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Nine Japanese Americans Win Election, 23 Nominated for Hawaii Constitutional Meet

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HONOLULU—Amazing success was scored by Nisei in the primary election of delegates to the coming state constitutional convention.

Of the 46 Japanese Americans in the territory who entered the race, nine were elected outright, 23 were nominated and 14 defeated.

Keen competition was noted in almost every contest. Newcomers to politics, Nisei as well as other racial groups showed up surprisingly strong.

In all 243 men and women of all races ran for office in the primary election held Saturday, Feb. 11. Only 63 are to be elected to do the historic job of writing the constitution for the future state of Hawaii. The convention assembles in Honolulu starting April 4.

Nineteen seats were filled as a result of the outright election of that many candidates in the primary. Of the 19 nine are of Japanese ancestry. They will not need to run in the general election March 21.

The nine Nisei elected were:

Dr. Katsumi Kometani, Honolulu dentist; Yasutaka Fukushima, Honolulu attorney; Tom T. Okino, Hilo attorney; Thomas T. Sakakihara, Hilo district court practitioner; Teruo Ihara, public school teacher; Sakuichi Sakai, Big Island merchant; Kazuo Kage, public school teacher; Jack H. Mizuha, Kauai attorney; H. S. Kawakami, Kauai merchant.

Except for Reps. Sakakihara, Sakai and Mizuha, none of the others are elected officials of the government. Several ran for elective office for the first time. Sakai and Mizuha are county supervisors on Hawaii and on Kauai, respectively.

The 23 Nisei who were nominated and will run in the general election next month are:

Nelson K. Doi, Rep. Takao Yamauchi, Albert K. Kimura, Kiyoyi Yamamoto, Peter Wawahara, Jimmie Ushiroda, Rep. Tom Tagawa, Kameo Ichimura, Harold T. Kido, Akira (Sunshine) Fukunaga, Supervisor Richard M. Kageyama, Rep. Mitsuyuki Kido, Clarence Y. Shimamura, Sakae Takasaki, Masao Kanemaru, Hideo Okada, Taro H. Uyehara, Francis M. Okita, George Akita, Ralph C. Honda, James Kaname Murakami, Rep. Steere G. Noda and Toshio Serizawa.

The only Nisei political office

holder to be defeated was Rep. Noboru Miyake of Kauai. H. S. Kawakami, an alien who became an American citizen through military service, won over Miyake in his first attempt at elective office.

The youngest candidate to be nominated was a Nisei student at the University of Hawaii, 23-year old George Akita. Incidentally, university students were among the most active campaigners in the primary. They helped nominate a number of professors.

Professional men, notably lawyers, made up the bulk of the successful candidates. Several dentists also are among the nominees.

Nisei war veterans backed the candidacy of Akira (Sunshine) Fukunaga, executive secretary of the 442nd Veterans club, nominated for his first entry into public office.

Two brothers were nominated—Rep. Kido of Honolulu and Harold T. Kido of Maui.

In two contests, the only candidates were Nisei, which automatically meant the elimination of some of them. This situation occurred on the neighbor islands.

On Oahu, where two-thirds of the territory's population is concentrated, most of the candidates were non-Japanese; as a matter of fact, there were no Nisei at all represented in some races.

Several of the successful Nisei candidates are public school teachers—a growing trend.

The Nisei who drew the most attention probably was Rep. Tommy Sakakihara, a veteran legislator of Hilo. He won outright election over the leader of an opposition Republican faction, arousing speculation that he may run for the territorial senate in the fall elections.

Many merchants and businessmen are among the Nisei nominees. A number of labor union men, too, made the grade.

Not Opposed to Issei Citizenship, Says Russell

Masaoka Discusses Status of Legislation Before Church Group

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, returned on Feb. 13 from a two-day meeting of the advisory board to the race relations department, American Missionary association of the Congregational Christian churches, in Cleveland.

Mr. Masaoka discussed briefly the status of legislation affecting persons of Japanese ancestry in this country and explained the assistance the JACL has lent to the National Congress of American Indians in Washington.

While in Cleveland, the legislative director met with the Cleveland chapter board officers, including Mrs. Alice Morihiro, president, and Howard Tashima and Frank Shiba, past presidents, as well as Thomas Sashihara, president of the Issei group cooperating with the JACL in Cleveland.

JACL to Take Part in Civil Rights Parley

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Under the chairmanship of former United States Attorney General Francis Biddle, the National Civil Liberties Clearing House will hold its third annual civil liberties conference here Feb. 23 and 24.

Composed of some 250 national organizations, including the JACL, the NCLCH is a loosely knit federation designed to facilitate inter-organizational cooperation in four major areas: civil rights, civil liberties, preservation of freedom in the academic field and recognition and establishment of fundamental human rights within all nations.

At the forthcoming conference, Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, will act as chairman of the NCLCH legislative committee. Mrs. Etsu Masaoka is a member of the arrangements committee.

Keynote of the conference was sounded by the NCLCH in a statement which read:

"It is time to ask ourselves if the measures being taken to resist foreign totalitarian aggression and domestic subversion are leading us to embrace totalitarian techniques . . . if the measures taken to make us strong are diminishing the real sources of our strength."

Among speakers scheduled at the conference are:

Philip B. Pearlman, Solicitor General of the United States; Thurgood Marshall, of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Roger Baldwin, American Civil Liberties Union; Mr. Biddle, and James Lawrence Fly, former chairman of the Federal Communications Commission.

TAKEI NAMED AS PROGRESSIVE PARTY DELEGATE

LOS ANGELES — Election of Art Takei of Los Angeles as a delegate from California to the national convention of the Progressive party in Chicago on Feb. 24, 25 and 26 was announced this week by the state central committee of the Independent Progressive Party.

Takei is a member of the Nisei Progressives of Los Angeles.

Noting that Takei will provide representation for Japanese Americans at the convention, Jack Berman, executive vice-chairman of the IPP in California, said that the representation of this and other minority groups "is a desirous and necessary factor in our democratic process."

Georgia Senator Indicates He Will No Longer Object To Naturalization Equality Bill

WASHINGTON, D.C.—What probably is the most significant thing to affect the Walter resolution since its approval by the Senate Judiciary Committee came on Feb. 13 when Sen. Richard B. Russell (D., Ga.), said he is not opposed to the measure.

In a letter to Mike Masaoka, National JACL ADC legislative director, Sen. Russell wrote:

"I have no objection to the provisions of H. J. Res 238 as they relate to Japanese who are permanent residents of the United States.

"I have been somewhat disturbed over the effect that this Resolution will have on the many thousands of people who are in this country by virtue of treaties with other states. Before the next call of the calendar, I intend to prepare and offer an amendment to clarify this phase of the subject, or if I am convinced that it does not apply to these groups I shall not interpose an objection to the bill."

Since its passage by the House last June, the Walter resolution has come up twice for Senate action on the consent calendar. Twice Sen. Russell has voiced the only objection to its passage.

Mr. Masaoka said he was "greatly encouraged" by Sen. Russell's letter.

"I feel this is the most significant development on the bill since it was reported out by the Senate Judiciary last year," he said, adding:

"By his letter, Sen. Russell indicated that he opposed the bill chiefly because of a doubt in his own mind as to just what the full provisions of the bill were. I am sure that we can clarify this matter to Sen. Russell's complete satisfaction."

According to Mr. Masaoka, the resolution would have no effect on treaty visitors to the U.S. An analysis of the bill, with this feature discussed thoroughly, now is being prepared by Rep. Frances E. Walter, (D., Pa.), author of the measure and chairman of the House Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization. Rep. Walter will give this report to Sen. Russell.

Rep. Ed. Gossett (D., Tex.), has said that he, too would discuss

the bill with Sen. Russell and explain that it would have no effect upon treaty visitors.

The persons Sen. Russell referred to include such special visitors as students, treaty merchants and others admitted for special business here.

Under existing law, many such treaty visitors would be entitled to naturalization were they here as legal immigrants rather than treaty residents. But treaty visitors, not being classified as admitted for permanent residence, cannot become citizens because current laws clearly define their status in this nation.

The Walter Resolution's only purpose is to eliminate race as a requisite to naturalization.

The next call of the calendar in the Senate probably will be within four to six weeks.

Mr. Masaoka pointed out that while it now seems rather evident that Sen. Russell no longer will object to the bill, there are still several hazards confronting it.

When the calendar is called again, it is possible the Senate may not take up any measures which were objected to both last year and this, thus bypassing action on the Walter Resolution, among a great many other bills.

If the Senate does, however, consider the resolution, it is not yet known whether any one else may object.

Because of this later possibility, Mr. Masaoka said the JACL ADC still is seeking to have the naturalization proposal placed on the legislative calendar in the Senate, clearing the way for a debate and roll call vote on it.

He has scheduled several conferences this week to explore such legislative procedure more fully, and, among others, will discuss it again with Sen. Scott Lucas, (D., Ill.), Senate majority leader.

Veterans of 442nd Will Be Honored by Tokyo Government

Veterans of the famous 442nd Combat Team, now serving on American occupation duty in Japan, will be honored by the Tokyo metropolitan government at a party to be held late in March or early in April, the Nichi-Bei Times of San Francisco reported on Feb. 9.

The report declared that all former members of the famous Nisei combat unit who are now in Japan as occupation soldiers of civilian personnel are now listed by the U.S. Eighth Army's public information office. When the list is complete, the time and place of the reception will be announced.

Earl Finch, the Mississippi businessman-rancher who became the 442nd's "one-man USO," may also be honored at the affair. Finch is now in Japan on a business trip.

In a talk at a reception held in his honor upon his arrival in Tokyo last week by plane from Honolulu, Finch stressed the important role of Nisei in promoting friendly relations between Japan and the United States.

Finch was honored at a party at the Gajoen hotel in suburban Tokyo, sponsored by former members of the 442nd Combat Team.

Hakumasa Hamamoto of Honolulu introduced Finch as the man who befriended Nisei GIs in Mississippi and continued to be their

friend after the war. Earl Finch has given up his Hattiesburg, Miss., business and farming interests and is now living in Honolulu. He has given business and occupational advice to many Nisei veterans of the 442nd.

In a short talk at the party in Tokyo, Finch said:

"America is very grateful for the work done by the Nisei members of the armed forces during the war and for what they are continuing to do in Japan. You boys have a chance to make friends for the U.S. We want the American people to understand the Japanese people and the Japanese people to understand the United States."

Ryutaro Takahashi, chairman of the all-Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, paid tribute to Finch for his acts of friendship toward Nisei in the United States. Takahashi said this was "particularly significant in that the southern part of the United States is not free from racial discrimination."

Takahashi also thanked Finch for the latter's gift of 20,000 lollipops for the children of Tokyo.

Mitsuko Mito, Japanese film actress, presented a bouquet to Finch while Prince Kuni, elder brother of the Empress, proposed a toast to the "one-man USO" from America.

Pasadena JACL Will Support Unbiased Policy of Realtor

PASADENA, Calif.—William C. Carr, Pasadena realtor who recently came under the fire of protests because of his unprejudiced attitude and practice in his business relations with members of minority groups, including Nisei and Negroes, this week received the assurance of support from the JACL through its Pasadena chapter.

Thomas T. Omori, president of the Pasadena JACL, wrote Mr. Carr:

"The Pasadena chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League recognizes the courageous stand you have taken in your business practice to uphold the principles of democracy and defeat the evils of segregation."

"Our membership, backed by our national organization of more than sixty chapters throughout the United States, pledges its active and moral support to you in this test of equal rights. It is a challenge to all of us which we are happy to accept."

"We are obviously aware of your leading part in the activities of the 'Friends of the American Way' and your sincerity of purpose is unquestioned. For this reason we wish you to feel free to call upon us at any time

if we can be of any service." Omori is on the staff of the California Institute of Technology, jet propulsion laboratory, in Pasadena.

