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House-Senate Conference Sets \$1,300,000 Ceiling on Budget For Evacuee Claims Program

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House-Senate conference on the appropriations bill on Aug. 25 approved a budget of \$1,300,000 for the Japanese American evacuation claims program for the fiscal year of 1951.

The figure constituted a compromise between the House and Senate versions of the appropriations bill. The conference figure approved the total budget recommended by the Senate but specified that not more than \$250,000 for the total may be spent for administrative purposes.

Gen. MacArthur Lauds Walter For Resolution

WASHINGTON — Gen. Douglas MacArthur last week cabled congratulations to Rep. Francis Walter, D., Pa., for his efforts on behalf of House Resolution 238 which will make it possible for alien Japanese residents of the United States to become American citizens.

The cable, which Walter made available to reporters on Aug. 22, read as follows:

"Congratulations. A great tribute to your wisdom and perseverance."

It was signed, "MacArthur, commander in chief, Far East Command, Tokyo, Japan."

The resolution, introduced by Walter on May 9, 1949, has been approved by the House and Senate.

The House and Senate also both approached a compromise of the different versions they originally passed but Sen. Scott Lucas, D., Ill., lodged a motion for the Senate to reconsider its action and this is still pending.

Until this motion is disposed of, the compromise cannot be sent to President Truman for his consideration.

MATSUO WINS COMMISSION IN U. S. AIR FORCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Jon T. Matsuo, whose wife, Ruth, lives in Seattle, has been nominated for a regular commission of second lieutenant in the Air Force, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported this week.

He has been assigned to the Far East.

Lt. Matsuo was born in Honolulu in 1920. He has two brothers, Theodore, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Teiji, of Honolulu.

Sen. Knowland Cites Nisei GIs In Urging Hawaiian Statehood

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Answering senatorial critics of Hawaiian and Alaskan statehood who have been carrying on a campaign against the two territories, Sen. William F. Knowland, R., Calif., has commended highly Hawaii's contributions to the Korean fighting, according to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week.

In a brief floor discussion, Sen. Knowland said the "proportion of troops from Hawaii in the armed forces in Korea is unusually high."

"The Twenty-fourth Division, which was one of the first units in action, is known as the Hawaiian Division. This unit has with its ranks many young men from Hawaii who were in the army of occupation in Japan."

"The Fifth Regimental Combat Team was trained and equipped in Hawaii, and is made up in large part of recruits from the Territory. The unit has already distinguished itself in combat."

"The armed forces have drawn heavily on Hawaii for Americans of Korean ancestry whose knowledge of the language and customs of the Korean people is particularly valuable."

"Americans of Japanese ancestry have likewise been exceptionally useful because of

their knowledge of the Japanese language. This language is also spoken by many young Koreans."

"Casualty lists and the news of the action of Hawaiian troops reveal that the men have been drawn from virtually every one of the diverse racial strains of the Territory of Hawaii."

"The first casualty was an American of Japanese ancestry, Jack C. Arakawa, a veteran of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team of World War II. His wife was an Italian war bride."

Sen. Knowland inserted a series of news stories detailing the action and bravery of Hawaiian in Korea. In a discussion with Sen. Clinton P. Anderson, (D., N.M.) another strong supporter of statehood, Sen. Knowland added:

"Hawaii has a great contribution it can make to the serious situation in the Pacific. I think the Hawaiian people can help us understand the far eastern situation and, in turn, can help to interpret to the people of the Far East the aspirations and hopes and desires of America for free institutions. I think the admission of Hawaii as one of our States would be one of the greatest contributions we could make to the peace of the world and the understanding between the people of this country and the Far East."

Further Delay Seen in Senate On Walter Bill

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A further delay in the completion of congressional action on the Walter Resolution was seen this week.

The office of Senate Majority Leader Scott Lucas, D., Ill., informed the JACL ADC that Sen. Lucas does not plan any type of action on the Walter resolution until after the Senate considers general security regulations, including the McCarran bill, next week.

Although the Walter Resolution has been passed by both the House and Senate, a seldom-used parliamentary maneuver by Sen. Lucas, asking reconsideration of the Senate's action, is preventing the resolution from being sent to the White House for President Truman's signature.

Walter Bill Still Held Up By Lucas Move

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Final Senate action on the Walter Resolution conference report eliminating race in naturalization probably will not come for at least another week. The JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was informed this week.

Stumbling block in getting the measure to the White House is a motion by Sen. Scott Lucas, (D., Ill.), to reconsider the Senate vote of approval. The motion to reconsider still has not been acted upon.

Senator Lucas made his motion after the report had been agreed to by both the House and Senate so he could give "further study" to security provisions inserted in the naturalization report by the House-Senate conference committee.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said it seems apparent that Senator Lucas, who favors elimination of discriminatory regulations in naturalization, may continue to hold up action on the Walter Resolution until Congress considers general security legislation next week.

Apparently some of the security provisions added to the Walter Resolution by the conference committee may be included in other general security bills now before Congress.

It is known the White House also is studying the conference report's security provisions.

In general, these provisions redefine subversive organizations; require the Attorney General to issue new subversive lists annually; prohibit naturalization to any alien who has been a member of a subversive organization within ten years from the date of application for naturalization; gives aliens three months to withdraw from any organization reported subversive by the Attorney General without reflecting upon the alien's loyalty to this nation.

House Approves Private Bills To Admit Spouses

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The House has approved one Senate bill and four House bills for the admission of Japanese fiancées of American servicemen. The bill now goes to the President for his signature. It will admit Hisako Okamoto, fiancée of Frank Koshak, a veteran.

The other bills are for: Fukuko Endo, fiancée of Minoru Tsuchimochi, an ex-serviceman now in Japan as a civilian with the army of occupation; Hideko Kasahara, fiancée of Donald W. Kasahara, a GI on duty in the United States; Kimie Kurio, fiancée of Ben T. Yoshikawa, a veteran, and Hifumi Kato, fiancée of John B. Howenstein, a veteran, and her minor child.

Nisei Veteran of 442nd Unit Killed in Action in Korean War; Two Missing, 11 Others Hurt

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A Nisei veteran of the famous 442nd Combat Team has been killed in action in the Korean area, two other Japanese Americans are missing in action and 11 have been wounded, according to Defense Department casualty lists made public this week.

Sgt. Isaac Furukawa, 24, son of Koshiro Furukawa of Seattle, is the third Nisei GI to be reported killed in action in Korea. The first was another veteran of the 442nd Combat Team,



HIDEO NAKAMA
Killed in action in Korea

100th Veteran Reported Killed In Korea Front

HONOLULU — A veteran of the famous 100th Infantry Battalion is the second resident of Hawaii to be killed in action in Korea.

The death of Corp. Hideo Nakama in combat in Korea was reported by the Army Department this week to his brother, Yoshio Nakama, of Waipahu.

The Army report said that Corp. Nakama was killed in action on July 19.

Report Hood River Soldier Succumbs To Combat Hounds

HOOD RIVER, Ore. — The death of the first Oregon Nisei in the Korean war was reported this week, according to an Army Department message to relatives here.

It was reported that Pfc. Ken Kondo, nephew of Mrs. Ishino Inuki of Hood River, died of wounds received in combat on the Korean front.

Eight Refueling Stops Set For Flyers in Ohye Cup Race

Route for Planes In Cross-Country Flight Charted

LOS ANGELES — Eight refueling and overnight stops have been scheduled for flyers competing in the Henry Ohye trophy race from Los Angeles to Chicago next month, according to the itinerary released this week by the contest committee.

Members of the committee who planned the route for the 2027 mile flight are Marshall E. Beeman, assistant for the regional administration of the CAA; F. A. DeAndrea, airways operation specialist, CAA; "Slim" Kidwell, technical advisor for the race; and Henry Ohye, chairman and sponsor.

Each leg will be under 300 miles to allow sufficient rest for pilots and no night flying will be allowed, the committee said.

Jack C. Arakawa, 29, of Honolulu. Last week the Defense Department reported the death of Pfc. Mitsuru Goto, 20, of Denver.

Sgt. Furukawa's brother, Fred, also a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, was reported last week to have been wounded in action in Korea. The two brothers reenlisted in the army in 1948 and were on active duty in Japan when the Korean war broke out.

Sgt. Isaac Furukawa was on duty with the 1st Cavalry Division in Korea at the time of his death.

The following casualties were reported this week by the Defense Department.

Killed in Action

Sgt. Isaac Furukawa, son of Koshiro Furukawa, 930 26th Ave., Seattle, Wash.

Missing in Action

Sgt. Robert M. Shindo, brother of Satoru Shindo, 1204 West 35th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Pfc. Takeshi Mukai, son of Kumasuke Mukai, 356 Auburn Ave., Tacoma, Wash.

Wounded in Action

Corp. Masaru Kuwaye, brother of Charles Y. Kuwaye, 1252 Fort St., Honolulu, T. H.

Pfc. Elmer J. Yoshihara, son of Mrs. Hisano Yoshihara, Star Route, Gig Harbor, Wash.

Sgt. Paul Masaru Yamagiwa, son of Mrs. R. Yamagiwa, 420 T St., Sacramento, Calif.

Corp. Henry T. Arakaki, son of Kiyu Arakaki, 1220 College Walk, Honolulu.

Pfc. Rodney N. Hamaguchi, brother of Akira Hamaguchi, 971-A Robello Lane, Honolulu.

Pfc. Isamu Izu, son of Masa Kishimoto, PO Box 326, Kealahou, Hawaii, T. H.

Pfc. Susumu Kurosawa, son of Sakichi Kurosawa, Pulehu Keakua, Maui, T. H.

Pfc. Kumaji Matsuda, son of Mrs. Tamayo Matsuda, 2547 Dole St., Honolulu.

Pfc. Tsugio Saito, son of Mrs. Doris Chiyo Yokoyama, PO Box 373, Kaneohe, Oahu, T. H.

Pfc. Tomio Tadaki, son of Bunzo Tadaki, 937 Third St., Kahului, Maui, T. H.

Pfc. Harold I. Minami, son of Mary H. Minami, 727-B Laini-wai St., Honolulu.

Starting from Los Angeles, flight stops will be scheduled at Yuma, 238 miles, refueling; Tucson, 217 miles, refueling and overnight; El Paso, 266 miles, refueling; Big Springs, 296 miles, refueling and overnight; Wichita Falls, 207 miles, refueling; Tulsa, 209 miles, refueling and overnight; Columbia, Mo., 304 miles, refueling; Peoria, 165 miles, refueling and overnight; and Chicago, destination.

Final landing will be at Lakefront airport, in front of the Stevens hotel, site of the JACL national convention. A reception committee from the convention will be on hand at the airport to greet contestants.

Flight trophies will be on display from Aug. 24 at the Nisei Florist. The window display will be designed by George Nakano, shop owner, and Henry Nakano. Both are committee members for the trophy race.

California's American Legion Alters Former Stand, Urges Amendment of Alien Land Law

Will Exclude Parents Of Nisei GIs from Terms of Legislation

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The American Legion, at one time a strong advocate of the anti-alien land act, altered its historic stand at its 32nd annual state convention by unanimous passage of a resolution supporting the exemption of parents of Nisei veterans from the land law.

The resolution was presented originally by the Nisei Townsend Harris post No. 438 of San Francisco. Nine members of the post attended the convention to campaign for the proposal.

The resolution was presented as a method of allowing Nisei as veterans the right "to provide for the welfare of their aged parents." It asked that the alien land act be amended to exclude parents of Japanese Americans who had served in the Army.

Only one delegate at the state convention raised a question on the resolution in a committee meeting, but his query was disposed of by an opinion from Municipal Judge Milton Shapiro of San Francisco.

