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## Attorney General Estimates \$450,000 in Evacuee Claims Will Be Paid Before July 1

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Attorney General this week estimated the Justice Department would pay out approximately \$450,000 in claims before July 1, while payments in the fiscal year of 1952 would climb to a flat half-million dollars, the JACL ADC reported.

The estimate of payments was contained in the proposed federal budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

The Attorney General is asking for a total Evacuation Claims

budget for fiscal 1952 of \$750,000, as compared with the fiscal 1951 budget of \$1,300,000. The proposed budget earmarks \$250,000 for administrative expenses and the remainder for claims payments. The fiscal 1951 budget set aside an identical quarter-million dollars for administrative expenses.

In drafting the proposed budget, the Attorney General said that by the end of the current fiscal year the Department of Justice will pay out \$450,000 in claims, while during the next fiscal year it hopes to pay out \$500,000.

Thus, despite the proposed cut in the overall budget for fiscal 1952, Mr. Masaoka said that claimants actually will be better off during the next fiscal year than in the present.

"The effectiveness of the claims budget is not measured so much by the total appropriated as it is in the allotment for administrative expenses and the amount the department actually is able to pay claimants in any given year," Mr. Masaoka added.

"For example, in the fiscal year of 1950 the Justice Department had a budget allotment of \$1,200,000 yet was able to pay out only \$6,882.20 in claims.

"Its rate of payments during the present fiscal year is much faster than last," he continued, "primarily because the Department was given a larger administrative budget, and, of course, had a backlog of experience.

"If the Department, however, is able to pay out almost half a million dollars during the present fiscal year this will mean that at last the evacuation program is really beginning to swing into high gear."

Mr. Masaoka pointed out that by January 1, the Department had paid out but approximately \$62,000, and expressed some doubt whether it could actually make an additional \$400,000 in payments before July 1, as it indicated to Congress.

He said that until the outbreak of the Korean war, it was hoped that a much larger budget would be approved for fiscal 1952, "but in the light of economic necessity in financing that war, I feel the proposed budget is at least fair, and indicative of a general improvement in the whole program."

## Renunciants Seek Rehearing On Appellate Court's Verdict

SAN FRANCISCO—Motion for a rehearing in the Tule Lake renunciants test cases, in which the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals recently reversed a lower court ruling and declared that renunciants must prove their loyalty before regaining American citizenship rights, will be filed in the Federal appellate court soon, according to Wayne Collins, counsel for the renunciants.

The Nichi-Bei Times reported that the rehearing motion will be filed "for only about half of the 4,315 in the mass suits" originally filed by American-born persons of Japanese ancestry who renounced their citizenship while at the Tule Lake segregation center in 1945 and who sought to regain their citizenship through court action. The circuit court decision upheld citizenship for those who were minors at the time of the renunciations and to 58 who claimed they merely followed their families to Tule Lake.

He pointed out, however, that even if the Department does make the claims payments it anticipates during the remainder of the present fiscal year and in fiscal 1952, it still will have paid out but a little less than \$1,000,000 while the total of all claims filed under the Evacuation Claims Act is in excess of \$130,000,000.

The Department of Justice is authorized to pay claims of \$2500 and less. It adjudicates larger claims and refers them to Congress for payment.

Up to the present time, the Department has reported adjudicating no claims which would necessitate Congressional approval for payment.

As a substantial total of all claims are in the \$2500-and-over bracket, Mr. Masaoka said it is rather obvious the Department is concentrating upon the smaller claims first, although not necessarily to the exclusion of the larger ones.

The Justice Department budget estimates indicated it expects to spend approximately \$240,000 on administrative expenses during fiscal 1951, or \$10,000 less than it was authorized to use. Next fiscal year, however, the Department indicated it will use the complete \$250,000 administrative appropriation.

## Defense Department Reports Casualties

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Department of Defense this week advised the JACL ADC of the following Nisei casualties in the Korean area:

### MISSING IN ACTION:

Corp. Saburo Shimomura, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe T. Shimomura, 2915 Pingree Ave., Ogden, Utah.

### WOUNDED:

Corp. Ralph Akira Adachi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Masami Adachi, 11553 East Firestone Boulevard, Norwalk, Calif.

## Hold Memorial Rites

OAKLAND, Calif. — Memorial rites were held on Feb. 14 here for Sgt. Shigetoshi Kusuda who was killed in action recently in Korea.

## SHOW SHELVED, RIKORAN WILL GO TO JAPAN

NEW YORK—The production of the musical, "Messer Marco Polo," based on the Donn Byrne novel, has been postponed indefinitely and Yoshiko Rikoran Yamaguchi, Japanese film actress who was to have had the feminine lead in the show, is returning to Japan shortly.

Producers indicated that the postponement was due to the Korean war. The locale of the show is China and backers of the production were of the opinion that the present war situation, particularly that involving the Chinese Communists, was not favorable for the opening of a musical with a Chinese background.

Rehearsals were originally scheduled to start in November but were postponed until February. Last week the producers decided to shelve the production which was to have opened in New Haven on March 7 and in New York City in April.

Miss Yamaguchi will return to the United States if the producers decide to go ahead with the show in the near future.

## Rule Against Damages for Death in Camp

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Justice Department reaffirmed this week an evacuee cannot collect damages arising from a death in a relocation camp, nor can he seek compensation for his own mental suffering or loss of earnings, according to the JACL ADC.

It made this ruling in the claim of a San Joaquin county evacuee who sought compensation for the death of his father in a relocation camp, and for his own loss of earnings and alleged mental suffering during and after evacuation.

The Justice Department pointed out the evacuation claims act specifically excludes claims for "damage or loss on account of death . . . or mental suffering," and "for loss of anticipated profits or loss of anticipated earnings."

The claimant was awarded \$120 for losses from a forced sale, and theft of personal property while he was in a relocation camp.

## Wartime Evacuees Now Own 550 Homes In Toronto Area

TORONTO, Ont.—Wartime evacuees of Japanese ancestry who have resettled permanently in the Toronto area now own 550 homes with an approximate value of more than \$5,000,000, the New Canadian estimated this week.

Many of the resettled evacuees are buying new homes in Toronto's suburban areas, taking advantage of government-sponsored long-term payment plans.

## First Cavalry Honors Nisei Who Died on Korean Front

DENVER, Colo.—The name of a young Denver Nisei soldier who was killed in Korea has been commemorated at the home base of the U. S. First Cavalry Division near Tokyo, according to a report reaching Denver last week.

One of the rifle ranges at Camp Drake, 18 miles northwest of Tokyo, has been renamed Goto range in honor of Pfc. Mitsuru Goto, 22, first member of the division to die in Korea.

Goto was killed soon after his outfit went into combat when the jeep in which he was riding to the front to question enemy prisoners hit an anti-tank mine near Yongdong.

Even before he saw action at

## Omnibus Bills Would Repeal Exclusion Act, End Racial Restrictions in Naturalization

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Repeal of the final remnants of the Oriental Exclusion act and elimination of racial restrictions in naturalization are two of the most significant aspects of the omnibus immigration and naturalization bills now in Congress, the JACL ADC said this week.

Two companion bills have been introduced, one by Sen. Pat McCarran, (D., Nev.), the other by Rep. Francis E. Walter, (D., Penn.). They are chairmen, respectively, of the Senate and House Subcommittees on immigration and naturalization.

The bills are substantially the same, differing most markedly in setting up a priority system for various classes of immigrants. The McCarran bill would restrict each priority only for the uses of immigrants in a particular category, while the Walter bill proposes that unused priorities shall be made available to other classes of immigrants.

The bills also place additional restrictions upon immigrants, yet the most controversial restrictions already are law under the Internal Security Act of 1950.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said the JACL ADC has been campaigning for several years to obtain those features of the bills covering Asians in immigration and naturalization.

The sections of the bills are almost word for word based upon the studies and proposals first drafted by the JACL ADC two years ago and subsequently introduced in the Judd bill, and various naturalization measures patterned after the Walter Equality in Naturalization bill.

Rep. Walter H. Judd, (R., Minn.), among the most ardent supporters of liberalizing immigration and naturalization laws dealing with Asians, has been quoted as saying that Congress probably will adopt an omnibus bill this year. "This time," he

## SUEO SERISAWA'S PAINTING BOUGHT BY N.Y. MUSEUM

LOS ANGELES — Suelo Serisawa, nationally-known Los Angeles artist, was notified last week that his painting "Puppet and Child" has been purchased by the Metropolitan Museum of New York for \$1,000.

Serisawa's painting was one of only seven out of a total of 307 by leading American artists which were purchased by the museum. The paintings were selected by the museum from a total of more than 7,000 which were submitted for its special exhibition, "American Painting, 1950."

## Pick Nisei Queen

IMPERIAL, Calif.—Susam Yamashita will reign as queen of Imperial County's Midwinter Fair on Feb. 27, which has been designated as "Japanese day."

said, "it looks like we will finally act."

The Washington Post said on Feb. 11 that:

"With the support of McCarran's powerful Judiciary Committee behind such a measure . . . its passage at this session is highly likely."

The House, of course, has previously approved immigration and naturalization legislation advocated by Reps. Judd and Walter.

The omnibus bills continue to set immigration quotas based upon the ethnic composition of the United States in 1920, although the formula is simplified to a flat one-sixth of one percent of a population of national origin here at that time. Countries receiving less than 100 annually under this formula would be given a minimum quota of 100.

Only two Asian countries would receive more than 100. China would retain its present 105, and Japan would be given a quota of 185 annually.

Where families of immigrants are concerned, the omnibus bills are somewhat more liberal than the Judd bill. Wives and children of all immigrants would be admitted quota-free under omnibus legislation, while the Judd bill would continue this privilege only for Europeans, but require each individual Asian immigrant to enter under a quota.

At the same time, the omnibus bills would give parents, brothers and sisters of American citizens immigration priorities.

Arguing persuasively for lifting racial bans on Asian immigrants and those seeking naturalization, Rep. Judd declared the "exclusion act did more to turn Japan over to the militarists than anything we ever did."

"Our present policy is worth 50 divisions to Soviet Russia in Asia."

He said this country cannot win the confidence of the peoples of Asia as long as the 1924 act remains on the books.

An estimated 80,000 aliens, chiefly Japanese, will become eligible to apply for naturalization under the omnibus bills. Roughly half live in the United States, the other half in Hawaii.

The omnibus bills would ease the standards on long-time resident aliens seeking naturalization by eliminating a knowledge of English for persons over 50 years of age who have lived here at least 25 years. This would be especially helpful to the Issei.

Rep. Walter recently told Mr. Masaoka he felt one of the principle reasons the omnibus bills contain provisions on Asian immigration and naturalization is "due primarily to the work of the JACL ADC in familiarizing Congress with the need for changes in these laws."

The goal of the omnibus bills is a single law to cover all phases of the present complex and confused immigration and naturalization statutes.

Thus, the omnibus bills, by codifying and reorganizing into one bill the multitude of statutes would become the only Immigration and Naturalization Act.

Proposed by the bills are such other changes as a State Department bureau of passports and visas under a new Assistant Secretary of State; clarifying the ban on "totalitarian" immigrants, and setting forth new specifications for aliens inadmissible because of criminal backgrounds, mental or sexual aberrations or addiction to narcotics.



## New Procedures Will Speed Action on Stays of Deportation

**Masaoka Urges Special Attention For Hardship Cases**

WASHINGTON, D. C. — New procedures in handling suspension of deportation proceedings against aliens should markedly expedite the disposition of many cases, the Immigration and Naturalization Service advised the JACL ADC this week.

This advice was in response to an appeal from Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, urging fast action to secure stays of deportation for approximately 2,000 Japanese treaty merchants and other special classes of aliens stranded here by the war, and upon whom it would work a hardship to return to Japan today.

In his appeal, Mr. Masaoka called attention to the fact that a number of Japanese are suffering undue hardship because it is taking the government so long to clarify their status.

He urged the Immigration and Naturalization Service to give special attention to aliens with specific family or business hardships.

