remarked he had no money.

War-Stranded Nisei Inducted into Army

TACOMA, Wash.—George Yamane, a war-stranded Nisei who recently returned to the United States from Japan, was inducted into the U. S. Army on Nov. 18 under the peacetime selective service law.

The other Tacoma Nisei among the first group of evacuees was Takashi Ikeda.

Higher Scales for Hawaiian Workers Predicted by Kawano

PORTLAND, Ore. — Jack Kawano, member of the executive board of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, CIO, predicted here last week that pineapple workers in Hawaii will receive a satisfactory increase out of the present reopening of wage discussions.

Kawano, president of longshore local 136 in Honolulu, attended the national convention of the CIO here.

A large percentage of the more than 20,000 pineapple workers in the CIO in Hawaii are of Japanese ancestry. Kawano declared that the recent Democratic election victory has enhanced the chance of quick congressional approval of Hawaiian statehood legislation.

"We feel we have a good chance of getting statehood now," he declared. "The Democratic platform called for immediate statehood and

Fred Waring Chooses Nisei as One of Drake Quax Beauties

June Kagawa Now President of Dormitory Group

DES MOINES, Iowa—June Kagawa, Drake university senior from Honolulu, Hawaii, was selected one of six Quax Beauties on Nov. 24 by Fred Waring, nationally known band leader and choral director.

The Quax is the university yearbook. The other Quax Beauties for 1949 are Barbara Collins, Virginia Lewis, Joy Mapes, Lois Polzin and Beverly Whalen. One of the six girls will be named Miss Drake. Her identity, however, will not be disclosed until spring.

Miss Kagawa was selected from a field of 80 beauty candidates. Preliminary judging, which reduced the field to 12 for Waring, was done by Mrs. Ellen Scoles, model supervisor at Younkers of Iowa department store; Dick Ramsell, Better Homes and Gardens magazine artist, and Walter Graham, production director for the Register and Tribune Syndicate.

Recently Miss Kagawa was named to National Collegiate Who's Who, which yearly honors outstanding students from colleges throughout the United States.



JUNE KAGAWA

This year she is president of North hall women's dormitory. In addition she is a member of Kappa Mu Epsilon, honorary mathematics fraternity; Delta Phi Alpha, honorary German language fraternity; the Chemistry club, women's inter-dormitory council and the women's intramural athletic board.

Intermountain JACL Approves \$8,000 Goal for Fund Campaign

POCATELLO, Idaho—A budget of \$8000 for the work of the National JACL was approved at the Intermountain JACL district convention on Nov. 26 and 27 in Pocatello.

The Intermountain chapters, including Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Snake River, Boise Valley, Yellowstone, Ogden, Salt Lake City and Mount Olympus, pledged to raise the amount by the end of January.

Following the reading of a message from Mike M. Masaoka, national legislative director of JACL ADC, the Intermountain chapters decided to contact the area's new congressional representatives on behalf of the proposed legislation which will remove race restrictions from the United States immigration and naturalization laws.

In his message Masaoka declared that the "great goal" of the JACL ADC's legislative effort was the equality in naturalization bill.

He declared that JACL ADC had played a major role in getting this measure before Congress.

"We JACLers today stand on the threshold of history-making legislation," he declared. "Working together, serving together, we can achieve that equality in and under the law which will give us first class citizenship and our parents the privilege of sharing this first class citizenship with us."

The Intermountain district council meeting was concluded on Nov. 28 with an evacuation claims clinic under the direction of Ken Uchida. The discussions were assisted by the interpretations provided by Attorney Buck Gallagher who was introduced by the Snake River chapter.

The national JACL convention

movies were shown to delegates and boosters.

Business sessions were held at the Whitman hotel. A dinner was held at the Last Frontier club by the JACL "1000" Club with Joe Saito of Ontario, Ore., as toastmaster.

A dance was held on Nov. 27 at the Third ward recreation hall of the LDS church.

The Ogden JACL will be the hosts at the 1949 Intermountain district council convention.

The district council decided to publish a directory of Japanese American families in the Intermountain area next year. It is believed that the directory will cover Utah, Idaho and eastern Oregon.

With Ken Uchida of Ogden continuing as chairman, his new cabinet will include: George Koyama, Boise Valley, first vice-pres.; George Fujii, Mount Olympus, second vice-pres.; Michi Iwata, Mount Olympus, sec.; and Yukio Inouye, Idaho Falls, treas.

The delegates heard a report from Masao W. Satow, national executive director of the JACL, on the status of the national organization and on the progress of the legislative program of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

It was decided that an IDC bowling tournament will be an annual feature of the district council convention.

In the bowling tournament at Steve's Courts the Idaho Falls JACL won the men's team event, while Pocatello won the women's team trophy.

Sacramento Group Plans Food Baskets For Aged Issei

SACRAMENTO — Baskets of food, including Japanese delicacies, will be prepared by members of the Puella Societa club of the YWCA and will be taken to Issei at the Sacramento home for the aged during the holiday season.

Jean Morita, Margaret Osuga, Chizu Ishida and Sue Nakahara of the Puella Societa will serve at the annual YWCA Christmas tea on Dec. 19.

The annual election meeting of the group will be held on Dec. 12 from 2 p.m. at the YWCA.

Members of the club are selling Christmas cards for the World Reconstruction Fund.

Reburial Rites

RICHMOND, Calif. — Reburial rites for Pvt. Utaka Koizumi were postponed until Dec. 15 at Golden Gate National cemetery in San Bruno to permit his mother, now in the east, to attend.

Cemetery officials previously had set Dec. 1 for the services.

Discrimination Affecting Nisei Group Noted by Masaoka in Report to Civic Unity Meet

SAN FRANCISCO—Although many discriminatory practices against Japanese Americans on the basis of race have been abolished since the war, many still exist which specifically involve the Nisei group, Joa Grant Masaoka, Pacific Coast JACL ADC director, will report to the California Federation for Civic Unity this weekend.

Masaoka has submitted a report which will be presented to the civic unity group's state convention in Santa Barbara on Dec. 4. In this report the JACL official reviews the problems faced by Japanese Americans in California.

His report specifically cites discriminatory practices in housing, the refusal of cemeteries to bury persons of Japanese ancestry because of "restrictive covenants," the California Alien Land law, the sports fishing license which discriminates against Issei and other aliens "ineligible to citizenship" and discriminatory practices by insurance companies and other private concerns.

The endorsement of the state civic unity group will be sought for legislation to eliminate restrictions from the naturalization law. The federation passed a similar resolution last year.

Two Stockton Nisei Don Army Khaki

STOCKTON, Calif.—Two Nisei were among the first four men to leave Stockton for military service on Nov. 22 under the new peacetime draft.

The Nisei draftees are Shigezu Matsuda, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matsuda, and John Tsuruta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Masato Tsuruta.

They will receive basic training at Fort Ord, Calif.

Mass Burial Rites Will Be Held for Four Nisei Soldiers

LOS ANGELES—Mass military burial rites for four Nisei soldiers who died in action with the 442nd Combat Team will be held on Dec. 4 at the Evergreen cemetery, the Nisei Veterans association announced this week.

