

Hope Fades for Passage of Walter Measure

Report Chicago University Press Director Loses Post Over Book About Evacuation

Couch Lays Dismissal to Refusal to Hold Up Publication of "Americans Betrayed" at Request of University of California Officials

CHICAGO—William T. Couch, director of the University of Chicago Press, said last week he had been dismissed from his job for refusing a University of California request to hold up publication of a book about the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the Pacific coast in 1942.

Chicago university officials, while acknowledging the fact that the University of California had requested that the book not be published, expressed doubt that it affected Couch's job.

The controversy centered over "Americans Betrayed," a book by Morton Grodzins which describes the political and economic pressures behind the mass evacuation in which more than 110,000 Japanese Americans were involved in 1942.

Grodzins, now assistant professor of political science at the University of Chicago, worked as a research assistant on the Japanese American wartime relocation problem at the University of California from 1942 to 1945 and later used the same material for his doctor of philosophy thesis.

Couch, one of the nation's outstanding figures in university publishing, was dismissed from his post last month. Neither Chancellor Robert M. Hutchins or the university made a public statement of the reason why Couch was fired. James A. Cunningham, vice-president of the school, said the reasons were "private."

The Publisher's Weekly, national book trade journal, carried a notice indicating the belief of leaders in the profession that the issue of academic freedom was involved in the dismissal of Couch.

It was reported here that the University of Chicago was asked not to publish the book at the time it was considering its publication. The request from the University of California was based on the ground that Grodzins had no proprietary right to the material he had gathered while working with the Evacuation and Resettlement Study headed by Dr. Dorothy Thomas at the University of California.

Grodzins reportedly countered with the charge that he had entered the California research project with the understanding that he would write his Ph.D. thesis with the material.

In the ensuing controversy, legal opinions substantiated the position taken by the University of Chicago Press through its director (Continued on page 8)

Aiken Doubts Book Involved In Couch Ouster

BERKELEY, Calif.—The present director of the University of California's Evacuation and Resettlement Study of Japanese Americans expressed doubt this week that the publication of "Americans Betrayed" by Morton Grodzins had anything to do with the dismissal of William T. Couch as director of the University of Chicago Press.

Professor Charles Aiken said the University of California "objected to the publication of Grodzins' book because the material in it was not his, but that of a larger privately endowed study which faculty members are still preparing for publication."

"We certainly requested Chicago not to publish this book," he added. "It was published, however, but so long before Couch's dismissal that I doubt that the book's publication could have been the cause."

The UC study has produced one book to date, "The Spoilage," a study of renunciants at the Tule Lake segregation center by Dorothy Thomas and Richard Nishimoto. A second book, "The Salvage," a study of evacuees in Chicago and other resettlement areas was scheduled for publication by the University of California Press in 1949 but had not appeared to date.

Wins Silver Star

TOKYO—The Army's Silver Star for heroism in action in Korea has been awarded to Pfc. Takeshi Fujita of Kauai, T. H.

Pfc. Fujita is now listed as missing in action.

Report Nisei GI May Be One Of Massacred War Prisoners

LOS ANGELES—The grim tale of an American paratroop outfit that came upon the massacred bodies of 75 American POWs near Suncheon is told by Cpl. Oliver T. Ginoza in a letter to the family of Sgt. Robert M. Shindo, listed as missing in action in Korea, in the Rafu Shimpo.

Cpl. Ginoza, intelligence NCO with the 7th army, was with combat paratroopers that jumped near Suncheon on Oct. 20 in the recapture of that city.

"While we dropped by parachute on the 20th at 2:20 p.m., Robert was still alive with 100 other American prisoners of war," Cpl. Ginoza's letter said.

He said that interrogation of North Korean prisoners disclosed the Americans were held prisoner five miles north of the city.

"After capturing Suncheon about 7:20 p.m., I talked to Gen. Kim into sending his men to the tunnel, the location that was given as the reported area of American POWs.

"On the morning of the 21st, the intelligence and reconnaissance men of the 7th ROK regiment of the 6th division found 75 men shot in cold blood, massacred by 14 North Korean guards. They all escaped to the mountains after shooting our innocent U.S. prisoners of war," Cpl. Ginoza said.

The majority of the Americans had been captured between July 31 and Aug. 20 and rescue operations began in late October when Gen. MacArthur sent more than 4,000 paratroopers from Kimpo airfield to cut off fleeing North Korean forces north of Pyongyang.

"A mass burial ceremony took place on the 22nd about 2:30 p.m. near the scene of the massacre tunnel area overlooking the hill side and valley north of Suncheon," Cpl. Ginoza said.

His letter enclosed personal effects of the one-time Presidio of Monterey language school student who rejoined the service after his stint in World War II, the Rafu Shimpo said.

Nominate First Nisei Navy Pilot For Commission

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Joe L. Akagi, 22, a native of Texas, has been nominated to be a naval aviation ensign and is believed to be the first Nisei ever commissioned as a pilot in the navy, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported last week.

Akagi is attached to the navy's Pacific fleet. Naval public information in Washington said he was transferred to San Diego in October after completing flight training at Pensacola, Fla.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Torata Akagi of Sheldon, Tex. He was graduated from Jefferson Davis high school in Sheldon and attended Texas A & M for two years where he was a member of the Navy Reserve Officers Training Corps.

Report Nisei Killed, Three Hurt in Korea

WASHINGTON, D.C. — One Nisei GI was reported killed in action in Korea and three others were reported wounded in casualties announced during the past week by the Defense Department.

Killed in Action

Pvt. Seiso Nakama, brother of Mrs. Marie Munk, 6 South 6th St., Fulton, N. Y. (Previously reported missing in action.)

Wounded in Action

Cpl. Roy S. Shiraga, son of Mrs. Komachi Shiraga, 418 West Trent Alley, Spokane, Wash.

Sgt. Harry Hitoshi Yoshioka, brother of Miss Midori Yoshioka, Sprecklesville, Maui, T. H.

First Lieut. William S. Oda, husband of Mrs. Esther R. Oda, 986 South Kenmore St., Los Angeles.

NISEI SERGEANT KILLED IN JAPAN WHILE HUNTING

TOKYO—Sgt. Yukio Hashimoto, 29, of Analehu, Kauai, T.H., was fatally wounded recently in a hunting accident in Mikune, Fukui prefecture.

Sgt. Hashimoto was shot when another member of the hunting party stumbled, accidentally discharging his shotgun. The charge entered Sgt. Hashimoto's back and he died a few hours later.

An investigation of the accident is now under way by occupation authorities.

The GI is survived by a sister, Grace, in Tokyo and by his parents in Analehu.

Passes State Bar

SANTA PAULA, Calif.—Nagao Fujita of Santa Paula was among more than 500 persons who were notified last week that they had passed the California State Bar examination which was given last October.

Name Nisei Veteran As Court Bailiff

HONOLULU—Roy T. Hatakenaka, 30, a veteran of the 100th Infantry Battalion, was appointed as bailiff of the second division of the U.S. Circuit Court in Hawaii recently upon the recommendation of Judge Chuch Mau.

The five other circuit court justices concurred with Judge Mau's recommendation of Hatakenaka.

See Little Chance of Senate Action on House-Passed Bill Before End of Special Session

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Virtually all chances for passage of the Walter Naturalization bill this special session ended when the Senate adjourned last Friday afternoon until Jan. 2, Mike Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, declared on Dec. 27.

Congress was originally expected to consider extension of the President's war power last week, but when Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., Ohio), chairman of the Republican Policy Committee, objected to its consideration until the new 82nd Congress convenes on Jan. 3, the Senate decided to adjourn until Jan. 2.

Taken meetings, however, will be held on Tuesday and Friday in accordance with the Senate rules that require sessions to be held at least every three days. During these taken meetings no business will be conducted. The President pro tempore will simply call the meetings to order and then automatically recess them as provided in the Senate agreement.

On Jan. 2nd, when the Senate is scheduled to hold its final executive session of the 81st Congress, last Friday's agreement between the Democrats and Republicans will limit consideration only to conference reports on a tax bill, supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year, and civilian defense.

"Only if the Senate finds time next Tuesday to consider its regular calendar will it be possible to have the Walter naturalization bill considered before the new Congress meets," Masaoka said. "Even then, unless we can find some way in which to persuade Senator Russell to withdraw his objections to the bill, equality in naturalization for our parents will be postponed at least until the new Congress meets," he added.

On three previous occasions, the last on Dec. 15, Senator Richard B. Russell (D., Ga.), objected to passage of the Walter Naturalization bill on the unanimous consent calendar. Although he declared

that the reason for his objection is his fear that treaty merchants and others in this country on a temporary basis would be allowed to become naturalized citizens under this legislation, veteran Senate observers believe that the Georgia senator's real objections are founded on his traditional and well-known antagonism to civil rights and racial equality measures. Senator Russell, as the acknowledged leader of the Dixiecrats in Congress, could be expected to object to any civil rights bill which has the President's endorsement, these observers say.

"Every effort will be made to have this naturalization bill considered and passed next Tuesday," Masaoka announced, "but the chances are very much against us. If Senators Lucas and McCarran will really demonstrate some leadership in this matter, we might have a chance. If they do not, our chances are practically nil, for the Senate will try to resist any attempt to add to the agenda on that final day for fear of opening the flood gates that have been bottling up hundreds of other bills still pending on the Senate calendar."

If the naturalization bill is not acted upon next Tuesday, it will have to be re-introduced next session in the new 82nd Congress, where it must be approved by both the House and Senate before it can go to the President for his signature.

Urge MGM to Hold Premieres Of 442nd Film in Two Cities

Washington, Honolulu Showings Suggested By Mike Masaoka

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer this week was urged to hold simultaneous world premieres of the motion picture "Go for Broke," a story of the Nisei GIs of the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team, in Honolulu and Washington, D.C.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, in letters to Dore Schary, MGM vice president in charge of production, and Robert Pirosh, writer-director of the film, wrote:

"I feel that both cities would be ideal for premieres, Honolulu because so many of the 442nd men came from Hawaii and the regiment is very close to the people of the territory, and Washington because the motion picture is a brilliant lesson in democracy, and where but in the nation's capital should such a film have its first showing?"

Mr. Masaoka said he knows the people of Hawaii are anxious to have a premiere of the film there, and have been conducting a campaign to have this first showing in Honolulu.

About half the men of the 442nd were Hawaiians, Mr. Masaoka said. Today the 442nd Regiment, Reserve, is located in Hawaii. In addition, most of the featured Nisei actors in the film are actually 442nd veterans from Hawaii.

Thus is probably the first film ever made which features so many Hawaiian actors.

"I feel that every effort should be made to have a premiere showing in the islands.

"Of course, because so many men of the 442nd were also from the mainland, there is naturally a tremendous pride in the outfit among the people in the states. Thus, I feel it entirely appropriate to have the premieres in both places.

"As I said, the film is a tremendous lesson in democracy. It portrays the Nisei as they really were, men who love and live and die the same as any other Americans.

"It would be magnificent if a premiere of the film were held in Washington, especially where so many Congressmen and high government officials would see, as it really was, the true picture of the 442nd and the men who made it up.

"A premiere in this city would have a salutary effect, too, upon those leaders of our nation in whose hands the future of Hawaii must lie," he added.

No date has yet been announced for release of the film.

Only the most general details of the story have been announced.

The feature film stars Van Johnson and his experiences with a platoon of GIs from training through combat. The climax of the story is the bitter fight of the 442nd in its rescue of the "Lost Texas Battalion."

Mr. Masaoka, who worked on the film as a special consultant, said the story parallels closely the historical facts of the 442nd.

Slow Speed Ahead: Red Tape Frustrates Hope Of Speeding Adjudication Of Claims for Evacuee Losses

(The author of this article has been in close contact with the Justice Department's adjudication of claims of Japanese American evacuees for losses sustained in the mass evacuation of 1942.)

Los Angeles

"Too much talk... Too much paper... No good... Need one man... Sign check," an old impatient Issei man was reported to have said after he had a three hour hearing and had filled in numerous governmental forms while having his evacuation claim processed.

To the layman there does seem to be an over emphasis on "red tape" by the governmental officials in charge of the evacuation claims program. It is difficult for him to see what a tremendous undertaking the evacuation claims program is. Even the experts such as Dillon Myer, former War Relocation Authority head, did not fully comprehend the scope of losses which the Japanese bore at the time of evacuation. Myer stated before a Congressional Committee that the losses of the Japanese were approximately \$10 million dollars. Even though an expert he missed the total by better than \$100 million dollars.

