



Salt Lake's Citizens to Repay Tokyo Tree Donor for Financial Loss in Cherry Tree Project

Generous Salt Lakers began a voluntary drive this week to pay a \$1800 freight bill on Japanese cherry trees that never got to this city.

Mayor Earl J. Glade was the first contributor toward the fund. The trees, gift of Tokyo Boy Scouts to the city of Salt Lake, were burnt by quarantine officials in Seattle upon arrival in this country because of the danger they might spread diseases.

The Salt Lake City commission said it could not legally incur the freight cost of \$1800, and Tamotsu Murayama, Tokyo Boy Scout executive, who initiated the project, announced that he would assume the freight bill. He said his home would be placed on sale to pay the \$1800, estimated at 100,000 yen.

Printing of Murayama's story in Salt Lake newspapers last week brought numerous offers of aid from individuals and organizations in the city, including Salt Lake City Boy Scout officials.

Mayor Glade appointed Forace Green, scout executive, to head the city's drive and gave his check for \$25 as a starter. His check was matched by Dr. George R. Hill, superintendent of the Deseret Sunday School Union, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

First day's contributions totaled \$70 and hope was expressed that the campaign could be completed in two weeks.

Mail contributions in the first three days of the drive brought the total to \$200.

Serving with Mr. Green on the fund committee will be Principal Lynn Hales of Dilworth School, vice chairman, and Eugene D. Amott, Joseph M. Anderson, Golden D. Holt, Ray Jennings, Henry Y. Kasai, Dr. George R. Hill, Mayor Glade and W. E. Shurtleff.

Donations may be sent to Mr. Shurtleff at Tracy Collins Trust Company, 151 South Main Street, Salt Lake City.

Murayama, who initiated the cherry tree project in hopes of promoting international friendship, is a Tokyo newspaper man. He formerly lived in San Francisco.

Two Nisei Named Officers for Reno DAV Auxiliary

RENO, Nev.—Two Nisei were selected officers of Reno Post No. 1 Disabled American Veterans auxiliary at a recent meeting.

Mrs. Frank Chikami was unanimously elected senior vice commander, while Ida Fukui was named junior vice commander.

Mrs. Chikami served previously as junior vice commander and Miss Fukui as executive committee woman.

Another Nisei, Mrs. George Oshima, is also a member of the post.

Gets DAV Post

REEDLEY, Calif. — Mitsugi J. Tagawa was sworn in on April 18 as junior vice-commander of the Kings River Chapter No. 140 of the Disabled American Veterans.

Mother Holds Hope for Son Missing in Action in Korea

SEABROOK, N.J.—The mother of Pfc. George Y. Minakata, 24, has not given up hope for her son who has been missing in action in Korea since Feb. 13.

Mrs. Mune Minakata was notified recently that her son had been officially listed as missing by the Defense Department.

Pfc. Minakata served in the army during 1948 and 1949 and was discharged and recalled to active duty in Nov., 1950. He was assigned to

Salt Lake City Will Decline Offer Of Additional Trees

Salt Lake City will try to dissuade Tokyo Boy Scouts from sending another shipment of trees to replace 1,000 cherry tree saplings which went up in smoke recently in Seattle on order of government officials.

Tamotsu Murayama, president of the Boy Scout council in Tokyo, said the Scouts were anxious to go through with their original project of supplying trees for Salt Lake City's International Peace Garden and other sites where the cherry trees were to be planted.

Freight costs of \$1800 on the original shipment are now being raised by Salt Lakers in a voluntary drive to save Murayama from having to assume the charges himself.

Murayama said the Scouts were "willing to accomplish what we started," and added, "There must be some kind of trees that we may be able to send to your city instead of cherry trees which caused an international trouble."

Mayor Earl J. Glade of Salt Lake City said he would express the city's thanks to Murayama but try to dissuade him from sending another shipment of trees.

He said he would inform Murayama the Peace Gardens were coming along "beautifully" and that no other trees were needed at the moment.

Mayor Glade was among initiators of the Salt Lake City drive to raise the air freight charges for the first tree shipment, donating a check for \$25 to start the campaign.

Long Beach JACL Seeks to Double 1950 Membership

LONG BEACH, Calif.—"Double the 1950 membership of 133 will be the goal of the Long Beach JACL Chapter this year," membership chairman Jimmy Okura, second vice president, said this week.

"Our campaign will be an intensive two week drive beginning on May 1," explained Okura, who expressed confidence that close to 300 members would be signed up during this period.

George Mio, chapter president, revealed that a general meeting and get-acquainted social will be held on May 31 at the newly-dedicated Harbor Area Japanese Community Center.