The remains of Second Lieut. Kei Tanahashi, Pfc. Arthur Fukushima, Pvt. Stanley K. Hayami and Sgt. Paul T. Kimura were returned from U. S. military cemeteries in Europe this week.

Ellis Center Plans Holiday Program

CHICAGO—A full schedule of events has been announced for the holiday season by the Ellis community center, beginning Dec. 12 and ending with a New Year's eve party.

A Sunday evening program of music and literature, followed by refreshments and the trimming of Christmas trees will be held Dec. 12, beginning at 8 p.m.

A children's Christmas party will be held Dec. 18 at 2 p.m. A pageant for children will be held Dec. 19, starting at 9:45 a.m., with a Christmas service and pageant at 11.

On Christmas eve a family Christmas program will be presented at the St. James Methodist church auditorium, scheduled for 7 p.m. Christmas carolers will go out from 9:30 p.m.

The center will hold open house all afternoon and evening on Christmas day.

The center's Workcampers have scheduled a New Year's eve party at 9 p.m.

Honolulu Nisei Seeks 30,000 Christmas Trees for Hawaii

PORTLAND, Ore.—Yetsuo Higa, Honolulu trucking company executive, arrived here last week to buy 30,000 Christmas trees and citrus fruits and eggs for the holiday trade in Hawaii.

Higa represents a group of Honolulu firms which hope to get the Christmas trees and other scarce items despite the waterfront strike, according to the Oregon Journal.

Higa said that in a few days he expects to complete shipping arrangements. He already has shipped 3,500 Christmas trees from

Nisei Veteran Heads Legion Post in Ohio

COLUMBUS, O. — Byron S. Fujikawa, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, recently was named as commander of the Smith Barrett post of the American Legion in Columbus.

He is the first Nisei to head an American Legion post in Ohio.

The 27-year old veteran was stationed at Fort Hayes near Columbus at one time during the war and met an Ohio State university coed whom he later married.

He is now working at the International Derrick company in Columbus and hopes to save enough money to enter Ohio State University medical school.

Trailer Camp Families Find Housing Units

LOS ANGELES—Private housing has been arranged for five families who were forced to move out of the Harbor City trailer camp recently because of overcrowded conditions, according to Sam Ishikawa, Pacific Southwest regional director of JACL ADC.

The families had occupied ten trailers at the camp.

Los Angeles county authorities had declared that the trailer camp, which was occupied mainly by families of Japanese ancestry since their return from war relocation centers in 1946, was overcrowded and had initiated legal action.

Japanese War Bride Visits Husband's Relatives in Nevada

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.—Arriving from Tokyo by plane, a Japanese war bride of a Nisei army officer and her year old son, Cary, are now visiting with her husband's relatives in Winnemucca.

She is Mrs. Kimiko Kihara, wife of Captain Ted Kihara who is now believed to be en route by ship to join his wife in Nevada. The Kiharas were married in Tokyo two years ago when the Winnemucca serviceman was in Japan as a member of the military intelligence force of the U.S. army.

A member of the Nevada national guard, Capt. Kihara was first stationed at Burbank, Calif., after the outbreak of war but was later transferred to the military intelligence service school in Minnesota.

One of the first Nisei to serve in the South Pacific, he qualified for officer candidate training at Fort Benning, Ga., in 1943. He returned to active service as a second lieutenant and served in the Pacific until V-J day.

The Kihara brothers are the operators of the Nevada laundry in Winnemucca which continued under the management of Frank Kihara during the war.

British Columbia but declined to disclose his shipping plans.

He mentioned, however, that he was negotiating for the use of a refrigerated barge of 1,800-ton capacity for carrying meats and other foods from Seattle to the islands.

Higa said that the Hawaiian market needs 90,000 Christmas trees. He added that the egg supply is low and there are no citrus fruits available.

He hailed the recent opening of direct airline service between the Pacific Northwest and Hawaii.

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EDITORIALS:

Prejudice on the Campus

Social fraternities and sororities, as they exist today on most college campuses, are an anachronism in a progressing democratic society.

The issue of fraternities and democratic practices has been sharply defined in recent weeks through the action of the Amherst chapter of Phi Kappa Psi in pledging and initiating a Negro student and the consequent suspension of the Amherst group by its national officers.

The Amherst group is to be congratulated for its action in the pledging of a student on the basis of his individual characteristics, rather than on arbitrary grounds of race, color or religion. It should be noted that the Amherst chapter was able to pledge the Negro student in question because Phi Kappa Psi's national constitution does not contain a clause which restricts membership to Caucasians. Most social fraternities do have such restrictions on membership, thereby excluding not only Negroes but students of other non-Caucasian groups. Many fraternities also have restrictions which define that members shall be Christians, thus excluding Jews.

The result of these practices of segregation has been the organization of fraternities by students of the Jewish faith and of the Negro race. In several Pacific coast colleges before the war there were Nisei student clubs, fraternities and sororities. The Nisei, however, learned a lesson from wartime evacuation on exclusion and segregation because of race. A Nisei student club was reorganized recently on the University of California campus at Berkeley and it has specified that membership is not restricted to Japanese American students.

College social fraternities, by practice and inclination, have existed for those students who can afford to participate in their activities. This stratification of students on economic grounds has been further intensified by membership restrictions on the arbitrary grounds of race and religion.

Last week in New York city the National Interfraternity Conference considered the Amherst incident but took no action to remove arbitrary restrictions from fraternity membership. Thus most college fraternities will continue the anti-democratic practices which are exemplified in the world outside the campuses by restrictive housing covenants and by racial and religious restrictions which extend even to the grave.

Relief for the Japanese

Many Japanese Americans will be glad to learn that CARE, which recently instituted food parcels for Japan, is now prepared to deliver textile packages in that country.

Like the Oriental food package, items for which were selected with specific interest in the needs and food habits of the Japanese, the CARE textile parcels are packed with articles that are especially useful and necessary. Each package has been developed to be of maximum use in the war-devastated areas where goods scarcity and black market activities have taken these necessary materials out of reach of the people.

CARE food and textile packages have proven one of the most effective ways of individually aiding the rehabilitation of war populations and of instilling confidence and trust in the peoples of Europe and Asia. The special value in CARE parcels, aside from the utilitarian value of the items themselves, is that delivery is guaranteed. CARE packages are stored in the countries where delivery is to be made. Orders are filed from these storehouses so that delivery is also speedy. This quick service and guarantee of delivery overcome two of the difficulties that beset the average individual who wishes to send supplies to friends or relatives in Japan.

The three textile parcels now available (CARE reports that 15,000 packages are already in Japan, ready for delivery) are blanket, knitting wool and wool suiting packages. The blanket package contains two 100 percent blankets, soap, heels and soles for men's and women's shoes, nails for cobbling and a number of sewing notions. The other packages contain notions, as well as the knitting yarn and wool suiting. Like the food package, these textile parcels cost \$10, including cost of delivery.