Frank Chuman Will Take Part in Panel on Democracy

LOS ANGELES—"Great Issues of Democracy at Home and Abroad in 1950" will be the subject matter for discussion by a panel of six prominent Los Angelenos at the Lincoln Memorial Church on Feb. 19 at 7:30 p.m., it was announced by the local JACL Regional Office.

Frank Chuman, national JACL second vice president, will be the Nisei participant on the panel whose moderator will be Rev. Lloyd M. Galloway, minister of the church.

Other panel members are Michael Freed, Civil Rights Department, Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith; Mrs. Loren Miller of the League of Women Voters; Henry Nava, president, Eliseo Carrillo and Ralph Guzman of the Community Service Organization; and John Dial, Jr., Fair Practices Committee, Greater Los Angeles CIO Council.

JACL National Recognitions Committee Awaits Nominations For "Nisei of Year" Award

CHICAGO—The National Recognitions Committee of the JACL will again honor those who have served to promote the general welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States, announced Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, chairman of the committee, this week.

"The categories in which the awards are to be made," said Dr. Yatabe, "are distinguished leadership, distinguished service and distinguished achievement."

The National Recognitions Committee will select a minimum of five and a maximum of 16 Nisei biennially for awards in distinguished leadership, and of those selected in this category, one will be named "Nisei of the Year."

The "Nisei of the Year" award, stated Dr. Yatabe, will be given to one who has been judged to have contributed, over the years but especially during the preceding two years, the most toward improving the harmony and understanding between those of Japanese and non-Japanese ancestry in the United States.

"Any citizen of the United States," said Dr. Yatabe, "may nominate a candidate for distinguished leadership awards, but such a nomination must be in writing and must include a biographical sketch of the candidate along with such pertinent information as will enable the National Recognitions Committee to evaluate the achievements of the candidate in meeting the criteria of the award."

The deadline for submission of nominations is July 31, 1950. These nominations should be addressed to: Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, chairman, National Recognitions Committee, c/o Midwest Regional Office, JACL, Room 1008, Chicago 2, Ill.

The National Recognitions Committee cannot consider any Nisei for a distinguished leadership award, warned Dr. Yatabe, unless that name has been submitted in writing and conforms to the stipulations named above.

Nominations may also be made by chapters. Members of the National Recognitions Committee also may make nominations, as many individual members of chapters might wish to sponsor one or more candidates collectively.

"The National Recognitions Committee," said Dr. Yatabe, "will appoint in Chicago a special subcommittee which will have the power of initial review for the purpose of selecting the 50 most qualified candidates to a national panel of judges. This panel of judges, which will include outstanding non-Japanese as well as Japanese, is now in formation."

The distinguished service awards are to be conferred upon outstanding non-Japanese Americans, to "an individual who has contributed the most during the past biennium to the advancement of human relations in America." The recipients of these awards will be chosen by the National Recognitions Committee with various National bodies of the JACL and the JACL-ADC.

The distinguished achievement awards are biennial awards given to Nisei who have achieved particular success in their own fields of endeavor. Awards may be conferred in one or all of the following areas: (1) human relations; (2) fine arts; (3) science and medicine; (4) farm, agriculture; (5) sports.

"It is important to emphasize," said Dr. Yatabe, "that anyone may nominate a candidate for a distinguished leadership award. Just as soon as these nominations come in, we shall publicize the nominee

Santa Clara County Chapter Challenges San Francisco JACL

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The United Citizens League of Santa Clara County this week challenged the San Francisco JACL chapter to a membership contest, according to Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto, president.

The Santa Clara County JACL group hopes to top its record of more than 500 members which was set in 1941.

Esau Shimizu, chairman of the membership drive, has picked two teams, to be captained by Sachi Endo and Phil Matsumura, to canvass Santa Clara county.

Endo's team will include Bill Yamamoto, George Tsukagawa, Akira Shimoguchi, Betty Kanemoto, Muts Furiya, Dr. Tokio Ishikawa, Dr. Robert Okamoto, Ken Iwagaki and Edward Kitazumi.

The opposing team will include Shig Masunaga, Mrs. Hashimoto, Hiroko Masunaga, Harry Kiyomura, Eiichi Sakauye, Wayne Kanemoto, Henry Hamasaki, Tom Sugishita, Sam Tanase and Edward Nakano.

The following committee chairmen were announced this week by Mrs. Hashimoto: Art Nakata, program; Phil Matsumura, publicity; Esau Shimizu, membership; Dr. Robert Okamoto, budget and finance; Wayne Kanemoto, building; Akira Shimoguchi, dance; Shig Masunaga, memorial service; Eiichi Sakauye, county fair; Bill Yamamoto, queen contest; Wayne Kanemoto, evacuation claims; and Dave Tatsuno, Yoneo Bepp, naturalization.

Masao Tsutsumida Elected to Head Arizona JACL Group

GLENDAL, Ariz. — Masao Tsutsumida of Glendale, Arizona will head this year's Arizona JACL chapter, it was recently reported. Tsutsumida and his cabinet were installed at the annual New Year's Eve dinner-dance attended by more than 200 persons.

The newly elected officers of the Arizona JACL assisting Tsutsumida are: First vice president, Yukio Miyauchi; 2nd vice president, Hiromu Matsumoto; 3rd vice president, Ken Yoshioka; secretary, Terry Yoshiga; treasurer, Masaji Inoshita; athletic manager, Lindy Okabayashi; social chairman, Mrs. Toshiko Yoshioka; Northside representative, George Tadano; Southside representative, Kinya Watanabe. The retiring president is George Saito.

The year's first cabinet meeting was held at the home of Ken Yoshioka with discussion on the 1950 membership drive. Yoshioka will head the membership campaign with a goal of 100. Last year's membership was 79. President Tsutsumida announced that he is planning a general meeting in March to which will be invited the recently appointed Pacific Southwest regional director, Tats Kishida.

with his background in all the vernacular papers.

Plan Chicago Convention



CHICAGO—With the National JACL convention seven months away, the executive committee of the convention board takes time out from its work to pose for an official "still." In front row are Dr. Mas Sakada, chairman, at left, and Jack Nakagawa. In back row, left to right, are Shig Wakamatsu, Noboru Honda and Tom Masuda. Harry Mayeda was not present when the picture was taken.

The executive committee facilitates the work of the board in planning for the five-day event, which will also celebrate the 20th anniversary of the JACL. Special activities planned to enliven the affair for all delegates and boosters include a convention ball, fashion show, queen contest and sports events.

—Photo by Edgar F. Zobel.

Story of Famous Nisei Combat Unit Told to People of Japan

The story of the 442nd combat team and the JACL is being told throughout Japan, where people are eager to hear every bit of news concerning the Nisei and Issei in the United States, according to Edward Fujimoto, Salt Lake businessman who returned here early this month after a four-month trip to Japan.

The story of Nisei combat troops in Europe is being told by Kyoichi Hachiya, director of the Osaka Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Fujimoto said.

Hachiya toured the United States for two and a half months last year as a representative of the Chamber of Commerce. He was so impressed with the record of the 442nd unit that he made a study of its record. While in California he made a special visit to Los Angeles to see Mrs. Nawa Munemori, mother of Pvt. Sadao Munemori, who was the only Nisei to win the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Immediately upon his return to Japan he began a tour of the country under Chamber of Commerce auspices to tell audiences everywhere of the Nisei, the record of the Nisei in battle and their current efforts to eliminate discrimination.

His first lecture was given the day he arrived in Tokyo. During the following five days he gave another five talks.

Since then his lecture itinerary has taken him to practically all parts of Japan. In larger cities he gives a number of separate lectures. His enthusiastic audiences include PTA groups, women's clubs, school groups and civic organizations.

Mr. Fujimoto, who accompanied Hachiya during part of his tour, said that on one occasion Hachiya addressed a thousand high school students.

Many of the audiences are moved to tears at the recital of the 442nd's record in battle, Mr. Fujimoto said, and the story of the unit's triumphal return to the United States, climaxed by the awarding of the presidential unit citation by Pres. Truman.

Hachiya's lectures also include a comparison of the attitude toward persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States before and after the war. It is due to the record of the Nisei soldiers, he tells his Japanese audiences, that the status of the Nisei and Issei has improved considerably since the war. Hachiya made four trips to the United States prior to Pearl Harbor.

Mr. Fujimoto, who returned to Salt Lake City on Feb. 5, noted vast differences in Japan both socially and economically.

While traveling on the train from Beppu to Kagoshima with Hachiya, he said, a fellow passenger was a member of the royal family, Prince Kunihisa Kayo.

Prince Kayo, he said, talked to him and Hachiya for five hours on conditions in the United States. The prince told them he planned to enter the import-export business and hoped to visit the United States soon.

Takahashi Teaches Judo to Police in Colorado Community

DELTA, Colo.—Seizo Takahashi, an authority on judo, is teaching members of Delta's police force and Sheriff Leonard Wilcox's staff the Japanese art of self-defense.

The classes are being conducted in the Delta armory.

Takahashi, nearing 60 years of age, is a resident of Denver and trained members of the U.S. army in both world wars. He also has trained men in police departments of 137 cities in the United States.

He was a professional wrestler for 15 years although he never weighed more than 140 pounds.

Joe Masaoka Lists JACL's Objectives in Marysville Talk

Praises Assemblyman Who Restored Nisei Names to Honor Roll

MARYSVILLE, Calif. — State Assemblyman Arthur Coats, Jr., Mayor Roy Cunningham of Marysville, and Supervisor Harold J. Sperbeck of Yuba county joined in installation services held Feb. 9 by the Marysville JACL.

Joe Grant Masaoka, regional director, gave the main address of the evening.

More than 100 members and guests were present as Supervisor Sperbeck administered the oath of office to Pres. Akiji Yoshimura of Colusa and his cabinet.

In his talk, Masaoka listed equality in naturalization and immigration, abolition of restrictive covenants, a fair employment practices act and erasing of the California anti-alien land act as objectives of the Japanese American Citizens League.

He spoke of the JACL's work in pushing legislation for naturalization rights for 90,000 aliens of Japanese ancestry. Many of these aliens, he said, are parents of U.S. servicemen and veterans.

The Judd bill for equality in immigration and naturalization, the speaker said, would allow immigration of 500 persons yearly from the Asiatic countries. He contrasted this with the present quota of 65,000 for Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Five Chicago Nisei to Talk On Radio Forum

CHICAGO, Ill. — "Destination Freedom," a radio hour sponsored by the Chicago Urban League, will feature five persons of Japanese ancestry on its Brotherhood Week broadcast on Sunday morning, Feb. 19th, from 10 to 10:30, over Station WMAQ.

The participants, in a forum discussing the meaning of brotherhood, are: Mrs. Ken Nishi, organizational secretary for the Chicago Council against Racial and Religious Discrimination; Mr. Corky Kawasaki, formerly with the American Friends Service Committee and now the general sales manager of the Chicago Publishing Corp.; Mr. Michael Hagiwara, chairman of the newly formed Illinois Nisei Committee for the Re-election of Senator Lucas; Miss Mari Sabusawa, formerly on the research staff of the American Council on Race Relations and Mr. Richard Akagi, Midwest regional representative of the Japanese American Citizens League.

The discussion will center on the present status of human relations as reflected in the local communities and will be illustrated by the concrete experiences of the participants in the forum.

Temporary Housing Will Be Demolished At Seabrook Farms

BRIDGETON, N.J.—The initiation of plans to replace temporary wartime housing at Seabrook Farms with permanent housing built to Federal Housing Administration standards has resulted in eviction notices for 120 families, many of them Japanese American evacuees, now living in the barracks quarters which are to be demolished.

The eviction notices will become effective on March 4 but it was reported this week that housing for the families involved is available in other sections of the project where vacancies exist.

Approximately 1,500 evacuees from Japanese American war relocation centers were employed at Seabrook Farms during the war years but the number has dropped steadily, with many families returning to the west coast while others have moved to new homes in eastern states.

