

## Committee's Majority Report Answers Hawaiian Statehood Opponents on Race Question

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—Once again, but in terms stronger than ever before, the objection to making Hawaii a state because of its "Oriental" population has been answered in Congress.

The best proof of the weakness of the anti-Oriental argument was demonstrated last week when only one senator on the senate interior and insular affairs committee subscribed to it.

On the other hand, nine senators on the same committee took the opposite view—that the Oriental population, as well as all other residents of Hawaii, are thoroughly American.

The nine-member majority heartily endorsed admitting Hawaii into the union as a state; the lone dissenter, Senator Hugh Butler (R., Neb.), opposed statehood on the grounds of Communism, race and non-contiguity.

The majority report presented the most emphatic case for Hawaiian statehood that has yet been seen in congress during the long and arduous campaign for admission by Hawaii's people.

Statehood for Hawaii, at this writing, is closer to a reality than at any time since the islands became a territory and an integral part of the United States exactly half a century ago.

House Resolution 49—the statehood bill introduced by Hawaii Delegate to Congress Joseph R. Farrington—already has passed the House, where the vote was 262 to 110. Never before has a statehood bill reached the stage—as it now has—of having been endorsed by a senate committee and awaiting final approval by the senate as a whole.

If passed by the senate, H. R. 49 is assured of approval by President Truman, who has personally spoken for Hawaiian statehood on several occasions.

What makes statehood backers particularly happy is the fact that there was only one opponent to statehood on the senate insular committee. Many supporters in Hawaii had been under the impression that, while the statehood bill would get majority backing from the committee, there might be several opponents in the minority.

The fact that Senator Butler turned out to be the sole dissenter, therefore, is notably significant.

Senator Butler's arguments against statehood now for the mid-Pacific territory are met head-on and answered decisively by the majority report of the other nine members on the committee.

## Suspend Deportation For Two Japanese

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The House has approved a Senate resolution suspending deportation proceedings against some 300 aliens, including two Japanese, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee has been advised. The Japanese are Nobuo Suzuki and Denkichi Tani.

## Pacific Northwest Chapters Hold District Council Meet

SEATTLE, Wash.—The Pacific Northwest JACL district council met here July 16 with delegates from Spokane, Seattle, Gresham-Troutdale and Mid-Columbia attending.

Masao Satow, national director of the JACL, and Mac Kaneko, chairman of the Washington state legislative committee, were also present.

The council went on record in favor of increasing appropriations for administrative expenses for the evacuation claims act.

Delegates passed a resolution on the Walter resolution for equality in naturalization, asking that the House and Senate confer at the earliest possible time on the resolution, which has been passed by both houses of Congress but amended by the Senate.

The Butler report noted that "there is no reason why a man of Japanese or other Oriental extraction should not be as loyal a citizen and as good an American as a man of any other racial extraction."

But, he says, in Hawaii "the various groups of recent arrivals with Oriental extractions predominate and set the tone of the entire culture."

If statehood is granted to Hawaii, says Senator Butler, its oriental background "may well come to be one of the greatest problems for future American statesmanship."

The majority report, approved by Chairman Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.), and others, has this to say on the racial issue:

"It is true that the population of the islands is composed of many races and groups but, trained in the territory's excellent school system, they have been wholly imbued with the principles of Americanism in thought, word and deed."

"A preponderant majority of the total population, 527, 473, is native born and of the total, 87 per cent, or 460,417, are American citizens. Even more significant for the future of the proposed state is the fact that 99.6 per cent of all school children of the territory are native-born American citizens. Moreover, attendance at the schools of Hawaii exceeds by far the average ratio in the United States."

"The war record of the entire population of Hawaii was exemplary, not a single case of sabotage by a Hawaiian civilian being reported throughout the war."

"The 100th infantry battalion and the 442nd combat team from Hawaii, composed of so-called Japanese Americans, together formed what has been described by Gen. Mark Clark as 'the most decorated unit in the entire military history of the United States,' including seven presidential citations, 3,600 Purple Heart medals with 500 Oak Leaf Clusters, 15 Soldiers Medals, 342 Silver Star medals, one Distinguished Service medal and one Congressional Medal of Honor."

"The attention of the senate is invited to the stirring statement of Capt. Spark M. Matsunaga, past commander of the Disabled American Veterans of Hawaii and an outstanding student at the Harvard law school."

The district council expressed a general feeling that it was not satisfied with the Russell amendment tacked on the Senate, but felt that it was preferable to push it with the amendment and ask for further changes later.

Delegates agreed that since only Seattle had acted in the matter of the national JACL queen contest, the Seattle queen would represent the district.

Delegates also voted to hold a district council convention in Seattle during the Labor day weekend in 1951.

Next meeting of the council will be in Portland in October or November with the Gresham-Troutdale chapter as host.

The council meeting was preceded by a preliminary dinner on July 15 at the Gyokko-ken cafe.

## Publisher Kuroki Prints Special Flood Edition

YORK, Neb.—After cleaning out their flooded plant, Publishers Ben and Shige Kuroki and members of the staff of the York Republican published a special 20-page "flood edition" on July 14.

York was hit by a record-breaking 14-inch rainfall two weeks ago, resulting in a flood which covered most of the city.

Because of the flood the Republican came out 24 hours late but Kuroki said "we got it out 12 hours earlier than any old printer would say was possible."

## Coroner's Jury Absolves Nisei Police Officer

Justifiable Homicide Verdict Returned in Shooting of Suspect

LOS ANGELES — A coroner's jury last week returned a verdict of justifiable homicide in the Skid Row shooting of Ivoon Williams by Police Officer Stanley T. Uno on July 6.

Williams, 45, died of a hemorrhage after a police bullet struck his chest.

Uno, first Nisei police officer on the Los Angeles force, and his partner, Officer Allen S. Clatworthy, testified they saw Williams sitting in a late model car, with badly battered fenders and Missouri license plates, parked in the 200 block on East 5th St.

They said they questioned him, but were dissatisfied with his answers, so they radioed headquarters to see if he or the car were wanted. The report came back, they testified, that Williams was wanted on an Oklahoma warrant charging kidnapping, and one from Springfield, Ill., charging parole violation.

As the radio relayed this information, both testified, they looked up to find Williams leaning in the police car window, listening.

Clatworthy testified he jumped out and snapped a handcuff on the man's left arm, while Uno walked to the Williams' car. As Clatworthy reached for Williams' other wrist, he said Williams whirled and shoved a pistol at him, telling him to step back.

Clatworthy obeyed, he said, just as Williams fired at Uno, who returned the fire with six shots, one of which took effect.

## Offer Condolences

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The JACL-Antidiscrimination Committee this week sent the following telegram to Sen. William Knowland, (R., Calif.):

"We are deeply sorry to hear of your mother passing away. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy and condolences."

## Nisei Elected Governor of Girls' State

STORRS, Conn. — Joan Nishimoto, 17, was elected girl governor after a seven-day session of high school students on the campus of the University of Connecticut.

A Negro youth, Edgar F. Beckham, was named boy governor.

The two governors will represent Connecticut at boys and girls national sessions in Washington later this month.

They were installed in office by Former Chief Justice William M. Maltbie at an inaugural ball at Harley armory. Gov. Chester A. Bowles and Lieutenant Governor Carroll attended the installation dance.

Miss Nishimoto is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Nishimoto of Stamford.

## Korean War Situation Dims Hope for Appropriation of More Funds for Evacuee Claims

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The nation is girding itself for the economic costs of supporting U.N. action in Korea. And this has dimmed hopes Congress will expand the Evacuation Claims Act budget for the fiscal year 1951.

Reliable sources this week advised the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee there seems little likelihood Congress will provide much more for the claims program this year than the \$1,300,000 proposed by the Senate Appropriations Committee because of the Korean situation.

Most domestic measures are being cut. The defense departments are the only ones in for more money.

Nevertheless, Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said a strong effort will be made on either the floor of the Senate or in House-Senate conferences on the 1951 national budget to get an increase in claims appropriations.

Specifically, the JACL ADC will seek to increase the \$300,000 proposed for adjudicating claims and administering the program during the forthcoming fiscal year to \$500,000. It will ask, but not press, for an increase in the \$1,000,000 now proposed to pay adjudicated claims in the fiscal year 1951.

"We are taking such action not because of selfish motives at a time when the nation must seriously practice economy, but because in the long picture the only true economy in handling evacuation claims will come from settling the whole thing as quickly as possible," Mr. Masaoka said.

He pointed out that with some \$131,900,000 in claims, it could take from 25 to 50 years, under the presently proposed budget, to adjudicate and pay the 24,000 claims filed under the Evacuation Claims Act.

The Justice Department has estimated the final cost of adjudicating claims and administering the program will be roughly three per cent of the aggregate of all claims. If the Senate's proposed budget allowing only \$300,000 for administering the program in the fiscal year 1951 is adopted, it would require a minimum of 13 more years to wind up the program. However, Mr. Masaoka declared that the slower the program operates for the next few years, the longer it will take eventually to complete.

## Koyke, Iwamoto Will Perform for Japan Relief Fund

NEW YORK—Two of the outstanding artists of Japanese ancestry who are now in the United States will be presented in concert on July 28 at the Grace Methodist church for the benefit of Japan Relief.

Hizi Koyke, prima donna of the San Carlo opera, and Mariko Iwamoto, violinist from Tokyo, will appear in the event which will be

## Pass Private Bills to Admit Nippon Aliens

WASHINGTON, — The House has passed and sent to the Senate 14 private bills for the admission of Japanese aliens, according to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week.

The bills are for: Miyako and Mable Horikoshi, wife and daughter of a veteran; Yuki and David Sugimoto, wife and son of a veteran; Michiko Kohga, wife of a U. S. soldier; Kimiko and Midori Iso, wife and daughter of a veteran; Chiyoko Akashi, fiancée of a veteran; Mrs. Takie Sato, Terry and Betty Jean Keating, wife and children of a veteran; Mrs. Nobuko Yonashiro and Gerald Martin, wife and son of a veteran;

Mrs. Yoshiko Ogiso Peterson, wife of a veteran; Tokuko Murayama, fiancée of a veteran; Mrs. Claude and Rodney Morita, wife and son of a veteran; Yayoko and June Kobayashi, wife and daughter of a veteran; Mrs. Shikaju Nakashima, mother of a U.S. citizen, and Yuriko Mizumoto, fiancée of a veteran.

## Urge U. S. to Accept Tardy Claims Filed For Yen Deposits

SAN FRANCISCO — Oliver J. Carter, chairman of the state Democratic central committee, was asked this week to urge the U.S. attorney general's office to accept yen deposit claims rejected because of "untimely" filing.

Joe Grant Masaoka, JACL regional director, told Carter that 467 claimants in northern California had their claims rejected because they arrived in Washington, D.C., after the Nov. 18, 1949, deadline.

The claims were postmarked on or before that deadline, Masaoka said.

He asked Carter to urge U.S. Attorney General Howard MacGrath and Harold I. Baynton, assistant attorney general, to change the deadline to include those postmarked as of Nov. 18.

sponsored by the Japanese Methodist church.

## Civil Liberties Cause Suffers Two Setbacks in Washington

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The cause of civil liberties, nationally and in the District of Columbia, has suffered two setbacks.

One was the failure of the Senate to invoke cloture, thus preventing a filibuster, on a vote on fair employment practices legislation.

The other was the recent adverse ruling of a local Municipal Court that D.C. restaurants legally can refuse to serve Negro customers.