It can now be reported there were 24,409 claims filed under the act. These claims totaled \$131,949,176.68. Claims were received by the Department of Justice from every state in the Union except Maine, Rhode Island, South Carolina and Tennessee. The leading states on the number of claims filed were: California, 16,578; Washington, 1,807; Illinois, 1,172; Oregon, 698; Colorado, 541; Utah, 426; New York, 300; Ohio, 247; New Jersey, 225; Michigan, 189; Idaho, 178; and other states ranging from one claim to 150. Aside from the states were 33 claims from Alaska, 43 from the District of Columbia, 601 claims from Hawaii, one from Formosa and 46 from Japan.

From these statistics we can deduce that almost every family who was evacuated in 1942 filed for their losses. Actually from these figures it can be said that the ascertaining of the losses incurred and proper adjudication of these evacuation claims are as great or even a greater administrative project than the evacuation itself.

Of the 24,409 claims filed under the act some 720 either stated no definite amounts or were alternative claims for same losses filed by another member of the family. Those 720 claims should be disregarded for statistical purposes. The aggregate amount claimed in the remaining 23,689 claims comes to \$131,949,176.68.

Of these 2,413 asked for amounts less than \$500; 3,385 asked for amounts ranging between \$501 to \$1,000; 8,409 claimed amounts between \$1,001 and \$2,500, and 4,066 claims asked for amounts ranging from \$2,501 to \$5,000. There are 4,630 claims which seek amounts from \$5,001 to \$25,000, 709 claims asking for awards between \$25,000 to \$100,000, and 77 claims asking for amounts over \$100,000.

Over half of the claims were under \$2,500, 75 per cent of the claims are under \$5,000, and 95 per cent of the claims are under \$25,000. The smallest claim was for a boy's tricycle and the largest claim amounted to a little over \$1,000,000.

Even with over \$131 million dollars worth of claims having been filed, it still does not give a complete picture of the amount which the Japanese lost at the time of the evacuation. To some experts if the losses were allowed, the minimum losses of the Japanese would be over \$350 million dollars. The greatness of the amount the Japanese lost in evacuation should be remembered by the officials in charge of the evacuation claims process. If they do, then they may feel more justified in rendering liberal adjudications. Even if the full amount of the value claimed were allowed, it will compensate the Japanese only approximately one third of the losses incurred.

The Japanese American populace have been disgruntled about the way the Department of Justice has handled the Evacuation Claims program, and rightly so. It is a well-known fact that even the Department is not too happy with the progress, if any, that has been made.

Since the enactment of the bill

in July, 1948, about 24,000 claims have been filed. Most of the claimants have received acknowledgement of the receipt of their claims by the Department of Justice. However, even though 12 months have passed since the deadline of Jan. 3, 1950, some of the claimants still have not received notice of receipt of their claims by the Department of Justice.

Since July, 1948, three offices have been organized. They are located in Washington, Los Angeles and San Francisco. There are at the present nine attorneys in the Los Angeles field office, three attorneys in the San Francisco field office and seven attorneys in the Washington office. Ten non-professional workers are working in the field office and 14 more in the Washington office making a total of 24.

The jurisdiction of the Los Angeles office covers the States of Arizona, Territory of Hawaii and the southern section of California. Within this area there are 9,121 claimants. The San Francisco office covers the Northern section of California, and the States of Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming and the Territory of Alaska. There are 10,783 claims from this area.

Although the jurisdiction of the two Western field offices is wide and far flung, they have not processed many claims out of the cities where the offices are located. There seems to be a rule based on a directive from Washington stating that no claims not within the vicinity of their city should be processed.

Since the initiation of the Los Angeles office in July, 1949, and the San Francisco field office in February, 1950, there has been relatively little progress to report. The only published Department of Justice figures available were given by Peyton Ford, assistant attorney general, on May 17, 1950, to the Senate Appropriations Committee. In his letter the Assistant Attorney General was only able to report:

"As of May 10, 1950, 113 claims have been adjudicated or were in the final stages of adjudication after having been reported in from the field office. The average of the amounts claimed in these cases was \$803.62. The average of the amounts allowed or recommended for allowance is \$403.64 or approximately half of the average of the amounts claimed."

The Los Angeles field office after ten months of operation and the San Francisco field office after three months of activity combined could only report 113 cases handled. Actually, 113 "proposed" adjudications were sent to Washington, but this does not mean that those claims were completed. If we were to have counted the finished claims perhaps the figure on May 10, 1950, could not have been more than 50 claims.

Reliable estimates show us that the rate of processing adjudications have not improved materially as time passed. The present rate of adjudications by field attorneys is approximately four claims a month. This simply means that this number of claims is sent on to Washington for review by the Judicial Review officers. From Washington they may be sent back for further study and review. It is not unknown for a claim to be remanded from Washington as many as two or three times. Projecting four claims a month adjudicated a month, with 13 field attorneys in Los Angeles and San Francisco, about 55 claims a month

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Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, national president of the JACL, and Mrs. Sakada are shown at home

with their wire-haired terrier, "Major," in this photo by Shigeto Ken Masawa.

A Message for the New Year

By DR. RANDOPH M. SAKADA
National President, JACL

As confusion again reigns over the world, the New Year has deeper meaning for all of us. Everyone will be thinking and praying for peace so that we might share together the benefits of democracy as we know it in America.

We recognize the critical world situation and the grave danger of World War II. In this state of national emergency, we in the JACL must again help to protect our country and to make those sacrifices necessary to protect the common good.

Not only must we be ready to protect and defend our country, but we must be constantly on the alert to those dangers to our freedoms and basic rights. We must now, more than ever, sup-

port our organization.

The JACL faces an emergency situation. We do not have the necessary money to do even a minimum job. At this point our ADC fund drives and our JACL membership campaign must be speeded up. Our quotas must be met. We must enlist support from all sources.

Let us resolve in 1951 to work for peace by bettering relationships in our own communities. Let us work with enlightened patriotism to establish more securely our democratic ideals with the hope that all men everywhere may enjoy the blessings of this free nation. Let us resolve to give unreserved support to the JACL and ADC during this time of emergency, realizing that the JACL will be as strong as we are strong and we in turn as strong as is the JACL.

Kageyama Case Runs Course, Won Battle to Retain Seat As Supervisor in Honolulu

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—The "Kageyama case" ran its course last week, closing an episode in Communism and politics that began sensationally eight months ago.

Richard M. Kageyama, only Nisei on the seven-man Honolulu city-county board of supervisors, was conceded to have won the battle to retain his seat on the board.

His status as a supervisor had been in jeopardy since last April when he testified before a congressional investigating committee that he had been a Communist party member for ten months in 1947.

All sorts of pressures for his resignation then developed. The 35-year old Nisei, however, tenaciously held on to his city post, to which he was elected two years ago.

Last week, fellow supervisors reversed themselves and "forgave" Kageyama. They rescinded a resolution they had adopted last April asking the Nisei member to resign because of his Communist party admission.

Kageyama defied his colleagues all along, by refusing to resign and by continuing to serve on the city board.

"We have found from our investigation and rulings of high courts and legal minds that there was no basis for the original resolution," Milton D. Beamer, the supervisor who introduced the "forgiveness" resolution said.

It was Beamer who had said last April: "I won't sit on the same board with a Communist or a former Communist."

The rest of the board unanimously joined him in reversing their earlier action.

Mayor John Wilson, too, concurred. "Since no charges have materialized, I think any man in such a position should be cleared," he commented.

A short time ago the territorial supreme court dismissed an impeachment petition on the ground that perjury on an oath has never been ruled as reason for removal

of an elected public official.

Kageyama had taken a government loyalty oath in 1949, swearing he had never belonged to any subversive group.

The territorial grand jury investigated Kageyama for perjury but could not get an indictment, since his own admission before the house unAmerican activities subcommittee could not be used against him. Moreover, those persons whom Kageyama had identified as fellow Communists in his testimony apparently refused to testify before the grand jury, just as they similarly refused before the congressional committee in Honolulu last spring.

A move for a citizens' impeachment also fizzled when the sponsors could not get the signatures of 100 citizens required to initiate such proceedings.

Kageyama's city salary, which had been withheld since his confession of Communist party membership, was paid in a lump sum finally, after some legal bickerings.

Thus, with the "acquittal" rendered by fellow supervisors last week, Kageyama for the first time is "in the clear." But the final victory came late, because his two-year term will expire on Dec. 31 this year.

He did not seek reelection last November.

The end to the "Kageyama case" was given limited play by the Honolulu daily press, in contrast to the sensational build-up

Senate Bill Grants Stay to Three Japanese

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Senate has approved and sent to the House a resolution for the suspension of deportation proceedings against approximately 300 aliens, including three Japanese, the JACL ADC reported last week.

The Japanese were made eligible for stays of deportation under special legislation introduced at the request of the JACL ADC two years ago, for the benefit of Japanese treaty merchants caught in this country by the war.

Those approved by the Senate include: Mihachi (Jack) Enomoto, Sadao Masuko and Masatane Mitani.

The Senate also has approved two House bills for the admission of Japanese fiancées of American servicemen or veterans. One private law will admit Yamaguchi Michiko, Tokyo, and the other Tomoko Yanaya, fiancée of Paul H. Vine, a veteran.

that accompanied his surprise confession last April and subsequent developments.

He said he quit the party because he was "disillusioned."

"Had I known the objectives of communism I would not have become a member," he testified.

"My sole purpose (now) is to help save the territory by telling what I know of the Communist menace in the territory."

Kageyama, however, has not kept his promise. He has remained conspicuously silent about unveiling Communist secrets.

The community apparently feels it has had enough of the "Kageyama case." Not a single editorial or letter to the editor or other public comment followed the action of the supervisors to close the case against Kageyama.

Holds Xmas Party

SACRAMENTO — The Nisei VFW post held their annual Christmas party for children on Dec. 23 at the Japanese Methodist church.

Nisei Missing As Boat Struck By Navy Tug

STOCKTON, Calif. — Masao Okamoto, 23, of Acampo is missing and presumed drowned following a collision on the San Joaquin river near Isleton when the small boat in which he was fishing was struck by a navy tug on Dec. 20.

Two others in the craft, Toru Okamoto, the missing man's brother, and Toshio Masaoka were rescued.

A search was started immediately for the victim's body but no trace was found.

Navy officials said the small boat was struck by one of three tugs towing the transport USS Sanborn from San Francisco to Stockton.

San Franciscans Start Blood Bank

SAN FRANCISCO — The local JACL chapter is starting a blood bank, with one-half of the blood donated by members to go to the Red Cross for Korean war needs and one-half to be used for the needs of the San Francisco Japanese American community.

The first group of members are scheduled to donate their blood on Dec. 30.

Arrangements are being made with the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank.

Imura Named Prexy

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Haruo Imura was elected president of the Alameda JACL at its December meeting.

Mrs. K. Hattori and Dr. Roland Kadonaga were named first and second vice presidents. Other officers will be Ruzzy Maeyama, treas.; Mrs. Haruko Yamashita, rec. secy.; and Tomi Hashimoto, corr. secy.

They will be installed Sunday, Jan. 21.

Boise Elects

Tom Takatori as JACL President

NAMPA, Ida.—Tom Takatori of Parma will serve as 1951 president for the Boise Valley JACL.

Jim Oyama of Caldwell was named 1st vice president at the chapter election held Dec. 12. Kay Inouye of Homedale will serve as 2nd vice president.

Other posts will be filled by Henry Suyehira, treas.; Blanche Kimura, rec. secy.; George Ishihara, official delegate; George Nishitani, alternate; and Mrs. Terry Kawahara, historian.

Long Term in Prison Faces Farm Worker in Knife Slaying

VISALIA, Calif. — Haruo Udo, 30, this week faced a long prison sentence as a result of the knife slaying of a fellow farm worker, Henry H. Stanley, Jr., 22.

Udo, who was educated in Japan, was found guilty of second degree murder last week by a Tulare County Superior court jury after a week's trial.

He will be sentenced by Superior Judge Frederick E. Stone.

The jury of four women and eight men refused the prosecution's demand of a first degree murder verdict and the death penalty. They reached a decision after 7 hours and 35 minutes after receiving the case late in the evening of Dec. 14.