Floor approval was unanimous. Adoption of their resolution was

interpreted here as indicating that legion representatives in Sacramento will support any measure in line with the resolution.

Members of the Townsend Harris post were assisted in securing approval of the measure by Chuck Harris, Los Angeles post No. 8 adjutant, and Soichi Fukui, delegate from the Nisei Commodore Perry post No. 525.

Them legion's action was hailed as "a step in the right direction" by Matt Shigio, commander of the Townsend Harris post and delegate to the convention.

"Although we believe that the outright appeal of the alien land law is just, proper and necessary, we felt that aid to veteran families was as far as we should go at the present time."

"Several thousand families" would be benefited by legislation in line with the resolution, he said.

Also representing the post at the Sacramento convention were Shiz Namba, chairman of the convention delegates; Harry Takahashi, judge advocate; Tom Doami, historian; Ken Suzuki, finance officer; Y. Okamoto, chairman of the board of directors; and Pete Suiyama, Fred Tsujimoto and Robert Hotonari.

Statesmanship Prevails as Congress Discusses Proposal For Equality in Naturalization

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON, D. C.—There is a new and more mature air in Congress these days when legislation affecting the Orient or those of Oriental ancestry comes before the body.

It is a far different air from that which prevailed during the '20s when this country's anti-Asiatic policy reached its heyday as epitomized by the passage of the infamous Oriental Exclusion Act of 1924. Then legislation affecting Orientals was introduced with passion and approved with bitterness to combat a "yellow peril." And what after effects might be considered of no concern to anyone but Congress.

Former Ambassador to Japan Joseph Grew not long ago termed the Oriental Exclusion Act the genesis of our bad relations with Nippon. And he was not the first to make such an observation.

When the exclusion law was being discussed there were mutterings by an insulted people. Such hostility boded ill for the future.

Today, though, the old hostilities are dying. There is a marked willingness for most of Congress to view legislation in terms of the world rather than within the framework of narrow isolationism.

This is marked as much by what is missing as what is said.

Action on the Walter Resolution to remove race as a barrier in naturalization presented excellent example of the sobering maturity of Congress and the "Oriental question."

When the resolution came before the body Monday none rose to denounce the "sly and tricky Japanese;" to refer slurringly to the Koreans, or smirk over the fecundity rate of the Chinese or Southeast Asians.

Sen. Pat McCarran, (D., Nev.) in calling up the naturalization measure spoke for less than a minute on the compromise report from the House-Senate conference on the bill.

He said, in reference to it, that: "...It was the judgment of the conference that we should follow the version of the bill as it initially passed the House of Representatives, namely, to eliminate all racial barriers to naturalization but that in so doing we should incorporate in the bill certain procedural safeguards in order to assure, so far as possible, that disloyal persons would not be admitted to citizenship."

Without reading the compromise report, he asked "unanimous consent that a statement of the managers on the part of the Senate at the conference be printed" in the Record.

There was no objection. Vice President Barkley said:

"The question is on agreeing to the conference report." Not a Senator objected. A significant bill had passed the upper House, although an hour later final action would be blocked by a technical request of Sen. Lucas to "reconsider" the vote so that he could have time to examine certain conference amendments to the resolution.

Shortly after the Senate first acted, Rep. Francis E. Walter, (D., Penn.) asked unanimous consent in the House "for the immediate consideration of the conference report."

The Speaker: "Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?" There was no objection.

Rep. Walter interrupted the clerk who had begun reading the report by asking "unanimous consent that the further reading be dispensed with." There was no objection. Rep. Walter moved the "previous question." The conference report was agreed to without objection.

In the few moments each House had spent in considering the measure it was eminently clear the old voices of hatred were becoming dim and unpleasant memories.

The Resolution still is not law. What is significant, though, in connection with it is not the technicality holding it in the Senate, but the attitude of Congressmen towards persons of Oriental ancestry as exemplified by discussions on the measure.

There are reasons for this maturity in Congress. Some can be easily identified. Others are nebulous reflections of an increasing knowledge in the halls of Congress.

A large share of recognizable credit must go, of course, to the Nisei GIs of World War II. As members of the famed 442nd Central Postal Directory they were probably the most noted fighters of the war. As intelligence troops in the Pacific they gave ultimate proof for all time of their loyalty to their home—America.

Communism, too, has played a part. Racial intolerance is a gesture this nation can ill afford. The alienation of Orientals is a matter of gravest concern.

Of course, it is scarcely likely that Congress, of itself, would have been sufficiently impelled to act on such laws as the Walter Resolution without the prodding of the Japanese American Citizens League. The JACL has been the catalyst precipitating action wanting only an initial boost to get underway.

The voices of hatred still are heard in this land.

But Congress gives refreshing evidence those voices belong to a disappearing page in our history.

Given Impeachment Notice



Honolulu Supervisor Richard N. Kageyama is shown above as he jauntily received a petition for his impeachment because of his self-admitted former membership in the Communist Party and a summons demanding his appearance in court from Jack W. F. Waltman, Honolulu city-county deputy sheriff. The petition was served on Mr. Kageyama, a veteran of World War II, at his real estate office in Honolulu.—Honolulu Star-Bulletin photo.

Showdown Nears in Honolulu On Kageyama's Right to Post

Petition Asking Impeachment of Nisei Is Filed

HONOLULU—After long delays, the showdown on Supervisor Richard M. Kageyama's right to hold his elective position is approaching.

The attorney for the city-county of Honolulu on August 15 filed a petition before the territorial supreme court asking impeachment of the 34 year old Nisei member of the Honolulu board of supervisors.

The petition asserts that in taking the oath of loyalty for a new term last January 3, Kageyama swore falsely that he had not been a member of the Communist party within the last five years.

It alleges that Kageyama admitted his past membership in the Communist party April 10 before the house unAmerican activities subcommittee and that the city-county had paid him \$735 in salary between January and April of this year.

It further claims that the oath, falsely taken, was an act of malfeasance in office, for which Kageyama should be removed from office as supervisor.

The city attorney's petition was filed notwithstanding another petition for impeachment that was being circulated by James G. Needles, a Honolulu businessman.

"We are tired of waiting for it," (the other petition), said the city attorney, Wilford D. Godbold, "and we don't want to lose any more time."

In retort Mr. Needles, a past department commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, blamed Mr. Godbold for the delay.

Godbold, said Needles, had advised him to double check and notarize each and every signature on the impeachment petition that was drafted many weeks ago. When Godbold filed his own petition last week, Needles had 107 names—seven more than needed—on his petition.

Kageyama was served a summons August 16 requiring his appearance in court within 20 days to answer the Godbold petition for impeachment.

The young Democrat — the first Nisei to be elected a Honolulu supervisor — apparently felt relieved that the city had finally asked for a legal showdown on his controversial status.

He "thanked" the city attorney, and added: "I believe, however, the action should have been taken immediately after the attorney returned from his vacation on the mainland (several weeks ago)."

Kageyama had asked city officials to state why his salary has been withheld since last April. In turn the city attorney had asked the board of supervisors for clarification of Kageyama's status on the board.

All involved admitted the confusion over Kageyama's status was "intolerable." Although his pay since April has been withheld, Kageyama has continued as and still is an active supervisor attending board meetings and casting his votes along with other members.

These questions are now temporarily set aside as the city attorney has put the entire case before the territorial supreme court for a decision on whether Kageyama is legally entitled to retain his position.

Satow Urges Return Of Ballots in JACL Elections

Early return of ballots in the National JACL's current election of officers was urged this week by Mas Satow, national director.

More than 10,000 ballots were mailed to members, Satow said, with approximately one-fourth returned to date.

Deadline for return of the marked ballots is Sept. 1, Satow said.

The list of nominees is headed by Dr. Randolph Sakada and Min Yasui, candidates for the office of president.

Wins Two Trophies

LOS ANGELES—Little Patricia Ann Nakauchi, 3½, trotted off with two trophies in the Nisei Week baby show Aug. 23, winning both the dental and health awards.

Kerry Masada, 19-months, and Elaine Yota, 4, won personality awards from among 150 infants.

Sachi Kazunaga Named Queen Of L. A. Nisei Week Festival

LOS ANGELES—With the donning of her crown on Aug. 19 at Zenda ballroom, 22-year-old Sachi Kazunaga began a busy week as queen of the Nisei festival in Los Angeles Aug. 19 to 27.

Winner of the popular vote in the balloting that preceded the selection, Miss Kazunaga was chosen from the five finalists by the following committee: Gloria Monahan of the Caroline Leonetti agency; Dorothy Bacom, Irwin Wasey advertising agency; Lyman Emerson, art director; John Maximus, art director; Fritz Willis, Esquire magazine artist; and David Janison, director of health information of the city health department.

One of the queen's first official acts was to extend invitations to Nisei week activities to civic officials.

Attorney Gets Depositions on Stranded Cases

Tsurutani Takes Statements on Sixty Pending Cases

LOS ANGELES — Henry J. Tsurutani, Los Angeles attorney, has returned to Los Angeles after spending more than a month in Japan to take depositions in some 60 cases pending in Federal court.

All the cases concern Nisei who lost their United States citizenship during the war and now seek restoration of their American nationality.

Tsurutani represented A. L. Wirin of Los Angeles, attorney, in the taking of testimony.

Among witnesses from whom depositions were secured were Kiyoshi Togasaki, publisher of the Nippon Times; Tamotsu Murayama, city editor of the Nippon Times and formerly a member of the Associated Press in Tokyo; and Ko Ishii, Tokyo attorney and former member of the Japanese diplomatic service.

All the witnesses testified in their depositions that Nisei in Japan, if they were considered to hold dual nationality, were forced to serve in the Japanese army.

Among Nisei stranded cases are Mitsue Masuka, Noboru Kanbara, Haruko Furino, Norio Kiyama, Noboru Kato, Mrs. Katherine Mite Yonemura, Yemiko Hamaji, George Ozasa and Mariko Kuniyuki.

Other cases filed recently in United States Federal courts include those of Yukiko Sato, Hisao Murata, Masao Harry Hamachi, Jeannette Haruye Murata and Akira Tanaka.

Masaoka Will Be Keynote Speaker At Council Meet

SAN FRANCISCO — Mike M. Masaoka, national legislative director of JACL ADC, will be the keynote speaker at the Northern California - Western Nevada district council meeting on Aug. 26.

Masaoka, who will confer in San Francisco with National President Hito Okada and National Director Masao W. Satow on the forthcoming biennial budget of the organization, will speak at the council's dinner at the Hotel Bellevue.

Attorney David McKibben of Los Angeles who is being retained by the National JACL to assist on the evacuation claims advisory program will make a report on the progress of the claims work in the Los Angeles office of the Justice Department's evacuation claims division.

The council sessions will start at 12:30 p.m. aboard the APL's President Wilson at Pier 42.

Rohwer High Group Plans Beach Outing

LOS ANGELES — An outing at Zuma Beach on Aug. 27 will be held by members of the Class of 1946 of Rohwer high school, Rohwer war relocation center in Arkansas, who are now residing in the Los Angeles area.

Miss Kazunaga and her court met with Mayor Fletcher Bowron and Supervisor John Anson Ford at City hall steps in official opening day ceremonies.

Earlier the group visited the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, where they were greeted by A. J. Cock, president.

In addition to presiding over the numerous activities scheduled during the festival, Miss Kazunaga and her attendants made a number of her official visits during the week. Included were visits to Nisei veterans and paraplegics at the Long Beach Veterans hospital, to stores and restaurants, and numerous radio and TV broadcasts.

Miss Kazunaga's attendants are Ruby Ushijima, Geace Aoki, Grace Mayemura and Emy Miya.