The court decided a 70-year-old statute forbidding racial discrimination in Washington restaurants has been "repealed by implication," and that a local restaurant could not be prosecuted under those laws for refusing to serve three Negroes.

The District government will appeal the municipal court decision. At the same time, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee has urged the District to "press the

case with utmost vigor."

In a telegram to the District Commissioners, the JACL ADC declared that "the un-American blot of segregation that mars the very capital of democracy must be erased."

FEP is one of the national legislative goals of the JACL.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, pointed out this week the JACL has consistently advocated passage of a strong FEP law as one of the most substantial guarantees of minority peoples that they will have the right to hold jobs without discrimination because of race or color.

Failure of the senate to invoke cloture was the second time this session the Upper House has turned down FEP. This probably marks the end of any further legislative efforts in this direction until next year.



# "Brotherhood Economics:" TOYOHICO KAGAWA

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Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, father of Japan's cooperatives, founder of Japan's Federation of Labor and organizer of Tokyo's Group-health program, was born in a family that ruled 19 villages in the old feudal system of pre-war Japan.

As one of five children whose father was governor of two provinces and vice president of a third, Toyohiko lived in a wealthy family comprised of servants, mansions and ultra-modern conveniences of the orient. His father died, however, when he was four years-old and he then lived with his uncle, who at that time was president of the city's chamber of commerce and president of a steamship and railway company.

How then, did Kagawa ever become a public figure, later to become known for his support of an economic and political philosophy so entirely contrary to his background?

To this Kagawa gives several reasons: First was the continual lack of concern and progress directed toward the people of the slums in his city. Second was his observance of an almost avid worship for material gains by his immediate elders. And thirdly, was the grim absence of genuine love and friendship within his own family.

Kagawa studied the English language by memorizing a few verses from the Sermon on the Mount while attending an American missionary school. After graduating from that high school, he entered college and at the same time began preaching in the slums of Tokyo. For five years he practiced his Sermon on the Mount to that portion of the city's lost men.

Kagawa soon became known as the common man's friend. His passionate love for men moved him more deeply, however, into a philosophy which caused some skeptics to brand him a socialist. Kagawa himself does not consider his program as that following any political line. He does not fully advocate socialism, communism nor capitalism.

In 1924 he went to England to study the then rising Ramsey MacDonald and his British Labor party. He observed carefully its development through that decade and was disappointed when it accomplished no more than the Marxian theory to reduce unemployment.

In the early thirties, Kagawa watched with much favor the Roosevelt administration and the beginning of the New Deal. He was encouraged in the introduction of man-made legislation for controlling unemployment, social security, and deliberate reduction of the monetary standard. But in Kagawa's eyes, this program also was a disappointment in its failure to utilize surplus resources and inability to curb unemployment.

In communism, Kagawa sees no remedy for the world's ills. As early as the mid-twenties, Kagawa was fearful of the number of lives that would be lost if such a revolution was to take place. He foresaw a land of famine, of collapsed markets, and a land lacking individual resourcefulness and inventiveness, deprived of freedom and vocational selection and where all idealistic, conscious and religious movements would cease.

In the early-thirties he was already preaching himself hoarse in

supporting his views against communism. He compared such a plight with the Russian and French revolutions in which 18 and three million people had starved to death.

It was during the five years he spent in the slums, and two years at the Princeton Seminary in the United States, that Kagawa began to change his tactics. He now felt that unless there was a vast change in Japan's economic and social order, it was hopeless to combat the slums of Japan merely by preaching and giving out relief.

At 35, upon his return to Japan, he began his first labor school in Osaka. A year later, in 1918, he formed the consumers' cooperative among the laborers. Two years later he started the West Japan branch of the Japan Federation of Labor and then followed with the formation of the Tokyo and East Japan branch.

In 1921, after record-breaking advances in Japan's labor movement through Kagawa's leadership, someone fostered a general strike in the dockyards of Kobe and Osaka, involving 45,000 workers. Although he disapproved the strike at that time, he nevertheless advised it to prevent violence. After the melee was over, Kagawa and 405 labor leaders were imprisoned.

In 1922 he left the laborers temporarily to concentrate on the farmers. Of the five million families of farmers, 75 per cent were tenants and very poor. He then organized the Japan Tenant Farmers' union with delegates from 34 Prefectures. Ten years later Kagawa had 80 per cent of the country's farmers in its membership and the beginning of a farmers' cooperative.

An internal thought-struggle between imperialism and pacifism aided the cooperative development in the early-thirties and Kagawa saw his groups grow into 14,000 associations. His medical cooperatives grew until all were recognized by the government. Tokyo medical cooperatives alone doubled in membership in two years to include 30,000 families.

This was the beginning of his "Brotherhood Economics" or what he often calls "Economic Theology." One of his three points in the "Kingdom of God" movement involved social organization. This was to include a well-planned international cooperative that was to entail Africa, India, China and Japan. He foresaw a movement large enough to self-support the respective countries' otherwise individually meek output.

Of supply and demand or piece-meal of supply and demand or piece-meal social legislation to Kagawa was not enough. To him, the world has forgotten to respect each man, each neighbor, each community and each country. Of all the economic theories introduced throughout man's history, Kagawa has given much support to the cooperatives. Kagawa's "Brotherhood Economics" would involve cooperatives on a world-wide basis. Kagawa does not claim the movement as perfect. He will admit deficiencies in the Rochdale, Raiffeisen or any other cooperative system. His reasons, however, in backing them are twofold: They develop the dignity, respect and Christian ethics toward all people and subsequently while timing for economic stability, to Kagawa, they will also avoid strife between people and between nations.

(Next week—"Kagawa: MacArthur's Messiah.")

## Regional Director Names Delegates

SAN FRANCISCO — Five East Bay Nisei were nominated by Joe Grant Masaoka, regional JACL director, as delegates to the California Midcentury Conference on Children and Youth.

The names were suggested by Masaoka on the invitation of Heman G. Stark, conference manager.

The Nisei are Sumi Ohye, staff member at the International Institute in San Francisco; Fred Hoshiyama, co-director at the Buchanan St. YM-WCA; the Rev. Arnold Nakajima of Berkeley; Yukio Wada, past president of the San Francisco JACL; and Mrs. Kay Kitagawa.



Paul Higaki, trombonist with the Lionel Hampton band, tries out his horn backstage at the Golden Gate theater in San Francisco, where the band ended its engagement early this week.

Higaki was honored at a special testimonial show Monday, July 10, by the band in honor of his first anniversary with the noted group.—Photo by Kameo Kido.

## MAN WITH A BAND

### Paul Higaki's Trombone Hits High Notes for Hampton

By MARION TAJIRI

San Francisco

Out on a San Francisco street Paul Higaki looks like any Nisei coming home from a college class. He has a serious mein, wears thick-lensed, horn-rimmed glasses and wears campus clothes.

If there's any prototype of the hot jazz musician, Paul Higaki doesn't fit it.

And yet, as trombonist with Lionel Hampton, he is, in the words of the band leader himself, "one of the new names in jazz."

Musicians say the Nisei can hit a terrific high note. Duke Garrett, Hampton's arranger and a trumpet man, got nearly ecstatic about it on a TV show in San Francisco during the band's run in this city.

Higaki, however, is a pretty modest guy and doesn't talk too much about his high note. Obviously he just needs to know it's there when he gets on front for a solo number.

It's obvious, too, that he's doing just about what he's wanted to do for a long time. The Hampton engagement at the Golden Gate, which ended July 10 with a special "Paul Higaki night," was a tight and tough schedule.

The show ran 75 minutes, and five a day. In between, Higaki and others of the band ran a gamut of TV broadcasts, radio shows and interviews. If there was time left, they got a bite to eat before the next show went on.

From two counts, Higaki was a natural for TV and other shows in San Francisco. He's a local product, first, and secondly he's the only Nisei in a big-name Negro band.

Higaki, son of Mr. and Mrs. Masuichi Higaki of this city, first met up with a trombone during his days at John Swett junior high school. He played in the school band there, went on to Balboa high school.

He was about 18 when the war broke out and he found himself at the Granada relocation center. But his music playing and managing instincts were still strong. He organized the Stardusters band, which livened the camp on many an otherwise calm night.

When the army announced it was forming the 442nd combat team, he volunteered for service. He was accepted, sent to Camp Shelby, but received a medical discharge six months later.

Free to go back to music, he began his band work again. He was 19 when he started professional band work. His first job was with Lee Williams in 1944, playing throughout the Midwest. The next year he joined the Bob Cross band.

Higaki's next turn was something a little unusual. He joined up with the Allen Reed all-girl band. The band traveled the south.

There was nothing wrong with playing with an "all-girl" band, Higaki recalls, except that, as he says, "women are too temperamental."

The next year he came home to San Francisco to organize his own band under the name of Paul Lee. During this entire period, indeed until he joined Hampton, Higaki played under that name.

"You couldn't get a job otherwise," he recalls.

His big break came when he latched on to Hampton, back in June of last year.

The outstanding thing about Hampton's band, according to Higaki, is that it's "precedent-breaking."

Or precedent-making. Higaki's first tour of the south had been with the Allen Reed outfit.

"Things were real rough for Negroes then," he says, "but they're changing now."

Some of the changes—though they may be small—have been made by Hampton and his men.

His was the first mixed band to play Memphis, Tenn., Higaki says, even though Hampton did it in the face of a warning from Boss Crump that no mixed bands would play in that city. At that time the band had one white member as well as its Nisei trombonist.

"We went in anyway," Higaki says.

And down south, where minor customs relating to whites and Negroes are jealously maintained, Hampton has broken a few of them and gotten away with it fine.

To the outsider some of the customs are pointless. In some southern cities where the band has played, whites and Negroes are allowed to attend at the same time. But the dance floor is "partitioned" with a rope or a line of chairs.

"In El Paso we played the Coli-

## VFW Group Plans Memorial To Valley Nisei

Japanese American  
Post Initiates Drive  
For Monument Fund

HANFORD, Calif.—Erection of a war memorial to be dedicated to World War II Nisei war dead from the San Joaquin valley is the goal of Nisei Liberty Post No. 5869 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Hanford.

The Nisei post is starting a drive for \$5,000 for the monument.

The Central California JACL district council recently unanimously endorsed the project of the VFW group.

The date for the formal dedication of the memorial has been set for Memorial Day, 1951, in Fresno.

"In order to assure the successful completion of the memorial project, Japanese Americans in general and particularly those residing in the San Joaquin valley will be asked to contribute to the fund," Roy Fukuda of the Nisei post declared this week.

As the first contribution to the fund the Nisei post has donated all its net proceeds from the refreshment booth which it sponsored at the recent Bussei carnival in Fresno.

## Chicago Mayor Invites Hori to Join Committee

CHICAGO—K. Katsu Hori of the United Asia Trading company of this city, and the only member of Japanese ancestry of the Export Managers club of Chicago as well as the Importers association, Inc., Chicago, was recently invited by Mayor Martin H. Kennelly to serve on the hospitality committee of the First United States International Trade fair to be held in Chicago during Aug. 7-20. Hori will be among the several prominent Chicago business leaders comprising the hospitality committee which will assist in the reception of the thousands of guests from all over the world. Thirty-nine foreign nations will be represented in addition to the 50 American manufacturers at the First United States International Trade fair which will have 450,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space.

With world-wide transactions in the import-export line, Hori supplies many firms with Far Eastern products and factories in this country with imported raw material. For many years he headed the Minami and Hori Importing Co., Inc., of New York City, until all foreign trade was interrupted during the war.