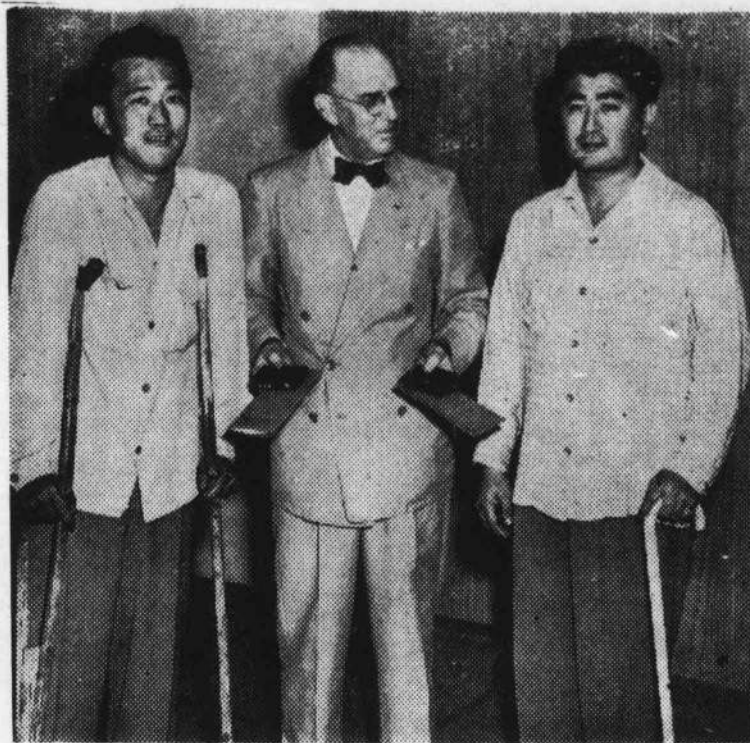
The jury found that Udo stabbed Stanley, a veteran of three years of army service, in an argument over a loan of \$2.10 on Aug. 30 last at a farm labor camp in Dinuba.

Although born in the United States Udo was educated in Japan and speaks little English and gave his testimony in the case through an interpreter.

His attorney, John Maeno of Los Angeles, led Udo through the events which preceded the stabbing. The defense contention was that Udo's mind "was blurred" after he was struck by Stanley.

Speaking through the interpreter, J. S. Yoshida, a Nisei army veteran, Udo said that he "intended to frighten Stanley" with the knife when the two men went outside the cabin to fight.

He testified he had a knife with him because he was returning it to Yutaka Izuahara, another work-



Two Nisei paraplegic veterans of World War II, Mitsuru Fujioka (left) and William Y. Higa (right), both of Honolulu, are shown receiving the keys and titles to their new homes from Palmer S. Gilbertson, loan guaranty officer of the veterans' administration. Financed by federal and territorial funds, the homes were specially designed for their use and are located side by side in a new Honolulu residential district.

—Honolulu Star-Bulletin photo.

Two Nisei Paraplegics Move Into New Homes in Honolulu

Four Nisei Receive Army Bronze Stars

TOKYO — Four Nisei GIs are among army personnel who have been awarded Bronze Star medals in Korea.

Three of those honored were members of the 24th Infantry Division.

Pfc. Ichiro Kawamura, Elelee, was presented with the Bronze Star with a "V" device for combat action. Bronze stars for meritorious achievement in Korea were given to Cpl. William H. Tsurumoto, Sebastopol, Calif., and Sgt. Susumu Higa, Hilo, Hawaii.

The First Cavalry Division announced the award of a Bronze Star with a "V" to Sgt. Yoshido Kato, Pearl City, Oahu, T. H.

Issei Killed

FORT LUPTON, Colo. — A 76-year old Issei, Hidekichi Shimamoto, was killed instantly when he was struck on the highway north of Fort Lupton by a car driven by Leighton Wisecarver, 28, on Dec. 22.

er, and had stopped in the cabin of Takimi Okinaka to cool himself.

He denied he was angry at anybody when he sat down on the bed in the cabin, but said he and Stanley were told to go outside if they wanted to fight. He said that at first he hesitated but followed when Stanley took off his shirt and said "come on."

Udo testified that upon stepping outside the door Stanley "attacked" him and hit him in the left eye. "After he hit my eye," he said, "we separated. Then I noticed Stanley put his hands on his chest. So I thought at that moment I must have killed him, so I walked to my quarters."

Udo denied he intended to use the knife but Attorney Maeno questioned Yoshida's interpretation of a Japanese word as to whether it meant to threaten or frighten. At the suggestion of Judge Stone the question was rephrased and it was determined Udo meant to frighten.

Udo told how he paced the floor of his cabin after the stabbing until the camp manager, Tom Sugamura, came in.

Earlier he testified he "did not take it seriously" when Stanley swore at him in the mess hall, but when he repeated it in Okinaka's cabin, Udo said he asked him why and was told he had been treated to a drink of whiskey by Stanley and had failed to treat in return.

Udo replied he had no money then, but would treat him when he had money. At that time, he testified, he had only \$2.10.

Five defense witnesses were called

HONOLULU — Two Nisei paraplegics — veterans who are paralyzed from the waist down — received gifts of specially built homes last week from the government.

Each house and lot, costing \$20,000, was bought for the World War 2 men out of matched funds from the federal and territorial governments.

William Y. Higa and Mitsuru Fujioka, paralyzed in their legs and lower part of the body because of war wounds, are the first beneficiaries of such gift houses.

A third paraplegic, on Kauai island, will receive his home, cost free also, in January.

The homes for Higa and Fujioka are situated side by side in Aina Haina, a new residential district in Honolulu.

Each is a four bedroom redwood structure specially built with three foot wide doors, exercise rooms, and ramps instead of steps to accommodate wheel chairs.

The homes are fully equipped with the latest in automatic kitchen and laundry appliances. Merchants and architects gave services and equipment at reduced prices.

The territorial legislature in 1949 set aside \$40,000 to match federal funds for the building of homes for paraplegic veterans.

Hawaii is believed to be the only state or territory which has acted in this manner for the benefit of the paraplegics.

ed by Maeno. They were Sugamura, Izuahara, Shiro Harada, K. Sasaki and B. Ando.

Harada testified he saw Udo the day following the knifing and said he had a black eye. Ando described Udo as a "peaceful man."

Yoshida's qualifications as an interpreter was the subject of discussion between Assistant District Attorney Louis LaRoe and Maeno.

Stipulating the ex-GI's qualifications as an interpreter, Maeno said "I know what Mr. LaRose is going to try to develop, and it would prejudice the case."

"This man has figured in several cases and there is no reason why the stipulation cannot stand," he added.

Maeno said the Nisei veteran had served as an interpreter in the Tomoya Kawakita and Mrs. Iv. Toguri d'Aquino "Tokyo Rose" treason trials.

The prosecution called Okinaka, Harada, Sugamura and Dr. E. S. Ruminen, who was present when Stanley died in the Alta hospital 15 minutes after the stabbing, and Sheridan Harris who testified regarding details of construction at the labor camp.

The prosecution sought to establish the fact that Udo and Stanley quarreled over the \$2.10 in wages which Udo had drawn on that day and which Stanley wanted him to use to return the drink he had bought Udo several days before.

JACL Chapters Will Assist Issei Registration Under Law

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Aliens were reminded this week the first annual registration required of them under the McCarran Security Act must be completed between January 1-10, according to the JACL ADC.

At the same time, the JACL announced all chapters of the organization throughout the United States will assist Issei in completing the required registration.

The McCarran Act provides that every alien must report

his current address and certain other information to the Committee of Immigration and Naturalization during the first ten days of January every year.

Parents or guardians of aliens 14 years of age or younger must submit the address report card.

Failure of an alien to report will subject him to a fine of \$100 or six months imprisonment, or both.

Mike Masoaka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said JACL chapters are setting up special committees to assist Issei. The services of these committees will be offered without charge.

Many chapters already have made arrangements to secure the "Address Report Card," form I-53 from local post offices for Issei in their communities. Issei may also secure the forms themselves from any post office.

Mr. Masoaka urged Issei not to confuse the new report forms with any other type of registration card required under previous laws, such as change of address forms or the original registration form of the Nationality Act of 1940.

A. R. Mackey, acting commissioner of immigration and naturalization, said registration is required of all aliens in the United States on Jan. 1, 1951,

except (1) aliens admitted only temporarily who have not overstayed their period of admission, and (2) students whose period of admission has not expired and who have not violated any conditions of their admission.

If an alien has any doubts concerning his status, he should take the precaution of submitting an address report, Mr. Mackey said.

He urged aliens to be especially careful when filing out the forms to include their alien registration number. Aliens who are permanent residents have a number prefixed by the letter "A".

Issei who fill out their own cards should return them to any postal clerk. The clerks will forward the cards to the Immigration and Naturalization Service. The cards are NOT to be mailed.

Issei who go to JACL chapters for assistance are requested to bring with them their 1940 Alien Registration forms. JACL chapters will assist in filling out the cards and will return them to the proper postal officials.

Many JACL chapters will announce locally within the next few days a central location and special hours when chapter members will be available to assist Issei in registering.

Los Angeles JACL Office Will Aid Issei to Register

LOS ANGELES—The JACL will assist the approximately 15,000 Issei in the Los Angeles area to register with the Department of Justice in compliance with the terms of the new Internal Security Act, Tats Kushida, regional JACL ADC director, announced this week.

With the aid of a corps of volunteers from JACL chapters and from clubs affiliated with the Club Service Bureau in Los Angeles, aliens will be able to register at the Miyako Hotel conference room adjoining the regional JACL ADC office from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Jan. 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 9 and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 6. The JACL ADC office also will assist in registration during its regular office hours weekdays from 9 to 5 p.m., except 9 to 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

There will be no charge for the JACL ADC service, Kushida said. It will not be necessary for the registrants to take their cards to the postoffice. The cards will be delivered by JACL ADC, he said.

H. L. Landon of the Immigration and Naturalization Bureau's Office in Los Angeles and William Green of the postoffice department expressed their appreciation to JACL ADC for their cooperation in the registration program.

Under the terms of the new Internal Security Act all aliens must register on Form I-53 between Jan. 1 to Jan. 10.

A new form issued by the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice must be used for this registration. The form is called I-53 and will be available at all post offices from the first of the year.

It was reported that Form I-53 requires the following information: Name, registration number, name under which registered, present address, date of birth, country of nationality, date of signing this form and signature.

Failure to comply with this requirement will subject the Issei or any other alien to a fine of \$100 and/or six months in jail, or both.

It is recalled that JACL chapters participated extensively during the alien registration of 1940.

Will Aid Registrants

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — The Watsonville JACL chapter will aid resident aliens of Japanese ancestry in the Pajaro valley to comply with the registration provisions of the new McCarran Act.

The chapter will open a special office at the Buddhist church on Jan. 4. The office will be open through Monday, Jan. 8.

Chicago Chapter Will Assist Issei During Registration

CHICAGO — The Chicago JACL will assist local Issei in filling out of registration forms in compliance with the new McCarran internal security act.

Registration forms will be available at several places throughout the city and the JACL will assist in filling them out.

The McCarran act requires the registration of all aliens between Jan. 1 and 10.

Locations thus far established for obtaining registration cards are the Chicago Resettlers Committee, 1100 North LaSalle st.; Ellis community center, 4430 South Ellis ave.; the S and I Grocery, 4868 North Sheridan rd.; and the Midwest regional office of the JACL, 189 West Madison st., Room 1008, program.

Forms are also available at all postoffices.

Southern California Chapters Schedule Issei Registration

LOS ANGELES—Three Southern California JACL chapters this week announced individual programs to assist Issei in their respective areas to register under the Internal Security Act between Jan. 1 and Jan. 10.

The Santa Barbara JACL will hold registration on Jan. 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. and on Jan. 7 from 1 to 4 p.m. A team from the chapter also will visit the Dos Pueblos ranch on Jan. 5 at 7:30.

The Orange County JACL has scheduled registration on Jan. 4 and 5 at the Talbert language school.

The Ventura County JACL will assist Issei to register on Jan. 5 and 6 from 7:30 p.m. at the Buddhist church.

Hizi Koyke Returns From Tour of Japan

SAN FRANCISCO—Hizi Koyke, noted soprano, returned to the United States on Dec. 17 on the President Cleveland after a three-month visit to Japan during which time she sang "Madame Butterfly" before Japanese audiences with the Yoshie Fujiwara Opera company. The trip was Miss Koyke's first to Japan in 27 years.

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EDITORIALS:

Behind "Americans Betrayed"

The recent dismissal of William T. Couch as director of the University of Chicago Press, for whatever reason, has had the result of making public the attempt by authorities at the University of California to influence the University of Chicago to abandon its plan to publish "Americans Betrayed," a study by Morton Grodzins of the political and economic pressures behind the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese descent from the Pacific coast in 1942.

The immediate issue involved in the University of California's effort was the question whether Mr. Grodzins had a legal right to use the material which he had amassed on the evacuation while doing research for the Evacuation and Resettlement Study at the Berkeley school. Mr. Grodzins contended that he had full right to publish the material and legal opinion apparently substantiated his claim. As a result the University of Chicago Press went ahead and published the book in 1949, despite the fact that both Chancellor Robert M. Hutchins and President Ernest C. Colwell at Chicago apparently opposed publication because of the stand taken by the University of California.

