



## 442nd Veterans in Hawaii Make Strong Bid to Obtain Recognition in MGM Film

Earl Finch Invites MGM Director to Visit Hawaii; Col. Fielder Asks War Department Aid to Give Credit to Hawaiian GIs in Unit

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HONOLULU—Hawaii Nisei and their friends are making a strong bid to get Hawaiian "color" into the forthcoming Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film based on the exploits of the famed 442nd combat regiment.

The "color" being asked for is a combination of acting roles for some of the island veterans and historical background showing the origin of the combat team in Hawaii.

News from Hollywood and Washington about the proposed movie caused a flurry of excitement among the Nisei here.

The initial reaction was dampened somewhat, however, when MGM confirmed that most of the acting roles would go to west coast Nisei. Further, MGM indicated that the "shooting" would be done in Hollywood, probably in the fall.

But Nisei supporters quickly rallied.

First was Earl Finch, of wartime fame as the "One Man USO" from Hattiesburg, Miss., who befriended thousands of Nisei GIs during their training days.

He immediately wrote to Hollywood Writer Robert Pirosh to come to Hawaii and become acquainted with the 442nd veterans.

"The Hawaii boys made the 442nd the colorful outfit it was," he remarked.

"It was their pidgin English, their ukuleles and guitars, their going through mud at the front with a live pig on their backs.

"Writer Pirosh did a wonderful job with the movie 'Battle-ground' about the Battle of the Bulge. But I don't see how he can capture the spirit of the 442nd without meeting some of the boys here, perhaps even getting into a 'beer bust' with them.

"I know many of the Los Angeles Nisei who are being talked of for the GI roles. They are veterans, they are my friends, but they don't have the Hawaii 'color' which is so important."

The day after Earl Finch wrote to Pirosh, who will write and direct the movie, another Nisei backer, Col. Kendall J. Fielder, sought the aid of official Washington to give the Hawaii Nisei due credit for their part in the history of the 442nd regiment.

Col. Fielder was responsible probably more than any other one man for the formation of the all-Nisei combat team. As G-2 (intelligence) officer here at the outbreak and immediately after Pearl Harbor, Col. Fielder defended the loyalty of the island Japanese population at a time and to a degree that few non-Japanese dared.

When he heard that Hollywood men were passing over the Hawaii Nisei in making the 442nd movie, he wrote to Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks, chief public information officer for the army, in Washington, asking him to urge movie writers to visit Hawaii before shooting the film.

Because army approval will be needed for the production, a word to MGM from Gen. Parks ought to help, Col. Fielder felt.

Col. Fielder informed Gen. Parks that it would be impossible to obtain an authentic history of the formation of the Japanese American regiment anywhere but in Hawaii.

Like Earl Finch, Col. Fielder said that at least some Hawaii veterans should be given parts in the film.

Col. Fielder was among the first to suggest an all-Nisei combat team shortly after Pearl Harbor. For one proof of the loyalty of the Nisei, he cited the record of the 100th infantry battalion, composed entirely of Hawaii Nisei, which was training diligently on the mainland when the 442nd regiment went into action in Italy as the first Nisei combat unit and when the 442nd went overseas also, became a part of the 442nd to continue fighting until V-E day.

The 442nd Veterans club took up its own cause. Akira Fukunaga, executive secretary, wrote to Producer Dore Schary of MGM, asking inclusion of Hawaii in the production.

"Its proposed title, 'Go for Broke,' is of Hawaii and characterizes the spirit that the Hawaii men injected into the outfit," Fukunaga wrote.

Then he told Schary that 5,000 former members of the combat team are available in Hawaii for casting; about the overwhelming turnout of Nisei in Hawaii to the call for volunteers in 1943; that the history of the combat team is recorded in 20 volumes of material in the islands.

"In a larger sense," he pointed out, "we would like very much to see this beginning recorded to enhance Hawaii's fight for statehood. Opponents of Hawaiian statehood have undermined the cause by feeding key congressional leaders with misinformation, false and vicious, about the Oriental population here."

"Your movie," he told Producer Schary, "is the greatest opportunity Hawaii ever had or will have to present the truth. In fairness to the 5,000 Hawaii veterans who served with the 442nd and in behalf of Hawaii's 50-year fight to practice its inherent right to govern itself, we appeal to you to include Hawaii in your proposed production."

## New GI Brides' Bills Entered In Congress

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Delegate Joseph R. Farrington, R., Hawaii, on Jan. 31 urged congressional action to permit the marriage of American soldiers in Japan to Japanese girls. He introduced several bills.

Such marriages are now prohibited because women of Japanese, Korean and certain Polynesian and Micronesian races are ineligible for United States citizenship.

It was indicated here that the majority of American soldiers who want to marry in Japan are Nisei.

## Flower Market Group Gives \$1,000 to JACL ADC Drive

LOS ANGELES—The Southern California Flower Market, at the first 1950 meeting of its Board of Directors held on Jan. 24, voted to donate \$1,000 to the JACL-ADC fund drive in Southern California which has just begun, it was reported by the Southern California JACL Regional Office.

This is the third consecutive year that the association has donated \$1,000 to the ADC.

K. Akiyama, president of the association, in reflecting the sentiment of his group, declared that although this year's ADC goal is just slightly more than half of last year's goal, the work of the organization was so vital and essential that it deserves the maximum support of everyone to assure that the ADC efforts can continue effectively and that it should not be weakened or embarrassed by lack of financial support.

## Walter Resolution Passage Blocked By Sen. Russell

### Case Scholarship Won by Cleveland Nisei Student

CLEVELAND, O. — George Inada, valedictorian of East Technical High School, was recently awarded a four year scholarship to Case Institute of Technology here in Cleveland.

Besides his outstanding scholastic work, George is active in many extra-curricular activities; such as, being student council representative, a member of Scaraben Honor Society and President of the National Honorary Society, and a member of numerous other organizations.

He plans to study electronic physics when he enters Case.

## U. S. Citizenship Restored to Tule Renunciant

### Federal Court Order Entered by Judge For Toshiye Nishida

LOS ANGELES—The first of approximately 5,000 Tule Lake renunciant was restored to American citizenship this week.

She is Toshiye Nishida, whose U.S. citizenship was restored upon an order entered by U.S. District Judge William C. Mathes.

Approximately 5,000 Nisei held at the Tule Lake center during the war renounced their American citizenship.

Later they appealed for restoration of this citizenship, charging that they were "coerced" into so doing by pro-Japanese elements in the camp. They charged that their renunciation had not been voluntary.

Judge Mathes ruled in their favor in district court. The U.S. circuit court of appeals upheld the ruling.

The test cases were sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union. Following the decision of the circuit court of appeals, the Department of Justice announced it would accept the ruling and would set up procedures whereby those renunciant could regain their citizenship.

## ADC Urges Congress Support Statehood for Hawaii, Alaska

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week again urged Congress to support statehood for Hawaii and Alaska, but emphasized that the Oriental situation demands special consideration of the status of Hawaii.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, sent letters urging prompt action to the House Public Lands Committee, House majority and minority leaders and the speaker, and, among others, all representatives from California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Nevada and Wyoming.

The House is considering statehood for both territories. In 1947, the Eightieth Congress approved Hawaiian statehood, but the act died in the Senate. At that time, Mr. Masaoka testified on the merits of statehood.

In his letter to the Congressmen, Mr. Masaoka wrote:

"... the basic concepts which admitted the fourteenth and succeeding states to the Union would be carried along logically by the extension of statehood to these territories (Hawaii and Alaska). We feel it especially significant that consideration be given to granting immediate statehood to Hawaii."

"By every standard, this island territory has proved itself qualified. In war, the record of its

## Georgia Senator's Objection Withholds Action on Bill For Equality in Naturalization

WASHINGTON, D. C.—For the second successive time, the Senate on Feb. 1 withheld action on the Walter Resolution on the objection of Sen. Richard B. Russell, (D., Ga.).

Sen. Russell voiced the only objection to the measure when it first came before the Senate a few days prior to adjournment last year.

He was unavailable immediately for comment.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee legislative director, said he was "both shocked and disturbed by the Senator's objection, especially after he had given every indication that he would not oppose the bill if it came up again on the calendar."

He said he felt the senator still must not be fully acquainted with the great need for passage of the resolution and "the overwhelming loyalty of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country."

He said he would confer with Sen. Scott D. Lucas (D., Ill.), Senator majority leader, in an effort to determine the best course of action to obtain passage of the Walter Resolution during the present session.

"I have absolutely no doubt that,

## John Aiso Named To Far East Group

LOS ANGELES—Attorney John F. Aiso has been appointed a member of the committee on Far Eastern law of the American Bar Association, it was disclosed here last week.

Aiso, a former lieutenant-colonel with General MacArthur's occupation headquarters in Tokyo, is the first Nisei to serve on a standing committee of the ABA.

Renunciants could regain their citizenship.

Renunciants must file appropriate affidavits. Citizenship is granted in cases similar to those passed upon by the court of appeals.

Miss Nishida was represented by A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand of Los Angeles.

should the bill come up for a roll call vote, rather than on the calendar, it would receive substantial support," he declared.

The senator has a rather long record of hostility towards changes in the nation's immigration laws, especially if they affect the Orient. His opinions undoubtedly color his feelings on extending naturalization privileges to the 90,000 Asiatics, largely Japanese, in this nation and Hawaii who would be affected by the measure.

Senator Russell also objected to several other bills on the calendar which dealt with immigration problems affecting Asiatics.

The resolution came up for consideration on the calendar in an atmosphere that, from the first, boded no good for the measures which can be passed only without objection.

For more than an hour, the Senate took up bill after bill on the calendar, and as quickly passed over them on shouted objections.

So monotonous did this become that, after more than 100 bills had been objected to, Majority Leader Lucas rose to ask unanimous consent to skip reading remaining bills on the calendar that had met with an objection when they first came up late last year.

"Objection," a senator promptly shouted.

Sen. Wayne Morse, (R., Ore.), rose to object, too, on the grounds that those opposed to any measures on the consent calendar should make such opposition known.

The clerk continued to read remaining bills on the calendar, and almost as the title of each was read, someone raised an objection. The Senate definitely was in a "no bill passing" mood.

Not until the clerk came to a small, unobtrusive measure, authorizing the employment of several temporary assistants in a committee, did the first bill get through the Upper House without objection.

Mr. Masaoka said that in his conference with Sen. Lucas, he will seek to get the Democratic Policy Committee to place the bill on the legislative calendar. This would permit the Senate to debate the proposed act, and vote upon it.