Several hundred Japanese Peruvians, who were interned in the United States during the war, were also employed at Seabrook Farms and many Peruvian families still are on the project.

Because of the need for additional farm workers, it is reported that European DP's are being hired but officials declared that these persons will supplement rather than replace the Japanese Americans and other employees at Seabrook.

Critics Praise Hayakawa's Playing in "Three Came Home"

HOLLYWOOD — Sessue Hayakawa's performance as the Japanese commandant of a civilian internment camp in Darryl Zanuck's 20th Century-Fox film, "Three Came Home," won the praise of Hollywood critics at a preview showing of the film last week.

The Hollywood Reporter's comment was typical.

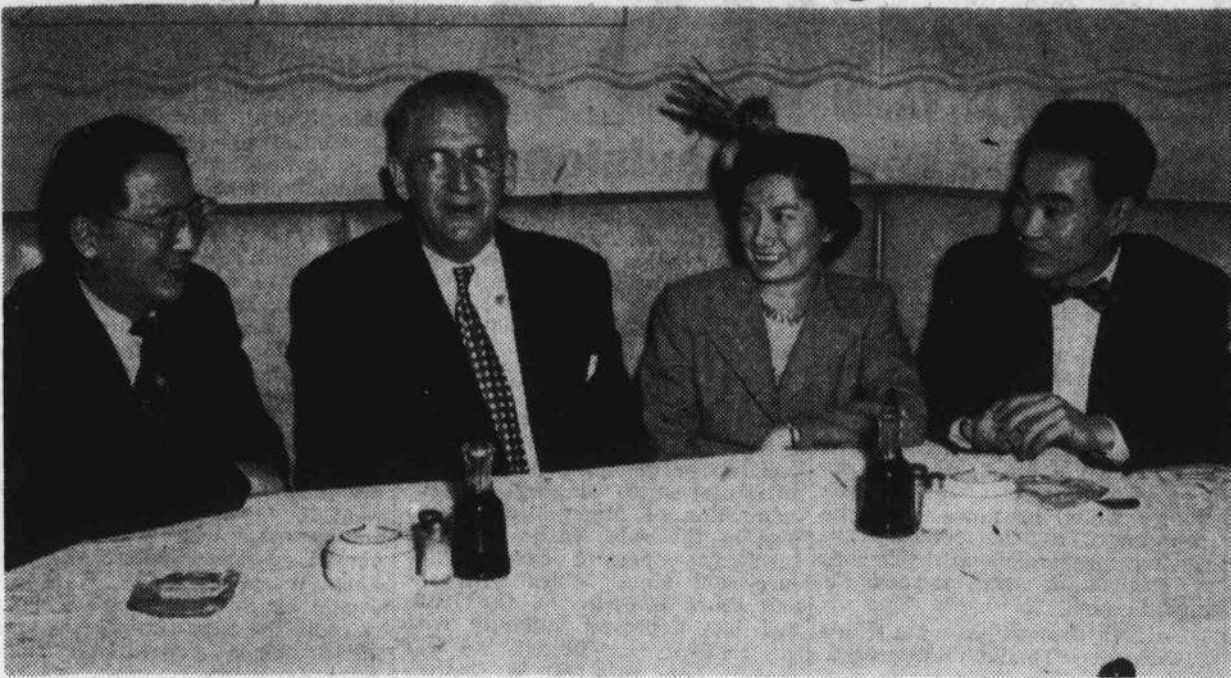
"Sessue Hayakawa, as the Japanese army officer, is extraordinarily effective," the Reporter said on Feb. 10. "Artfully, he conveys the

personality conflicts of a Japanese gentleman with taste and refinement who is caught up in the militaristic fervor of his nationality."

The film, written by Nunnally Johnson and directed by Jean Negulesco, stars Claudette Colbert and Patric Knowles.

The picture is taken from a book by Agnes Newton Keith about an American woman with a British husband who is caught by the war in the Orient and is interned in a Japanese civilian camp on North Borneo.

Sen. Douglas Meets With Chicago Nisei



CHICAGO — Senator Paul Douglas, in a three hour business and luncheon session on February 11 with the steering committee of the Illinois Nisei Committee for the Re-election of Senator Lucas, discussed the committee's strategy and emphases to be assumed in the forthcoming campaign to urge the Japanese American community to register as voters.

"The Senator was quite pleased," said Michael Hagiwara, chairman of the Committee, "to see that we were pointing towards the whole civil rights picture, and not primarily or specifically concerned with our own particular problems."

"The Senator," continued Hagiwara, "agrees that a committee like ours is valuable in indicating to the American public and to the party bosses that there is a sizable Japanese American voting population."

Besides Mr. Hagiwara, the others in the steering committee who met with Senator Douglas are: Mary Hata, Joe Sagami, Kay Tamada and Mary Matsumura.

In the photo (above) with Sen. Douglas are: (left to right) Mike Hagiwara, Mary Matsumura and Joe Sagami.

—Photo by Edgar F. Zobel, Chicago.

JACL ADC Urges Congress Act on New Soldier Brides Bill to Erase Present Bias

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House and Senate Subcommittees on Immigration and Naturalization this week were urged to push action on a new Soldier Brides bill permitting GIs and veterans to bring into this country spouses, fiancées and children racially inadmissible under the old Oriental Exclusion Act of 1924.

In conferences with Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.), House Subcommittee chairman, and Sen. Pat McCarran (D., Nev.), Senate Subcommittee chairman, Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said there are possibly 1000 GIs and veterans who wish to marry Japanese but cannot bring them into this country with private laws.

He told both chairmen approximately 100 private bills are now before Congress in which American swains of both Japanese and non-Japanese ancestry hope to bring Japanese fiancées or wives to America.

Rep. Walter agreed a large number of such bills had come before his committee.

"And," he said, "we're doing everything we can to expedite them." At the same time, he offered this word of advice to veterans and servicemen who wish to marry Japanese nationals:

"Get your own Congressman to introduce a private bill to admit your fiancée or wife." He promised his Subcommittee would give a sympathetic ear to every legitimate bill of this type brought before it.

Sen. McCarran's office said the Nevada Senator was considering "general legislation" eliminating the need for such private bills.

Mr. Masaoka said he urged both Subcommittees to take up Soldier Brides bills now in Congress. One is the Chelf-Farrington bill in the House, the other the McCarran bill in the Senate. Both were introduced last year at the behest of the JACL ADC.

Only for one 30-day period since the end of the war have American servicemen and veterans been permitted to bring spouses into this country without special private bills.

At the request of the JACL ADC, an amendment was introduced to the Soldier Brides Bills of 1945-46 which gave GIs and Veterans the privilege of bringing in European spouses and fiancées without reference to immigration quotas. The amendment extended this privilege to spouses from Japan and Korea providing the marriage took place prior to or during the period July 22-Aug. 22, 1947 and the spouses entered the

United States before the end of 1948.

Although the JACL ADC urged the amendment without any time limit, the 30-day valid period was insisted upon by Congress.

Almost 1000 marriages took place under the provisions of the amendment.

Since the expiration of the law, several hundred private bills have been introduced for men either stationed in Japan or who saw civilian service there. All the fiancées or wives involved are Japanese, and slightly more than 50 per cent of the bills have been introduced at the request of persons of non-Japanese ancestry.

Mr. Masaoka said the JACL ADC is doing "everything it can" to promote passage of a Soldier Brides bill which would give GIs and veterans the same privilege of bringing into this country brides, fiancées, children or stepchildren of Oriental ancestry as it extended to those of European background.

He also called attention to Rep. Walter's statement in pointing out that "currently, and perhaps for sometime to come, the only way a person can bring a bride here who can't get in because of old discredited exclusion laws is by private bill."

He said the introduction of a private bill was a personal matter. If one wishes to get a Japanese national admitted as a spouse or fiancée, one should write directly to his or her Congressman, he pointed out, since the JACL ADC is limited in its facilities on assisting in personal matters.

Kushida Discusses Problems of Nisei

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—The remaining problems facing persons of Japanese ancestry in America and the work of the JACL were described to a Sunday evening congregation of 100 persons at the Grandview Community Presbyterian Church in Glendale on Feb. 12 by the JACL regional director, Tats Kushida.

Karl Taku Heads JACL Chapter in San Luis Obispo

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. — Karl Taku is the newly elected president of the San Luis Obispo County JACL chapter, it was announced this week by Mrs. Mary Nagano, chapter secretary for 1950.

Other officers for the current term are Mitsugi Fukuhara, vice president and Kazuo Ikeda, treasurer. Official delegates and their alternates are: (First), Hilo Fuchiaki and Mitsugi Fukuhara; (second), William Nagano and Karl Taku; (third), Patrick Nagano and Ben Fuchiaki; (fourth), Kazuo Ikeda and Stone Saruwatari, and (fifth), Haruo Hayashi and Masaji Eto.

Congress Sends Valentines to Three Couples

Private Bill Will Permit U.S. Entry Of Japanese Brides

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Congress this week presented valentines to three American veterans — by passing private laws to admit the Japanese fiancées of the trio, according to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

The three future husbands are: Richard D. S. Kwak, a Brigham Young University student, Provo, Utah; Carrol Louis Klotzbach, Washington, D. C.; and William F. Corkery, a student at Michigan University.

Mr. Kwak's fiancée is Toriko Tateuchi, Tokyo, where he met her in 1947 while enroute to the United States for separation from the army. The two became engaged by mail — in October, 1948. Mr. Klotzbach met Mitsue Shigeno the day after he arrived at Chafu, Japan, where he was employed as Assistant Director of Hydroponics and Miss Shigeno was employed as an officers' mess attendant.

Riyoko Sato, Yokohama, and Mr. Corkery met while he was stationed in Japan with the U. S. army. She is 23, he 27.

Attends Meet

LOVELL, Wyo.—Dr. Minol Ota, president of the Northern Wyoming JACL, attended the annual veterinarian convention this week at Fort Collins, Colo.

Dr. Ota is an active Jaycee member and was also initiated recently into the Lovell Lions Club.

JACL Initiates New National Program to Eliminate Bias Against Nisei in Employment

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week began a survey of JACL chapters and regional offices to determine how far the organization can go in cooperating with the United States Employment Service in a volunteer program to promote employment opportunities for persons of Japanese ancestry.

The program, formulated by USES, is a voluntary arrangement between the JACL and the employment service working with private employers to eliminate race, creed, religion, national origin and citizenship, except where required by law, in filling jobs.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, termed the contemplated project "one of the most vital in which the JACL could cooperate."

"It means," he said, "that a national effort will be made to end job discrimination towards Nisei. No matter what other objective the JACL may have, few could be of more importance than seeking to promote employment for Nisei."

"A job commensurate with one's ability is a significant hope in almost every man's life."

In its national survey, the JACL ADC pointed out in a letter to all chapter presidents that "the USES already has developed such a program with the National Urban League (for Negroes)" and is trying to work out similar programs with several other national minority groups.

"On the local level, especially in urban areas, we believe that chapters might organize special committees to work on employment planning and problems. These committees would not only carry on an educational campaign in cooperation with the local USES offices to inform persons of Japanese ancestry of services and facilities available through the local employment service, but also would advise the local ES office of instances of discrimination . . . and participate in community-

wide employment planning.

"In addition, chapter committees could cooperate with the ES locally in opening new fields of employment for persons of Japanese ancestry, as well as working jointly on problems involving other aspects of employment."

Mr. Masaoka urged that all chapters consider this program carefully and advise the JACL ADC how far they will be able to go in working on the local level with state ES offices.

It is likely, though, as much work will be carried by the regional offices as by chapters, he said.

Actually, the JACL is limited in what it can do. Nonetheless, "we can try our best to work out a program for our group, a program that will be particularly important if unemployment increases and business slackens," he added.

Besides working on the local and regional level, the USES will work with both the Washington and national offices of the JACL. On the national level, the USES would provide the JACL and ADC with up-to-the-minute documents and publications concerning employment throughout the United States, and keep the JACL advised of steps taken nationally to improve job opportunities for minority groups.

