



Canadian Nisei Seek Federal Bill of Rights

Want Protection Against Another Mass Evacuation

OTTAWA, Can. — The National Japanese Canadian Citizens Association last week urged the government to adopt a bill of rights to guard against repetition of such action as the wartime forced mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from coastal British Columbia.

The suggestion was contained in a brief placed before Canada's senate committee studying human rights and fundamental freedoms.

The brief said that the removal of Japanese Canadians from the British Columbia coastal region by government order in 1942 "shocked the Japanese Canadians into the realization some of the basic human rights, which they had already considered inviolable and which they had fully accepted in faith as Canadian citizens were not deep and abiding rights."

In Canada, protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms is based on unwritten law as in the United Kingdom.

Masaoka Invited To Attend Dinner

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Mike Masaoka, national JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee legislative director, has been invited to attend a dinner May 24 in the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, honoring Yukio Ozaki, the "Father of the House of Commons" in Japan.

Mr. Ozaki, one of the few surviving elder statesmen of the Japanese Parliament, helped lay the foundation of the modern Japanese Empire.

He has held membership in Parliament since it was established in 1890, despite the fact that during the 1930's and 40's, he was one of the few outspoken and vigorous liberals in that law making body.

The dinner for Mr. Ozaki is being given by William R. Castle and Joseph C. Grew, former Ambassador to Japan, and members of the American Council on Japan.

Japanese Canadians Evacuated from Winnipeg Flood Area

WINNIPEG, Man. — Twenty-one Japanese Canadian families are among the residents of St. Vital, a southeastern suburb of Winnipeg, who were evacuated last week as the Red River overflowed its banks, submerging the entire area.

Japanese Canadian volunteers have joined in the battle of residents along the flood front who are working to strengthen the dykes.

Other Japanese Canadian families have been evacuated at Emerson, Letellier and other points along the river.

Refuses to Quit Post



HONOLULU, T. H.—Supervisor Richard M. Kageyama, who startled the city recently with the admission that he once belonged to the Communist party, sits at his desk in city hall, despite a demand from fellow supervisors that he resign.

—Photo courtesy of Star-Bulletin.

Persons He Accused May Help Supervisor Kageyama Escape Indictment on Perjury Charge

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—It's a quirk of irony that Supervisor Richard M. Kageyama apparently is beating a perjury indictment with the help of the very persons he has accused of being Communists.

The Oahu grand jury has yet to come up with an indictment against the Nisei who, by his own admission, lied when he said he was not a Communist.

He is no longer a Communist, having quit in disillusionment in 1947 after 10 months in the party.

Because his own confession before the house unAmerican Activities committee may not be used against him in the perjury investigation, the city-county prosecutor's office must present "independent evidence" from other sources.

What better evidence is there than that which could be furnished by those Kageyama has identified as having been fellow Communists?

What better evidence than the testimony of Dr. John E. Reinecke, the man who Kageyama says handed him his Communist party card?

But evidently the accused Communists are remaining as tight-lipped before the grand jury as they were before the congressional committee, lest—as they put it—they might incriminate themselves.

Otherwise, the grand jury prob-

ably would have indicted Kageyama by this time.

As things stand, the jurors are expected to be recalled next week, presumably to hear additional witnesses.

Previous witnesses have been mostly persons tagged as Communists by Kageyama.

These persons obviously have no friendship for a man labeled an "informant" by his enemies. But neither are they risking their own "popularity or principles" by testifying against him.

Even if he escapes indictment for perjury—which appears quite possible—Kageyama must face impeachment attempts to unseat him from the Board of Supervisors.

Petitions for this purpose are being prepared for filing as soon as the perjury case is out of the way.

Kageyama has come under attack by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. VFW Post 94 urged his ouster in a resolution presented to the Board of Supervisors, which already is on record as favoring Kageyama's removal.

One lone backer, a former court probation officer, has come forward in Kageyama's support.

Dr. Minami Named To High Post in Masonic Lodge

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Dr. Henry K. Minami, a District of Columbia Health Department dentist, has been installed as Sword Bearer in the Brightwood Commandery No. 6, Knights Templar. This is believed to be the first time in American history a Nisei has attained this rank.

Now a "Line Officer" in the Commandery, Dr. Minami will progress to Commander of the lodge in seven years.

JACL Joins Three Groups In Brief Upholding Court's Decision Outlawing Land Law

LOS ANGELES—The Japanese American Citizens League and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People have joined the American Civil Liberties Union and the American Jewish Congress in a brief amicus curiae filed with the District Court of Appeals in opposition to that filed by Attorney General Fred N. Howser in the Sei Fujii versus California Alien Land law case, JACL regional director Tats Kushida announced this week.

The brief supported as correct both in law and in justice the decision of this appellate court to the effect that the United Nations Charter rendered the California Alien Land law invalid because of its racial feature.

The jointly filed brief contended that the Appellate Courts decision must be upheld since it otherwise would repudiate our international

commitments as well as violate the United States constitution itself.

In summary, the brief declared: "Either we — the United States — are committed to the principle of observance of human rights without distinction as to race, or we are not. If we are, the Alien Land Law cannot stand the test."

In the latter case, it suggested that if the United States is not so committed, the impact upon all people who look to this nation for leadership would be detrimental to the nation and to the cause of civil rights everywhere.

"It would seem a most lamentable travesty upon our bona fides were we, after having played so important a part in the democratization of Japan, to uphold the validity of the California Alien Land Law. This, the court, in its decision herein, has not done and in so deciding it has acted in accordance with that highest morality in which we of this nation must play a leading part."

Prepared by attorney Fred Okrand, the brief was countersigned by attorney A. L. Wirin, former counsel for the ACLU, and Will Maslow, counsel for the Commission on Law and Social Action of the American Jewish Congress. Signing the brief for the JACL and the NAACP were Saburo Kido, national JACL legal counsel, and Loren Miller, legal counsel for the NAACP.

JACL Council Will Sponsor "Nisei Week"

LOS ANGELES — The Nisei Week Festival of 1950 will be sponsored by the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council, it was announced. Tuesday following a meeting of the four JACL chapter representatives at the Miyako Hotel Conference Room, with Kiyomi Takata representing the Nisei Week Board.

The retired executive board for the 1940 Nisei Week Festival will resume active leadership in conducting this year's annual event with the understanding that all proceeds of the 1950 Nisei Week Festival will be deposited for the Community Center Fund inaugurated last year.

State Cites UN Authorities In Challenging Court's Verdict

Attorney General Asks Rehearing in Fujii Land Law Case

LOS ANGELES—The State of California on May 10 formally challenged the opinion of the California District Court of Appeals that the United Nations Charter and the Declaration of Human Rights invalidated the state's Alien Land law.

State Attorney General Fred N. Howser formally asked for a rehearing by the appellate court on its April 24 decision in the Fujii case in which it held unanimously that the UN Charter was a treaty and the supreme law of the land and supercedes conflicting state laws.

The verdict of the three-member tribunal aroused judicial interest throughout the nation and was the first such decision since the United States ratified the charter in 1945.

The appellate justices did not hold the Alien Land law unconstitutional, per se, but declared that the UN Declaration of Human Rights is a legal treaty among all nations and hence invalidates the Alien Land law which, in effect, is a discriminatory restriction on Japanese nationals and in violation of the charter's espousal of equal rights regardless of race.

Attorney General Howser declared that the charter even though granted to be a treaty, did not in all respects constitute the supreme law of the land.

The chief reason cited was the principle that only those provisions of a treaty that are self-executing, not requiring implementive legislation, become automatically incorporated into the supreme law.

The petition also submitted that the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, extensively quoted by the court in support of its ruling, did not constitute a treaty and "imports no legal obligations."

Howser noted that he was not criticizing any of the sentiments or aims expressed in the United Nations documents, but only their legal status. He noted also that the Alien Land law has been held constitutional by the United States Supreme Court.

Howser's petition also quoted Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and two other authorities on the United Nations Charter.

It quoted Mrs. Roosevelt as saying: "The Declaration of Human Rights is not a treaty, is not an international agreement. It is not and does not purport to be a statement of law or of legal obligation."

Howser's petition also included statements by the late Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., UN chairman and former Secretary of State, and Dr. Manley O. Hudson, professor of international law at Harvard Law School and chairman of the UN International Law Commission.

The statement attributed to the late Mr. Stettinius is as follows: "The United Nations is an organization of sovereign states and the General Assembly does not have the power to legislate . . ."

Dr. Hudson was quoted as saying:

"I am astonished by the decision of the District Court of Appeals (in California) . . ."

Dr. Hudson further declared the appellate tribunal had "failed to take into account" the self-executing factor.

The petition also cited Chief Justice John Marshall's ruling in 1829 that "a treaty is . . . to be regarded in courts of justice as equivalent to an act of the legislature, whenever it operates of itself, without the aid of any legislative provision. But when . . . either of the parties engages to perform a particular act, the treaty addresses itself to the political, not the judicial, department; and the legislature must execute the contract, before it can become a rule for the court."

Chicago JACL Asks Retention Of Federal Rent Controls

Seek Continuation Of Effective Controls Over Rents, Evictions

CHICAGO — "Federal rent control cannot be allowed to die," said Shigeo Wakamatsu, president of the local chapter, as the Chicago JACL joined with the CIO and the Independent Voters of Illinois in urging that Congress extend the 1949 rent law.

In a steering committee meeting with the Midwest labor leaders, the Chicago chapter pledged its support in the coming campaign to prevent the expiration of the rent act after June 30, 1950. The name chosen for the group was "Citizens Committee for Rent Control."

The Citizens Committee for

Rent Control" is a non-partisan organization. The stated object of the committee is to urge the Congress of the United States to enact promptly an act to extend rent control under Federal authority, such an act to include these provisions:

1. Effective controls over rents to be paid;
2. Effective controls over evictions;
3. Authority for the national administrator of rents to control or re-control areas;
4. Adequate provisions for administration and enforcement of all provisions.

In the strategy and steering committee deliberations, the Chicago chapter was represented by Richard Akagi.

American Bowling Congress Expects Nisei Teams to Enter 1950 Tournament at St. Paul

Compromise Proposal Leaves Eligibility with Local Associations

COLUMBUS, O.—Officials of the American Bowling Congress indicated this week they expected entries from "some Negro teams, and possibly a few Japanese, Chinese and Hawaiians" to seek reservations for the 1951 ABC national tournament in St. Paul.

The 1952 tournament was awarded to Milwaukee and St. Louis was reported to be the outstanding bidder for the 1953 classic.

Before the ABC's action deleting the word "white" from its membership regulations, the ABC's convention was told that it was becoming difficult to find sites for the annual tournament because of the discriminatory racial rules of the bowling association.

The motion to erase the ABC's color ban was offered to the convention on May 12 by Jack Bunsey of the Seattle delegation. Bunsey, president of the Boeing Aircraft Bowling League in Seattle, last year headed a motion protesting the ABC's refusal to permit a team of Japanese American employees to bowl in the Boeing league.

In throwing out the 34-year old race restriction, the delegates passed the question of eligibility of membership to individual leagues and city bowling associations.

It specifically states that membership in the ABC will be composed of "individuals affiliated

through a chartered city association which is represented in the parent body by duly elected delegates and alternates."

The amendment was considered to be a compromise since many of the northern big city associations favored retention of the present membership structure but with the outlawing of racially discriminatory practices.

The compromise provision which was adopted was expected to appeal to southern bowlers and bowling alley proprietors by giving them authority to control membership of their own leagues and city organizations.