Interview Hawaii Veterans for Film Roles



Scores of Nisei veterans of the 442nd Combat Team were interviewed by a representative of MGM in Honolulu last week for roles in the forthcoming film about the Japanese American Combat Team, "Go for Broke," which will star Van Johnson. Gathered around James Broderick,

MGM casting official, are (l. to r.) Akira Fujiki, Lincoln M. Yoshimasu, Akira (Sunshine) Fukunaga, George Miki and Dan Aoki. Mr. Fukunaga who resigned last week as executive secretary of the 442nd Veterans Club in Honolulu is assisting MGM officials in their hunt for players in Hawaii.—Honolulu Star-Bulletin photo.

MGM Officials Test Hawaiians For GI Film

HONOLULU — Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Director-Writer Robert Pirosh and Mike Masaoka, technical adviser, arrived August 18 to select Hawaii Nisei for roles in the coming 442nd movie, "Go for Broke."

Preliminary casting was done by James Broderick, MGM representative who interviewed more than 150 Nisei in Honolulu before Pirosh and Masaoka arrived.

Pirosh said his studio will depend heavily upon Nisei in the Los Angeles area but added that many of the leading roles will go to Hawaii men.

He said actors chosen here probably will be away on the west coast for from 10 to 12 weeks. All will have several weeks of intensive rehearsals before they go before the cameras.

Shooting is to begin next month. Both veterans and non-veterans among the Nisei responded to the invitation to apply for roles in the movie about the exploits of the 442nd regimental combat team.

The Honolulu interviews were conducted at the 442nd Veterans clubhouse in Honolulu. Interviews on the other islands were to follow.

JACL Sponsors Essay Contest on Convention Theme

CHICAGO—An essay contest on the theme, "Blueprint for Tomorrow," will be sponsored by the National JACL in conjunction with the league's biennial convention in Chicago.

The title, is the theme of the 1950 convention.

A \$100 savings bond and a plaque will be awarded the winner. Second and third place winners will receive \$50 and \$25 bonds, as well as plaques.

The essay contest committee is headed by James Nishimura. Entries should be sent to Nishimura at the JACL office in Chicago, 189 West Madison st. Entries should be typed on white paper, 8½ by 11 inches, double-spaced with one-inch margins.

The contest is open to all persons except JACL employees, members of the national convention board and their families and members of the essay contest committee and their families.

Japanese Actress Offered Top Role in Broadway Musical

Yoshiko Yamaguchi
Also Sought for
New War Movie

HOLLYWOOD—Shirley Yoshiko Yamaguchi, Japanese film star who has been visiting in Hollywood, has been offered the leading role in a forthcoming Broadway musical version of Donn Byrne's novel, "Messer Marco Polo."

Miss Yamaguchi, who has been starred in singing roles in Japanese films, also has been offered her first American screen role, the feminine lead in Anson Bond's independent production of "East Is East."

The Japanese star was approached regarding the Broadway musical by an agent for Stanley Gilkey and Donald Oenslager, producers of the forthcoming show for which Robert Nathan, noted novelist, has written the book. The score is by Robert Emmett Dolan and the lyrics by Johnny Mercer.

The Broadway offer, however, is contingent on Miss Yamaguchi's ability to obtain a six months extension of her stay in the United States. Her visa expires on Dec. 31 and she will need assurance of an extension if she is to consider the role of the Chinese girl in the story about Marco Polo.

Producer Bond, meanwhile, flew in from New York City to sign Miss Yamaguchi for the role in "East Is East." The story originally was about an American GI who marries a Japanese girl during the occupation of Japan. Since the Korean war the scenario has been rewritten by Katherine Turney and it is now about an American GI who is wounded in Korea and his love for his Japanese nurse. Keefe Brasselle will play the American soldier.

"East Is East" is described as a modern "Madame Butterfly" story. Originally, Shirley Temple was considered for the role of the Japanese girl before Producer Bond heard about the Japanese actress who has been in Hollywood for the past two months.

Miss Yamaguchi, whose biggest Japanese film hit was in "China Night," also was tentatively offered a role of an Oriental girl in RKO's "Macao" with Robert Mitchum, Robert Ryan and Jane Russell.

The Japanese star was born in Manchuria of Japanese parents and speaks Chinese, English and Japanese.

Suicide Try Made by Nisei In Chico Jail

CHICO, Calif.—Larry Miyakawa, also known as Roy S. Kim, failed in a suicide attempt in Chico jail Aug. 19 after his arrest on check-passing charges.

Miyakawa was held for passing fictitious checks totaling \$74.41 in Chico.

Locked in a cell, Miyakawa reached through the bars to get a lamp cord and attempted to strangle himself. Other prisoners gave the alarm and police cut him down.

Unconscious for several minutes and unable to walk to court, Miyakawa was arraigned in his cell.

He was charged with issuing three checks drawn on the East Asia Aid Society, 412 Kearney St. in San Francisco. Police said a check with San Francisco authorities showed there is no record of any such society and that the address is that of an empty office building.

Police said Miyakawa, at the time of his arrest, had in his possession three envelopes containing about \$7,000 in uncashed East Asia Society checks. He also carried cards identifying himself as Roy S. Kim, secretary.

Police also said Miyakawa was wanted in Santa Maria on check charges and in Sacramento for allegedly having bought an automobile with one of the checks.

CARE Announces Holiday Package

NEW YORK CITY—A special holiday package for overseas aid has been announced by CARE.

The package contains a whole canned turkey, plus enough "trimmings" to provide a Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner for a family of 12.

Cost of the package, including delivery, will be \$15.50. Delivery can be made to families in Japan, Okinawa, the Philippines and most of the countries of Europe. Orders should be sent to CARE, 20 Broad st., New York City 5, or any CARE outlet in the country. Orders received by Nov. 1 will be delivered by Thanksgiving. Dec. 1 is the deadline for Christmas delivery.

Report Tom Okino Not Surprised By Failure to Win Appointment As Circuit Judge in Hawaii

Selection of Sapienza, Mau for Territorial Judgeships Seen as President Truman's Effort to Appease Both Wings of Democrats

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—Disappointed but apparently not surprised, Attorney Tom Okino of Hilo has lost the chance to become the first Nisei circuit judge in Hawaii.

The 43-year old Harvard law school graduate was by-passed by President Truman last week, although he had the indorsement of the Bar Association of Hawaii. Instead the White House appointed Maurice Sapienza, a relative newcomer to the islands, to fill the bench of the third circuit court in Hilo.

Coroner's Jury Says Both Drivers Innocent In Oregon Accident

ONTARIO, Ore. — A coroner's jury on Aug. 16 found Jerry K. Fujiwara, 20, Ontario, and Delbert Scheler, 29, Lebanon, innocent of "criminal negligence" in connection with the fatal crash in which Mrs. Minnie Scheler was killed and five persons injured.

Fujiwara and Scheler were the drivers of the two cars which collided head-on on a straight stretch of highway about 9 miles west of Ontario.

Fujiwara testified he did not know the cause of the crash. He said the view was clear for about a half mile and the first thing he knew he was meeting the other car head-on.

Besides Fujiwara and Scheler others injured in the collision were Jack Nagasaka, Weiser, Idaho, a passenger in the Fujiwara car, and Mrs. Delbert Scheler, 22, and Donald Scheler, 14.

CC Council Board Holds Meeting

FRESNO, Calif. — A special meeting of the executive board of the Central California JACL district council and chapter presidents was held Sunday, Aug. 20, at the home of Johnson Kebo, chairman, in Sanger.

Tom Nakamura reported on the district's recent financial drive. Each chapter received proportional proceeds from the drive.

The group discussed maintenance of the regional office in Fresno and means of raising funds.

Kebo will attend the JACL convention in Chicago as official delegate.

Next meeting of the district council will be held in Delano on Sept. 10, beginning at 2 p.m.

Watsonville Girl Reads Winning Essay on Radio

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — Annette Shirachi, Watsonville high school student, read her winning essay in the California State Grange contest over KHUB recently after she was presented with the \$100 first prize by the president of the local grange.

The essay is now entered in the national contest.

Miss Shirachi, a senior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Shirachi.

Salt Lake City Nisei Questions Captured North Korean Officer

A Nisei intelligence officer from Salt Lake City was identified as the American officer who interrogated a 27-year old North Korean lieutenant-colonel, the highest-ranking enemy officer to surrender to the Americans, according to an International News Service dispatch from the Korean front north of Taegu on Aug. 23.

Lieut. Henry Kuwabara, brother of Mrs. Dora Iwasaki of Salt Lake City, questioned the North Korean officer who gave himself up to an American observation post. The officer was described as the commander of artillery in the North Korean 13th division. He walked

Political observers believe Sapienza won the appointment over Okino because of Governor Ingram M. Stainback's support. Sapienza is a territorial deputy attorney general under the governor.

Another speculation is that Okino may have become the unfortunate victim of a political compromise.

At the same time he appointed Sapienza, President Truman also named Chuck Mau, a Honolulu city-county supervisor, to another circuit judgeship.

This dual appointment is regarded by some politicians here as a compromise move by the national administration to keep peace within the Democratic party in Hawaii.

Sapienza is a leader in the Stainback or right wing faction of the Democratic party and Mau is with the anti-Stainback or left wing faction.

Armchair strategists figure that the national Democratic powers that be did not wish to appear to favor either side and therefore arranged to have one attorney from each faction appointed to the judgeships.

As one who is not actively affiliated with either faction, Okino apparently was left by the wayside since he would not fit into the compromise pattern.

Regardless of the background considerations, the failure of the president to appoint him apparently did not surprise Okino too much.

A week before the appointment of Sapienza, Okino was quoted as having conceded the judgeship to his opponent.

"It's a pretty well known fact that Sapienza has the personal recommendation of the governor, and in the last analysis that's what counts," Okino was reported to have said.

With this in mind, Okino has permitted political speculation to circulate that he's interested in running for a seat in the Territorial Senate. Another possibility is the Big Island county attorney's job, an elective position he held several years ago.

Although Okino lost the distinction of becoming the first Nisei circuit judge, Chuck Mau's appointment made him the first American of full-blooded Oriental (Chinese) ancestry to receive a federal appointment to the circuit court bench in Hawaii.

The appointment of citizens of Oriental ancestry as district magistrates who are referred to as "judges" is not infrequent. Such appointments are made by the chief justice of the territorial supreme court.

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MINORITY WEEK

No Way Out

You won't be amused, and you won't be entertained if you catch "No Way Out," Twentieth Century-Fox film dealing with discrimination.

The picture, starring Richard Widmark and Linda Darnell, is a no-holds-barred portrait of a Negro-baiter. It's not a pretty portrait. And if theater audiences all over the country wince when they see it, it may be because few people are completely free of the seeds of prejudice.

Proof

People who said that equality of treatment and opportunity just wouldn't work in our armed forces will have to go outside the Fourth infantry division for proof.

Because the Fourth division, at Fort Ord, Calif., has eliminated the separation of white and Negro troops and found out it works fine.

The men sleep in the same barracks, eat in the same messes and work together on the fields. Promotion is on the basis of merit.

The officers out at Fort Ord are finding out the program works even better than they'd expected. Their men are no longer mixing into racial groups. Off the field and on, they're getting together as equals.

Two Quickies On Intermarriage

"Statements that human hybrids frequently show undesirable traits, both physically and mentally, physical disharmonies and mental degeneracies are not supported by the facts. Social results of race mixture, whether for good or ill, are to be traced to social factors."

—UN report on race.

"If racial justice means anything, it means everything. Yes, even intermarriage between races. I hope you are not a southerner because I wouldn't want to shock you. But if you were, I'd have to say the same thing, only more emphatically."