The JACL ADC in turn would provide the USES with information on any special projects undertaken to eliminate discrimination, and any reports of the organization to aid the employment service in its efforts to broaden the employment opportunities of Nisei.

Locally and regionally state employment service offices will work with chapters and regional staff workers to keep them informed of the local employment picture; find job openings for minority groups and seek to break down discriminatory job patterns of private employers.

JACL chapters and regional offices will be expected to cooperate closely with state ES offices, but to what extent they can do so will be answered only when the survey now being undertaken is completed.

After the survey, Mr. Masaoka said a formal program, predicated upon the extent to which JACL chapters and regional offices can cooperate in the employment project, will be worked out by the JACL ADC and the USES.

Coachella Valley Will Install New President, Cabinet

INDIO, Calif. — Installation of newly elected president, George Shibata, of the Coachella Valley JACL and his 1950 cabinet will be held on Feb. 25 at the Desert Vendome Restaurant, retiring president Tom Sakai revealed this week.

JACL Regional Director Tats Kushida, will install the new officers. Frank Chuman, national JACL second vice president, and other officials are expected to attend.

The final meeting of the retiring cabinet was held on Feb. 5 with most of the discussion centered around plans for a JACL float to be entered in the annual Riverside County fair on Feb. 22. Henry Sakemi and George Wakamoto will design the float, the first to be entered in the parade by the JACL.

New York Nisei Girl Weds Army Pilot in Seattle Rites

SEATTLE—A Nisei girl from New York married her sweetheart, an Army Air Forces pilot from Alexandria, Va., in a ceremony in Seattle on Feb. 11.

The ceremony climaxed an occupation romance.

The bride, the former Tatsuo Kozai of New York, met Lieut. Richard E. Stuart, Jr. in Tokyo, the city which her parents had left many years ago to build a new life in the United States.

Pilot Stuart, 27 years old, had seen a lot of girls on two continents, he said, but didn't fall in love until a day in November, 1948 when he walked into the Tokyo headquarters of the Far East Air Forces.

Tatsu, a librarian, was busy looking up regulations.

The officer who happened to be with him knew Miss Kozai and introduced the two.

As an officer, Stuart couldn't

have entered the swank club where they had their first date, because it was for civilians. So Miss Kozoi took him as her guest.

"She did everything but pay the bill," the lieutenant recalled. "Maybe if I'd been really smart, I'd have left her take care of that, too."

They were married in a Seattle ceremony with Tonia Vaux of Seattle as maid of honor and Lieut. Serhio Molano as best man.

The Stuarts left this week for Alexandria, Va., where they will visit his parents. After two and a half years in Japan, Lieut. Stuart is entitled to a 45-day leave, plus 12 days travel time, which will add up to a pleasantly long honeymoon.

The new Mrs. Stuart is a sister of Shina Kozai, who was the candidate of the New York JACL chapter in the National JACL queen contest in Salt Lake City in 1948.

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EDITORIAL:

Against Prejudice in Employment

A project indicating the increased scope of JACL activity within recent years has just been launched—the JACL's cooperative program with the United States employment service to increase job opportunities for persons of Japanese ancestry.

Many Nisei may recall how, in the course of their search for employment, they were directed only to jobs calling for menial labor, irregardless of their special skills or abilities. Local offices of the USES were often as guilty of this practice as other employment agencies.

Or other Nisei, directed to jobs commensurate with their ability, may recall that prejudice on the part of the employer closed these jobs to them.

These, among others, are the problems which the JACL, in cooperation with the USES, will attempt to solve in their joint project.

Its success, however, will rest to large extent upon the degree to which local chapters will cooperate. In larger and urban communities, the local chapters will have more complex problems than in the rural areas, where unemployment of the kind found in larger cities does not exist. In these cities, especially, local chapters will be able to work upon a project of profound importance to Japanese Americans. The project will entail such work as informing local Nisei and Issei as to job opportunities, keeping USES offices informed of discriminatory problems faced by the Nisei group, and conferring regularly with USES officials.

The JACL ADC this week mailed a circular to all local chapter presidents to find out to what degree these local groups will participate in this national program. It is hoped that full cooperation will be assured. It is a project worthy of support and one indicative of the enlarged scope of JACL work.

The JACL History Project

Within the near future, local JACL chapters will be asked to cooperate in the preparation of the JACL history, now being compiled by Prof. Elmer R. Smith of the University of Utah, by preparing a history of their respective organizations.

The JACL story, which is being written in this 20th year of the league's history, has more than sentimental value as its purpose.

It will be interesting to learn, of course, what social needs and forces of history prompted the Nisei who first organized the early JACL. But it will be of more value to learn how, in relation to the course of history, the JACL moved into wider fields of action, moved from the local and state level to grapple at last with national problems of immigration and naturalization, with employment and housing, with discrimination in every field of activity.

It is never possible to gauge the work of an organization without the perspective of time. At this two-decade point, it is desirable to evaluate the work and aims of the JACL as a guide for future activity. Local chapters perhaps will find special value in the JACL history in learning how earlier chapters solved their local problems and in finding out where they succeeded and where they failed. An understanding of these successes and failures will be invaluable for local chapters in preparing future programs. This may prove one of the most significant contributions of the JACL story.

The major value, however, of the JACL history will be its contribution to the literature on minority groups. As a case history of one minority group and its attempt to solve its specific problems, it will prove of educational value for all groups.

The material in the JACL history should be invaluable to other ethnic groups with like problems of discrimination. It is designed, according to Prof. Smith, as "an analysis of democracy at work," and as a means of showing how far a minority can go toward solution of its problems through organizational machinery.

The Japanese American group is, admittedly, a small and highly organized group. There is a unity among the Nisei that, good or bad, is not found in all other minority groups. (Whether or not this unity is entirely desirable is open to discussion, but it is easy to realize why and how this unity came about.)

The JACL history, at any rate, will show how, through such organization, a minority can work to overcome its problems.

Local JACL chapters can do their part in preparation of this history by submitting, in as much detail as possible, the history of their own organizations.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

Cho-Cho-San on Television

One night last week, in that part of the United States which fortunately is linked by coaxial cable and microwave transmission with New York City, the television audience saw and heard a Nisei girl sing the title role in Puccini's "Madame Butterfly". The TV audience, numbering far more than a million on the NBC network that night, was probably the greatest for any single opera performance in history and will be even greater when the kinescope (film recordings) of the NBC Opera Theater production are televised by stations in areas beyond the coaxial cable.

Through the medium of a single performance Tomiko Kanazawa, a Los Angeles girl who is now firmly established in opera, has now played before a greater audience than any Cho-Cho-San in history.

The NBC Opera Theater's production was especially designed for television. Samuel Chotzinoff, the producer, and Director Charles Polachek made no attempt to emulate the staging made familiar by the Metropolitan, San Carlo and other opera companies. Because of time limitations, the opera was abridged to 60 minutes and this necessitated the cutting of several arias. The production itself was patterned to fit the eye of the television camera and the scope of the video screen.

Rather than present static views of the performers singing the familiar Puccini arias, the NBC Opera Theater used the flexible video camera to "accent mood, color and tempo," as Variety's reviewer observed. The critic added: "The mood established by the reflections in the garden pool; the intricate blending of scenes; the fine camera work in the fades to denote change of scenes and the passing of time; the larger scope achieved in Carl Kent's setting of a Japanese home, garden, and even the distant approach—here was interesting, ambitious television and a broader canvas for opera."

This was the second production of the NBC group but the first in which TV techniques were used on a standard opera (CBS previously, with the aid of Lawrence Tibbett, presented a 75-minute version of Bizet's "Carmen"). The NBC Opera Theater's first production was a televised version of Kurt Weill's American folk opera, "Down in the Valley," which is still new and little known to the majority of Americans. In approaching "Madame Butterfly" the producers were aware that two generations of Americans already have a preconceived notion of how the opera should be mounted because of the productions of the Metropolitan, the touring San Carlo and numerous local companies. In addition NBC presented the opera in English. Reactions received by NBC to date on the televised "Butterfly" appear to be favorable. Newsweek, for example, commented that it was "successful entertainment" and proved that "opera can be adapted to the mass American television audience."

Miss Kanazawa's performance also rated praise. Variety, for example, declared that the "Japanese American soprano sang with a voice that was unstrained and lyrically beautiful, and in every way made an appealing Butterfly."

Davis Cunningham appeared as Lieut. Pinkerton, while Conchita Gaston was Suzuki. The orchestra, comprised of members of Arturo Toscanini's NBC Symphony, was conducted by Peter Herman Adler.

Miss Kanazawa came to NBC from three successful appearances as Cho-Cho-San in San Francisco and Sacramento with the Pacific Opera. She also has appeared with the New Orleans Opera and has sung the role in other American cities and in Europe.

Since the 1920s when Tamaki Miura made the role of the tragic 15-year old Nagasaki girl synonymous with her own name in her many American appearances with the San Carlo company, the part of "Madame Butterfly," one of the most appealing in operatic literature, has been sung by many other sopranos of Japanese ancestry, including Hizi Koyke, Toshiko Hasegawa, Haru Onuki and Ruby Yoshino. Miss Koyke, who is singing with the San Carlo company in Salt Lake City this week, is prob-

ably the best known among those who have succeeded to the role. Her appearance in the opera last week in Denver's city auditorium drew a capacity audience which included approximately 500 Issei and Nisei.

Hizi Koyke originally came to the United States from Japan to study at Columbia university for a career in teaching but, as she declared in Denver last week, her own interest in singing and the inspiration of Mme. Miura's success in the role led to her now successful operatic career. She succeeded Mme. Miura with the San Carlo company in the 1930s and has appeared annually with the company except for the war years. She recalled in Denver that two young tenors made their operatic debuts with her in "Madame Butterfly." One was James Melton and the other, Nelson Eddy.

Miss Koyke's repertoire is not limited to Puccini, nor to Japanese songs. However, American audiences expect a Japanese soprano to remain in character and Miss Koyke, who can sing German lieder, French creole folk songs and Irish ballads, is considering a trip to Japan this summer. In Japan, she hopes, she will be able to appear in a wide range of operatic roles, including that of Mimi in "La Boheme."

She told Alex Murphree of the Denver Post some of her ideas on singing the other day in Denver:

"It means something . . . to sing a role as many times as I have sung Butterfly—or, for that matter, to have a long career singing in opera. When we are very young, we singers, the voice may be big and exciting. But it is how we use the voice. When we understand what we are doing we can add color and meaning. If I hear some sobs from the audience at the end of the second act of 'Butterfly,' I am happy because I know I have learned to make my voice sad. To make the voice sad, to make it sweet, to make it happy, that is what we learn to do later—not right at first."

The legend of the little Madame Butterfly is one of the most popular in our operatic literature. One reason for its popularity may be because it involves an American, the faithful Lieutenant Pinkerton, and few operatic roles have an American identification.

Although it was written by an Italian composer in his native language, "Madame Butterfly" was adapted from a one-act play written by an American playwright, Luther Long, which was presented on Broadway, shortly after the turn of the century, by David Belasco. Recently, a news story from Japan reported that the playwright had written the story about an actual romance, involving a young Japanese girl and an American naval officer, which was told to him by a relative returning from a trip to Japan.

When we were in Nagasaki on a summer day in one of the years before Pearl Harbor, we were taken to a home which our guide insisted had been occupied by "Madame Butterfly" and her American lover. Since Nagasaki once was a favorite port of call for American naval ships, there probably were many stories strung on the tragic theme of Cho-Cho-San and Lieutenant Pinkerton.