It was indicated that the delegates were swayed by the appearance of Michael Dunn of Milwaukee, the ABC's general counsel, who told the convention that the ABC's "very life" was threatened by law suits unless the discriminatory provisions were rescinded.

He said that the ABC was already involved in litigation in four states — New York, Wisconsin, Illinois and Ohio — and faced threats of suits in Michigan and Minnesota and four other states. He said \$40,000 already had been spent in fighting suits.

Dunn also declared that an unfavorable press had caused the ABC to "suffer in the court of public opinion."

Following Dunn's appeal, the convention voted to pass the amendment by an overwhelming voice vote.

21 Reluctant Nisei Witnesses May Face Contempt Citations

House Un-American Activities Group Asks Prosecution

WASHINGTON — Thirty-nine persons, including 21 Nisei, who refused to answer questions at hearings of a subcommittee of the House un-American Activities Committee in Honolulu recently, may face prosecution for contempt of Congress.

The House committee on May 11 voted to seek contempt action against the 39.

The action was announced by Rep. Francis E. Walter, D., Pa., chairman of the subcommittee that went to Hawaii.

If the House of Representatives votes contempt citations the matter will be referred to the Department of Justice for prosecution. The next step would be for the department to submit to a grand jury in Hawaii and ask for indictments.

Rep. Walter indicated the committee wants a clear-cut court test

to determine definitely the nature of questions a witness may refuse to answer, or be required to answer. He said the reluctant witnesses in Hawaii cited the Fifth Amendment, contending that answers might tend to incriminate them.

The question the committee wants the courts to decide is whether a witness is the sole judge of what would be self-incriminating.

The 21 Nisei cited by the committee for refusal to answer questions included past and present officials of the ILWU.

New York Members Will Discuss Job Opportunities for Nisei

NTW YORK CITY—Job opportunities for Nisei in New York will be discussed at a panel forum sponsored by the New York JACL education committee on May 25 at the Japanese Methodist church, beginning at 8:30 p.m.

A number of representative Nisei will be on the panel.

Speakers have been announced as Hoshi Nakamura, Brooklyn high school teacher; Eddie Matsuoka, who is in the restaurant business and auto mechanics; Kiyo Tomiyasu, mechanical engineer and former instructor of engineering at Harvard; Sachi Kasahara, sales representative of a New York clothing firm and former owner of Nisei Dressmakers, Inc.; and Yoshio Kuwano, chapter program director.

Kuwano will discuss possibilities of operating an employment service under auspices of the local chapter.

Midori Watanabe is chairman of the education committee.

The Japanese Methodist church is located at 303 West 10th st.

L. A.'s First Mother's Day Baby Born to Nisei Couple

LOS ANGELES—Entrance into this world of infant Norman Kado at 12:35 a.m. on Mother's day won him a diaper made of Hawaiian orchids and an orchid lei for his mother, Mrs. Chiyo Kado, of 3970 Centinela ave., Venice.

Norman was the first baby born in the southland on Mother's day.

The lei and diaper were presented by Graham W. Dible, Hawaiian orchid king. They were flown here

from Hawaii for the occasion.

Dible and five press agents spent the midnight hours checking 51 hospitals in this area for the first infant howl on Mother's day.

By coincidence, the Kados are not only the parents of the first-born child of the day, they are also from Hawaii.

They are the parents of two other sons, Clarence, 13, and Gerald, 10.

Kado is a gardner.



Jack Hirose and Henry J. Baysili, two ex-GIs, now have a successful art agency in Washington.

Two Veterans Open New Art Agency in Nation's Capital

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON — Take two young men, a little inspiration, a few cups of coffee and the end results could be almost anything from a reinterpretation of Nietzsche to excited plans for a smash TV show.

In the case of Jack Hirose and Henry J. Baysili what with one thing and another, mostly discussed over a few cups of coffee, they finally pooled their talents to open an art agency the Art Design Studio in Washington, D.C.

That was five months ago. There was a touch of trepidation in two hearts the day they opened the doors of their studio penthouse. For, in at least one sense, the agency is unique: it is probably the only one in the nation owned by a Nisei and a voluble Spanish immigrant.

Since the particular day the two got ready for business on their own, they've managed to do quite well, thank you.

They have managed to interest some of the nation's major firms in their abilities; cop a very fat prize in a Washington advertising art show — first prize for color illustration—build up their list of Washington clients; employ two full-time and several part time assistants. And today the future holds out a rosy promise, fashioned not only out of hope, but a rare amount of skill in the art field, plus some clever ideas in putting the agency across.

Jack, who has long been active in JACL work in Washington, as well as National JACL Arlington Committee chairman, is a stocky, smiling fellow who pays a shrewd game of poker as well as wielding a remarkably skillful brush. His particular fortes are lettering, the use of colors, and general design. In the other hand, Henry, a slender, quick-talking fellow has a flair for brilliance and drama in particular design, plus basic ideas, so the two compliment each other in their work.

When Jack and Henry did merge their talents, it was a case of East and West getting together—in reverse. Jack, a West coaster, had attended the noted Art Center School in Los Angeles before coming East; Henry was graduated from the famed Pratt Institute in New York.

Jack came to Washington in 1943, via a WRA center and a short tour in the army. Henry wound up in the nation's capital after seeing service as a GI with the army engineers in the Pacific.

Before they opened their own studio, both were employed as art directors at two of the largest advertising agencies in Washington.

As Jack said: "We used to run into each other every once in a while, sit down and have a cup of coffee and talk things over. Well, we finally decided: 'Why not?' We both had our own contracts in the art field. So we looked around, found an unoccupied top floor of a building for rent, and moved in."

That was in January. Today they number among their clients such organizations as the American National Red Cross, the National Guard Association, Good Humor Ice Cream, the IUEW, CIO, and are doing much of the work for the sesquicentennial celebration in Washington.

Both are active in the American Veterans Committee, and each is married, with one child.

Jack recently purchased his own

home in Washington. His wife, Kinu Hirashima Hirose, a Long Beach, Calif., girl, said that as far as she is concerned: "We're in Washington to stay."

Does Jack have any advice for Nisei who hope to strike out on their own in business or professional fields "Only reluctantly," he replied. "But I do know there are many more opportunities for the Nisei in the east than in the west."

Troupe from Japan Helps Break Ground For New Theater

LOS ANGELES — A musical show troupe, made up of six of Japan's popular vocal and musical performers, helped break ground for a new Japanese motion picture and legitimate theater on Woodworth Court, near 2nd and San Pedro streets, last week.

The performers, headed by Masao Koga, song composer, arrived here from Honolulu.

They will make a tour of the United States after performing in Los Angeles and other California cities.

Nisei Employee Held All Night by Two Los Angeles Bandits

LOS ANGELES—Don Hama, 23, produce man, was one of five persons who were held overnight in cramped quarters in a market office by two armed bandits on May 9.

The bandits held three men employees and two women relatives who were summoned to the store all night while they waited for a time lock to open on the store's safe.

Approximately \$7,000 in cash was taken by the bandits when the safe finally was opened.

Fetes Anniversary

PARLIER, Calif. — The 15th anniversary of the Parlier JACL was celebrated at a dinner on May 6 at the American Legion hall.

More than 100 members and friends attended. Byrd Kumataka served as toastmaster.

Leading Chicago Citizens Will Select "Nisei of the Year"

CHICAGO — "Distinguished Chicagoans have consented to serve as a part of a panel of judges for the National Recognitions Committee," Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, chairman of the committee, announced this week.

Dr. Edward Sparling, president of Roosevelt College, is the latest to be added to the committee which will select the "Nisei of the Year." The winner of the "Nisei of the Year" award will be announced at the Eleventh Biennial National JACL Convention in Chicago during September 28 - October 2, 1950.

Working with Dr. Sparling on this committee are: Willard Townsend, president of the United Transport Service Employees, CIO, and internationally known as a labor leader; Dr. John A. Lapp, chairman of Chicago's Citizens School Com-

Nisei Stranded Will Ask Court For Citizenship

Denied U.S. Rights For Services in Japanese Forces

LOS ANGELES — Citizenship cases of three Nisei stranded will be heard in the Federal court in Los Angeles on June 12.

The cases concern Minoru Furukawa and Ray Hosoda, who are considered to have lost their American citizenship by serving in the Japanese army, and Kikuyoshi Komura, who is also deemed to have lost American status through service in the Japanese navy.

All ask for recognition of their American nationality. They charge that their service in the Japanese armed forces was due to conscription and coercion and since such service was not voluntary, they should still be regarded as citizens of this country.

The cases will be heard by Federal Judge D. E. Metzger of Hawaii, who will be holding court in Los Angeles in June.

The Nisei will be represented by A. L. Wirin, John Aiso and John Maeno will be associated with Wirin in the Komura case. K. Mukaeda will interpret during the Furukawa trial.

In two similar cases Judge Metzger has ruled that Nisei serving in the Japanese army did not lose their American citizenship through such service. The first was handed down by Judge Metzger last July in the Yoshiro Shibata case. The second was in the Iwao Motoyama case, heard in February in Honolulu.

Hosoda and Furukawa are now in the United States, having won permission to return to this country to testify in their own cases.

Dress Firms Express Interest in JACL

Confab Fashion Show

CHICAGO — Marked enthusiasm has been shown by several representatives of leading dress manufacturing companies and fashion editors in Chicago about the plans for the Tea-Fashion Show to be held September 29 at the National JACL Convention.

The committee is already considering applications received from several Nisei designers.

Since this is an opportunity to give recognition to amateur designers as well as those who work professionally, each chapter is being urged to send the creations of at least one designer to represent their group in the showing.

Models will be furnished to those designers who do not have representatives attending the convention.

The show will be staged in the Gold Room of the Congress Hotel from 2 - 5 p.m., September 29th.

Applications blanks are now available to all interested persons through the local JACL chapters.

Wins Poster Contest

LOS ANGELES — Tom Suzuki, student at Los Angeles City college, last week was awarded a prize of \$10 for the best poster in the Junior Chamber of Commerce "Get-Out-The-Vote" contest.

The presentation of the award to Suzuki was made by Supervisor Roger Jessup.

Mass Exodus of Japan-Bound Tourists, Visits by Nipponese Artists Drain Hawaii Purses

Territory's Japanese American Community Feels Pinch of Adverse Balance of Trade; Experts Seek to Strengthen Economy

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—The prewar relationship between Hawaii and Japan is being revived rapidly but Japan appears to be getting far more out of the bargain than Hawaii.

This is particularly true as regards the so-called economic balance of trade. Hawaiian dollars are finding their way to Japan in large volume and buying back less than they should.

The reference here is not to strictly trade matters. Merchants in Hawaii are importing Japan-made goods and foods as they

were accustomed to before the war, although not in such large volume. The dollars paid out in this case are well spent as the people in the islands presumably are getting their money's worth in tangible products.

The criticism here is directed towards two types of lavish spending:

1. Mass exodus of tourists to Japan.

2. Payment for theatrical talent from Japan.

Both are perfectly justifiable avenues of spending. What's wrong is the extent to which they are being exploited.

Several thousand Issei and Nisei are visiting or will visit their ancestral homeland this year—the first year of normal tourism in Japan since before the war. By easing travel restrictions, Gen. MacArthur's headquarters is achieving just what it aims to do—rebuild Japan's tourist business to its status as a flourishing money-maker for the country.

For a decade, would-be tourists to Japan had been denied the opportunity to travel to the land of Mt. Fuji, cherry blossoms, hot springs and "torii."