We urge the sending of CARE packages which have, to date, proven the most efficient and effective method for giving individual aid to the peoples of Asia and Europe who have subsisted for so long on starvation rations, both in food and in physical necessities.

In its short lifetime CARE has become an institution. It represents to whole nations the interest of the American people in the welfare of humanity.

THE DAY OF BATTLE

A GI's Letter Recalls How It Was on That Day in Italy

(Author's note: Here is the way things were for a lot of Nisei and other GIs back in Italy in June, 1944. This is the kind of a letter you would have gotten from Italy but for the fact that the army censors were handy guys with the scissors. They could chop the meat out of a letter with finesse, finesse meaning leaving only "Dear So-and-So" and "Love, Sam.")

Near Suvereto, Italy
July 26, 1944.

Dear John:

Today was our first day in combat. In reality the night before and the day were merged into one hectic flow of the ludicrous, the unbelievable and the nauseous. Officially, the day must have begun when some jerk kicked mud into my slit-trench and said, "Get-up, we shove off at dawn for the front." It was still pitch black and everything was cold and wet from a late insistent drizzle. The clump of low trees and bushes where we bivouaced kept leaking water long after the rain was over. (I'll know better to stay out of the bushes the next time.) I pulled a soggy blanket over my head and lit a cigarette; my wristwatch said four a.m. After a couple of cupped and furtive drags in the open, I could hear the rest of the guys in the platoon rustling about. I groped in the dark for my mess-kit, K-rations, shovel, rifle and whatever else was handy. I finally got a sort of pack together; it was complete with miscellaneous leaves, twigs and mud. It must have weighed close to a ton and was moist to boot. I was thoroughly uncomfortable, disagreeable and bore malice to all. I cursed the war, the army, the first sergeant, and whoever in the hell had decided that we should also bivouac next to a battery of "long toms." These were the army's long-range artillery rifles. If the noise of their blowing off didn't keep you awake all night, the shaking ground and tumbling mud would. To add to it, it seemed that what with all the roar and flash and thunder, the whole German army, even if they were deaf, dumb and blind, knew where we were. Somehow, the enemy didn't shoot anything in our direction.

After an hour or so of stumbling in the dark (the army calls it marching), I began to thaw out. Obviously since it was getting light and we could see the road and where we were going, the army decided it was time for our daily hike through the woods. And so we lugged our leadened packs single file cross country. After going up and down or around and between a half a dozen hills, I decided our objective must have been to see how many hills we could cover in a day. We sweated our way through every one. The hills weren't high, not over a thousand feet, but there were so damn many of them. There were two obvious absences. The twittering of birds and the presence of civilians. Something imperative made life here not too safe, and those that could, cleared out. The whine of a distant shell or the rumble of artillery somewhere beyond the next hill or hills would snap me out of such leisurely conjectures. Or, a biting pack strap or itchy calf would call my attention back to the personal and immediate. The guys don't talk much now. There isn't much to say. Horseplay has been left two days behind.

About 3 a.m., and halfway up another hill, we ran into the outfit were to relieve. They were the 517th Parachute Infantry Regiment and were really dug into the rocky ground. These parachute guys started popping out like sleepy gophers when we moved in. It was the first time that I had actually seen a combat GI. He was filthy. He looked as though he hadn't had a bath in months and he hadn't. Your nose could tell you that. His hands were grimy, his face bearded and dirty, and his clothes a mud-smeared mess. When he turned around, his shirt back was white with caked perspiration salt. It never occurred to me that I would soon look as he did. The guy I was to relieve moved like a cross between a drunk and a robot. Right next to his slit-trench, face-down in the dirt and rocks was a dead enemy. "A good jerry," the GI told me,

"cause he's dead." I tried to look callous by casually nudging the body with the butt of my rifle. But a side glance at the pasty green-white face made me wish I hadn't. And the guy had slept next to this bloated dead jerry all night.

I asked this grimy GI about the enemy. He said they were tough and had lots of guns and ammunition. He showed me their hand grenades and explained that while they made a lot of noise, they weren't as good as our grenades. Ours were made of cast iron, pineapple-like, and blew up in good-size chunks. The enemy's were more like tin cans full of gunpowder stuck on the stub of a broomstick. When they went off, you got noise, pieces of tin can and toothpicks. He didn't even smile when he said that.

Then the GI took a look at my full field pack. He said tersely and with authority, even though he was a fellow private, "Get rid of all your extra gear. You don't need no blankets, messkit or extra clothes. Curl up in shelter-half (half of a pup tent) at night. Get it airtight and your breath will keep you warm. You can eat out of your helmet or shovel in a pinch if you get time. The less weight you have to carry around, the faster you can move when it gets hot." I could tell he was talking straight and began wriggling out of my pack to unload it. The guy continued to talk, mechanically but willingly. "You can tell a jerry by the sound of their rifle or burp gun. Don't use any of their guns or one of your own men will shoot you up in the bushes or at night if they hear a jerry gun shooting." By this time a couple of the other guys from my platoon had gathered around. The grimy GI kept pumping out the battle dope. He was a regular gold mine we later found out. "Grab an extra canteen when you can. Water is hard to come by in places. Stay off the hilltops or skylines. Nothin' may happen right off, but if jerry spots you, he'll dump in mortars." The grimy GI was really batting the breeze, "Look out for the 88's. It shoots a 3-inch like an M1 and is self-propelled. Really gets around. You don't have time to hit the ground when them shells come in. And their burp guns. They're real pieces. They shoot twice as fast as our Tommy guns and weigh half as much." By this time, our platoon sergeant, Ted, yelled, "You guys, break it up. You know better'n to bunch up." The men moved back to their respective holes. The guy I was replacing finished packing his gear. Just as he was leaving he said, "I left an extra bandolier (rifle cartridge clips) for you and a couple of grenades." I suddenly understood what was odd about his talking. He would look straight at me when he spoke but his eyes seemed to be focused on a point beyond me. It was like having a stranger giving you helpful advice over a telephone. You couldn't get near him. It wasn't that he wasn't friendly. He just seemed to be making acquaintances with friendly nonentities. I later found out that you get that way after losing your close buddies. The grimy GI went down the trail.

About a half an hour later, around nine o'clock, our squad was to move over the hill and take a small farmhouse perched on the hill beyond. An olive grove surrounded three sides of the farmhouse and sprawled down into the valley. In front of the house was an open field. While three other squads circled the flanks and rear, our squad advanced frontally along the edge of the field and olive trees. It wasn't so bad going down the hill we were on, but climbing up to the farmhouse was a job. A hill seems higher than it is, especially when you are in a hurry, loaded down with gear, rifle, and extra ammo, plus having the hot Italian sun on your back. Worry or fear was still secondary. We had yet to be fired upon. As first scout in this initial action, I tried to stay in front of the squad and act like a first scout should, but the men hugged my heels so close that we all arrived at the farmhouse exhausted. I don't know about the others, but I was completely fagged out on reaching our objective. My arms so weak that

To the Editor: LETTER-BOX

Editor, Pacific Citizen:

I am a former resident of Seattle, Washington working with the Shiga military government team as the civil education officer, with supervisory responsibilities over educational institutions of this prefecture. I am writing this letter in the hope that you or your readers may assist me in a problem.