—Mrs. Waties Waring.

Independence Day

The press didn't take much notice of it, the world situation being what it was last week, but Aug. 1 was a pretty important day in Guam.

On that day Pres. Truman signed the organic bill, which gave United States citizenship, a bill of rights and a good degree of self government to the people of Guam.

The Guamanians, ruled by the U.S. Navy for the past half century, will now proceed to elect their own legislature and judiciary. The governorship will be appointive.

California Paper Hails Loyalty Record of Nisei

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — The Watsonville Register-Pajaronian takes an editorial look at the Nisei today—eight years after the evacuation—in its lead editorial of Aug. 17.

Eight years ago, the Register-Pajaronian says, the Nisei and Issei were herded into relocation centers "in what most of now realize was one of the most flagrant injustices of our history."

The newspaper lists a number of current news stories taken from the Pacific Citizen: an Hawaiian casualty list containing 14 Nisei names; the enlistment in the U.S. Army of Wesley T. Shirai, survivor of the Hiroshima attack; and the commissioning of Robert S. Utsumi as an air force pilot.

"These are small things, and maybe not remarkable at first glance, says the Register-Pajaronian editorial. "On second thought, we're inclined to think they're significant."

"Eight years after some of those people were herded behind barbed wire in a wave of hysteria, members of their group are back fighting and dying for a country which treated them shabbily. As a group they're overjoyed this week to find that the armed forces are letting down the 'segregation' bars, and that Nisei will be called in the draft, and assigned to units, without regard to the nationality of their ancestors, the shape of their

Nisei USA

Nisei Linguists in Combat

The casualty lists of the Defense Department grow longer daily and there are Nisei names among the dead, the wounded and the missing.

Reports of front-line correspondents disclose that Nisei combat interpreters are playing an important role in the war for Korea. Although there are thousands of Japanese who speak both Japanese and English in the nearby islands of Japan, the United Nations forces in Korea have had to depend on a relative handful of specialists, mostly Nisei, for interrogation and combat intelligence. There has not been time as yet to train GI specialists in the Korean language and the Japanese in Japan are barred by the circumstances of history from active participation in the conflict.

Most of the army's linguists have come from the ranks of Nisei GIs who were on occupation duty in Japan and who were trained in the military techniques of interrogation at the Military Intelligence Service language school. Among the group are veterans of South Pacific and the Philippines, as well as men who served in the 442nd Combat Team and the 100th Infantry in Edrope. It is ironical that three of the first four Nisei to die in the Korean fighting were all veterans of the war in Europe, men who survived the Apennine winter and the bitter nights in the Vosges only to fall on the alien soil of what one writer has called "the dirty fingernail of the thumb of Asia."

The 100th Battalion from Hawaii and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team will not be forgotten in the military annals of these United States. The name of the 442nd, in particular, is known to millions of Americans and will be known to millions more when MGM's "Go for Broke" is released. As for individual heroes, the saga of Sergeant Ben Kuroki of the B-24s and the B-29s in the skies over Africa, Europe and Japan has been told by network radio and in Ralph G. Martin's fine biography of the "Boy from Nebraska." The story of the more than 5,000 Nisei GIs in the Pacific has only been synopsized to date. The full story has not been told, although it is now more than five years since V-J day.

The major reason for the lack of publicity on the Nisei in the Pacific in World War II stems from the esoteric nature of the operations themselves. Although there had been a few Nisei linguists on Bataan and on Corregidor (one Hawaiian Nisei GI was evacuated to Australia only hours before the fall of Corregidor) the first report on a Nisei in the Pacific which was released through Army censorship was Don Caswell's report late in Nov., 1942 on Sgt. Fred Nishitsuji who was with American forces near Buna on New Guinea.

During the Pacific fighting there were relatively few stories on the work of the Nisei specialists, one reason for the secrecy undoubtedly being the reluctance on the part of U.S. forces to reveal the effectiveness of the Nisei in military intelligence to the Japanese high command. The Japanese were surprisingly sloppy regarding security measures with the result that important documents and battle plans fell into the hands of Americans who captured Japanese military and naval personnel, while the interception of messages also provided important information which resulted in the saving of men and material.

The use of these Nisei GI specialists trained at the San Francisco Presidio and later at Camp Savage and Fort Snelling in Minnesota undoubtedly shortened the war in the Pacific by days and perhaps by months.

It is interesting to note that, even during 1942 when draft calls were cancelled for all Nisei, the military intelligence branch of the army continued to recruit qualified

eyes or the color of their skin.

"American democracy sometimes develops a squeak somewhere in the machine, but the glory of it is that the squeaks get oiled, eventually, and the machine keeps rolling. Therein—and in the demonstrated loyalty of Americans of miscellaneous racial origin—lies the greatness of this republic."

Nisei volunteers. They were activated under hush-hush conditions with a blanket censorship imposed on any newspaper reports concerning their training. In time these Nisei linguists were assigned to every military headquarters in the Pacific and with individual divisions from Honolulu to India and from Australia north to Kiska in the Aleutians.

Nisei GIs walked the long miles across Burma with Stilwell, swam the Irrawaddy with Merrill's Marauders and staffed propaganda outposts in Assam. Although the Navy and the Marines were not open to the Nisei, these Japanese American linguists went ashore with Navy and Marine landing parties to the blood-soaked beaches of Kwajalein and Palau and Iwo. Only a few individuals were ever publicized, one of them being Sgt. Frank Hachiya of Hood River, Ore., who died while carrying out a mission on Leyte. The death of this Hood River soldier came at a time when the American Legion post in that Oregon city had erased the names of 16 Japanese Americans from the county honor roll, although Sgt. Hachiya's name was not on the list since he had enlisted while away at school.

A report by Peter Kalischer of the United Press from Korea notes that American troops have adopted a "buddy system" for Nisei GIs with their units in order to protect these Nisei from trigger-happy soldiers who might mistake them for infiltrating North Koreans. This "buddy system," in which a non-Japanese GI is paired off with a Nisei, was adopted initially in the Pacific island jungles when there was similar danger that these Nisei would be mistaken for enemy Japanese. In the Philippines, particularly, these Nisei interpreters were confronted with triple jeopardy, facing danger from the enemy and from American troops and from the civilian population.

The wartime service of the Nisei linguists provides only a part of the story. Nisei interrogators, interpreters and translators played a major role in the months after V-J day in the Philippines, Okinawa and on the home islands of Japan. There was much of the work of documentation of war crimes, as well as the job of translating captured enemy documents. The work of Nisei in the Japanese occupation has done much to alleviate some of the difficulties of that tremendous undertaking. It is doubtful whether the occupation could have succeeded as well or as harmoniously without these trained specialists.

By the time the military necessity for secrecy had diminished and official censorship was lifted there was little public interest in war memoirs so that few publications were interested in stories on the GI interpreters. Two officers who were in charge of much of the military intelligence operations of General MacArthur's headquarters, Major General Willoughby and Colonel Mashbir, have written magazine stories citing the important role that the Nisei did play along the long road from Pearl Harbor to the deck of the battleship Missouri in Tokyo Bay. But the public as a whole, with the exception of the people of Minnesota's Twin Cities who saw thousands of Nisei in uniform from Fort Snelling, are still uninformed regarding the existence of a group of Americans who proved to be a human secret weapon in the Pacific, the Nisei combat interpreters.

The news from Korea is that these Nisei interpreters are again in action. All of the Nisei casualties to date have not been of these language specialists. Many of the casualties, particularly those of Hawaiian Nisei, are Nisei who are serving in regular infantry units, including a combat team and a division from Hawaii who have been in the thick of the Korean fighting in recent weeks.

Because there are few Americans who can speak Korean and because most Koreans speak the Japanese language, there is an increasing demand for these Nisei language specialists. A number who have been in the organized reserve have been called up in recent weeks and others probably will be called before the war in Korea is ended.

EDITORIALS:

Turnabout is Fair Play

The American Legion, at one time a prime motivator in things anti-Oriental in California, has come around.

Last week in Sacramento the state legion unanimously approved a resolution which urged the exemption of parents of Nisei veterans from the state's alien land act.

It is unfortunate, of course, that the resolution limited itself to those Issei who were parents of Nisei veterans, for it determines eligibility on something which was, generally speaking, a matter of accident.

The important thing, however, is the change in attitude of the American Legion. Throughout the twenties, the thirties and a portion of the forties, it played an important part in the passage of anti-Nisei and anti-Issei legislation. It advocated the 1942 evacuation of Japanese Americans from the west coast.

Passage of the Walter resolution or like legislation to give Issei the right to citizenship would, of course, invalidate the state's alien land act. And in the light of the strong possibility of passage of the Walter resolution, the American Legion's resolution probably has little practical value.

It serves, however, to accent the changing attitudes of the country and the west coast toward its citizens and aliens of Japanese ancestry.

Metropolitan Life Succumbs

Until this week it appeared that the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company was the victor in its long and bitter fight to keep Negro tenants out of its Stuyvesant Town housing development in New York City.

The courts had upheld the company in its determination to keep Stuyvesant Town "for whites only." And later, as if in a last eruption of malice, the company notified 35 families that their leases for apartments in Stuyvesant Town and Peter Cooper Village, another Metropolitan project, would not be renewed. The list of families was notable for including the names of persons who had been prominently identified with the fight to force Metropolitan to accept Negroes.

On Aug. 24 the fight came to a sudden anti-climatic end.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company announced that it was opening the doors of Stuyvesant Town to "qualified Negro tenants."

It appears Metropolitan's hand had been forced by two city councilmen who had announced they would introduce a bill to bar discrimination in all city-assisted housing projects. Councilman Stanley Isaacs had said the bill would be passed if Metropolitan did not agree to end discrimination because of race, creed or color.

Apparently possibility of the bill's passage had caused Metropolitan's sudden capitulation.

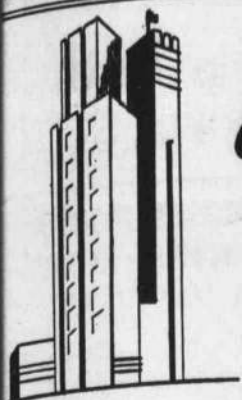
It was not, however, immediately apparent if the change in attitude were to be a real one or a temporary action. The announcement that Stuyvesant Town would be opened to "qualified" Negro tenants does not reveal what the company will consider "qualified." There is the possibility that qualifications required of Negroes will be far more strict than those required on non-Negroes.

Still hanging in the air, too, was the mass dismissal notice given to those persons who had opposed Metropolitan during its long fight. The question remained whether or not these would be rescinded.

While Stuyvesant Town was a local problem, it involved a principle which may, in years to come, become of major importance in the housing problems of our country. It was this: does a housing project for which public funds have been expended have the right to discriminate against a portion of the citizenry because of race, creed or color?

Housing projects developed with the aid of public funds are becoming increasingly common. The trend toward mammoth apartment projects increases throughout the country. And as cities carry on with redevelopment projects, the need for vigilance in the maintenance of minority rights increases. Perhaps it is in these urban redevelopment projects that most vigilance is needed, for these projects are designed to wipe out the slum areas in which minority groups are confined.

The development of good citizens cannot be left to a mere recitation of our American beliefs. Clean communities free of health and crime hazards are integral factors in the building of a free people. Imposition of artificial racial standards upon a community endangers the mental health of all the people, not only those who are the victims of such restrictions.



A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

Denver, Colorado

A Return to the Rockies

It is a beautiful summer day here in this mile-high city. It is cool, quiet, and serene at the base of the Rocky Mountains. After the hot humid days of New Orleans, the cool breeze of this city is quite a relief. A fine place for the older folks to spend the rest of their days, I thought to myself.