The larger issue in this controversy over the publication of "Americans Betrayed" concerns the book itself. The result of Mr. Grodzins' safari into the jungle of race prejudice and economic opportunism which surrounded the mass evacuation of Japanese Americans in 1942 was the development of his thesis that the evacuation was a political rather than a military decision. Mr. Grodzins' conclusion that the evacuation was a betrayal of not alone the Nisei but of all Americans is not snap judgment but is built on a pyramid of documentation. But this view, however authoritative, is not one which the University of California could avow publicity because of the fact that it was a criticism of the behavior of the state's public officials as well as its private citizens.

Most of Mr. Grodzins' material was available for publication in 1944 when it could have been used as a weapon against the racists who sought to prevent the return of the evacuees to the Pacific coast. The fact that the book was not published until 1949 when the issues involved were more academic than actual is a result of the delaying tactics, amounting to suppression, which were used against it. The JACL, as well as other individuals and groups interested in its publication, were not unaware of the opposition of the University of California's Evacuation and Resettlement Study to the publication of the book.

It now appears that the fact that the book finally did appear (the JACL helped in assuring its publication by placing an order for 1,000 copies) is a tribute to Mr. Couch who resisted the suggestions from his superiors at the University of Chicago to abandon the project.

Mr. Couch charged last week that he was ousted because of his insistence on publishing "Americans Betrayed," which he believes to be a document in the public interest. If Mr. Couch was dismissed because of his determination to publish this book about the "disastrous political decision" of mass evacuation of Japanese Americans, an issue of academic freedom is involved which should not go unchallenged.

Your Social Security:

Amended Law Gives Benefits To Household Workers

By CHARLES H. SHREVE

Manager of the San Francisco Social Security Office

San Francisco

One of the important features of the amended social security law is the extension of old-age and survivors' insurance to regular household workers.

This new law is important to the household workers—both Issei and Nisei—and also their employers. The household worker regularly employed in one household will become eligible to build toward Federal insurance benefit payments; the household employer of such a worker will have certain responsibilities for the social security tax and report of wage paid to the worker.

To make this as easy as possible for the people involved, the Old-Age and Survivors' Insurance Bu-

reau and the Department of Internal Revenue have jointly devised a simple report slip for this purpose. It provides space for the household worker's name and social security number, and a space for recording the total amount of the employee's cash wages during a three-month period.

The tax is three per cent of the regular household worker's cash wages for the three-month period. Half of this tax (1½%) may be deducted from the worker's cash wages; the employer will contribute the other 1½%.

Now about that word "regular." A household worker is a "regular" worker, if he or she works on at least 24 different days for the one household employer in a three-month period (a calendar quarter) and is paid cash wages of not less than \$50 for the 3-month period. He is still "covered" during the next three months if he is paid

Nisei USA

"Terrific" Is the Word for It

The word from MGM's James W. Merrick is that "Go for Broke!" is "terrific."

The film story about the "heroes of the 442nd Combat Team," as the picture bills them, was given a "super sneak" showing on Dec. 17 at the Picwood theater out on West Pico in West Los Angeles. Comment cards were issued to the audience and normally at such previews from 200 to 250 cards are returned, depending on audience enthusiasm. After "Go for Broke!" was shown 385 cards were returned, four more than the studio received after the first showing of "Battleground."

According to James Merrick who has been handling the publicity on the picture, nearly all of the cards rated the film as "outstanding" and/or "excellent." Audience comment included praise for the film's theme and for its "amateur" cast.

"The boys did a wonderful job," says Mr. Merrick, "completely natural."

It's reported on the MGM lot that both Producer Dore Schary and Writer-Director Robert Pirosh are delighted with the audience reaction at the neighborhood house which was chosen for the preview. They feel that it vindicates their faith in the subject matter as motion picture material. They are planning to release the picture in its present form, running an hour and 35 minutes, without a single cut or retake.

It may be recalled that Dore Schary produced "Battleground," probably the best film made about the GI in World War II, from a story by Pirosh for which the latter received an Academy Award.

"As a matter of fact, Robert Pirosh is also coming in for considerable praise, proving that the European-made films with 'unknowns' have no monopoly for realism," says Mr. Merrick. "From my own recollection of 'Battleground' I am reminded of a statement by Schary. He was told at that time that the public did not want 'war' pictures. He said that 'story, not topic, is what counts.' Reaction to 'Go for Broke!' the other night again proves his point, that the public will go for a 'war'

not less than \$50. In the following three-month period he must meet the 24 day and \$50 qualification to be covered. No report need be kept on a worker employed for an average of less than two days a week because such a worker would not meet the 24-day test for work in that household.

The term "cash wages" is used because meals and board cannot be counted as wages in determining the \$50 minimum for social security coverage. The household employer, moreover, is not concerned with any wages the worker may earn elsewhere.

On the household worker's part, it is important that he or she has a social security card. Between now and Jan. 1, when the new social security law goes into effect, those regular household workers who have never had a social security number, or have lost their card, or have changed their name, should visit or write their local Social Security office and get one.

I have mentioned cooks and maids but butlers, practical nurses, gardener worker for one employer in a private household will also be considered a household worker and eligible for old-age and survivors' insurance protection under the new social security law beginning in January.

In general, those household workers who work in a number of different homes during the month, must meet the above requirements for at least one employer to receive social security credits. It is possible to receive credits based on work for more than one employer if the 24-day and \$50 test is met for each employer.

If you are interested in more specific information on whether the new provisions about household workers affect you, write or call your local Social Security office for a special leaflet on the subject. In the next article of this series I shall discuss the effect of the new law on servicemen of World War II.

picture if it has story value. It also proves, I think, that a so-called 'message' film is also acceptable—if presented right. Of the 385 cards turned in, only one unfavorable comment was made on 'racial tolerance.' There's a jerk in every community."

James Merrick, incidentally, already has done much to make the filmgoing public aware of the fact that MGM is producing a picture about the Nisei GIs of the 442nd Combat Team. The New York Times recently published a comprehensive account of the filming of the battle scenes in the picture under his byline while Bob Thomas, Gene Handsaker and other Hollywood reporters, as well as Louella and Hedda, have spread the word about the film. There will be more when the film capital's press corps gets its first peek at the picture.

The present emphasis on story values underlines a decline in Hollywood's once-glittering star system. MGM may once have boasted that it had "more stars than there are in heaven" but today "the play's the thing."

One reason for the change of pace in the dream factories of Hollywood is that the old star system had developed upper-plate wobble. The film industry learned the hard way that hitching the film wagon to a star often meant only a short-cut to the poorhouse. Competition from foreign filmmakers also helped point the lesson when pictures like Powell & Pressburger's "Red Shoes," the French "Devil in the Flesh" and such Italian films as "Open City," "Bicycle Thief" and "Shoe Shine," none of which had a single "name" star, racked up good grosses in competition in American theaters against American films.

It is no accident that former writers are now in charge of production at many of the major studios, including Schary at MGM, Zanuck at 20th-Century Fox, the Wald-Krasna unit at RKO, Robert Lord in the Santana setup at Columbia and others. The next Oscar for best direction probably will go to a writer, Billy Wilder for "Sunset Boulevard" or Joe Mankiewicz for "All About Eve."

The trend now is to find a story and then get the stars to fit it, rather than to tailor vehicles to fit the stars. Hollywood always will have its share of glamor-pusses but the day is past when the personalities of such players as Pickford and the senior Fairbanks, Chaplin and Lloyd, Swanson and Garbo, Valentino and Gilbert cast their silver shadows across the world.

This interest in the story has had a healthy impact on Hollywood, already neurotic with its fear of foreign competition and its glimpse of a future battle for survival with television. Such recent Hollywood films as "Sunset Boulevard," "All About Eve," "Panic in the Streets" and "King Solomon's Mines," an anthropological field day in Technicolor as well as an armchair adventure to the faraway places, will do much to woo back Hollywood's lost audience. A recent survey reported that a considerable number of adults had lost the filmgoing habit completely.

Hollywood's stress on story values has led to a reexamination of the world in which we live. One by-product has been the race relations and religious discrimination film. The cycle was set in motion by Schary's "Crossfire" and Zanuck's "Gentlemen's Agreement," both concerned with anti-Semitism. It has been followed by such pictures as "Pinky," "Lost Boundaries," "Intruder in the Dust" and "Home of the Brave," all of which touched on anti-Negro prejudice. All were doubly successful, both in the language of the motion picture as an art form and in the coinage of the box-offices.

Recently Hollywood's camera peeked into two more dark corners of prejudice. In "Broken Arrow" and in "Devil's Doorway" it found the ugly story of race hatred against the American Indian. In "The Lawless" and to a lesser extent in "Right Cross" it recorded bias against Mexican Americans. Two films which will be released soon have some things to say about

MINORITY WEEK

Heroes

The New York Herald Tribune polishes off an editorial tribute to Lt. Edward F. Drummond, Jr., a Negro flyer, and other Negroes who have performed outstandingly with nonsegregated units in Korea with the following:

"These instances are not cited as proof that Negroes make as good fighters as any other Americans. Those who have raised such questions long ago received their answer in the records of wars gone by. But the additional opportunities now afforded by the Air Force's non-segregation policy, and the way those opportunities are being met, offer convincing proof that a democratic nation is strengthened both in war and peace by practicing its precepts. Lt. Drummond is serving his country even beyond the point of duty; he knows what it means to be an American. We salute him and the other fighting men in Korea who share that knowledge."

Quick Quote

"My personal view is that races do not 'relate.' People of goodwill who promote race-relations organizations are usually outside of the operation of the system that produces bad race relations."

"People get related to each other as a function of the economy of which they are a part. This relationship is changed as functional parts of the economy are changed."—Ernest E. Neal, director, Tuskegee Institute's Rural Life Council.

Ethics

It's no violation of medical ethics for a doctor to refuse to treat a Negro child because of his race.

That's the answer received by Franklin H. Williams of the NAACP regional office in San Francisco from Dr. Allen T. Hinman, secretary-treasurer of the San Francisco County Medical Society.

Williams informed the society he would present a documented case of the alleged discrimination, provided the society indicated it would be willing to censor the physician involved.

But, countered Dr. Hinman, the society could not "dictate" to its members.

Ridiculous, said Williams. The NAACP hadn't asked the society to dictate to anybody. But it still believed the doctor's action had been in violation of his medical oath.

Poor but Proud

Jefferson Military college, that poor but proud school in Mississippi that last year turned down a possible fifty million bucks, is still holding on.

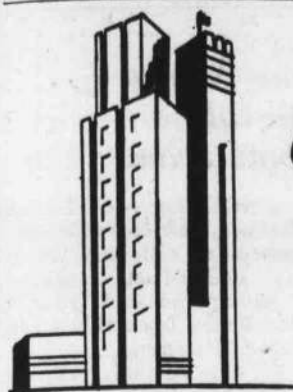
If you remember, that's the school that was offered half of the mineral rights on 26,000 Mississippi acres by Judge George Armstrong — with strings, of course. The school, in exchange for the rights which were worth a potential \$50,000,000, had to agree to exclude Negroes and Jews from its student body and teach white supremacy. Judge Armstrong already had a couple irons in the school's pot—he had advanced \$6,500 and endorsed a school note for \$5,000.

But Jefferson Military college decided their right to be free of dictation was worth more than the judge had to offer. The trustees said nix.

Since then, voluntary contributors have sent \$45,000 to the school, nearly a fourth of the money the trustees estimate is needed. Judge Armstrong got his \$6500 back, the \$5,000 note was paid off. Things are looking up at Jefferson.

mob violence, "Storm Warning" and "Sound of Fury."

"Go for Broke!" of course, is primarily a story about some GIs in World War II. It does not gloss over the hard facts of anti-Nisei discrimination. It hits hard and, as the audience at the Picwood theater demonstrated at the sneak preview, the punches strike home. According to the people of West Los Angeles who attended the preview, it is a picture of which both MGM and the film industry can be proud.



A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

Farewell to Fifty

This is going to be a very solemn 1951. The war drums are echoing down through the icy valleys of Korea. Men in khaki uniforms, including many Nisei GIs, are again answering the call to the colors. The list of the dead, the missing, and the wounded is mounting with each day's passage. The air is filled with sad farewells, tears and heartaches.

Austerity is again the keynote, from California to New York. Price controls are making their appearance. Freezing of wage scales is just around the corner. The nation is again on a war footing and thoughts are far away from peace and quiet.