Travel already had been dropping off just before the war. The war scare before Pearl Harbor kept many travelers at home. And, of course, there was no civilian travel at all during the long war years and the years immediately after V-J day.

So when SCAP lifted the travel ban last year, the movement of tourists started fast. But the come-to-Japan invitation arrived a bit too late for the spring season.

The pent-up urge to visit Japan found full expression this spring. Hundreds are crowding each liner stopping over in Honolulu en route to the Far East. And the air lines are busy flying additional hundreds to Japan.

One can fully appreciate the desire of the "old folks" to revisit the country of their birth. Most of the Issei have never been back to Japan since their arrival in Hawaii early in their life. Their desire to see Japan "for the last time" before they pass away has developed into almost an obsession with many of them. There are cases of Issei selling their belongings, even their homes, to collect enough cash to make the trip.

Others have imposed on their Nisei children to furnish the needed money for transportation.

Assuming that each tourist spends \$1,250 to cover cost of passage and his expenses while in Japan, the amount of dollars spent for each 1,000 tourists would reach the staggering figure of \$1,250,000. It is a guess as to exactly how many thousands will go to Japan this year, and next, during the full tide of the exodus.

The sad commentary on this wholesale movement is the economic drain on the pocketbook of the Japanese community in general. It is regrettable to see hard-earned dollars spent abroad at the expense, in many cases, of those who remain behind. Nearly all who go to Japan are travelling as tourists; that is, they plan to return to Hawaii after their visit in the Orient. That means they ought to have the financial capacity to carry on with their own resources following their return to Hawaii. If the traveler must scrape the barrel, so to speak, to foot the travel bill, he obviously must begin anew to make a living upon his return from abroad. And since most of the Issei are in their advanced age, the prospect of re-entering employment looks dismal.

The net result, unfortunately, would be for them to lean on their Nisei children to support them for the rest of their days.

All this comes at a time when Hawaii as a whole is facing a serious economic future. Unemployment is at a near record of 28,000 or nearly 16 per cent of the labor force. Translated into other terms, it means one out of every six workers is currently without a job. That puts Hawaii into the class of the highest unemployed areas in the United States. Unemployment among the Japanese the Japanese group is about proportionate to its size in the whole population.

Hawaii's "balance of trade" account has gone topsy-turvy since the end of the war. The territory is spending more mainland dollars than it is earning. A survey just completed by a leading bank here shows that the islands spent about \$76,000,000 more mainland dollars than they received last year and the trend is continuing.

Before any emergency or long range solution can be worked out to lift the territory out of its economic doldrums, economists insist that the people of Hawaii must have an understanding of its serious situation.

That applies to every adult in the population—not only to those who actively guide the business destinies but the far greater mass of workers whose purchasing power keeps the wheels of island industry turning.

To have the Japanese spending tourist dollars abroad freely, while the territory is desperately wooing mainland tourist dollars, appears to be working counter to the best interests of all the people. Again, the criticism is directed not at the principle of travel abroad—which is each person's own business—but at the extent to which the principle is carried—which becomes the entire territory's problem.

The second dollar-consuming movement that calls for critical comment is the sudden influx of the theatrical talent from Japan.

First it was "Japan's Bette Davis," Kinuyo Tanaka. She started an "invasion" that has included two musical troupes, other actresses and even a "naniwa-bushi" artist. This galaxy of live talent has drawn full houses wherever the entertainers have played in Hawaii. The total of the admission price paid by audiences must climb easily into five figures, if not six; by now. While the entertainment has been top grade, and probably worth the generally high price of admission, there still remains the basic concern of where all the money is going. In several cases, the entertainers have appeared for worthwhile causes or projects sponsored in Hawaii. This helps to keep the money at home.

But others have been strictly commercial enterprises. That means the bulk of the finances is being taken back to Japan from whence the entertainers came. And dollar-scarce Hawaii can hardly afford the luxury of such a practice for long.

The handwriting on the wall has been put there by economists who have studied the outlook for the islands and have found it not too bright. They say the economy must be strengthened by increasing Hawaii's earning power and trimming all spending sprees.

Anything that hampers this process obviously is not to the best interests of all the people.

NISEI SINGER MULLS OFFER OF JAPAN STUDIO

LOS ANGELES—Karie Shindo, who sings the blues in two languages—English and Japanese, is considering an offer from a Japanese film studio.

The young Nisei singer returned home recently from Hawaii where she appeared at a carnival in Honolulu Stadium with the Mills Brothers and also sang in the city's biggest night club. She originally went to Hawaii for one engagement but stayed two months.

The Hawaiian engagement was a result of her appearance as a singer in the Humphrey Bogart picture, "Tokyo Joe," in which she sang the song, "These Foolish Things," in Japanese.

While she was in Hawaii she received several calls from film studios. Since returning home she has appeared with her brother Tak Shindo's 14-piece orchestra. Tak, a clarinetist, arranges all of her music. He has also done arrangements for several well-known orchestras.

Civil Rights Group Studies Omnibus Bill

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The National Civil Liberties Clearing House this week named a special three-man sub-committee to study the McCarran Omnibus bill for the 50 national organizations comprising the NCLCH.

Named to the sub-committee were Mike Masaoka, national JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee legislative director; Jack Wasserman, former member of the Board of Immigration Appeals and now general counsel for the Association of Immigration and Nationality Lawyers, and Alice Ehunfeld, of the American Jewish Committee.

Mr. Masaoka said the sub-committee will make a detailed study of the bill, as well as compile reports on the measure beginning to be made by other organizations interested in the legislation, in order to formulate a program to guide the NCLCH in taking a stand on the bill.

Gardena Chapter Is Reactivated

GARDENA, Calif. — Gardena Nisei met with Tats Kushida, regional JACL director, on May 4 to begin reactivation of the local JACL.

A slate of candidates for chapter officers was named.

The group is slated to conduct a membership drive during the month of May under Paul Shinoda, chairman.

Officers will be elected in June. All interested persons are invited to join the chapter.

Salt Laker Elected To Honor Society

Lindy Kumagai was one of the thirty graduate students who were elected to membership in Phi Kappa Phi, honorary scholastic society for all fields of learning. He holds a straight A average.

He has been accepted in the Medical School and will begin his medical schooling this coming June. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kumagai of Salt Lake City.

Name Chairmen

IDAHO FALLS, Ida.—Committee chairmen for the annual Idaho Falls JACL picnic, to be held June 11 at the Shelley high school grounds, were announced as follows:

Lena Date and Shiro Ueda, program; Mrs. Margaret Yamasaki, prizes; Takeo Higa, property; George Nukaya, concessions; Eke Tanaka, judges and grounds; Charlie Hirai, drawing; Tucker Morishita and Sampei Sakaguchi, PA; and Tom Ogawa, starter.

Chairmen will select members of their committees.

All members of the JACL will serve as a reception committee.

Wartime Evacuee Relocation Experts Join Dillon Myer To Tackle U.S. Indian Problem

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The wartime War Relocation Authority "team" which handled the resettlement of 115,000 Japanese American evacuees was reported ready to tackle the nation's Indian problem, it was indicated here this week.

A number of top officials of the WRA are reported to be moving into the top ranks of the Interior Department's Bureau of Indian Affairs in one of the most thorough-going reorganizations that agency has ever had.

The reorganization has followed the appointment of Dillon S. Myer, wartime WRA director, to the post of Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Myer, chief of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, was appointed by President Truman on March 22.

Informed persons here said that John R. Nichols was replaced as head of the Indian Bureau because Interior Secretary Oscar Chapman was disappointed at the lack of an aggressive new approach to Indian problems. Nichols was said to have heeded closely the advice of William Zimmerman Jr., for the past 17 years variously assistant commissioner, associate commissioner and acting commissioner and often the real chief of Indian affairs.

Secretary Chapman, then Undersecretary of the Interior, worked closely with WRA Director Myer during the war and has praised the latter's handling of the Japanese American resettlement problem.

On May 8 Secretary Chapman transferred Zimmerman to Interior's Bureau of Land Management as assistant director. He appointed H. Rex Lee associate commissioner of the Indian bureau. Lee formerly worked for Myer as chief of the WRA's relocation division. For the past four years Lee has been assistant director of Interior's territories division.

Chapman also has named Ervin J. Utz, New Washington, O., to Zimmerman's old post as assistant commissioner, a job secondary to that of associate commissioner. Utz was with Myer as chief of the operations division of WRA.

Chapman also announced that Theodore H. Haas would resign July 1 as chief counsel of the Indian bureau. Haas resigned a job under Myer in 1944, when he was attorney for WRA's Colorado River relocation center at Poston, Ariz., to take the Indian bureau job.

Haas told a newsman he turned down an offer from Myer as area counsel for the Indian bureau at Phoenix, Ariz.

Edwin E. Ferguson, Brocket, N.D., solicitor for WRA under Myer, was appointed to succeed Haas as the Indian bureau's top attorney. Ferguson has been deputy assistant general counsel for the Oak Ridge, Tenn., operation office of the atomic energy commission.

It is expected that some other former WRA officials may be recruited for the Indian bureau.

Myer said it is not yet possible to say that Indians must be given full control of their own affairs, and the Indian bureau dissolved, in any number of years.

"We hope to have 'target dates' for some areas, eventually," he said.

It was recalled that the WRA under Myer worked out successfully a program of reintegrating the Japanese American evacuees in re-

location centers into normal community life in outside resettlement areas. The WRA also has been praised for its public relations job in making other Americans aware of the problems of the Japanese American group.

CIO to Fight Discrimination In Auto Clubs

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—In the wake of the decision of the American Bowling Congress to rescind its ban on non-Caucasian membership, the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO) this week instructed its legal staff to bring suit to force the American Automobile Association to drop its ban on Negroes.

Philip Murray, president of the CIO, said his own union, the United Steelworkers of America had been the first organization to bring legal pressure on the ABC to eliminate its restrictions on membership to "white males." The union filed suit against the bowling group after a team representing a steelworker's local had been excluded from an ABC-sanctioned bowling tournament because the team included two Negroes.

Terming the decision of the bowling group to change its rules as a "great victory for the CIO in its campaign for civil rights," Murray said the steel union's executive board had voted to make "discriminatory practices" in the American Automobile Association the next concentration point.

According to the CIO president, the automobile club does not accept Negroes for membership in any of its branches.

Hawaii Y Man Will Assist on Education Committee

GREEN LAKE, Wis. — Masao Isobe, boys' work secretary at the Nuuanu YMCA of Honolulu, was named to the commission on education for world citizenship at the ninth North American assembly on YMCA workers with boys at Green Lake May 7 to 12.

The commission will make recommendations to the National YMCA.

It is one of five set up under the American and Canadian boys' work committees and the national Association of Secretaries to plan YMCA youth work on the North American continent for the next three years.

Isobe was one of 450 delegates at the assembly. Twenty-six workers from foreign countries attended.

3-Year Old Twins Amaze TV Audience With Reading Ability

A pair of tiny mites amazed Salt Lake City TV audiences Thursday night with their ability to read and spell words far beyond the expected capacity of children their age.

Twins Sheila and Cheryl Sunada, 3-year-old daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George Sunada of Murray, appeared on KDDL-TV's "Sandman Stories" program at 7 p.m. and proved to be a couple of word-beaters.

Directed by Mrs. Doris Hardy, the program's storyteller, they first demonstrated their ability to read. They then proceeded with a short spelling lesson.

In a final test, they exhibited their reading ability by reading, from cards, such words as "zebra," "xylophone," "Michael," "vacuum

cleaner," "Mr. Martin" and "middle-sized."