The Butterfly legend will remain in our musical traditions as the story of a young and tragic love affair but history, in these days of General MacArthur and the Japanese occupation, appears to have rewritten the theme. Four or five decades ago an American naval officer falling in love with a Japanese girl may have been predestined to tragedy but such does not seem to be the case today. Some years ago a young naval attaché in Japan fell in love with a Japanese girl. They married and have lived happily ever after, even as in the Sunday supplements, and the officer, William Sebald, is today one of the top officials in the occupation of Japan. The Congress of the United States in recent months also has passed a number of private bills which provide that the modern-day Cho-Cho-Sans involved may come to the United States to wed their GI sweethearts.

But on the operatic stage Lieutenant Pinkerton, immaculate in his Navy whites, will continue to

Vagaries

Agency Head . . .

It's rumored Toshiro Henry Shimanouchi, who graduated from Occidental college, may come to the U.S. to head one of the new government agencies in New York or Los Angeles. Shimanouchi's post will coincide with that of a consul-general but will not have consular status until a U.S.-Japanese peace treaty is signed. Shimanouchi, a native of Japan, was brought as a child by his parents to the United States. He was one of the first columnists to write for the English section of a Japanese vernacular daily on the coast, authoring a column titled "Uncommon Sense" in the Los Angeles Nichi-Bei. He went to Japan in the early 1930s and returned here in 1940 as Japanese commissioner to the New York World's Fair . . . Shimanouchi was the top Japanese official to meet the first U.S. forces landing at Akagi airfield near Tokyo after V-J day. . . .

Oscar Bid . . .

Twentieth Century Fox already has started its campaign to win 1951 Academy nominations for Claudette Colbert and Sessue Hayakawa for their performances in Darryl Zanuck's realistic story of a Japanese internment camp in North Borneo, "Three Came Home." . . . The studio sponsored a full-page ad in the Feb. 8 issue of Variety which said that Hayakawa "gives a vivid portrayal of the Japanese militarist's confusion of loyalties, hatreds and devotions." . . . The ad quotes Martin Quigley's comment that the Colbert and Hayakawa performances are "of Academy award calibre." . . . Producer Zanuck believes "Three Came Home," which opens next week in New York, will be a leading contender for next year's Oscars . . . Briefly seen in the film are nearly 100 Nisei and Issei extras and bit players. . . .

Job Bias . . .

JACL ADC's Joe Grant Masaoka is collecting information on actual instances of discrimination faced by persons of Japanese ancestry in employment in the San Francisco area to support a new campaign for passage of a municipal and state FEPC . . . United Airlines recently hired three Hawaiian Nisei as stewards on their stratoliners . . . Dorothy Maruki is now in her fourth season as a member of the San Carlo Opera's ballet company. Miss Maruki toured South America last year. . . .

Dancer . . .

Yuriko (Amemiya Kikuchi) who has received splendid reviews from New York critics for her performances with the Martha Graham dance company during their recent New York appearances is now on tour with the Graham dancers. The tour started on Feb. 6 in Philadelphia and will end late in March. At least 40 performances in Pennsylvania, Washington, D.C., Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah, Nebraska, Iowa and Illinois already are on the itinerary. Some of the western dates include: March 7, Phoenix; 9, Claremont, Calif.; 10, Los Angeles; 11, Santa Barbara; 13, Fresno; 14, Stanford; 15, Oakland; 16, Reno, Nev.; 18, Provo, Utah; 22, Lincoln, Neb. . . . Yuriko received high praise in such productions as "Cave of the Heart" and "Appalachian Spring." . . . The settings for many of the Graham productions which will be seen on the tour are by Isamu Noguchi. . . .

"Seminole of the Everglades," the color film feature which Toge Fujihara photographed for Alan Shilin productions last winter, is being shown on U.S. television. It was telecast last Thursday by Salt Lake City's KDWL-TV. Toge's film on Oklahoma Indians also has been on the video circuit. The Nisei cameraman recently returned to New York from Liberia, via Paris. While in Africa he filmed two pictures for U.S. religious groups.

betray his little Japanese sweetheart to the accompaniment of the soaring arias of Giacomo Puccini who died in 1924 little knowing that one day a million persons would see his opera at a single performance through the medium of the mid-century wonder of television.

MINORITY WEEK

Quickie

"I'm not going to ham up the place. I'll just try to be Jackie Robinson and let the professional actors try to make me look good."—Jackie Robinson, Brooklyn Dodgers' star, anent his forthcoming debut in motion pictures.

Spell It "Navaho"

The Navaho Indians would like the name of their tribe spelled with an "h" instead of a "j."
Use of "Navajo" has led, they said, to use of the offensive term, "Joes," in reference to them.

Another Quote

"If I visit Washington today, I can't buy a meal, order a drink, see a movie, or, with very few exceptions, rent a hotel room, except in the Negro section of town."
The man who wrote the above is director of the United Nations trusteeship department and last year turned down an offer to become assistant secretary of state. His name, of course, is Dr. Ralph J. Bunche.

"Separate But Equal"

The south has been getting along with its "separate but equal" policy long enough, says Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman.
The "separate but equal" policy is simple enough. Negroes have separate facilities from the whites. Whether or not they are "equal" is at best debatable.
This week Perlman filed a brief with the U. S. Supreme court in the cases of two Negro students. One student wants admission to the all-white law school at the University of Texas. The other is at the University of Oklahoma, but he is kept separate from the other students.
The separate but equal policy is an "undisguised species of racial discrimination," Perlman's brief says. He asked the court to recognize it as an "unwarranted deviation from the principle of equality under the law" as provided by the 14th amendment.

Pay-off

A few months ago Jefferson military college in Natchez, Miss., said nix to \$50,000,000 because awarding of this gift carried the specification that the school teach "white supremacy." The school at the time was on its last legs. Since then the school's stock has risen sky high. It will open with a capacity enrollment this September, trustees said this week, and a fund-raising campaign has put the school back on its feet. The pay-off for standing by one's principles is pretty good, and it includes mental satisfaction, too.

Saved

Pearl Bailey, sensational singing star of "Arms and the Girl," has been persuaded to remain with the show, much to the relief of New York theatre goers.
A week ago she gave the Theatre Guild, producers of the show, two weeks notice. She had been subjected, she said, to too many anti-Negro remarks.
"The insults would make your hair curl," Miss Bailey said. "There are a lot of petty jealousies in show business. Everybody knows that. But there's never been anything like this."
Her statement resulted in a conference with attorneys and producers, and apologies from the offending parties.
She is staying with the show. She is not the star of "Arms and the Girl," but she's been getting rave notices from the critics and terrific applause from audiences.

From the Side of the Hill: There's Quiet Cheer in New Attitudes in the Deep South

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON—Like Sherman, we recently invaded the South.
Unlike Sherman, we were prompted by motives of peace.
What we saw, heard and felt led to several conclusions. We know now:
That hominy grits can replace fried potatoes with the traditional bacon-and-eggs-for-breakfast dish without ill effects; and the sweetest dish of blackberry cobbler we hope to taste this side of Olympus, where visitors are delighted with the blessed dessert of humming bird tongues broiled, soaked in honey and covered with ambrosia, can be found at a small, off-the-track hotel in Decatur, a near suburb of Atlanta.
Of all the regions of America, the South is the most provincial. Overwhelmed with its own peculiar problems, beset with the troubled complex of deep-rooted guilt, it is the anachronism of this country.
Desperately, the South is waging a back-to-the-wall battle to prove it can solve its own problems by resisting the "damyankees."
The end result is at once an indication of the schizophrenia of the region.
In desperation, even some learned editors ask, but in much less trite phraseology: "Why can't the rest of the country let us alone?" In a sense, the South reminds one of nothing so much as a little, wrinkled woman with a persecution complex, trotting frightenedly through the streets, convinced that every shadow is a lurking enemy, every lamp post a rapist in disguise and every brick wall hiding a murderer.
Should Idaho propose a course of action that even faintly impinges on the South, behind the rallying cry of State's Rights, some southerner rises in righteous wrath and shouts: "Why don't you let us

alone. Let us solve our own problems."
If the Pacific Northwest proposes a Federal public power project, a Southerner nervously shrieks his rights are being invaded.
Leave the South alone, indeed!
It's damn well time the South let the rest of the United States alone.
Long ago, the school books record the words, Patrick Henry, a sturdy son of the south, rose in the First Continental Congress to cry out:
"I am not a Virginian, but an American."
Yet, actually, much is to be found and seen in the South that brings quiet cheer to a man's heart.
The war, for example, had the unforeseeable side effect of immeasurably broadening the lives of thousands who otherwise would have lived and died their measured, narrow existence never having tasted the richness of life elsewhere.
I talked with the managing editor of the Macon newspapers, a man who served in a task force in the Pacific theater. For an hour we discussed the war, the South, Damyankees, the North and Far West.
He quoted editorials in his paper vigorously condemning the ignorant, mad, scurrilous rats that climb into bed clothes, cover up their faces, and parade as men under the foul banner of the KKK. He spoke in support of the Walter Resolution, and will write in support of it.
The Macon papers were not alone. Given an awareness of the problems of persons of Asian ancestry in the United States, dailies in Atlanta and Columbus, and even rural weeklies, were sympathetic to the difficulties that others face.
In Columbus, a cab driver—one of those paragons of homely know-

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Roses Are Red, Violets Blue

Denver, Colorado

Valentine's day has come and gone, and with it a new realization as to the significance of what used to be a minor festive occasion. Valentine's day any more is a highly commercialized proposition with strong popularity contest overtones.

Time was, we recall, when a fellow bought two valentines — candy, if he were flush, and cards if he weren't. One he gave to his mother; the other to his current best girl. This last usually was a furtive business, for a lad was likely to be overwrought by bashfulness and all sorts of confusing emotions. The whole business was a little silly, and he was glad that the event happened only annually.

Not so with the younger generation. Several weeks ago the youngsters began to make out tentative valentine lists, and the number of favored recipients-to-be soon approached the two dozen mark. Boys and girls were placed on the roster with no regard for sex, and Mother was dispatched to town to buy a supply of cards.

Came the big day, and at school the cards were duly exchanged. The most popular kids got the most valentines, and it was an informal contest to see who would get the greatest number. After school, these valentines were displayed with great pride at home, as if they were trophies of some wondrous achievement.

Is all this good? I don't know. There's something highly admirable about the impersonal exchange of affectionate messages. Maybe that's the way kids should be, instead of being "stuck" on some individual moppet. And yet that impersonal quality in itself is disturbing, especially to one who grew up with respect for the sincerity of emotions, no matter how juvenile.

Logically, though, we shouldn't be disturbed by anything the younger generation does. To be bothered is only to confess that the times are leaving us behind.

"I Can't Forget:" It Happened in Illinois

By GORO HARA
As Told To J. Chinen

"How come you're campaigning for Sherwood Dixon," the well-dressed young Japanese lady looked at me suspiciously.

"Oh," I smiled, "he was our former third battalion commander. He's a good man and the boys all highly respected him. We believe he'll make a good lieutenant-governor."

"Your third battalion commander?" the lady wrinkled her brows. "Were you in the Army?"

"Yes," I nodded. "I was in the 442nd."

"The 442nd?" the lady laughed.

"Never heard of it."
For a moment, I couldn't believe my ears. "Did you say you haven't heard of the 442nd Regiment?" I asked.

"No," she shook her head, "what did it do?"

"Haven't you heard of the special outfit," I tried to help her recall her memory, "the outfit that fought in Italy and France, the outfit that won more honors than any other unit of the same size?"

"No, I haven't heard of that outfit," she answered. "Probably, it's because I don't associate with Japanese. Even if I've heard of it, the war was so long ago that I must have forgotten. Anyway, I was never interested in the fighting."

I felt as though someone had given me a terrific body blow. For a moment I felt dizzy. Then I felt my right hand tightening into a fist. Here, a woman of Japanese ancestry was openly admitting that she had no interest in the 442nd, that she thought nothing of the boys who so gallantly gave their lives that she might be treated as an American. I felt like tearing her heart out to see what made her "tick."