The years of peace—a bare skimpy five years—were few and short-lived. The months of rosy anticipations have turned into grim days of stark reality.

Here in New York, the Civilian Defense units are active. School children are practicing atom-bomb drills and the civilians are instructed what to do if and when the mysterious missile ever falls down on Manhattan. Prices of commodities are high. The cost of living is at a record peak. There is an element of tenseness and uncertainty as the new year dawns.

What Does it Mean to the Nisei?

In the first place, a large segment of our young boys will be serving in the armed forces on many fronts.

On the home front many will be engaged in work at defense plants, turning out the materiel for war. Housewives may run into rationing. Businessmen will surely confront all sorts of controls and regulations.

There will be no evacuation or relocation. We shall have our own home-front roles to play in our respective communities. We shall see and experience how various localities operate under a wartime regime. We shall have to share in its sorrows, labor, and regrets.

I am afraid that many of those fond hopes for an expanded foreign-trade setup will be relayed. The emphasis will be on winning the fight for democracy and the allied cause.

Random Thoughts for 1951

In checking over my notes for 1950, I find there are many items that I chanced to overlook.

Item 1. There were two articles that I planned for the annual Holiday issue of the P. C. One was to go into the reasons why myself and other Nisei in Manhattan preferred to remain here. Most of us never plan to return to California and I was outlining the arguments for staying here. I was going to do an article about Mr. Mayeda who runs one of the largest oriental souvenir stores in New York. He has a large shop in the basement of Radio City. I also wanted to do a story about former Angeleno Hicky Noma who is now a successful operator of a bean-sprout establishment. Both of these articles will be forthcoming.

Item 2. I have some notes about Japanese restaurant operators in New York. I think there are about 100 such spots around Manhattan. A large number of them run substantial establishments in the large apartment houses in upper Manhattan. Many Issei operate three-decker sandwich stands which have a large volume of business.

Item 3. There is the matter of the influence of the war on the Chinese stores in New York. In one brief sentence, their business is off from 10-25 per cent since the Chinese Communists descended down from the Manchurian border. There are over 500 Chinese chop suey places on Manhattan alone.

Item 4. My Cousin Willie has written me a couple of letters from Los Angeles about the situation out on the west coast. I have been trying to digest the contents and present some of the pertinent facts of the situation of my old stamping grounds but never did manage to complete the work.

Item 5. I also have a couple of letters from Nisei New Yorkers who claim that I have been pitching the average Nisei here a little too high. I am told that my standards of the average Manhattan Nisei are over-rated and that I must make some adjustments. So, there is a little research to do in this field. Requires some conferences with some of those experts on sociology.

Item 6. What about color TV. A few of my friends have written in to ask if they should wait buying a TV until color is perfected. That's easy. Don't wait. Better get your set now before the shortages set in. Color TV is here, but it may be three to five years before it hits the co-axial broadcast stage. I don't believe that prices on the sets will go down much more. It's merely a question of buying now or doing without a set.

Item 7. I have several short stories in mind, all with Issei as the main characters. I hope to present a couple of these stories in the coming year in this column. As the years pass on, notice that the Nisei ideology and reaction to things are varying widely as compared with the Issei. This conflict presents fertile grounds for short story material.

Item 8. I have been down to the docks to watch several freight boats from Japan unload their cargo. I was planning to write an article on the type and quantity of Japanese merchandise being unloaded in this port. It is really fabulous. I shall take up this matter in the very near future.

Item 9. The status of Japanese silk in 1951. The sale of Japanese silk has been steadily losing ground in the New York market in the past five years. At the same time, the price of silk is reaching a record high. The competition from rayon and nylons has been terrific. The question is just where Japanese silk fits into the textile picture in this country.

Item 10. The return of the Kaisha crowd to New York. All sorts of scouts are filtering back to Manhattan, looking over the scene. They are returning to the home office with not-so-promising reports. It seems it is merely a question of not having enough money to pay for the mounting costs of business operation. I think the war will defer their return for another five years at least.

Item 11. The status of Nisei journalism and Nisei publishing in the U. S. How are the weekly newspapers, the English sections of the dailies, and the monthly periodicals coming out? Nothing phenomenal. They all suffer from lack of revenue. The target date set for the English section outstripping the Japanese section was set for 1950, way back in 1930 when I was with Rafu Shimpō. Now it looks like 1960 will be much closer. By then it may be that all vernacular newspapers will be just memories. In a word, publishing in the Issei and Nisei field is very tough. The profit margin is very small.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

A Time for Memories and Friends

Denver, Colo.

This is the mellow season, a time for memories and old friends.

Each passing year and each succeeding day seems to become ever shorter for all the things that have to be done. There is less time for the old-fashioned neighborliness, for the little courtesies and comradeship that added warmth to living. Then, too, the world is smaller. People are more restless, ambitious, daring. Old friends wander off to far corners, and we never see them again.

That's why we're thankful for the Christmas season when, in spite of ourselves, we slow down from the rat-race routine and lean back to enjoy kids and the memories.

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But during the week before Christmas it hasn't been like that at all. Christmas is commercial, its protocol demanding. There are so many individuals who must be sent gifts, so many others who must be recognized with cards. Now, don't get us wrong—we enjoy giving. But the annual Yuletide routine is as ruthless and taxing as any business obligation—or at least modern custom has made it that way.

So, in our house there has been an intent checking of lists and some frantic shopping, and indeed some fervent appreciation that Christmas comes but one a year. Of course almost all this burden has fallen on our Alice, the family secretary, purchasing agent and mailing clerk. But we still don't like it.

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The rush is over now. There remain only the chores that were left undone during the pre-Christ-

mas rush: the laundry and ironing, repairs around the house, checks to write and bills to pay. And then we can appreciate the year-end respite all the more.

The Christmas cards have begun to come in. It's always a pleasure to thumb through them when we get home in the evening, remembering something about each person who's sent one. We always welcome a short note penned on the backs of the cards because often it's the only word we've had from these individuals since a year ago. Those notes—even a few words—are warm, personal messages.

The card with donor's name imprinted, unsullied by so much as a pen scratch, speaks coldly only of duty, formality and habit. But a note or even a signature adds to the cheer of the verse and printed message. The years slip away, the miles of separation shrink.

We think a person's Christmas card reflects his personality, whether or no he picks it with that in his mind. The bold and garish, the shy and retiring, the sentimental person, the conservative individual, all seem to express themselves in the kind of card he chooses.

And sometimes they're unintentionally funny. One of our regular card-correspondents is a cattleman of some importance. His card this year was adorned by the photograph of a huge breeding bull—a new slant on the day set aside to commemorate the birth of the Child in a manger.

* * * Christmas is anything but merry for a lot of good Joes fighting for their very lives—and for ours too—in a miserable little land known as Korea. Let's remember them today, if even for a brief moment, while we make merry, feast, enjoy gifts and memories.

Vagaries

Bazaar Story . . .

Hisaye Yamamoto whose story, "Wilshire Bus," was published in the holiday issue of the PC, recently sold a story to Harper's Bazaar. Miss Yamamoto, who also has a story coming up in the literary magazine, Furioso, has had stories published in the Kenyon Review and the Partisan Review . . . She formerly wrote a weekly column for the Los Angeles Tribune.

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New Role . . .

Because of his expert underplaying as Sam, the mainland GI with a sweetheart in a relocation camp, in "Go for Broke!" Sam Nakano has won a featured role in another MGM production, "No Questions Asked," a melodrama which stars Barry Sullivan, Arlene Dahl, George Murphy and Jean Hagen . . . Henry Nakamura, the University of Hawaii student who plays his first role in "Go for Broke," is another who may win additional film roles because of his part in the 442nd film.

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Sculptor . . .

Robert Kobayashi of Honolulu, a sculptor who is now living in New York City, is one of 15 "unknowns" whose work is now on display at the Koontz Galleries, 600 Madison Ave. in New York. Kobayashi, who is studying painting at the Brooklyn Museum, was singled out for mention in the New Yorker and the New York Times during the past week.

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Editor . . .

Dyke Miyagawa is the new editor of the English section of the Hokubei Shimpō in New York. He succeeds Taxie Kusunoki who is en route to Paris for an indefinite stay . . . Al Miyadi recently quit as editor of Crossroads in Los Angeles to take another job.

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Opposition . . .

It's reported on Capitol Hill that Sen. Richard Russell's opposition to the Walter bill stems from the same source as his opposition to Hawaiian statehood. He is reported to have told another Dixiecrat that passage of the bill will make "40,000 more Jap voters" in Hawaii and that it would not be constant to vote from one bill and vote against the other . . . Proponents of both the Walter bill and Hawaiian statehood will have a tougher fight in the next Congress because of the Nov. 7 election results which put the Dixiecrats in a stronger position in the Senate.

"Do You Know?"

Denver Convention Proved Turning Point for JACL

By ELMER R. SMITH

The program initiated at the Denver convention of the JACL was a turning point in the history of the organization. The JACL at this convention definitely "came of age" as a forceful minority group on the American social and political scene. The program of action was definitely committed to full participation in the social and political affairs of the total American community. It placed the JACL on a basis of active work in the over-all fields of interracial and intercultural relations. The expanded budget and financial backing forthcoming to the JACL made it possible for it to function on a more stable basis. The delegates in making their decisions probably did not realize the implications of their acts at that time, but the four years to follow definitely showed the great scope of their commitments.

The program and support growing out of the Ninth Convention would have been impossible except for the position taken and maintained by the JACL leaders during the war years. The record so far summarized will give the reader the necessary background to realize the importance of the JACL's position during the crucial "years of decision" in working for the preservation of the rights of Nisei in America. The JACL's work carried out in cooperation with the Army, Navy, and WRA during the war proved to the American people the undivided loyalty of persons of Japanese ancestry and of the JACL to the American way of life.

The high esteem by which the American people held the leaders of the JACL was demonstrated by the fact that Saburo Kido was given special recognition by the U.S. Selective Service when Colonel H. A. Rich awarded Mr. Kido the Selective Service Medal and Certificate of Merit in behalf of President Truman and General Lewis B. Hershey. The award was made on January 1, 1947.

Colonel Rich emphasized that in honoring Mr. Kido "the government was honoring all Nisei who

served so gallantly in the armed forces."

Larry Tajiri, editor of the PACIFIC CITIZEN, came in for his share of the honors bestowed upon the various officers of the JACL by the U.S. government and civic agencies. The Salt Lake Junior Chamber of Commerce presented the 1945 award for outstanding contributions to the welfare of persons of Japanese descent. This honor was in recognition of the function performed by the PACIFIC CITIZEN in the field of public relations.

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States awarded the PACIFIC CITIZEN a citation in recognition of the outstanding editing done by Mr. Tajiri. The citation read:

"In recognition of and sincere appreciation for the consistent, wholehearted efforts through which this newspaper has increased public interest in war veterans and community welfare."

The Selective Service of the U.S. gave Mr. Tajiri a certificate of merit for his support and cooperation during the war years. This was awarded a few weeks after the one presented to Mr. Kido.

The Pacific Citizen during the war established itself as a very important newspaper as well as a public relations publication. It attained very high ranking among the publishing people of the nation. Richard L. Walsh, editor of Asia and America, said:

"I admire it for its Americanism, its clear loyalty to our country. I admire it for the wisdom and good temper with which it has dealt with the treatment given to our Japanese American citizens. It would have been natural if notes of bitterness had crept in, but they do not; instead the paper constantly shows sympathetic understanding of the racial prejudice which unfortunately exists in so many otherwise decent Americans."

Mr. William C. Carr, Friends of the American Way of Pasadena, stated concerning the PACIFIC CITIZEN:

"To us who are away from the personal shocks which the Japanese Americans have experienced, it is a marvel in its lack of bigotry, its lack of malice and its balance in reporting well."

Named Speaker

PORTLAND, Ore.—Mary Minamoto, Red Cross employee, has been appointed to make Red Cross fund campaign talks by Rey Early, director.

She was originally named to the Red Cross speakers bureau three years ago by the League of Women Voters.

Helps Blood Center

PORTLAND, Ore. — Minnie Oyama, surgical nurse at Matson Memorial hospital in Milwaukie, Ore., is a volunteer worker at the Portland Red Cross regional blood center.