The three-year olds first attracted attention when they began to show up with their mother at the Murray public library on a weekly expedition for books.

They learned the alphabet when they were two years old, and began to put letters together into words shortly afterwards, according to their mother. They like to draw and print and work out puzzles, of which they own nine, each made up of some 200 pieces.

Sheila and Cheryl are omnivorous readers and take out about six books each time they visit the library.

Their father is a display artist for Sears-Roebuck in Salt Lake City.

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MINORITY WEEK

The Robinson Story

There's more than one nice thing about "The Jackie Robinson Story," slated to hit moviehouses over the country this week.

In the first place, of course, it's the first movie ever made based on the life of a Negro. Robinson plays himself in the film.

His life didn't take much rewriting to provide a screen story. He had an impoverished childhood. His father deserted the family when the children were young, and Mrs. Robinson found it tough going to raise her youngsters in the face of poverty and discrimination.

Robinson grew up to fulfill the kind of American dream people think about and seldom see achieved. He was a sports natural and when he became the guinea pig for Negro players in major league baseball, the whole country watched with bated breath.

Behind the scenes, there was something else to "The Jackie Robinson Story." It was the first time a major producing company (Eagle-Lion) invited its employees to invest in a movie. Practically every Eagle-Lion employee had a share in the picture. Right now it looks like the picture is going to be one of the big moneymakers, and the company employees will get back a goodly share of profits.

Short Story

Eleven white jurors recently elected the twelfth, a Negro, as their foreman. The story might be unusual anytime, but this time made the papers because: it happened in Atlanta, Ga.

Watch For This

Some big name people are going to do a number of radio shows designed to fight racial discrimination.

Produced by the Institute for Democratic Education, the shows will feature, among others, Martha Scott, Faye Emerson, Tyrone Power, Ezra Stone, Walter Hampden, Richard Widmark, Cornel Wilde, Arnold Moss, Edward R. Murrow, Staats Ootsworth.

Watch for them. The series will be called "The New Frontier." They'll cover such subjects as discrimination in colleges, clubs, resorts and housing.

The first show will be heard in New York May 29, 7:30 p.m., over Station WNBC. The series will be recorded and sent to stations in other parts of the country.

What's In a Name?

A rose by any other name may smell as sweet, but calling a fellow American by an opprobrious racial appellation is something else again.

Apparently this thought moved H. M. Arnould, a reader of the San Francisco News, to protest the paper's use of the word "Jap" in reference to persons of Japanese ancestry, including Nisei and Issei.

The paper agreed in an editorial that the name carried an insulting connotation and announced it was banning the word from its columns.

"White-face"

Black-face acts used to be a common thing, back in the days of vaudeville. But nowadays they're considered a device that reinforces a racial stereotype, along with Jewish jokes, Negro jokes, etc.

That's why the San Francisco Ballet announced this week that the role of Yo-Yo, speaky doorman in "Nothing Doing Bar," will be danced in white-face, not black-face.

Other Stereotypes

Racial stereotypes get pretty well ingrained, it would appear. Sometimes the devices that keep them alive can be eliminated. This week, for instance, a San Francisco trucking company announced it would stop using Negro characters in their advertising, since their use had been offensive to persons of Negro ancestry.

Now somebody ought to talk to the people who manufacture those "Sambo" doorstops and water-sprinklers and garden markers. And maybe get around to stopping some of those after-dinner speakers

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

The High Cost of Evacuation

The government's program for payment of indemnities to wartime evacuees of Japanese ancestry, authorized under Public Law 886, has been bogged down for some months by a lack of precedent and policy. It is nearly six months now since the first small claim was paid to a Los Angeles businessman for the loss of office furnishings and books as a consequence of forced evacuation and only a handful of claims have been paid since then.

The Evacuee Claims Act, passed by the 80th Congress in 1948, provides that the evacuees shall be compensated for accountable business and personal property losses which are a direct result of the evacuation, in which some 115,000 persons were forced to leave homes in the three west coast states and several thousand others were moved from Arizona, Hawaii and Alaska. All of these persons suffered financial losses because of their forced displacement, some of which was claimable within the narrow framework established in Public Law 886, and estimates placed the probable figure around \$10,000,000. Actually, however, it appears that the losses were far greater and although not all the persons eligible filed claims, the amount asked for is believed to have been well over \$100,000,000, although the Justice Department has not released the actual figures.

It has been reported, however, that 24,081 claims were filed before the Jan. 2, 1950 deadline. Of these only a score have been reported paid to date, although hundreds of hearings have been held by the two field offices, in Los Angeles and San Francisco, of the evacuation claims section of the Justice Department.

The delay is understandable and can be attributed to the fact that, if the mass evacuation of American residents on the basis of race was unprecedented, the payment of claims to these evacuees also is without historical precedent. Justice Department officials involved in the adjudication of claims have been caught on the twin horns of a dilemma, one being that a too strict and narrow interpretation of the letter of Public Law 886 will deprive the evacuees of justifiable payments while a more liberal approach may be considered by the officials as a drain on the public purse.

The actual losses sustained by the evacuees were, of course, far greater than \$100,000,000 and have been estimated to be three times that figure. In addition, it cost the government some \$250,000,000 to carry out the evacuation, build the ten relocation centers and the 14 assembly centers and to maintain the evacuees in the camps. Thus the cost of hysteria and hatred is an example of a luxury which neither the government nor the victims of the evacuation can afford.

The Justice Department's estimate of the cost of the evacuation claims program for the coming fiscal one was modest at most. It asked Congress for \$5,000,000 for claims payments and \$304,000 for administrative expenses. The request has been slashed 20 per cent by an economy-minded House Appropriations committee which is recommending that \$4,000,000 be allotted for payments and only \$250,000 for expenses. There appears to be little prospect that the figures can be raised to the original request although the folly of a penny-wise, pound-foolish philosophy seems apparent.

who start off with, "Did you hear about the colored gardener who . . . ?"

Myer On-the-Job

Dillon S. Myer, one time WRA director and now commissioner of Indian affairs, is going after a solution of the Indian problem in much the same vigorous fashion he attacked the problems of the Nisei, back in those not-too-remote war days.

He's announced a three-point program to bring American Indians into the American scheme: education, health and sanitation, and development of resources.

The figure of \$250,000 for administrative expenses, which appears to be all that the Justice Department can hope for in the next fiscal year for its evacuation claims section, is the key to the whole situation. The sum will permit only the maintenance of a skeleton program with the prospect that claims adjudication will be carried on over an interminable period. Thus limited in funds, the department may not be able to open other field offices with the result that many of the evacuees may be forced to wait for a long time before their claims are processed.

The recommendation already has been made that some of the \$4,000,000 approved by the House committee for claims payments be diverted for administrative expenses so that the processing of all of the claims can be completed in the shortest possible time. One question of precedent and policy which have been holding up the completion of adjudication of the claims already heard, are resolved, the completion of the indemnification program then will be only a matter of routine. If the sum approved for the payments by the House committee is not sufficient, it is expected that a deficiency appropriation will be approved since the claims program itself, approved unanimously in both houses of Congress, is not a controversial one. It should be stressed that the claims are for accountable losses and not evacuee will receive any funds to which he is not entitled.

The \$4,000,000 appropriation is for funds to be paid by the Attorney General who is authorized to make payments on claims below \$2,500. Payments approved for more than \$2,500 are to be made by Congress and are not figured in the appropriation sought by the Attorney General. The larger claims, which are mainly for business losses, are believed to range from \$2,500 to one for more than \$1,000,000.

The need for the definition of a clearcut policy is especially keen in the area of the small claims for losses of household goods. In the absence of precedent claimants have been asked to provide proof in the way of receipts for the disposal of home furnishings and registration numbers for radios, refrigerators and other appliances which were lost or sold under conditions of forced sale. Since it is now eight years since the evacuation few of the claimants can be expected to have such evidence of loss. Yet, these small claimants are the ones most in need of payment. It is to be hoped that the adjudicating officials are able to apply the most liberal policy possible under the law in their handling of these small claims.

There is a hopeful note in the Justice Department's announcement last week of the adjudication of the claim of a Los Angeles housewife, in which precedent was established which probably will be used in processing similar claims. The Justice Department ruled in the case of Mrs. Toshi Shimomaye that evacuees are entitled to financial compensation for losses suffered in the forced sale of property during the evacuation. Mrs. Shimomaye was awarded \$304.75, the difference between the price she received from the forced sale of her household goods and their fair market value at the time.

The Justice Department declared that wherever it finds that claimants acted reasonably while awaiting evacuation and no "free market" existed, any losses from such forced sales may be claimed as damages.

It is in the area of business losses, particularly in agricultural operations, that policy still remains to be made. Until such policy can be determined, much of the evacuation claims program must remain in abeyance.

There is every indication, so far, that the Justice Department's personnel is making every effort to meet the problems raised by the indemnification program. One reason for the slowness of the program to date is that both the problems and personnel are new. On the basis of the fragmentary awards made to date it is still too early to judge the evacuation claims program as a whole.

EDITORIAL:

A Visitor from Japan

"Everything today has taken on an international character, except the heart of man."

The speaker was Yukio Ozaki, the time 1936, the place New York City. The occasion was a "friendship dinner," at which numerous world leaders spoke for international peace.

Only five years later Ozaki was to find his countrymen turning to war against the very people to whom he spoke upon that occasion.

Today, at the age of 91, Ozaki is revisiting the United States, again in an effort to build up goodwill between the people of his country and ours.

His visit has been noted in the press as that of "the man who sent the cherry trees to Washington." He is best known to this country for that action. Almost half a century ago, as mayor of the city of Tokyo, he arranged for the sending of the trees to Washington. He has indeed expressed his desire to see those trees again.

But his has been a long and distinguished career, characterized by forthrightness of action and stubborn belief in democratic principles.

He was the co-founder of constitutional government in Japan. Throughout the war he was a quiet but persistent liberal voice in that country. At the risk of his life he spoke against militarism from the floor of the Diet. That he escaped assassination was credited to the extreme regard in which he was held by the Japanese. He was once imprisoned for his views, but released almost immediately.

During his lifetime he has written and lectured extensively for peace. He was an organizer of the United World Federalists and toured the United States several times as a speaker for the Carnegie Foundation for Peace. His visit today is sponsored by the American Council on Japan.

The war did not force Ozaki to relinquish his belief that all nations can live in peace. This visit to the United States, and he has said it must be his last, may be one of his last efforts in the interests of peace.

We hope the nation will greet him as a distinguished and welcome visitor.

McCarran Bill Arouses Opposition

The massive McCarran omnibus bill, which purports to re-write our immigration and naturalization laws, calls for the rescinding of race restrictions in naturalization and immigration. The bill, however, contains amendments touching on European immigration which already has aroused the opposition of organized groups in the naturalization and immigration field.

The JACL and its Anti-Discrimination Committee have not taken a position on the 248-page omnibus bill as yet, awaiting a thorough analysis of its provisions by its legal counsel. It is clear, however, that the opposition already stirred by some of the sections of this omnibus proposal will be enough to obstruct its passage for some time to come. In an interim report on the bill Edward J. Ennis, legal counsel for JACL ADC, declared this week that "it is obvious the McCarran bill contains some bad provisions and many procedural provisions subject to much debate."