Select Delegate To Boys State

LOS ANGELES — Sixteen-year old Ray Kato, a junior at John Marshall high school, will be a Los Angeles delegate to the California Boys State conference in Sacramento from June 20 to 28.

His trip will be sponsored by the American Legion's Union Pacific post.

Nampa Issei Named President Of Rotary Club

NAMPA, Idaho—Henry Fujii, was named the new president of the Nampa Rotary Club by the board of directors at a club luncheon on April 18.

He is one of the few Issei Rotarians in the nation, and is believed to be the first to become president of his club.

Mr. Fujii has long been an active figure in community affairs and a leading supporter of the JACL.

Report Chicago Nisei Killed In Korea War

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

KILLED IN ACTION:

Pfc. Mark Inokuchi, brother of Miyeko Inokuchi, 1240 No. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

WOUNDED:

Sgt. George K. Shigenaga, son of Mrs. Taka Shigenaga, 2179 Kaimana Rd., Honolulu; Pvt. Yoshihiko Yamate, nephew of Toshito Maebo, PO Box F, Papakou, Hawaii;

Pvt. Masato Kusaka, son of Mr. and Mrs. Masaichi Kusaka, PO Box B, Waialua, Oahu;

Pvt. Seiho Uejo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ushisuke Uejo, 508 S Road, Damon Tract, Honolulu; Sgt. FC. Mamoru Ekimura, brother of Sato Ekimura, 446 Ward St., Honolulu.

RETURNED TO DUTY:

Sgt. Michael L. Takemoto, husband of Mrs. Mary M. Takemoto, 856 West Sheridan Rd., Chicago. (Previously missing in action and prisoner of war).

New York Chapter Holds Forum on Housing Problems

NEW YORK CITY—"There is no racial segregation in any of our projects," New York JACL members were told by Mrs. Mary Francis, manager of the inquiry and record section of the New York City Housing Authority, on April 20.

Mrs. Francis and John Iwatsu, an architect and home owner in New Jersey, participated in a forum on "Public Housing—Private Home" following a regular business meeting of the New York chapter.

Qualifications for eligibility for public housing were discussed by Mrs. Francis, and hints on what to look for in buying, building, or renting a home were given by Mr. Iwatsu.

The forum was sponsored by the Education Committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Midori Watanabe.

Nisei Named Head Of County P-TA

ATWATER, Calif.—Mrs. Ben Nagai, Jr., past president of the Mitchell-Union Parent Teacher Association, was recently elected president of the Merced County Council P-TA.

Elected to serve with Mrs. Nagai were Mrs. Paul Osteras, Livingston, vice-pres.; Mrs. William Whitehouse, Merced, secy.; R. J. Thompson, Gustine, treas.; Mrs. Delbert Nye, Winton, auditor; Mrs. Leroy Fergus, and Los Banos, historian. Mrs. Elmer Nelson is junior past president.

Mrs. Ruth Sanderson of Fresno, 11th district junior past president, installed the officers.

Joint House-Senate Committee Prepares to Print Testimony On Omnibus Immigration Bill

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A Senate-House Subcommittee formally closed the books on hearings on omnibus immigration and naturalization legislation this week and promptly began preparing to print the voluminous testimony offered, according to the JACL ADC.

For the past two weeks the joint subcommittee has been accepting written testimony concerning three major immigration and naturalization omnibus bills—introduced by Sen. Pat McCarran, (D., Nev.), and Reps. Francis E. Walter, (R., Penn.), and Emanuel Celler, (D., N. Y.).

Prior to that, the joint subcommittee spent almost three weeks hearing oral testimony.

Staff specialists said the hearings should be available in printed form within two to three weeks, and may run over 100 pages.

Meanwhile, Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, conferred with staff members of the subcommittees, and said they have been working informally together in an attempt to work out differences in the various omnibus bills.

Such a bill, when it appears in its final form, probably will represent a compromise between the McCarran and Walter versions, and include some changes recommended by the State and Justice departments, and individuals and organizations which testified on the complicated legislation.

As soon as a single bill is ready, it probably will be offered simultaneously to both Houses for floor action around the first part of June.

Mr. Masaoka said there may be some effort in floor debate in both Houses to make additional changes

in any omnibus bill which results from joint subcommittee action.

He added: "It is our hope that Congress will complete action on an immigration and naturalization bill during the present session."

Two sections of all the proposed bills have met with near unanimous support. They would: 1—give full immigration privileges to all Oriental countries, and 2—remove race as a requisite for naturalization.

Both proposals have long been advocated by the JACL ADC.

They were first offered to congress in the Judd bill, and subsequently incorporated into the omnibus immigration and naturalization bills.