## Fashion Designers Invited to Tea

CHICAGO — Mrs. Helen Hori, secretary of the tea fashion show committee, announced this week that all Chicago designers participating in the fall fashion show at the National JACL convention Sept. 29th are invited to a tea at her home, 6361 University ave., July 30 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. At this time the designers will have the opportunity to meet and select the girls who will model their creations.

## Korean American Editor Will Speak To Nisei Group

LOS ANGELES—Peter Hyun, former English editor of the Los Angeles Korean Independence, will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the Nisei Progressives on July 26.

The public is invited to attend the meeting which will be held at 1162 West 38th st.

Mr. Hyun, former American military government official in Korea, will speak on the present situation in Korea. A discussion period will be held following the talk.

seum and all the barriers were removed," Higaki remembers. "There's a certain amount of intermingling now that you never saw before."

Traveling with a Negro outfit, Higaki has seen his fellow-players suffer a lot of indignity at the hands of hotels, restaurants and other places of public accommodation.

"But it's getting better all the time," he says.



TOYOHICO KAGAWA



## Eight Nisei Pilots Enter Ohye Cup Race

LOS ANGELES — Eight Nisei pilots are entered to date in the Henry Ohye Trophy Race from Los Angeles to Chicago in September.

Ohye, sponsor of the Nisei aviation event, announced that the planes will leave Central Airport in Los Angeles on Sept. 24 and the race route will include stops at Phoenix, El Paso, Tulsa, Wichita Falls and Kansas City.

Winners will be determined on the 11th biennial national convention of the JACL in Chicago.

Winners will be determined on the basis of time and fuel economy.

Most of the planes entered to date are in the light plane class.

Among the entries, according to Ohye, are Tom Enomoto and Henry Kanegae of Santa Ana and Sam Maenaga and Paul Kashiwagi of Santa Barbara County.

## Two Men Will Face Los Angeles Trial

LOS ANGELES—Masami (the General) Hiramoto, 41, and Masashi (Gary) Matsumoto, 31, were among five men ordered arraigned on felony charges in Superior Court on July 28 in a case involving two 14-year old junior high school girls.

Judge Walter C. Allen set bail at \$15,000 on Hiramoto and \$2,000 on Matsumoto.

## Nominate George Inagaki For JACL Leadership Award

CHICAGO—George Inagaki of Culver City, Calif., is the 11th nominee for the JACL Leadership Award candidate to be released by the JACL national recognitions committee.

The committee's announcement declared:

"George Inagaki has one of the most distinguished records of service in the JACL. Long before the war, he was an active leader in the JACL movement in southern California. Prior to the outbreak of the war, he was, for example, chapter president of the Santa Monica JACL. Realizing the need for decentralization in the Los Angeles area, he pioneered in the activation of four new chapters in the area where only one existed before. Membership in the four new chapters was more than four times that of the single original chapter. He also organized special interest groups in order that every age and interest group in the community might become more interested in JACL.

"In recognition of his services, the Southern California District Council unanimously elected him executive secretary at its biennial district council convention in the fall of 1941. Before and immediately following the outbreak of the war, he sacrificed much in order that the personal and property rights of persons of Japanese ancestry might be protected and preserved. Probably more than any other individual in JACL in southern California, he typified by his example the spirit and the principle of JACL. This was at cost of much personal sacrifice to him and his family.

"When evacuation became an actuality, he volunteered to serve on the national staff at a time when others were afraid. Knowing the desperate need for finances, he personally contributed substantial funds and he donated his own station wagon to the organization in order that some of its activities might be carried on.

"He joined with Mike Masaoka, then national secretary, in visiting all areas of the country outside the Western Defense Command in order that the public at large might be told the real story behind the evacuation and of the loyalty of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States. He participated in programs and projects that since have resulted in goodwill for those of Japanese ancestry. He helped formulate policy and pre-

## Itsuko Hamasaki Named as Pacific Southwest Area Queen

LOS ANGELES—Itsuko Hamasaki has been designated "Miss Pacific Southwest" to represent the PSW District Council at the national queen contest in Chicago in late September for the title, "Miss National JACL," it was announced this week by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, PSWDC chairman.

Although victorious in the recent District Council queen contest conducted at the PSWDC convention held in Santa Monica on July 1, Miss Helen Morita who represented the Pasadena Chapter has found it necessary to withdraw due to reasons of health, explained Dr. Nishikawa. It was learned that Miss Morita has undergone hospitalization for an appendectomy.

Miss Hamasaki, who represents the Downtown Los Angeles Chapter had been designated as first alternate by the panel of six judges who had selected the queen on a point count system in accordance with the procedure set forth by the National JACL Queen Contest Committee in Chicago.

"I am confident that Miss Hamasaki will be an excellent candidate to represent our district council in Chicago," said Dr. Nishikawa. According to the judges' scores, the Santa Monica contest was a very close one and I have no doubt that Itsuko will be the top contender for the national crown."

Major expenses for Miss Hamasaki, including transportation, meals, lodging, registration, and a substantial part of her wardrobe will be provided by part of the



MISS HAMASAKI

proceeds from the district council convention, it was revealed.

Mrs. Rye Yoshizawa, who operates the Modern School of Fashion in Los Angeles and who is widely known for her creative designing, has offered her services in enhancing Miss Hamasaki's wardrobe. Miss Hamasaki is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hirochi Hamasaki of 1661 1/2 Arlington. She is a student at Los Angeles City college in secretarial courses and is employed part time at Ohrbach's Department store.

## Maryknoll Sister Leaves for Mission Work in Japan

LOS ANGELES—Sister Mary Susanna of the Maryknoll order, known for her work among persons of Japanese ancestry in Los Angeles, has been assigned to one of the Maryknoll missions in Japan, it was announced last week.

She was one of 47 Sisters of the order who left for their mission stations on July 9 following a departure ceremony at Maryknoll Motherhouse, Maryknoll, N.Y.

Sister Susanna is a native of Hokkaido, Japan, who came to Los Angeles in 1927. She taught at the Maryknoll school in Los Angeles. She also spent three years working among persons of Japanese ancestry at the Manzanar war relocation center during the war.

## New Chapter Names Robert Kanagawa As First President

SANGER, Calif. — Robert K. Kanagawa has been elected first president of the newly-organized Sanger-Del Ray chapter of the JACL.

He has been acting as temporary chairman since the initial meeting of the group.

The chapter is the seventh to join the Central California district council. Membership has reached 86, with more persons expected to join.

Serving on Kanagawa's cabinet are Benny K. Matsunaga, 1st vice pres.; George Y. Nishimura, 2nd vice pres.; Hamako Hatakeda, dec. sec.; Lena Matsunaga, corr. sec.; Thomas Kumano, treas.; Tom Nagamatsu, official delegate; Peter Hasegawa, alternate; Nami Hirabayashi, reporter; and Maybelle Nakamura, historian.

the JACL. Although it was against his doctor's orders, he accepted the chairmanship of the 1000 Club and during the past two or three years has devoted his time, money and energy to make the 1000 Club successful.

"Although most of his time has been devoted to JACL, George Inagaki is active in other community and civic services. He is one of the few Nisei to hold office in Rotary International, for example.

"Few, if any have contributed as much to the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry as George Inagaki has done. Few, if any, deserve national recognition more."

## Disclose Governor Steinback's Intervention to Protect Nisei Supervisor from Perjury Trial

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—The "Kageyama case" exploded last week into a top-level political incident and, for the first time, it was revealed that Governor Ingram M. Stainback had personally intervened to protect the ex-Communist from prosecution.

The case of Richard M. Kageyama, 34-year old Nisei member of the Honolulu board of supervisors, has taken devious turns since his admission last April that he had been a Communist party member in 1947.

Since then Kageyama has been investigated for perjury and threatened with impeachment.

The latest chapter of the complicated case involves the governor, the mayor, the public prosecutor and a circuit judge.

It started out as a dispute on an entirely separate matter—the alleged inefficiency of the prosecutor's office.

While defending himself and his office, Prosecutor Charles M. Hite referred to the Kageyama case and revealed that Governor Stainback had personally called upon Mayor John H. Wilson, the prosecutor's superior, to ask the mayor to "go easy" on Kageyama.

Mayor Wilson, according to Prosecutor Hite, informed the governor that a crime of perjury was involved and that the law must take its course.

As a result, Prosecutor Hite launched a grand jury investigation into Kageyama's self-admitted perjury.

The prosecutor's critic, Circuit Judge John E. Parks, was accused of refusing to summon a special session of the grand jury to investigate the Kageyama case.

The prosecutor asserted he was being criticized of "bumbling" because he is an avowed enemy of the governor; because Judge Parks is a personal friend of the governor; because both Governor Stainback and Kageyama belong to the "right wing" of the split Democratic party in Hawaii.

The prosecutor, himself belongs to the "left wing" which Kageyama bolted to join the right wing.

While the verbal fireworks made front page news, Supervisor Kageyama continued in office, even though he is not being paid. (His salary is being withheld on a technical ruling by the city attorney.)

The Nisei official has yet to be indicted for perjury. The grand jury has been hamstrung by the fact that Kageyama's own admission may not be used against him, the testimony having been given before a congressional committee and therefore inadmissible as evidence in this particular case.

Moreover, witnesses who might be able to identify Kageyama when he was a Communist are remaining tight-lipped. They can not be cited for contempt if they claim their privilege against testifying before a grand jury, as it is believed they have.

The impeachment move also appears to have bogged down. After about a month, a petition calling for Kageyama's ouster still does not have the required number of 100 signatures of citizens to start impeachment proceedings before the territorial supreme court.

## Eden Township JACL Marks Fourth of July With Flowers

MT. EDEN, Calif. — Reviving a pre-war custom, the Eden Township JACL observed the Fourth of July holiday by delivering truckloads of flowers to hospitals in this area and at Livermore.

Two truckloads of flowers were taken by JACL chapter members to patients in the Veterans hospital and the Arroyo Sanitarium in Livermore.

Other truckloads were sent to the Oak Knoll Naval hospital and the Fairmont County hospital.

Members met at the Mt. Eden Nursery to arrange the flowers and distributed them during the after-

## Nisei Garage Man Beaten in Seattle

SEATTLE, Wash.—Takeo Tsuji, a garage attendant, was assaulted by an unidentified man on July 12 as he investigated a woman's cries for help in the garage.

Tsuji told police the woman also was beaten by the assailant and taken away with him in the automobile she was parking in the garage.

Tsuji, 36, said the woman, about 30, drove the car, a late-model convertible, into the garage about 7:30 a.m.

While she was parking it in the basement, Tsuji said, a man followed the woman.

"I heard the woman yell for help," Tsuji told police. "When I went down, I saw the woman lying unconscious on the floor, her eyes blackened and several bruises on her face.

"The man caught me by surprise, striking me on the ear and face with his fists. I rushed up to call the police and while I was telephoning, the man drove away with the woman in the car."

Tsuji, who was alone in the garage at the time gave the car's license number to police.

## East Los Angeles Chapter Holds Forum On Occupations

LOS ANGELES—An occupational forum for the benefit of June graduates was held recently by the East Los Angeles JACL chapter at Tenrikyo hall.

Representatives of various professions and occupations spoke at the forum.

The speakers and the subjects on which they spoke were: Bill Takei, personnel; Hiroshi Neeno, civil service; Lynn Takagaki, law; Kay Komai, teaching; Florence Takahashi, nursing; Ben Onodera, laboratory technician; Carl Kondo, small business; Atsuko Ogawa, power machine operation; Bill Hata, advertising; Akira Hasegawa, engineering, and Ryozi Matsui, gardening.