After the milling throngs of Times Square, the almost rural pace of Denver comes as a tonic to my frayed nerves, ulceric stomach, and occasional hummings in the head.

Just about eight years ago I made my first acquaintance with this queen city of Colorado. That was the time when hopeful evacuees made voluntary treks to this "free" zone.

Those were also desperate days. Coming from a balmy California climate, we became quickly initiated into this cold confining realm of snows, icy winds and near-blizzards. Reluctantly we had to tackle such problems of cleaning out clinkers and wielding a snow shovel along with the routine task of finding a job and a place to stay.

Jobs, in 1942, were very scarce for the nomadic Nisei fleeing from the long arm of the various governmental orders. Domestic work and fruit-packing positions were about the only avenues of employment open. Reluctant home owners would not rent to Nisei and, as a result, the Japanese population converged among the shabby, sleazy hotels and apartments of Larimer street.

During the war years, the Japanese American community of Denver mushroomed many-fold. After the establishment of the Amache Relocation camp in Colorado, Issei and Nisei alike began to come to Denver in droves. A few of the more enterprising ones started hotels, cafes and small businesses. At one time, Denver claimed some 10,000 Japanese.

The early war years also brought a large number of Nisei to Colorado sugar-beet farms. The war created a heavy labor shortage and voluntary Nisei joined the ranks of the beet workers. These were difficult times for these former Californians. Working in the icy fields was an exacting and body-breaking job. Many a Nisei after working all season and deducting his expenses, found out that there remained no residue for his efforts. So, in the following years, the number of Nisei in the beet fields was very few.

For a few years, Larimer and 20th streets began to resemble San Pedro and East First streets. Denver was the mecca for all Nisei going out from the various relocation camps.

Because of limited vocational opportunities here, most of the Nisei journey further on eastward to Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit and other points east in quest of jobs.

The Reopening of the West

When the west coast was reopened to the Japanese, the Denver population quickly dwindled. Owners of businesses, homes and farms in California returned to their former stamping grounds.

By 1948 over half of the war-swollen Denver Japanese community had returned to the west coast. By 1950 several more thousands decided to go back to their former communities on the Pacific coast.

Today, the Denver community consists of the native oldtimers and the remaining newcomers from the west. Californians claim that the Colorado weather is as good as the Golden state and that the pace here is a little more leisurely. They also point out that it is an excellent spot for the older Issei to retire. Other Denverites tell me that the fishing, hunting and winter sports are beyond compare. Still other who run a small business don't want to give up a good thing to attempt something new and uncertain on the west coast.

I talked to a few Nisei in Denver who say that this inland city gives ideal protection in this atomic age. "You have security against A-bombs," is their argument.

There must be a hundred reasons why the Nisei like Denver and plan to stay here permanently. Which means that there will always be a solid hard core of Nisei population in these parts. Compared with the pre-war figures, the Japanese community today in Denver has about doubled.

What About the Years Ahead?

I asked a few Denverites how the future looks for them in this city. They say it would be the same for them here as in California.

They point to the many farms, nurseries, and orchards that Nisei are now operating in all parts of the state. These will form the stable background of their community's economy.

Several have found excellent clerical and office jobs in government offices and in private businesses and realize that they have a steady secure job for the years ahead.

The professional group is also doing well; many having customers outside of the Japanese community as well as Issei and Nisei clients.

The local Nisei stoutly maintain that there will be hardly any more dwindling of the Denver population. Rather, they believe, it will begin to grow again. At least, the Nisei in these parts are very loyal to their city and nothing will shake their faith and confidence in the future of the Rock Mountain region.

I think one of the chief factors in favor of this area is the sparse population. People who don't like crowding, shoving and being confined, rally to the cause of the wide open spaces.

Denver? I like it.

But as they say about New York, its a splendid place to visit, relax, and have a vacation but I wouldn't care to live here throughout the year. I prefer the faster pace, the noisier sounds and the nervier people of Manhattan.

Letters to the Editor

Pacific Citizen
Just a notice for your paper to state that the Japanese missionaries will not be allowed to use the Army post office on and after Sept. 1. The war in Korea keeps all planes filled with personnel and important mail so that they do not have space for the missionaries. Any folk who know missionaries with APO addresses will have to write direct to the Japanese address, using foreign postal rates.

We are happy to meet many Nisei amongst the missionaries in Japan. They are really studying the language and some of them are really expert already. There is a great need here and I feel sure that Nisei with a real call to service can be of wonderful service.

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"Do You Know?"

Examine Anti-JACL Criticism During Evacuation Period

By ELMER R. SMITH

The spring months of 1942 saw the pressure upon persons of Japanese ancestry increasing all along the Pacific coast. Culbert Olson, then Governor of California, called a surprise meeting of Nisei leaders in Sacramento.

The Nisei who met with the Governor were, for the most part, inexperienced young people. This meeting has been described in the following manner:

"Without previous notice, we met in the executive chambers and were told—not asked—that we had to demonstrate our loyalty to the United States and the way to demonstrate that loyalty was to place ourselves in the 'protective custody' of the state; that we should permit ourselves to be placed in state 'farm camps' under armed guard; that we should go out and work our own farms and lands from these 'farm camps' under guard. Unless we complied with this request, the federal government might be called in."

This type of pressure from both state and federal officials led many of the Nisei, and especially the leaders of the JACL, to believe in the inevitability of total evacuation.

This belief was born out as more and more areas along the coast were listed as restricted and evacuation regions. With this in mind, the JACL leaders and others requested hearings to be held at strategic points for the purpose of getting the truth of various rumors concerning persons of Japanese ancestry. Thus the Tolan Committee's hearings came into being. The first hearings were held in San Francisco on Feb. 21-23, 1942.

The JACL representatives stated their position, but the hearings were technically public forums for race-baiters and anti-Japanese American forces. Mike Masaoka submitted the JACL statement to the Tolan Committee, and his concluding paragraph summarized the principal points of the JACL's position. This paragraph follows:

"In this emergency as in the past, we are not asking for special privileges or concessions. We ask only for the opportunity and the right of sharing the common lot of all Americans, whether it be in peace or in war. This is the American way for which our boys are fighting."

One of the basic criticisms leveled against the JACL by Issei and Nisei alike during this period and later was that the JACL leaders agreed to evacuation of all persons of Japanese ancestry from the coastal areas, and thus "sold the persons of Japanese ancestry down the river."

The important thing to remember in this respect is that government policy had already established precedent for evacuation of given areas before the JACL was ever asked its position on such a matter. It should also be remembered that the JACL's commitments from the 1940 national convention was to support in any and all ways possible the government in its conduct of defensive measures.

The position of the JACL, under pressure of public opinion and circumstances, concerning evacuation is officially stated in the prepared statement of Mike Masaoka submitted to the Tolan Committee. This statement follows:

"If, in the judgment of the military and Federal authorities, evacuation of Japanese residents from the West coast is a primary step toward assuring the safety of this Nation, we will have no hesitation in complying with the necessities implicit in that judgment. But, if, on the other hand, such evacuation is primarily a measure whose surface urgency cloaks the desires of political or other pressure groups who want us to leave merely from motives of self-interest, we feel that we have every right to protest and to demand equitable judgment on our merits as American citizens."

The JACL did not "make the evacuation policy" by their statements; as a matter of fact the evacuation decision was reached even before the Tolan Committee submitted their report to the proper authorities.

The JACL leaders recognized perhaps better than any others the necessity for Nisei to prove their loyalty by submitting to army orders. After all, one should not forget that the loyalty of the Nisei

was being called into question every hour of every day.

As to whether a mistake was made in making the decision to cooperate with the Federal government to evacuate is not for this writer to decide. However, one can not resist the observation that the record of the JACL and other Nisei in performing their duty to the United States in various and sundry ways has been and is being recognized by the rank and file of the American public. Upon this basis it appears as if the proper decisions were made at the time and under the circumstances. This is not, however, to maintain that evacuation was legal nor necessary from the over-all point of view; that is something that can probably never be settled to the satisfaction of all concerned.

The JACL was not the only Nisei organization along the coast to offer cooperation in the evacuation. The Nisei Democratic Club of Oakland went on record as willing to offer such cooperation.

One of the most violent critics of the JACL, James Omura, was willing to evacuate areas deemed necessary for national defense. He maintained that Japanese Americans, who were loyal Americans, could be expected to do nothing else, and they would be willing to count it as part of their sacrifice in the interest of national security.

The handwriting appeared on the wall late in February of 1942; it pointed to mass evacuation as a certainty. The seriousness of events made it necessary for the JACL to call a special emergency meeting of the National Board and the National Council. This meeting was held in San Francisco during the week of March 8, 1942. Sixty-four of the 66 chapters answered the first roll call. These represented nearly 20,000 Nisei, for with the increase of tension and crisis, many Nisei flocked to the JACL for assistance and protection which they believed such membership could give them.

"Long the Imperial Way"

The Story of a Nippon Soldier

LONG THE IMPERIAL WAY.
—By Hanama Tasaki. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Co. \$3.50.

By BILL HOSOKAWA

Hawaii-born, American-educated Hanama Tasaki, a veteran of the Japanese army, explains the enigma of the Japanese soldier better than any previous writer in his excellent novel.

Tasaki tells the story of a squad of sixteen infantrymen in the Hamamoto company, a unit taking part in the China war before Pearl Harbor.

The Japanese GI's are pretty much the variety of young men one could expect to find in the American army, or any army for that matter. There is Takeo, an earnest youth who is saving his meager pay to buy his parents an ox to ease their farm labors. There is Miki, a sturdy, good-natured but slow-witted soldier. There is Kan, the eager beaver.

They gripe in private about their chores. As they gain in experience and seniority, they turn over the dirtiest jobs to the recruits. They talk about home and try to understand what it is about the emperor that demands their unwavering loyalty.

But their entire existence is governed by the Japanese army's feudal, hidebound traditions. "For," says Tasaki, "there were no individuals in the imperial army—only absolute servants of the emperor—and no rights except the right to die gloriously for the emperor."

"Punishers and punished, su-

Vagaries

Hosokawa . . .

The first of a series of articles by Bill Hosokawa, now en route to the Korean war front, was published last week by the Denver Post. It discussed the U.S. occupation of Japan . . . Lillian Kodani is doing a mural at Children's Fairyland in Lakeside Park in Oakland, Calif. . . . Sessue Hayakawa's first Japanese film in more than a decade is "Harukanari, Haha no Kuni (Far Away, My Mother Country)," which has just been released in Japan . . . Toru Matsumoto, now in Japan, is the author of an article, "Japan from the Inside," in the Presbyterian Tribune for July-August. Matsumoto is the author of several books, including "Brother Is a Stranger" and "The Seven Stars."

Cagney . . .

Reason screen star James Cagney didn't put in an appearance at the Nisei Week judo tournament in Los Angeles this week is that he is on a personal appearance tour in the east. Cagney who once had a Nisei judo expert in his employ was scheduled to put on an exhibition. He learned judo some years ago for his role in "Blood on the Sun," a film about Tokyo . . . Midori Omine, lyric soprano who recently returned to Honolulu after several years of study in New York, will give her first Hawaiian concert on Aug. 30.

Hollywood . . .

Frank Kumagai, featured player in "Tokyo Joe," was signed by 20th Century Fox this week for a role in "Call Me Mister," which stars Betty Grable and Dan Dailey . . . A number of Nisei players were among those called this week for background scenes for "Macao" at RKO . . . Casting calls for Oriental players are expected to increase now with a number of films being planned with Korean war backgrounds, one of the first being, "East Is East," the love story of an American GI wounded in Korea and a Japanese nurse. The latter part reportedly has been offered to Yoshiko (Rikoran) Yamaguchi.