However, a host of major bills also are being groomed for place on the legislative calendar, including such controversial issues as FEPC, and other civil liberties measures.

"This means that the Walter resolution will have to compete against some of the most important bills before the Congress in order to be assigned to a place on the legislative calendar," Mr. Masaoka said.

He pointed out that Wednesday's action, far from discouraging the supporters of the measure, should prove an incentive for redoubled effort and intensified activity.

"We have achieved something never before accomplished in American history—getting a bill before the Senate that, in the final analysis, is designed to remove legislation of direct discrimination to those of Japanese ancestry."

"If the united support of our people in this nation can do this much in the field of legislation, then they can achieve the ultimate with this bill—seeing it finally become law," he said.



## Central California JACL District Council Will Be Organized at Fresno Meeting

FRESNO, Calif.—The newest district council in the JACL, the Central California council, will be formally organized at a constitutional convention Feb. 5 at Belmont Inn.

The convention will be preceded by a district council meeting in Reedley at the Japanese hall on Feb. 4. Delegates to this meeting will do pre-convention work on the constitution to facilitate its drafting and adoption on the following day. The council meeting will begin at 8 p. m.

Highlights of the convention will include a banquet and dance, a panel discussion and sports events.

Saburo Kido, past national president of the JACL, Hito Okada, president, Masao Satow, national director and Joe Grant Masaoka, regional director, will attend this first meeting of the new district council.

"Why JACL?" will be the topic of the panel, to be led by Tom Nakamura as moderator. Panel members will be Mrs. Toki Slocum, Dr. Earl D. Lyon, Manabu Fukuda, Fred Hirasuna, James Kubota, Mrs. Frances Yanase, Pres. Okada, Masaoka and Satow.

Saburo Kido will give the keynote address at the council banquet, scheduled for 7 p. m. Satow will present the "Queen for the Day." Pres. Okada will install officers.

Bill Minami will be toastmaster. Bridge and bowling tournaments are scheduled for 2:30 p. m., with Buzz Noda and Kenji Tashiro, respectively, in charge.

Registration will start at 8:30 a. m. Each delegate, immediately following registration, will be taken to the "get-acquainted" session for games and other activities so that all delegates will meet each other early in the convention. Paulo Takahashi will direct the "get-acquainted period."

Toru Ikeda, regional director for Central California, will welcome delegates at the general assembly, set for 9:30 in the morning. The assembly will be followed by the constitutional committee meeting.

Tom Shimasaki will be chairman for a business session to be held at 1 p. m.

The convention will be closed with a dance beginning at 9 p. m. Mike Iwatsubo will be master of ceremonies. Jimmy Biglione and his orchestra will play.

Host chapter presidents will be general chairmen for the convention. They are Akira Chiamori, Parlier; Marshall Hirose, Reedley; Kenzie Inamura, Delano; Seichi Mikami, Fresno; and Tom Shimasaki of Tulare county.

Herky Kawahara and Caroline Matsuyama will serve as convention secretaries. Dr. George Suda will be in charge of entertainment.

The program is being handled by the American Loyalty League with Seichi Mikami as chairman. The Reedley chapter will direct registration with Shiz Hashimoto in charge. The Delano chapter will serve as the reception committee. Banquet preparations are being made by the Parlier chapter with Kengo Osumi as chairman, while general arrangements will be directed by the Reedley chapter. Marshall Hirose is in charge of this last committee.

## Hawaii Nisei Petitions for U. S. Rights

TOKYO—Iwao Motoyama, a native of Honolulu, T.H., left this week by plane for Hawaii to begin his fight to regain the American citizenship he lost when he was drafted into the Japanese army during World War II.

The 27-year-old Motoyama was visiting in Japan and was only 19 at the time of the Pearl Harbor attack.

He is the first Nisei drafted into the Japanese army to be granted permission to leave Japan to appear at his Federal court action in Honolulu in which he is petitioning for the restoration of his American nationality.

Motoyama's parents are Honolulu grocers. He has a brother who served as a member of the U.S. Army of Occupation in Japan.

## Iwasaki Named New President Of Reedley JACL

REEDLEY, Calif. — The 1950 cabinet of the Reedley JACL, led by Pres. Charles Iwasaki, was installed in office at a dinner dance at the Belmont Inn in Fresno.

Dr. E. Lyon, professor at Fresno State college, was the speaker for the evening.

Dr. Lyon spoke on racial discrimination in civilian life and the armed forces and assimilation barriers against Orientals and Negroes.

Dr. Lyon stressed the need for Nisei to take more active part in community activities and politics. The Nisei are hardworking and loyal, he said, but need to take a more aggressive role in civic affairs.

Other guests for the evening were Leo Terkanian, Reedley automobile dealer; Ed Tajirian, president of the Reedley Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. Tajirian; and Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Mayeda representatives from the Tulare County JACL.

Installed in office with Pres. Iwasaki were George Katsuki, 1st vice pres.; Takashi Takanishi, 2nd vice pres.; Fred Nishida, 3rd vice pres.; Mae Kuroda, rec. sec.; Phyllis Osato, corr. sec.; Jack Ikuta, treas.; Tom Sasaki, auditor; Henry Hosaka, publicity chmn.; and Betty Taguchi, historian.

## Appear in Folk Festival



CLEVELAND, O.—Before a capacity crowd representatives of 25 nationality groups sang and danced in their native costumes at the Cleveland Press City-Wide Folk Festival at the Music Hall, Saturday afternoon and evening, Jan. 28.

Representing the Cleveland JACL chapter were the following girls: (Standing) Motoko Ishiyama, Dorothy Matsumoto, Tomi Akiya, (kneeling) Betty Totsubo and Alice Taketa. The girls were attired in kimonos and presented the traditional Japanese dance, the "sakura-ondo."

According to the Cleveland Press, plans are now underway for a bigger and better festival next year.

—Photo by Yosh Butsuda.

## Senate Committee Confirms Nomination of Bendetsen

WASHINGTON—The Senate on Jan. 26 unanimously confirmed the nomination of Karl R. Bendetsen of San Francisco as Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Bendetsen, serving with the rank of colonel, was the head of the War-time Civil Control Administration in 1942 which carried out the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the Pacific coast. He was awarded a Distinguished Service Medal for his part in the evacuation.

Bendetsen later was ordered to Europe where he served on the combined staff which planned the Normandy invasion, on Gen. Omar Bradley's Twelfth Group staff, and, after returning to the United States, on the War Department's Congressional liaison staff.

After leaving the army Bendet-

sen, now 42, joined a San Francisco law firm until he went to Washington last year as special consultant to Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray.

Bendetsen's nomination reportedly was held up because of objections from the Pacific coast, including former officials of the West Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, because of his handling of the 1942 mass evacuation. Opposition was voiced by the Japanese American Citizens League and in Washington recently by Americans for Democratic Action and several civil rights groups.

When opposition originally developed to he Bendetsen appointment last fall, it was reported the post of assistant secretary was offered to Jack Shelley, president of the California Federation of Labor. Shelley turned down the appointment and was elected congressman from the California 4th district in a special election.

It is also reported that there was objection to the Bendetsen appointment among official quarters in Washington but they were overridden by Defense Secretary Louis Johnson's insistence on behalf of Bendetsen. President Truman finally sent the Bendetsen name to the Senate two weeks ago.

Bendetsen is a native of Aberdeen, Wash., and signed up as a member of the National Guard when he was only 14. He received his law degree from Stanford University in 1932 and practiced in Aberdeen and Portland before going on active duty with the army in 1940 with the rank of captain.

He was assigned to the judge advocate's office in Washington.

Bendetsen was the War Department's representative in conferences with the Pacific Coast congressional delegation at the time the mass evacuation policy was under discussion and is reported to have stated on Feb. 5 that "military judgment on the West Coast on whether this evacuation of citizens and aliens should take place was positively in the affirmative." Later he was transferred to San Francisco and placed in charge of the actual evacuation.

## Southwest Area JACL Plans Regional Meet

LOS ANGELES, California—A regional convention of the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council will be held this spring or summer, it was reported by the PSWDC chairman, Dr. Roy Nishikawa, following a meeting of the Los Angeles Coordinating Council, representing the four chapters in this city which will jointly sponsor the event.

"Although district council conventions are normally held on odd-numbered years so that they will not conflict with the biennial national convention held on even numbered years, we felt that it was highly desirable that a district council convention be held in Southern California prior to our national convention this fall because of many pressing matters concerning the Southwest area," Dr. Nishikawa said. The Pacific Southwest District Council did not hold a convention in 1949.

Present at the Coordinating Council meeting were Bill Takei who was re-elected as chairman, Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda and Willie Funakoshi (West Los Angeles), Tut Yata and Roy Nishikawa (Southwest Los Angeles), Lynn Takagaki and Peter Saito (East Los Angeles), Sue Takimoto, who served as secretary pro tem, and Tats Kushida, regional director.

Among other action taken by the Coordinating Council was a decision to affiliate with the California Federation for Civic Unity.

## Eden Township Hears Luther Hoffman at Installation Dance

SAN LEANDRO, Calif.—Luther T. Hoffman, former project director of the Topaz relocation center, was the speaker for the evening at the Eden Township JACL installation dinner dance Jan. 27 at Evensgaard's in San Leandro.

Hoffman is now regional administrator of the bureau of land management in the Department of Interior.

Tom Hatakeda, former president, installed the new cabinet.

The chapter's new officers are led by Yoshimi Shibata, president. Other officers are Ray Kitayama, 1st vice pres.; Joe Tenma, 2nd vice pres.; Mrs. Heidi Kitayama, rec. sec.; Mrs. Sachi Niede, corr. sec.; Henry Wada, treas.; and Toichi Domoto, Kimi Fujii, George Minami, Katsuo Tanabe, Giichi Yoshioka and Min Yonekura board of directors.

In addition to Mrs. and Mrs. Hoffman, other guests were Paul Willetts, chairman of the local Council for Civic Unity, and Mrs. Willetts; Emil Sekerak, former director of the Topaz Cooperative, and Mrs. Sekerak, who was vice principal of the school and later head of community activities at Topaz; Councilman and Mrs. Carlos Bee and Mr. and Mrs. Yas Kato of the Southern Alameda County JACL.

The dinner was followed by a social hour and dancing.

The chapter is now compiling a directory of all persons of Japanese descent in the Eden Township area and is also working on its membership drive.

## Japanese Send Stone Lanterns to Salt Lake Garden

Two stone lanterns are now en route from Japan for the Japanese section of the International Peace Garden in Salt Lake City's Jordan Park.