Anson Fujioka was chairman. Nell Kawahata, a native of Texas and the East Los Angeles chapter's queen in the Pacific Southwest district council contest, was introduced.

Ritsuko Kawakami and Edison Uno were voted as delegates to the national convention in Chicago.

## Attends Assembly

GREELEY, Colo. — Mrs. Sam Okamoto was one of the 12 delegates from Fort Lupton to attend the Weld County Democratic party assembly on July 15.

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## EDITORIALS:

### Racism and Sanctimony

The state of California has filed its brief in the Masaoka land test case, which the State Supreme court has agreed to hear.

The brief is an unpleasant combination of racism and sanctimony.

It charges that the trial court committed prejudicial error in considering evidence concerning loyalty of the citizen plaintiffs (the Masaoka brothers), and that judgment should be reversed on that ground. All evidence concerning the loyalty of the plaintiffs, the brief says, was immaterial, irrelevant and incompetent.

The brief hastens to admit that persons of Japanese ancestry have been loyal to this country: "We say, with emphasis, that we need yield to none in our feeling of respect and good will for all Japanese who have exhibited qualities of loyalty to the United States, and particularly to American-born Japanese, citizens of this nation, who rendered meritorious service during the late World War II."

This show of good feeling, however, is accompanied by statements of a racist nature which tend again to throw suspicion upon the entire Japanese American group, which reopen many of the old myths which the Nisei thought they had buried for good.

There is something fundamental in the relationship between allegiance to country and ownership of its soil, says the brief. Since the alien Issei were not eligible to citizenship, the state had a right therefore to bar them from land ownership.

"...in a very real sense ownership of the land by its citizens, or those who can become such, bears a vital relationship to the strength of a free country," the brief says. "Obviously, only by its continued strength and existence can such a nation as ours extend the many freedoms as it does to those who seek and find haven within its borders. That we have been able to afford sanctuary to the oppressed of all nations and opportunity unequalled in any country on earth, and have done so, is the glory of America."

We assume the brief means to say—with the exception of aliens of Japanese ancestry.

The brief, against the now historic record of loyalty of the Nisei and the Issei, tells again the old myths, referring to the Issei and Nisei as "those of alien birth and alien parentage whose concepts of philosophy and government were foreign to ours and to whom we owed the duty and responsibility of inculcating a respect for our law."

The brief tries hard to prove that the alien land law was not specifically designed to apply to persons of Japanese ancestry, saying that "one can search the law in vain for any reference to nation or race."

The law, whatever its intent, could not make specific reference to persons of Japanese ancestry, since so written it would have been thrown out by the courts. But there is record that in the writing of the law and its amendments, early versions included such specific references, and that these were revised to the more palatable figure of speech, "aliens ineligible to citizenship," so that the racist intent of the law would not be obvious.

The brief is unworthy of the great state of California.

It must be admitted that any defense of the alien land act now would be difficult, and that, as legal representatives of the state, its attorneys general were only doing their job in preparing its brief.

The act has been made all but unworkable by the Oyama decision, handed down by the U. S. Supreme court. And two California courts, the Superior court in Los Angeles, and the district court of appeals, have denied the validity of the act in the Masaoka and Fujii test cases.

But most important, the basis upon which the law was founded has been all but destroyed—the fact that aliens of Japanese ancestry are not eligible to citizenship by naturalization. Last year the House of Representatives passed the Walter resolution, which would give them the right of naturalization, and the Senate a few weeks ago approved the same measure. The Senate, however, attached an amendment restricting the right solely to persons of Japanese ancestry, and the matter will have to be ironed out in joint committee.

It is obvious, however, that the alien land act is all but dead, and any attempted defense of it would be difficult to achieve.

We would prefer, however, that the state stick to fact, rather than try to inject outmoded racism into its appeal.

# Nisei USA

## A Report for Pvt. Miyaura

A news agency photo from Korea shows Pfc. Haruo Miyaura of Wailuku, Maui, catching a nap on bridge spanning the Kum River while his GI buddy, Pvt. Edward Fisher of Ada, Okla., keeps watch. The photo is reminiscent of the pictures of tired Nisei GIs in Italy and France which we used to receive from news photo services and the War Department during World War II.

As far as Pfc. Haruo Miyaura is concerned, he and the other American GIs on the Korean front are at war, although history may record their activity as a part of the first United Nations "police action" against aggression.

Pfc. Miyaura is one of probably many score Nisei GIs in Korea. It is believed there were Nisei troops in many of the units which have been committed to the Korean fighting. Unlike World War II when two separate Nisei units, first the 100th Infantry Battalion Combat Team were sent into combat, there no longer are any special Japanese American outfits in the U. S. Army. The army has been pretty thorough in carrying out Defense Secretary Johnson's non-segregation program, at least as far as the Nisei are concerned.

It is believed that a number of Nisei combat interpreters, specialists trained at the Military Intelligence Service language school at the Presidio of Monterey as well as some veterans who came out of the MISLS at Fort Snelling and Camp Savage, are being used on the Korean front—just as 5,000 or more Nisei served as translators and interrogators in the Pacific war. Most Koreans, North and South, know the Japanese language. They had to learn it to get along during 35 years of military occupation from 1910 to 1945. Thus a number of Nisei again occupy a strategic role in military operations.

Most of the Nisei in Korea, however, are GIs like Pfc. Miyaura and Pfc. James H. Kobayashi of Philadelphia, the first Japanese American infantryman reported in action. They are members of regular army units on a non-segregated basis. However, because of their racial similarity to the Koreans, these Nisei face an additional hazard in that there is always the danger that somebody may mistake them for an infiltrating North Korean.

Privates Miyaura and Kobayashi may be interested to learn that this week the American people drew closer to a war footing than at any time since the Japanese surrendered aboard the Missouri. Much of the reactions of the American people were typical and good, particularly the ability to close ranks in time of emergency. A few reactions were bad, especially the artificial shortages created in some consumer goods by hysteria buying, as well as hoarding by potential profiteers of such items as nylons and tires. Although few, if any, industries have reconverted to war, a black market in some consumer goods already was in the making. Prices were rising again and there was talk of government controls, including a rollback of prices to the June 25th level.

The American people this week forgot for a few minutes the hot pennant race in the National League (St. Louis, Boston and Philadelphia were tied and Brooklyn was only a step behind) to listen as President Truman asked for sweeping emergency powers to initiate a ten billion dollar armaments program. The reserves were alerted and local draft boards swung into action. A lot of male Americans searched through their wallets for their World War II draft cards. In bold face print the names of the first American casualties began to appear in the daily papers.

Because they are of Japanese parentage and recall the discriminatory restrictions which were imposed on members of the group after the attack on Pearl Harbor, Privates Miyaura and Kobayashi may be interested to learn that already there have been some demands for mass evacuation as a result of the Korean war. The potential evacuees are members of an American minority, although the group this time is an ideological one rather than racial. It is ironical, as it has been pointed out, that the members of this political minority supported the mass evacuation of Japanese Americans

from the Pacific coast in 1942 as a measure of military security.

Other Americans who believed that the 1942 evacuation was a "loaded pistol" capable of destroying the civil rights of the individual citizen have been hoping to obtain judicial repudiation of mass evacuation as a measure for military security. The new war crisis, of course, will forestall any such efforts for a long time to come. The possibility is strong that many additional restrictions, which would have been unthinkable even a month ago, may be adopted as part of the move for national security.

The Supreme Court's decision in the Yasui-Hirabayashi test cases, upholding the action of a military commander to impose severe restrictions—in this case a curfew—on a certain section of the civilian population, as well as the court's verdict in the Korematsu evacuation case, are being dusted off and studied. Although some sections of the press already have started calling for mass internment of potential subversives, there is every possibility that the Department of Justice which opposed the Japanese American mass evacuation may prevail in a policy of individual treatment of these cases. The motto probably will be one of maximum security at minimum cost to our traditional guarantees of individual freedom which were severely strained, if not broken, in the handling of Japanese Americans during World War II.

Privates Miyaura and Kobayashi, who are of Japanese descent, also may be interested to learn that the Walter Resolution presently reposes in a congressional limbo while the Korean war, the No. 1 business of the day, gets the full attention of the legislators. Congress no longer is talking of adjournment and there is every possibility of action on the resolution in the not too distant future. The differences between the House and Senate versions of the bill are to be studied by a joint committee and the Korean war is expected to play a part in the final determination of the form of the resolution. The House version, which has the support of JACL ADC, opens naturalization for all aliens heretofore ineligible because of race ancestry. The Senate bill limits naturalization only to Japanese aliens who arrived here before 1924. Since Korean nationals in the United States are included under the House bill but excluded in the Senate version, effect of the present war on the final decision will be a strong one.

Another effect of the Korean situation is the ax of economy wielded by the Senate on the appropriation for payment of evacuation claims for business and property losses resulting from the mass evacuation. Congressional purse-watchers are slashing grants for domestic needs and evacuee claims has been chopped along with the rest.

In the month just past a lot of names like Seoul, Pyongyang and Taejon have become as familiar to the average person as the names of the towns out in the county. The issues at stake in Korea may not be nearly as familiar but there is near-unanimity of support for the President's action. Meanwhile, in the many laboratories and industrial developments, some far from the centers of population, the Scientist—the symbol of 20th century man—is engaged in work on weapons far more powerful than those that leveled Hiroshima and made a shambles of hilly Nagasaki.

The action in Korea, of which Privates Miyaura and Kobayashi are a part, is being waged so that the necessity may never arise for the use of these new and more terrible weapons.

## Minister Honored

POCATELLO, Ida.—The Methodist YPC honored the Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Hebblethwaite at a welcome social July 16 at the Methodist church.

Rev. Hebblethwaite, who arrived in Pocatello a few weeks ago from Portland, will be the new pastor.

The program began at 8 p. m. with an address of welcome by Natsuyo Yamada. Musical numbers and games were on the evening's program.

Refreshments were served.

## MINORITY WEEK

### The Debt

It looks like the sins of our fathers are being visited upon us. We're paying off—in hard cash.

The Indians claims commission ruled on a treaty of the government with the Choctaw Indian nation and the Chickasaws back in 1866. Five million acres of land in southwest Oklahoma were involved.

The Indians charged the land was taken from them in a treaty which was forced upon them.

The commission has awarded \$3,489,843.58 to the tribes.

### Unlearned Lesson

Recent U. S. Supreme court rulings on the right of all persons to equal opportunity in education apparently have had no effect on the University of Virginia.

The school's board of visitors this week rejected the application of a Negro lawyer for admission to its law school as a graduate student.

This decision was reached in spite of an opinion from the state attorney general which conceded that the state would have little chance of success in fighting the case in federal court, in the event the student wants to carry the case up.

### Plot?

Ford Frick, National League prexy, is investigating reports that certain league umpires are in a plot to make trouble for Dodger star Jackie Robinson. The Negro second baseman hasn't made a formal complaint, but Dodger coach Clyde Sukeforth has said "there is no doubt the umpires are ganging up" on Robinson. Reports say the umpires have deliberately goaded the Negro star, tried to provoke him unnecessarily and ejected him from games on the slightest pretext. In one instance, according to Robinson, he was taunted by an umpire for taking a third strike.

### Quick Quote

"We tell Negroes that they will be accorded equal rights if and when they reach certain cultural, educational and social levels."

"Then we systematically deprive them of the means to reach that level. We prattle every Fourth of July about the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence. Then we pigeon-hole those famous documents for another year."