On the advice of the Service that it would consider such cases, Mr. Masaoka suggested that aliens facing undue difficulties because of their status should write immediately to:

**MIKE MASAOKA**

JACL Anti-Discrimination Com.  
300 5th St., N. E.  
Washington 2, D. C.

He asked that aliens writing give complete information about their cases and especially include information on what difficulties they might now be facing because their status has not yet been cleared. Aliens should include their alien registration number and deportation proceedings number, if any.

Under the old proceedings, aliens had to wait until they were formally faced with deportation proceedings before they could apply for a stay. New regulations provide an alien may apply for a stay of deportation at any time, whether or not deportation proceedings have been instituted.

Aliens qualified to apply for stays are those who have lived in the United States seven or more years, are of good moral character, and upon whom it would work an undue hardship to return to Japan today.

Japanese were made eligible to apply for stays under an amendment to the Stay of Deportation Act introduced at the request of the JACL ADC and approved by the 80th Congress.

It is applicable to aliens residing in the United States or Hawaii.

### Three Don Khaki

CHICAGO — Dr. Clifford Fujimoto is the latest Nisei dentist to be inducted into the army.

Two other Nisei were also inducted last week. They are Henry Kasuyama and Toshio Matsumoto.

## JACL Discussion Considers Future of "Little Tokyo" Area

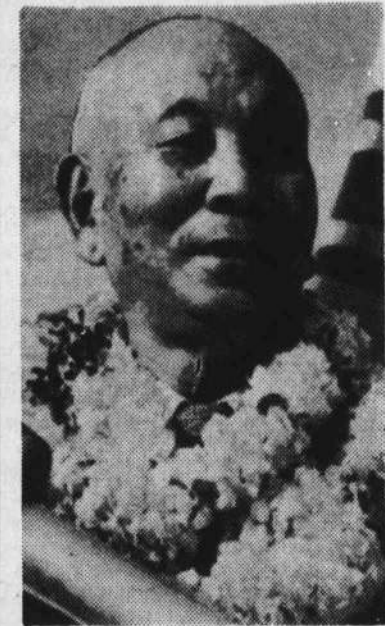
LOS ANGELES—The "Is Little Tokyo Doomed?" panel settled down to a lively discussion on Feb. 13 of why business conditions were discouraging in a community embracing the largest segment of the Japanese population in the country.

The topic was tossed to an audience of thirty attending the Downtown L.A. JACL panel luncheon at the San Kwo Low Restaurant.

The decreasing number of Issei who found language convenience in shopping in Little Tokyo and the increase among the Nisei who conversely found it convenient to shop in any area was pointed out by Moderator Sam Ishikawa.

Intimation was made that too many Little Tokyo stores handled the same kind of merchandise and that a greater variety of shops may be a step to improve business conditions locally. Merchantmen suggested improved merchandising and advertising as a possible means to recoup the trade of persons of Japanese ancestry.

### NOTED PIONEER HAWAIIAN ISSEI DIES OF ILLNESS



THE REV. OKUMURA

HONOLULU — The Rev. Takie Okumura, 86, one of Honolulu's pioneer ministers and educators, died on Feb. 10 after a short illness.

Born in 1864 in Kochi prefecture in Japan, the Rev. Okumura came to Hawaii 56 years ago in August, 1894. He was pastor of the Nuuanu church until 1902 when he organized the Makiki Christian church with only 24 members. When he resigned in 1937, the total membership was 800.

He was the founder of the first Japanese language school in Hawaii and promoted the "New Americans" movement for Nisei. The Japanese language school, known as the Central Institute, was founded in 1896.

He also founded the Japanese YMCA in 1900 and organized the Okumura Boys' and Girls' home, formerly known as the Japanese boarding school, in Aug., 1896. Although retired as a pastor, he served as head of the home up to the time of his death.

He also published and edited several religious periodicals and authored 11 books and many pamphlets.

On three occasions the Japanese government tried to award him medals for meritorious services but on each occasion he declined the honor.

### Montana Nisei Named Director Of County C of C

HARDIN, Mon. — Yasuo Nayematsu, prominent Nisei leader in the Montana area, was one of six new directors elected by the Big Horn County Chamber of Commerce on Jan. 26.

Elections were held at the chamber's annual meeting.

### San Francisco JACL Supports Work of Civic Unity Council

SAN FRANCISCO — The local JACL chapter last week voted to contribute \$50 to the Council for Civic Unity of San Francisco and a similar amount to the Citizens Committee for Equal Employment Opportunity which is currently leading the campaign for an FEPC ordinance in San Francisco.

### Recall Colorado Group's Fight To Aid Nisei

DENVER, Colo.—Dissolution of the Colorado Committee for Fair Play late in January has recalled the bitter anti-Japanese campaign of 1944 which sought to restrict the rights of persons of Japanese ancestry.

The committee was organized by Dr. Prudence Bostwick, Arthur A. Brooks, Ruth Schacht, Robert Caldwell and the Rev. Clark P. Garman. Later Louise Evans was added to the board of directors.

The committee fought to combat a campaign to prohibit land ownership by Japanese aliens in Colorado. Supporters of the movement, led by Dr. William J. Wells of Brighton, called for a special session of the legislature to pass laws directed against persons of Japanese descent.

The Fair Play Committee also worked to combat wartime hysteria and anti-Nisei propaganda in the press.

Dissolution of the committee was regarded here as symbolic of the change in public attitude in Colorado toward persons of Japanese ancestry since the early days of 1944.

### Chapter to Fete President on Army Induction

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The Sacramento JACL will hold a farewell dinner for Pres. Dr. Alwin Sato, who is scheduled to leave soon for service in the Army, on Friday, Feb. 23, at the Yolo Club.

The Yolo Club is on Davis Highway, just beyond El Rancho Drive in Theater.

All persons wishing to attend are asked to make reservations with Keith Mits Nishio, Hillcrest 6-4532; Shig Sakamoto, Gilbert 2-8300; or Dub Tsugawa, Gilbert 2-88822, before Wednesday, Feb. 21.

### Church Announces Rebuilding Program

CHICAGO—A church which a few years ago was believed to be on the edge of decline this week announced a \$52,000 rebuilding program to meet present and future needs.

The First Baptist Church of Chicago, second oldest Protestant church in the city, will embark upon a program to repair and improve its building which today serves a remarkable interracial congregation.

The 117-year-old church was first located in the Chicago Loop, then moved four times as its congregation moved to new communities.

Seven years ago, however, officials decided to minister to the neighborhood, regardless of any social or racial changes. The decision was implemented by calling of a Japanese American, Dr. Jitsuo Morikawa, as associate minister. In 1947 he was named pastor.

The membership today includes Nisei, Negroes, Chinese and Caucasians. The church also serves several hundred youths weekly through its YMCA center.

While many persons predicted several years ago that the church would decline with changing of the make-up of the community, it has actually been strengthened.

### Japanese Canadians Plan Convention

MONTREAL, Que. — Delegates from all parts of Canada are expected to attend the fourth national conference of the Japanese Citizens Association which will be held March 23-27 in Montreal.

The theme of the conference is "Planning for Tomorrow."



LOS ANGELES—Representatives of organizations of the Japanese American community in Los Angeles are shown discussing the forthcoming blood donation drive for the American Red Cross with Mrs. Belle Williams, director of the blood recruitment program for Los Angeles. Those in the photo are (l. to r.) Katsuma Mukaeda, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce; Tats Kushiida, JACL ADC regional director; George Waki, executive secretary of the Nisei Veterans Association, and Mrs. Sachiko Furuzawa of the Women's Welfare Society.

—Photo by Toyo Miyatake.

## Map Plans for Blood Donation Drive in Los Angeles Area

LOS ANGELES — Leaders and representatives of organizations of the Japanese community were guests of the American Red Cross at a meeting held at the Kawafuku Cafe on Feb. 8 to map plans for a blood donation drive in the Los Angeles area.

Dr. Tom Watanabe and Katsuma Mukaeda will serve as co-chairmen of the city-wide committee for the Japanese American community's Red Cross blood bank program. George Waki of the Nisei Veterans Association was named secretary while Tats Kushiida of the JACL and Matao Uwate will be co-chairmen for public relations.

Local chairmen for the drive will be appointed in the Santa Monica Bay area, the Harbor district, Gardena Valley, Pasadena and Orange County.

Presiding at the meeting was Stanley Slotkin, Red Cross board member and president of the Abbey Rents firm. Accompanying him from the Red Cross were Edward M. Schottland, director of the L. A. Regional Blood Program, Mrs. Belle Williams, director of Blood Recruitment, and Frank Quattrocchi, Public Information Director.

Representing the Japanese American community were: Mrs. Sachiko Furuzawa, Women's Welfare Society; James Mitsumori and Tats Kushiida, JACL; Katsuma Mukaeda and Matao Uwate, Japanese Chamber of Commerce; George Waki, Nisei Veterans Association; and representatives of the metropolitan and Japanese press.

Those present will form part of a community-wide committee which will be expanded with the inclusion of other groups unable to be present.

It was expected that special blood donor groups of individual organizations will be formed to visit the Red Cross Blood Center at 925 South Western Avenue. For large groups, Red Cross mobile units will be sent to designated locations. The groups represented, in recognition of this civic obligation, pledged support for the campaign, the first to be conducted on a community-wide basis among Japanese Americans, heretofore unrepresented in the program.

Approximately one-half of the blood at present is sent to the Korea war area, while the balance is retained in the community blood bank. Under group participation, entire memberships may receive complete blood protection—transfusions whenever needed—even if individuals themselves are not able to give blood. In some cases it will be possible to transfer blood credits out of the Los Angeles region for members of the donor's immediate family, Red Cross representatives stated. In fact, Schottland pointed out, blood can be given by an individual to be credited to designated friends or relatives elsewhere in the United States.

### Salt Lake JACL Prints History

A 15-page history of the Salt Lake City JACL will go to chapter members this week, according to Mrs. Alice Kasai, who prepared the report.

The story tells of the chapter's 15 years of activity since its formation in 1935.

First president of the chapter was Joe Grant Masaoka, now regional director in San Francisco. Mike Masaoka, now ADC director, was the only president serving three consecutive terms, from 1938 to 1940. Also serving three terms, though not consecutively, was Dr. Jun Kurumada, who was elected in 1942, 1943 and again in 1948.

Working with Mrs. Kasai on the history was Rose Yagi and Prof. Elmer R. Smith. It was compiled from a 15-year accumulation of notes and reports.

Preparation of similar histories by other JACL chapters was urged by Prof. Smith, who is currently writing the JACL story for the national organization.

### Yashima Will Speak On World Folk Arts

NEW YORK — Taro Yashima, noted painter, will speak on "Folk Arts of All Nations" at the New York JACL's membership meeting on Friday, Feb. 23, at the M.E. church.

### TO OUR FRIENDS

Feb. 14, 1951

Dear Friends:

This is a special valentine to you, our friends, everywhere, to carry our affectionate greetings and to express to each our deep gratitude for your remembrances. The wonderful television-radio-phonograph which your generosity brought us at Christmas delights and entertains us daily. The beautiful Hamilton watches help us to keep our appointments on time. Our mother plans a summer trip to use her fine luggage. We still are scarcely able to realize these possessions are ours.

Better than these luxuries is the thought that there are people like you whom we can call our friends, who have always given us "so much for so little."

Sincerely,

CATHERINE V. HUMBARGAR

ELIZABETH M. HUMBARGAR

Stockton, Calif.



# Kawano, Hawaii Union Leader, Urges Rank and File of ILWU To Purge Communist Members

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—Jack H. Kawano, one of the early organizers in Hawaii of Harry Bridges' International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union, disclosed last week he at one time belonged to the Communist Party of Hawaii but broke away when he discovered that the Communists were "using the union for purposes other than strictly trade union matters."

He made the disclosure in a press statement in which he called upon the rank and file members of the ILWU to rid the union of all Communists and those who follow the Communist line.