The Japanese Peace Garden committee in Salt Lake City, headed by K. Tsumura, is now awaiting the lanterns as well as plants and shrubs and cherry trees which are also expected to be planted as part of the project.

Cooperating with the Salt Lake City group is a special committee in Tokyo which has been organized by Tamotsu Murayama, staff writer for the Nippon Times and a former California resident. According to Mr. Murayama the members of the committee include the prefectural governor of the Tokyo area, Seichiro Yasui, as well as other Tokyo officials and prominent businessmen. It is this group which is sending the stone lanterns to the Salt Lake Peace Garden.



George Furuta, owner of Denver's Manchu Grill, is shown giving a preview of the Chinese-Hawaiian dinner and entertainment which was held on Feb. 2 for the benefit of the March of Dimes.

To his right is Ray Kinney, recording orchestra leader whose stage troupe which includes

Nisei entertainers played for the benefit, Furuta and Kinney are being tempted with delicacies by Maria Kaawai, left, and Hannah Kalilimoku.

The benefit affair was attended by many of Denver's leading citizens.

—Rocky Mountain News photo.



## Nisei Soprano to Sing Lead Role in NBC Television Opera

NEW YORK—Tomiko Kanazawa, Nisei soprano, has been named to sing the title role in the first television presentation of Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" on Feb. 6 from 9:30 to 10:30 p. m., EST, over the NBC television network.

The production will be the second in a series of special operas staged especially for television and is expected to be seen and heard by an audience of more than 1,000,000, the greatest to see and hear any opera to date.

Miss Kanazawa, recently featured as "Madame Butterfly" in the Pacific Opera company's production of the Puccini opera in San Francisco and Sacramento, has appeared in the role with opera companies in New York, New Orleans and many other American cities. She also has appeared in the role in many European cities.

She is a native of Los Angeles and won many awards for her singing before going to New York for further study. In 1939 she was named as one of the outstanding young singers in California in a competition sponsored at the San Francisco International exposition.

NBC, which is sponsoring the opera, inaugurated its series in January with a presentation of Kurt Weill's American folk opera, "Down in the Valley." The opera will be seen on Feb. 6 over all cities with NBC stations linked by coaxial cable with New York City.

The opera is especially staged for viewing on the television screen.

Miss Kanazawa will appear in kimonos which were sent to her from Japan last year for her role in presentations of "Madame Butterfly."

Davis Cunningham, tenor, will sing the role of Pinkerton, while Conchita Gaston, Filipino mezzo-soprano, will be heard as Suzuki.

The hour-long version of the Puccini masterpiece will be sung in English.



—Photo by Kameo Kido.  
TOMIKO KANAZAWA

## Cleveland Chapter Plans Member Drive

CLEVELAND, O.—In order to start the ball rolling for the 1950 membership drive, a pre-membership rally was held on Saturday evening, February 4, at the YMCA Johnson Room under the chairmanship of Mike Motoishi.

To the delight of the group, short skits and hilarious acts were presented, with Charley Yatsu acting as master of ceremonies. Dancing and refreshments were also on the bill.

The refreshment committee was headed by Betty Miyoshi.

For the benefit of those wishing to "jump the gun," pledges and sign-ups for membership were taken that evening.

## Nisei Grocer Shoots Suspect In Attempted Store Robbery

SACRAMENTO — A straight-shooting Nisei grocer, Tetsuzo Nakanishi, on Jan. 27 shot a man he accused of holding up his grocery store and attempting to flee with \$45.

The suspect, Jack Holden of Rocklin, Calif., was in the hospital with a shattered leg while his companion, Mrs. Geneva French Rose, was jailed.

Nakanishi told police he shot Holden as the pair fled with the money from his cash register.

He told police the following story:

Holden and Mrs. Rose entered the store early on the evening of Jan. 27. Holden went to the rear where Nakanishi was working and asked for some canned goods which were on the bottom shelf. As Nakanishi reached for the goods, he was hit on the head with a heavy instrument.

The groceryman struggled with Holden and was struck several more times.

Meanwhile, according to Nakanishi, Mrs. Rose was rifling the cash register.

Nakanishi said he also struggled with the woman, but she grabbed approximately \$45 from the register and ran out of the door with Holden.

The Nisei grocer grabbed a .38 caliber revolver, with which he captured two persons attempting to

rob him in 1940, and gave chase.

Nakanishi said he saw the couple running toward a parked auto. He fired one shot in the air and when the warning was ignored, aimed and fired again.

Holden fell to the sidewalk and Mrs. Rose got in a nearby car.

The shots attracted the attention of Nakanishi's wife, Jane, and their son, Eugene, who called police.

When patrolmen arrived they found Mrs. Rose kneeling beside the wounded Holden, approximately 75 feet from the entrance to the store.

Police found \$36 on the bumper of the parked car Mrs. Rose had entered and \$8.50 in the gutter near the spot Holden lay.

A crescent-type wrench, the jaws of which were wrapped with cloth, was found near Holden. It is believed to be the weapon used to slug Nakanishi.

Both Holden and Mrs. Rose denied the robbery and claimed they were shoppers.

Mrs. Rose told police she and Holden are employees of a Roseville laundry. She said they moved to Rocklin from Sacramento a week ago. Police revealed Mrs. Rose is the wife of Thomas A. Rose, now serving a sentence in the county jail for escape from the county road camp. He originally was sentenced for issuing checks without sufficient funds.

## Philadelphia Meet To Rally Delegates For Chicago Confab

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—"Take-off for Chicago" will be the keynote of the JACL Eastern district council's pre-convention rally to be held April 15 and 16 in Philadelphia.

Special events have been planned to lure crowds of east coasters to Philadelphia as the first stop on their way to the national convention in Chicago.

The general assembly and special committee meetings at the YWCA will start the weekend. A JACL song contest, Sunday breakfast get-together, sightseeing tours and a bowling tournament have been planned to appeal to varied interests.

A gala dinner-dance Saturday evening will be the weekend's social highlight, with a musical program and speakers as special attractions.

"Miss Eastern District Council" will be crowned at the dance in the finals of the queen contest.

The EDC fund drive has been made into a joint effort by all member chapters, and the dance will also feature a drawing for awards in this event.

Dr. Tom Tamaki is general chairman for the pre-convention rally.

## 442nd Veteran Succumbs In Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS—Graveside services for Henry M. Terazawa, who passed away last Monday in a Minneapolis hospital, has been scheduled for 1 p. m. Monday, Feb. 6, at the National cemetery in San Bruno, Calif.

Regular services for Mr. Terazawa, 32, were held in Minneapolis Wednesday. A native of Concord, Calif., he was a veteran of the 442nd infantry regiment and the 34th infantry division in France and Italy. He has been a patient at the Minneapolis veterans' hospital for the past two years.

He was a member of the Joyce Methodist church, the Y's Men club and the 34th Division club in Minneapolis.

Survivors include: his wife Helen; a son, Dennis; a daughter, Judith Mae, all of Minneapolis, and his mother, Mrs. Y. Terazawa, a sister, Mrs. Kikue Tagawa, both of Seabrook, N.J.; a sister, Fusaye Terazawa in Boundbrook, N.J.; a sister, Mrs. Miyeko Kanagaki in Brentwood, Calif., and brothers, Lieut. George Terazawa and Sgt. Yoshio Terazawa, both in occupational Japan.



Mr. Terazawa

## Dr. Kambara Heads Los Angeles JACL

LOS ANGELES — Dr. George Kambara was elected president of the Downtown Los Angeles chapter of the JACL at a luncheon meeting on Feb. 1 at Kow Nan Low.

Other new officers are Henry Tsurutani, 1st v.p.; Miwako Yamamoto, 2nd v.p.; John Maeno, 3rd v.p.; Taro Kawa, treas.; Hide Uba, asst. treas.; Mary Minato, corres. sec.; Cherry Esumi, rec. sec.; Harry Honda, public relations; and Eiji Tanabe, Dr. Tom Watanabe and Frank Chuman, ex-officio members.

## Deas Will Speak At San Francisco Installation Dinner

SAN FRANCISCO — J. Roger Seas, research secretary for Gov. Earl Warren, will be the main speaker at the installation dinner of the San Francisco JACL chapter on Feb. 11 at the Del Mar restaurant.

Victor Abe heads the incoming cabinet and will be presented with his gavel of office by Takehiko Yoshihashi, outgoing president.

## Bigots Threaten Pasadena Realtor Who Opposed Bias In Real Estate Operations

PASADENA, Calif.—The many friends of William C. Carr, Pasadena realtor, rallied to his defense this week following threats of action to drive him out of business because he sold homes to non-Caucasians.

Mr. Carr, who helped organize the Friends of the American Way during the war to help fight discrimination against evacuees of Japanese ancestry, has offices at 1360 W. Colorado St.. Most of the property he handles is in the exclusive Loma Linda, Flintridge and Altadena areas.

## Southern Alameda County JACL Installs Officers

CENTERVILLE, Calif. — At a simple ceremony held in the colorful banquet room of the International Kitchen in Niles, new officers of the Southern Alameda County JACL were installed in office by Arthur Gomes, commander of American Legion post No. 195 on Saturday, Jan. 21.

Highlight of the evening was a talk by Deputy District Attorney George Oakes, Jr., who served as lieutenant on the cruiser Oakland under Admiral Halsey's command in the Pacific theater.

Speaking on "Occupied Japan," Oakes recounted his experiences and impressions in that country. Oakes entered Japan four days before the surrender and served there for two and a half months thereafter.

He described the effects of war upon the people. Unforgettable in his mind, he said, was the sight of the Japanese paying obeisance to the emperor even after defeat of the country.

Following the surrender, he said, the Japanese expected harsh treatment from the Americans but were won over by the fair treatment of the occupation troops. The diplomatic relations of the two countries before the war, said Oakes, did not bring the peoples of the two countries together nearly so much as did the occupation.

Ironically enough, he said, it was out of conflict that there was forged a great friendship between the two countries.

Newly installed officers are Yas Kato, pres.; James Fudenna, vice pres.; George Fukui, 2nd vice pres.; Dorothy Kato, rec. sec.; Aki Kato, corr. sec.; Sam Yamanaka, treas.; George Nakamura, historian; Sumi Kato, social chairman; Kiyo Kato, public relations chairman; and Kaz Shikano, Yutaka Handa, K. Asakawa, Shig Nakamura and Ky Kato, board of governors.

Kaz Shikano handed his gavel to the newly elected president. In his parting message Shikano thanks members for their support for the Walter resolution.