"What's the matter?" the lady asked. "You don't have to worry about the war anymore. It was so long ago. You might as well forget about it. It'll be better for you."

I felt my heart pounding hard against my ribs. I knew that, if I stayed near this lady any longer, I would have committed homicide. I mumbled something, quickly turned around, hurried down the steps and walked away from the Japanese lady who was proud of the fact that she doesn't associate with other Japanese.

"Forget the war," the lady called out after me. "It will be best for you."

I walked for about 15 minutes, then waited at a bus-stop. As I kept stamping my feet to keep warm against the cold Chicago

ledge — said: "Hell, suh. You might not know how hard it is sometimes to make a decent living, even here. But things are getting better—for all of us, hear? All of us." It was a good remark and I liked the sound of it.

wind, my thoughts went back to 1944 when I had fought in Italy and France. I remembered my buddies who were not coming back. I remembered Lt. Ethridge of Alabama, Ed Ogawa of Utah, Tak Nishi of California, Robert Takeo, I. Matsumoto and R. Yamada of Hawaii. I wondered how they would have felt if they had been in my "shoes."

"It's better to forget," the lady advised me. But how can I forget. How can I ever forget those boys with whom I had shared heart-breaking days, with whom I had fought through snow, rain, mud and mountains. How...

"Hello, mister," a tiny voice greeted from behind. I turned around and saw a blonde, blue-eyed lad of about ten smiling at me. "Are you a soldier?" he asked.

"No, son," I shook my head. "I was a soldier, but not any more. I was discharged long ago."

"My dad was a soldier, too," the lad continued. "He—he is just like you, mister. He lost his left arm, too."

"Oh, I see," I nodded. "What outfit was your dad in?"

"The 3rd Division," the lad answered, then asked, "Were you in the 442?"

"Why—yes," I nodded, surprised to learn that a "hakujin" knew of our outfit.

"My dad says it's the best outfit next to the 3rd Division," the youth smiled.

I felt a warm glow in my heart. "Son, you tell your dad that he's a wonderful man," I patted the lad's head. "And you tell him that I said you're a good boy."

"Yes, mister," the youth nodded. Then, "Good luck, mister," he waved and hurried down the street.

"Good luck, son," I called after him. "God bless you."

I watched the tiny figure skipping down the road, then turn around a corner and disappear out of sight.

"God bless you, son," I repeated under my breath. I felt wonderful. I felt like shouting at the top of my voice. After all, our efforts had not been in vain. There are many who still remember and care. "Yes, sir," I told myself. "May God bless them all."

Nisei and Ice Hockey

The other night we went out to see our first ice hockey game in about a dozen years and thrilled once more to the speed, dash and vicious body contact of one of man's swiftest games. You don't have to be rooting for any particular side; you'll soon find yourself out there on the ice in spirit, swerving and sweating with the players, your legs knotting up with effort.

Ice hockey looks like a game Nisei athletes would enjoy, and excel in. It calls for agility, courage and stamina in which an aggressive little man can hold his own with, and often make a monkey of, a bigger opponent.

Like most American kids, however, Nisei haven't been exposed to ice skating long enough to have picked up a knack for it. The best hockey players still come from the frigid reaches of the Canadian plains where everyone skates a good part of the year and a youngster gets a hockey stick with his first pair of skates. With the increase in indoor skating facilities, and the scattering of Nisei into climes where skating is a common pastime, there is no reason why more of them won't be taking it up.

Likewise for a number of other sports — rodeos, for instance. Numbers of western colleges are incorporating rodeo skills into their sports programs. Inter-college rodeos are held in which students fork broncs, rope calves, and otherwise disport themselves in the manner of hell-for-leather cowhands. Mainly, the Nisei's contact with the soil has been in the humble role of west coast truck farmer, but now more of them are living in cow country. Who knows, some day we may be hearing of some leathery 'poke named Tex Yamasaki wowing them on the rodeo circuit.

Helen Nakamura, violinist with the Denver Symphony orchestra, was one of seven Denverites presented with recognition awards by the Denver chapter of the Urban League Thursday, (Feb. 16). The awards were made to citizens for their contribution in the field of better race relations.

Missouri Decision

Editor, Pacific Citizen:

I came across the following in the "Accountant's Weekly Report," published by Prentice-Hall Feb. 6: "DAMAGES FOR VIOLATING RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS: Suppose a person buys a home, agreeing never to sell to Negroes. Yet he proposes to sell to them now. No court can enjoin him or oust the Negro if he gets title because the U.S. Supreme court has held that a state court would violate the 14th Amendment in so doing. (The 14th Amendment says: 'No state shall... deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.') (Shelly v. Kraemar, 334 U.S. 1, 68 S. Ct. 836.)"

"When we reported the Shelly case, we noted the Supreme court's observation that the 14th Amendment binds only states, not individual citizens. And we asked: 'Can state courts award damages against the seller who sells in violation of the agreement?' The Missouri Supreme court recently held Yes (Weiss V. Lemon, 225 S. W. 127), saying that state courts may hear and determine an action for damages for the breach of the restriction agreement... without violating any provision of the Federal or State constitution. We are of the opinion that an action for damages for the breach of a valid agreement need not be affected by the Fourteenth Amendment.' The case now goes back to the trial court to assess damages. That might present some difficulty in the absence of a liquidated damage clause.

"Under the decision, the Missouri Supreme court will permit the action to be maintained by the seller against the buyer who made the promise, and also by one property owner against another where each of the properties is subject to the restriction." The implication under this philosophy would be the nullification of the gains attained by the minority people in this country during recent months.

William Enomoto,
Redwood City, Calif.

Hisaye Yamamoto's Story Printed in Kenyon Review

A short story by Hisaye Yamamoto, Los Angeles writer, appears in the winter issue of the Kenyon Review.

Titled "The Legend of Miss Sasagawara," it tells of a woman, nearing middle age, who slips into insanity while at the Poston WRA camp.

The story, told in the first person, gives the story of "Miss Sasagawara" as seen from the viewpoint of two teen-age girls at the camp.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

The Fresno State College Bulldogs open a rugged 39-game baseball season this week with two Nisei starters, Fibber Hirayama behind the plate and Howard Zenimura in left field. The Bulldogs will miss George Abo, pitcher-outfielder, who was one of the leading hitters in the California Collegiate Athletic Association last year. Hirayama, who played a lot of halfback for the Bulldogs last season, is rated a top receiver, while Zenimura sparked at second base for the 1949 Bulldogs. Eugene Machida, 125-pound boxer for Idaho State at Pocatello, missed out on the Bengal boxing team's trip to Chicago last week to meet De Paul because of an attack of influenza. He is now back in form and will appear for the Bengals in their forthcoming contests against Nevada and Cal Poly. It was an all-Nisei contest when Harry Harimaki of Placer College decided Larry Nakamura of Yuba College in a 125-pound class boxing match last week as Placer won, 6 to 4. Harimaki, halfback for the Placer Spartans, was probably the smallest player playing college football last season. Tak Iseri, Sacramento YMCA's star swimmer, suffered one of his infrequent reversals when he was nosed out by John Stebbins of College of Pacific in the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:06.5s in the annual Call Bulletin-PA meet in San Francisco on Feb. 12.

Knocking Down the Maples

Despite the American Bowling Congress' ban against non-Caucasians, a few Nisei manage to get into erstwhile sanctioned tournaments. Jack Aramaki of Price, Utah, who won the first prize in Class C in the Provo city tournament last year, took second in the doubles on Feb. 12 with George Pace. Jack had a 587 while his partner had a 606. Fumio Hangai, who is a member of a team in a Minneapolis league, sports an ABC membership card. Nisei bowlers hold most of the top-average spots in the Sacramento Chinese bowling league while Chinese American keglers are among the leading high average men in the Japanese American league. Henning Chin and Phil Wong are among the top bowlers in the Fresno Playdium Nisei league, while bowlers of Japanese, Chinese and Filipino ancestry make up the Stockton, Calif., Oriental league. One of the top Nisei women's bowling teams is the Los Angeles Debs who boom as the team to beat in the National JACL women's tourney in San Francisco. The Debs last week had a 2477 scratch series, sparked by Eiko Watanabe's 580 series, topped by a 210 game. Two other Los Angeles teams, Three Crown and Vogue-Pabst, also are entered in the San Francisco meet.

Aihara Honored by USC Track Team

Henry Aihara, probably the best track athlete developed among the Nisei, last week was named co-captain with Bob Chambers of the University of Southern California's track and field team for the coming season. Aihara, who was an NCAA champion while a freshman at the University of Illinois in 1945, is the current broad jump champion of the Pacific Coast conference, winning the title in Seattle with a leap of 24 feet 8 inches. Aihara also did so well in the National AAU meet that he was named to the All-American team which toured the Scandinavian countries last summer. While overseas Aihara took seven first places in nine meets. He also performed in the high jump in which he consistently tops 6 feet and also raced on the relay team. Tommy Nozawa won the Los Angeles Golden Gloves novice championship in the bantamweight division at Hollywood Legion stadium last week. He won the final match by default when his opponent was unable to make the weight. He took two decisions handily to reach the final round.

Mokey Hanagami Starts Comeback

Few of Sad Sam Ichinose's one-time stable of Nisei boxers, which included the two former national AAU champs, Robert Takeshita and Tsuneshi Maruo, are in action much these days but hard-punching Mokey Hanagami, the young bantamweight who won sixteen out of his first 18 fights as a pro, is back from retirement. Hanagami gave up boxing some ten months ago to help his father on the family farm on the island of Hawaii. Takeshita who was married to his Honolulu sweetheart in San Jose, Calif., last fall is also preparing a comeback. He hasn't fought since he lost to Rafael Gutierrez in Los Angeles last October. Gutierrez recently was knocked out by Philip Kim in Honolulu. Johnny Ephan, managed by Shig Takahashi, who is the only licensed Nisei fight manager on the mainland, lost a close one to Johnny McCoy at L.A.'s Olympic stadium two weeks ago.

Nakama Gets a Vote in AP's Poll

Keo (Kiyoshi) Nakama, now a high school swimming coach in Hawaii, is the only Nisei athlete to be mentioned in the Associated Press polls on the greatest athletes of the past half-century. Nakama who won National AAU swimming titles as a member of Coach Soichi Sakamoto's Alexander House, Maui teams of 1940 and 1941 and toured South America and Australia, received one ballot in the voting for the greatest swimmer of the half-century, an honor which went to Johnny Weissmuller, now the screen's Jungle Jim and former Tarzan. Hironoshin Furuhashi, who rewrote the record books last August in Los Angeles, got 20 votes for second place. Kusuo Kitamura, a member of Nippon's famous 1932 Olympic swimming team, tied with Nakama with a vote. Keo Nakama was a star at Ohio State in both swimming and baseball. In the latter sport he played a good game at second base and captained the Buckeye varsity in Big Ten competition.

Joe Nagata and the Orange Bowl

This department appreciates mail on Nisei in sports and here's one from Pasadena, Calif.:

Dear Sports Editor:

I am taking this opportunity to write you in regards to a statement you made in reference to persons of Japanese ancestry who have participated in major bowl games (football).

I believe it was in one of the November '49 issues of the PACIFIC CITIZEN under the column headed SPORTS, there-in you stated that Jack Yoshihara of Oregon State was probably the only Nisei to have been a member of a major bowl participant. (Oregon State defeated Duke 20-16 in the transplanted Rose Bowl game of 1942 at Durham N.C.)

If memory serves me correctly there was a person of Japanese ancestry who took part in a major bowl game. The person in question would be, JOE NAGATA, who was starting quarterback for the Louisiana State University "Tigers" in the January 1st, 1944 version of the Orange Bowl game played at Miami, Florida, against the Texas A&M "Aggies".

The LSU "Tigers" scored an upset 19-14 victory over the Texas "Aggies". The star of the LSU triumph was Steve van Buren, now a professional star with the Philadelphia "Eagles". I believe that Nagata played 50-some odd minutes in that particular game.