Military government's functions, as you know, is to guide the Japanese people in the reformation of their country in consonance with the Potsdam declaration towards a new philosophy of living. You will agree that teaching democracy through word and mouth can never fully picture the perspective of the American concept of the pursuit of living.

In view of this fact, SCAP has granted permission for Japanese college scholarship winners to obtain education in the United States, providing such students bear their traveling expenses.

We have two such scholarship winners in this prefecture who have won scholarships to Marion college in Indiana. The students have been promised board and tuition by the school but have not been able to get financial assistance for transportation costs to the United States.

This is a personal letter requesting financial assistance for these scholarship winners. The cost of financing one girl is one thousand dollars. It is my opinion that Japanese American citizens can play a part in the construction of Japan by contributing material and moral support at this time when such support means so much to a nation.

George Kawaguchi
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Calif.

I could hardly hold on to my rifle. My uniform was soaking wet and it was hot as hell. Luckily, the enemy had abandoned the farmhouse. Not a soul was around except a few madly clucking chickens. The first domestic life I saw all day. Hah! And so, we weren't shot to pieces on our first assignment.

The lieutenant arrived and yelled at the men to dig in and set up the machine guns in event the jerries should return. As the men dispersed from the farmhouse, so did the chickens. They later turned up in chicken kekka, a Hawaiian dish of chicken and rice. Also, about this time, who should be running up but the owner of the farmhouse. He was almost shot by some trigger itchy GIs but managed to keep his dirty white bandanna waving until he came up to where the lieutenant and I were standing. One whiff of his garlic breath and I could recognize him any where, any time. Before we could question him about the "Tedeschi" who "tuto portate via," he dashed into his house. In a minute he was out again. Clutching a bottle of vino in each hand, with a glass bobbing up and down in his shirt front, he returned to spray us with another fluent breathful of incoherent Italian. The lieutenant grabbed the vino. I got the dirty glass. After making the farmer drink the first glass, we each drank two glasses. The lieutenant gave me one bottle which I passed around to the other guys in our squad. The lieutenant held on to the other bottle. It was also explained to the farmer that we weren't going to shoot him and second, that NO we were not going to pay him for the chickens that had disappeared. The remainder of the morning was more or less a blur. The wine wasn't poisoned, I just couldn't take it. Shortly thereafter we must have moved down the grove side of the hill for I recall going across a wobbly field. Around noon, I came to with a bang. It was a tank destroyer at some activity on a distant hill. I was standing right next to it. How I got there I'll never know. In fact, I had never seen a tank-destroyer at close range before. I sobered up in a hurry.

I have to douse this light now. It's rough writing in this wet slit-trench and I have to go on guard duty now. Will write again.

Sincerely,
Sam

Race Prejudice in Vancouver: Young Akihide Otsuji Serves Time Because of His Ancestry

By JACK SCOTT
(From the Vancouver, B.C. Sun)

A stranger to these parts, sitting yesterday morning in the murky Police Court of our fair city, might have wondered if Justice were blindly weighing her scales against a young man for the crime of being born.

It would seem to this stranger that the parents of the young man were found guilty of bringing a son into the world whose name was not Flanagan or McSpaden or Green or Scott, whose skin was not the hallowed color of white, whose eyes were not just as round as the law would like them.

Nobody mentioned the name of the young man's parents, but it was they who were guilty. For this young man had nothing to do with the name he was given or the color of his skin or the slant of his eyes or the accident of birth that makes him a special person in the eyes of so-called justice.

He was a Japanese. And because he was a Japanese—and for no other reason—he left that dismal court room to serve a year's prison sentence with hard labor.

There was no great outcry of protest when this boy left the court room. The magistrate gave no indication that this was a case with deep roots of intolerance and bigotry. Indeed, there had been no counsel for the boy. He had conducted his own case in a pathetic and ludicrous manner. It was all over in five minutes. An open and shut case. Clearly defined by the law.

Yet in this orderly and routine judgment it was impossible not to feel that other and deeper laws were being raped—the justice of equality and human decency and brotherhood. For if the young man had been white and with oval eyes and a familiar name he would never have been in that court or in a prison today.

Akihide Otsuji isn't much of a specimen, and, in fact, he's a disgrace to all those decent Canadians of Japanese ancestry. He had his brushes with the police before. He's served time. The "charge" he faced yesterday had sent him to jail before.

But the issue before the police magistrate was not now in any criminal category. It was simply this Akihide Otsuji had entered the British Columbia coastal area, banned to Japanese-Canadians, without securing a permit from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The evidence against him was simply that he was "a person of the Japanese race." Answering that question in the affirmative sent Akihide to jail. Nothing else.

We here, knowing the background of his indecent denial of rights to our citizens, this cruel compromise of freedom in a "free" country, could accept this verdict with a shrug and sigh. It is an old story now.

And yet I think that if any of us had read a news report of, say, a Negro being sent to jail for crossing the border from South Carolina to North Carolina we would be decently outraged.

Certainly the order-in-council which still keeps legal citizens from moving at will in the land of their birth is every bit as much rank discrimination and hate-breeding as any of those unwritten laws of America's deep south.

We here talk glibly of "iron curtains" as a phrase suggesting a breach of democracy, yet we have hung our own north and south across Canada for a helpless minority.

In the course of his trial Akihide Otsuji, asked for an explanation of his breach of these regulations, made a mumbling reply. "This is my home town," he said. "After all, the war's been over for a long time. I wanted to get a job."

It was a foolish remark. The law is the law, and Akihide had good reason to know this particular law. He was no courageous representative of a racial group making a test case. He simply went recklessly against the regulations. The police had no choice but to pick him up. The magistrate had no choice but to sentence him.

And yet when I left the court-

room I found myself remembering the boy's words. He had a right to feel that way, as you or I or any native son would have the right. And these regulations, born of wartime, have not been continued because of anything to do with war. They have been continued as political cowardice and convenience.

Other Japanese, herded away from their homes as a temporary measure, are still sealed off from the so-called "coast" area. Very few of them will return if and when our legislators regain their sense of decency. Until then they are confronting exactly the same kind of Nazism that the Jews in Germany experienced.

Akihide Otsuji proved nothing. If anything, he made it even tougher for others of his race. But the onus is not on Akihide or on any other Japanese. It is on us.

MINORITY WEEK

Room for Recreation

Organized action by Chinese Americans in San Francisco has resulted in action by the board of supervisors to make a second recreation center available for the needs of Chinatown's increased population. Organized property owners of the Nob Hill Improvement association opposed the move, claiming there were not enough Chinese American children in the vicinity to warrant a second playground. The supervisors were shown facts, however, which proved the need for the recreation center.

Cal Students

There are 700 Chinese American students at the University of California in Berkeley. Cal also has some 500 Nisei.

Detention Center

Despite talk about a new detention center for the Immigration and Naturalization Service in San Francisco, there's little hope for the realization of such a project in the immediate future. Overcrowding at the present quarters has constituted a serious problem.