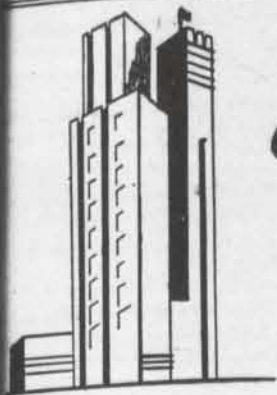
The introduction of the omnibus bill, with the certainty of extended debate and opposition, makes more pressing the necessity for passage at this session of the Walter Resolution which proposes only to remove race restrictions from the naturalization law and affects only those resident aliens now ineligible to citizenship. It is believed that another effort will be made to obtain Senate action on this House-approved measure at the conclusion of the chamber's debate on FEPC.

Roger Baldwin and One World

We rejoice with Roger Nash Baldwin upon the award, made to him this week, of the around-the-world flight awarded by the One World Award Committee, Inc. It was made in recognition of his 30 years of distinguished work for the American Civil Liberties Union and his contribution toward formulation of the Universal Declaration of Human rights.

Baldwin's work today is concerned with international civil liberties, and the One World award recognizes his spirited concern with this concept of a single word of humanity.

During the 30 years he was with the ACLU, much of its program centered upon improving the position of America's minority groups, upon making real the legal, social and human rights recognized by our Constitution, if not by society. Long before the term was invented, Baldwin sought to bring one world to his own country.



A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

Sentiment in Deep South

New Orleans, La.

Perhaps this item should be filed away for the use of Nisei scholars who are writing a story of their generation and times.

Though eventful, it's not a cheerful episode; race prejudice is never a pleasant topic to record, but it has a happy ending and I guess that is what matters most.

It is also a chapter in the great story of America.

This concerns a document, a resolution passed by the governing officials of the Parish of Jefferson during the war years. This country adjoins the New Orleans area and I happened to be in the Crescent City at the time.

You will recall that in 1944-45, when the focus of attention was centered on Japan, sentiment ran high against the Japanese. Louisiana also succumbed to this national wave of emotional hate and hysteria that was spreading to all parts of the country.

Just about this time a relocation program was pushed by the WRA. I was asked to look into the possibilities of relocating Nisei and Issei in this area, especially from Rohwer and Jerome camps in Arkansas.

No sooner than a few preliminary investigations were started when the Police Jury of Jefferson Parish, early in 1945, passed this hastily-drawn, bitter resolution directed against the Japanese. In essence it said, "keep out." Immediately other neighboring counties took up the cry and as a result the evacuees started looking northward and eastward for more congenial environment.

I went off to the wars about this time, but still the inaccuracies and false statements about the Nisei never did sit well with me. Louisiana, on the other hand, lost her chance to adopt many industrious, upright and creditable citizens. Her agriculture certainly could have used the skill and know-how of the Issei farmers.

I felt that this sentiment was not merely Louisiana, but typified the reaction of the people in the entire South.

The 1945 Resolution

Whereas, the citizens of Jefferson Parish have complained to this Jury that a proposal is under way whereby a colony of Japanese is about to be located in this Parish and, according to these citizens, an attempt is being made to locate another colony of Japanese in the adjoining Parish of St. Charles, and

Whereas, we are not unmindful of the treachery of the Japanese in connection with the present war between Japan and this country, that we are also aware of the barbarism, brutality and bestiality inflicted upon the boys of our Armed Forces and innocent civilians, especially Americans, wherever they may be, and

Whereas, the highest officials of both the Army and the Navy have referred to the Japanese people as abnormal and without honor and untrustworthy in every respect, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson that we agree with the attitude of the people of this Parish and we oppose the location of a colony of Japanese farmers, or any other type of Japanese, whether they be native-born naturalized or aliens for the reason that the location of such a colony will only engender bitter feelings and be a source of never ending trouble between our people and such Japanese.

Be it further resolved, that it is a matter of public knowledge that the Japanese can live on one fish and a handful of rice; that they farm from daylight until midnight; that the American way of living is foreign to them; that our farmers cannot hope to compete with the slavery of the Japanese and labor of a similar type in raising crops and marketing them.

Be it further resolved, that the renting or selling of any land in this Parish to any Japanese, no matter whether native-born or naturalized, would be a serious economic blow to farmers and the people of this Parish.

Be it further resolved, that we request the Governor of this State and United States Senators and Congressmen and all of the officers of this Parish to use their best endeavors to oppose the location of any Japanese colony of any type, within the borders of the Parish of Jefferson.

Be it further resolved that real estate dealers in this territory and the Real Estate Exchange of New Orleans be notified of the attitude of the people of this Parish and request their cooperation, and to further ask that they refuse to use their offices or their organizations to further the purchase or lease of real estate to locate Japanese in this Parish.

Be it further resolved that we request the United States Government and all its agencies to refrain from making loans or providing funds for a program looking to the colonization of Japanese in this Parish or in the State of Louisiana, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the United States Senators from this state, all Congressmen from Louisiana, to the Governor and all State Senators and Representatives and to all Police Juries in the State of Louisiana, and to request their full co-operation in joining with us in preventing the location or colonization of Japanese in the State of Louisiana.

The 1950 Situation

Time heals many wounds. It's a little over five years since I filed away that resolution for posterity.

I have been over to the courthouse of that Parish and many officials have greeted me in most friendly terms.

I understand that several members of the Police Jury who voted on that 1945 resolution have, in recent years, hired Japanese or found work for them. One official assisted a Nisei to obtain a scholarship at Louisiana State University.

More than one businessman of the Parish has approached me to inquire if I could locate some nurseryman to go into partnership with them; they to furnish the capital and the Issei to furnish his technical skill and knowledge. Plantation owners have asked me if I could direct some Japanese farmers to their grounds.

New Orleans businessmen have found the Nisei clerical workers to be efficient and well trained, requesting other Nisei employees.

North, east, south, or west, I think similar stories and parallels can be drawn. I shall leave it to the sociologist for their interpretation of this situation. I can just submit the facts of the case.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Recruit for Izaak Walton

Denver, Colo.

One of our co-workers is an artist named H. Ray Baker, a solemn-faced person with a pixy-ish sense of humor. Ray is a fisherman, and like many fishermen he is so sold on the sport that he publicizes its pleasures with a crusader's zeal.

Now, the conductor of this corner is not a fisherman. He thinks it (at least the trout-fishing form) is a waste of time that could be put to better use. He sees very little sense in dropping a line into a river and hoping to catch a fish when there is no way of knowing whether there is a trout within a country mile. The sport, he thinks, is too much of a gamble, the return too uncertain for the expenditure of time, effort and money.

Fishing off a dock down on tidewater, now that's different. A fellow can peer into the green depths to see if there are any fish in the neighborhood. Perch, or shiners or even a rock cod. And if there aren't any around, why a fellow can wander off until he finds a likely looking congregation swimming around. Or go home and quit wasting his time. But with trout, a fellow can whip a stream from before sunup to after sundown and never know if there's a legal-sized fish in the entire country.

What we're trying to get around to say is that

Ray has been thumping the bait tub for the cause of fly fishing, with the result that we have made a tentative date. But fly-fishing doesn't come to the Rocky Mountain country until mid-summer when the bulk of winter's snows have run off. So to get in practice we're going up to a flossy dude ranch in a couple of weeks.

The main objective is to do a story on this ranch and the plush facilities it has to offer for the comfort and entertainment of well-heeled dudes looking for a western vacation. But the secondary and probably more important goal is to try a few worms and salmon eggs on the local finned population, and make friends and influence people so that we'll be welcome to come back again and again and again to fish the protected stream.

Maybe true devotees of Izaak Walton will scorn such obviously spurious sport. But at this stage of the game we are less interested in the sporting aspects than we are in getting hold of enough mountain trout to feed the family. It is, we say unblushingly, a strictly materialistic venture.

We shall not be surprised if this foregoing confession of lack of faith draws upon our graying head the scorn of more orthodox anglers. Any vituperation, we admit, will be well-deserved. But offhand, it would appear that a large and flavorful mess of mountain trout is well worth the punishment.

We'll keep you posted on developments.

Vagaries

Film Enemies . . .

Hollywood Nisei are becoming expert at playing Japanese soldiers in films with Pacific war settings. Following appearances in "Tokyo Joe," "Sands of Iwo Jima" and "Three Came Home," a number of Japanese Americans already have been signed for "Halls of Montezuma" which 20th Century-Fox placed in production this week. Among those who have been signed for the film are Ralph Nagai, Howard Kumagai (Lieut. Nakota of "Three Came Home"), Frank Kumagai and Jerry Maruyama.

Chicago Flight . . .

Henry Ohye, now a top auto salesman in Los Angeles, is sponsoring the Nisei air race from Los Angeles to Chicago which will be held at the time of the national JACL convention. Ohye is one of the pioneer Nisei aviators and probably the first Nisei to obtain a commercial pilots license. He organized a Nisei flying club in Southern California in the early 1930s . . . Harry Uyebara, an anthropological field consultant to the U.S. Navy in the Palau islands of the south Pacific, is returning to Hawaii. His place will be taken by another Hawaiian, Shigeru Kaneshiro.

Idaho's Taylor . . .

Idaho's Senator Glen Taylor, who acted as chairman during many of the hearings in the Senate on Hawaiian statehood, was considerably impressed by the racial harmony of Hawaii as expressed in testimony by advocates of statehood. In his weekly letter published in the Idaho Falls Post-Register and in many other Idaho papers, Sen. Taylor declared:

"I wish the people of all the world could have attended the hearings on Hawaiian statehood. I believe it would have been a great lesson to them to witness at first hand the fact that so many different races can live together within the confines of a comparatively small land area and yet apparently have no racial friction of any kind worth mentioning.

"In Hawaii communities predominantly Japanese in their racial extraction will elect a Chinese to the legislature. Communities of predominantly Caucasian background may elect a Japanese American as their representative to the legislature. In Hawaii a man is judged not by the color of his skin, his race or his religion, but by his worth as an individual."

ABC Contest . . .

The photos in Life Magazine's "Birth of a Ball Club" featured in its May 22 issue are by Carl Iwasaki of Denver . . . James Shigeta of Honolulu is now preparing for the grand finals of the Original Amateur Hour contest over the American Broadcasting Company network. Shigeta, a vocalist, won three consecutive times to qualify for the finals in June and a chance at a \$5,000 scholarship. Shigeta was offered a chance to join one of the traveling units of the Original Amateur Hour which are booked

Citizen Miyahara's Problem:

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

By MARY OYAMA

A young returnee Miss May Miyahara who was still in her late teens decided to pick up the threads of living, after evacuation, by settling in LaCrescenta. After her family had made good there in three years, she came to the conclusion that the climate there was the best for her mother who suffered from asthma; and when the girl came of age she purchased a lot with the intention of building a permanent home.

She proceeded with plans by hiring a competent architect to design a fine modern home, the ideal dream of every American citizen and an integral part of his "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." But overnight the dream turned into a nightmare when one bigoted immediate neighbor-to-be raised an unAmerican stench about "no Jap neighbors," ignoring the fact that Citizen Miyahara had a brother who was serving with the U.S. Army in Japan, and a quiet, hardworking, respectable family — well-liked by all their neighbors.

He stirred up other ignorant people by calling a protest meeting of some 30 hostile people (including one local real estate man who mouthed such exaggerated talk as "these Japs are the fore-runners

Plaque Replicas May be Ordered From Col. Hanley

Veterans groups wishing a replica of the plaque given to the 442nd combat team in memory of the rescue of the "Lost Battalion" during the war may do so through Lt. Col. James M. Hanley, who commanded the 2nd battalion of the combat team.