In closing let me say that I enjoy your column immensely and remain an —

Avid reader,
(Signed) George M. Wakiji

Tok Ishizawa Wins \$400 Award In Bowling Meet

LOS ANGELES — Tok Ishizawa won the \$400 first prize and a trophy in the Fontana Singles Classic held at Fontana Bowl here recently.

Ishizawa averaged 214 for five games, scoring 237, 211, 233, 214 and 175.

He holds the top average of 187 in the Nisei Major league at Vogue Bowl and also tops all keglers with a 189 in a league at Trojan Bowl.

Ishizawa is entered in the National JACL bowling meet to be held in San Francisco next month.

Denver, Hawaii Teams Enter Cage Tourney

The Denver Nisei Basketball association will send an all-star team to the 15th annual Intermountain Nisei invitational basketball tournament, it was announced this week by Yosh Kojimoto in Salt Lake City.

The tourney will be held in Salt Lake on March 23, 23 and 25.

The Hawaii AJA All-Stars, 1949 champions of the tournament, will return to defend their title.

Kojimoto added that the Ogden YBA has been selected as the Northern Utah representative in the tourney. The Ogden team is currently leading the Northern Utah JAAU Class A league.

The Idaho entry in the Salt Lake meet will be decided during the Idaho Falls JACL invitational tournament on Feb. 23 and 24 in which the Yellowstone JACL, Idaho Falls JACL, Pocatello JACL and a team from Blackfoot are entered.

In Salt Lake City the Zephyrs have cinched at least a tie for the JACL basketball league AA championship. The Harlem AC team, in second place, sparked by Jimmy Miyasato, the league's leading scorer with 68 points in six games, is the only one with a chance to tie the Zephyrs.

Nishimoto Sets New Records For Oregon University Team

MOSCOW, Idaho — Joe Nishimoto, the University of Oregon's sophomore swimming star from Honolulu, broke three pool records in two days as the Webfoots lost to Washington State on Feb. 10 and defeated the University of Idaho on the following day in Pacific Coast conference dual meets.

Nishimoto broke the 200-yard breaststroke record against Washington State at Pullman, finishing in 2:35.9s. He also won the 150-yard individual medley in 1:43.8s.

Against Idaho at Moscow Nishimoto did the 220-yard freestyle in 2:20.4s to break a record which has stood for 13 years in the Vandal pool.

His other record came in the 440-yard freestyle which he won in 5:08.2s, breaking the 1939 record of 5:22s.

Mas Shimizu Wins Bowling Tourney

INDIO, Calif.—The results of the Coachella Valley JACL bowling sweepstakes held on Feb. 9 revealed Mas Shimizu as the second straight winner with a 658 series and 598 scratch score which was high for the evening. Jack Izu was second with 643 and Kengo Takano was third with 635. Izu's 224 was the evening's high game.

Entering the final round of competition, the Muskies led by Sammy Musasahi tied for first place with Kengo Takano's Tigers. Eddy Sakemi is currently leading the field with a 177 plus average.

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Expect Sixty Team Entries In National Bowling Tourney

SAN FRANCISCO—More than 60 of the nation's top Nisei bowling teams are expected to enter the National JACL men's bowling tournament, scheduled for Downtown Bowl in San Francisco on March 3, 4 and 5, before the entry deadline at midnight Feb. 19.

The Hawaii AJA All-Stars, who placed third last year at Salt Lake City behind the winning Robertson's Nursery team from Los Angeles, this week announced they will enter the national meet.

Chicago League Plans Scratch Bowling Meet

CHICAGO—A major Nisei bowling tournament will be sponsored in Chicago May 20 and 21 when the Northside Nisei bowling league holds its second annual men and women's tournament.

Tak Fujiwara was named chairman for this event, which is open to all Nisei bowlers in the states and Canada.

Fujiwara will be assisted by Soc Kojima, secretary, and Frank Sakamoto, treasurer. Committees will be headed by Ike Ito, trophies; Ben Hirano, dinner and awards dance; and Bob Imon, publicity.

Singles, doubles, team and mixed doubles events are planned for this scratch tournament. The fee for men's events is \$5.40, and \$4.10 for women's events. Bowlers entering their respective singles, doubles and team events will be eligible for the all-events trophies and prizes.

Entry forms and further information may be obtained from Soc Kojima, Second Annual Chicago Bowling Tournament, c/o Gold Coast Bowling Alley, 1211-1215 North Clark st., Chicago 10, Ill.

Iseri Wins Races

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Tak Iseri won the 200 yard breaststroke as his Sacramento YMCA swimming team lost to the University of Santa Clara varsity, 33 to 42, in a dual meet on Feb. 13.

Iseri also was a member of Sacramento's winning 300-yard medley relay team.

The Hawaiian team is expected to be anchored by Larry Mekata, 1949 JACL single champion from Honolulu, who is returning to defend his title. Mekata had a 651 series last year.

The Robertson's team will be back under the colors of Vogue Bowl, their home alleys in Los Angeles.

H & F Company, Los Angeles, which placed second last year will send another team to the tourney.

Among the other teams expected to enter from the Los Angeles area are Tady's Service, El Rancho Bowl, the Johnny DeLuca Five, Twin Cleaners and Pico Tailors of Los Angeles and Ken Mar Bowl of Long Beach.

The first official entry received in San Francisco by Dr. Tokuji Hedani was that of the Florin, Calif. JACL which named Ted Kobata, Woody Ishikawa, George Kawana, Paul Yasui, Jim Matsui and Shig Miya as squad members.

The Monterey, Calif., Nisei Bowling Association was the second team to file their entry.

Star Cafe, currently the top team in Utah and one of the favorites in the national team competition, will head a list of at least six teams which will enter from Salt Lake City. Okada Insurance, former national champions and boasting a plus-900 average, will be another contender and will have Dr. Jun Kurumada, former national Nisei singles champion. Other Salt Lake entries include Pacific Citizen, Tuxedo Cafe, Aloha Fountain and Pagoda Cafe.

The Denargo Box team from Denver, headed by Dr. Takashi Miyeda, also has filed their entry, while at least one team is expected from Chicago where such bowlers as Frank Kebo, who hit a "300" in league play, Spud Tsuji, Tai Fujii and Dyke Miyagawa are among the league's high average stars.

Jaekel & Rogers of Ontario, Ore., always a strong contender, is expected to enter, while Pocatello's Pep 88, Idaho Falls JACL and teams in the Boise Valley also have indicated that they would enter the tourney.

Seattle also is expected to send two bowling teams while Foster Cafe of Portland, Ore., winners of the recent Northwest Nisei Classic may also compete.

Teams and bowlers from Nisei leagues in Fresno, Sacramento, Stockton and Reno, Nev., also will be represented.

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BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Atsuki Fujita a boy on Feb. 13 in Seattle.
To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tsutomu Ogami a girl, Ruthann Ima, on Jan. 28 in San Jose, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Takata a boy, Keith Alan, on Jan. 29 in San Jose.
To Mr. and Mrs. Denichi Akashi a girl on Feb. 2 in San Francisco.
To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tanaka a boy on Jan. 30 in Sacramento.
To Mr. nad Mrs. Masaichi G. Abe a boy on Jan. 30 in Reedley, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Makoto Mukai, Fowler, Calif., a boy on Jan. 31.
To Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Nakagawa a boy on Jan. 31 in Fresno.
To Mr. and Mrs. Jack S. Kato a girl, Patricia, on Feb. 4 in Portland, Ore.
To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Nakamura a boy on Jan. 15 in San Diego, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Tsunetaro Higa, Pasadena, Calif., a boy on Jan. 26.
To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kojuro Fujino, West Los Angeles, a girl, Christine Gail, on Feb. 2.
To Mr. and Mrs. Osamu Iwataki a boy, Gregory Osamu, on Feb. 1 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Kuruma a boy on Feb. 4 in San Francisco.
To Mr. and Mrs. Kenichi Kurihara a girl, Lynda Chiyo, on Feb. 1 in Glendale, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Philip Ichiro Nagasawa a boy, Philip Jo, on Feb. 2 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Nobuo Fukunaga a boy, Thomas Teiji, on Jan. 31 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Miyamoto a boy, Robert Ichiro, on Jan. 31 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kanno, American Fork, Utah, a boy on Feb. 13.
To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hayashida a boy, Donald Yoshio, on Feb. 10 in San Francisco.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Fujimoto a girl on Feb. 10 in Denver.
To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ida a boy, Warren James, on Feb. 12 in Denver.
To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Uye-

kawa, Gardena, Calif., a girl, Naomi Margaret, on Jan. 30.
To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tanaka a boy, Daniel, on Feb. 11 in Denver.
To Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Akamatsu a boy, Donald, on Dec. 5 in Madison, Wis.

DEATHS

Yoshinori Itogawa, 52, on Feb. 9 in Elk Grove, Calif.
Masao Kanno, 66, on Feb. 8 in Los Angeles.
Tadashi Yatow, 72, Helper, Utah, on Feb. 10 in Price.
Sensuke Okada on Feb. 4 in Pasadena, Calif.
Mrs. Masano Ikuno on Feb. 9 in Los Angeles.
Mrs. Nobu Gow, 54, on Feb. 12 in Greeley, Colo.
Jitsui Aoki, 77, on Feb. 5 in Oakland, Calif.
Kiukichi F. Anzai, 80, on Feb. 11 in Salt Lake City.
Mrs. Momoju Shigaki on Feb. 10 in Costa Mesa, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Tatsu Kozai to Lieut. Richard E. Stuart, Jr., on Feb. 11 in Seattle.
Fumiko Yamamoto to Tetsuya Kobayashi on Feb. 12 in Watsonville, Calif.
Grace Sugidono to Yoshio Fujita on Feb. 11 in Watsonville.
Kazue Hamada to Shigeo Komoto on Feb. 12 in Los Angeles.
Yaeko Sakiniwa to Shinobu Oda on Feb. 12 in Los Angeles.
Michi Mayemura to Kazuhiko Nakamoto on Feb. 12 in Los Angeles.
Lilly Mizumoto to Tsutomu Shimizu on Feb. 12 in Los Angeles.
Miyoko Takeuchi to Frank Masayoshi Eshita on Feb. 12 in Los Angeles.
Alice Masako Tanaka to Frank Y. Tanaka on Feb. 12 in Los Angeles.
Irene Shiraishi to Yoshi Takehara in Ontario, Ore.
May Kawasaki to Earl Ishino in Ontario, Ore.

MARRIAGE LICENCES

Mitsuge Ideta, 20, and Daisaku Fujii, 23, in Seattle.



FRESNO, Calif. — National JACL President Hito Okada administers the oath of office to new cabinet members of the newly-organized Central California JACL district council at the group's constitutional convention. Left to right, officers are Masaru Abe, Tom

Nakamura, Chorge Kaku, Mae Kuroda, John Kubota, Seichi Mikami, Byrd Kumataka and Joe Katano. Absent from the picture are John-son Kebo, Hiroshi Mayeda and Eleanor Doi.

—Photo by Paulo Takahashi

Leaders Have Hard Time in Chicago Bowling League

CHICAGO — The leaders had a rough time last week in the Chicago Nisei Bowling league in the 23rd week of play at Hyde Park Recreation.

The first place Plaisance Cleaners were held to a 2 to 2 split by tenth-place Tellone Beauty Salon but gained ground as second-place Nisei Vues dropped three to Petite Cleaners.

D. Mizuno and Dyke Miyagawa paced Plaisance with 575 and 548 respectively, while F. Hamasaki and H. Miyahara rang up respective series of 550 and 540 for Tellone.

High series honors went to R. Nakahara of Hyde Park Restaurant with 611, including a 243 game, as his team was held to a 2 to 2 standoff by Quality Cleaners.

O.T. Men's Wear dumped Murakami & Sons, another of the first division teams, 3 to 1, behind J. Eto's 579. R. Hongo and N. Hamaguchi had 235 games for the losers.