Honolulu dailies headlined the surprise statement as the top labor news in a long time.

To those who have followed "inside" developments within the ILWU — the largest and most powerful labor union in Hawaii — Kawano's clean break with the Communists had not been completely unexpected.

It was common knowledge among these persons that Kawano had had a falling out a long time ago with Jack W. Hall, the union's regional director in Hawaii.

Kawano had clashed with Hall behind the scenes on major policies, including the conduct of the 178 day longshoremen's strike in 1949. Kawano was president of the longshoremen's local union at that time but was shoved into the background throughout that critical strike.

Hall made his feelings about Kawano quite plain, in commenting on Kawano's statement last week.

"I feel nothing but pity for him," Hall remarked. "The union has passed him by."

The ILWU's No. 1 official further commented that Kawano "couldn't and didn't write that statement."

Kawano said he was making his position public — on Communism and his past membership in the party—because he has been cleared of contempt of congress charges. He and 38 others, mostly ILWU officials, were acquitted recently of contempt charges for having refused to answer questions about Communist activities before the house un-American activities committee last spring. All pleaded possible self-incrimination.

"Now that the contempt case against me is cleared," Kawano stated, "I feel I am able to make my personal position clear to all those who may be interested, without fear of intimidation or coercion from any source."

"I wish all to know that I am not an organizer for the CIO," he announced in answering a question he said had been asked of him often.

(The national CIO has expressed a determination to move in on the ILWU since it ousted the ILWU as a Communist-dominated union last year. But so far, the CIO has not conducted any raids in Hawaii.)

"My position," Kawano said, "is that in the event anyone tried to split the ILWU by raids or otherwise, I would help in whatever way I could to maintain unity within the membership of the ILWU."

About his Communist affiliations, he said:

"I am not a Communist. However, I was a member of the Communist party. I joined the Communist party because some individuals were willing to assist me in organizing the waterfront union."

"The waterfront employers were totally intolerant of labor unions. They did all they could to smash all attempts to organize the waterfront. No civic or community organizations showed any signs of willingness to assist in our organizing efforts."

"I did not think it was harmful to the union as long as the Communists were willing to assist me in bringing up the living standards of the working men because they led me to believe that the basic existence of the Communist party was primarily to promote the best interests of the working man."

"I decided to quit the Communist party because I found that the primary existence of the Communist party was not for the best interests of the working man but to dupe the members of the union, to control the union and to use the union for pur-



JACK KAWANO

poses other than strictly trade union matters.

"The Communists play rings around the rank and file of the union and their union's constitution, by meeting separately and secretly among themselves and making prior decisions on all important union policy matters, such as the question of strikes, election of officers, ratification of union agreements, the question of American foreign policy and all other important matters of the union."

"Primarily all of these decisions are made on the basis of what is good for the Communist party and not what is good for the membership of the union."

He cited as examples of Communist maneuvering, the stuffing of ballot boxes in the election of officers of the sugar bowl local in 1946, and the unsuccessful attempt to call sugar workers out on strike during the longshoremen's strike in 1949.

Kawano asserted he is convinced "more than ever" he did the right thing by quitting the Communist party in view of the Korean war.

"I can not help," he commented, "but believe that anyone who is a Communist and is willing to assist Communist Korea, China or any other Communist nation today is dangerously flirting with treason against his own country."

Kawano was one of the organizers of the ILWU longshore local in the early 1930s and served as president of the local for more than 11 years, until 1949.

He then declined to run for reelection and returned to work as a stevedore.

## Philadelphia Sets Membership Record

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The Philadelphia JACL reached a record high of 132 members at the close of its three-month membership campaign on Feb. 2.

The 1951 membership represents a 48 per cent increase over last year's total of 89 members.

The drive, under chairmanship of Sim Endo, took the form of a football game between the Eagles, captained by "Plunger" (Yoshi) Tamaki and the Pacers, led by "Piledriver" (Jack) Ozawa. The Eagles won handily over the Pacers.

Scores were compiled on the basis of two points for new members and one point for each renewal. Outstanding yard gainers were Betty Watanabe for the Eagles and Y. Nakano for the Pacers.

New members included a high ratio of Issei.

The Eagles will be feted the evening of Feb. 17 at a banquet to be held at the expense of their erstwhile adversaries.

## YURIKO DANCES ELIZA ROLE IN NEW MUSICAL

NEW YORK—Yuriko Amemiya will have the central role in the main dance sequence in Rogers and Hammerstein's forthcoming musical, "The King and I."

Yuriko will appear as Eliza in a Siamese version of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," which will be one of the featured production numbers in the show.

She and Michiko Iseri will also appear in other dance episodes.

The entire cast of the musical, based on the book "Anna and the King of Siam" will leave for New Haven next week to complete rehearsals. The musical will open in the Connecticut city late in February. Following the tryout the production will move to Boston for three weeks before opening in New York on March 29 at the St. James Theater.

Gertrude Lawrence is starred in the production.

## Army Division Hails Heroism Of Nisei Soldier

LOS ANGELES — The heroism of Corp. John Seiji Akiyama of Los Angeles in Korea has won the praise of members of the First Cavalry Division, according to a battle report received here last week.

The warfront dispatch said the 21-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Rinzo Akiyama is living up to the high battle traditions set by Japanese Americans in World War II.

Corp. Akiyama who was wounded last September in another battle in Korea was cited for leadership, courage and a great exhibition of battle strategy.

While his platoon was engaged in particularly bitter fighting against great odds near Waegun, Akiyama devised a plan to outflank the enemy.

Despite heavy risk to his own life, the Nisei corporal maneuvered through heavy mortar fire and exposed himself to the enemy to draw attention.

While mortar and small arms fire continued to pour toward Akiyama's position, the rest of the platoon was able to sweep in the opposite direction and wrest the position from the North Koreans.

Akiyama volunteered for the army at the age of 17 and studied at the Army Language school at Monterey, Calif. He was to have been discharged last July but the outbreak of the Korean war resulted in his remaining in uniform.

An elder brother, Frank Shiro Akiyama, is in training with the Air Force in Texas.

## "Mrs. Delegate" Wins Presidency of Santa Barbara JACL

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — "Mrs. Delegate" to the National JACL Convention held in Chicago last fall, otherwise known as Lillian Nakaji, wife of Dr. Yoshio Nakaji, was installed as the 1951 president of the local JACL Chapter on February 7 at the Swiss Chalet, it was reported this week.

Installing officer was the Reverend C. Eugene Sill, long time friend and supporter of Japanese Americans, who was also guest speaker.

Assisting Mrs. Nakaji on the cabinet will be vice president Ikey Kakimoto, corresponding secretary, Tomoko Yamada, recording secretary, Mary Kanetomo, treasurer, Caesar Uyesaka and social chairmen, Mrs. Beverly Watanabe and Akira Endo.

Retiring president Tad Kanetomo, the evening's toastmaster, was presented with a handsome electric desk clock by the chapter in appreciation of his services. Other honored guests were Mrs. Sill, Miss Laura McKeen and Miss Ruth Southwick.

## Indio Resident Hurt in Collision

INDIO, Calif. — Mas Shimizu was seriously injured on Feb. 5 in an auto collision on the highway east of Coachella.

He was treated for a fracture of the vertebrae, broken ribs and lacerations.

## Bill to Restore Citizenship Rights to Wartime Stranded Group Proposed by JACL

Rep. Holifield Will Be Asked to Introduce Measure Which Will Affect Persons Who Voted In Japanese Elections During Occupation

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Legislation enabling Americans who lost citizenship solely because of voting in the Japanese elections of 1946 and 1947 to become naturalized by taking a citizenship oath was proposed this week by the JACL ADC.

Rep. Chet Holifield (D., Calif.), will be asked to introduce such a bill.

An estimated 1,200 to 2,000 persons, chiefly younger Nisei stranded in Japan by the outbreak of World War II and who came of age while in Japan, would be affected. The majority are natives of Hawaii and California.

The proposed legislation is patterned after a similar bill to enable Americans expatriated by voting in certain postwar Italian elections to regain citizenship. Such a bill has received strong congressional approval.

In urging the introduction of the legislation, Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, pointed out considerable doubt has been raised by the courts as to whether voting in the 1946-47 elections in Japan actually is sufficient cause to expatriate a citizen.

The law expatriating citizens who vote in a foreign election is quite clear, he said, but the federal courts have held in a number of recent decisions that since Japan was occupied by the United States and the elections were ordered by this government, Japan was not a foreign state within the meaning of the Expatriation act.

Neither the State Department nor the Immigration and Naturalization Service has accepted the view of the courts as to Japan's status, and refuse to provide administrative facilities for these expatriates to reestablish their citizenship, Mr. Masaoka said.

This leaves expatriates three alternatives for regaining American nationality.

They may continue to sue individually in the courts to regain citizenship; congress could pass general legislation now proposed by the JACL ADC, or repatriates could seek private bills.

Approximately 50 expatriates have filed against the Secretary of State to clarify their citizenship status. To the best knowledge of the JACL ADC every case so far has been settled against the government and for the expatriates.

"Such court actions could go on and on," he said, "but at a terribly heavy cost to the individuals. Obviously, court contests are patently unfair to the Nisei who cannot afford the several thousand dollars required in such an action."

"Several private bills restoring citizenship were approved by the last congress. Unless the present congress passes general legislation, it may find itself deluged with hundreds of requests for individual relief."

Mr. Masaoka pointed out the courts have found "duress" influenced many expatriates to vote.

Even Nisei employed by the army were given time off to vote.

They have testified that they thought General MacArthur wanted them to vote, and in several court cases plaintiffs have declared that they were under the impression they had to vote. Others have said it was their impression that unless they voted, their food rations would be taken away from them.

Families were pressured to get a 100 per cent turnout of voters.

## Nisei Architect Wins Three Awards for Small Home Plan

RALEIGH, N.C.—A 28-year-old Nisei, assistant professor at North Carolina State College, was \$2,000 richer this week with receipt of three awards in a national home design contest.

George Matsumoto of Raleigh, who teaches in State College's school of design, took fourth prize in the competition with his home design, took the Middle-East regional contest, which was good for \$750, and then topped it off with a \$250 prize for his kitchen design.

The contest, sponsored by the National Association of Home Builders and Architectural Forum,

Where this involved a Nisei, especially girls, the force of family opinion was exceedingly great.

"All in all, these young Nisei who lost their citizenship by voting did so because of a great deal of confusion and misinformation. They attempted to aid democracy, and in many cases presumed they were setting an example by voting," Mr. Masaoka added.

"It is generally recognized that the younger Americans who voted did not realize that by so doing they were in danger of losing their citizenship. While the army encouraged voting, neither the State Department nor the army publicized the fact that if Nisei voted they would lose their citizenship," he said.

Mr. Masaoka urged "immediate consideration" of general legislation as "insuring uniform consideration" of the problems and equal justice for all concerned.

## OMAHA CHAPTER PLANS BOYS TOWN DINNER, DANCE

OMAHA, Neb.—The installation dinner dance of the Omaha JACL chapter will be held on Feb. 24 in the dining hall at Boys Town.

Pat Okura, national vice president of the JACL, is general chairman of the dinner dance and is being assisted by Hazel Orth. The Boys Town orchestra will furnish the music for the dance.

State, city and county officials have been invited to attend.

Cecil Ishii heads the 1951 cabinet which was elected at the chapter's election meeting on Feb. 2. Other new officers are: Jack Tamai, 1st vice-pres.; Em Nakadoi, 2nd vice-pres.; Lily Okura, corres. sec.; Lillian Ishii, rec. sec.; Bob Nakadoi, treas., and Alice Kaya, member-at-large.

## Patrick Nagano Heads San Luis Obispo Chapter of JACL

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. — Patrick Nagano of Morro Bay will serve as the 1951 president of the San Luis Obispo JACL Chapter, it was announced by the JACL Regional Office in Los Angeles.

Assisting President Nagano will be Hilo Fuchiwaki, vice president, Mrs. Susan Kunihiro, corresponding and recording secretary, and Kazuo Ikeda, treasurer. Nagano is a graduate of Stanford University.