She received her training during the war through the Cadet Nurses corps in Madison, Wis.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Konno, Kawamoto Nisei Athletes of 1950

The Nisei athlete of 1950 undoubtedly was Hawaii's 17-year old Ford Konno who vaulted from obscurity to international fame by defeating both Hironoshin Furuhashi of Japan and John Marshall of Australia in middle-distance freestyle swimming races. One year ago Konno, completely unknown outside of Hawaii, was preparing for the swimming victories which paved the way for his trip to the U.S. nationals in Seattle... Konno could have had a trip to New Zealand this month with a team sponsored by the National AAU but turned down the junket in order to concentrate on his school work. The modest young Nisei star, the outstanding hope of the United States at the present time for the middle distances in the 1952 Olympics, will graduate from Honolulu's McKinley high school this year and probably will enroll at a mainland university in the fall. A number of U.S. schools have offered scholarships to Konno but expectations are that he will turn up at Ohio State University where Herb Kobayashi of Honolulu, another product of Yoshito Segawa who coaches Konno, is captain of this season's Buckeye swimming varsity. Ohio State also has had a number of other Hawaiian aquatic stars, including Keo and Bunmei Nakama, Bill Smith, Jose Balmores and Takashi Hirose.

There's also a nomination for the "Nisei athlete of the year" honors on the distaff side in another Hawaiian, Honolulu's Evelyn Kawamoto, who holds two national championships in swimming. She shares the National AAU 200-meter breast-stroke crown with Marge Hulton of Atlantic City and has full claim on the 300-meter medley diadem. Miss Kawamoto is one of the leading candidates for the U.S. Olympic swimming team in 1952.

Younger Yonamine Stars in Aloha Bowl

Wally Yonamine has reason to be proud of his younger brother, Noboru, who put on a brilliant exhibition of running and passing recently as he led the Keiki Alii team to a 21 to 0 win over the Keiki Kanes before 24,000 in the annual Aloha Bowl classic at Honolulu Stadium. The younger Yonamine, a star during the regular season for Iolani school, set up one touchdown on a run and pitched for two others and then booted three placements for a good night's work. The Aloha Bowl game is Honolulu's annual high school all-star classic and is played for the benefit of the Shriner's hospital for crippled children. Like his older brother, Noboru Yonamine is pretty handy out on the diamond. He was one of the top players in Honolulu interscholastic baseball last season, holding down third base for Iolani... Wally Yonamine, whose 1951 baseball future is up to the San Francisco Seals organization, has been keeping in shape playing in the AJA basketball league in Honolulu. Last time we looked, Wally, who teams with Chico Miyashiro on the Russell's team, had 46 points and was one of the top scorers in the league. He had 20 field goals and 6 free throws. The Tome brothers, Wally and Harold, the biggest one-two punch in Nisei basketball, were leading the scoring with 98 and 82 points respectively for Aiea... The Tome brothers, who are big as Nisei go, probably would have been national stars had they played for a mainland college... Herbert (Gunner) Sumida, who was expected to play for the University of Utah this year but who returned to Hawaii to await his draft call, may be called into service in January. He was an all-territorial high school star in 1947.

Kubota Is Outstanding Prep Gridder

Among Nisei prepsters Ralph Kubota, 137-pound halfback for Compton, Calif., is probably the "player of the year." Kubota, all-Coast league halfback for the past two seasons, led Compton to its second straight California Interscholastic Federation's southern championship on Dec. 16 as his long runs helped beat Fullerton, 26 to 14. Kubota, a breakaway runner with few peers, got the Tarababes off winging in the first quarter with a 46-yard run for the initial TD. He also raced 71 yards for another touchdown in the third period but the score was nullified because of a clipping penalty. Despite the fact that he did not get credit for his 71-yard dash, Kubota was the game's leading gainer with 105 yards in 12 carries. The yardage gave him a total of 1,112 yards in 142 carries this season for a 7.8 average, one of the tops in the nation this year for prep ball carries... Kubota who is built along the lines of Buddy Young probably will enroll at Compton College when he graduates this year... Last week he won an additional honor as Los Angeles Mirror's "player of the week."

Goto Tours East with Stanford Cagers

Salt Lakers may get an opportunity to see George Goto, named last year as the outstanding player in California junior college basketball for Placer's Spartans, when Stanford University plays Utah on Jan. 2. Goto is a member of the 12-man Stanford squad which is winding up a quick transcontinental tour. He played a few minutes at forward as the Indians defeated Michigan, 77 to 66, at Ann Arbor on Dec. 22. He also became the first Nisei to appear at Madison Square Garden since Wat Misaka of Utah as Stanford suffered its first defeat of the season to NYU, 70 to 84, on Dec. 26... Kenneth Kimura, acclaimed as the outstanding athlete to graduate from Waipahu, Oahu high school, is now playing for the basketball varsity of Southern Oregon Normal at Ashland. Kimura arrived in Oregon only last September from Hawaii and immediately made the Red Raider football varsity. He was an all-league selection in both basketball and football last year at Waipahu and also was rated as a top baseball prospect. He scored a field goal last week as Southern Oregon defeated Oregon Tech, 63 to 40.

Utah Team Respects Asato's Running

The University of Utah's Redskins returned from Honolulu last week with a healthy respect for the ball-carrying abilities of the University of Hawaii's Halfback Jimmy Asato. Despite the fact that the game was played in a drizzle on a slippery field, Asato's runs coupled with passes by Ken Kahoonei and Sadao Matsukawa's passes almost added up to an upset. Utah had to explode for four touchdowns in the last eight minutes of play to pull the game out of the fire, 40 to 28... Hawaii showed a set of hard-running Nisei safety men and scabbards in Asato, George Mamiya, Ken Kawaguchi, Rocky Sugino, Dave Takushi and George Fujiwara. Three Nisei starters on the Rainbow line were Ken Nakamura at tackle, and Eric Watanabe and Yoshi Asami at the guard spots... Asato and Nakamura were co-captains for the game. Team captain of the Rainbows is Guard Mansfield Doi who is out for the season with a back injury... The Hawaiians have one more game this season, the Pineapple Bowl battle against Denver's Pioneers in Honolulu on New Year's day... Next year Ha-

Hawaiian Nisei Makes All-U.S. Midget Grid Team

OMAHA, Neb. — Leonard Kaneshiro of Honolulu was named at halfback on the first annual all-American midget football team which was announced last week by J. Gordon Roberts, president of the Pop Warner Federation.

Kaneshiro was rated as the top passer in midget football in Hawaii.

All members of the first team are 13 years of age or younger and range from 90 to 105 pounds.

Kenneth Tamashiro of Honolulu was given honorable mention in the backfield.

Doi, Asato Named On Fresno State's All-Opponent Team

FRESNO, Calif. — Two Nisei players of the University of Hawaii were named on the all-opponent football team selected recently by the Fresno State College Bulldogs.

They are Mansfield Doi, guard, and Jimmy Asato, halfback.

Cite Sakamoto as Outstanding Player For Selma Bees

SELMA, Calif. — Jim Sakamoto, 17-year old junior, was named the outstanding player on Selma high school's 1950 lightweight football team. He was a fullback.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Sakamoto.

Five other Nisei were lettermen on the lightweight. They are Jim Inouye, Harry Kobashi, Bob Ogata, Harvey Takikawa and Yoshi Takikawa.

waii will go east to meet the University of Cincinnati and probably will play two or three more games on the mainland.

Jimmy Asato, honored by Fresno State on its all-opponent squad, has been troubled all year by a shoulder that slips out of place, according to the Honolulu Star-Bulletin's Joe Anzivino. When the injury acts up, Asato trots off the field and has the team physician put it back in place. Then he comes right back into the game. Says Coach Tommy Kaulukuki of Hawaii: "The trouble with Jimmy is that he has too much heart."

Fukushima's Team Reaches Finals

In his first season as a coach Danny Fukushima, mentor of the Contra Costa East College of Martinez, Calif., already has Northern California's jaycee cage world buzzing. Fukushima's young team, the first ever to see competition in the colors of Contra Costa College's East campus, upset pre-tournament dope to reach the finals of the junior college invitational meet in Salinas last week. They lost to the host school, Hartnell College, in the finals by a 60 to 71 margin... Ikeda started at forward for Cal Poly of San Dimas in the California state college tournament last week in Los Angeles... Hamamoto is a regular guard for Sacramento State's jaycee quintet... Jimmy Yokota appears to have cinched a regular guard post for Placer College's Spartans. He scored ten points as Placer defeated Sacramento State's JV's, 47 to 43. Hamamoto tallied 3 for Sacramento. Miyamoto also played at guard for Placer.

Reedley's Oda, Tagawa Win Mention

Scraps from the gridiron: Two Nisei scooters, Norman Oda and Tagawa of Reedley College, won honorable mention on the Central California junior college all-conference team picked by coaches last week... Three Nisei from Watsonville's lightweight eleven which won the Central Coast league championship this season made the annual all-star team. They are Halfback Kiyoshi Takemoto, Fullback Teddy Wada and Tackle Bob Koda... Ikuo Iwanaga, who played a lot on defense, was one of 34 Yuba College gridgers who won their letters this year.

Small Fry Play in Santa Claus Bowl

Two small fry Nisei gridgers were among those who took part in the Santa Claus bowl game last week in Redwood City, Calif. They were Halfback Kent Ikeda and Guard Wayne Fujita who played for the South team in the game between the midget stars of the Pop Warner conference on the S.F. peninsula. Both Ikeda and Fujita played during the regular season for the champion Conway & Culligan team... Mackay Yanagisawa recently took over the franchise of the Honolulu Athletics of the Hawaii Baseball League. The all-Nisei team, from which Wally Yonamine went into pro ball, will play under their prewar name next season as the Honolulu Asahis. Allen Nagata recently resigned as manager of the team.

The Great Togo Incites a Riot

Nisei who have watched the antics of such grapplers as Mr. Moto and The Great Togo on television and in person have expressed apprehension lest the antics of these matmen incite to riot. It really did happen recently in Buffalo, N.Y., according to a news agency account, when The Great Togo (George Okumura of Hood River, Ore.) was besieged by angry fans who opposed his villainous conduct in a wrestling match against Dizzy Davis of Alameda, Tex. When Davis was counted out by the referee while entangled in the ropes, a considerable number of the 7,000 persons present made for Togo who fled up to the mezzanine with the crowd at his heels. The 220-pound Nisei grappler managed to hold off the crowd until a cordon of police surrounded him and led him to the dressing room... Both Moto and Togo are usually cast as heavies... On the other hand another Nisei wrestler, Hal Sakata, has the reputation of a "clean" competitor. Sakata, a member of the 1948 Olympic Team as a weightlifter, is a native of Honolulu who is now billed as "The Human Tank." He is now wrestling in Utah and Idaho.

Two Leaders Lose In Chicago Nisei Bowling League

CHICAGO — The race for the Chicago Nisei men's bowling league championship was tightened on Dec. 20 as Rosecoe Garage and Nisei Liquors, the team which have led the league for the past two months, both suffered defeats.

Rosecoe, which recently hit a scratch 3021 series, had trouble finding the pins and lost three points to Erie Clothing. Hank Masaoka of Erie was high with 570.

Tellone Beauty Salon upset Nisei Liquors, 4 to 0, in a close match in which the third game was decided by a single pin, 924 to 923. Tak Fujii of the Liquors was high with 565.

Louis Bar-B-Q had the high series of the night with a handicapped 3048 series to take four from Tea Pot Inn. Leaders for the winners were Kay Sunahara 585, Harry Miya 568 and Mort Fuji 558.

Despite Nob Tanimoto's 584 the Sugano Tourists lost three to the Setos. Harry Endo topped the winners with 578.

Wah Mee Low split with Nu-Star Cleaners, 2 to 2, as Bob Ogi registered the night's high with 592, followed by Shig Nakahira's 555.

Yuk Yawara's 574 helped Roosevelt-Western to a 3 to 1 win over Maruhachi as Exact Cleaners defeated Perfection Motors by the same margin.

The position round was held on Dec. 12 with Rosecoe Garage scoring a 4 to 0 shutout over Nisei Liquors. The handicapped pin totals were 3111 to 2974. Frank Hamasaki topped Rosecoe with 576, followed by Dave Mizuno 568 and James Kozuma and Kiyo Ito at 566. Junior Gotori rolled 576 for the Liquors. Tak Fujii had 571 and Frank Kebo 550.

Kubota Named To All-CIF Football Team

LOS ANGELES — Little Ralph Kubota, ball-carrying star for Compton's California Interscholastic Federation, Southern section, champions, was named as a first-string back this week on the all-CIF team.

This is the second year on the all-star team for the Nisei senior from Compton who led all running backs in Southern California this year with a total of more than 1,100 yards.

Kubota, at 5 feet 4 inches and 137 pounds, is the smallest and lightest player ever to make the all-CIF team.

Salt Lake Chapter Installs Cabinet At Xmas Dance

Pres. George Mochizuki and his new cabinet were installed in office by the Salt Lake JACL at a ceremony held during a chapter dance Christmas night at the YWCA.