Football

American college football has recorded several clean-cut victories over patterns of race segregation in recent weeks. One of the provisions of Oregon's acceptance of the Cotton bowl bid was that their two Negro stars would be able to play. The precedent was set last New Year's day when Penn State's Negro gridder played against Southern Methodist. Jim Crow is still victorious however, in the Sun bowl at El Paso, Tex. Lafayette college of Easton, Pa., refused a Sun bowl bid when they were informed that its Negro halfback would not be able to play. On the other hand the Shrine East vs. West game at San Francisco on New Year's day will see a Negro player for the first time in its long history. He is Gene Derriotte, the fine Michigan back.

Yale's selection of its Negro star, Levi Jackson, to captain the Eli 1949 team has won editorial accolades all over the nation.

Suspension

Meanwhile, an Amherst fraternity went ahead and initiated a Negro student, 19-year old Thomas W. Gibbs of Evanston, Ill., despite the threat that it would be suspended by the national organization. Last week the ruling body of Phi Kappa Psi, meeting in New York City, upheld the suspension of the Amherst chapter.

On a larger scale, representatives from 25 colleges at the National Interfraternity conference in New York City last week voted to keep the clause barring Negroes from membership. (Most fraternities bar not only Negroes but all non-Caucasians.)

Incidentally, not all of Phi Kappa Psi's brothers approved the suspension of the Amherst chapter. A pension of the Amherst chapter. A protest came from Ernest K. Lindley, noted Washington jour-

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Nisei Lack Height for Basketball

Denver, Colo.

Whoever first remarked that an expert is one who can make a hard job look easy must have been looking at a basketball game when he said it. We watched a couple of professional quintets play each other recently, and what a bunch of experts they were.

Although the pros don't have the desperate do-or-die of the collegians, they display greater finesse, make fewer mistakes. Some of the greatest names in recent college basketball history are in the play for pay game, and when you get several of them together on one floor you're in for an entertaining evening.

In pro circles anyone less than six feet tall is practically a midget. The long ones are some of the best-coordinated big men we've seen; the short ones make up for lack of height with cat-like speed. But it's still a game in which a good big man is better than a good little man.

Any resemblance between the way Nisei teams play basketball and the professional brand is purely coincidental. Witness, for example, the royal shel-lacking a powerful Hawaii Nisei team took recently at the hands of the Oakland Bittners, a topnotch AAU outfit. That disparity is likely to remain until the Nisei can field squads in which the majority of members are as big, agile and clever as Ted Ohashi was in his prime, when he played with the Pacific coast champion University of California Bears. Unfortunately, his like continues to be an exception.

A Good Reason to Prevent War

And among your champions, don't forget the army's new B-36 bomber which we were fortunate enough to see at close range recently. It seems to be Exhibit A for the contention that anything, no matter how big, can be made to fly, provided you get enough horsepower under it. The B-36, a six-motored pusher job, is a monster that dwarfs the biggest commercial liners in service today. According to a recent announcement 36 of them are supposed to be in service within a short time. What a killer-diller the next war is going to be!

The development of airplanes is so recent that

the introduction of the first Flying Fortress is familiar to most of us. It was unveiled a bit more than a decade ago as the most formidable thing on wings, but according to present standards it's hardly better than a flying gun platform.

Before they made that fatal error of getting Uncle Sam riled the Japanese sword rattlers used to try to impress the Chinese and everybody else by sending 50 or 60 two-engined Mitsubishi bombers over Shanghai. They'd drone far overhead, silvery and frighteningly beautiful, just scaring the dickens out of people who kept wondering if they were loaded. And if so, would some super-patriotic pilot get careless with his bomb-bay trigger? As we said before, the next war—if it comes—is going to be a killer. All the more reason for bending every effort to avert it.

A Note on Toge Fujihira

Toge Fujihira, the ace Nisei cameraman who was signed recently to produce a documentary film on the Seminole Indians, is a frustrated physician. He completed a pre-medics course—dissection of cadavers and all—before he abandoned plans for a medical career and decided to make a profession of a hobby.

Like so many other photographers, Fujihira got into the game by way of a darkroom in the family bathroom, laboriously developing and printing pictures snapped through window-glass lens of an inexpensive camera. From still photography it was only one more step into motion pictures, a field which relatively few Nisei have explored.

Seattle Nisei remember Fujihira as a fellow who played football, basketball and baseball for keeps—with a great deal of vigor and determination if not skill. But his most memorable escapade was the time he raised a full, flowing black beard before he was out of his 'teens, and wore it all summer.

Once he was standing in a department store when an elderly janitor came along lackadaisically pushing a broom.

"How'do," said the janitor when he saw Toge.

"Hi," said Toge from behind the beard.

The janitor stopped in his tracks and looked searchingly into Fujihira's face. Then he said:

"Oh, 'scuse me. I thought you was an ole man."

The Donation Solicitors:

Hard Work in Precincts Makes ADC's Program Possible

By TOGO W. TANAKA

CHICAGO—Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a baseball umpire in the summer and a bill collector in the winter? It takes a hardy soul to run that gamut.

But you get a faint notion about its hazards when they rope you in as an ADC "canvasser."

The Anti-Discrimination Committee in Chicago is winding up its second annual fund-raising drive. It's work like this in the precincts that keeps the Nisei-Issei legislative machinery running in Washington. We offer this piece as an orchid to the unsung hero and heroine of the Anti-Discrimination Committee—the donation solicitor, who's at work wherever there are Issei, Nisei, Kibei.

In Chicago they've coined a euphemism to describe this hapless character. When you solicit donations for the ADC, you are a member of the "Board of Directors."

The Chicago ADC probably has the biggest Board of Directors on this side of the Mississippi. But after all's said and done, the drive will be happy to net \$12,000. (Last year it was \$9,000.)

We have no idea what the outlook is at the moment from the bird's-eye view. This is a report strictly from the worm's-eye view.

If you live in Chicago in the Hyde Park neighborhood where they've exiled us, please be kind when we come around with that tambourine.

Ask any of the "Board of Directors," and we're sure they'll tell you exactly what we're saying. We didn't ask to do this chore.

As a matter of fact, we ran real fast for cover when we saw it coming again. Last year we walked a southside neighborhood with two of the most conscientious and diligent Issei agents we've ever met.

They kept us on the run, and we enjoyed dunning the folks for all they'd give to a worthy cause in their own self-interest.

Nobody threw us out, and most of the Issei filled us to the brim with liquid refreshments. We collided gently with only one yah-yah boy, a dissident and ulcerous Nisei from California. But he

nalist, who belonged to the fraternity back in 1917.

"The suspension of the Amherst chapter pollutes Phi Kappa Psi and every one of its members with the loathsome taint of Ku-Klux-Klanism," Mr. Lindley declared.

didn't leave much of a bad taste. It was good clean fun, and people responded with a bang.

We all know what happened to the dollars that went into the ADC pot. History-making progress was achieved by the Anti-Discrimination Committee in Washington during the last session of Congress.