Col. Hanley located the plaque for the 442nd veterans in Hawaii, who ordered a duplicate for their clubhouse.

If other veterans groups wish to order duplicates at the same time, they may do so through Col. Hanley.

The cost of the duplicate will be between \$24 and \$34, depending upon the number made. Col. Hanley said orders should be sent immediately, since they will be placed with the maker about the first of June. Col. Hanley will leave for Japan about the middle of next month.

He asked that groups wishing the plaque send \$34 for each one, and the balance will be returned after the cost of each one is determined.

He may be contacted at 872 Monticello Drive, Falls Church, Virginia.

into theaters across the country but chose to finish out his semester instead at the University of Hawaii. He may join one of the units this summer . . . The Provoo treason trial in New York, at which a number of witnesses who appeared in last year's "Tokyo Rose" trial are expected to testify, has been subjected to a number of delays. Pretrial arguments now are set for May 22.

of a Negro invasion") the Chamber of Commerce, and two local lawyers. They drew up an ultimatum demanding that the "Japanese family" move and began putting formidable pressure on a Mrs. Sharpstein who had sold the property to the family.

Meanwhile neighbors sympathetic to the Nisei and her family, called a counter meeting to present the prospective home-owner to the neighbors-to-be, as a decent, well-educated, law-abiding "solid" family—which they most certainly were. Simultaneously, Attorney Frank Chuman, who had been engaged by Miss Miyahara to retain title to her property, found that the transaction was correctly legal in every respect and that everything was in order; and this fact was presented by Dale Gardner of the County Committee on Human Relations at a second protest meeting of the hostile elements.

Then swinging into action, Chuman with the aid of Gardner and the Committee: first contacted the Rev. John Yamasaki, who in turn contacted Rev. Vernon Harris, rector of St. Luke's church in LaCrescenta, of which the harried and harassed Mrs. Sharpstein (who had sold the property to the Miyaharas) was a member. The cruel pressure against Mrs. Sharpstein was mounting daily until she was on the verge of a nervous breakdown.

Everybody had to work quickly on the counter-move against the bigots. Pasadena JACL president Tom Omori was alerted, as well as Bishop Donald Campbell (Suffragen Bishop of the So. Calif. Diocese Episcopal church), a resident of LaCrescenta and influential respected Rotarian. Church groups, Rotary, and Kiwanis, were next in line, while the Rev. Harris and members of his congregation called upon the frightened Mrs. Sharpstein who was finally beginning to buckle under the intensity of the bigots' pressures.

They assured her of their fullest moral support and urged her to stand fast. (She, who had thought herself all alone in a hopeless battle, and worried to a complete collapse, had come in despair to the Miyaharas once requesting them to sell back their property to her although she had nothing against them personally; she could no longer stand the persecution). Citizen Miyahara though tempted to give up, stood fast because she realized that neither she nor Mrs. Sharpstein were alone. She also knew that: (1) it was not the "Jap family" nor the "Jap lover" on trial, BUT RATHER THE AMERICAN CITIZENS and THE TOWN OF LA CRESCENTA; (2) this type of test case was being fought all over the U. S. — in Seattle, Denver, Madison, and Chicago, and COULD BE WON IF EVEN ONE PERSON STOOD FAST WITH ALL MEN OF GOODWILL FIRMLY BEHIND HER.

So to date, the Bishop himself is vitally concerned about his own home town being on trial, Mrs. Sharpstein has not approached the Miyaharas with further requests to move, and the positive forces of the community are moving to the fore.

(From Crossroads)

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Expect Utah Nisei to Enter ABC Play

Bill Coltrin, writing in his "The Real Dope" column in the Salt Lake Telegram of May 16 had this to say about the Utah reaction to the ABC's revocation of its race restrictions:

"While no one connected with bowling will speak for publication in Salt Lake City on this lifting of the ban on non-whites into bowling leagues, it is apparent that the ABC move will be accepted with little fuss or furor.

"Chiefly affected in these parts will be Japanese Americans. And as one pin leader of Salt Lake City said the other day: 'They should be highly acceptable... In fact, we could take some lessons ourselves from them. Their leagues have been run on a high class level, with rules more strict in many ways than ours. There are lots of good bowlers in that group and everyone I've ever seen at the alleys has been a gentleman.'

"It is expected that some 200 Japanese American bowlers will be accepted into the various leagues around Utah, actually increasing the strength and prestige of the organization."

It's interesting to note that Nisei bowlers were accepted into the ABC in Utah, despite the "whites only" rule, until World War II. Before the war the Salt Lake Nippons, whose ranks included Dr. Jun Kurumada, Tadao Sako, Ike Oki, Isamu Tanabe and others, bowled in an ABC league and carried ABC memberships. In 1943 when Dr. Kurumada and Sako led the Utah ABC doubles championships for two weeks with a 1268 score, the question was raised about their eligibility. Since that time the Nisei were barred from ABC events, although they participated in tournaments not openly sanctioned by the ABC. In Price, Utah, however, Jack Aramaki has been a dues-paying member of the ABC throughout the war, while his wife, Sei, is secretary of a league affiliated with the WIBC.

Heyamoto Wins Back Varsity Post

Heat Heyamoto, the 442nd Combat Team veteran, has won back the second base post on the University of Washington varsity. Heyamoto, a regular last year, had a double as the Huskies dropped a 5 to 4 game to the University of Oregon last week. Regular right-fielder on the Oregon team is Joe Tom, a teammate of Wally Yonamine's on the Honolulu Athletics, one of the top Nisei teams in Hawaii... Shortstop Dick Kitamura scored from third on a squeeze bunt as Colorado A & M defeated Wyoming, 3 to 1, to clinch the eastern division title in the Skyline Six conference baseball race... Sam Sugimoto pitched six-hit ball as the San Jose State frosh smothered Bellarmine Prep, 20 to 2, last week... Leftfielder Howard Zenimura, who had a .412 batting average last year in California Collegiate conference play, is again one of the most consistent batters for Fresno State college... Second Baseman Tom Okagaki's single scoring two in the seventh, was the key blow as San Jose State defeated Cal Poly, 7 to 3, in a conference contest last week at San Luis Obispo, Calif... A single by Okagaki also figured in the scoring as San Jose topped the University of San Francisco, 4 to 2... Jim Yokota, three-sport star for Placer Union high of Auburn, Calif., hit a double and two singles to lead his team to an 8 to 1 win over Nevada City Yellowjackets last week.

Nishita Has 12 and 1 Record on Mound

Bill Nishita, rated the top schoolboy pitcher in Hawaii last year, has won recognition this season as the outstanding hurler in Northern California jaycee baseball. Nishita has won 12 games and lost one this year for Santa Rosa JC, pitching the team to the northern division championship of the conference. He pitched the Santa Rosans to the title over Sacramento JC on May 5 and won his twelfth game of the season over Healdsburg Odd Fellows on May 11. Nishita's only loss was an extra-inning pitching duel against Yakima of the Western International League. Nishita's catcher is George Fujishige, another Honolulu star... Although Nishita already is being tempted with offers from pro baseball chains, he is expected to enroll at the University of California this fall. Coach Clint Evans of the Bears saw Nishita in action last year when the UC team visited Hawaii and was impressed by the Nisei fastball tosser.

Aihara Takes Third at Fresno Relays

Henry Aihara, co-captain of the powerful USC track team, came up with one of his best jumps of the season but could get only third place behind Jerome Biffle of Denver and Gay Bryan of Stanford in the West Coast Relays at Fresno last Saturday. Biffle's winning jump was 25 feet 7 1/4 inches. Aihara's best was 24 feet 5 5/8 inches... Tosh Minamoto of Madera high school, one of the best prep broad jumpers in Central California, took second place in the high school division with a leap of 21 feet 11 1/2 inches... Mits Hashimoto, the Watsonville, Calif., high school dashman, took second in the 100 and third in the 220 in a regional track meet at Hollister, Calif., last Friday. Iketa of Salinas was third in the century, in which the winning time was 10 flat... Norman Oda ran a half-lap as Dinuba, Calif., high school finished second in the 880-yard relay at Fresno's West Coast relays. Oda was the leading ball-carrier for Dinuba's football team last season.

Idaho Nisei Enters Middleweight Ranks

The only Nisei middleweight fighting in pro ranks is Jerry Fujiwari of Weiser, Idaho, who has won five straight bouts since he started boxing for pay some weeks ago. Last week he got a TKO over Jackie Clarke of Spokane in Boise, Idaho... Tom Kono of the Sacramento YMCA, Pacific coast weightlifting champion in the 147-pound division, was in Philadelphia last week for the national amateur lifting championship. Kono already has topped the national record with a total of 770 pounds, 15 pounds more than the recognized mark, and only ten pounds less than the world's record... Dick Hadama, the Hawaiian star, will be one of San Jose State's halfbacks next football season. He has shown up well in spring drills.

A steal of home by Tom Diajogo helped Lodi, Calif., high school win the San Joaquin conference baseball championship by defeating Stockton, 9 to 3, last week. Tadeo Matsumoto and Eddie Hiramoto were two other regulars on the Lodi team... In Los Angeles there is a Nisei club of hot rodders called The Turtles. Races are held at Dry Lakes in California... Jiro Nakamura, who pitched for Modesto in the Class C California League last year, won his own game last Sunday for the San Jose Zebras with a ninth-inning double which gave the Zebras an 8 to 7 win over Leslie Salts, one of San Francisco's top semipro teams.

Carries .341 Batting Average



WALLY YONAMINE's clutch hitting has made him a favorite with Salt Lake Bee fans. Wally is playing first base and hitting .341 for the Pioneer League club.

—Glamour Photo by Bill Inouye.

Yonamine's Timely Hitting Aids Two Salt Lake Bee Victories

Wally Yonamine's timely hitting played an important role in two victories by the Salt Lake City Bees over Idaho Falls this week at Derks Field.

The former pro football star made himself at home on the diamond as he sported a .341 average with 14 hits in 41 times at bat, including one triple and four doubles, in his first ten games with the Bees in Pioneer League competition.

The versatile Nisei player from Honolulu has impressed Salt Lake fans with his speed afoot, both in the field and on the bases. He has established himself as a regular in the Bee lineup at first base, playing the position in the last four games.

During the week of May 17 Yonamine established some sort of a record when he played at four separate positions in four straight games. He was centerfield against Twin Falls, at first base and right field against Boise and in left field and first base against Pocatello. He is currently batting third in the lineup.

The Bees at present are at .500 with six wins and six losses and with seven of their first 19 games postponed because of rain or snow.

Against Idaho Falls on May 15 Yonamine doubled to left center to score a run and brought in another run with a long fly to right as the Bees won, 6 to 2. On the following day Yonamine teamed with his fellow Hawaiian football great, Herman Wedemeyer, to guide the Bees to victory in a 5 to 4 game. Wedemeyer drove in the first of the Bee runs in the first with a single. In the sixth, with Idaho Falls leading, 3 to 1, Yonamine got on base with a hit off the first baseman's shins. He stole second and continued to third when the Russets catcher overthrew second and came home on an outfield fly. In the next inning with men on second and third, Yonamine hit a Texas League single to left scoring the tying run. Wedemeyer then drove in two more runs with another single.

The third game in the Idaho Falls series on May 17 was rained out. The Bees left the next day for their longest road trip of the season which will take them to Billings and Great Falls in Montana and Twin Falls, Idaho before they return to meet Ogden in Salt Lake City on Memorial day.

Hank Matsubu Catches for Yuma In Sunset League

YUMA, Ariz.—Hank Matsubu is the second Nisei player to play in the Class C Sunset League.