William Bowser, Oakland attorney who helped process evacuation claims, spoke briefly, expressing his hope for speedy payment of claims.

Kay Kato, who helped effect the processing of claims, was thanked on behalf of the JACL by Shikano.

Popular George Oakes, Sr., publisher and editor of the Washington News who has supported the JACL since its reactivation last February,

On several occasions Mr. Carr is reported to have urged the Pasadena Realty Board to handle sales to Nisei and members of other racial minority groups. Recently he is reported to have handled sales to families of minority ancestry, including Nisei and Negroes.

A number of homeowners in the area are reported to have announced their intention to drive Mr. Carr out of business by urging his clients to withdraw their listings from their office. These persons also are reported to have urged the Pasadena Realty Board to take steps to have his license revoked.

Recently the American Civil Liberties Union sent letters to its members reporting the background of the case and suggesting ACLU members telephone Mr. Carr to offer their support.

Members of the Human Relations Workshop of the Parent Teachers Association in the district also have been asked to take action to support Mr. Carr.

Following protests from community groups against any move to oust Mr. Carr from membership, Lawrence Allen, secretary of the Pasadena Realty Board, last week reported the board has taken no position on the matter.

## Chapters Install New Officers

MONTEREY, Calif.—New officers of the Monterey and Salinas Valley chapters of the JACL were installed on Jan. 26 at a dinner meeting at the El Estero restaurant.

Mickey Ichiji is the new president of the Monterey chapter, succeeding Henry Tanaka. Roy Sakagawa is the new Salinas Valley chapter president.

Dr. Harry Kita was master of ceremonies and introduced Joe Grant Masaoka, regional director of JACL ADC, who gave the main address.

Present at the meeting and making short talks were Mayor L. K. Smith of Monterey, who made a plea for tolerance on all sides; State Senator and Mrs. Fred Weybret; Assemblyman and Mrs. James Silliman; District Attorney and Mrs. Burr Scott and Ted Durein, managing editor of the Monterey Peninsula Herald, and Mrs. Durein.

led the group in community singing.

Sumi Kato sang several solo numbers. She was accompanied by Gladys Nakashima, pianist and student at Notre Dame high school in San Jose.

## Chicago Chapter Initiates Campaign for 1,500 Members

CHICAGO — The local JACL chapter's drive for 1500 members for 1950 is being spearheaded by a large committee covering every section of the city. Drive Chairman Dr. Frank Sakamoto released this week names of members who are working to leave not a single Nisei unsolicited in an all-out effort to beat the Los Angeles chapters in the membership race:

Administration: Grace Watanabe, Ruth Nakaya; Coordinators: Northside — Mary Matsumura; Southside — Hiram Akita; Westside — Masato Tamura. District Chairmen: Near Northside — Mrs. Lily Teraji; Kenwood — Fumiko Iwatsuki; Far Northside — Mary Hata; Hyde Park — Rosie Matsumoto; Far Southside — Betty Mimura. Special Detail: Dr. Bill Hiura, Roy Iwata, Ben Yamanaka,

Cherry Obayashi, Frank Hiratsuka, Toshi Kurotsuchi, Dr. Amimoto, Mr. Wada. Junior Unit: Takayo Tsubouchi, Chiye Tomihiro, Kaz Kita. Bowling League: James Kozuma. Team Captains — Carol Omori, Toots Nakamura, Kats Okuno, Lily Morinaga, Lily Teraji, Sachi Nakachi.

"Every present member of the JACL," urged Dr. Sakamoto, "is asked to send in his renewal as quickly as possible in order that we may get a quick estimate of how the drive is progressing and also to avoid the unnecessary legwork entailed in calling upon those who intend to renew anyway."

"We would like," said Sakamoto, "to concentrate our efforts this year upon those whom the JACL has not touched during the recent years."

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## EDITORIAL:

### A Note on William C. Carr

Early in the war William C. Carr, Pasadena real estate dealer, was one of the strongest supporters of the Friends of the American Way. That, it will be remembered, was the organization formed to protect the rights of American citizens and aliens of Japanese ancestry. It was organized at a time when great conviction and courage were needed to make public defense of the Japanese American group.

The Friends of the American Way dissolved their organization some years ago when the hysterical anti-Nisei feeling of the west coast subsided. But William C. Carr, like many of that group, did not consider his work completed.

As a real estate dealer, Mr. Carr is in a profession which has fought to keep segregated neighborhoods, which has generally placed property values above human rights. Members of realty boards are strictly enjoined to preserve the "race purity" of white neighborhoods and are not permitted to sell homes in white neighborhoods to members of non-Caucasian groups.

Within recent months Mr. Carr has sold homes to families of Negro and Japanese descent. He has, additionally, urged that the Pasadena realty board open up sales to non-Caucasian families.

Because of these actions, it was reported this week, Mr. Carr is today threatened with loss of his business. A campaign has been reported in the community in which the realty board is being urged to revoke Mr. Carr's license to practice. A neighborhood campaign to drive Mr. Carr out of business has been threatened.

Mr. Carr has worked, quietly but stubbornly, to bring democratic practice into his profession. Had he confined his beliefs to other fields or to mere discussion, he might never have faced the difficulty he now faces.

His right to make a living, to live peaceably with his neighbors and to act according to the dictates of his conscience are now jeopardized. They are threatened because of his insistence that these rights, as they belong to him, should belong to all men, whatever their race, creed or color.

### The Bendetsen Confirmation

The Senate last week, acting with what can only be described as unseemly haste, confirmed the nomination of Karl R. Bendetsen as assistant secretary of the Army Department. Mr. Bendetsen's confirmation came within a week of his nomination for the post and no opportunity was given for opponents of the nomination to be heard.

The Americans for Democratic Action and a number of other national organizations in the civil rights field had expressed opposition to the Bendetsen nomination on the basis of the former Army officer's prejudicial handling of the 1942 mass evacuation of Japanese Americans. The Senate's haste in handling the confirmation apparently was the result of urging from Defense Secretary Johnson and Army Secretary Gray.

Serious charges relating to Mr. Bendetsen's fitness for the office have been made, inspired by reports of his race prejudice in the evacuation situation. It is unfortunate that there was no opportunity for Mr. Bendetsen to reply to these charges before his elevation to office.

### Hawaii and the 442nd Picture

Reports from Honolulu this week indicate that MGM's decision to make a film based on the story of the 442nd combat team has aroused intense interest in the islands. Unfortunately, the announcement appears also to have aroused the fear that Hawaiian participation in the combat team would be ignored.

It is our understanding that Mike Masaoka, ADC director now on leave to serve as technical advisor for the film, made certain immediately upon accepting the job, that the role of the AJAs would be duly recognized.

However, the story as outlined to date concerns the situation of the west coast Nisei who went from relocation camps to serve in the army, some to go again into other camps, this time as prisoners of war. The paradox inherent in this situation is to be used as one of the story elements in the film.

No one could deny or would wish to deny the role played by Hawaiians of Japanese ancestry in the combat team. The 100th infantry battalion provided one of the most glorious single unit records in history. The overwhelming response of the Hawaiian AJAs to volunteering was as indicative as anything else of the spirit and loyalty of that group.

But it would be unfortunate if making of this film should be obstructed and hampered by regional feelings. The possibility of this happening is not too remote.

# Nisei USA

## The Visitors from Nippon

Some of the Japanese visitors who are arriving in increasing numbers from Japan could do with a little briefing before they make statements to the American press on problems concerning persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

Unlike the Yellow Peril days of the 1920s when the California exclusionists ballooned two words in a letter from the unfortunate Ambassador Hanihara, "grave consequences" into an international incident which helped sway public opinion in favor of the Japanese Exclusion Act, there no longer is any danger that a chance remark, a dangling participle or a misplaced colon will be similarly exploited. The race-baiters are quiescent on matters relating to Japanese Americans and the general public and the press are, on the whole, sympathetic.

It is still something of a shock to read, however, that the touring members of the Japanese Diet bowed and apologized to Governor Earl Warren in Sacramento the other day for the suffering they had caused Californians of Japanese ancestry by waging war on the United States. As far as suffering caused Japanese Americans in California by the war, it is a matter of record that Governor Warren, then state attorney general, was right in there pitching and was one of the leading exponents of the drive to move all persons of Japanese ancestry, body and baggage, to inland internment camps. His speech to the Governors' conference in Columbus, Ohio in 1943 when he warned the executives of the other 47 states about the Nisei menace was something the governor probably wishes he never made. Dwight Griswold, then governor of Nebraska, gave the California executive something of a hassle on the Nisei question even though he probably hadn't heard at the time about a young Nisei named Ben Kuroki from Hershey, near North Platte, who was to become one of the Cornhusker state's proudest heroes.

It should be noted here, however, that Governor Warren has come a long way from his attitude toward the Nisei back in 1943. Although he has not publicly admitted it, he is undoubtedly aware that he made a wrong guess in his racist statements regarding the group which probably were induced by his Native Sons background. The governor, now campaigning for a third term, is even regarded in some quarters among the solid citizens of the GOP's right wing as being too liberal for the Republican party. There was even an abortive campaign recently among some sections of the GOP leadership to dump Mr. Warren for his lieutenant governor, Goodwin Knight, who would be more amenable to party regularity and discipline but it was suddenly abandoned in the name of unity and the California GOP, outwardly at least, has designated the governor as their standard-bearer against James Roosevelt, FDR's eldest, who is expected to get the Democratic nomination.

Indeed, Governor Warren has been statesmanlike ever since the army decreed that the evacuees could go home. Except for the State Board of Equalization which was dominated by William Bonelli, who has campaigned on the promise that he would help drive persons of Japanese ancestry out of the state, none of the state services have discriminated against returning Japanese Americans. Even Mr. Bonelli's board finally was forced to stop its discriminatory policy in the issuance of licenses by a case brought by a Nisei in court last year.

When Nobuyuki Iwamoto, vice speaker of Japan's House of Representatives, told Governor Warren that the Japanese people felt a direct responsibility for the wartime suffering of Californians of Japanese descent and wanted to know if the returned evacuees "were causing a problem," the governor's reply was well-intentioned. He answered that there was no "Japanese problem" in California any more as far as he could see.

"So far as any problem is concerned, we would not know there are any Japanese in California," he told the Japanese visitors. "They returned to California and went to work. They are good

citizens and provoke no trouble. They live as we live. Their children go to school with our children and there is no distinction being made in their way of life."

It would be easy to quibble with the governor and wonder why he had to make a distinction between the returned evacuees and other citizens of California ("they live as we live") but his statement apparently was one made on the spur of the moment.