The Issei-Kibei-Nisei got their evacuation claims bill enacted into law. The groundwork was set for the most heartening remedial legislation ever proposed for people of Japanese descent in this country.

Everybody who has been following the work of the ADC knows that the Issei-Nisei-Kibei of the United States are on the brink of real legislative victory. It was good to learn in 1948 that at last the tide had turned.

But this very feeling of success has worked insidiously to throw us into a lethargy. The incentive to get out and to work and to give is no longer as compelling as it was when the going was the hardest.

At least we think this is so. When the drive was announced, we ducked. It's getting cold out this way, and we've been domesticated enough to prefer barn dancing with the kiddies in the kitchen to braving the chill outside and the task of passing the hat under the noses of strangers, just before Christmas.

But a persistent Issei canvasser who is chairman in our district has kept ringing our doorbell and telephone so long, we finally got smoked out of the inner recesses of our hideout. So here we are again, hat in left hand and a receipt book in our right. It's blow-blowing Arctic cold outside, and we've got kids at home too. Toss a big bill in the hat and send us on our way; we'd be glad to let anyone have this job. Wouldn't you?

From the Colorado Times.

Vagaries

Editor . . .

Katie Kawamura, who used to edit the Denver JACL bulletin, now runs the weekly newspaper, the Paonian, at Paonia, Colo. The western slope community, 55 miles southeast of Grand Junction, has a population of about 1,500. . . Although both principals were Caucasians, a thoroughly Oriental atmosphere was in evidence when Sheila Bromley, Broadway and Hollywood actress, was married to James S. Hammes at the New York Buddhist church recently with the Rev. Seiki officiating.

Turkeys . . .

The family of Hito Okada, national president of the JACL, had plenty of turkey during Thanksgiving week. First the JACL prexy made sure that his family would have turkey by ordering a gobble three weeks in advance. Then he won a turkey in the raffle sponsored by the Salt Lake Young Buddhists group. Then Hito Okada led all of the bowlers in the Salt Lake JACL league at the Temple alleys with a 568 in a special turkey roll and took home another bird.

Whodunit . . .

Milton K. Ozaki, the Chicago writer who once ran a chain of beauty shops, is finishing another mystery novel. Two, "The Cuckoo Clock" and "Fiend in Need," already have been published by Ziff, Davis. Another Ozaki novelette is being syndicated in newspapers.

The Chinese language school case, which also affects the future of the teaching of the Japanese language in private schools in Hawaii, will be heard by the Supreme Court on Jan. 12. The high tribunal will hear an appeal by the Territory of Hawaii to a lower court decision which upset the wartime statute banning the language schools. . . Fumi Kawabata, the Los Angeles girl who went to Japan in the 1930s and became one of the top singing and dancing stars in the Far East, has instituted an informal campaign in Los Angeles to collect food and baby clothing for the Elizabeth Sanders orphanage in Japan.

San Jose Dance

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The United Citizens League of Santa Clara County will sponsor a New Year's eve dance and Tony Rizzo and his orchestra have been secured for the evening.

DR. KURUMADA ROLLS 277 GAME IN SALT LAKE

Dr. Jun Kurumada rolled the highest game and highest series of the Salt Lake JACL men's bowling league season on Nov. 29 at Temple alleys with a 277 and a 662 series.

Dr. Kurumada, who leads the league with a 186 average, tried out a new ball last Monday. He came up with a first game of 239 and followed this with the 277. He came up with a mess of splits in his third game and finished with a 146. The 277 game consisted of one spare and eleven strikes.

The Okadas rolled a scratch 2857 series behind Dr. Kurumada's hot bowling and defeated City Cafe, 3 to 1.

The upset of the evening was registered by Terashima Studio, blanking Modern Garage, 4 to 0, with their anchor man, Tom Matsumori, posting a 567.

John Aoki led Hibbard Drug to a 3 to 1 victory over the Pacific Citizen in a close match. Mas Horiuchi rolled a 553 for the PC five.

The third-place Aloha Fountain squad lost three points to Tuxedo Cafe. Charles Sonoda of Aloha was high with 546 while Min Iwasaki led the winners with 529.

Another upset was scored by OK Cafe when they took three from Seagull Cleaners, while Dawn Noodle with Bob Sato hitting 545 defeated Metro Motors, 3 to 1.

The Okadas with 38 wins and eight losses are making a run-away of the race. The team, champions of the 1948 National JACL tournament, has an average of 900. Behind the Okadas the standings are as follows: Modern Garage, New Sunrise, Aloha Fountain, Pacific Citizen, Tuxedo Cafe, Hibbard Drug, Seagull Cleaners, Terashima Studio, Dawn Noodle, OK Cafe, Metro Motors of Murray, City Cafe and Star Noodle of Ogden.

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Claims Should Be Filed Directly With Justice Department

This is another in a series of questions and answers on the evacuation claims law prepared by Edward J. Ennis, JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee special counsel, and released by the Washington Office of the JACL ADC as a public service. This series is based on actual questions asked of this office.

Any reader who has general questions relating to the law itself or to procedural matters is invited to address a letter with a stamped, self-addressed return envelope to the Washington Office, JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, Evacuation Claims Section, 300 Fifth Street Northeast, Washington 2, D.C. Questions of general interest may be reproduced in this series without personal identification.

No questions involving the legality or value of specific claims can be answered.

1. Q. Where should completed claim forms be sent?

A. Claims must be filed directly with the United States Department of Justice. Neither the Washington, Regional or Chapter JACL ADC offices are in a position to file claims. The Department of Justice expects claims to be filed directly, either by the claimant or his representative. To do otherwise would not only delay filing, but would not be helpful to the claimant. Send your claims to: Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, Washington 25, D.C.

2. Q. I have a large family and before evacuation each of my three boys, after finishing college, worked for five or six years at a salary of fifty dollars a week. If there had been no evacuation order, each of my boys would have been able to save \$3,600 for the three years during confinement in camp. Can they claim for this loss of savings?

A. The law prohibits the allowance of any claims for anticipated profits or earnings on the theory that such losses are too speculative. You state that each of your boys would have been able to save \$3,600 in the course of three years. But even if there had not been an evacuation many things might have occurred which might have prevented them from saving this amount or which would have induced them to spend their earnings instead of saving them. For these reasons Congress decided not to allow claims for anticipated earnings. In a special case, of course, such as a person employed under a contract given him at a fixed wage or having Civil Service status or a seniority position on his job, it might be claimed that the earnings were fixed and not anticipated in the sense of being speculative. Even in such a case, however, it would be difficult to determine what part of the earnings might have been saved and therefore constitute a loss of property due to the evacuation. Of course, as in all cases, a definite decision can be obtained only by having an actual claim ruled on by the Department of Justice.

3. Q. In 1943 I made a settlement of \$100 for \$1,000 worth of furniture which had been destroyed. I signed the waiver of further claims against my tenant because I felt it would be impossible to return to the west coast for a long period and there was no possibility of pressing for more. Can I recover the balance under the evacuation claims law?