"It cost us \$300,000,000,000 and more than a million casualties to defeat Hitler's armies and their theory of the master race, but we still hold on to our white supremacy theory." — the Rev. Louis J. Twomey, S. J., director of the institute of industrial relations at Loyola, New Orleans.

Give high school students credit, they believe ours can and ought to be a truly interracial government.

In Storrs, Conn., last week, 350 Connecticut students named Nisei Joan Nishimoto their "girl governor" and Negro Edgar F. Beckham their "boy governor."

### Credo

"As long as I am governor, no Negro will ever attend school with a white person in Georgia." —Gov. Harman Talmage.

### Courses

For the record: there are 1580 courses in race relations being offered by 293 colleges and universities throughout the country.

### The Champ

Alice Marble, who won the U. S. women's singles tennis championship four times, is still a champ when it comes to fighting for the things she believes in.

Miss Marble is currently fighting the case of Althea Gibson, Negro women's singles champion, who, Miss Marble feels, "should be allowed to enter the Forest Hills tourney this August and other meets."

Of Miss Gibson, the fourtime champion recently said: "If I can improve her game or merely give her the benefit of my own experiences... I'll do that. If I can give her an iota more of confidence by rooting my heart out from the gallery, she can take my word for it: I'll be there."



# Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

## John Patric and the Japanese

Denver, Colo. While reading a fascinating book by John Patric called "Yankee Hobo in the Orient," we came across some passages that deserve repeating. Patric is telling about his early prejudices against Japanese immigrant farmers in the Pacific Northwest. He has just seen farmers working in the rain and has expressed himself to a stranger driving a white Packard who picked up the hitch-hiking Patric. The stranger replied:

"You must not ever think, my boy, in the way that some lazy farmers think, who will only work when the weather is right, and who will then blame the Japs for their failure. I deal with hundreds of Japanese. I like them."

"People who spend all they make on clothes and automobile and better houses than they can afford, will criticize the Japanese for living simply. Suppose they do live simply? Their land is the fundamental thing. After all, they love that land. Most of them have told me they couldn't have land in Japan, because there wasn't enough. You'll usually find this—their fields represent more care, more fertilizer, more labor, more cash value that you cannot see, than many a fine home on less tended soil. Their children will live in better houses."

The stranger continued in the same vein for a while, then said: "Son, you will find people criticizing the industrious, thrifty, patient little Jap for all kinds of things. But what they mean, really, and almost never say, is that they're a little jealous, not so much of what he is, but of what he may become if he works harder and longer, and saves more than they do."

"But sir," Patric replied in defending his boyish chauvinism, "they make their money here and then they take it back to Japan. They never become Americans."

And the stranger in the white Packard replied: "Because we don't let them. We call them 'dirty little yellowbellies' and 'God damn Japs.' We aim laws at them, and make it tough for them in many ways. We treat them as inferiors. Perhaps they are, but not for the reasons we treat them so. That is no basis for making good Americans."

## Weekly Crop Report

Weekly crop report from another one who loves the land: Green beans have had two pickings. Corn is tasseling. Bell peppers have been taking shape nicely and ought to be ready for frying with bacon in a week. Yellow squash will be ready to pick in a few days. Strawberry second crop will be ripening soon. Tomatoes have attained enough growth to let the fruit form. Cucumber vines are flowering. Weeds are prospering, too.

## The Iron Curtain Boys

Into our hands this week befell a two-page newspaper called the Shanghai News and published, obviously, by what Milton Caniff calls the Iron Curtain boys. It was an artfully contrived product. It reported with a straight face that South Korean puppets, at American-Wall Street instigation, had launched an imperialistic war on the peoples' republic of North Korea. It reported that the American dictator, Truman, had dispatched the Seventh fleet to cut off Formosa from China, an obvious act of aggression.

The sheet was well-garnished with other similar distortions. All the stories were well written, and in such a convincing vein that anyone having no other source of news could not help but be taken in. What effect the Shanghai News is having among English-reading persons in China is a matter of conjecture. But the Commies certainly know a thing or three about propaganda.

## Vagaries

### Manufacturer . . .

Credit Ko Fukagai of San Francisco with another Nisei "first"—his garment manufacturing company, Ko's Shop, is believed to be the first started by a Japanese American. It opened a month ago, is concentrating at the present on men's sport shirts. Fukagai, however, hopes to go into blouse manufacture later and expand eventually to producing a full line of garments. Fukagai got his experience working for four years with Mode de Paris, blouse manufacturers, as a cost accountant. The current venture has been simmering in his mind for several years, but it was only recently he was able to get the equipment together to get going. . . .

### Claims . . .

A San Francisco attorney reports that to his knowledge no claim filed for evacuation losses in this area has yet been paid, and only one has been approved. The Department of Justice's local claims office was opened on March 1. . . .

### Resurrection . . .

In case you've wondered what ever became of Kilsoo Haan, the Korean propagandist who gave lectures during World War II on the menace of the Japanese Americans, here's the latest: it's been told that Haan is living in San Francisco and only a few weeks ago applied for unemployment insurance. His line of work: kitchen helper. . . .

### Integration Note . . .

San Jose, Calif., stores are using Nisei clerks, it's said, with Nisei employed in that capacity and others in the city's largest department store, Hale's. . . .

### Film Notes . . .

Iris Wong, film actress, is reportedly burning over the attention being paid Shirley (Rikoran) Yamaguchi and other Japanese film players in Hollywood. According to Miss Wong, as quoted by James Padgett of INS, the film capital's Chinese American group is "miffed about Shirley and the other Japanese actors who are being feted by Hollywood." Miss Wong continued: "During the war when the Japanese were sent to concentration camps, they used Chinese actors to portray Japanese villains. Now they are casting Japanese in Chinese parts." . . . Miss Wong said she was considered for a role in the Jane Russell-Robert Mitchum film "Macao," but it now appears that Miss Yamaguchi may get the part. . . . Among the visiting film stars from Japan who have been entertained in Hollywood during the past year are Kinuyo Tanaka, Haruhisa Kuwada, Misora Hibari and Miss Yamaguchi, as well as Sessue

## "Do You Know?"

# JACL Helped Nisei Undertake Group Leadership in Wartime

By ELMER R. SMITH

The various attacks being made upon the loyalty of Japanese Americans to the United States by various groups in California and by some congressmen from the west coast brought up the problem of dual citizenship status for action. During October, 1941, Secretary of War Stimson drafted proposed legislation to eliminate the complications of dual citizenship.

The JACL sent a letter to Secretary Stimson stating the interest of the JACL in the problem of dual citizenship. The JACL volunteered its services to the government in attempting to work out a solution to the problem.

Togo Tanaka was sent to Washington, D.C., as a JACL representative to take part in the hearings before the House Immigration and Naturalization Committee held during the last week of October. The JACL took a positive position on the bill proposed by Secretary Stimson.

In the midst of the stepped up activity of the JACL to win

Hayakawa, a Hollywood veteran, who made a comeback in "Three Came Home." . . .

## Trombonist . . .

Paul Higaki has been playing the trombone for the past week with the Lionel Hampton band at the Million Dollar theater in Los Angeles. . . . There were fewer persons of Chinese ancestry arrested in the city of Seattle in 1949 than members of any of the city's major race groups. Persons of Japanese descent had the second lowest figure with 38 arrests among Seattle's total of 30,178. Most of these arrests of persons of Japanese and Chinese ancestry were for traffic and other minor violations. . . . Nisei were among the Oriental American extras employed last week at Columbia Studios in Hollywood for a sequence for "Born Yesterday." . . . A number of Issei and Nisei leaving for 60-day visits to Japan, reportedly were among those "bumped" off the APL's General Gordon when the Army took over accommodations aboard the ship for GIs bound for Korea. Restrictions on visits to Japan are expected in the wake of the war situation. . . .

## Evacuation . . .

Four hundred persons of Japanese ancestry were among the 2,000 persons forced to move recently when the Los Angeles City Housing Authority recently completed the evacuation of all residents from a three-block area of Bunker Hill in downtown Los Angeles. A new city water and power building will be erected on the cleared site. The former residents were relocated in other parts of the city.

economic and social acceptance on a basis of equality for Japanese Americans, and with the growing interest in the JACL from all sources of the American public—Pearl Harbor came!

The coming of war found the Japanese in America in a peculiar position along the west coast of the United States. The Nisei, whose age was, on the average, 17, were still dominated by the first generation. A few of the older Nisei were beginning to win general acceptance as real community leaders, but they were the exceptions and not the rule.

Practically all the ministers and civic leaders in the Japanese community were first generation, and few of these exerted great power or influence outside the Japanese community. Most of the more successful businesses and farms were operated by Issei. All of the major newspapers and publications, with a very few exceptions, were published by the first generation.

Most of the financial aspects of the Japanese community and individual families were controlled by the Issei, thus giving them more power than they might otherwise have wielded.

The JACL and a few other Nisei organizations were beginning to break into the inner circle of leadership, but the officials of the Japanese associations, Chambers of Commerce, Farmers' associations and other comparable Issei clubs and organizations more often than not discouraged the independent growth of Nisei groups and often tried to discredit their leadership. The Issei tended to guard their rights and privileges in a jealous manner, and bitterly resented any intrusion on the part of what to them were still "adolescent or child-like" encroachments.

The opening of warfare between the U.S. and Japan found the leaders to whom the people at large looked for guidance and counsel in the Japanese community to be of the first generation. Thus, when federal agents swooped down upon the Japanese communities after Pearl Harbor and interned all of those whom they suspected as being dangerous to the security of the United States,

# BETWEEN CARBONS

By AL T. MIYADI

## A Switch-hitter Yet—

That aging, raging extrovert from San Simeon, Randy the rascal, switched colors in the middle of a century—from yellow to red.

Roared the Monarch of all sensationalism, at the top of the L. A. and Frisco Examiners' front pages, and as far as their combined circulation would carry: "INTERN THE COMMUNISTS!"

A least, Hearst-fearing Communists had this consolation—the old man's favorite copy boy, Westbrook no less, was for the moment prone to disagree with his suggestion per internment of fellow-travelers.

Advised Pegler with unusual brevity: "SHOOT COMMUNIST TRAITORS."

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## Mr. Mori and I—

Like other people I'd like to know, I read other people's columns too. As a matter of fact, I even read the ones which appear from time to time in the Rafu Shimpo. And of the columns which appear in the Rafu, the one which appeals most greatly to me is "Making The Deadline," by Henry Mori, the English editor of that paper. By and large, it's a safe column moved to comment on only the most general of topics in the most general way. I suppose that's really the way an editor is expected to operate. Well and good, but on such controversial and provocative problems as Communism and Communists, one cannot be entirely blamed for viewing with some alarm the casual manner in which an editor of a paper handles a problem on basic and civil rights of an individual, Communists and otherwise.

Mr. Mori, in reference to the editorial by Hearst, is put to observe in such a way as to tilt the belly of any half-way intelligent person capable of any thought in particular.

Wrote Mr. Mori concerning Hearst's proposal: "Well and good. We don't like the Commies either."

And Mr. Mori's only concern is how to identify them.

Like Hearst, he is hardly concerned with the knowledge that the Communist party is not an illegal party, or that the majority of its members are American citizens, and being such, are endowed with certain rights guaranteed in the Constitution.

Because of the hysteria of our times, are we to strip American citizens of their civil rights because their ideological philosophy is contrary to ours . . . without due process of law? It is in times like these that our Constitution should hold fast that the words contained are more than mere verbiage; that the dignity of the individual, especially during times of stress, should be preserved at whatever the cost.