Commissioned . . .

Jon Matsuo, one of the first Nisei to receive an Air Force commission, was the central figure several years ago in a Minneapolis housing incident which resulted in the passage of a city ordinance barring race restrictions in housing project. Matsuo sought to purchase a home in a veterans housing development but was informed that he was not eligible because of his race.

periors and subordinates, the soldiers of the Japanese imperial army suffered together under a system which tried to make powerful, destructive machines of them even beyond the endurable limit of inherently constructive mankind.

"Shells of the warm, constructive individuals they were born to become, the men lived unhappily within a perversion which tried not to recognize the ethics, constructiveness and fair play their souls constantly hungered for in their relations with their fellow men."

"The emperor's order was to kill and destroy the enemy, and the men had to suffer the consequences for anything which contradicted the order, even for the natural urge to construct."

Thus Takeo and most of his comrades find it most repugnant to fire a village, and he broods about it for long afterward. Miki, shot through the chest, whispers, "Ten-noheika Banzai" (long live the emperor) as he lies dying in a trench, but his last word is a cry for his mother.

Tasaki's novel is no apology for the brutality, excesses and fanaticism of the Japanese soldier. But he explains why they act the way they do, and the result is a notable story.

The book was written originally in English, but it is apparent that it should be translated for Japanese consumption. It would be revealing to the bulk of the Japanese masses who are convinced their soldiers were noble knights in white armor. — From the Denver Post.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Fresno, Denver Set Intersectional Series

The best three-out-of-five series between Fresno Nisei and the Denver Nisei team which starts in Fresno on Sept. 2 is being billed as being for the "United States Nisei championship." Among the players on the Denver team are two Denver university stars, Outfielder George Nagai and Pitcher Calvin Chai. The latter, a native of Honolulu, was one of the outstanding linemen in Skyline Six football last season. Another Denver pitcher is Hideo Hirose, varsity hurler for the U. of Colorado. Topped by Fibber Hirayama, the converted catcher-outfielder, the Raisin City team has a staff of strong pitchers including George Fujioka, the former Fresno JC star who saw service with Tijuana, Mex., in the Sunset League last year, Lefty Nishijima and John Niizawa. Yas Aochi of the Denver team is sporting a league average of .414 with 12 hits in 29 times at bat... Meanwhile, a team of Utah JAAU tournament all-stars has been touring Northern California. The Utahns opened their barnstorming tour with a 7 to 4 victory over Lodi AC, rated as one of the top Nisei teams in California. Tats Misaka, brother of Wat Misaka of Utah University basketball fame, pitched for the Utah team. Misaka also won basketball and baseball laurels at Ogden high school. Wat is also on the barnstorming team.

Ted Kanamine of Omaha took a 50-meter freestyle heat at :27.5s in the Midwest AAU championships recently... The Harbor Skippers of San Pedro, Calif., meet the San Fernando Aces in the Nisei Week baseball feature on Aug. 27 at the Evergreen diamond in Los Angeles... Fourteen year old Ted Miyagawa is taking up where Tak Iseri left off as a Nisei star of the Sacramento YMCA swimming team. Miyagawa won his latest race in the 50-meter freestyle when he took the San Joaquin AAU championship in the junior division with a :40.3s event... The Nisei Vets have a 3 won and 11 lost record to date in the Seattle City Baseball League... Nisei bowling leagues in Seattle will be accredited under American Bowling Congress sanction this fall. The Seattle bowling association, it may be remembered, took the initiative in asking for ABC action to rescind the "white males only" rule... The Idaho Falls, Ida., City Bowling Association, the first ABC group in the United States to admit Nisei to membership, was scolded by a top ABC official for their action but no disciplinary action was taken. The ABC's beef was that the Idaho Falls group admitted Nisei to membership earlier this year while the "white males only" rule was still in effect. The Idaho Falls group should be commended rather than condemned for their democratic attitude... Commendations also are due the Salt Lake City Bowling Association which is inviting Nisei bowlers to enter their "bonus" tournament, the first bowling event of the fall season, which starts on Aug. 26 and 27. All cash prizes in the "bonus" tourney will be paid out from the city association's treasury and bowlers will be required to pay only for their lines... It's definitely announced that a Salt Lake Nisei team will be given a franchise in the city's Major league, top bowling hoop in Utah. The Nisei team probably will roll under JACL colors. All bowlers in the league must have an average of 180 or better for the past year.

Honolulu Notes: The Tokyo College All-Stars left on Aug. 15 for Japan after a 45-day stay in Hawaii during which they won 16 games, lost 4 and played one tie. The Tokyo college team played 14 games at Honolulu Stadium, drawing a total of 48,255 customers for a new record. The gross receipts were \$33,722.74. Cost of bringing the Japanese team to Hawaii was \$15,000. The top crowd of some 13,000 saw the Tokyo team lose to the Red Sox, the all-Nisei squad which is the top baseball team in Hawaii this year. Yasuhiro Yamamura led the Tokyo team in batting with an overage of .333 for 12 games. Tokuchiro Ishii, versatile six-foot southpaw, was rated the team's "most valuable" player. Ishii hit two home runs and batted in 13... Saburo Takeyasu, captain of last year's University of Hawaii football team, will be an assistant coach of a new football team which is being formed in Honolulu. The aggregation, to be known as the Honolulu Town Team, will be composed mainly of former University of Hawaii players and will include Bob Shibuya, who toured the east last year with the Honolulu Warriors, on the line and Jyun Hirota in the backfield. Hirota, one of the best catchers in Hawaii, last year turned down a pro baseball offer from Japan.

Hal Sakata Wrestles as "Human Tank"

Hal Sakata of Honolulu who was America's outstanding weight-lifter in the light-heavyweight division and placed in the 1948 Olympics in London, is now wrestling in the Pacific Northwest under the name of "Mr. Sakata—the human tank." Sakata, whose physique won him the title of "Mr. Waikiki" in a Honolulu contest two years ago, wrestled the main event in Ontario, Ore., last Wednesday against Eddie Williams of Springfield, Mo... The Great Moto defeated Leo Garibaldi in a preliminary before 10,000 last week in Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles... Hutch Aoki of Salt Lake City, driving the Flying Ute, placed second in a heat to Dick Hallett of Downey, Calif., the eventual winner, in the 135 cubic inch class at the Seafair regatta at Green Lake in Seattle on Aug. 18. Aoki was only two seconds behind Hallett... Henry Fujita, Sr., a former national champion, was third in the fishermen's combination flycasting event at the 42nd annual national flycasting tournament in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco last week. Fujita had 122 out of a possible 150 points. Fujita also placed eighth in the long casting event with a long cast of 208 feet and an average of 200 2/3 feet.

San Jose Zebras Think Nakamura Is Tops

The San Jose Zebras are reportedly a little upset over the fact that the Fresno Nisei are billing their forthcoming series with Denver as being for the "U.S. Nisei Championship." The Zebras point to the fact that they have split two games with Fresno this year. The San Jose team also believes they have the top Nisei pitcher on the mainland in Jiro Nakamura whose southpaw slants fanned 16 although he lost a pitching duel to Bill Nishita of the Hawaii All-Stars two weeks ago. The Zebras lost a 2 to 1 game to Placer AC on Aug. 13 at Penryn... The Cleveland Tennis Club will meet the Midwest Tennis Club in a dual meet in Chicago over the Labor Day weekend. Mitch Hashiguchi, formerly of Los Angeles leads the Cleveland team... Sixteen teams are entered in the Sacramento Winter Nisei league... The Walnut Grove Deltans recently won the 1950 Northern California Valley Nisei baseball championship by defeating Lodi, 9 to 5.

Ford Konno was third behind Hironoshin Furuhashi and Australia's John Marshall in a 400-meter exhibition at Nara on Aug. 24. Konno's forte is still the longer distances above 800 meters. Furuhashi's time was 4:38s... The Ogden team won the Utah JAAU baseball tournament recently at John Affleck park in Ogden by downing the Davis Comets, 4 to 3, in the championship game. Honeyville defeated the Salt Lake Bussei in the consolation round. Honeyville also won the junior tournament by defeating the Salt Lake Bussei, 9 to 7.

Konno Places 3rd As Furuhashi Betters Record

KURE, Japan — Ford Konno, 17-year old Nisei from Honolulu and the United States' top swimmer in the middle distances, finished third on Aug. 20 as Hironoshin Furuhashi of Japan won the 500-meter freestyle in 5:55.8s, cutting seven-tenths of a second from the world's record.

John Marshall of Australia finished second in 5:57s flat after setting the pace for the first 400 meters of the exhibition.

Konno, who defeated Furuhashi at 800 meters recently in Osaka, was ten meters behind Marshall. This was the first race in which Marshall has beaten Konno since the United States team arrived in Japan for a series of exhibitions early this month.

Yoshizaki Takes Top Honors in Golf Tournament

LOS ANGELES—Min Yoshizaki of this city took first place in the championship flight of the Nisei week golf tourney on Aug. 20 with his card of 70 and a four-handicap for a 66 net. Yoshizaki's score was three below par.

Some 140 golfers teed off at the Fox Hills and Baldwin Hills country clubs for the tournament.

Charles Miyamoto took top honors in the "A" flight with an 82-12-70, while Tom Hatanaka's 79-15-64 was high in the "B" flight.

Winners for the day were: Championship flight: Yoshizaki; Shig Mayekawa, 78-10-68; Beach Morita, 78-8-70; George Ono, 79-9-70; Dick Izuno, 80-10-70; George Shimizu, 79-8-71; Sam Minami, 78-6-72; T. Nakase, 82-10-72; G. Shimazu, 81-8-73; G. Kuramitsu, 83-10-73; H. Hankawa, 80-6-74; Joe Ito and George Omatsu, 84-10-74.

"A" flight: Miyamoto, 82-12-70; Ben Katow, 84-13-71; Tom Tomiyama, 83-11-72; Wilbur Takeguchi, 83-11-72; Bob Fukuhara, 83-11-72; Hide Uba, 86-14-72; Charles Iwashita, 83-11-72; George Nakaji, 87-14-73; K. Osajima, 87-14-73; Tom Sasamoto, 86-12-74; I. Ushio, 86-12-74; and Y. Okamoto, 8-12-74.

"B" flight: Hatanaka; Yas Nakanishi, 84-19-65; John Toya, 81-15-66; Mas Matsumura, 89-23-66; Keiji Taki, 91-24-67; Henry Sasaki, 85-17-68; Don Mitani, 84-16-68; Robin Nakabayashi, 84-16-68; Tak Kobayashi, 86-18-68; George Matsumoto, 85-16-69; Tosh Mayeda, 85-16-69; Henry Inouye, 86-17-69; and Jack Horikawa, 89-20-69.

Youngster Wins Fish Derby With 23-pound Salmon

SEATTLE, Wash. — Eight-year-old Bryan Urakawa came through with a 23-pound king salmon to take first place in the Seafair salmon derby for fathers, sons and daughters on Aug. 19.

He was aided somewhat in his efforts by his father, Shigeo Urakawa, but parental aid is permitted under derby rules.

"Bryan had his line caught on a snag when our big one struck on my line," Urakawa said.

Bryan, along with the next three winners, got a bicycle for his winning efforts.

French Camp JACL Sponsors Booth in Stockton Fair

FRENCH CAMP, Calif.—A feature exhibit of the San Joaquin county fair, being held this week in Stockton, is the Oriental tea garden sponsored by the French Camp JACL.

The exhibit, which opened Aug. 19, is under the supervision of Harry Itaya, long-time expert in fair display work.