Pres. Mochizuki was re-elected in a mail ballot election this month. Mas Yano was named 1st vice president, while James Miyake, Mrs. Jane Sato and Lyle Kurisaki, Jr. were named 2nd, 3rd and 4th vice presidents, respectively.

Ernest Seko and Mary Wida were selected recording and corresponding secretaries. Bill Mizuno will serve as treasurer and Mrs. Grace Kasai as historian.

Court Hearing Set on Oxnard Recreation Center

OXNARD, Calif. — The long pending case of the Ventura County JACL chapter's attempt to regain use of the recreational center, taken over by the County Recreation Department during the following war years, will finally be settled this week at a hearing before the Superior Court of Ventura County. Judge Brazil of Monterey County will preside. Representing the JACL will be Attorney Francis Gherini, while City Attorney William A. Rejzry will represent the Recreation Department.

Seek Whereabouts

The present whereabouts of Ichisuke Arata, approximately 65 years of age, is being sought by his brother-in-law, Sataro Tamura, No. 18, 1-chome, Gomo-dori, Nadeku, Kobe, Japan, according to information from Peter M. Nakahara, Civil Property Custodian, Kobe Regional Office, APO 317, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco.

Promise Support

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Financial support of the JACL ADC legislative program in 1951 was pledged here recently by Henry Omoto, president of the Cheyenne Skyline Nisei club.

Seattle Marshal Winds Up Disposition Of Contraband Items

SEATTLE — The United States Marshal's office here completed its disposition of guns, cameras, binoculars, swords, radios and other items taken into custody in 1942 under the Western Defense Command's contraband proclamation when it mailed three shotguns to George Sugihara of Ogden, Utah. Sugihara's three guns were the last of 15,000 items belonging to persons of Japanese ancestry which were disposed of by the Seattle marshal's office.

Berkeley Woman Succumbs to Polio

BERKELEY, Calif. — Mrs. Martha Yoshii, 26, wife of Mr. Yoshii, died here on Dec. 19 after suffering a relapse from an attack of polio for which she had been hospitalized for more than a year. She was scheduled to return home to her husband and two children, Linda, 2½, and Janet, 1½, in time for Christmas when her condition suddenly turned for the worse.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Manjo Miyata a boy, Donald Mitsuru, on Dec. 19 in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Sato a boy on Dec. 17 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Satoru Ikemoto a girl on Nov. 26 in Reedley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Yamamoto, Clovis, Calif., a girl on Nov. 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Fujikawa a boy on Dec. 7 in Pasadena, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Satoshi Kato a boy on Dec. 15 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sugiyama a girl, Cheryl, on Dec. 7 in Minneapolis.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tomi Terao a girl on Dec. 13 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Katsuma, Jamieson, Ore., a girl on Dec. 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Yoshimoto, Calif., a girl on Dec. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Aoki a girl on Dec. 15 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Fujii a girl on Dec. 15 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Kawaguchi, Los Angeles, a girl on Nov. 21 in Stockton, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Kiyokazu Sakamoto, San Martin, Calif., a girl, Jackie, on Dec. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sumihiko Nakamoto, Mountain View, Calif., a boy, Brian Shizuo, on Nov. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Willy Motohiko Imazumi a girl, Christine Audrey Mitsuko, on Dec. 2 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Watanabe, Mountain View, Calif., a boy, Bob Takashi, on Dec. 2.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sugimoto, Walnut Grove, Calif., a boy on Dec. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Satoru Yokoyama a girl on Dec. 5 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kaname Sasaki, Tracy, Calif., a boy on Dec. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shogo Takagi, Los Altos, Calif., a girl, Carol Kiyoko, on Nov. 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eiichi Sakauye a girl, Carolyn Midori, on Dec. 12 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Osamu Miyahara, Walnut Creek, Calif., a boy, Glenn Frederick, on Dec. 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Tsugio Takafichi a girl, Emi Jane, on Dec. 14 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy I. Tsuya a girl on Dec. 22 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Terry Makiyama a girl, Linda Takako, on Nov. 17 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kazumi Nakatsui a girl, Gail Reiko, on Dec. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Nobu Shimahara a girl, Debra Jean, on Dec. 1 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Michio Uno a boy, Michael Toshiyuki, on Dec. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Hamada, Long Beach, Calif., twin boy and girl, Steven Victor and Esther Kane, on Dec. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kamei Kamei a boy, Arthur Kamei, Jr., on Nov. 28 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Suenobu Yamaguchi a girl, Julia Ann, on Nov. 30 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Masaharu Matsumura a girl, Emily Midori, on Nov. 28 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Junji Nakahara a boy, James Hiroshi, on Nov. 28 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Haruo Yoshikawa, Santa Ana, Calif., a boy, Satoshi James, on Nov. 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Yokomizo a boy, Ryan Dennis, on Dec. 1 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taro Furumura a boy, Jeffrey Tad, on Nov. 23 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Fujimura a boy, Mark Jeffry, on Nov. 27 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Harada a boy, Thomas Kiyotaka, on Dec. 1 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Akira Frank Kageyama a girl, Sandra Nobu, on Nov. 26 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Ito, San Diego, Calif., a boy on Nov. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Mukai, San Diego, Calif., a boy on Nov. 8.

To Mr. and Mrs. Asa Hanamoto a boy on Dec. 1 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Y. Takahashi a boy in Denver.

To Dr. and Mrs. I. F. Kurita a boy on Dec. 17 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. James T. Aoki a girl on Dec. 19 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shoichi Yamada a boy in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Okamoto a boy in Alameda, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Fujimoto a boy, Jeffrey Taro, on Dec. 10 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Itsuo Fukuda, Venice, Calif., a boy, Dick Minoru, on Dec. 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Michio Hiraoka, Van Nuys, Calif., a boy, Steven Takahashi, on Dec. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yasuda, Altadena, Calif., a boy, Steven Rick, on Dec. 11.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masato J. Ide a boy on Dec. 14 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Harada a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nagata, North Fresno, Calif., a boy on Dec. 18.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Sakuma a boy in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Onitsuka a girl on Nov. 20 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshimi Hiraoka a girl on Dec. 2 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kato a boy on Dec. 15 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Sugai a girl, Laura, on Dec. 15 in Portland.

DEATHS

Martha Imagawa Yoshii (Mrs. Sumio Yoshii), 26, on Dec. 19 in Berkeley, Calif.

Iwakichi Watanabe on Dec. 10 in Tulare, Calif.

Hatsusaburo Odo on Dec. 10 in Los Angeles.

Richard Martin Saito, 3-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Saito, on Dec. 16 in Los Angeles.

Iwataro Kitayama, 70, on Dec. 14 in Redwood City, Calif.

Shokichi Kawasaki on Dec. 16 in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Tsuru Umeka Fujimoto on Dec. 12 in Sacramento.

Asako Uyeda, 49, on Dec. 8 in Seattle.

Mrs. Riyo Mizote Yagi, 54, on Dec. 15 in Corinne, Utah.

Matataro Hirashima, 77, on Dec. 9 in Seattle.

Mrs. Tame Shimada, 62, on Dec. 6 in Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. Toku Inouye, 55, on Dec. 19 in Long Beach, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Tomiko Masuda to Saburo Nakao on Dec. 9 in Weiser, Ida.

Mary C. Takemura, Los Angeles, to Larry Y. Saito, Nyssa, Ore., on Dec. 10 in Ontario, Ore.

Fusako Kagiya, Brighton, Colo., to Kei Kawahara on Dec. 17 in Denver.

Nancy Sawada to Alfred Miyagishima in Golden, Colo.

Yoko Kiuchi to Mitsuo Hosaka on Dec. 3 in San Francisco.

Fusako Yamamoto to Nori Ogata on Dec. 9 in Fresno.

Mitsuye Iwata to Kazuo Takahashi on Dec. 17 in Livingston, Calif.

Alice Shizue Kakuda, Mitchell, Neb., to Mas Nagaki, Alliance, in Scottsbluff, Neb.

Tomiko Yamamoto to Isao Matsui on Dec. 10 in Watsonville, Calif.

Shizue Takemoto to Sam Sadamu Kuratomi on Dec. 17 in Los Angeles.

Yoshiko Oda, Fresno, to Kazuo Arima on Dec. 17 in Los Angeles.

Sakiko Noji to Kaneko Fujikawa, Brigham City, Utah, on Dec. 17 in Los Angeles.

Sachiko Nakauchi to Elbert Izumi on Dec. 17 in Chicago.

Mary Takahash to George Ogawa on Dec. 17 in Chicago.

Legalistic Approach Slows Adjudication of Loss Claims

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are processed by the field offices. On a yearly basis 660 claims can be processed. With 24,000 claims to process it would take about 38 years before the program can be completed. The record becomes even worse when we consider that the figures used are proposed adjudications of the field office rather than completed claims by the Washington office. The rate of the Washington office in completing these adjudications is even more slow.

One of the reasons why the claims have taken so long to process is the lack of "rules and regulations" as prescribed by the act. The Department of Justice promised to have these "rules and regulations" ready in time to help the claimants to file their claims. We have yet to see these "rules and regulations" promulgated by the Washington office. This lack has hindered the progress of the evacuation claims administration considerably. It keeps the field offices in the dark as to how they should adjudicate their claims, and the claimants and their attorneys are at a loss as to how they should represent themselves at the hearings.

More than 16 months have passed since the opening of the field office in Los Angeles but only 14 precedents have been set. Of the favorable decisions made are (1) payment for articles which were lost; (2) payment of storage costs; (3) losses arising out of selling below market price; (4) payment of losses due to fire or theft, and other precedents of relative importance. Thus far, majority of the precedents set are merely reiteration of those losses which are expressly covered in the act, or is obvious by the legislative history of the law.

The many unfavorable or adverse precedents are still in the tentative field office adjudication stage, but the few which have been set give us an insight of the department's thinking and trend. Among the items which are declared as non admissible types of losses are: (1) rental losses on homes; (2) evacuation preparation losses; (3) pre-evacuation living expenses; (4) re-employment expenses; (5) contraband articles; (6) losses incurred two years after relocation; (7) replacement costs, and others.

Another reason which is often given as the cause of the slowness is the lack of administrative funds. It is true that the Department of Justice needs a great deal more of appropriation to administer their program adequately. More field offices are needed, and more personnel for investigative purposes, legal research, and for clerical work. However, it would be a grave error to think that appropriations alone will speed up the evacuation claims program. At the present rate of adjudication, it is almost impossible to complete 500 claims under their present appropriation of \$250,000. This means that to process one claim it costs the government \$500. From the best estimates the amount awarded to claimants has averaged approximately \$500 or less per claim. The cost of administering the claims approximately equals the amount of award. A one hundred

MARRIAGE LICENCES

Eiko Sugi, 20, and Mana Nagata, 24, in Stockton, Calif.

Arlene Fujii, 16, and Ted T. Sakuma, 22, in Seattle.

Ko Ano and Kiyoshige Tamai in Seattle.

Akiko Higaki, 24, and George Masaru Fukuyama, 24, both of Alameda, in Oakland, Calif.

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per cent cost in administering any program is overbearing. The administrative cost should not exceed three to ten per cent. There seems to be a need of re-examination of administrative policies to determine what can be done to expedite the processing.

Perhaps, the main course of the slowness is the general attitude of the Department of Justice in its interpretation of the act. They have tended to take a restrictive legalistic approach which is destroying the rehabilitative intent of the Evacuation Claims Act. The phrase "according to law" has been interpreted narrowly to the detriment of the true intent of the act.

The legalistic approach used will not only hinder the program; but will destroy any good which was intended when Congress passed this act as means to "right a wrong." Under the act, what the Department of Justice needs to do is to remind itself of the true rehabilitating and remedial nature of this act, and let its conscience be its guide.

Engagement Told

CHICAGO—The engagement of Miss Mary Matsumura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Taro Matsumura of Seattle, Wash., to Kazumi Oura of Milwaukee has been announced by her parents.

It was also announced here to friends on Dec. 17 at the home of Veronica Ryan.

Mr. Oura has been president of the Milwaukee JACL for the past two years, while Miss Matsumura is historian for the Midwest district council and a member of the Chicago JACL credit union board of directors.

Mr. Oura, graduate of the University of Wisconsin, is employed as chief test engineer with an electrical equipment manufacturer in Milwaukee.

The couple will be married on Feb. 11 in Chicago, after which they plan to make their home in Milwaukee.

Dole Pineapple Uses Nisei To Plug Capitalism in Talks

SAN FRANCISCO—Six Hawaiian pineapple industry workers came to San Francisco last week to give lessons in capitalism to their bosses of the Hawaiian Pineapple Company.