A. If your family leased your furniture at the time of evacuation and made the settlement in 1943 because you thought that was the best settlement that you could make while you were an evacuee it appears that you have a claim for the difference between the amount you received and the value of the furniture.

4. Q. When claiming for a household article, do you go by the present price or the price at the time we bought it?

A. You do not state the nature of the household article involved or whether you have actually replaced it at its present price. The general answer may be made, however, that the Act provides for loss of property due to the evacuation. At least in the case of articles not replaced it would seem that the loss was limited to the value of the article at the time of evacuation and that the present increased value could not be claimed. In cases where a particular article has been replaced at a higher cost it could be claimed and argued that the replacement cost should be considered in determining the amount of the loss.

5. Q. What may be made for the value of leases lost? My hotel lease ran to 1944, but at the time of evacuation I had no time to plan or bargain and I sold it at an actual loss. Ordinarily these leases might easily have been renewed. The present value of such holdings would be almost double the market value of the hotels. In filing, should I claim the full value of what the lease was worth at time of evacuation, or what it would cost me to buy up a lease now?

A. It appears that the loss you actually suffered upon the forced sale of your hotel lease was the difference between the value of the lease at the time of the sale and what you received for it. In determining the value of the lease at the time of sale you can take into account the time it had to run and the value of the renewal clause if the lease contained one. The profit you were making on the lease at the time of the forced sale is, of course, a major factor in determining the value of the lease. It is more difficult to claim the present increased value of the lease as your loss particularly if you have not actually expended the increased price to buy back the lease or to buy a similar lease. If you have not gone back into this hotel business it is difficult to say that you have actually lost more than the value of the lease at the time of the forced sale.

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Yonamine Stars As Hawaiians Beat Clippers

HONOLULU, T. H.—Wally Yonamine was a one-man show as the Hawaiian Warriors defeated the San Francisco Clippers 19 to 6, to take the lead in the Pacific Coast Professional Football league.

Ten thousand rain-drenched fans watched Yonamine, who played last year for the San Francisco 49ers, take personal charge of the game as he took part in all three Hawaiian touchdowns.

Soon after the Clippers had opened the scoring with a touchdown, Yonamine flipped a 24-yard pass to Owen Talmadge in the end zone.

In the second quarter Yonamine intercepted one of Swanson's passes and romped 64 yards to a touchdown.

With two minutes to go in the game, Yonamine slashed off tackle and raced 34 yards for the final score.

Salt Lake Bridge Club Plans Dinner

The Salt Lake Nisei Bridge club will hold a dinner and a bridge tournament on Jan. 4, 1949 in the Discovery room at Covey's restaurant.

Reservations are being taken by Mary Yagi, secretary-treasurer.

SAN FRANCISCO—Lieut. Hito-shi (Moe) Yonemura, who died in action on April 21, 1945, in Italy while serving with the 442nd Central Postal Directory, was buried at Golden Gate National cemetery in San Bruno on Dec. 1.

The rites were attended by his mother, Mrs. Kyoko Yonemura, two sisters, Nancy and Joan, all of Chicago, and his brother, Mas Yonemura, Berkeley attorney.

A graduate of the 1942 class at UCLA, Moe Yonemura was head yell leader and was active in other campus groups.

He was evacuated to the Pomona assembly center and later to Heart Mountain.

Another brother, Minoru, is now with the U.S. Army counter-intelligence forces in Japan.

Mari Tobari Hits 246 Game in Nisei Women's League

Mari Tobari scored a sensational 246 game in the Nisei women's bowling league in Salt Lake City Sunday, Nov. 28, at the Temple alleys.

Highest game of the season in regular play in the league, the game is also believed to be one of the highest hit by a Nisei girl. Miss Tobari also broke previous high series records with a 544.

Previous high game was a 526 by Hannah Kaizumi, Okada Insurance bowler.

Miss Tobari's high game and series helped Pagoda, her team, in a 4-0 victory over Dawn Noodle.

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Reno Welter

One of the latest Nisei fistic prospects is Reno's Buster Chikami, a hard-hitting welterweight. Chikami, who is being handled by Joe Oliver, shellacked Silent Ram-bodi in a preliminary bout at Oakland two weeks ago and has been promised semi-windup fights if he continues his present pace.

The Toe

A lot of colleges, Stanford for example, probably will be interested in Everett Fujihara, star of Anal high at Sebastopol, Calif., who has been named to a first-string guard post on the Northern California high school all-star team for the second straight year.

Fujihara is a top guard but it is another distinction which has won the interest of college scouts. He has an educated toe. As Anal's place-kicker he made eight conversions out of nine attempts this year. Most of his kicks came when the pressure was on. Twice his kicks won the game for Anal, while twice he placekicked Anal to tie games.

Last week Fujihara was picked on the Northern California All-Star team which will fly to Honolulu on Dec. 13 at the invitation of St. Louis college to play three games in Hawaii.

The Moose

Hisao (Moose) Tanaka, who established himself as a top-flight attraction during his recent campaign in Hawaii where he won the heavy-weight wrestling championship, is back on the mainland. Tanaka brought back Charles Shiranuhi, the 220-pound sumo champion of Hawaii, who made his mainland debut last week at Olympic auditorium in Los Angeles.

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To Mr. and Mrs. George Masaji Imamura a boy, Gary Alan, on Nov. 12 in San Jose, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tomezo Kawamoto a boy, Louis Eizi, on Nov. 16 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoto Hamasaki a girl on Nov. 16 in Auburn, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. William K. Fujiya a girl, Lois, on Nov. 19 in Berkeley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Y. Inuzuka a girl on Nov. 16 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Koichi Kasai a girl on Nov. 28 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kay Harada, Murray, Utah, a boy on Nov. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Masao Moriguchi, Venice, Calif., a girl, Gladys Hiroko, on Nov. 6.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Murata, El Monte, Calif., a boy, Yoshi James, on Nov. 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masato Nakano, San Fernando, Calif., a boy, Harry Hisanobu, on Nov. 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Higaki a girl on Nov. 21 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Umio Nomura, Isleton, Calif., a girl on Nov. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kamachi a boy, Lloyd Kiyoshi, on Nov. 14 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Ishida a girl, Misao Diane, on Nov. 15 in Los Angeles.

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To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Masumi Nakano a boy, Gerald Steven, on Nov. 10 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masato Uyeno a girl, Karen Takeko, on Nov. 7 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshisuke Ichihashi a girl, Yuriko Susan, on Nov. 14 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masayuki Sato a girl, Arleen Keiko, on Nov. 11 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Masaru Wada, Hawthorne, a girl, Elaine Hatsumi, on Nov. 15.

To Mr. and Mrs. S. Robert Hamamoto, Pacoima, Calif., a boy on Nov. 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hiroshi Okamoto a boy, Gerald, on Nov. 6 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Masami Kuramoto, Pasadena, Calif., a boy, Michael, on Nov. 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Iwata a boy on Nov. 17 in Portland, Ore.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Uno a boy on Nov. 28 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kadoshima a boy on Nov. 28 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Duke Ikeda a boy on Dec. 1 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Kataoka, Kingsburg, Calif., a girl on Oct. 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fujimoto, Sunol, Calif., a boy, William Yoshio, on Nov. 19.