## Chapters Plan Joint Social

WORLAND, Wyo.—The Wyoming JACL will hold a joint social with the Montana chapter on Washington's birthday.



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## EDITORIALS:

### The Walter Naturalization Bill

The House of Representatives is expected, on Monday of this week, to get the Walter Naturalization Bill which would eliminate race as a requirement for citizenship and thus make the Issei eligible for naturalization.

The bill came out of the House Judiciary Committee on Feb. 6, and there is little doubt but that the representatives will give it their overwhelming approval, as it has done in the past.

From that point on, however, it will have rougher sailing, if past performance is any indication. From the House it will go to the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization.

In view of the bill's rough progress last year, we hesitate now to make any predictions as to its future. The bill, riding on a wing and a prayer, finally went up to Pres. Truman for his signature last year, but he was forced to veto it because of its security riders, despite the fact he approved the bill in principle.

Sen. Pat McCarran, who controls the Senate Judiciary Committee and its Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, has given assurances that he will see to passage of legislation granting the right of naturalization to aliens of Japanese ancestry. This expressed attitude gives hope, at least, that some measure for naturalization will be passed this year. Public sentiment, House and Senate support and administration approval have been secured for legislation of this nature.

Passage of the Walter bill would be the simplest method of attaining that desired legislation. Its future progress through the Senate will be watched with deep interest by all persons of Japanese ancestry and all others who want to see racism eliminated from America's laws in naturalization.

### Racial Projects in Housing

A comparatively recent innovation in housing is the development of new tracts for exclusive occupancy by members of one minority group. Thus in Los Angeles there have risen projects for persons of Negro descent, and more lately another solely for Mexican Americans.

This, of course, is a form of segregation, and as such is no more tolerable than any other, particularly in this day when we begin to see the breaking down of the restrictive covenant and those devices to keep traditional patterns of neighborhood segregation.

The trend in housing today is toward the development of mammoth tracts designed exclusively for occupancy by persons of all-white or all-Negro or all-another ancestry. This creates racial islands by design, by deliberate intent. Whereas racial islands in the past have developed through accident, this is intensification of racial segregation that is plotted along with the house plan that comes off the architect's board.

But it is clearly understandable that from the standpoint of health and mental well-being, these segregated projects are far superior to other housing available to these minority groups.

The relegation of substandard housing to minority groups can be largely blamed for the rates of illness and disease, mental and physical, among these inhabitants.

Thus those who participate in the reinforcement of segregation patterns by buying in these new projects can hardly be blamed for doing so. The homes offer, almost for the first time, something close to the clean and decent homes they have wanted for so many years and of which they are so deserving. These projects, too, may force some concessions from landlords who have profited for years from the high incomes afforded by tenements.

A little more encouraging than these racial projects is another planned now as an interracial one, which is at least a step in the right direction. Some emphasis on this kind of planning would provide far better results in the long run.

The problem at hand is not to prevent and dissuade potential home-buyers from purchasing in racial projects but to put increased emphasis upon campaigns to open other housing to all persons, regardless of their racial or religious background.

Obvious measures in this direction include the passage of ordinances to prohibit segregation in public housing, to ban discrimination in urban redevelopment projects and to make increasingly ineffective the racially restrictive housing covenant. These are measures which have been secured in some cities, the first two notably in San Francisco and Los Angeles. The last, making the covenant inoperative, has been won to some degree in the courts.

This kind of activity may be more productive than attacking persons of those minority groups who succumb to the pressures of housing and purchase homes in racial tracts.

## MINORITY WEEK

### Cowboy Stuff

Here's a little story we pass on from the Los Angeles Tribune anent that biggest cowboy of them all, Bill Boyd, the Hopalong Cassidy man.

It seems Boyd was making a personal appearance in a southern city, and all the little kids were around to shake hands with their TV hero. Southern custom, of course, dictates that Negroes line up behind whites.

That, however, didn't seem quite right to Hopalong. So he suggested two lines, one of white children and one of Negro. And then, back and forth, he alternately shook the hand of one white, and then one Negro child.

"Even though Americans are fighting Chinese in Korea, it is unlikely that we shall repeat our World War I and II blunders of taking it out on longtime local residents with ancestral ties to the enemy country."

"We tried that on German-Americans in World War I, and were thoroughly ashamed of ourselves afterwards. We tried it on Japanese Americans in World War II, and ditto."—Des Moines Register.

### Childbirth

Necessity is the mother of invention, they say, but lately it's been giving birth to something else—racial equality, believe it or not.

For instance, last summer at Fort Knox there weren't enough Negro recruits to form a Negro training unit. The situation being what it was, officials decided to go ahead and use them in other units, rather than have them waiting around with nothing to do.

Simple as that. The men, once they got into training, were assigned to units on the basis of ability and training, not color. And it worked out fine. No trouble, no nothing. The commanding officer of one of the units is a Negro. Other Negro officers train white and Negroes alike.

Thus, out of necessity came a whole new program of racial integration. And it was a painless childbirth. Mother and baby doing fine.

### Prejudice

"Since the Negro population is the chief sufferer from (racial) discrimination, because it happens to be the largest and therefore the most hated, let us limit ourselves for the moment to that race. You are perhaps only moderately prejudiced. Negroes, say you, are all right 'in their place.'"

"Do you know exactly what you mean by that? Do you know where your prejudices spring from? You mean, if you mean anything at all, that Marian Anderson should be making up beds in some second rate hotel instead of giving pleasure to the whole world with her glorious voice. You mean that Dr. Ralph Bunche should be waiting on table in a pullman dining car instead of making such efforts toward establishing world peace that he has become winner of the Nobel prize for promoting international peace."—Frank C. Robertson in the Provo (Ut.) Herald.

### Quick Quote

"... We look forward to the day when there will be no further celebration of Negro history as such. For it is unfortunate that any such observance should be found necessary in our country in the middle of the twentieth century."—Arthur J. Cohen Jr., president, Council for Civic Unity of San Francisco.

### I'm Sorry Now

A state representative in New Mexico who called Indians "savages" has been bending backwards recently in an attempt to apologize for the political faux pas.

Seems Rep. Willard C. Stoleworthy, Farmington Republican, in opposing legislation to permit Indians the right to buy liquor, went so far as to say the Indians were savages by nature, etc., etc.

After thinking it over he went back on the House floor and said, by way of explanation, "My thought was that perhaps my

# Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

## Prejudice Is a Business

The Justice Department recently was asked to investigate the activities of a fascist-type organization which had flaunted the issue of white supremacy in the senatorial primaries in North Carolina and Florida where two liberals, Senators Frank Graham and Claude Pepper, were defeated.

Race hatred is a business. It is often a big business, although the payoff is not always in cash but in political advantage. Although like crime and prostitution it is beyond the periphery of common decency, it is often winked at, tolerated by people who should know better.

Of America's racial groups the Nisei in the continental United States are as alert as any to the activities of professional hate-mongers. This awareness of the existence of the dollar patriot and the paid race-baiters stems from a common experience during World War II when the activities of the race hatred organizations delayed the return of the evacuees to the Pacific coast.

Today the pendulum of prejudice has swung away from the Nisei although there are still vestiges of discrimination—try, for instance, to buy a plot of earth for a home or for a grave in certain "restricted" areas. But in the years following the mass evacuation in 1942, the professional hate-mongers found a ready harvest in the west coast states.

It was not by accident that more than a score of exclusionist organizations sprang into being from San Diego to as far north as Sumner, Wash., where the Remember Pearl Harbor League had its headquarters. Most of these groups sought to channel wartime anger aroused by the enemy Japanese into opposition to the return of the 115,000 Pacific coast residents of Japanese descent who had been evacuated to inland areas. The main idea, as far as most of these profiteers in prejudice were concerned, was to prevent the return of the evacuees until the urban and farm businesses and assets left behind by the racial migrants had been dissipated beyond hope of recovery.

Most of the clamor for mass evacuation had come from established business organizations, like the Merchants and Manufacturers Association of Los Angeles; from such groups as the Farm Bureau Federation, the Native Sons, the Elks and the League of California Cities, and from veterans and "patriotic" bodies. It was after the evacuation that the professional organizers stepped in.

A few of these groups, like John Lechner's Americanism Educational League, had been active in propagating the sort of 200 per cent patriotism which is reflected in the editorials of the Hearst press. Most of the others were especially formed to excite and organize public opinion against the return of the evacuees. The names of some of them are indicative of their bias: No Japs, Inc., Japanese Exclusion Association, Home Front Commandos, and the Pacific Coast Japanese Problem League. Others were euphemistically labeled as the California Citizens Association of Santa Barbara, California Citizens Council, Alien Relations Council, Americans League and the California Protective Association of Placer County. There were many more.

One group, in the Pacific Northwest, was the creature of a professional promoter who sold statues of General MacArthur at meetings called to protest the return of the Japanese Americans to the area. This promoter, accompanied by a non-combat amputee veteran, toured Northwest areas in

an effort to incite public opposition to the evacuees.

John Lechner, a Los Angeles professional patriot who first offered his services to the Nisei and then joined the anti-evacuee forces, sought to extend his activities on a national basis, going as far as Washington, D.C. Lechner also toured the Intermountain area, attempting to form chapters of his Los Angeles organization in Utah and Colorado. When last heard of Mr. Lechner was associated with an anti-Communist organization in Hollywood.

It has been established, because the names of men prominent in the industries have appeared on the boards of directors of several of these groups, that money from persons in direct competition before the evacuation with Japanese Americans in the floral and vegetable industries helped to finance the operations of some of these anti-evacuee organizations.

The use of race hatred as a weapon in economic competition is nothing new. In the opposition to the evacuees, however, these organizations also cloaked themselves in patriotism, using national defense and security as a screen for their economic greed.

Although competitive commercial groups sponsored some of these anti-evacuee organizations, others undoubtedly were chartered by professional promoters themselves who sought to exploit wartime hysteria as well as the desires of some coastal business and agricultural interests to delay the return of the evacuees as long as possible. Undoubtedly many persons were betrayed by the myths and half-truths peddled by these unprincipled practitioners of prejudice into supporting these organizations.

When the Pacific coast exclusion order was rescinded in 1945, mainly through the efforts of the War Relocation Authority and the Interior Department, most of these paper organizations disappeared. Their sources of financial support dried up when it became obvious that the evacuees would return. Not one of these anti-evacuee groups organized during World War II is active today. The same type of professional promoter who made a business out of anti-Nisei hatred is still active, however, in spreading anti-Semitism and in using the shopworn arguments of white supremacy against the Negro.

Until such a time as race discrimination is recognized as a crime in the same category as murder and rape, and not as one of the vices to be tolerated in the back alleys of the mind like organized gambling and prostitution, the professional promoters of race hatred will be able to operate—just as some of them did actively and successfully in the 1950 election campaign.

The Justice Department which is charged with the protection of civil rights of American citizens is handicapped by a lack of authority, direction, personnel and implementing legislation. The President's Committee on Civil Rights recommended in 1947 that the Civil Rights Section of the Justice Department be reorganized as a full division with the department, that FBI personnel be trained in civil rights work, that state law enforcement agencies set up civil rights departments and that a permanent Civil Rights Commission be organized by the President and by Congress.

If an organization engaged in the promotion of race hatred was required to report the names of its contributors, such information would reveal the true facts of its interest, whether economic or political. Race hatred was good business for its promoters and its supporters who opposed the return of the evacuees in the war years on the Pacific coast. It is a business for those, like Gerald L. K. Smith to cite one numerous example, who promote it today against Jews and Negroes.

(The above column was written as a guest feature for Crossroads, the Los Angeles weekly, and appeared originally in the special holiday issue of that paper.)



## Los Angeles Comment: Expect U. S. Supreme Court To Rule on Renunciants Case

The following comment on the recent decisions of the U. S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco on the Tule Lake renunciants cases appeared in the Jan. 30 issue of the New Japanese American News of Los Angeles.