The garden is colorfully decorated with delicate Japanese lanterns. Girls dressed in beautiful kimonos serve fried shrimps, tea and cakes. Japanese music adds to the Oriental atmosphere.

Others helping with the display are John Fujiki, assistant manager; Bob Takahashi, business manager; and Yoshiko Takahashi and Kay Nojiri, personnel managers.

Yonamine Takes Over Fifth Place in Pioneer Bat Race

Single by Nisei Star Accounts for Only Win on Road

Wally Yonamine, fleet center-fielder for the Salt Lake Bees, took over fifth place in the Pioneer League batting race this week as he raised his average to .338 as the Bees played Billings and Great Falls in Montana.

A single by Yonamine with two men on base and two out brought in what proved to be the winning run as the Bees salvaged a 2 to 1 victory over Great Falls on Aug. 22 out of what was a disastrous road trip.

The Bees returned on Aug. 25 to Derks Field in Salt Lake City, where they have been playing better than .500 ball throughout the season, after dropping three straight to Billings and two to Great Falls.

Yonamine, whose fancy fielding robbed Billings and Great Falls batters of several hits during the week, was the only member of the Bees to maintain a steady batting pace on the road.

The Nisei star got his third home run of the season on Aug. 21 as they lost a 5 to 4 game in the tenth inning. He also clouted a double and a single and drew two walks for a perfect evening.

The Bees' leadoff batter also stole two bases during the week, raising his total to 25 for the season. He is now second only to Eddie Moore of Billings in hits and runs. His totals for the season are: Games, 107; At bat, 429; runs, 106; hits, 145; total bases, 191; 2b, 20; 3b, 9; home runs, 3; sacrifices, 4; stolen bases, 25; runs batted in, 48; and averages, .338.

Honolulu All-Stars Win Opening Game in Wichita Tourney

WICHITA, Kans.—The Honolulu All-Stars won their first round game in the National Baseball Congress tournament, 12 to 0, against Jefferson town, Ky., on Aug. 23 behind the no-hit hurling of Ed Correa.

The game was halted after five innings—under tournament rules because of the lead amassed by the Hawaiians.

Dr. Wilfred Hiura Makes "Hole-in-One" On Coast Course

SAN FRANCISCO—Dr. Wilfred Hiura, local optometrist, scored a "hole-in-one" on Aug. 20 on the 194-yard eighth hole at Harding Park.

Dr. Hiura used a No. 3 wood for the ace.

He was playing in a foursome with his brother, Dr. Pearce Hiura, and Dr. Ernie Takahashi and Dr. Kay Takeoka.

The "ace" was the first registered by a Nisei on a San Francisco course since the war.

Three Ex-GIs Open Factory For Potato Chips in Japan

TOKYO—Three American army veterans, including two Nisei, recently introduced the potato chip to Japan.

The three exservicemen have set up the first licensed potato chip plant in the Kudan district of Tokyo, using American machinery.

The three Americans, Albert O. Nakazawa of Cincinnati, Henry Shimojima of Chicago and E. A. Wanamaker, Jr., of Seattle, conceived the idea of a potato chip factory last year after having completed service in the U.S. Army and their contracts as Department of Army civilians. They received a license in Jan., 1950 to produce the potato chips.

The plant, which has a capacity of 600 pounds a day, uses California potatoes and American vegetable oil. Plans now are under way to open new plants in other parts of Japan to supply occupation and foreign personnel.

The chips are packaged in colorful red, white and blue containers which read "American potato chips."

HONOLULU POST NINE WINS, LOSES IN LEGION PLAY

YAKIMA, Wash.—The Kau Tom Post team of Honolulu lost to Lewiston, Ida., 20 to 3, on Aug. 21 in the second round of the American Legion regional junior baseball tournament.

It was the double elimination tourney's first defeat for the Hawaiians. Edward Suekawa was the losing pitcher.

Francis Kubo, ace hurler for the Hawaiian nine, pitched the le lads to a 9 to 3 victory over Billings, Mont., in the first round. Akamine caught for the winners.

Hirayama Plays For Californians In Wichita Meet

WICHITA, Kan.—Fibber Hirayama, versatile catcher-pitcher-outfielder and batting champion of the California Collegiate Athletic Association for 1950 with a .437 average, is the only mainland Nisei player in the National Baseball Congress tournament now under way in Wichita.

Hirayama was asked to join the Santa Maria, Calif., team which won the non-professional championship of California recently and represents the Golden State in the annual national tournament.

Hirayama played in the California semi-pro championships as a member of the Merced Bears. He also plays for the Fresno Nisei All-Stars and for Dinuba in the Raisin Belt League.

Four Nisei are members of the Hawaiian All-Stars who are entered in the Wichita tournament. They are Pitchers Bill Nishita and Doug Matsuoka and Infielders Jimmy Wasa and Dick Kashiwada.

The winning team at the Wichita meet will represent the United States in an international series against the Japanese non-professional champions which starts in Tokyo on Sept. 9. A fund of \$15,000 has been raised to pay the expenses of the American team.

Plan League Play

CHICAGO — The men's division of the South Side JACL bowling league is scheduled to start play at 8 p.m. on Sept. 6 and the mixed league on Sept. 10 at the Hyde Park alleys.

All teams expecting to enter either of the winter leagues are being asked to contact James Kozuma or Jun Oishi or to leave their names at Hyde Park Recreation.

Wins Deportation Stay

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A Japanese, Hanako Yamaguchi, is included in a Senate-approved list of aliens granted stays of deportation which the House on Aug. 21 also approved, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee has been informed.

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Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. James Kubota a girl, Deborah Ritsuko, on Aug. 13 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiro Takeuchi a boy, Harold, on Aug. 7 in Portland, Ore.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Tokuda a girl on Aug. 15 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Cosma Sakamoto, Loomis, Calif., a boy on Aug. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. David (Taxi) Hironaka a girl, Marcia Lynne, on July 22 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeru Toriumi, Redwood City, Calif., a boy, Ernest Minoru, on July 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Dentaro Sujushi a boy on Aug. 13 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hiromi Oshida, Gilroy, Calif., a girl, Janet Mae, on July 17.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masumi Toyotome a girl, Joy Meiko, on Aug. 2 in New York City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Okubo a girl, Kristine, on July 31 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sadao Inabu a girl, Leslie Sano, on Aug. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Minoru Igawa, West Los Angeles, a girl, Patricia Yoko, on Aug. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Akiyoshi Kawahara, Gardena, Calif., a boy, Robert Kazuo, on Aug. 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kaname Matsuno a girl, Frances Takuko, on Aug. 7 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Yamao Nishizu a boy, Steven Wesley, on Aug. 8 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wataru Charles Sakamoto, Saugus, Calif., a girl, Tadayo, on Aug. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sakae Kubo a boy, Wesley Sakae, on Aug. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Matsu-mura a boy, Henry Akinobu, on Aug. 1 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Iwao Masaoka a girl, Anne Christine, on July 30 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoji Sato a girl, Nancy Mariko, on July 31 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tsutomu Matoi, Dinuba, Calif., a boy on July 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeto Miura a boy on Aug. 8 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Taichi Takagi a boy on Aug. 11 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jun Sunahara a boy on Aug. 13 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shozo Iwamura a boy on July 27 in Stockton, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Okubo a girl on Aug. 21 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Kido, Sandy, Utah, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sakae Nitta a boy on Aug. 18 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. James T. Yokoyama a girl on Aug. 3 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Teruo G. Tsuruoka twins, a boy and girl, on July 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. George S. Fukuyama, Sanger, Calif., a boy on July 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Dick Murata, Clearfield, Utah, a girl on July 31.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Ray Takeyama a girl, Dana, on July 26 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Takahashi, West Los Angeles, a girl, Nancy Masami, on Aug. 2.

To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Noriyoshi Tatsuno a boy, Brian Nobuo, on Aug. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Robert Suda a girl, Pamela Reiko, on Aug. 8 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tsunoda a boy, Gregory Alan, on Aug. 6 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Kazuo Yamagata, Long Beach, Calif., a girl, Beverly Yoshiko, on Aug. 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Koichi Inouye a girl, Arlene Gale, on Aug. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Minoru Fukumoto, Montebello, Calif., a boy, Stephen Kiyoshi, on Aug. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Osamu Ito a boy, Lance Allan, on Aug. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Kawazoye a boy, Brian Yoshiharu, on Aug. 1 in Los Angeles.

DEATHS

K. Otaqi, 62, on Aug. 15 in Chicago.

Umanosuke Sumita, 68, Renton, Wash., on Aug. 12.

Shigezo Nishida on Aug. 15 in Los Angeles.

Yonezo Sawasaki on Aug. 16 in San Diego.

Tatsuhiko Honda, 62, on Aug. 20 in Fresno.

Yoshio Sakamoto, 50, on Aug. 19 in Selma, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Mary Shiohara to Henry Tomizawa on Aug. 20 in Chicago.

Tamaye Ito of Venice to Yoshiharu Mizutani of Thermal, Calif., on Aug. 19 in Los Angeles.

Masami Moriwaki, Oxnard, Calif., to Mitsuru Azeka on Aug. 20 in Los Angeles.

Mitsume Taniguchi, Stockton, Calif., to Masato Onishi on Aug. 20 in Los Angeles.

Irene Yaeko Takeshita to James Goro Miyasaka on Aug. 20 in Los Angeles.

Satomi Koga to Tadashi Ishida on Aug. 20 in San Francisco.

Frances Haruko Sawai to Iseo Nakano on Aug. 12 in Los Angeles.

May Elaine Mano to George Akiyoshi on Aug. 13 in Los Angeles.

Harumi Morimune to Tom Murakami on Aug. 12 in Watsonville, Calif.

Sumiko Sasaki of San Jose to Shigeto Miyake on Aug. 20 in Fresno.

Kimi Yano to Masao (Lefty) Nishijima on Aug. 21 in Fresno.

Margaret K. Hasegawa, Honolulu, to John K. Pidcock, Cheyenne, Wyo., on Aug. 19 in Grand Junction, Colo.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Judy H. Omura, 27, and Fred K. Suto, 29, in Seattle.

Kimiye Yano, 27, and Masao Nishijima, 33, in Fresno.

Akiko Fukuhara, 23, and Masamichi Tan, 25, both of Richmond, Calif., in Oakland.

Nobuko Iida, 22, Atherton, Calif., and Masayuki Sera, 27, Los Altos, in San Jose.

May Yasutake and Yoshikazu Yamada in Chicago.

Ikuko Takano, 21, Alameda, and Shiro Takeshita, 28, in San Francisco.

Mary Kanazawa, 23, and Donald Negi, 27, in San Francisco.

Tsuneyo Shimizu, San Mateo, and Motoaki Sakaguchi in San Francisco.

Wins Key

Ruby Fujioki, 118 So. 2nd East, Salt Lake City is one of nine University of Utah seniors who will receive Phi Beta Kappa keys Wednesday, Aug. 30.

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Plan Documentation of JACL Parley



Highlights of the National JACL's eleventh biennial convention which starts in Chicago on Sept 28 will be preserved via tape recordings and motion pictures and still photos. The Documentation Committee of the JACL convention, headed by George Hiura, will be in charge of making tape recordings of speeches of such personalities as Secretary of Interior Oscar Chapman, Senator Scott Lucas, Congressman Francis Walter and Walter Judd, Mike M. Masaoka and others, as well as of such ceremonies as the presentation of the JACL Distinguished Leadership Awards and the panel discussions. The recordings will be made available to JACL chapters.

A documentary motion picture is being pre-

pared and will be filmed by Ken Mazawa with the cooperation of the convention's Public Relations Committee and the JACL's Midwest regional office.