Matsubu, who signed a Pittsburgh Pirates contract and played for the Modesto Reds in the California League last year, came to Yuma from Hutchinson, Kans., the Pirates farm in the Western Association, also a Class C circuit.

Matsubu was behind the plate as Yuma lost their series opener to Porterville, Calif., 12 to 7.

George (Lefty) Fujioka, former Fresno JC star, pitched for Tijuana, Mex., in the Sunset league last year.

Idaho Falls Bowlers Open Ranks to Nisei

Action Precedes Action by ABC Rescinding Race Ban

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho.—The Idaho Falls City Bowling Association, affiliated with the American Bowling Congress, anticipated the ABC's action in removing its "white males only" restriction by inviting Nisei bowlers in the Idaho Falls area to compete in its annual tournament.

The American Legion team, composed of Nisei bowlers, won the city championship in the ABC sanctioned tourney, while Eke Tanaka won the scratch all-event title, the top individual prize of the tournament.

The Idaho Falls Bowling Association's action was supported by Joe Shoquist, sports editor of the Post-Register, who declared:

"Members of the ABC in Idaho Falls are highly in favor of erasing the racial clause from the national organization's bylaws in order that Japanese bowlers in this city can become members of the ABC."

"The Idaho Falls bowling association indicated its feelings toward the restriction this spring by inviting JACL bowlers to compete in the annual city tournament, which is played under the auspices of the ABC."

"Mack Harris, secretary of the Idaho Falls bowling association, says his organization will back fully the move to make the ABC democratic."

Shoquist quoted Harris as saying:

"The JACL bowlers have always been a credit to the sport in Idaho Falls and we welcome them to our association."

The Idaho Falls JACL bowling league held their annual award dinner on May 5. Trophies were given to Firestone Stores, team champion; Mas Kuwana, high game; Steve Sato, high series, and Mass Honda, high average.

Tris Speaker Will Talk to Ball Fans Of Cleveland JACL

CLEVELAND, O.—Tris Speaker, one of baseball's great players of all time will be the principal guest at the JACL's "Wigan Night" on May 23 at the Jewish Community Center.

Mr. Speaker will bring several members of the Cleveland Indians to the JACL meet and will answer questions on baseball. He will also show films of Indians' games.

Ragg-Mopp Social

FRESNO, Calif.—A Ragg-Mopp social is on deck for the Jewish Youth Fellowship and the 20-40 Club Sunday, May 21, at the International Institute.

Folk dancing will be on the program. The event is slated to start at 2 p.m.

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Nisei Vues Win Championship of Chicago League

CHICAGO—The Nisei Vues finally won the championship of the Chicago JACL bowling league after a closely-contested race that saw the lead change hands numerous times during the season.

The Vues clinched first place by a 4-0 win over Hyde Park Restaurant on the last night of play. Meanwhile Sakada Optometrists, splitting 2-2 with O.T. Men's Wear, came in second place, while Murakami & Sons followed closely after in third spot.

The Vues had 87 wins for the season with 53 losses. Four points behind, Sakada Optometrist had 83 wins and 57 losses, while Murakami had 82 wins and 58 losses.

Tak Fujii of Nisei Vues held the season's high average for the league, with a 180-plus average. Jun Oishi of Hyde Park Restaurant had high series with 668.

Frank Kebo of Plaisance Cleaners, rolling a perfect 300 game, got the high single game.

Final standings of the teams, excluding the first three places, were as follows:

Plaisance Cleaners, 78 wins and 62 losses.

Hyde Park Restaurant, 77 and 63.

Wah Mee Lo, 77 and 63.

Quality Cleaners, 68 and 72.

Jan Jan T, 67 and 73.

Tellone Beauty Salon, 60 and 80.

O.T. Men's Wear, 59 and 81.

Mark Twain, 58 and 82.

Berns Store for Men, 58 and 82.

Coed Beauty Shop, 53 and 87.

K. Iwafuchi served as league secretary.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Inouye a girl on May 15 in Shelley, Idaho.
To Mr. and Mrs. Willie Takaki, Palo Alto, Calif., a boy, Darwin Mark, on April 17.
To Mr. and Mrs. Susumu Yasuwa a girl in Denver.
To Mr. and Mrs. Kuranosuke Sasaki a girl in Denver.
To Mr. and Mrs. Hasashi Tazumi, Elma, Calif., a girl on April 16.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masanori Morita, Madera, Calif., a girl on April 20.
To Mr. and Mrs. Takashi H. Shimasaki a girl on April 21 in Fresno.
To Mr. and Mrs. Toshifusa Oie a boy on May 10 in Seattle.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masakatsu Mochikawa a boy on May 10 in Seattle.
To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Katai a boy, Danny Philip, on May 4 in San Jose.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masaharu Kozai, Fowler, Calif., a girl on April 23.
To Mr. and Mrs. Tami Kawano, Selma, Calif., a boy on April 24.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Okada, Sanger, Calif., a girl on April 23.
To Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Tagawa, Adams County, Colo., a girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. Tom T. Takemoto a boy in Denver.
To Mr. and Mrs. Tsutomu Wakimoto a girl, Janice Naomi, on April 28 in San Jose.
To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Eizo Uchiyama a girl, Barbara Kimiko, on April 29 in San Jose.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Dobashi a girl, Gayle Shizuka, on April 23 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. John Masao Nakura, Torrance, Calif., a girl, Jane Michiko, on April 29.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Yukio Akagi a boy, James Hideo, on May 3 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Sadao Kajikawa, Hawthorne, Calif., a girl, Frances Shinobu, on May 4.
To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Matsu-moto a girl, Kathleen Kiyomi, on May 2 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masaki Donald Itou a girl, Arlene Kiyoko, on April 29 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Chikami, Paramount, Calif., a girl, Karen Emiko, on April 8.
To Mr. and Mrs. Takao Ito, Gardena, Calif., a girl, Ruth Tadami, on April 29.
To Mr. and Mrs. Shigekazu Matsushita, San Diego, Calif., a girl on March 28.
To Mr. and Mrs. Torao Neishi a boy on May 14 in Oakland, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiyuki Nakamura a boy on Feb. 18 in Reedley, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Nobuo Mori, Sandy, Utah, a girl on April 16.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masanori Uragami a girl, Kristine Mariko, on April 30 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Tad Nomura a boy on May 7 in Denver.
To Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ono, Garden Grove, Calif., a girl on May 2.
To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuru T. Tabata, Westminster, Calif., a girl on May 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Akira Hayashi a girl, Dori Lynn, on May 16 in New York City.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masato Doi a girl, Carolyn Emi, on May 16 in Los Angeles.

DEATHS

James N. Kamihachi, 31, on May 6 in Seattle.
Mrs. Mitsu Yabuno, 58, on May 10 in Fresno.
Mrs. Iyo Inouye, 44, on May 11 in Fresno.
Kumeji Kamio on May 9 in Gardena, Calif.
Kiyoshi Ishii, 49, Honeyville, Utah, on May 14 in Ogden.
Shigio Hata, 45, on May 12 in Fresno.

MARRIAGES

Miyoko Horino to Masatoshi Sugihara on May 6 in Los Angeles.
Chieko Omura to the Rev. Clifford Nakadegawa, Salt Lake City, on April 29 in Stockton, Calif.
Annie Takamatsu to Haig Hagihara on May 14 in Denver.
Eileen Kiyoko Kitada to Hiroshi Wada on May 13 in Denver.
Atsumi Kawaguchi to Hirofumi Minami on May 14 in San Francisco.
Chieko Iseda, Riverside, Calif., to Kazuro Ueyhara on May 6 in Yuma, Ariz.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Sachiko Teranishi and Smith Y. Hayami in Seattle.
Marie Nishio and Yoshio Hayashi in San Francisco.
Rachel Carlton, 25, San Jose, and Willy Motohiko Imaizumi, 28, in Sacramento.
Chizu Kanda, 32, Alameda, and Mosse Masaji Uchida, 37, Oroville, Calif., in Sacramento.
May Taniguchi, 28, San Francisco, and Bob Sasaki, 27, Berkeley, in Oakland.

Skating Party

NAMPA, Ida. — Approximately 80 persons attended the Boise Valley JACL's skating party here last week.

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Tom Kono Places Second in U. S. Lifting Meet

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Tom Kono of the Sacramento YMCA, Pacific Coast champion, placed second in the 147-pound division in the national weightlifting championships here on May 13. Kono lifted a total of 777½ pounds, five pounds behind the winner.

Placer JACL Dedicates Ball Park for Nisei

PENRYN, Calif. — The Placer County JACL baseball park was dedicated here on May 7.

District Attorney C. E. Tindall of Placer County was the main speaker at the dedicatory exercises and praised the law-abiding record of the area's Japanese Americans.

"Not once in my 15 years as district attorney have I been called on to prosecute a person of Japanese ancestry," Tindall said.

Tindall said that only by directing the energies of youths in the proper channels can such a record be maintained.

"An athletic field such as the JACL park will afford the young people a necessary recreational outlet," he added.

Bunny Nakagawa, past president of the JACL chapter, thanked the public for its support in helping build the baseball park and recreational grounds. He also expressed the chapter's gratitude to Supervisor John Boyington of Loomis and the county soil conservation group for their help in leveling off the rough terrain.

The baseball park was built by the JACL chapter in order to provide a playing field for Nisei teams in the area.

The dedication program was opened with a flag-raising ceremony on a little knoll back of centerfield by the Penryn and Loomis Boy Scouts.

In the opening double - header both the Placer AA and A teams lost, the former to the Florin AA League nine, 10 to 5, and the latter to the Clarksburg A aggregation, 12 to 9.

Reno Slates First Singles Classic for Oriental Bowlers

RENO, Nev. — The first annual Oriental Fourth of July handicap singles classic will be rolled on June 30 and July 1, 2, 3, and 4 at Reno bowl.

The first prize will be \$200 plus a trophy.

There will be one prize for every eight entries, plus a \$10 squad prize and \$25 for the high scratch series and \$15 for the high scratch game.

The entry fee for the four games across eight alleys will be \$6.

Members of the tournament committee are George Oshima, K. Date, George Wong, Tex Yee, Joe Tabaldo, Mas. Baba, S. Koizumi, C. Talako and F. Chikami.

Handicaps will be on a basis of two-thirds of the difference between the bowler's highest present average and 190.

Entries are being received by Clint Harvey, secretary, Reno Bowl, 232 S. Virginia St., Reno, Nev.

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DENVER—George Romero, Frank Hoshijima and Charles Smith are three knuckle champions who will represent Cole junior high school in the city marble tournament this weekend in Denver university fieldhouse. Nisei competitors include Frank Yamasaki, Tad Nakagawa, Setsuo Kataoka, Hiroshi Yamasaki, Kazu Yamasaki and George Aoyagi.

—Photo courtesy of Rocky Mountain News.

"Do You Know?"

History of First Six Years Reveals Growth of JACL

By ELMER R. SMITH

The first six years of the JACL as a national organization came to an end with the meeting in Seattle of the Fourth National Convention during the 4th-7th of September, 1936.

These six years saw the development of the JACL from a small organized group represented by nine communities to over 40 chapters located in many communities up and down the Pacific Coast. It had by September, 1936, well organized District Councils in the northwest, northern California and southern California. The legislative programs had been successful on both a national and state level.

The JACL was developing experienced leadership among the Nisei and was spearheading Americanization programs among all persons of Japanese ancestry.