Governor Warren was pleasant and affable in his meeting with the Japanese legislators which is more than can be said for the Boston City Council some days later. The Japanese visitors learned of some of the vicissitudes of democracy in Boston but they were probably heartened by the fact that a number of other city councils, in places like Denver and Stockton, have offered to welcome them to council sessions.

The Japanese Diet members are here on a tour sponsored by the reorientation branch of the U.S. army with the approval of General MacArthur's headquarters and the rebuff they reached in Boston reverberated all the way to the Dai-ichi building in Tokyo. There are a number of other gentlemen from Nippon now touring the states who are here as private citizens. At least one of these gentlemen has been giving interviews at the drop of a hat and, if the one he gave in Salt Lake City to the Tribune is any criterion, it would seem that it wasn't necessary for the U.S. Army to occupy Japan after all. According to the interview, this visitor claimed that he had led American troops to the hiding-place of General Tojo and also cited a number of other achievements on behalf of the United States. It could be mere oversight that this gentleman's connection with the Tojo incident wasn't reported in the press at the time and we hope he wasn't just trying to impress his interviewer.

The influx of visitors from Japan, most of whom are people sincerely interested in learning the ways of democracy and in studying developments in such matters as science, sanitation, hospitalization and education, has created some-

thing of a problem for Japanese Americans in certain communities, particularly in the east. These Nisei, it seems, are invariably called upon to entertain the visiting firemen, precipitating a resultant problem in finances. The visitors, coming from a beaten nation with a depreciated yen, have little in the way of dollars and must depend on American hospitality. Nisei individuals or organizations have few resources to tap for such entertainment. For example, in one eastern city a government bureau called the local JACL to ask whether the JACL could entertain some Japanese visitors who were in the city. The government bureau had no funds for such a purpose but neither did the JACL. When the JACL official went to meet the visitors he found there were twelve men in the group who were to be dined and taken on a sightseeing trip through the city.

Since the number of visitors probably will increase and since these visits, with the exception of those undertaken by individual entrepreneurs, are part of the program for the democratization of Nippon, some sort of financial assistance is called for to ease the burden placed upon those who are called on to entertain the visitors.

Of the visitors who have come from Nippon since V-J day the most gracious has been the actress, Kinuyo Tanaka, whose tour was sponsored by the Matsuo theatrical interests in Honolulu and was paid for through personal appearances by Miss Tanaka before Nisei and Issei audiences and through showings of her latest motion picture. The most popular visitors to date have been Hironoshin Furuhashi, immediately dubbed "the flying fish from Fujiyama," and his teammates of the Tokyo Swimming club and the most unpopular probably Tsubuharu Foudjita who once typified the Bohemianism of Paris' Left Bank. The announcement that Artist Foudjita would come to America aroused indignation on the part of a number of artists of Japanese ancestry who declared that he was a collaborator with Japanese militarism. Foudjita was America's most popular Japanese artist in the 1920s but it's been a long time since the 1920s.

All of the visitors who have arrived here since the occupation have been carefully screened by SCAP. There was a similar influx of visitors shortly before Pearl Harbor but the great difference is that the visitors in that period came as apologists for militaristic aggression while those who arrive today come in search of lessons in technology as well as in the ways of democracy.

## From the Side of the Hill:

### Hard Work Behind ADC's Drive for Walter Resolution

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON—If the Walter Resolution becomes law, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee will have accomplished one of the minor critical successes in the field of civil legislation.

For 159 years, this nation's naturalization laws have set up race as a prerequisite to becoming a naturalized citizen, with merit as a secondary basis.

Not until the Civil War period could immigrant Negroes become naturalized. Almost 80 years later, Congress finally

granted the right, in 1940, for members of races indigenous to North and South America to become naturalized. Six years later, this privilege was extended to Chinese, Indians and Filipinos.

And for almost 159 years, persons of broad vision have fought to grant naturalization rights to all legal immigrants.

But the toughest part of that fight has been in granting this right to Orientals, especially, since the turn of the century, to immigrant Japanese.

President Theodore Roosevelt urged such a law, although, under West Coast pressure, he subsequently dropped his efforts to gain this legislation.

Civil Liberties groups, and believers in equality in immigration and naturalization, have repeatedly urged such action over the years.

Even the Japanese government made a continual series of efforts to get America to grant naturalization rights to immigrants from that country to the United States.

But, until the JACL came on the national scene in 1946, such actions were abortive; half-hearted, or faced with failure almost from the moment they first were broached.

What a tremendous amount of energy has gone into even the semi-success that has crowned the efforts to get such a bill through

Congress as of this writing.

It has meant an unending volume of work most of which, as described by Larry Tajiri in The Pacific Citizen, like that part of an iceberg which does not show, has not been readily noticed by the average persons.

Letters, documents, statements; enlisting the support of various national leaders, both civilian and military. It has meant cross-country trips by Mike Masaoka, always the sparkplug behind the voluminous job of pushing the bill stubbornly through the opposition of lethargy, ancient myths and lies.

But behind everything else, and let none forget this, the most magnificent work was that accomplished by the unflinching Nisei soldiers, especially the thousands who were casualties of combat.

And it has meant a large, continuing task by JACL chapters throughout the country—what a politician might refer to as a "grass roots" movement—in contacting local papers for favorable editorials; writing to local Congressmen; urging favorable action.

The efforts have not been entirely selfish, either. The Walter Resolution affects a great many peoples besides the Japanese—Koreans, Malaysians, other Southeast Asians and Pacific Island races.

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# MINORITY WEEK

## Quickie

"Our race prejudice becomes an unforgivable sin only when we refuse to overcome it."—Dr. John A. Tate, president, International Convention of Disciples of Christ.

## Voluntary

San Francisco's board of supervisors took up the subject of "voluntary FEPC" this week and approved it. At the same time the board rejected a proposed ordinance for a fair employment practices commission.

Under "voluntary FEPC," the employers, who are the ones charged with discrimination anyway, are asked to institute their own programs of reform. As someone has pointed out, it's like an accused person serving as his own judge and jury.

The supervisors only proved by their action they can do some fancy sideslepping, because dressed up in fancy words, the voluntary program sounds pretty good. It asks that all employer groups urge their members to delete references to race, creed, color and national origin or ancestry from employment application forms and personnel records; that employers hire qualified employees without regard to race, creed or color; and that schools, churches, welfare agencies, employers' associations and labor unions join in an educational campaign against discrimination.

The payoff was a corollary resolution asking Gov. Warren to order a statewide survey to determine if discriminatory employment practices exist throughout the state.

Oddest thing about this whole deal is that the FEPC ordinance was a thing of the supervisors' own making. It was in 1948 that they sent a unanimous recommendation to the mayor for establishment of a Mayor's Committee on Human Relations. Mayor Robinson named the committee late in 1948, in accordance with the resolution. It was composed of representatives from the various racial, religious and ethnic groups in the city. It was asked to study problems within these groups and rising from the relationship of these groups to each other and to the majority group. The committee was asked to suggest such remedial action as might be deemed necessary.

The committee studied the problem, held meetings and hearings and came up with the proposal for FEPC that the supervisors rejected.

## Bouquet for Godfrey

Arthur Godfrey may not be the original "my man Godfrey," but at the moment he does well enough for us. The inimitable radio and TV man certainly deserves an extra decibel on the applause meter for his use of the first interracial quartet on both his air outlets.

Two Negroes and two whites comprise the quartet, called the Mariners, who are introduced with no noisy reference to race or color. The Mariners met when they were all members of the coast guard, began singing together and have been at it successfully ever since.

## Candidate

A New Orleans mayoralty nomination candidate, campaigning on a strict white supremacy platform, was slapped down like the gadfly he is during last week's election in that southern city.

Alvin A. Cobb charged the incumbent mayor, de Lesseps S. Harrison, had been "untrue to the south" when he handed the key to the city to Dr. Ralph J. Bunche of the United Nations. Cobb received 4,751 votes of 185,167 ballots cast.

## Note in Passing

Any column on minorities would be remiss in its duties if it failed to recognize the greatest minority of them all, the women.

Recently this minority won a partial victory with passage by the Senate of an equal rights amendment for women.

## Squabble in Portland

It's getting so a man can hardly open his mouth these days, especially if it's on the subject of civil rights.

Carey McWilliams, noted writer and authority on minority groups in California (he's the author of "Prejudice," a book on the Nisei, as well as numerous other reference books on minority groups), and a lot of trouble getting a lecture hall early this week in Portland.

He was scheduled to speak in Benson Tech auditorium on Sunday, but was denied use of the hall when Capt. William D. Browne of the police department, also chairman of the American Legion's subversive activities committee, said that McWilliams' sponsoring organization, the Citizens Committee for Civil Rights, was "communist." The Portland school board took Capt. Browne at his word and denied McWilliams the school auditorium. Only dissenting member of the board was Wendell Gray, who pointed out that the Citizens Committee for Civil Rights does not appear on the U.S. attorney general's list as being a subversive group.

"I doubt if the board is the proper body to determine in a short period of time what is subversive," Gray said. "It is a little hard for me to sit here and so summarily take action on the matter."

McWilliams was eventually allowed use of another Portland auditorium.

## It Can Happen Here

"We don't operate as a white church or a Negro church or as an interracial church, but simply as a Christian non-racial church."

That's the secret for the success of the Central Presbyterian church in Chicago, according to its minister, Dr. Herbert H. Hugo.

When Negroes began moving in large numbers into his church area, the board of trustees voted to stay in the neighborhood instead of following the trek to the suburbs.

The congregation is now one-third Negro, and Negroes serve on the board of trustees, in the men's council, in the women's groups and in the choir. Last month more than 1,000 white, Negro and Nisei youth used the church parish youth center.

Dr. Hugo told his story at a meeting of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago. Similar stories were told by Dr. Leslie Pennington, minister of the First Unitarian church, the Rev. Robert F. Johnson of the South Congregational church, and the Rev. Julian Keiser of the Warren Ave. Congregational church. Thomas Wright, director of the Commission on Human Relations of the city of Chicago cited the story of the Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, Nisei pastor at the First Baptist church, who was elected to his post by white, Negro and Nisei members of the congregation.

## Another Quickie

"Brotherhood must be made real by making it local. We cannot do by agitation what we fail to do by demonstration."—Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, New York City.

## Bill Hosokawa:

## FROM THE FRYING PAN

### Ruminations on Birthdays

Denver, Colo.  
At shaving time one morning this week we took a long, long look into the mirror. What we saw was not encouraging: a certain flabbiness where the neck and jaw come together, deeper furrows on the brow, an increasing amount of gray on top. We saw many a physical sign to confirm the calendar's report; we had passed another year-stone on the headlong flight toward middle-age.