DEATHS

Craig Itow, 5, on Nov. 24 in West Los Angeles.

Hideyoshi Koyama, 55, on Nov. 26 in Sacramento.

Kameyemon Sakata on Nov. 27 in Oxnard, Calif.

Mrs. Kinuko Takahashi on Nov. 20 in West Los Angeles.

Jack Fuji, 33, on Nov. 27 in Denver, Colo.

Kizo Yokota on Nov. 26 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGES

Grace Okamoto to Robert Hayashi in Chicago.

Ayako Iyama to Robert Kobayashi on Nov. 27 in Watsonville, Calif.

Helen Kishimura to Shoichi Kobura on Nov. 28 in Watsonville.

Chickie Aono to Shiro Imai on Nov. 21 in Hood River, Ore.

Miyeko Nagawasawa to Masami Kawaguchi on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles.

Ann Sadako Koyama to Don Frank Kajiwarra of Portland, Ore. on Nov. 28 in Los Angeles.

Mary Mitsuye Doi to Takeo Tadehara on Nov. 26 in Salt Lake City.

Yoshiko Shiroishi of Chicago to Buck Oda of Grand Junction on Nov. 24 in Grand Junction, Colo.

Shizue Sue Adachi to Sam Matsushita on Nov. 27 in Los Angeles.

Namiye Nishiocka of Santa Ana to Tadashi Otani on Nov. 28 in Los Angeles.

Haru Ishimine to Mako Ishibashi on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles.

Chizuko Okuno to Richard Daisuke Momii on Nov. 25 in Denver.

Salt Lake JACL

Basketball League

Will Open Season

The Salt Lake JACL basketball league will open its season on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Jordan senior high school gym.

Eleven teams, including the defending champions, the Harlem Seagulls, are entered in the league. The Temple Noodle Zephyrs and the Aoki Brothers entry are expected to give the titlists the closest fight for championship honors.

The two "dark horse" entries are the Murray Taiyos and the untested Salt Lake City Centaurs whose lineup is composed entirely of high school age players. The University Nisei, Utah Auto Club, Salt Lake Bussei, Orem Packers, Star Coffee Aztecs and the Salt Lake Independents round out the league.

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CHICAGO — The choir of the First Baptist Church of Chicago, of which the Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa is pastor, will present its fourth annual Christmas concert on Friday evening, Dec. 10, at the church auditorium, 935 East 50th street.

The general public is being invited to attend the program which will include the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah, carols and motets. A free-will offering will be received for the benefit of the organ rebuilding fund.

The Rev. Morikawa is the first minister of Japanese descent ever to serve a predominantly Caucasian congregation.

Both Nisei and Caucasians form the personnel of the choir of the First Baptist church, the oldest church of the denomination in Chicago.

The choir is under the direction of Jacques Homier who is also director of the Mendelssohn Club male chorus and the International Harvester mixed chorus. Cornelius Vleugel, the organist, is also the organist for the Sunday Evening Club.

Placer Forward

AUBURN, Calif.—George Hayashida, a transfer from Ohio Wesleyan, is starting forward on the Placer College Spartans basketball team this season.

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Japanese Americans Teach Democracy to New Immigrants

SAN FRANCISCO — Japanese Americans taught newly arrived European immigrants the ways of democracy at a meeting which was sponsored last week by the International Institute of San Francisco.

Most of the immigrants were Central Europeans who had come here from Shanghai on corporate or individual affidavits. They had fled Europe in the 1930s and stayed in the Chinese city until they were able to come to the United States.

The meeting was one of a series planned by the Institute. The purpose is to offer a helping hand to new arrivals and to show them the democratic nature of our way of life.

The latter objective was emphasized by Fred Hoshiyama, executive secretary of the Buchanan Street YMCA, who made a brief speech.

He gave an impersonal outline of the postwar recovery of Japanese Americans in this city and stressed the help of Caucasians in overcoming the initial difficulties encountered by the racial group after they returned from wartime evacuation centers.

Hoshiyama illustrated the progress of the Japanese American group in the following ways:

1. Americans of Japanese ancestry comprise .001 per cent of the country's population, but have been largely responsible for several recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions broadening the rights of minority groups.

2. Japanese Americans in San Francisco today live in neighborhoods from which they were barred before the war and are employed by firms which snubbed them previously.

3. Japanese Americans have the lowest crime and unemployment rates of any racial group in the city.

The program was arranged by Miss Ann'e Clo Watson, executive secretary of the International Institute.

Salt Lake Group Will Hold Dance

A dinner dance will be held on Sunday evening, Dec. 26, at the Ritz club, 3737 South State street, under the sponsorship of the Harlem Seagulls club and the Salt Lake basketball league.

One of the features of the evening will be a drawing for a television set.

Lyle Kurisaki Jr. will be the chairman for the evening's festivities.

Snake River JACL Plans Meeting on Evacuation Claims

ONTARIO, Ore. — The Snake River JACL will hold an evacuation claims clinic Dec. 12 from 1:30 p. m. at the Ontario Japanese community hall.

All persons interested in claims are urged to attend.

Masao Satow, executive director of the JACL, and Kay Terashima, interpreter, are tentatively scheduled to attend.

An important general meeting of the chapter will be held Dec. 14 at the Women's club in Ontario.

Pot-Luck Supper

ONTARIO, Ore. — A pot-luck supper, sponsored by the Young Matrons club, was enjoyed by 35 couples at the Ontario Women's clubhouse on Nov. 15.

After the dinner, the evening was spent in games and dancing.

First IDC Bowling Meet Held in Idaho



Trophy winners of the first annual Intermountain JACL district council bowling tournament are shown with their prizes, following the competition on Nov. 26 and 27 in Pocatello, Idaho. The winners are (left to right) Nellie Saito, Ontario, Ore., and Fusaye Odow, Salt Lake City, women's doubles; Maxie Kato, Ogden, all events and women's singles; Amy Kawamura, mixed

doubles; Suzie Tominaga and Sachi Kawamura, members of the winning Pocatello women's team; June Uyeda, Tucker Morishita and Todd Honda, members of the winning Idaho Falls men's team; Ronnie Kokota, mixed doubles; Isao Morimoto and Sam Yokota, doubles. Sam Yokota also won the men's singles. George Sato, winner of the men's all events, is not in the picture.

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Next of kin will be notified when the bodies arrive at Regional Distribution Centers of the American Graves Registration Service.

The two, both from California, and their next of kin, are:

Cpl. John J. Kato, Genshichi Kato, 1383 O'Farrell St., San Francisco; and Pfc. Tokiwo Murakami, Sano Murakami, Rt. 3, Box 868, Watsonville.

Cpl. Kato died in Japan on Jan. 29, 1946. He was fatally injured near Kedagawa while driving an Army truck on a mail run from Fukushima to Yokohama.

Memorial rites for Cpl. Kato will be held at the Church of Christ in San Francisco on Dec. 14. Full military rites will be held the following day at Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno.

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