If Communists should be interned now without benefit of lawful procedure, what is to prevent at another time the indiscriminate internment of other groups, other nationalities? In the end, one group would be pitted against the other, racial voting blocs would become an actuality, with White versus White, and all fighting for control of the country, and the inevitable result would be a primitive thing at best—the survival of the fittest, not the intelligent.

I detest Communists more than you Mr. Mori, and not simply for the sake of convention or with special worry as to being on the "right" side of the fence. I fear and detest them because they represent an evil way of life—a life of pure materialism with a complete disregard for the spiritual. I find it difficult to reconcile myself to a philosophy which attempts at the collective rather than the selective; that man should be treated as a part not as a whole; because it does not take into serious consideration that man is a living, emotional animal capable of thought, and because Communism caters only to the basic fears and drives of the individual.

Chiefly, I regard Communism as a regression of Civilization, and the only thing it can offer man is an eventual and inevitable decline to serfdom—the very goal from which it pretends to escape.

Communism in America, Mr. Mori, will defeat itself—as long as we remain a prosperous nation, as long as we continue on the road to tolerance, as long as we hold forth a deep and abiding respect for the rights of the individual.

If the wound is serious enough, we should by all means operate, but we should not apply a soiled, unsanitary bandage.

Intern them and you make martyrs out of them—and you lend false credence to their already distorted values.

No, Mr. Mori, internment is hardly the answer, nor the mere dislike of them reason enough. . . .

Outspoken, muck-raking Westbrook Pegler finally took his column for a circuitous entry into intolerance—a realm from which he quickly departed in his last paragraph.

In the June 18 release of his column, he advocated immediate internment of Communists, and at the same time, he was moved for argument's sake to reflect on the evacuation of the Nisei in 1942.

"It is impossible however," wrote Pegler, "to put a pleasant face on the situation in which loyal American Nisei were placed."

And then he appended further, citing specific instances in which Nisei were victims of—as he put it—"a flagrant act of mass racial prosecution." But as per his usual inimitable self, he quickly recovered to hold forth his argument for internment of the Communists. His logic was this. Since it was possible to intern the Nisei, despite the injustices of which he previously had cited, it was now possible to intern the Communists similarly, except for the technicality of whether or not we were actually at war. But even this point did not deter him noticeably.

Said Pegler: "... we have twice mocked the Constitution before." And all Pegler needed was a precedent.

there were placed in custody most of the acknowledged and experienced leadership of the various communities. This fact must not be forgotten in the analysis and understanding of events which were to follow in the next 18 months.

The disappearance of leaders from the Issei group left, in a sense, a leaderless people, facing chaos and confusion with frustration heaped upon frustration, looking for leadership. The only organization with any type of leadership and recognition among both the first and second generations was the JACL. The JACL was forced to step into the breach—both because federal and state officials looked to the JACL for guidance and assistance and the Japanese in some localities requested it.

The JACL leaders were called upon to make momentous decisions regarding their position in the tensions mounting along the west coast both as to their relations

with the persons of Japanese ancestry and Caucasians. It is impossible in this connection to forget the words of Saburo Kido upon taking office as president of the national JACL. "The forthcoming two years may be the toughest for any JACL president, considering the prospects of Japanese-American relations. I may be the goat or I may sail through without any trouble. I am fully aware of the delicate position I hold as the leader of the organization which represents the Nisei as a whole."

The JACL leaders made decisions to do their utmost to hold the Japanese communities together and to keep them from disintegrating into helpless disorder. Whether everyone will agree with the steps taken and decisions made to carry out certain programs is not important at his point. Recognition must be given to the JACL leaders for undertaking a great task, and a recognized thankless one!



# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## They Commit Larceny on Base Hits

Both Wally Yonamine and Eddie Moore, star centerfielder for Billings, would have better batting averages if the other were out of the league. The two flychasers have been robbing each other of base hits during the season. Moore committed grand larceny against Yonamine in the first game of the July 19 doubleheader at Derks Field in Salt Lake City. Wally came up in the fifth inning with two away and men on second and third. He lashed a screaming liner into left-centerfield, directly between Moore and Leftfielder Bill Pinckard of the Mustangs. The blow was labeled for three bases and would have tied up the ball game. Moore, however, came across the field on the dead run, slid headfirst and nabbed the liner one foot off the ground. The catch was the best seen in the Salt Lake park this season. . . . Earlier in the year Yonamine raced to the wire fence at the 400-foot mark in center to rob Moore of at least a two-bagger. Later Moore reciprocated when Yonamine hit a long drive over his head into deep center. The Billings star raced to the fence, snatched the ball and threw a perfect strike to third base, catching Yonamine. The blow would have been a certain triple against any other fielder in the league. . . . Eddie Moore is one of the three Negro players in the league. He is a Brooklyn farm hand and seems destined for stardom at Ebbets Field before many summers. He is currently batting .350 with 16 home runs and 83 RBI's.

Incidentally, that pretty Nisei girl who occupied a third base box seat during the Billings series at Derks Field in Salt Lake City was June Iwashita of Honolulu who flew in from San Francisco to watch Wally Yonamine play. Jane was a delegate from Honolulu to the International Business Women's conference in San Francisco. On her first night at the park Wally got three for five, including a rousing triple.

## Bee Flychaser Corrects a Scorer

Here's a story on Wally Yonamine from Jack Schroeder's "Jack Straws" column from the Salt Lake elegram of July 20:

"Baseball players are pretty serious about getting their hits. And, as a consequence, it's not unusual for a player to accost an official scorer on his call of a specified play.

"Since it's their livelihood—this hit business—it's not unusual then for them to want to count every blow in their collection. A slight slip can drop a batting average below the .300 mark very easily.

"That's why the little story we're about to tell has so much human interest. On occasions, since box scores are so difficult to set, there are some typographical errors in the contents. They're not official until they're sent in by the official scorer to the league statistician.

"The other night we were sitting in the Bee dugout before the game. Wally Yonamine, that likable guy who plays all over the outfield for Salt Lake, came churning up to us breathlessly.

"You made a mistake in the box score that was in this evening's paper," said Wally, who is among the six top hitters in the league. "You had me at bat four times and I was actually up five," he complained.

"There's a new twist for you from a darned swell guy."

Bill Nishita, the Santa Rosa JC star hurler from Honolulu, won 15 games and lost only one during the past season with the Bear Cubs and won another with the Honolulu Athletics but he lost a mound duel on July 9 to a 5 foot 5 righthander from Tokyo when the Athletics were shut out 3 to 0 by Toshinobu Sueyoshi. The game was the second straight won by the Tokyo College All-Stars during their current Hawaiian invasion. Nishita, who sported a .450 batting average with Santa Rosa, came up in the ninth inning with the bases loaded. He hit a high drive into right field which looked like a home run. Rightfielder Tokichiro Ishii leaped high into the air, bumping into the fence, to spear the drive and keep the ball from clearing the barrier. . . . A record-breaking crowd of 12,000 watched the game in Honolulu Stadium. There has been considerable doubt that the team from Japan could give the Hawaiian teams a contest but the victory over the Athletics apparently removed all doubts about the caliber of post-war college baseball in Nippon. The all-Nisei Athletics are rated one of the top teams in Hawaii. . . . Newest member of the Athletics' pitching corps is Doug Matsuoka, the Iolani star who was rated as the top prep pitcher in Honolulu during the past season.

Southpaw Jiro Nakamura, who may get another crack at pro baseball, turned in a fireman chore which is a manager's dream as the San Jose Zebras outlasted the Santa Clara Valley Merchants, 8 to 7, on July 16. Nakamura came into the ball game to relieve Junius Sakuma with the bases full with one out in the eighth inning. The lefthander then struck out the next five batters to insure the victory for the Zebras. Sakuma, who was offered a tryout by the Brooklyn Dodgers chain while pitching GI baseball in the Far East, made his first appearance of the year for the Zebras when he took over from Johnny Horio in the eighth. Horio got credit for the win. . . . Two of the top Nisei players in jaycee baseball last season are back in action for the Placer A.C. team in California. They are George Goto, erstwhile basketball star, who pitched and Bob Hayashida, who caught for Placer College. Goto is enrolling at Stanford University this fall, is expected to pitch for the Indians in California intercollegiate play. Nisei fans around the San Francisco bay area are looking forward to a possible pitching duel next season between Goto of Stanford and Bill Nishita of the University of California.

## Nisei Bowlers Will Enter Majors

It's expected that one Nisei team will be entered in the Salt Lake City's Traveling Majors this fall. All bowlers in this league, tops among ABC-sanctioned groups in the city, must have a seasonal average of 189 or better for the past year. Nisei teams also are considering invitations to enter at least two other ABC leagues. Meanwhile, the Salt Lake JACL men's bowling league is expected to join the Salt Lake Bowling Association next month. Nisei bowlers have been invited by the Salt Lake ABC group to attend the city association's annual meeting and frolic on Aug. 7 at Memorial House in Memory Grove. After the business meeting there will be entertainment and refreshments, according to Otis J. Pusey, president.

## Gunner Sumida Will Play for Frosh

Herbert (Gunner) Sumida, the Hawaiian star who made the Nisei All-American team chosen recently by Nisei sports writers, will play for the University of Utah frosh next season. . . . A Nisei all-star

## Yonamine Becomes First PL Batter To Get 100 Hits

Wally Yonamine of the Salt Lake Bees became the first Pioneer batter to get 100 hits this season when he went 3 for 5 as the Bees lost a 10 to 1 game to Billings on July 20 in Salt Lake City.

Wally got his 100th hit of the Pioneer season in the fifth inning when he singled to center. He followed with another bingle in the seventh.

Eddie Moore of Billings became the second Pioneer player to hit the century mark when he tripled to right-center in the ninth inning of the same game.

## 5 Nisei Girls To Enter U.S. Swimming Meet

Evelyn Kawamoto Will Defend Titles In U. S. Championships

SAN FRANCISCO—Coach Soichi Sakamoto and his eight-member Hawaii Swimming Club team, including five Nisei, passed through San Francisco on July 17, en route to High Point, N. C., where they will defend their team title at the National AAU women's outdoor swimming championships in August.

One of the stars of the Hawaiian team is 17-year-old Evelyn Kawamoto defending national champion in the 330-yard medley and the 220-yard breaststroke events. Miss Kawamoto recently set three national records in the Keo Nakama-Hawaiian AAU meet in the 200-meter breaststroke, the 100-meter breaststroke and the 300-meter medley.

Other Nisei members of Coach Sakamoto's squad, favorites to retain their national title, are Winifred Numazu, Julia Murakami, Doris Kinoshita and Jane Ogata.

Other members of the team are Audrey Char, Thelma Kalama and Catherine Kleinschmidt.

Misses Kawamoto and Kalama are expected to dominate the breaststroke and free-style events, respectively. The two also are members of the Hawaiian relay team which recently posted a new national record of 4:44.2s in the 400-meter free-style relay. The two other members are Misses Kleinschmidt and Murakami.

Also accompanying the team was Harry Hirano, team manager.

## Los Angeles Bowling Group Will Admit Non-Caucasian Keglers

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles Bowling association no longer will limit tournaments to only white persons, the JACL regional office revealed this week.

This non-discriminatory policy, in conformity with action taken by the American Bowling Congress at its national tournament in Columbus, Ohio, this spring, will take effect on Aug. 1, it was reported to the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations by Mr. McKenzie and other officials of the local bowling association.