The recent decisions of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals pertaining to the Tule Lake renunciants require careful reading because of the number of persons involved.

Numerous important issues are discussed. One of them pertains to the right of minors to renounce. The renunciation program has been launched pursuant to an amendment to the Nationality act, which reads as follows:

"A person who is a national of the United States, whether by birth or naturalization, shall lose his nationality by: \* \* \* making in the United States a formal written renunciation of nationality in such form as may be prescribed, and before such officer as may be designated by the Attorney General, whenever the United States shall be in a state of war and the Attorney General shall approve such renunciation as not contrary to the interests of national defense . . ."

This amendment was known as subsection, (i) of Section 401 which provides ways of losing United States nationality.

Section 403, subsection (b) provided that "no national under 18 years of age can expatriate himself under subsections (b) to (g), inclusive, of Section 401.

The contention of the government was that since Congress had made subsections (b) to (g), inclusive, applicable to persons over 18 years of age, and that since under subsection (a), persons up to 23 years of age are provided for, subsection (i) applies to all ages.

The Circuit Court justices stated that if the government's position is correct, then even 16 year-olds may disavow their citizenship, which would reduce the law to a harsh or absurd point.

The United States Supreme Court had ruled in a previous case that one "during minority" is incapable of making a binding choice" as to his renunciation of citizenship. The Court stated that the "rights of citizenship are not to be destroyed by an ambiguity."

Even if the government should take this point to the United States Supreme Court, the highest tribunal may sustain the lower courts. It does not seem possible that the justices would read the intent of Congress to include minors. The government may not press this point and thus let the present decision stand.

The history of the case shows that the original suit was instituted by 975 renunciants who were ordered to be deported to Japan as undesirable aliens. Subsequently, many more were permitted to join the mass suit. The

Circuit Court held that the facts were similar in many respects and therefore the joining of the additional names was proper.

The deportation issue was a serious one in the beginning. We are not familiar with the status of any of the 975 today since many were supposed to have been released after the suit was started.

Can the renunciants be deported to Japan if the courts should hold that the law is valid? The justices seem to give recognition to the dual citizenship laws. This seems to be a dangerous precedent for this will be conceding the right of a foreign power over American citizens while they are still residing with the United States.

Of course, the justices admit that each case must ascertain this question. It was conceded that "mere renunciation of one citizenship does not of itself create another."

In other words, there may be many renunciants who had no dual citizenship. The mere fact that they lost their American citizenship does not mean that they became Japanese subjects even if their ancestors were of the Japanese race. They would be "without a country."

The immigration laws provide that a person may be deported to the country from whence a person came to this country or the country from which he originally started. In the case of aliens or naturalized citizens of foreign countries, the law may apply. However, how a deportation law could apply to native-born American citizens who lose their citizenship remains to be seen.

We do not know if the renunciants took the oath of loyalty to Japan or not when they renounced their citizenship. Even if they did, it seems that the Japanese law pertaining to acquiring nationality should be applicable.

Also, will the right to deportation arise even if the renunciant had merely stated that he desired to go to Japan without taking any oath of allegiance to Japan?

Those who were minors at the time of renunciation and who were made part of the mass suit may not have to take any further steps. However, those who are not part of the case may have to start proceedings in court to have the renunciation set aside.

The entire case is going to take many years before all the complications can be found.

The case most likely will be appealed to the United States Supreme Court in order that the highest tribunal may decide whether the renunciation law was valid or not. Also, if the Supreme Court should decide that the entire proceedings should be set aside because of the duress and coercion, the entire matter will be disposed.

Until the Supreme Court makes its rulings, the renunciant problem remains in abeyance.

## Wounded Nisei Officer Tells Of Escape from Korea Enemy

HONOLULU—One night more than five months ago a Hawaii-born officer of the 5th Regimental Combat Team lay wounded in the darkness with North Korean soldiers passing right by him, the Honolulu Star-Bulletin recalled recently.

Two of his men were shot to death as he lay unseen with his thigh and wrist bleeding from machine gun wounds.

He is Lieut. Kenneth S. Hino, 44, who has been recuperating in Tripler army hospital on Oahu since September.

Lieut. Hino recently was awarded the Purple Heart.

He was a platoon leader with the combat team from Hawaii near Chinju when he was wounded on Aug. 10.

"We were out on a night attack," he recalled, "and our objective was a pass near Chinju."

"When we were within 30 yards of our objective, the North Koreans ambushed us."

The platoon retreated and the North Koreans advanced. They killed two of Lieut. Hino's men. Another soldier, Pfc. Fritz, saved

Lieut. Hino's life when he pulled the wounded officer to safety.

He said that within a short time after, the enemy was swarming over the spot from which he had been pulled.

He lay out in the hills for 20 hours while United Nations forces pummeled the hill where he was and which the North Koreans had taken.

The next day, another UN party was dispatched and drove the enemy from the hill. Lieut. Hino was found by Master Sergeant Peter Cabral who at first thought Lieut. Hino was a North Korean and was about to shoot him. Sgt. Cabral, later wounded, also is at Tripler.

Lieut. Hino was air evacuated to Japan and then to Hawaii.

### Four Nisei Drafted

SEATTLE — Four Nisei are among 130 King County men who reported for army induction last week.

They are James Tamura, Tommy T. Deguchi, Hideo Fujishima and Tetsuo Takeda.

## Bill Hosokawa:

## FROM THE FRYING PAN

### A Sign of Progress

Denver, Colo.

This coming week has been set aside as National Brotherhood Week, just like National White Shirt Week or Eat More Peaches Week or Chili Con Carne Week or any of the scores of special weeks that beset our economy. Brotherhood week is a good idea, but the big trouble is that too many of us don't pay enough attention to its ideals the other 51 weeks of the year.

But the founding and promotion of a Brotherhood Week is a sign of remarkable progress in race and inter-religious relations in this land. And perhaps the biggest reason for the advancement of this ideal is the war we've been through and the one we are going through now. Millions of Americans have discovered through the experience of war that intolerance is a luxury than we cannot afford.

The GI in Korea doesn't question the race, color or religion of the GI standing next to him when they are fighting off an enemy attack. They don't question who made the grenade, who packed it, who trucked it up front, when it may mean the difference between life and death. When you're looking into the enemy's guns you're grateful for anybody on your side.

A segregated Nisei regiment in the last war won for all Nisei the right to serve in any arm of the defense forces. Today they are in Korea with the air force and marines as well as the infantry. Once Negroes served almost exclusively as stewards in the navy and truck drivers in the army. Today they are working together with other

Americans, regardless of color, in aircraft carrier deck crews, tank drives, jet pilots, marines, infantry, artillery.

Internationally our brotherhood has progressed to the point where we've learned to differentiate between what a man was born, and what he stands for. We make a distinction between a Nationalist Chinese and a Communist Chinese. Likewise, we distinguish between Korean Communists and Korean republicans. We've been educated to understand that it's what a man believes that counts; not the color of his skin or the nature of his accent.

What a tremendous step forward this is since the hysteria-filled days of 1942 when the nation forgot its Constitution and locked up thousands of its citizens simply because their parents had been born in an enemy country! In the light of 1951, what folly was committed in 1942!

That progress is something to reflect on this week together with the disheartening news of world-wide political deterioration. For it is obvious that out of error has come a far better understanding of the need and nature of brotherhood among our peoples.

It goes without saying further that we are far, far from the ideal; that our society is still riddled by many ills. But it is encouraging that we have managed to come so far in so short a time. And if we who were herded behind barbed wire, scorned, maligned, hated, attacked, dispossessed and killed; if we have had a small part in awakening the nation to the meaning of democracy and the responsibilities of brotherhood, then those bitter years will not have been in vain.

## Vagaries

### Commentator . . .

Paul Harvey, the ABC news commentator who announced on his program last Sunday that he reports nothing but the truth, told a fib when he went on to say that Japanese aliens in Hawaii had helped guide the "Zeros" in on Pearl Harbor day with short-wave signals from their garages. Harvey devoted his Feb. 11 broadcast to a defense of his attempt to break into the Argonne atomic research laboratory in Chicago. He said that he had warned the nation back in 1940 of the danger presented by the presence of alien Japanese in Hawaii. Neither the Army, Navy or FBI has reported any instance of planned aid to the enemy in Hawaii such as that described by Harvey. The ABC news commentator was apprehended last week at the Argonne laboratory. The purpose of his visit there apparently was to show that the Atomic Energy Commission was lax in its security methods. If it proved anything, the Harvey fiasco showed that the AEC was not lax.

### Call Me Mister . . .

There's a Nisei angle in 20th-Fox's "Call Me Mister." Star Dan Dailey asks a "Japanese" in the film how he can get to Kyoto. "How should I know?" answers the Nisei, "I'm from Cincinnati." . . . Among the chorines in the "Japanese Girl Love American Boy" song and dance number in "Call Me Mister" are a number of Nisei, including Sally Matsuura, Toshi Mizuno, Yoshiko Nagai, Amy Watanabe, Mich Taniguchi and Yuki Sato. It's reported that the girls rehearsed the routine for four weeks under the direction of Busby Berkeley.

### Playwright . . .

Joseph Anthony, who played a German philosopher in "Peer Gynt" on Broadway is an ex-GI who has written a play called "Some of the Sky" which Larney Goodkind sought to produce back in 1947. The play was about a soldier of Caucasian ancestry who brings his wife, a Nisei girl from Hawaii, home to a small Midwest town. One of the play's leading characters is her brother, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team. Producer Goodkind tested a number of Nisei girls for the role of the heroine. The part originally was offered to a young actress of Japanese ancestry who died suddenly of illness shortly afterwards.

### Anti-Red Film . . .

JACL ADC's Mike Masaoka this week was given a preview showing of Breakton - Macgowan's "Tokyo File 212" which will be released nationally soon by RKO Radio. A preview also was planned this week in New York . . . RKO is currently exploring the possibility of having Nisei girls in kimonos help exploit the film, the

## Do You Know?

## Results Show Importance of JACL Legislative Activity

By ELMER SMITH

The signing of the evacuation claims bill by Pres. Truman making it into law did not decrease the amount of work, worry and responsibility of the JACL. As a matter of fact new pressures and problems were thrown upon both the Washington, D. C. office and others. At this writing the problems and pressures are still on the JACL-ADC to assist in carrying the provisions of the bill to a successful conclusion.

One of the first problems to be faced was the working out of procedures in handling the many and varied cases to be presented for evacuation claims settlement. In this activity the JACL-ADC immediately began conferences with representative government agencies. Mike Masaoka, National ADC director, was looked to for assistance and recommendations relative to the type and extent of machinery needed for the adjudication of claims and the filing of the claims. The exact degree of JACL's participation in the evacuation claims program was deferred until the meeting of the Tenth National JACL Convention held in Salt Lake City during the first week of September, 1948.

The evacuation claims bill became one of the most frustrating and serious problems the JACL encountered for months and even years to follow. The principal problems revolved around the efficient administration of the program by the federal government, the filling out of adequate and consistent forms, and the interpretation of rules by the government in the issuing of compensation. One of the consistent problems which faced the JACL-ADC in its district and national meetings revolved around the stepping up of the evacuation claims bill's purpose of compensating adequately and efficiently for losses during evacuation. The problem, as suggested earlier, is still paramount at this writing.

A bill for naturalization of persons of Japanese ancestry legally residing in the U. S. was not

first to be filmed in Japan by an American film company . . . Two other films, "Tokyo Joe" and the current "Call Me Mister" have Japanese occupation backgrounds but both were filmed in Hollywood . . . Katsuhiko Haida, Hawaii-born crooner, plays the menace in "Tokyo 212" which has an anti-Communist theme, while Canadian-born Satoshi Nakamura, another singer, has an important role.