Sakada Optometrists rose to third place as they blanked Wan Mee Lo, while Jan Jan T. white-washed Coed Beauty Salon.

Mark Twain defeated Berns Store, 3 to 1, behind S. Masunaka's 550.

Slate Installation, Canasta Party

LIVINGSTON, Calif.—1950 officers for the Livingston-Merced JACL will be installed in office Saturday, Feb. 18, at the new Grace Methodist church.

Joe Grant Masaoka will install the cabinet, which is headed by William B. Yoshino.

A canasta party will follow with prizes and refreshments.

Pres. Yoshino's cabinet is as follows:

James Kirihara, vice pres.; Buichi Kajiware, treas.; Faye Shibata, corr. sec.; Robert Ohki, historian; and Henry Kashiwase, Fred Kishi and Mits Tsujihara, advisory board.

The new cabinet met at the president's home on Feb. 9 to make plans for the installation service.

Washington Visit

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Tahei Matsunaga, chairman of the Chicago ADC fund drive, conferred for two days this week with Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, on the work of the Washington office and progress of JACL legislative measures.

Mr. Matsunaga, accompanied by his wife, also is visiting a daughter, Mrs. John Shaw, of nearby Alexandria, Va.

JACL to Participate In Young Adult Meet

CLEVELAND, O.—"The Young Adult in Cleveland's Future" will be the general theme of the Young Adult City-Wide Conference to be held at the Jewish Young Adult Bureau on March 12, starting from 2 p.m.

Howard Tashima, public relations director of the Cleveland JACL and last year's prexy, expressed the hope of a large turnout from the local chapter and

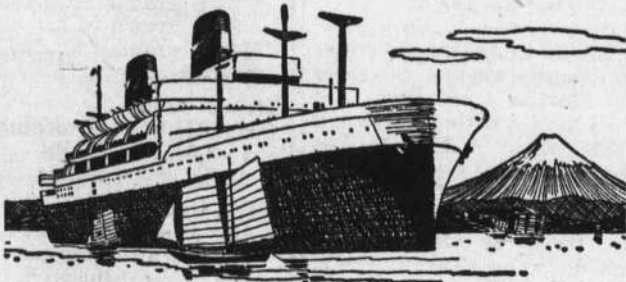
Twelve Nisei Listed Among Honor students At Placer College

AUBURN, Calif.—Twelve Nisei students were listed this week among 59 Placer College students who have met minimum standards for membership in Alpha Gamma Sigma, state junior college honor society for scholarship.

They are Roy Doi, Steve Fujioka, James Fujitani, Harry Hirohata, Gunichi Kawamoto, Chifumi Kojima, Masamune Kojima, Yuriye Morimoto, Fusao Nii, Joe Okusu and Peggy Tsuchida.

urged all members to attend this conference. Dealing with the place of the young adult in local community problems, workshop topics such as "City Government," "Economic Advance," "Health, Welfare and Recreation," and "Community Relations" will be thoroughly discussed. The keynote address or panel is to include a brief orientation on "What is Cleveland?"

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Toronto University Group Plans Film About Evacuation

TORONTO, Ont.—Production is expected to start this week on the University of Toronto Film Society's motion picture story of the Japanese Canadian mass evacuation and resettlement.

The movie will tell the story of a typical Japanese Canadian family which resided in Vancouver before Pearl Harbor. The film will follow the family to the Hastings Park assembly center and to the interior housing settlements in British Columbia and finally will depict their resettlement in east Canada.

The script of the film has been written by Graham Ferguson, University of Toronto student who will also direct the picture.

There will be seven main speaking parts in the film, including five who will be members of the family around which the story is based.

A Japanese Canadian cast is being selected to film the roles in the picture.

Most of the film will be shot in the Toronto area, according to Bob McKenzie, set designer for the picture. McKenzie said that the sets will be made as realistic as possible and that the scene in interior housing center will be taken at Bolton, a town 20 miles from Toronto.

The completed picture will be two reels in length and will be available for purchase or rental from the Film Society.

Frank Moritsugu, former staff member of the New Canadian, and George Yamazaki are assisting in the production of the picture. Both are Toronto students.

Bowling Night

SAN MATEO, Calif.—Deadline for submitting entries to San Mateo County JACL's bowling night is March 11, Bob Sugishita, chairman, warned this week.

The event will be held Saturday, March 18, at the San Carlos Bowling Center. It will start at 7:30 p.m. with men's singles.

Sugishita said many have sent in their application forms without the necessary fees and added that entry fees must accompany the entries. Fee for each event is \$1.50, including bowling.

Entries should be turned in to Hiroshi Honda in Redwood City, Kaz Kariya in East Palo Alto, or K.Y. Yamaguchi or Bob Sugishita in San Mateo, or they may be mailed to Sugishita at 116 No. Fremont st., San Mateo.

Art Scholarship

CHICAGO — Art Okumura, 17, last week won first prize in the fire prevention poster contest sponsored by the Chicago Association of Commerce.

Okumura, a student at Wells high school, was awarded a scholarship to the Chicago Art Institute at a ceremony in Mayor Kennelly's office.

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Veteran Graduates With High Honors

ROYAL OAK, Mich. — Nobu Shimokochi, 21, a three-year veteran of the U.S. Army, recently graduated from Royal Oak high school in the top ten per cent of his graduating class.

Nobu spent 30 months overseas with the army in Korea before returning to the United States.

In 1946, he went to Royal Oak with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Shimokochi, and his sister, Yuri. He attended Royal Oak high school for one month, then enlisted in the army.

In Sept. 1949, he reentered Royal Oak high school to graduate. He plans to attend Wayne University in Detroit.

Nobu was born in Los Angeles and lived there until he and members of his family were forced to evacuate in 1942 to the Heart Mountain relocation center.

San Mateans Double JACL Membership

SAN MATEO, Calif.—The membership of the San Mateo County JACL has almost doubled, according to Bob Sugishita, chairman of the county league's membership drive.

The city of San Mateo alone brought in 100 members as the drive drew to a close this week. Reports from other areas have not come in yet, Sugishita said, but

The drive chairman said he was confident that the chapter will reach a total membership of 275 this year.

Yellowstone Completes Campaign for ADC

REXBURG, Ida.—The Yellowstone JACL successfully completed its ADC campaign with its quota of \$300.

Under chairmanship of Hiroshi Miyasaka, committee members who willingly braved the weather to complete the drive on schedule were Masayoshi Fujimoto, Tom Doi, Takeshi Hanami and Kazuo Sakota.

Scene Magazine Sponsors Contest For Short Stories

CHICAGO—As announced in its February issue, Scene magazine, the pictorial monthly published in Chicago, is sponsoring a contest for short short stories. Monthly winners will receive a cash award of \$25.

The contest is open to everyone. Stories can cover any subject but must not exceed 1,000 words.

Stories are now being accepted by Scene and the first winning story will appear in the July issue. Subsequent winners will appear every month thereafter.

The contest is open all through this year. Manuscripts will not be returned by the publishers and the decision of the judges is final, according to the editors of Scene.

Santa Maria JACL Reelects Cabinet

SANTA MARIA, Calif.—Harry Miyake, president, and his entire cabinet of the Santa Maria JACL Chapter will again serve for the 1950 term, it was announced here.

Assisting president Miyake will be Leonard Ueki, chairman of the Guadalupe district; Bill Agawa, chairman for the Santa Maria district, and Jimmy Uyeshima, chairman for the Berry Farm district; Hiroko Taketa, secretary; Bill Kashiwagi, treasurer, and Sam Maenaga and Matt Kagawa, athletic chairmen.

The 1950 membership drive, headed by district chairmen, will end on March 15, with the goal of 150 members. The ADC Fund Drive with its goal of \$825 is now under way, according to Miyake.

Among the activities of the Santa Maria JACL are monthly meetings held at each district and sponsorship of the local bowling league and basketball league in the Santa Maria Valley.

YPCC Plans 20th Annual Meeting

LIVINGSTON, Calif.—The 20th annual meeting of the Central California Young People's Christian Conference will be held in Livingston Sunday, March 19, at the Japanese Methodist church.

It will be led by Tom Nakashima, president.

Registration will begin at 9 in the morning, to be followed by Bible study and worship service. Discussion groups and recreation have been planned for the afternoon. A banquet, closing service and installation of officers will take up the evening hours.

The registration fee has been announced as \$3, but an adjustment fee of fifty cents will be charged those persons who do not pre-register with their respective fellowship groups.

Cabinet officials for this year, in addition to Nakashima, are Mac Hase, 1st vice pres.; Chiaki Renge, 2nd vice pres.; Betty Kinoshita, corr. sec.; Ritz Konatsu, rec. sec.; Ronald Kooda, treas.; Kiyo Sanbongi, historian; Betty Wake, publicity chmn.; and Joy Kawamura, publication chmn.

Engagement

NEW YORK CITY — Mr. and Mrs. Eikichi Kishi of New York City announced the engagement of their daughter, Fumi, to William Toshio Yasutake, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kaichiro Yasutake of Chicago.



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Dance Stars Join In Folk Festival

CHICAGO — Nisei dance stars Haruko and Tomeko Uyeda and their students will join with representatives of other nationality groups at the fifth annual United Nations folk festival Feb. 25.

The festival, to be held in the huge auditorium at Barrington high school in Barrington, Ill., is presented each year in recognition of American Brotherhood week.

Christine Ito, Makiko Kato and Kiyoko Nozawa will dance a number titled "Silver Wings." Four seven-year-olds, Mariko Ann Akiyama, Sadako Fujii, Toyoko Kitahata and Beatrice Okubo, will appear in a comic dance, "The Four Bunnies."

Festival sponsors hope that this annual event, through the exchange of folklore and cultural arts, will help erase intolerance and racial discrimination.

The program on Feb. 25 will be a prelude to the sixteenth annual national folk festival to be held in St. Louis early in April. Haruko and Tomeko Uyeda have already accepted an invitation for a return engagement at the national festival, where they made a great hit in their debut last year.

Camera Club Sees Movies on Parks

CHICAGO — The 55 Camera Club, under sponsorship of Kiyoshi Okawa, held its last regular monthly meeting at the Album Studio.

Mr. Marx of the Hobby Shop entertained with movies of his trip to several national parks. Ed Sato, commercial artist, gave an illustrated talk on the art of arranging an album.

Augie May, Tribune staff photographer, was guest speaker at the group's previous meeting and several field trips have developed as a result of his lecture.

Plans are now under way for rental of a darkroom for club members.

All amateur camera enthusiasts are invited to the group's next meeting to be held Wednesday, March 8, at 8 p.m. at the Album Studio.

The 55 Camera Club was initiated by the Chicago JACL in May, 1949.

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MINNEAPOLIS—Tokyo mining student Iwao Iwasaki arrived in Minneapolis last weekend to study in this country through the help of the late Lowell Norrbom, a penpal with whom Iwao corresponded while Lowell was a student at Harvard.

Iwao arrived in the mill city train depot with all of the American trimmings, including a group of well-wishers, a pre-planned party for Iwao's 21st birthday, and typical midwest zero temperature. But one friend was missing, Lowell himself, who was killed last year in an auto-cab collision.

As a tribute to Lowell, the Norrboms have carried through one of his "last wishes," to help Iwao through an American university. Iwao will enroll at the University of Minnesota for the next three years. However, Mrs. Norrbom, mother of 11, told the United Citizens League News Bureau, "He can stay as long as he wants. We are very much pleased with him."

Iwao's transportation to the United States was paid by the donations of many persons in the Twin Cities, and among others, Gov. Earl Warren of California. Warren is a cousin of Mrs. Norrbom's husband.

In his personal letter to Mrs. Norrbom, Warren wrote, "I was very happy to hear from you and to learn of the pleasure you are deriving from helping the young Japanese friend of Lowell's to work toward bridging the gap between two countries which were so recently at war."

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