The Album, designated as the official convention photographer, will cover various activities and will also take shots requested by individual delegates.

In the above photo members of the Documentation Committee are discussing plans for making the tape and film record of the convention.

Members of the committee are (l. to r.) Vincent Tajiri, Ken Mazawa, Mari Sabusawa, George Hiura, James Nishimura, Dr. Randolph Sakada and Richard Akagi.—Album studio photo.

Dr. Sakada Named Candidate For JACL Recognition Award

CHICAGO — Dr. Randolph M. Sakada was named as a candidate for a Distinguished Leadership Award, the JACL National Recognition Committee, announced this week.

The recipients of the Distinguished Leadership Awards will be made known at the convention banquet of the eleventh biennial National JACL convention in Chicago.

The nomination citing Dr. Randolph M. Sakada is as follows:

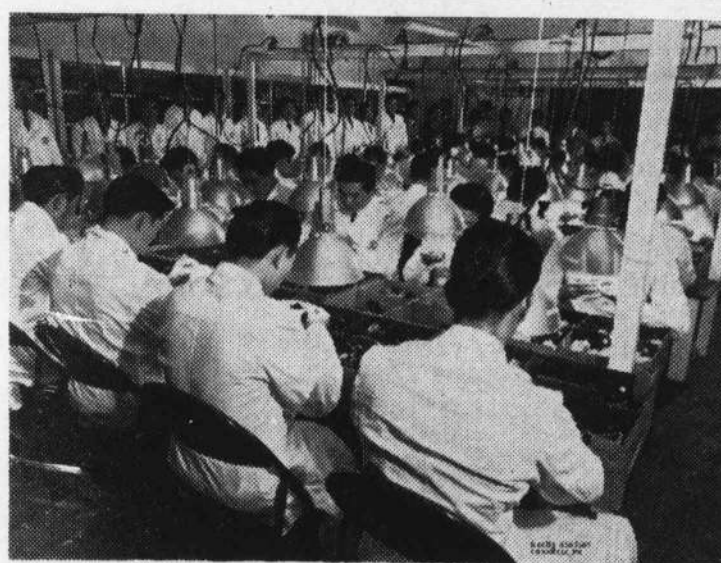
"Long prominent before the war in the Northern California circles, he served the JACL in varying capacities as president of the Oakland chapter, official delegate to the 1936 National JACL Convention in Seattle and 2nd vice president of the Northern California District Council in 1937. During this period he acted as the chairman of the national pin committee and was the designer of the present JACL pin.

"Upon moving to Chicago his vigorous back-of-the-season leadership in the then newly established Chicago chapter contributed greatly toward strengthening the chapter's organizational structure. As chairman of the National Convention Board planning the forthcom-

ing 11th biennial National JACL convention, he has at a heavy sacrifice of time, money, and energy, borne the brunt of working out the multiple and complex details of convention programming. His able coordination of the work of the more than thirty convention committees is ample indication of his

managerial competence and leadership ability.

"Along with his strenuous JACL schedule, his pioneering participation, as attested by his membership in the Masonic Order and the Lions Club, has done much to secure favorable community hearing on problems faced by the Issei and Nisei. He exemplifies in his person the spirit of the hard working Nisei leaders who have placed the total interests of the Japanese American community above their own."



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New GI Brides Act Will Permit Entry of Ineligible Alien Wives

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Exactly who will be affected by the Soldier Brides Bill?

In an effort to answer this question, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week checked with interested government agencies. What it discovered is not the final word, but indicates substantially the bill's legal application.

And what it found was this: The bill will admit as nonquota immigrants the spouses and unmarried minor children of servicemen or veterans who served in, or have an honorable discharge from the armed forces during World War II.

Now normally legislation dealing with World War II also specifies the time period of the war for administrative purposes. Because the Soldier Brides Bill mentions no specific period of time this means the legal definition of World War II will be used.

Legally, World War II has not ended. Thus, any servicemen or veteran who has seen active duty since Dec. 7, 1941, including the newest recruits, will be eligible to bring home Asiatic spouses.

The bill waives no immigration provisions except race and quota limitations. Spouses, then, must meet all other immigration standards, such as mental and physical health.

And what is a spouse? It is not enough to identify one as a legal husband or wife. A finer definition is necessary where the bill is concerned.

When he urged passage of the measure, Sen. McCarran, (D., Nev.), said its most immediate effect would be to admit some 700 Japanese spouses and unmarried minor children now in Japan. He was referring to spouses recognized by the army of occupation.

It is known, however, that some GIs "eloped" without benefit of army approval. Some were wed in religious ceremonies. Others managed to marry under Japanese civil law. Are these brides admissible?

The best information at the moment is this:

If the army in Japan recognized the marriage as legal, a spouse is a spouse. If the marriage occurred without army approval, it may or may not be legal depending upon the type of marriage. The Immigration and Naturalization Service probably will rule upon each such "elopement" individually, and much will depend upon proof of marriage that the American applicant is able to provide.

How about proxy marriages? Immigration laws do not accept a proxy spouse as a legal spouse, and immigration laws govern the admission of GI brides.

Stepchildren and adopted children? It is doubtful they will be considered admissible under the Soldier Brides Bill. Private laws will be necessary to bring them in.

Nor does the bill cover fiancées. They too will be admitted only by private law.

Now for the \$64 question. How does a serviceman or veteran get a bride or child into this country under the new law?

Action must be initiated by the American spouse.

In this country he must apply to the Immigration and Naturalization Service for what is known technically as Form I-133. This form will require the applicant to:

- 1) Establish his citizenship;
- 2) Prove his service status, and

- 3) Provide legal proof of marriage.

The Service then will start action to grant the wife or children visas to enter the United States.

If an applicant is living in a foreign country, he may apply for a form I-133 through the American consular offices.

Once a visa is granted, bringing home the bride is left to the husband.

Certain sections of the Immigration Act of 1923 are particularly significant where Soldier brides are concerned, because these are immigration regulations which cover the admission of alien immigrants.

Those with a legal bent or a personal desire for more technical knowledge of laws affecting Soldier Brides can check especially Sections b (a), 9, and 28 of the 1924 act.

President Signs New Bill for Nippon Brides

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The President has signed the Soldier Brides bill.

The new law provides for admission into this country of Asiatic spouses or minor children of American servicemen or veterans.

A JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee sponsored measure, the law introduced by Sen. Pat McCarran, (D., Nev.), covers all existing marriages and those which occur within six months from the time the President signed the measure on Aug. 19. Its expiration date is February 19, 1951.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said the new law "will give GIs in Japan and Korea the same right to happiness any American soldier has stationed anywhere else in the world."

He said he was "grateful and pleased" that "Congress has seen fit to eliminate discriminatory racial laws for servicemen in the Orient."

Immediately affected by the measure will be more than 700 Japanese spouses and minor children still in Japan of servicemen and veterans. Most of the servicemen husbands also are in Japan, although a number have returned to the United States since their East-meets-West marriages.

The Soldier Brides Bill eliminates the need for private laws for servicemen to bring Asiatic brides to the United States. It does not, however, apply to fiancées.

Nisei Performers Signed for Parts in "Tokyo File 212"

TOKYO — Several Nisei have been assigned to important roles in the Breakston-MacCown production, "Tokyo File 212" which is now being filmed here.

The film has been in production in and around Tokyo for the past month and features Florence Marly and Robert Payton.

June Reiko Otani of Tacoma, Wash., has the role of Namiko in the film while Katsuhiko Haida, Hawaiian-born crooner, will appear as Tanaka, a former Kamikaze pilot. Don Tetsu Nakamura is

Nisei to Give Farewell Recital In Salt Lake

Lily Nakai, pianist, will be presented in a farewell recital Sept. 4 by her instructor, Florence Liliendahl, in the 18th ward chapel in Salt Lake City.

The young Nisei is scheduled to leave Sept. 5 for Boston, where she will attend the New England conservatory. She was awarded a scholarship to the conservatory last year.

Miss Nakai is originally from Hollywood, where she began her musical studies. She was evacuated to the Amache relocation center, from where she came to Salt Lake City. She graduated from West high school and has been at the University of Utah for the past year.

Two Californians Experiment with Midget Watermelons

DINUBA, Calif.—Two Japanese American farmers are experimenting with the new midget watermelons, the size of a canteloupe, for the West Coast "luxury market."

A plot of the New Hampshire midgets, recently developed, was planted this year by H. Mayeda and Y. Yamamoto, commercial Klondike growers.

Brothers-in-law and partners, they produced only 100 melons on the few vines planted but next year may expand the venture and bid for Los Angeles and San Francisco premium markets.

The midgets weigh three to four pounds and are described as sweet, juicy and flavorful. They have a thin rind and when fully ripe the flesh is a deep red, with the seeds black. But they may always remain a "luxury item," according to Mayeda. Because of the thin skin they must be well packed and are thus costly to ship. Also they must be picked at the right time to be at their best.

Secretary Wanted

LOS ANGELES — Applications for the position of JACL office secretary will be accepted immediately by the Southern California regional office.

The job includes stenographic and typing work and public contact work, especially in connection with Issei problems and organization matters. Speaking ability in Japanese is desirable.

The present secretary, Mrs. Haruo Ishimaru, will leave her position after almost two years to take a position near UCLA in the Westwood area where her husband, the Rev. Haruo Ishimaru of the Union church, will be enrolled in the graduate division.

Lieut. Hachiya's Predicament: Korean War May Keep Nisei Officer from Japan Sweetheart

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Lt. Kiyoshi G. Hachiya, San Francisco, should be a happy man.

Two weeks ago the President signed a private law for the young lieutenant to admit his Japanese fiancée, Chiyoko Yano, into the United States.

The lieutenant, however, is far from happy.

His private bill specified that he must marry Miss Yano within three months in order for her to remain in this country. And today, Lt. Hachiya is somewhere in Korea with Headquarters, 25th Division. His fiancée still is in Japan.

About the time Congress was considering Lt. Hachiya's bill, the three-month provision was perfectly satisfactory to the army officer, then stationed in Japan, and his intended.

If the bill became law before he

returned to the United States, he could marry her in Japan. If he returned to this country before it became law, his fiancée still would have been eligible to immigrate here and then they could marry.

That, of course, was before

Korea.

As Lt. Hachiya said in a recent letter:

"I am presently in Korea. I must marry my fiancée within three months. I do not know what the situation will be three months from now. However, I fear that I will be in Korea for some months to come. Does this mean that my fiancée will not be able to enter the United States if I cannot marry her?"

A check today by the JACL anti-Discrimination Committee revealed that Lt. Hachiya's worst fears are, sadly, true.

Unless he can get to Miss Yano and marry her within three months his private law will, in the language of the government, "become inoperable."

The Immigration and Naturalization Service suggested that Lt. Hachiya might get a weekend furlough from his outfit in Korea, return to Japan and marry his sweetheart before his bill expires. The army, though, is not noted for its lenience in giving troops in a combat zone furloughs for such personal business.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said, however, Lt. Hachiya's future is not as bleak as it probably appears to him at this particular moment.

The President has signed a new Soldier Brides bill which will permit Asiatic spouses of American servicemen to enter the United States without the need of private laws—if the marriage occurs prior to Feb. 19, 1951.

That, of course, gives Lt. Hachiya three months longer than his own private bill did in which he might be able to get back to Japan and marry Miss Yano.

All he needs now is to wangle that weekend furlough sometime within the next half year. The JACL ADC is attempting to reach the lieutenant in Korea now with this information.

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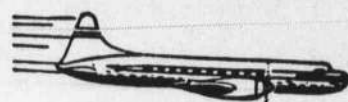
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