Three who lectured to the 500 stockholders of the world's largest pineapple company were Ethel Akiyama, Choyu Yara and Mitsumasa Miyazaki. They got a big hand for their story from the audience in the Terrace Room of the Fairmont Hotel, according to the Chronicle.

Choyu Yara, who has worked on a plantation for 17 years but went to school for only 7, was a little nervous on the platform but he got a big hand anyway.

"I never talked to so many people before in my life," he said later. "I'm from Lanai island, just 3,000 people, not much bigger than Alcatraz. And very few haoles."

Although this is their first appearance on the mainland the six Hawaiians are veteran orators for the Dole company. For the past three years they have been telling their 6,000 fellow workers the company's story of the economic facts of pineapples and the profit system.

All six worked for years in the fields and canneries, and two are shop stewards in the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union which represents the workers in the pineapple industry. They were chosen by the company to tell its story to the workers.

Recently the company decided to bring its six spokesmen to the

California School Supervisors Favor Repeal of Exclusion

SAN FRANCISCO—A pledge to help in repeal of the Asiatic exclusion act of 1924 and favoring equality in immigration was passed by the California School Supervisors Association at its annual meeting in San Diego, according to Lavone Hanna, president.

The association said it would cooperate with organizations working for repeal of the exclusion act and would support "constructive legislation providing immigration laws comparable for all nations."

Colorado Farm Group Passes Resolution Backing Water Bill

DENVER—The recent convention of the Colorado State Farm Bureau passed a resolution supporting the Walter bill for equality in naturalization, according to Min Yasui, JACL ADC regional director for the Mountain Plains area.

Lou Toyne, secretary of the farm bureau, said copies of the resolution are being sent to Senators Eugene D. Millikin and Edward Johnson of Colorado.

The resolution was passed through the efforts of Bright Hoshiko of Kersey who attended the convention.

Fresno Chapter To Hold Dance

FRESNO, Calif.—Fresno Nisei will usher in the New Year with a gala ball Monday, Jan. 1, at the beautiful Rainbow ballroom under auspices of the American Loyalty League.

All plans are completed for the dance, according to Dr. Sumio Kubo, general chairman. Music will be furnished by Lee Forsblad and his popular swing orchestra.

In keeping with the tradition of New Year dances, the affair will be semi-formal.

Numerous prizes will be awarded during intermission to lucky ticketholders. Highlight of the special intermission program will be awarding of "The Thing."

mainland to tell the company's story to the stockholders. Invitations were sent to 1,500 Dole stockholders out of 6,000 on the Bay Area.

Mrs. Akiyama, a 35-year old cannery worker, explained "the American corporate system" — with the use of illustrated charts and a long pointer.

Miyazaki, 32-year old auto mechanic and one-time strike leader, gave an illustrated lecture on the company's annual financial report.

All six toured California under Dole auspices before returning to their Hawaiian homes for Christmas.

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JACL Pledges Full Support In National Emergency

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee last week sent the following letter to the President of the United States:

"Your report to the nation on Friday, Dec. 15, and the subsequent declaration of a national emergency the following day brought home to every American the scope of the dangers confronting our country.

"In this hour of emergency, the Japanese American Citizens League, the only national organization of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States, again reaffirms its loyal support of this land.

"Again, as in World War II, we of Japanese ancestry are determined to serve in whatever capacity citizens are needed to preserve the freedom and uphold the dignity of man at a time the ruthless ideologies of Communism threaten liberty everywhere in the world.

"This is an hour when we place our country above the individual; a time when life 'as usual' must give way to the greater sacrifices necessary to preserve the freedom of life itself.

"Today, as in World War II, Japanese American soldiers are giving their lives in combat in support of our democratic ideals.

"In factories, the fields and in their homes, Japanese Americans and their immigrant parents stand shoulder to shoulder with their fellow men, prepared to share equally in the hardships and demands imposed by the crisis confronting the nation.

"We add our prayers to those of all Americans that we shall emerge from this grave period with our faith intact and democracy triumphant."

The letter was signed by Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director.

Distaff Members Dominate New York JACL Elections

NEW YORK—"Mr. Delegate" of the recent national JACL convention in Chicago, was given another official title recently, "Mr. President."

Frank Okazaki, 1950 vice president of the New York JACL chapter, will head the 1951 executive board, which, for the first time in the history of the local chapter, has more female members than men. Of the ten-member board, six are women.

The trend toward the feminine started with the election of Mitsu Yasuda to the vice presidency. Miss Yasuda will be the chairman of the board; followed by Sachi Tanaka as treasurer; Sumi Hiramoto as corresponding secretary; and Masako Yamasaki, recording secretary.

Three men were elected to a clip following this, when Gerald Kubo was voted program director; Loren Kitazono, financial director; and Eddie Miyamasu, membership director. But the ladies took over again with Mary Kasahara elected historian, and Chizu Ikeda, publicity director.

Committee chairmen are still to be appointed by the Board.

Installation ceremonies will be held on Jan. 19.

The election was preceded by a panel discussion on "What I Would Like to See the New York Chapter Accomplish in 1951." Midori Watanabe, education committee chairman, acted as moderator while Jack Hata, a non-JACler, spoke on "Why Prospective Members do Not Join the JACL," followed by Frank Okazaki who spoke on a desired program, Mitsu Yasuda on good and bad publicity, and Kelly Kuwayama, summary. A general discussion followed.

Frank Hironaka Heads Placer JACL

PENRYN, Calif. — Frank Hironaka, Long Valley orchardist, was elected president of the Placer County JACL at a general meeting on Dec. 15. He succeeds James Makimoto of Loomis.

New officers include: Vice-presidents, Koichi Uyeno, Loomis; George Hironaka, Penryn; Kelvin Mitani, Newcastle; Sam Sunada, Auburn, and Masaru Morishige, Lincoln; recording secretary, Nat-suye Osaki, Newcastle; Corresponding secretary, Ellen Kubo, Penryn; Treasurer, Roy Yoshida, Newcastle; Social chairman, Frank Fujita, Newcastle, and Hugo Nishimoto, athletic chairman, Newcastle.

The annual year-end social will be held on Dec. 30 at the Loomis Legion hall.

Christmas Cheer Given Needy Families Christmas Party

LOS ANGELES—Needy families of Japanese ancestry in the Los Angeles area received canned foods, toys and other gifts as a result of the Christmas Cheer project of the local interclub council.

Donations totaling more than \$1400 were received from churches and from Nisei organizations.

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Chicago Tribune Raps Attempt To Hold Up Book Publication

CHICAGO—The Chicago Tribune on Dec. 17 called attention to the University of Chicago's dismissal of William T. Couch as director of the university press in an attack on Chancellor Robert M. Hutchins.

Declaring that Chancellor Hutchins sought to suppress publication of "Americans Betrayed" by Morton Grodzins after receiving a request to do so from the University of California, the Tribune recalled that Hutchins once headed a commission of inquiry into the freedom of the American press and "is in the position of having violated every canon which he and his commission established."

The Tribune described the efforts of the University of California to halt publication of the book on the Japanese American mass evacuation:

"When California voiced objections to publication of a work in which Californians might feel that they did not appear in the most flattering light, Mr. Couch asserts that he was summoned before Ernest C. Colwell, president of the University of Chicago. Mr. Couch quotes Mr. Colwell as saying that 'interuniversity comity' was more important than freedom of the press."

"Mr. Couch states that the University of California at first contended that it had allowed Mr. Grodzins access to material used in the book only on his written agreement not to publish it. Mr. Couch adds that he called upon California three times to produce such an agreement, but that it failed to do so, resorting instead to an appeal to Mr. Hutchins. Despite the pressure, Mr. Couch proceeded with publication, stating that the book was an important contribution to public knowledge. His dismissal eventually followed."

"Applying Dr. Hutchins' own criteria (of the freedom of the press) to the press of his own university, its director and the book of Prof. Grodzins, we find that here was a book which the director thought was of great significance, calculated to supply information enabling citizens to discharge their responsibilities. We find that strenuous efforts were made by Dr. Hutchins and his agents to suppress publication, which would constitute censorship at the source. And we find that, when this failed, the director of the press was summarily dismissed."

Gardena Continues Membership Drive

GARDENA, Calif.—A house-to-house campaign for members is being conducted currently by the Gardena Valley JACL.

Members of the drive committee are Shiz Yanaga, Hank Ishida, Sally Tanaka, Tayeko Shiraishi, Mas Yoshida, Marlene Fujita, Hisashi Higuchi, Yo Kobata and Toshi Minami, Gardena; Paul Shinoda, Jack Kobayashi, George Kobayashi and Fred Iwata, Torrance; Robert Ueda, Lomita and Harbor City; and Ray Fujimoto and Dale Miyadi, Hawthorne-Lawndale area.

Book on Evacuation Called Reason for Couch's Ouster

(Continued from page 1) and the book was published in 1943.

The book is now recognized as one of the authoritative records of the political pressures exerted to bring about the mass evacuation decision.

In his book the author describes the evacuation as a betrayal of the American heritage of individual freedom.

"Japanese Americans were the immediate victims of the evacuation," he declares. "But larger consequences were carried by the American people as a whole. Their legacy is the lasting one of precedent and constitutional sanctity for a policy of mass incarceration under military auspices. This is the most important result of the price by which the evacuation decision was made. That process betrayed all Americans."

Couch declared this week that he published the book because there appears to be no agreement with the University of California to prevent it and because it was an important contribution to the public knowledge.

It was reported that a group of 16 leading professors at the University of Chicago has organized to petition the university to return Couch to his post. Couch has been director of the University of Chicago Press since 1945. He was director of the University of North Carolina Press for 20 years before coming to Chicago.

Couch said University of Chicago officials had told him he had been fired for being "unable to get along with subordinates or superiors." He denied this charge.

Publication of "Americans Betrayed" was aided by the decision of the national Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) to purchase 1,000 copies for sale to members and friends.

Fujiki Takes Over 442nd Club Post

HONOLULU — Akira Fujiki is the new executive secretary of the 442nd Veterans Club of Honolulu, succeeding Akira Fukunaga who retired several months ago to enter private business.

Fujiki, an active member of the 442nd club from its inception, also is chairman of the club's 10th anniversary committee which is planning a national reunion of members of the 442nd Combat Team in 1953 in Honolulu.

Tomi Kanazawa Pans Home Town Concert

LOS ANGELES—Tomi Kanazawa, Los Angeles-born Nisei soprano, will give her first concert in her home town on Jan. 13 under the sponsorship of the Los Angeles Japanese Women's club at the Koyasan hall.

Proceeds from the concert will go toward the community center project.

Erection of Monument to GIs Highlights Snake River Year

By SMITH MORIMOTO

Ontario, Ore. — One of the 1950 projects of the Snake River Valley JACL was its participation in erection of a monument dedicated to men of this area who served in World War II.

The monument, erected by Japanese American residents of the lower Snake River valley, was unveiled and dedicated on Sept. 29 at Ontario City park.

Joe Saito, veteran of World War II, presented it to the city of Ontario. Thomas Iseri was chairman of the dedication ceremony.

Chapter officers during the past year were George Sugai, pres.; Mun Iseri, vice pres.; Mary Mio, rec. secy.; Mrs. Boots Hironaka, corr. secy.; Tom Ogura, treas.; Shig Hironaka and Mrs. Bobbie Watanabe, social chairmen; Tom Itami, official delegate; and Smith Morimoto, historian-reporter.

In April a platoon of Nisei veterans, led by Lt. Joe Saito, marched in the Boise, Ida., Loyalty day parade. They also marched early in May at the 29th annual blossom festival in Payette.

A float entered by the Snake River JACL placed second for organizational entries.

The chapter held its fifth annual graduation banquet late in May at

the East Side Cafe in Ontario. Graduates from Fruitland and Weiser, Ida., and Nyssa, Ontario and Vale, Ore., were honored.

Past presidents of the chapter were presented with pins. They were Joe Komoto, Saito, James Watanabe and Thomas Itami.

Jimmy Kuroda was sponsored by the chapter as a delegate to the meeting of the Beaver State held on the Oregon State campus.

William Yukawa Heads Dayton JACL Whereabouts Sought

DAYTON, O.—William Yukawa was elected to head the Dayton, Ohio, chapter of the JACL at the annual election meeting on Dec. 17 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. James Taguchi.

Other new cabinet members are: Mas Yamasaki, 1st vice-pres.; Yo Sato, 2nd v. p.; Hide Okubo, treas.; Rosalyn Yoshida, corres. sec.; Mrs. James Taguchi, rec. sec.; Mrs. Frank Sakada and George Yoshida, official delegate and alternate respectively.

Following the election a Christmas gift exchange was enjoyed by members and their families.



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