The problems of internal organization increased as the JACL program became more elaborate, and many petty conflicts developed within the organization calling upon the initiative and sound judgment of the leaders to keep the organization in harmonious working order.

Anti-JACL attacks increased in number and in ferocity, based primarily upon the assumption that

it was being run and controlled by a few for their own selfish benefits. Personality conflicts developed among some of the leaders, especially in southern California, but the existence of strong personalities, both Nisei and Issei, kept dangerous disrupting factors from becoming successful in destroying the JACL.

The economic depression of the first six years of JACL's existence worked a hardship upon the members, and especially upon its leaders. These men and women were called upon to spend long hours and much of their own finances in carrying on the program of the JACL both on a local and national level. During this period the PACIFIC CITIZEN was running close to the financial danger line, and it was rescued a number of times by generous donations from Nisei and Issei alike. The officers were not paid for their services, and very often it was necessary for them to pay their own way to various meetings and conventions.

The JACL during this six year period of organization and development was dependent for its life blood upon the inspiration and idealism of its philosophy stated in its two slogans, "Strength through Unity," and "Better Americans in a Greater America."

Art, Photo Exhibits Will Be Feature of JACL Convention

CHICAGO—Plans are well under way for the National JACL Convention Art and Photo Exhibit, Mas Nakagawa, chairman, announced this week. This will be the first of its kind to be sponsored by the JACL, and the general policy is to bring to the attention of the public what creative work is being done by Japanese throughout the country in the field of art and photography. This exhibit will be open to all persons of Japanese an-

cestry in the United States, Hawaii and Alaska. There will be no distinction between professionals and amateurs as to who may exhibit. Only paintings, sketches, etchings, sculptures and photographic prints will be accepted.

Location for the exhibit will be on the 4th floor of the Stevens Hotel and will be open to the public from September 29 through October 1, 1950. All artists and photographers are encouraged to participate in this exhibit, members of JACL or non-members. All persons interested in exhibiting should contact the chairman, Mas Nakagawa, 5634 So. Maryland Avenue, Chicago 37, Illinois. Entry blanks and rules will be publicized, as well as mailed to interested persons upon request.

Members now serving on the committee are Molly Matsunaga, secretary, Sho Kaneko, Bill Hirai, Lucy Ozono, Vince Tajiri, Mary Matsumura, Kiyo Okawa, Louie Sato and George Matsumura.

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Minnesota's Treatment of Nisei Commendable, Governor Told

By DICK KLEEMAN

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Minnesota's record of treatment of Americans of Japanese, Chinese and Filipino ancestry has been commendable, a recent report to Gov. Luther W. Youngdahl from his inter-racial commission declares.

The 63-page report is the sixth of a series of such documents handed Youngdahl by the commission he appointed. Father Francis J. Gilligan is chairman of the 14-member commission.

Drawing liberally on the recent report on Issei and Nisei in Minnesota by the Rev. Daisuke Kitagawa, the inter-racial commission report places the number of Nisei families in the Twin Cities at about 200. Of these, it estimates, 151 families are in Minneapolis and 43 in St. Paul.

"It is especially significant," comments the report, "that despite the intense feeling after Pearl Harbor, it was possible to move so many thousands of persons of Japanese ancestry, both military and civil, into Minnesota with a minimum of friction and disturbance."

"That achievement reflects credit upon Minnesotans and the agencies which influence public opinion such as the churches, the press, and the social agencies."

In praising the state's record, the report admits that Orientals have encountered some job and housing discrimination. But most of them have prospered and developed "quite well," the report declares.

"If a Minnesotan now discriminates against Chinese, Japanese or Filipinos, the logical inference is that he has the ethics and moral code of Stalin. He will use a group one day and destroy it the next," the report continues. It adds that many of the prejudices against Orientals in the state today would disappear if members of the majority group would try to get to know members of Oriental groups personally.

The state university and private educational institutions may be missing a bet in good public relations with Oriental countries by failing to give foreign students desirable living facilities, the report adds.

"An international house at the University of Minnesota where foreign students as well as a number of native Americans might live together could forge a link in the chain of better world unit," it recommends.

Three reasons are cited why Minnesota may soon note an increase in its Oriental population:

The state needs them, population-wise to bolster its rate of growth.

The over-populated Japanese islands cannot support their vast present population.

In conclusion, the report declares that the answer to the question, "Can Orientals be accepted in Minnesota?" lies in the very fact that Orientals have been deservedly well-received here in the past.

"The Orientals in Minnesota have been self-supporting, law abiding, public spirited and eager to gain the American heritage for their children. The governor's inter-racial commission feels that the state has much to gain in keeping Oriental young people here and encouraging others to come to Minnesota to work and establish families."

Memorial Service

CHICAGO—A memorial service for Don Iwaoka, who died March 31 at the Iwakuni national hospital in Japan, was scheduled for Saturday, May 6, at the Ellis Community Center church.

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Gresham Chapter Is Feted by Mid-Columbia Group

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—Members of the newly-formed Gresham JACL were guests of the Mid-Columbia chapter at a combination "blossom tour" and social Saturday, May 13.

Some 50 visitors were entertained during the day, visiting Panorama Point, Punch Bowl, Fish Hatchery, and other points of interest, and viewing the valley's famed fruit blossoms.

In the evening the visitors were feted at a pot-luck dinner at Pine Grove grade school. Approximately 100 persons attended.

An informal program followed the dinner. George Nakamura was master of ceremonies.

Sho Endo, president, welcomed the group, while Shio Uyetake, Gresham president, responded.

Slides of Hood River orchard scenes and scenic spots were shown. Dancing rounded out the evening.

Eiko Morikado headed the dinner committee. Mrs. Virginia Moss arranged the tour.

Eastern Bussei To Hold Meet In Cleveland

CLEVELAND, O. — The fifth annual Eastern Young Buddhist League convention will be held at the Hotel Hollenden in Cleveland from May 27 to 30.

A convention mixer will be held on May 27, according to the convention chairman, Kim Yokota.

A sightseeing tour, a bowling tournament and an oratorical contest are scheduled for May 28.

The general assembly of the convention also will hear a discussion on "Buddhism in America Today."

A convention banquet and a dance will be held in the Assembly Room of the Hotel Hollenden on May 29.

French Camp Dance

FRENCH CAMP, Calif. — The French Camp JACL will hold a dance May 27 at the French Camp hall.

Edith Yonemoto will be general chairman, assisted by the following committee chairmen: Kathryn Komure and Satsuki Iwata, tickets; Ayako Fujimoto, decorations; Yo Tanaka, refreshments; George Ogino, PA system, and Helen Tomita, records.

The dance will start at 9 p. m.

Portland Doctor Named Army Captain

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The army has appointed Barrie M. Kato, a native of Portland, Tre., as a captain in the Medical Corps. Capt. Kato was graduated from the University of Oregon and earned his medical degree at Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa., in 1943.

Travel Winners

HONOLULU — Lorraine Fujimoto and Stella Okita are the 1950 winners of the annual Dole summer travel awards and will make a three-week trip this summer to the Boston convention of the American Home Economics association.

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Candidates Will Speak at JACL Chapter Meet

LOS ANGELES — "Know your candidate" will be the theme of the monthly evening forum of the Downtown Los Angeles JACL Chapter to be held on May 25, at the Union Church, 120 N. San Pedro Street, at 7:30 p. m., it was announced this week by Dr. George Kambara, chapter president.

An array of candidates for political office will be introduced to the anticipated overflow audience by chairman John Maeno who will limit each speaker to 10 minutes. Rev. Haruo Ishimaru, forum committee chairman, in inviting the public to attend this mass political rally, promised musical and vocal entertainment as well as a bang-up social hour following the meeting. "Those present at the last well-attended forum may look forward to a thoroughly enjoyable evening," he said.

"Many of the candidates for key political offices are vigorously campaigning throughout the state and while some of them will be out of the city, others have eagerly expressed their willingness to address the JACL forum," attorney Maeno stated.

Candidates so far scheduled to speak were announced by Maeno: Glenn Anderson, Assemblyman of the 46th District and Chairman of the Los Angeles Central Democratic Committee, who is candidate for the State Senate from Los Angeles County; Robert Kenny, former State Senator from Los Angeles, former Attorney General of California, also a candidate for State Senator from Los Angeles County; Sam Yorty, State Assemblyman and Democratic candidate for the 14th (Downtown) Congressional District; Jack Hardy, attorney, former national commander of Amvets, and Republican candidate for the 14th Congressional District; Harvey Midland, Republican candidate for the 14th Congressional District; Ernest E. Debs, City Councilman and Democratic candidate for the State Board of Equalization, 4th District (Southern California counties).

Addresses Wanted

NEW YORK CITY — The addresses of Juzaburo Kamada, one-time resident of Los Angeles, and Ema Uyeta, a former resident of San Diego, are sought by the Equitable Life Assurance Society. Both men are due dividend additions on policies taken out many years ago.

Kamada's Los Angeles address, as of 1917, was 723 East 10th st. Uyeta's address, in 1914, was RFD No. 1, Box 223, San Diego.

Any information regarding their present whereabouts should be sent to J. A. Kelly, associate superintendent, Equitable Life Assurance Society, 393 Seventh ave., New York City 1, N.Y.

Wins Prize

WORLAND, Wyo. — Agnes Ujifusa, senior at Washakie county high school, recently won \$10 for second place in an essay contest held by the ladies auxiliary of Washakie post, VFW.

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Omaha Installs Officers



OMAHA, Neb.—K. Patrick Okura installed officers of the Omaha JACL at the chapter's third installation ceremony Saturday, April 22, at the YWCA building.
Left to right, Okura, Robert Nakadoi, pres.; Cecil Ishii, 1st vice pres.; Mrs. Lily Okura, 2nd vice pres.; Susan Kumagai, corr. sec.; Mrs. Lillian Ishii, rec. sec.; and Joe Matsunami, treas.

Midwest JACL Council Will Hold Convention in Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, O.—The Midwest district will convene for its annual meeting June 3 and 4 in Cincinnati at the Netherlands-Plaza hotel.

Delegates from all eight of the chapters in the council are expected to send official delegates, boosters and a queen candidate for the Midwest JACL queen contest.

High enthusiasm in the meeting has been manifest here, since it will be a prelude of the national convention to be held in Chicago this fall.

Besides selection of a queen to represent the district at the national meet, vital problems regarding the future of the JACL on both local and national levels will be considered by the delegates.

Pre-convention rallies have been held by many of the member chapters to select official delegates and queen candidates.

A dinner-dance scheduled for the evening of June 3 in the Pavillon Caprice is expected to be one of the highlights of the weekend meeting. The winning queen candidate will be crowned at this time.

The meeting's business agenda is now being prepared by officials of the council, headed by Richard Akagi, regional director.

Fred Morioka and Dr. Makoto Yamaguchi are co-chairmen.

Local committees will be headed by James Hashimoto, arrangements; Lillian Yoshikawa, hospitality and reception; Grace Naria, registration; Mrs. James Takai, local queen contest; Mrs. M. Yamaguchi, banquet; Stogi Toki, dance, souvenir program and art; and Grace Ogata and Mrs. Kelly Adachi, tickets.

Co-treasurers for the affair have been announced as Joe Sugahara and Frances Yoshikawa. Mrs. Charles Uehara will be secretary. Kay Watanabe will serve as master of ceremonies.

Hurt in Collision

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Henry Miyemura, 21, was seriously injured in an auto collision on May 12. He received scalp and face cuts, possible broken ribs and a compound fractured right leg.

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