Birthdays no longer are anything to crow about. At our Susan's age they are awaited with great impatience and celebrated with joy. A birthday is an occasion for partying and gifts and ice cream and cake with candles. Today she's 5, and a little girl. Next month she'll be 6 and, in her own estimation at least, a big, big girl. She is so anxious to grow up.

Long years ago, when we were 10, we thought that the most wonderful age anyone could be. The kid brother was 7, a mere infant. We could go places and do things he wasn't allowed to do. We could read stories, wonderful stories, about Indians and frontiersmen. We roamed the woods and bluegrass of Kentucky with Henry Ware and his four faithful companions in Joseph Altsheler's (we aren't even sure of the spelling any more) fabulously exciting books.

And when we became 11, why 10 was a puny age. And at 20, any person who had reached the venerable age of 30 was to be pitied; he had passed his prime and was on the skids. Now that 40 isn't so far away, we're a bit more tolerant about the fond hope that life begins there-

abouts.

At our age a birthday is like an ingrown toenail—something to be noted and dealt with in privacy. With two exceptions, it seems the world agrees.

One dissenter was the kid brother who faithfully sent along his annual gift. It was a necktie of conservative hue, namely fire-engine red. It will take a great deal of courage to wear it in public. Perhaps he was jeering and sniggering as he purchased it. Perhaps he received it for Christmas and fearful of the consequences of wearing it himself, passed it along. But most likely he bought it in hopes of providing a tonic effect, a warmly crimson uplift for a drooping spirit. Well, if he believes we have the vitality to wear it, we shall.

The other was friend wife who, a couple of days early, came up with a bedlamp, a much-desired accessory to our favorite pastime, reading in bed. We will give it plenty of use.

On the actual birthday anniversary, no one was aware of the day's significance until we were well into our one-course dinner. Then Susan said: "When's your birthday, Daddy?"

"Today," we said with great nonchalance.

"Oh," said Susan's mother. "I thought it was tomorrow."

"You didn't get ice cream and make a cake," Susan scolded.

"Oh well," said her mother. "Daddy doesn't like cake, and we had pie yesterday."

So Susan joined me in a happy birthday song to myself and that was that.

## Vagaries

### Whodunit . . .

Milton Ozaki, author of several popular mystery novels, was the guest on the Mutual network program "Murder by Experts," the other Monday. His choice for the program was Robert E. Foster's thriller, "Success Story." . . . Ozaki, former proprietor of a beauty salon on Chicago's Gold Coast, is the author of "Too Many Women," "The Cuckoo Clock," "Fiend in Need," and "The Black Dark." He is a native of Wisconsin.

### Go for Broke . . .

Reiko Sato does as well as she can with a stereotyped role of William Lundigan's maid in 20th-Fox's surprise comedy hit, "My Mother Didn't Tell Me," which stars Dorothy McGuire. Miss Sato also was seen briefly recently as one of the dancers in the Chinese night club scene in MGM's "On the Town." She is a student at Los Angeles City College. . . . Now that "Go for Broke" is officially on MGM's agenda, with studio officials boosting it as a possible contender for Oscar honors next year, there is plenty of speculation as to casting on the film. Chances are, however, that no roles will be filled until Director-Writer Robert Pirosh finishes his script of the film. The studio already has announced that veterans of the 442nd living in the Hollywood area will be recruited to portray themselves in the picture. These veterans may have to undergo some rigid basic training for the film. Actors in MGM's "Battleground," on which Pirosh was writer and associate producer, went through two weeks of Army basic training to prepare themselves for the picture.

### Faraway Places . . .

Tosuke Yamasaki who has been in faraway places with strange-sounding names as a State Department employee returned to the U.S. this week to join his family in Washington, D.C. Before going overseas two years ago Yamasaki handled public relations in Washington for the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee. . . . Gordon Hirabayashi, central figure in the Hirabayashi test case on the legality of the 1942 mass evacuation, got his master's degree last week from the University of Washington. . . . O. O. Dull, MGM producer, interviewed a number of Hawaiian Nisei for roles in "Pagan Love Song" the Esther Williams' film which will be photographed in Hawaii.

A painting by Morrie Kuramoto is one of the "truly exceptional entries" in the annual exhibition of the American Water Color Society at the National Academy in New York, according to Howard Devree, art critic for the New York Times. . . . Jack Soo (Goro Suzuki), whose singing has won him a sizable reputation in Midwest night clubs, is currently on the theater circuit and was booked last week in Springfield, Ill. Suzuki went from the Topaz relocation center

## Departure from Chicago:

## You Can Go Home Again

By JOBO NAKAMURA

WE TAKE LEAVE. . . For what has been a home for the last six years, Chicago is now only a vague memory of a turbulent adventure . . . of disappointments and successes. Although the thundering rumble of the elevated trains, the muffled roar of the subways, and terrific din of State and Madison are only silent echoes of the gigantic city which befriended me, a mingled feeling of utter despair and of the soaring spirit still prevails.

Many, many years ago I had relocated to Chicago with only a few dollars in my pocket, and today I have come back to California still with only a few bucks to spare. However, there was only uncertainty and insecurity, now these are an unmistakable glow of confidence and self-respect which had come from having lived and worked in Chicago.

I saw Masao before I left. He was holding down a responsible desk job with a trucking firm in the west side. I had not seen him for a long time. We talked about our early life in Chicago and agreed that we would not have exchanged our experiences in the Big City for anything else. Masao seemed extremely confident of the future. "I cannot help but succeed," he said.

We strolled down to the corner of Clark and Division and stood in front of the Dressler drug store and watched the motley procession pass . . . the fabulous rich from the Gold Coast swathed in silk and mink, the unknown ones from the tenement area, the artist Bohemians, Japanese storekeepers, Chinese waiters, burlesque queens, Filipino barbers, a Nisei walking with a red-head, teenage girls in jeans . . . making the corner virtually the crossroads of the world.

to a job as master of ceremonies in a Cleveland night club. Since then he has been featured on the radio and has appeared at the Chez Paree in Chicago. He's a former resident of Oakland, Calif.

### Painter . . .

Sueo Serisawa, winner of the \$1,000 first award for a modern painting in the 1949 California State Fair competition, is teaching at the Kann Institute of Art in Hollywood. In the past Serisawa's students have included many film notables. One of the most accomplished of Serisawa's film colony students was Actor Lew Ayres. . . . Jobo Nakamura, writer of the "Chicago Newsreel" columns in the PC, has taken a post as a research assistant at the University of California in Berkeley. . . . Mitsuyoshi Fukuda, only Nisei field officer with the 100th Battalion and the 442nd Combat Team with the rank of major, recently was elected to the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' association, one of the most powerful employer groups in the territory. Fukuda is now assistant to the industrial relations director of Castle & Cooke, Ltd.

I hated to leave this section because it has furnished me with so much writing material.

In the Loop, I watched the pigeons hovering on the elevated tracks, scattering when the trains roared by. There were Nisei fellows hatless, with upturned coat collars sauntering up Randolph street, looking for something to do. They had, apparently, just come in from Los Angeles or Seattle to look for jobs. Masao and I knew that at one time we had had long brooding walks on the dark streets.

I shook Masao's hand and he wished me "lots of luck" and left. Somehow, I felt certain that a chapter had been closed in the lives of a couple of Nisei guys who were denied a oneness with the outside world during their most precious formative years.

### BEER AND YASUKI-BUSHI . . .

It rained incessantly for four days when I crawled into San Francisco and holed up at Kusano hotel. The Kusano hotel is but a few steps from Yokohama, Japan. The lobby is generally filled with the rich, native voices of Japanese men and women who have just disembarked from the boats.

The stranded Nisei, who are Kibei, invariably look for school-boy jobs as soon as they learn to say "Yes Ma'am." I met one Kibei fellow (let's call him Yoichi) who invited me into his room one night to have beer. Yoichi told me that he was celebrating his emancipation from his houseboy job at a "Hakujin" home up on the hill. Yoichi attended Imperial university in Tokyo as an honor student and he was practically assured of a status of high social prestige in Japan if he had stayed. However, before he completed his studies, he decided to stake his destiny in America.

The best Yoichi could find in Frisco was a houseboy job. He labored diligently cleaning and washing in and around the house, and at the end of two weeks, he received the pathetic wage of 12 dollars and 50 cents. Yoichi quit his job.

"No more toilet cleaning for me," he said. I suggested that he might look for a factory job in Chicago and then could go to college at the same time. He thanked me heartily when I offered him names of persons he could contact in Chicago. Yoichi happily drank some more beer until he began to sing a few bars of "Yasuki-bushi" in a loud, sonorous voice. He flopped back on the floor and went to sleep. I left the room, never more sober.

### Walter Resolution

(Continued from page 4)

In fact, measured against all these groups, the Japanese are a minority.

Finally, whatever success has been achieved to date has been won primarily because of a rather fine and proud organization called the Japanese American Citizens League. We can't help but admire it.



# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Nisei Cagers Big News in Placer County

Nisei basketball players are big news these days in Placer County, California, once the scene of wartime hoodlumism against the properties of Japanese American evacuees. While George Goto is sparking the Placer College team which is leading the Northern California junior college league, two other Nisei are scintillating for the Placer High Hillmen who are currently undefeated in their Sierra Football league. These two players are Jim Yokota, already rated one of the top prep cagers in Northern California, and Vic Nakamoto. Placer's most recent victory was a 47 to 23 contest with Yuba City in which the news report cites "the terrific ball handling and deadeye shooting of Jim Yokota and Vic Nakamoto." Yokota tallied 17 points while Nakamoto scored 12. Placer high school now has a season's record of 17 wins and one loss. That one defeat was a one-pointer to C. K. McClatchy of Sacramento.