The Phillips Art Gallery in Washington, D.C., has acquired an oil painting by Taro Yashima of New York, "Landscape With Barn," for its permanent collection. The canvas was the highlight of the artist's recent one-man show in New York . . . Among the Nisei stewardesses aboard the Alohaliner flights of Trans-Pacific Airlines in Hawaii are Jeanne Mitsumori and Janet Matsubara.

forthcoming immediately in the 1948 legislative program. Early in June, however, the "Judd bill" was introduced into the House of Representatives as HR 6809. Public hearings were held on this bill and the Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization of the House Judiciary Committee reported it out favorably. No action was taken by the Judiciary Committee. The JACL - ADC refused to accept this as a defeat, and plans were immediately made to enlarge the educational program among Congressmen for another naturalization bill.

Another bill introduced in Congress under HR 4044 was of extreme importance to persons of Japanese ancestry. This bill received very little publicity, but it was designed to embarrass many persons of Japanese extraction. This bill, if it had been passed, would have permitted the liquidation of vested Japanese and German assets in the U. S. The proceeds would have been used to pay claims of civilian war victims who suffered at the hands of the enemy. No compensation would have been returned to the original owners of impounded property held by the Office of Alien Property.

The JACL-ADC recognized the unfairness of this bill to Issei in the United States, and subsequently filed objections to HR 4044 in the House Judiciary Subcommittee on claims legislation. The JACL-ADC's objections rested on the fact that the Japanese alien, through no fault of his own, was arbitrarily classed as an "enemy alien" since he technically owed allegiance to Japan because he could not become a naturalized citizen of the United States. The JACL-ADC objection pointed out that "many a Japanese alien has demonstrated his innate Americanism by contributing a son or daughter to the U. S. armed forces in the war against his native land or by volunteering his services to the military agencies of this government."

The timely objection and educational program among the Congressmen of the JACL-ADC to this bill played a very important part in defeating this proposal. This is one of the many examples where it was paramount that the persons of Japanese ancestry have a representative close to the national legislative scene for their welfare.



# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Here Are Facts on Moral Sanction Clause

Here are the facts behind the JACL membership requirement in the 5th annual National JACL bowling tournament which will be held on March 16, 17 and 18 at Vogue Bowl in Los Angeles. In the past four years in which the JACL has sponsored national tournaments entrants were not required to become members of the JACL. This year, however, with the opening of membership in the American Bowling Congress to Nisei and others previously ineligible, it was imperative that the status of Nisei teams entered in ABC leagues be protected (the ABC does not permit its members to take part in unsanctioned tournaments) but at the same time the JACL wanted to permit all of its membership to take part in the tourney as well as other Nisei and Oriental American teams who were not members of ABC leagues. The only way out was through the moral sanction clause of the ABC which provides that all participants in the tournament must be members of the sponsoring organization. The "moral sanction" clause is also used by other fraternal and service organizations, such as the Lions, Shriners, etc. Several successful tournaments already have been held by JACL groups under the moral sanction of the ABC. The first in California was last weekend's Sacramento Valley tourney which was sponsored by the Sacramento JACL and which attracted 25 team entries. No bowling tournament can be successful unless the local teams support it and much of the success of the Sacramento tourney can be attributed to the fact that 13 of the league's 16 teams were entered. Many of Sacramento's top Chinese American bowlers are in the Nisei league and several placed high in last week's JACL tourney.

## Powerboat Driver Inducted Into Army

Jimmy Miyasato, star second-sacker last year for Brigham Young U. at Provo, Utah, is back in Honolulu and is now guarding the keystone sack for Kalihi Valley in the Honolulu AJA league. Miyasato formerly starred in baseball and football for Weber College of Ogden, Utah, and was offered a tryout with the Ogden Reds of the Cincinnati chain two seasons ago. Hutch Aoki, probably the outstanding Nisei powerboat racer in the country, went into the army this week. After basic training Aoki will try to get an assignment in the ski troops. He was the outstanding driver in the 135 inboard class in the Intermountain area and was the only Nisei entered in the national championships sponsored by the American Power Boat Association last November at Lake Mead, Nev. Both of his boats "The Flying Ute" and "Miss Salt Lake" were former world's record holders. In 1949 he was leading the field of 35 in the national championship race at Lake Mead when a broken propeller knocked him out of the race. His older brother, Jim Aoki, operator of a Salt Lake wholesale produce house, is the first power boat racer in the family and won many races behind the wheel of "Jimmy, Jr." and "Miss Salt Lake." The Ohio State Buckeyes, captained by Herb Kobayashi of Honolulu, are unbeaten so far this season in collegiate swimming competition. Star of the team is Dick Cleveland, also of Honolulu and a protege of Coach Soichi Sakamoto, who last week set a new world's record in the 100-yard freestyle event at 49.68, one-tenth of a second under Alan Ford's recognized mark set in 1944.

## Nisei Team Places Third in Tourney

The Less Taylor Motors team which is leading the Salt Lake Nisei women's bowling league won additional honors last Sunday by placing third in the Salt Lake City women's bowling tourney at State alleys with a 2600 total, including a 360 handicap. The winning team, Wasatch Electric had only six pins more than the Nisei squad with 2606. The Less Taylor team, composed of Barbara Okuda, Grace Yonezu, Yasuko Oike, Mary Sakashita and Martha Nodzu, will enter the National JACL tourney in Los Angeles. George Yasukochi had a big 645, including games of 233 and 236, in the Los Angeles Nisei Majors last week. Eiko Watanabe, one of the leading Nisei women bowlers on the coast, had a 552 total last week in the L.A. Nisei Ladies league. Sam Sugita's 588 last week is the season's high for the Orange County Nisei bowling league at Buena Park, Calif. Bowl. Hank Ichikawa and Shun Nakayama both came up with 655 series in the Denver mixed foursomes last week, while Jim Nakagawa had a 634 total. George Yumori's 606 topped the West Los Angeles JACL league last week. Ken Takeno's 655 series, including games of 233 and 234, inspired the Nisei Dawn Noodle team to four points over Wilson Plumbing in the Salt Lake Capitol league Tuesday night. Rose Mio's 527, including a 209 game, was high in the Ontario, Ore., women's league last week. The Amalgamated Sugar team is running away with honors in the Ontario, Ore., Nisei league, holding a nine-game lead. Dan Mio was high man last week with 587.

## Nisei Wrestle to Draw in Conference Meet

The two outstanding Pacific Coast conference wrestlers at 123 pounds, Tosh Watanabe of Washington State and Yosh Kiyokawa of Oregon State, battled to a draw on Feb. 10 as the Cougars defeated Oregon State's defending Coast conference champions, 14 to 11, at Corvallis. Watanabe is the 1950 conference champion. Ford Konno is captain of the McKinley high school swimming team in Honolulu. The Micks are undoubtedly the outstanding prep pool team in the nation. Joe Kimura, of San Francisco State college, Pacific Coast AAU champion in the 125-pound division, will defend his title at the 22nd annual Far Western AAU wrestling championships to be held at the Oakland YMCA on March 2 and 3. His right to the title will be challenged by a member of the Japanese all-star team which will arrive in the United States on Feb. 25 on a national tour. The Far Western meet will be the first competition which the Japanese will enter. Members of the Nippon team are Ichiro Hata, Eichi Kazama, Jiro Boda, Shomachi Ishii, Kyohei Nagasata and Koji Kanda. The coach is Norio Higashide.

## Yokota Has 213 Points for Season

Jim Yokota, Placer College's star guard, tied for team scoring honors with 14 as the Spartans defeated Shasta College, 48 to 38, in a Golden Valley conference game last week. The points raised Yokota's total for the season to 213. With their speedy little guard, Watanabe, taking scoring laurels with 11, the Emmett, Idaho, Huskies scored the upset of the Snake River Valley conference season when they defeated the league-leading Ontario, Ore., Tigers, 44 to 40, last week. Hank Yamagata, the best running back in the history of Modoc high school at Alturas, Calif., is now playing varsity basketball. Yamagata won honorable mention on the Northern California high school all-star team picked by the San Francisco Examiner last fall. Another football star, Ray Fukui of Wheatland,



Harley Kusumoto and Dick Fujioka, co-chairmen of the fifth annual JACL national bowling tournament, read the list of entries at the Vogue Bowl where the event will be held on March 16, 17 and 18.

## Announce Two New Perpetual Trophies for JACL Tourney

LOS ANGELES—Two new perpetual trophies in the men's events of the Fifth National JACL bowling tournament were revealed by Tourney Co-chairmen Harley Kusumoto and Dick Fujioka who this week announced the donors of the trophies to be awarded at the traditional Awards Dinner Dance to be held on March 18, final day of the three-day affair.

The following merchants and businessmen will donate trophies to the bowling champions: men's team (perpetual), men's team (permanent), and individual trophies for members of champion team, H. & F. Produce Company; men's doubles (two trophies), American National Mercantile Company; men's singles, perpetual and permanent trophies, W. Fay Produce Company; men's sweepstakes, Henry Ohye; women's team trophy, Nisei Sugar Bowl; women's doubles (two trophies), Toyo Miyatake Studio; women's singles, Joseph's Men's Wear; mixed doubles (two trophies) L.A. JACL Coordinating Council.

The all-events perpetual trophy for both men and women, as well as individual gold medals will be awarded by the National JACL JACL perpetual trophies for the men's team and men's singles events have been added this year by the H. & F. and the W. Fay Produce firms. Individual shoulder patches for members of the championship team will also be presented by the L.A. JACL Coordinating Council.

The tourney heads will announce next week the entries being received from various parts of the country.

"The interest is terrific for this first ABC sanctioned national tournament," they said. "The JACL membership for tournament par-

ticipation required by the ABC sanction rules has brought wonderful response from our many Nisei keglers throughout the land."

Tournament keglers will be making their own hotel and housing arrangements, although the JACL Regional Office in Los Angeles will offer reservation service upon request.

## Sacramento JACL Tournament Won by San Francisco Team

By STIRLING S. SAKAMOTO  
SACRAMENTO—The first Nisei bowling tournament in California under the moral support sanction of the American Bowling Congress was sponsored by the Sacramento JACL chapter with the cooperation of the Sacramento Nisei bowling league on Feb. 10 and 11 at Sacramento Bowl.

The Laing Photo team of San Francisco won the team title with a 2854 total, good for \$100 in first place money plus a team trophy and five individual trophies.

More than 150 individual keglers from all parts of Northern California participated in the tournament, taking home \$810 in cash awards and \$350 worth of trophies donated by the Capital city's Nisei and Chinese American businessmen. The tourney is the 3rd annual Sacramento Valley tournament but the first to have ABC sanction. The tournament was on a handicap basis.

Twenty-five teams were entered in the tournament.

Mike & Roy's of San Jose took second place with 2770, winning \$70. Other teams in the money were: 3rd, Holsum Egg Co., Sacramento, 2757; 4th, George's Signal, Sacramento, 2741; 5th, General

Produce, Sacramento, 2713; and Seiki Brothers, San Francisco, 6th, 2711.

Two members of Sacramento's Blossom Shop Florists team ran one-two in the singles event with Virgil Yee amassing a 622 series to win \$50 plus a trophy, followed by Shig Sakamoto with 614. Others in the money were: Tie for 3rd, George Inai, San Francisco, and Shig Imura, Sacramento, 612; 5th, Shig Ando, Sacramento, 610; and Angel Kageyama, Sacramento, 6th, 608.

George Otani and Kuni Hiro-naka of Sacramento won the doubles with a 1202 total, winning \$60 and trophies. The others in the money in doubles were:

2nd, Bill Matsumoto and Sakaye Oshita, Sacramento, 1167; 3rd Mike Sakuda and Skeets Inouye, San Francisco, 1163; 4th, Mas Iwaihara and Chuck Yonezu, San Francisco, 1161; 5th, Red Kobata and George Kawano, Sacramento, 1142; 6th, Shig Sakamoto and Jim Ishii, Sacramento, 1110; 7th, Jim Fujii and Ed Hayashi, Sacramento, 1104, and Ed Yee and Frank Wong, Sacramento, 8th, 1098.