The historical reversal of the

baseball team from Utah may play the Fresno Nisei All-Stars in California later this year. . . . Oki Shikina, one of the Nisei professional wrestling stars, is still appearing in main events in Honolulu. Shikina wrestled on the mainland in the early 1930s. . . . Hisao Tanaka, the L. A. Nisei grappler, is now appearing in the Intermountain states. . . . Buster Chikami fought a semi-windup on a Reno fight card last Wednesday.

## Matsubu Hitting Well for Yuma

Hank Matsubu has been hitting the ball well for the Yuma, Ariz., Panthers of the Sunset League. Because of his speed, fielding ability and his timely hitting, Matsubu has appeared in nearly all of Yuma's games. When he is not catching, Matsubu has been playing right field for Manager Butch Morgan's team. He also has pitched in two games. Matsubu was an all-around star for the Hunt relocation center high school team which beat nearly all opposition around Twin Falls, Idaho, by box-car figures back in 1945. . . . Wally Tome is expected to head an all-star Nisei basketball team from Hawaii which will barnstorm on the mainland this fall, playing in the annual Chicago Nisei invitational tournament. . . . Virtually overlooked in the news stories about the record-breaking performances of Evelyn Kawamoto and Ford Konno at the Hawaiian AAU swimming championships was the fact that Julia Murakami defeated National Champion Barbara Jensen of San Francisco in the 100-meter backstroke. Miss Murakami set a new Hawaiian record of 1:20.7s, bettering the old mark set by Chic Miyamoto, first Nisei girl to win a national swim title, at 1:23.3s in 1941.

## San Francisco Seals Show Interest as Yonamine Hits At .331 Pace for Salt Lake

Wally Yonamine's timely hitting and sparkling fielding as a member of the Salt Lake Bees of the Pioneer League may earn him a chance to make the San Francisco Seals of the Pacific Coast League.

Manager Frank O'Doul of the Seals indicated to Bert Dunne, president of the Salt Lake club, in Los Angeles last week that the San Francisco club will take Yonamine to spring training if the Nisei flychaser maintains his present pace as one of the batting leaders of the Pioneer League.

Yonamine has been hitting at a .424 pace during his last 14 games, as of July 20. During the period he has brought his average up from a seasonal low of .305 to .331. This week he was again one of the league's "Bix Six" batters.

Dunne, one of baseball's greatest authorities on hitting and author of the book, "Play Ball, Son," calls Yonamine "one of the craftiest hitters" in the league. According to Dunne, the Nisei player has been responsible for an addition to baseball's lexicon. Around the Pioneer League Texas Leaguers now are referred to as "Yonamines" or "Japanese hits."

Dunne is of the opinion that Yonamine, on the basis of the form he has shown in the 75 games he has played for the Bees, can be useful to the Seals who have first call on his services.

The Nisei player is fast and a good base-runner. His fielding is the talk of the Salt Lake grandstand. Dunne declared he had received a letter last week from a baseball fan in Great Falls, Mont., who declared that two sensational running catches which Yonamine made there two weeks ago were the best seen in the park this year. On one catch the Nisei fielder

spear the ball as he slid to avoid crashing into the fence. With the advent of warmer weather along the circuit, Yonamine also has taken the wraps off his throwing arm.

Yonamine also has shown himself to be a good bunter, often beating out erstwhile sacrifice hits.

Although he opened the season at first base and has worked out occasionally in practice at the initial sack, Yonamine is now a fixture in centerfield for the Bees who are now on an upsurge after a month in last place.

Batting with a .331 average he has the best average of all the Bees with the exception of Bob Van Eman, a long ball hitter down from Scranton in the Class A Eastern League, who is around the .350 mark.

As of July 20, Yonamine had appeared in 75 of the 77 games played by the Bees to date. The statistics on Yonamine read:

Games, 75; at bat, 305; runs, 72; hits, 101; total bases, 127; 2-base hits, 14; triples, 5; home runs, 1; sacrifices, 4; stolen bases, 11; runs batted in, 29; average, .331.

—L.S.T.

## Ford Konno, Hawaii's Newest Nisei Star, Enters U.S. Meet

Given Chance to Make U. S. All-Star Team For Tour of Japan

SEATTLE—Ford Konno, 17-year old Nisei swimming star from Honolulu who was catapulted into national prominence when he shattered the long-standing U.S. record in the men's 1500-meter freestyle event in Hawaii recently, is expected to stage a two-man duel with Yale's sensational Australian star, John Marshall, in the National AAU men's swimming championships which started on July 21 in the Laurence Colman pool in Lincoln park.

Konno beat Stanford university's Ralph Sala, an NCAA champion, in the 1500-meters in the Hawaiian AAU championships in the record time of 9:13.4.

Led by Yoshito Segawa, coach of the Nuuanu YMCA team in Honolulu, the three-man Hawaiian team arrived in Seattle on July 10. Besides Konno, the other members of the team are Sala and Richard Cleveland of the University of Hawaii. Segawa took his swimmers out to Lincoln park for a practice swim on the following day.

This is Segawa's third trip to the mainland. He attended the national championships at Tyler, Tex., in 1947 and the Olympic trials at Detroit as an assistant coach.

Konno is expected to enter the 400, 800 and 1500-meter events against Marshall.

A team composed of leading swimmers will be picked at the AAU championships and Konno, if his performances match his recent record-breaking races in Honolulu, is given a good chance to make the team which will go to Japan for a series of exhibitions starting on Aug. 4 in Tokyo.

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# Vital Statistics

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. George Minato a boy on July 1g in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Mura-moto a boy on July 14 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshikuni Shi-hata a girl, Karen, on July 10 in Mt. Eden, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Choichiro Kit-aura a boy on July 3 in Sacramento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Kagawa a boy on July 8 in Lodi, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Okobo a girl on July 5 in Sacramento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Bob Matsumoto a boy on July 5 in Sacramento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mae-hara a boy on July 12 in Ontario, Ore.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Mamoru Tani a girl on July 3 in Fresno.  
To Mr. and Mrs. M. Shirakawa, Fowler, Calif., a boy on July 10.  
To Mr. and Mrs. John S. Okashi-ma a girl in Denver.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tomomi Namba a boy, Ralph, on July 8 in Portland, Ore.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoto Sugiura a girl in Denver.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tokio Fred Oku-mura a boy, Ronald Yoshio, on June 16 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Okita a boy, Thomas William, on June 25 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tsyuoshi Ta-kagi a boy, Max Shin, on June 28 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. William Hiroshi Sahara, West Los Angeles, a girl, Wendy Chiyo, on June 24.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Toshikatsu Mat-suda a boy, Dennis Toshimi, on July 2 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Sam Nakano a girl, Gale Kazuko, on July 3 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masami Itano a boy, Philip Masatomi, on July 6 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tomio Furu-yama, Pacoima, Calif., a boy, Den-nis Tomio, on July 1.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Kawa-hara a boy, Sheldon Tom, on July 1 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Takamichi Aki-yoshi a boy, Michael Alan, on June 38 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Mori a boy, Daniel Kiyoshi, on June 29 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masahiro Noda a girl, Teruko Elaine, on June 28 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Takizo Soga, West Los Angeles, a girl, Carol Fumiye, on June 27.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Yutaka Uyeno a boy, Michael James, on June 23 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Kuwa-hara a boy, Myles H., on July 7 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masato Miyake, West Los Angeles, a boy, Kenneth, on July 7.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Hondo a boy on July 19 in Salt Lake City.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Ichiro Naka-yama a boy on July 7 in Sacra-mento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Dave Shimizu a boy in Sacramento on July 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hisashi Nagai a girl on July 7 in Sacramento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yukimori Hash-imoto a girl, Lily Hatsumi, on June 20 in San Jose.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tsu-yoshi Takii a girl, Madeleine Jean-nette, on July 3 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McIrvin (nee Fumi Hanyu) a boy, Arthur Harold, on July 4 in San Francisco.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Nobuo James Miyata a boy, Glenn Edward, on May 16 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo K. Naka-shima a girl on July 4 in San Francisco.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Takio T. Shio-zaki a boy on July 1 in San Fran-cisco.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Bill H. Tajiri a boy on July 1 in San Francisco.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tsuginori Ume-da, Test Los Angeles, a girl on June 16.

## DEATHS

Mitsuji Miyamori on July 11 in Fresno, Calif.  
Mrs. Haya Moriki, 73, on July 10 in Fresno, Calif.  
Martha Kato, 27, on July 10 in Seattle.  
Fukumatsu Honda on July 11 in Sun Valley, Calif.  
Mrs. Hanami Yamashita on July 11 in Long Beach, Calif.  
Harry Katayoshi Nomura, 56, Latuda, Utah, on July 10 in Stand-ardville, Utah.  
Carolyn Enomoto, infant daugh-ter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Eno-moto on July 6 in Ogden, Utah.  
Seisuke Miyagawa on July 12 in Reedley, Calif.  
Mrs. Mito Uyeda on July 14 in Lancaster, Calif.

## MARRIAGES

Fujie Yoshioka to Masao Naka-shima on July 15 in Fresno, Calif.  
Mary Shizu Takahashi to Masao Yabuki of Oakland on June 18 in San Francisco.  
Fumi Kishi to Toshio Yasutake of Chicago on July 1 in New York.  
Chiyoko Hirami to Sumio Ishii, both of Chicago, on July 2 in New York.  
Frances Ikeda to Frank Take-moto on June 11 in Stockton, Calif.  
Tsuyako Nakahara to Sunao Jeffre Hirose on July 16 in Los Angeles.  
Ritsuko Yanagi to Jack Ito on June 11 in Denver.  
Keiko Iinume to Taro Nomoto of Chicago on June 10 in Los Angeles.  
Elsie Michie Hatago to Shigeru Jerry Endo on June 11 in Los An-geles.  
Misao Nakamura to Nagao Tom-ita on June 11 in Los Angeles.  
Yuriko Hamada to Kentaro Mori-oka on June 11 in Los Angeles.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Shizue Honda, 43, and Shigeo Arthur Yamabe, 49, in Fresno.  
Yuriko Hiromoto, 27, and Kazuo Wada, 28, both of Richmond, Calif., in Oakland.  
Flora H. Shoji, 25, and H. H. Harada, 31, both of Sacramento, in Reno, Nev.

# Denver Post Backs Issei Citizen Rights

DENVER—Passage of legisla-tion to allow aliens of Japanese an-cestry to become citizens of the United States was urged recently. in two editorials in the Denver Post.

One was a guest editorial written by Dr. K. K. Miyamoto, Denver dentist.

Both asked support for the Walter resolution.

In the guest editorial, Dr. Miya-moto pointed out that he could not, as an alien, join one hundred others who took their oaths of citizen-ship the preceding week before U.S. District Judge Lee Knous.

He noted that, because he is of Japanese ancestry, he was allowed to attend but not participate in "I Am an American" day cere-monies.

"I was barred, not because I lack the ability to pass the examina-tions for naturalization, but be-cause—shall we say for this pur-pose—I had the ill luck to be born a Japanese in Japan," Dr. Miya-moto said.

"Now in the evening of my otherwise good life in Colorado," he wrote, "I shall cherish that day when I, too, can appear before Judge Knous with other candidates to take the oath of citizenship . . .

"With regard to my privileges and obligations as a resident of nearly half a century in America, however, my status figuratively has been in the cellar of this great American community, for I have not been permitted to discharge my share of duties therein as a citi-zenship."

The Post editorial noted that the case of Dr. Miyamoto and other aliens of Oriental ancestry was a "tragic variation" in the story of the thousands of aliens who yearly become citizens of the United States.

It noted that Dr. Miyamoto is honorary curator of the Denver Art museum's oriental art depart-ment and that he holds other civic honors, but cannot become a citizen of the United States.