## Iseri Has Eye on Olympic Team Berth

Iseri, who would like to earn a berth on the 1952 Olympic swimming team, will make a name for himself in the breaststroke in the West Coast AAU meet this year. The 17-year old Nisei star is captain of the Sacramento YMCA squad and won his favorite event, the 100-yard breaststroke, in 1:09.25 last week against the Oakland Y. Iseri entered the National AAU championships in Los Angeles last August, which was featured by the performances of Furunashi & Co. from Japan... Lincoln Kimura, one of the trainers for the San Jose State College Spartans last season, can attest to the size of Notre Dame's huge Leon Hart, voted the outstanding player in college football recently. Kimura taped Hart up for one of the practice sessions before the East-West Shrine game in San Francisco... There are three Nisei players on the University of Hawaii varsity which arrived on the mainland this week for a 10-game schedule, beginning with the University of California on Feb. 4. Hawaii will also play Creighton, Bradley, Valparaiso, Detroit, Lawrence Tech, John Carroll, Buffalo, Connecticut Teachers, Villanova, Seton Hall, St. Francis of Brooklyn and Siena. The Nisei regulars are Charles Hamane, Johnny Iashiro and Allen Yokomoto. Takashi Masui is team manager. The tallest Nisei player in college basketball, 6 feet 4 inch Satoru Amaki, a sophomore, is not making the trip.

## Little Benny Morinaga Sparks Ontario Team

Although there are relatively few Nisei starring in high school basketball, K. Hoshida of Caldwell, Idaho reports that Ontario, Ore., high in the Snake River valley has a 5-foot star named Benny Morinaga who is the spark plug for the unbeaten Ontario varsity. Morinaga is captain of the team, its best playmaker and a high scorer... Herb Isono, the University high deadeye, finished the season as one of the top scorers in Los Angeles high school basketball... Mitsi Hada of Placer College TKO'd Larry Nakamura of Yuba College in a boxing bout at Auburn, Calif., on Jan. 27 in the 126-pound division. George Wadahara, erstwhile Yuba football player, lost to Bob Buford of Placer in the light-heavyweight division... Walter Takeda, last week won the title of the "most valuable" Class B football at Sacramento high school during the past season. Besides Takeda letters were won by Roy Ichiko and Hiro Dote... Harry Yasumoto was top man with 15 points as Sanger, Calif. high defeated Selma, 43 to 28, last week. Kubo added a point on a foul throw for Sanger.

## Sports Editor Continues Fight on ABC

Royal Brougham, sports editor of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, is still fighting the good fight on behalf of democracy in bowling. Brougham turned the national spotlight on the American Bowling Congress' action in barring Nisei war veterans in the Boeing Employees league in Seattle last year and that incident did much to highlight the ABC's racist policy.

This week Brougham noted recent actions by Wisconsin, Illinois and New York which seek to outlaw the ABC and commented:

"We really didn't mean to kick up such a commotion when this corner printed the expose about the American Bowling Congress high-hatting Uncle Sam's war heroes.

"But the ruthless discrimination against the Boeing workers has reached the high places. The Seattle case is adding fuel to the flames which threatens the very life of the autocratic ABC in Eastern courts.

"The group stubbornly defends its position...

"A man should be able to choose his companions in bowling."

"But should a nationwide organization which dominates and controls every organized tournament in America be permitted to violate all the rules of fair play and sportsmanship by a 'whites only' clause in its by-laws?

"The Seattle Nisei don't want to belong to an exclusive bowling club. They just want a chance to bowl as a team in tournaments with their fellow employees. The ABC says they can't."

Nationwide publicity given the ABC's racist rule barring non-Caucasians from bowling in its leagues and tournaments is making many ABC bowlers ashamed of their organization. Already a number of leagues have quit the ABC and others probably will if the national organization does not revise its constitution when it meets in Columbus, Ohio, this spring.

This campaign against the ABC's policy of prejudice is a result of the work of the National Committee for Fair Play in Bowling, of which the National JACL is a charter member.

Incidentally, the Women's International Bowling Congress, the distaff counterpart of the ABC, also has similarly restrictive membership laws which bar non-Caucasians. Recently the women bowlers of Rock Springs, Wyo., quit the WIBC because it insisted that a Nisei girl be barred from the league.

While on the subject of discrimination in bowling the ABC should also remove its restrictions which prevent women from bowling in ABC leagues and tournaments.

At least six teams from Los Angeles are expected to enter the National JACL bowling tournament which starts on March 3 at Downtown Bowl in San Francisco. Robertson's Nursery, the 1949 champions, will defend their title... Larry Mekata of Honolulu, 1949 singles champion of the National JACL tournament, promised in Salt Lake City last year that he would be back to defend his crown at the 1950 JACL tourney. As of right now Mekata has a chance to get a free trip to the mainland via the Honolulu Star-Bulletin's Vacation tournament. He is one of 16 finalists in the tourney which will wind up this weekend. After the first round of the finals Roy Ah Nee led with 1,289 with Mekata in third place at 1,207 for six games.

## Misaka's 649 Tops Salt Lake Bowlers

A blózing 649 series by Wat Misaka (246-211-192) plus a 623 (180-241-202) by George Kishida gave league-leading Star Coffee four points from OK Cafe as they continued to make a runaway of the Salt Lake JACL bowling league at Temple alleys on Jan. 30.

Bob Shiba's 614 and Dr. Jun Kurumada's 612 topped second-place Okada Insurance as they blanked Walker Insurance.

Third-place Aloha Fountain took three points from Terashima Studio in a close match as Pete Oki topped 571 pins, while Kaz Namba scored 554 for the losers.

Fourth-place Tuxedo Cafe took three from Pagoda behind Ben Mayeda's 554.

Pacific Citizen took over fifth place by trouncing Utah Cannery, 3 to 1, as Mas Horiuchi was high with 563.

Tak Iwamoto tallied 568 as Dawn Noodle split with New Sunrise, while City Cafe upset Doi's Cleaners, 4 to 0.

## Four Nisei "300" Bowlers Enter National JACL Tourney

SAN FRANCISCO—One of the star attractions of the forthcoming National JACL men and women's bowling tournament to be held in San Francisco March 3, 4 and 5 will be the participation of four Nisei bowlers who have rolled 300 games.

The four are: Frank Kebo of Chicago, George Kishida of Salt Lake City, George Kobo of Los Angeles and Fuzzy Shimada of San Jose. Kebo, Kishida and Shimada hit their perfect scores in league competition, while Kobo topped the pins for 12 straight strikes in match play.

It is going to take exceptional bowling to crack the individual series mark of 676 set by Harley Kusumoto of Los Angeles in the 1948 National JACL tournament, but some of the recent high series have been made by the following:

George Kishida, Salt Lake City, 652; Joe Sato, Oakland, 652; Shig Imura, Sacramento, 649-631; Mike Nakamura, Salt Lake City, 647; Frank Kebo, Chicago, 644; Skeets

## Wisconsin Files Suit to Outlaw American Bowling Congress As Pennsylvania Action Urged

The American Bowling Congress this week faced new attacks against its current policy of barring Americans of Japanese, Chinese, Hawaiian, Negro and other non-Caucasian ancestry from sanctioned leagues and tournaments.

As the state of Wisconsin filed a suit which seeks to outlaw the ABC in the state, the state of Pennsylvania was asked by Brith Sholem, national fraternal organization, to investigate charges of race discrimination in the Bowling Congress.

Brith Sholem sent letters to Gov. James H. Duff and to the secretary of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania asking that any anti-racial activities by the ABC be halted and the organization's state charter revoked if the ABC is found guilty of discrimination.

The letters said that Brith Sholem, with 8,000 members in the state, retained membership in the ABC "because we felt that democratic processes within the con-

gress would eliminate un-American practices."

Wisconsin became the third state to file a case against the ABC when action was started on Jan. 27 seeking an injunction against the bowling group for alleged race discrimination.

Suit was instituted by Attorney General Thomas Fairchild in Dane County circuit court.

National headquarters of the ABC, which has more than one million members, are located in Milwaukee.

Meanwhile, suits already are on file against the ABC in Illinois and New York.

Fairchild asked that the ABC and its officers be enjoined from doing business in Wisconsin with any bowling association, league team, corporation, individual bowler or bowling alley proprietor until the congress eliminated its alleged discriminatory practices based upon color or creed.

"The American Bowling Congress and its practices constitute a public nuisance," the complaint said.

The summons called on the ABC to file its answer within 20 days.

The complaint said the ABC has affiliates in 173 communities in Wisconsin, comprising approximately 23,500 teams organized in approximately 2,630 leagues. It added:

"These comprise almost all of the active male participants now engaged in the sport of league or team competitive bowling."

The complaint cited that the congress constitution limited membership in the continental United States to individuals of the "white male sex."

The complaint stated the ABC expelled from its membership those bowling in league or team competition unsanctioned by the congress and refused to allow its members to participate in tournaments when persons other than members of the ABC were eligible to compete.

"As a result of such restrictions, congress members are induced and do refrain from entering competition unsanctioned by the ABC, and teams, leagues and those conducting tournaments are thus coerced into affiliation with the American Bowling Congress," the complaint said.

## Portland League Quits ABC Over "White Males Only" Rule

PORTLAND, Ore.—The American Bowling Congress' "white males only" membership rule, already under fire in Wisconsin, New York and Illinois, backfired in Portland this week.

The ABC rule, barring all non-Caucasian bowlers from sanctioned

competition, was given as the reason this week for the withdrawal of the 12-team Bonneville Power administration league from the Portland Bowling association which is affiliated with the ABC.

Al Mottram, secretary of the Portland association, said he had been notified by the Bonneville league that it intended to withdraw from the association if the ABC's policy of race discrimination was upheld.

Earlier Mottram had advised Skina that the league was violating the racial rule by permitting a non-white to compete in sanctioned play.

The bowler in question is Frank Ding, Chinese American veteran of World War II. Ding is a member of the Sub-station Design team in the league and has been rolling regularly with the team for several years.

Mottram said he notified Skina of the violation in the routine course of checking individuals in all city sanctioned leagues. Mottram said this check was necessary to insure the city association's sanction in the ABC.

## Hawaiians Enter Annual Intermountain Cage Tournament

The Hawaii AJA All-Stars are the first team to enter the 15th annual Intermountain Nisei invitational basketball tournament to be held March 23 to 25 in Salt Lake City.

The Hawaii All-Stars are defending champions. Last year they took the Pocatello JACL, Seattle Tokuda Drugs and Harlem AC teams in easy fashion to win the title.

Advance notices indicate that the islanders will field the same first string that won the tournament last year. They include Hal Tome, Michael Sugai and Reggie Aisaka, who were named on the tournament all-stars, plus Earl Hirotsu and Tom Inafuku. They will be augmented by the best players in the team in the senior AJA league in Hawaii.

Other teams from Washington, Colorado, Idaho and California are expected to enter the meet. The tournament is held under sponsorship of the Salt Lake JACL Basketball association.

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# Vital Statistics

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Toyama a girl, Marcia Ann, on Jan. 19 in Dayton, Ohio.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marubashi, Gridley, Calif., a boy on Jan. 16.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mike Tanimoto a girl on Jan. 23 in Gridley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Bob Ishida, San Mateo, Calif., a girl on Jan. 16.