Sacramento's Shig Imura smashed the pins for an overall score of 1706 to win the all-events scratch title, good for \$30 and a trophy. Terry Sentachi of San Francisco was second with 1662. They were followed by Mas Iwaihara, San Francisco, 1657; Warren Fong, San Francisco, 1648, and Joe Miyoshi, San Francisco, 1647.

Mich Shiomoto won the handicap all-events title with a 1781 total, followed by Mas Iwaihara of San Francisco with 1772.

Terry Sentachi won both the high scratch game and high series trophies with a 243 game and a 610 series. George (Pop) Otani of Sacramento posted a 260 game and a 622 series to win the handicap high game and high series awards.

Committee members included General Chairman Bill Matsumoto, Dubby Tsugawa, Gene Okawa, Shig Imura, Dr. Jim Kubo, K. G. Oshima and Shig Sakamoto.

## Plan Snow Trip

STOCKTON, Calif. — A snow trip to Dodge Ridge on Feb. 18 will be the first activity of the year for the Stockton JACL.

Skis and toboggans will be provided for members.



# Vital Statistics

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yamamoto a boy, Steven Ken, on Jan. 15 in Salinas, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shimu Kinoshita a girl on Feb. 3 in Marysville, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Willy Suda a girl on Jan. 12 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Shiramizu a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Iwasaki a boy on Jan. 13 in Reedley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Bob Sasaki a boy on Jan. 29 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Fujimoto a boy on Jan. 1 in Oakland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Nakayama a boy in Oakland.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Onishi a boy on Feb. 7 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Aoyama a girl in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kay Harada a boy in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuru Taniguchi a girl on Feb. 1 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kawada, West Sacramento, Calif., a girl on Jan. 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gish Endo a boy on Feb. 8 in Oakland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Taichi Tsuyuki a girl, Christine Megumi, on Jan. 30 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bunikichi Eguchi a boy, Wayne, on Feb. 3 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masayoshi Miyazaki a boy, William Tooru, on Feb. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Heijiro Takenaka a girl, Patsie Miyoko, on Feb. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Wagatsuma a girl, Joyce Reiko, on Feb. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Nishio a girl, Jo Ann, on Jan. 29 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Tashiro a girl on Feb. 3 in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadakazu Kato a boy on Feb. 8 in Woodland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiromi Nishimura a boy on Feb. 11 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oki a boy on Feb. 11 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Hashimoto a boy on Feb. 9 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Y. Yoshimura, San Diego, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Itsu Shiota, Cupertino, Calif., a girl, Pauline Hiroko, on Jan. 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Katashi K. Yamabe, Oakland, Calif., a girl on Jan. 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ryo Komae, Gardena, Calif., a boy, Stanley, on Feb. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeo Oyama a girl, Evelyn Kyoko, on Jan. 24 in Monterey, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Tsukimura, Fort Ord, Calif., a boy, Gerald Ken, on Jan. 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Yamashita a boy on Feb. 1 in Watsonville, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Seiko Arakaki a girl on Feb. 14 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kay Nakashima a girl on Feb. 14 in Salt Lake City.

## DEATHS

Toshio Tomita, 31, Loomis, Calif., on Feb. 5.

Ryonosune Enomoto, 62, on Feb. 6 in Fresno.

Kanroku J. Omaru, 71, on Feb. 1 in Seattle.

Jinmatsu Matsuda, 66, on Feb. 7 in Seattle.

Susumu Suzukida in Chicago, Ill.

Ishi Takeda (Mrs. Shobei Takeda) on Feb. 6 in Portland, Ore.

Kiyono Tanioka, 50, on Feb. 10 in Los Angeles.

Gohachi Nakata, 74, Brighton, Colo., on Feb. 11 in Denver.

Kizo Nishihata on Jan. 30 in Chicago.

Jiro Tanimoto on Feb. 11 in Los Angeles.

## MARRIAGES

Mary Ishikawa to Munee Torimasu on Feb. 3 in Los Angeles.

Shizuye Yamamoto to Isamu Kuse on Jan. 28 in Chicago.

Yoneko Miyagi to Makoto Koga on Jan. 27 in Chicago.

Tamae Yamamoto to Noboru Okazaki on Jan. 28 in Portland, Ore.

Ichiko Sameshima to Tom Hamada on Jan. 20 in Denver.

Hiroko Janet Ichinose, Tokyo, to Dr. Theodore M. Iida, Berkeley, on Dec. 27 in Yokohama, Japan.

Misako Arima to Kunihiro Fujitsu on Feb. 11 in Los Angeles.

Grace Yoshizuka to Shizuo Namba, San Francisco, on Feb. 11 in Sacramento.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Toshi Matsumura, 22, and Kazuo Terayama, 24, Auburn, Wash., in Seattle.

Chiye Nao, 29, and Dr. Wilfred Hiura, 30, in San Francisco.

## Plans Annual Nisei Cage Tournament

IDAHO FALLS, Ida.—The annual Idaho Falls JACL invitational basketball tournament will be held on March 1, 2 and 3 at the Ammon high school gym.

Basketball teams from Utah, Montana, Wyoming and Idaho are being invited.

Charles Hirai, Rt. 5, Idaho Falls, is the general chairman of the tournament.

He announced that a dance is being planned following the final game of the tourney.

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# Rep. Judd Greeted on Coast Arrival



LOS ANGELES — JACL and ADC officials greeted Rep. Walter H. Judd (R., Minn.), author of the Judd bill for equality in immigration and naturalization, when he arrived at Long Beach municipal airport on Feb. 12.

Rep. Judd expressed optimism for passage this year of legislation to remove racial bars to immigration and naturalization.

Greeting him at the airport were (left to right): Tats Kushida, JACL regional director; Katsuma Mukaeda, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California and ADC leader; and Frank Chuman, national first vice-president of the JACL.

—Photo by Roy Uno.

## Reno Nisei Place Second in City Tourney Doubles

RENO, Nev.—Reno Nisei participated for the first time since the lifting of the ABC ban in the Reno City Bowling Tournament.

Mas Baba and Art Nishiguchi placed second in the tourney with a 1302 series. First place winners had a 1327. Nishiguchi placed third in the singles with 665 and had high game with a 256.

Art bowled a score of 1342 scratch across the twelve alleys for his doubles and singles but failed to overcome his handicap to place in all events. Other Nisei taking part in the tournament were Jim Chikami, Frank Chikami, George Oshima and Dewey Fukui.

## Montana Chapter Re-elects Koyama

HARDIN, Mon.—It's a third term for Tom Koyama, president of the Montana JACL.

Also named to his cabinet at chapter elections were Charles Kataoka, George Kawamoto, Mrs. Kaye Utsunomiya and Joe Nagashima, vice presidents; Martha Fujio, rec. secy.; Mary Kawano, corr. secy.; Bill Utsunomiya, historian; Aki Kataoka, reporter; and Sam Shirasago and Joe Mikami, sergeants-at-arms.

## Hold Square Dances

IDAHO FALLS, Ida.—A weekly square dance is being sponsored by the Idaho Falls JACL at the JACL hall, 187 First street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Summers are instructors and callers.

## Nisei Liquors Lengthen Lead in Chicago League

CHICAGO — With Dyke Miyagawa turning in one of the season's top individual performances with a 636 series (212-22-202), the Nisei Liquors team tightened their hold on first place in the Chicago Nisei Men's league on Feb. 7 by whitewashing Wah Mee Low, 4 to 0, with a 2,919 team effort, including handicap.

Frank Hamasaki had another good night with a 598 and Dave Mizuno chipped in a 563 but Rosecoe Garage could only get a 2 to 2 split with Tea Pot Inn. The teapotters really boiled with a handicapped 1082 second game.

Erie Clothing, meanwhile, turned in the best handicapped team series, 2989, to defeat Exact Cleaners, 3 to 1. Spud Tsuji's 547 and Rocky Nakahara's 542 were high for the winners.

Fred Fujii led the way with a 560 as Nu-Star Cleaners topped Louis Bar B-Q, 3 to 1, while Seto's defeated Tellone Beauty Salon by the same margin.

Roger Yawata's 578 was the top individual performance as Roosevelt-Western defeated Sugano Tourists, 3 to 1.

## Albuquerque JACL Honors Volunteers

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—Three Nisei who volunteered for the Army, Air Force and the Navy respectively were honored by the Albuquerque JACL at a dinner held the last week of January.

The volunteers are James Togami, now stationed at Lackland Field air base in San Antonio, Tex.; Chubby Fukuzawa now in the Navy; and James Ichikawa who was inducted into the Army. All were active members of the Albuquerque JACL.

## Allow Claim For Damage to Stored Goods

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Property damaged beyond repair while in storage may be claimed as a loss under the Evacuation Claims Act, the Justice Department advised the JACL ADC this week.

In ruling on the claim of a Los Angeles evacuee, the Justice Department said the particular property was placed in a private garage, but the act of storing it there in the emergency of evacuation was reasonable and the loss was compensable.

The Department ruled the cost of restoring partially damaged property also is allowable, but rejected a minor claim for \$15 which the claimant sought as the cost of shipping a home refrigerator from Los Angeles to a relocation center.

The claimant was awarded \$743.50 out of a claimed loss of \$1273.25 as the actual fair market value of losses and damage to personal property.

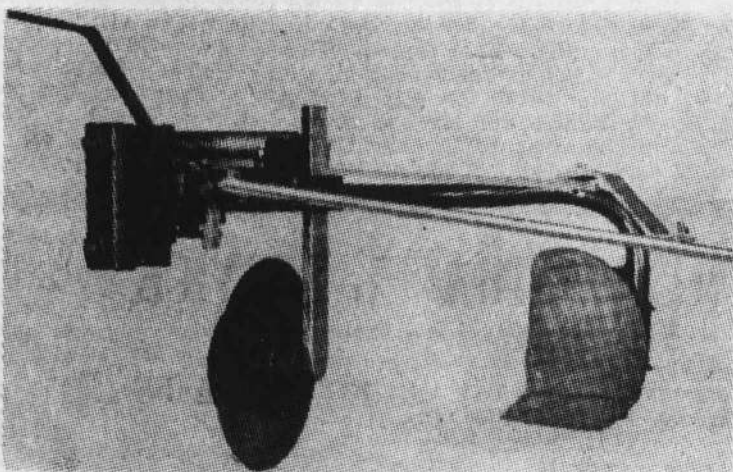
## Susan Kumagai Weds Carroll Thompson

OMAHA, Neb.—Susan Kumagai, former corresponding secretary of the Omaha JACL, was married to Carroll Thompson on Feb. 3 at St. Paul's Episcopal church in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

A reception was held following the wedding at the Birchwood club in Omaha.

Among the many showers given for Miss Kumagai before the nuptials was one at the home of Mrs. K. Patrick Okura.

The Thompsons left for New York City following the wedding. The groom is employed as public relations counselor for the Lutheran Church Council in New York.



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## Precedent Set as Expatriates Permitted to Enter Hawaii

**Forfeited Citizenship  
By Wartime Service  
In Japanese Army**

HONOLULU—Two Hawaii-born persons of Japanese ancestry, declared to have forfeited their American citizenship when they served in the Japanese army in World War II, have been permitted to reside in the territory as Japanese aliens by the U.S. Justice Department in an action setting a precedent in citizenship cases affecting wartime strandeers.

Minoru Iwatake, 26, and Saburo Kobayashi, 24, returned to Hawaii aboard the President Cleveland on Dec. 11, 1950 but were interned at the Immigration Bureau offices until officials in Honolulu received instructions from Washington.

On Jan. 30 the Immigration Bureau in Honolulu received an order granting permission to the two men to enter the country as Japanese aliens under the amended Nationality Act of 1940. The Hawaii Herald reported that the significance of the decision was that persons with dual citizenship who had forfeited United States nationality by service in the Japanese army are permitted to enter the country with the purpose of regaining their citizenship by naturalization or taking up permanent residence.

Iwatake, a native of Kahului, Maui, went to Japan in 1930 while of minor age and graduated from a high school in Hiroshima in 1944. He entered Meiji University in Tokyo in April, 1944 and was inducted into the Japanese army in October of the same year. He served in the infantry in Manchuria.