"America's laws on this subject date back to the influx of Orientals — mostly Japanese, Chinese and Koreans—who were brought to this country as cheap labor," the Post said.

"It was all right, we believed, to bring these people in temporarily, but we did not want them to have full rights of citizenship. Califor-nia and other states legislated against them, forbade them even to own property. The United States government forbade them to be-come Americans, although their children and grandchildren could become citizens readily if born in the United States."

The Post said that Dr. Miyamoto has a "small request."

"Having given his life and ser-vices to this country," said the

## Convention Bound

By Tom Yamada



"Let's be honest . . . MY sister is going husband-hunting at the convention."

## Ellis Center Plans Annual Picnic

CHICAGO—Third annual church and Sunday school picnic of the Ellis community center will be held Sunday, July 30, at the Indiana sand dunes.

Two buses have been chartered

Post, "he would like to be allowed the fruits of that work. He would like to become a citizen of the United States."

The Post asked its readers to write their senators to urge sup-port of the Walter resolution when it appears in the Senate.

and will leave for the picnic site at 9 a. m.

A worship service will be held on the sand hills of the beach under chairmanship of Luther Ase. The Rev. George Nishimoto will talk on the theme, "For Thine is the Glory."

Jerry Sowa and Min Ogasawara will take care of general arrange-ments. Non-group activities and free afternoon play for adults will be arranged, according to Rose Ishi-bashi.

Registration must be in by July 26. Transportation cost will be \$1.50.

# JACL Urges Major Parties Adopt Fair Employment Pledge

LOS ANGELES—In a joint ef-fort with dozens of civic organ-izations affiliated with the newly established California Alliance for Equal Employment Opportunity, the JACL this week called upon the leaders of the Republican and Democratic parties of California urging the inclusion of FEPC leg-islation in the platforms to be adopted by the two parties at their respective state-wide conventions to be held in Sacramento on Aug. 5 and 6.

In letters addressed to the State Central Committee chairmen and the Los Angeles Central Commit-tee chairmen of the Republican and Democratic parties, and to the 66 nominees for federal, state and as-sembly offices from the Southern California area who are members of their parties' drafting and plat-form committee, regional director Tats Kushida called attention to the JACL's interest in seeking passage of FEPC legislation by the California State Assembly in 1951.

"We of the Japanese American minority have long experienced the undemocratic, discriminatory treat-ment and status accorded us by many employers, a practice incon-gruous with the tenets of democ-racy which this country hopes to impress upon other free nations of the world. There can be only one

American way and that way is an unwavering policy of non-discrim-ination and equal access to employ-ment opportunities for members of all minorities.

Your personal efforts to urge the inclusion of Fair Employment Practices legislation in your party platform will be gratefully recog-nized by the thousands of Ameri-cans of Japanese ancestry in this area who are looking to the leader-ship of you and other high offi-cials to insure a democracy at home," the letter stated.

Earlier this month, the JACL, through its regional office, had peti-tioned Councilman Ernest E. Debs, chairman, and the Planning Committee of the Los Angeles City Council, to adopt a non-discrim-inatory policy with respect to the elimination of discrimination or segregatory practices or regula-tions in the community edevelp-ment program.

The Urban League of Los An-geles had previously submitted an ordinance now pending before the City Council to prohibit such dis-crimination or segregation based on race, color, creed or national origin. Many community-wide groups including JACL were ex-pected to testify at the hearing scheduled by the Planning Com-mittee at the Council chambers of the City Hall at 2 p. m. on Aug. 2.

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Cafe Owner Hurt in Seattle Gas Explosion

SEATTLE, Wash.—Masaru Otani, cafe proprietor, suffered a fractured spine in a gas explosion that killed one and injured twelve others on July 14.

Seigo Otani, brother of the restaurateur, suffered head cuts.

A three-story building in downtown Seattle was wrecked.

The blast occurred at 5:20 a. m. Neil J. Boles, 33, was standing on the sidewalk when the blast came. His body was found across the street in a hotel's second story window.

Fire Chief William Fitzgerald said the explosion centered in the basement of the Seaport tavern and New Washington cafe, operated by the Otanis at First avenue south and Washington street. Illuminating gas exploded, but the exact cause was unknown, he said.

Annual Reunion

CHICAGO—The Ellis community center Workcampers held a successful reunion dinner dance at Younger's restaurant Friday, July 14.

Newly-elected officers led by Pres. Arthur Abe, were installed in office by the Rev. George Nishimoto in an impressive candlelight service.

James Matsumoto, George Sato, Chester Shibata and Masako Ito, outgoing officers, presented their swan song.

Abe's cabinet consists of Mike Yamano, 1st vice pres.; Marge Imoto, 2nd vice pres.; Amy Yoshida, sec.; Ken Kadowaki, treas.; Dahlia Furukawa, publicity chmn.

The Workcampers meet every Friday night at the center, 4430 So. Ellis ave. The group is open to all young people.

East Los Angeles JACL Plans Picnic

LOS ANGELES—The East Los Angeles JACL has extended invitations to the members of the Pasadena, Southwest, Downtown and Gardena chapters of the JACL to attend the get-together picnic on July 23 at the Eastside Belvedere park.

A tug-of-war, relays, pie-throwing contest and games are scheduled for the afternoon.

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Eastern District Queen Will Wed



Miss Fuku Yokoyama, the Eastern JACL District Council's candidate in the National JACL queen contest at the Chicago convention in September, is engaged to Ted Tatsuya Tsukiyama, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Tsukiyama of Honolulu.

The engagement was announced recently by Miss Yokoyama's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tsugio Yokoyama of Bridgeton, N. J. Miss Yokoyama, who formerly lived in Salinas, Calif., with her parents, is on the clinical staff of Georgetown University hospital in Washington.

Mr. Tsukiyama graduated from Yale University law school last month. He is a veteran of the China-Burma-India theater in World War II.—Photo by Glogau, Washington, D. C.

Wedding Unites Cincinnati Couple

CINCINNATI, O. — Immanuel Presbyterian church in suburban Clifton was the scene Saturday, June 24, for the wedding of Grace Junko Ogata, daughter of Mr. H. Ogata of Montebello, Calif., and Yoichi Oikawa, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Sakari Oikawa, formerly of Yakima, Wash.

The Rev. Robert J. Netting officiated at the double-ring ceremony, which was followed by a reception in the church parlors.

Katsu Oikawa, maid of honor, and Masaru Nishibayashi attended the couple. Frank Furukawa and Karl Zeisman were ushers.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Dr. Makoto Yamaguchi.

The young couple will live in Cincinnati upon their return from their honeymoon. The groom will enter the University of Cincinnati medical college this fall.

Fresno JACL Plans Outdoor Barbecue

FRESNO, Calif. — An outdoor barbecue will be held by the Fresno JACL chapter on Saturday evening, July 29, at the International Institute.

Mrs. Fusa Mikami is general chairman for the affair which will be held for all members, their families and friends. Admission will be 75 cents for adults with special rates for children.

Male members of the chapter will do all of the cooking.

Committees for the affair include: Communication, Mmes. Robert Kimura, Henry Kadato, Jin Ishikawa, Fusaji Inada, Seichi Mikami; Food, Mrs. Toshi Koda, Misses Kiyu Sanbonji, Kimi Yano, Caroline Matsuyama, Mrs. Lily Suda; Cooks, Mrs. Henry Wada, Koko Sekohira and Messrs. Fusaji Inada, John Yanase, Hugo Kazato, Tom Nakamura, Ray Hasegawa and Mike Iwatsubo.

Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Seichi Mikami, 2-8889, or the JACL office, 6-5377.

The final meeting of the JACL chapter for the summer was held on July 17 at the Buddhist church.

Eden Township Plans Annual Beach Picnic

MT. EDEN, Calif.—The annual outing of the Eden Township JACL chapter will be held on July 22 at Montera beach, located between Sharp Park and Half Moon bay, on July 22 from 5 p. m.

The JACL will supply the picnic supper which will feature a weenie bake. Games and community singing will be led by Tom Kitayama. Joe Tenma and George Minami head the fire committee.

CHO-CHO-SAN



MINNEAPOLIS —Television's Cho-Cho-San, Tomiko Kanazawa received a rousing reception in Minneapolis last week-end while appearing with the Minneapolis Symphony as a soloist. Miss Kanazawa sang two arias from Puccini's "Madame Butterfly," "Un bel di" and "tu, tu piccolo iddio." She also rendered Mozart's "Alleluia" and Duparc's "Phynle."

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Announce Additional Events For Nisei Week Celebration

LOS ANGELES—Plans for the second postwar observance of Nisei week by Los Angeles' Japanese American community in mid-August moved ahead this week with announcement of further activities scheduled for the big celebration.

Special features announced this week included an open golf tournament, the Nisei week carnival, talent show, baby contest and pioneer celebration.

The pioneer celebration will honor Issei who have served the community and all those who have reached their 75th birthday.

Eiji Tanabe will head the pioneer night committee, assisted by Teiho Hashida, Tetsuo Sato, Junko Maruya and Matao Uwate. The celebration will start at 4 p. m. at Koyasan hall on Aug. 21.

The Nisei week carnival will be directed by George Ozaki, commander of the Commodore Perry post, American Legion, and senior vice-commander of the Nisei Disabled American Veterans post. Members of DAV post 100 will assist Ozaki.

Ozaki's committee will include Frank Omatsu, Bob Uno, Min Kasuyama, Takaji Goto, Kay Endo, James Hamaji, Seiji Imamura, Frank Fujino and Henry Sakata.

Concession bids for the carnival should be submitted by July 29, Ozaki announced, to the festival office. Bids must be in writing and give booth preferences, as well as list the type of organization, number in membership and age group.

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Talent show

George Kitahara, one-time Orpheum vaudeville performer, will be one of the stars at the festival talent show, which will be held Aug. 23 to 25.

Youthful aspirants for a spot in this year's show rehearsed their acts July 19 under Mary Ishikawa, production manager.

Roy Uno will be director, while Kenny Miwa, veteran performer, will emcee the review.

Baby Show

The festival's baby show will inaugurate a new point system in judging for personal health and dental hygiene, according to Mrs. Mary Takagaki, chairman.

The show will go on Aug. 23 from 10 a. m. at Koyasan hall with doctors and dentists assisting.

Parents must register their children for the show, which will be for babies from the age of 6 months to 3 years. Persons living on the westside can register their children Aug. 8 at the Centenary Methodist church. On the following day registration will be held at the Union church for persons living in the downtown and eastside areas. Registration hours both days will be from 9 a. m. till noon.

Other features during the week-long celebration will include an open golf tournament and a free kiddies' matinee at the Linda Lea theater on Friday, Aug. 25.

Entry fee for the golf tourney has been set at \$5, which will include green fees and a buffet lunch. Entry blanks are being distributed through local Japanese American golf clubs, according to Sam Minami, chairman.

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Sachi Kazunaga Leads In Race

LOS ANGELES — With 4,368 votes, Sachi Kazunaga this week was leading 8 contestants for the title, "Miss Nisei Week."

The winner will reign during the Nisei week festival in August.

Results of the second tabulation since the start of the contest showed Miss Kazunaga led Rose Marie Yasui, winner of the first tabulation, by more than 1500 votes.

Other candidates are Elsie Yamamoto, Grace Aoki, Aki Kushida, Amy Miya, Ruby Ushijima and Grace Mayemura.

Miss Aoki and Miss Yasui appeared July 14 on the Al Jarvis show over KLAC in Hollywood.

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