To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Tabata a boy, John Dirk, on Jan. 15 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tomoyuki Takata a girl, Susan Sumiko, on Jan. 13 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Atsushi Tokunaga a boy, Megumi Milton, on Jan. 13 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Seizo Toyoshima a girl Dorene Emiko, on Jan. 13 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sakuo Yamagata a boy, Kay, on Jan. 11 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Naoyoshi Akimoto a boy, Arthur Mamoru, on Jan. 13 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Inana a boy, Lloyd Takeshi, on Jan. 14 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kurokawa, Lindsay, Calif., a girl on Jan. 11.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoneo Mori a girl on Jan. 13 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi J. Fujisaka, Sanger, Calif., a boy on Jan. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fumi Sano a boy on Jan. 4 in Reedley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Sakai, Clarksburg, Calif., a girl on Jan. 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiharu Ishihara a boy on Jan. 19 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Isao Sakaishi a boy on Jan. 25 in Auburn, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Yamada a girl on Jan. 28 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masatoshi Tomimaga a girl on Jan. 16 in Ogden, Utah.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gene Akutsu a boy on Jan. 24 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom T. Tanaka a boy, John Stuart, on Dec. 8 in Minneapolis, Minn.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Saiki,

Mankato, Minn., a girl, Amy Jean, on Jan. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Hayashi a boy in Oakland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Haiji Nakama, Azusa, Calif., a boy, Russell Kanoo, on Jan. 15.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Yuzuru Sato, West Los Angeles, a boy, Garry Yuzy, on Jan. 17.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Shimamoto a girl, Claris Riyoko, on Jan. 16 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Imoto a girl, Denko, on Jan. 14 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yahiko Shiosaki, Norwalk, Calif., a boy, Glenn Haruo, on Jan. 15.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kunitsugu a boy on Jan. 25 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Honda a girl, Gloria, on Jan. 28 in Idaho Falls, Ida.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Tateishi, West Sacramento, Calif., a girl on Jan. 20.

## DEATHS

Yagoro Nakatsuko of Torrance, Calif., on Jan. 24.

Sakutaro Aso on Jan. 25 in Denver.

Manjiro Kawamura, 62, on Jan. 28 in Salt Lake City.

Takeji Abe, 61, on Jan. 25 in Seattle.

Seiichi Kobayashi, 75, on Jan. 26 in Sedgwick, Colo.

Kamekichi Kato, 75, on Jan. 28 in Denver, Colo.

Tomio Itahashi on Jan. 11 in Chicago.

Henry M. Terazawa, 32, of Concord, Calif., on Jan. 30 in Minneapolis, Minn.

Zensaburo Sakamoto on Jan. 25 in Los Angeles.

Yoshiro H. Fujita on Jan. 26 in Denver.

Mrs. Kiyoe Minamide on Jan. 27 in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Yachiyo Hirose on Jan. 28 in Los Angeles.

## MARRIAGES

Marvel M. Maeda to Shinji Henry Miyata of Los Angeles on Nov. 23 in Chicago.

Yoshiko Hozaki to Sunao Hongo on Jan. 29 in Los Angeles.

Emiko Miyashita of Pasadena

# Discuss JACL National Queen Contest



CHICAGO—With obvious relish, members of the JACL convention board discuss rules and regulations for the National JACL queen contest, which has now become a regular feature of JACL conventions. Board members above are (l to r) Chizu Iiyama, Dick Akagi, Kumeo Yoshinari, Roxie Takehara, Shig Wakamatsu, William Hiura, Randolph Sakada, chairman, Noboru Honda, Ronald Shiozaki, Jack Nakagawa and Mike Hagiwara.

The prettiest Nisei girls from all parts of the

country will be in Chicago Sept. 28 to Oct. 2, dates of the National JACL convention, to compete for the "Miss JACL" title. Intelligence and personality have also been listed as requisites for the title.

Rules for the contest will be released soon, the convention board announced this week. Local chapters were urged to be on the lookout for likely candidates from their districts.

—Photo by Edgar Zobel, Chicago.

# Equality in Naturalization Will Be Topic of Radio Panel

CHICAGO — "Equality in Naturalization and Immigration" will be the topic discussed on Jack Cooper's "Listen Chicago" broadcast this coming Sunday afternoon, Feb. 5 over WHFC. The program, which will come on 1450 Kilocycles between 2:30-3, will be a panel discussion having as its moderator Togo Tanaka with Miss Mari Sabusawa, formerly of the American Race Relations Council; Tahei Matsunaga, JACL-ADC fund drive chairman; Corneff Taylor, director of the department of community services of the Commission on Human Relations, City of Chicago

and Richard Akagi, Midwest regional representative of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Jack Cooper's program, "Listen Chicago," broadcasts weekly at the same time to the southside Chicago audience and deals primarily with those aspects of "human relations" as they relate to the wider problems of community integration and action.

## Mail

Two letters for Joe Ono are being held at the Pacific Citizen office at 415 Beason bldg., Salt Lake City.

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## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Mary Ann Hiraki, 20, and Shigeo Jack Ono, 26, in Seattle.

Asako Sako, 30, Lindsay, Calif., and Morito Sako, 35, Mill Valley, in Stockton.

Yoneko Kawata, 29, and Kujoto Mochizuki, 29, in Seattle.

Ikuko Tanii, 23, Redwood City, Calif., and Kazuo Sumida, 32, Palo Alto, in San Jose.

Ann Inouye, 20, Campbell, Calif., and Tom Masuda, 22, Madrone, in San Jose.

Betty Chiyoko Hari, 25, and Roy Hisao Himato, 30, Walnut Grove, Calif., in Sacramento.

Setsuko Kishi, 27, El Monte, Calif., and George Akaba, 31, in Stockton.

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Mike Iwatsubo, new president of the American Loyalty League of Fresno, a JACL chapter, is shown receiving his gavel from Fred Hirasuna (extreme right), following installation ceremonies at the American Legion Post 4 canteen in Fresno on Jan. 21. Other new officers are (seated) Haruko Herky Kawahara, rec. sec.; Dr. George Suda, 1st v.p.; (standing) Ben Nakamura, treas.; Jin Ishikawa, alternate delegate; and Tom Nakamura, official delegate. Not in the picture are Caroline Matsuyama, corres. sec., and Paulo Takahashi, 2nd v.p. The photo was taken by Mr. Takahashi.

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## Seek Formation Of Interclub Group

Formation of a Salt Lake City Nisei interclub council has been initiated by the local JACL chapter to encourage wider participation of the area's Nisei organizations in civic activities.

The council also will draw up a monthly calendar to avoid conflicts in dates of social activities.

The following organizations have named representatives to cooperate with the JACL in forming the interclub council: YBA, Amy Yagi; Seinkai, Jiro Sakano; YPF, Skip Tabata; Maryettes, Alice Watanabe; Hawaii Club, Rodney Toma; JACL Auxiliary, Mrs. James Yamamoto; Uniques, Mary Shiba; Hi-Lighters, Mary Takita; Bridge Club, Bill Mizuno; Girls Bowling league, Barbara Okuda; Men's Bowling league, Ken Takeno, and the Basketball Association, Yosh Kojimoto.

## Appoint Endo JACL Bowling Commissioner

Appointment of Gish Endo of East Oakland, Calif., as national bowling commissioner for the JACL was announced this week by President Hito Okada.

Endo, a member of the Eden Township JACL, is chairman of the National JACL bowling tournament which will be held in San Francisco at Downtown Bowl on March 3, 4 and 5.

According to the tournament committee in San Francisco, the following officials have been named for the national tourney:

Betty Sasaki and Yosh Amino, executive secretaries; Dr. Tokuji Hedani, Mike Inouye and Lois Tabuchi, treasurers; Jack Hirose and Tom Sakai, auditors; Iwao Kawakami, publicity; Ken Morino, Kayo Hayakawa, Gish Endo, Ruby Ikeda, Dr. Tokuji Hedani, Yas Abiko, Dick Ikeda and Fred Hoshiyama, program; San Francisco JACL chapter, dinner dance; Kayo Hayakawa, hotel reservations; Dick Ikeda and Chy Kawakami, trophies; Rene Miyake, announcer; Downtown Bowl staff, scorers; S.F. JACL, Women's league, registrars; and Rex Golobic, Bill McGowan and Jerry Warden, rules.

## Appears on Quiz

CHICAGO—Fred Kanda of 1208 W. 64th Street, 14 year old student at Bass School of this city, appeared on the "Carnival of Books" radio quiz program with Mr. J. Kjellgaard, author of NOSE FOR TROUBLE, over WMAQ on Saturday morning, January 28th.



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## New Evacuee Claims Office Planned for San Francisco

### Check Held for Ex-Minidoka Man

The Treasury department is holding a check for Jensaku Makita, former resident of the Minidoka relocation center, the National JACL was told this week.

The check will be held for six months. It can be claimed by writing to the Department of Disbursement, Treasury department, 411 Federal building, Salt Lake City.

### Santa Barbara JACL Reelects Cabinet

SANTA BARBARA, Calif.—The entire JACL cabinet of the Santa Barbara chapter for 1949 was reelected recently to serve in 1950.

Chapter officers are: Pres. Tad Kanetomo; vice-pres., Tom Hirasima; corres. sec., Barbara Fukuzawa; rec. sec., Dorothy Nomura; treas., Tom Fukumura; historian, Florence Fukuzawa; auditor, Frank Fujii; social chairmen, John Suzuki and Yo Mori; publicity, Mich Fukuzawa; members at large, Ikey Kakimoto, Dr. and Lillian Nakaji, Aki Endo and Nobu Tabata.

The chapter will begin its JACL-ADC fund drive with a goal of \$400 on February first, reported president Kanetomo.

### Wedding

POCATELLO, Ida.—Miss Toshi Yamada, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Yamada of Pocatello, became the bride of Sho Higashi of Seattle Saturday, Jan. 28, in impressive rites performed by the Rev. Leroy Walker at the First Methodist church.

The bride wore a traditional white satin gown. She was attended by her sister, Miyo, and bridesmaids Toshi Tsukamoto and Sachi Kawamura.

Ossie Hirata of Seattle was best man and Jiro Yamada and Kazuo Endow were ushers. A reception followed at Memorial hall. A dance was held in the ballroom in the evening. The bride was feted Sunday preceding the wedding at a shower given by Mrs. Ida Kanaki, Mrs. June Yamashita and Sachi Kawamura.

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