Kobayashi, a native of Oahu, was taken to Japan when he was six years of age. He was educated in schools in Japan and was drafted into the army in April, 1945. He served for only a month at Ujina port, Japan, on army landing boats.

### Japanese Americans Back Roybal Drive

LOS ANGELES — Members of the Japanese American community are represented on a committee to reelect Edward Roybal to the City Council, it was announced this week by the Non-Partisan Committee to Reelect Roybal.

The committee is holding a banquet on Feb. 18 at the San Kwo Low.

Among the members of the committee are John Aiso, Harry K. Honda, James Mitsumori and Lynn Takagaki.

### Eden Township Holds Installation Fete; Issei Honored

SAN LEANDRO, Calif. — New officers of the Eden Township JACL were scheduled to take the oath of office Friday, Jan. 16, at a chapter dinner-dance held at Castro Villa.

The group also awarded certificates of recognition to the following Issei for their services to the JACL-ADC: Hisayoshi Tanizawa, Chozo Ishiwata, Tomojiro Namura, Mosaburo Shinoda, Rinzo Yonekura, Noboru Kawabata, Momotaro Kawahara, Tadao Yoshioka and Rutaro Fujii.

Awarded certificates were the following Nisei: Henry Wada, Katsuo Tanabe, Kenji Fujii, Toichi Domoto, Giichi Yoshioka and Yoshimi Shibata.

Kiyo Kato heads the 1951 cabinet.

### Chicago Mam'selles Install 'Cabinet'

CHICAGO—New cabinet members of the Mam'selles, local women's club, were installed at their fourth annual dinner on Feb. 4.

Kay Kikugawa succeeds Fumi Matsushita as president. Other officers are May Hashioka, vice-pres.; Fumi Matsushita, corres. sec.; Frances Sekiguchi, rec. sec.; Sachi Sedohara, treas.; Jean Toda, historian and publicity chmn.; and Setsuko Miyazaki, council representative.

Guests of honor were Mrs. Edwin Kitow, Mrs. and Mrs. Abe Hagiwara and Helen Mayeda. Announcement of Mrs. Kitow's resignation as club advisor was made. She has served with the group since its origin in 1946.

Mrs. Hashioka and Mrs. Sekiguchi, both accompanied by Miss Mayeda, gave vocal selections. Abe Hagiwara led group singing.

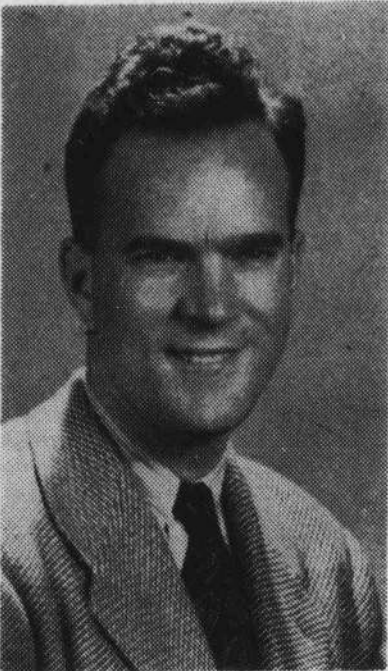
### Resettlers Plan Talent Show

CHICAGO — A talent show to boost the building fund drive of the Chicago Resettlers Committee has been scheduled for the evening of March 25 at the Olivet Institute, 1441 North Cleveland.

The affair will have both Issei and Nisei participants.

Toraio Hidaka will be chairman. His committee includes Mr. Hayashi, Mr. Doi, Mr. Furuyama, Helen Mayeda, Mrs. Chizu Iiyama and Jack Yasutake.

### Clevelanders Hear Discussion on Social Security



C. W. CAMPBELL

CLEVELAND, O.—The new Social Security Act of 1950, which became effective the first of this year, was discussed by C. W. Campbell, field representative for the Social Security administration of Cleveland, at a meeting of the Cleveland JACL on Feb. 7.

Campbell clarified provisions of the new act and its effects upon individuals from the standpoint of employer, employee and self-employed.

Important facts regarding benefits were discussed, including type of benefits, eligibility requirements and amounts paid.

Facts given in Campbell's talk will be presented later to the Issei by Mr. Kondo, president of the Shinwaki. The JACL stressed importance of this information for Issei who are receiving Social Security benefits at the present time or will receive them in the near future.

### Aid Buiding Fund

CHICAGO—Girls clubs in Chicago will support the Chicago Resettlers Committee's current building fund drive with a joint benefit dance on Feb. 24 at the McCormick YWCA.

Participating as sponsors will be the Bambis, Charmettes, Colleens, Dawnelles, Debonnaires, Jolene, Mamselles, Philos, Reginas, Silhouettes and the Sorelles.

Planning the dance are representatives from the clubs, including Christine Shishida and Mary Matsumo of the Reginas, Helen Kitahata and Marion Shiota of the Silhouettes, Florette Karumi and Asako Narahara of the Sorelles, Jean Kaita of the Colleens, and Jiro Yamaguchi of the Resettler board and Hiro Uchida and Chizu Iiyama of the Resettler staff.

### Alameda Inductees Honored by JACL

ALAMEDA, Calif.—Eight Alameda Nisei called into military service were honored at a send-off party by the Alameda JACL on Feb. 9.

The party was held at the first meeting of the year.

Honored were Junior Hirai, Kenny Okamoto, Shoji Sakurai, Mas Sonoda, Yosh Sugiyama, Ben Tsurumoto, Jim Ushijima and Yosh Yamamoto. Sakurai and Hirai, who were scheduled to leave this week, were presented with gifts by Haruo Imura, chapter president.

### WANT ADS

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### San Jose Youth Keeps Calm, Saves Own Life in Fire

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Twelve-year old Teddy Kanemoto saved his own life on Feb. 9 by remaining calm when his clothes caught fire when a butane gas line exploded.

Young Teddy had just stepped out onto the back porch of his home when the explosion set his clothes aflame. Instead of getting panicky the young 7th grade student threw himself on nearby grass and rolled until the flames were snuffed out.

### Salt Lake Bowlers Dominate Buddhist Tourney in Ogden

OGDEN, Utah—Salt Lake City bowlers dominated the annual Intermountain Young Buddhist League bowling tournament on Feb. 10 at Paramount Bowl. The tourney was held in conjunction with the annual YBL convention.

The Salt Lake YBA No. 1 team won the men's team event. Members of the team are Tosh Igata, Bill Oike, Ben Mayeda, George Sakashita and Warren Hasegawa.

George Sakashita wrapped up the other men's events, winning the singles and all-events and teaming with Tosh Igata to win the doubles.

The Salt Lake YBA No. 1 team won the women's team event. Members of the team are Barbara Okuda, Yasuko Oike, Aiko Nishida, Kaye Okuda and Kathy Tamura.

Mrs. Oike won the singles and she teamed with Barbara Okuda to win the women's doubles.

### Final Rites Held For 442nd Veteran

LOOMIS, Calif. — Funeral services were held here on Feb. 8 for Toshio Tomita, 31, a veteran of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, who died on Feb. 5 in the Fort Miley hospital.

The final rites were held in the Methodist church and the John A. Stocker post of the American Legion in Roseville officiated at the graveside services in the Rocklin Cemetery.

Toshio was a native of Placer County and resided with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Tomita, Route 2, Box 762.

Besides his parents he is survived by brothers and sisters, Ruby and Thom of Loomis, Mrs. May Sasaki of Rocklin and Joe of Chicago, Ill.

### Name Tut Yata Chairman of L.A. Coordinating Group

LOS ANGELES—Tut Yata, the second term president of the Southwest L.A. JACL, was elected chairman of the L.A. JACL Coordinating Council at the Council's meeting held on Feb. 12 in the JACL regional office conference room at the Miyako Hotel.

The newly formed Hollywood JACL chapter has been invited to join the ranks of four other chapters in the Council. The Venice chapter, which is within the Los Angeles city limits, will also be extended an invitation to join this group, it was learned.

## Seek Old-Age Pension Rights For Issei Group

SACRAMENTO—A bill to permit Japanese and other resident aliens to participate in the California state pension program was introduced in the legislature recently by Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott of Los Angeles.

The present state pension law provides for payments up to \$66 monthly to aged residents but bars payments to aliens.

Joe Grant Masaoka, regional director of JACL ADC, recently conferred with Assemblyman Elliott and other legislators, pointing out that the alien ban works a hardship on the Issei who are barred from naturalization.

### Alameda Chapter Passes 1950 Mark In Membership Drive

ALAMEDA, Calif. — With two weeks still remaining in its current membership drive, the Alameda JACL to date has signed 89 members, surpassing the 1950 membership of 83, according to Robert Mizokuchi, chairman.

With several more persons expected to join the organization, the chapter expects to boost the total near the 100 mark.

The campaign will be concluded by the end of the month, Mizokuchi said.

The Alameda JACL this week undertook its annual ADC fund drive under Ryuzo Maeyama, local ADC chairman.

### Philadelphia YBA Installs Officers

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — The Philadelphia YBA installed its 1951 cabinet at an impressive candlelight service Sunday, Jan. 14.

Betty Watanabe is the new president. Other officers are Sunkie Oye, vice pres.; Gene Kanamori, secy.; Fran Fujita, treas.; Frances Yamamoto, religious chmn.; Garry Oye, public relations director; and Terrie Oye, historian and publicity chmn.

Nob Sawamura was in charge of the service. Folk dancing, a singspiration and a spaghetti dinner followed.

February highlights for the group include a Dharma discussion meeting and Japanese movies.

### Engagement Told

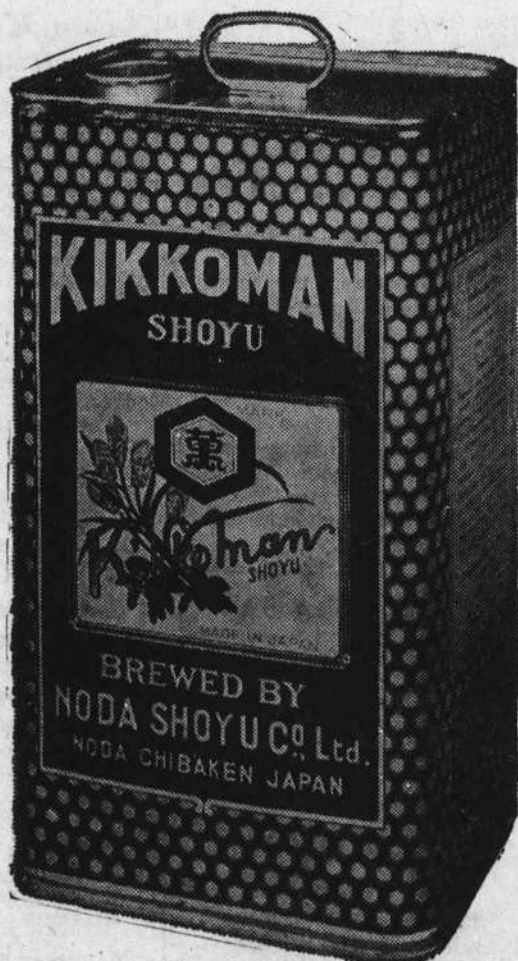
PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif.—The engagement of Miss Bette Yoshiko Fujimoto to Cpl. Tom Ohara was told Saturday evening, Feb. 3, at a party given by Mr. and Mrs. Asao Nakazawa of the Japanese department, Army Language School, at the NCO Club.

The bride-to-be is the sister of Mrs. Nakazawa.

The engagement was revealed in red heart jig-saw puzzles which were given to guests.

Miss Fujimoto is a graduate of Monterey Union High School now employed at Fort Ord. Cpl. Ohara graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in Long Beach and Compton Junior College.

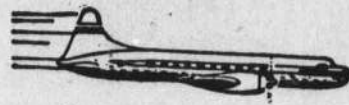
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