First Committee Named for 1952 JACL Confab

Leadership Criteria Group Selected by President Sakada

With its 11th biennial convention only six months past, the National JACL this week began the arduous task of sponsoring its 12th convention, scheduled for San Francisco in June, 1952, with the appointment of a leadership criteria committee by Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, national president.

The committee will lay down criteria for awards to be made by the national recognitions committee. Patrick Okura of Omaha was named chairman.

Named to assist him were Fred Hoshiyama of San Francisco, Henry Tani of Philadelphia, Ina Sugihara of New York, and Dr. T. T. Yatabe and Dick Akagi of Chicago.

Masao Satow, national director, and Mike Masaoka, ADC director, will serve as advisers.

In 1950 the national recognitions committee made awards to Masaoka, as "Nisei of the Year," and to Hito Okada, Saburo Kido, Setsuko Nishi and Larry Tajiri for distinguished achievement and leadership. Presentation was made at the 11th biennial convention in Chicago.

Salinas JACL Aids Red Cross Drive

SALINAS, Calif.—The Salinas JACL, headed by Lefty Miyanaoka, president, raised \$104.50 recently for the Red Cross.

Assisting in the drive were Charles Tanda, Janice Kitamura, Ken Sato, Oscar Itani, Roy Sakasegawa and Kiyu Hirano.

California Legislature Plans Hearings on Remedial Bills

Would Repay Nisei For Money Paid to Settle Land Cases

SACRAMENTO — For the first time in California's long legislative history two measures which are of beneficial intent to persons of Japanese ancestry have been scheduled for hearings on May 7th.

The Assembly Boards and Commissions Committee will consider A.B. 1582 for restoration of general on-sale and off-sale liquor licenses which were cancelled against persons of Japanese ancestry after Dec. 7, 1941. The Board of Equalization had revoked these licenses against Japanese aliens.

This bill is designed to restore general on-sale and off-sale liquor licenses which were revoked on December 7, 1941 against Japanese. These liquor licenses were primarily revoked by the Board of Equalization as a discriminatory move by them against persons of Japanese ancestry, the Committee for Justice to Japanese Americans.

The boards and commissions committee of the California legislature is composed of the following Assemblymen: Lester McMillan (D., Los Angeles), chairman; L. H. Lincoln (R., Oakland); Robert L. Condon (D., Walnut Creek); Thomas J. Doyle (D., Los

Angeles); Vernon Kilpatrick (D., Los Angeles); Thomas Maloney (R., San Francisco); Richard H. McCollister (R., Mill Valley).

In the evening of the same day the Assembly Committee on Judiciary will take up A.B. 2611 for recovering the payments made by Nisei as compromise settlements in their alien land law cases and also the return of monies realized by the State from the sale of escheated property.

These two bills were introduced at the request of the Committee for Justice to Japanese Americans which has employed Joe Grant Masaoka and June Fugita as legislative advocates, as is required by state law.

When questioned as to the likelihood of passage of these two CJJA sponsored bills, Masaoka said:

"The restoration of liquor licenses is called for as a matter of simple justice and principle. It was a racial decision because no others of any racial ancestry have been so discriminated. It may become law this season.

"The alien land law has long been a symbol of racial intolerance because it was conceived and enforced against persons of Japanese ancestry. Public opinion and court decisions have in recent years repudiated it. It is our hope that our bill will pass this year."

Lots of Talk But Little Action This Year in State Legislatures On Fair Employment Proposals

By MARION TAJIRI

FEP has been getting a mad whirl on a lot of legislature merry-go-rounds this season, but (if we may twist this metaphor a bit farther) it's been picking up mostly brass rings.

Why legislators should be so wary of FEP is beyond our knowing. They term it, variously, as government control, as foreign propaganda, as contrary to human nature. And there are always those other FEP opponents, not so adept at the niceties of argument, who will have you believe that FEP is immoral, and anyway, you wouldn't want YOUR daughter to marry a Negro, would you? But there have always been plenty of people who will invoke even the name of the Deity on behalf of any proposal, good or bad.

The principal behind FEP is as simple as its name—fair employment practices.

FEP does not, contrary to the wide-spread belief, do any of the following:

1. It does not force any employer to hire a person because he is a Negro, a Nisei, or any other member of a minority group.

2. It does not force an employer to employ a person of minority ancestry who is not qualified for the job.

3. It does not dictate the employment of any individual.

But what FEP does do is much more simple and also much more important: it says no employer can refuse to hire a person BECAUSE he is a Negro, a Nisei, etc. It does only this: it guarantees the right of equality of employment, regardless of race, creed or color.

This is an old principle in these United States—the principle that all men were created equal. And yet FEP, which seeks only to establish that equality in employment, is looked upon as something new and daring.

As of today, eleven states have adopted FEPC. But here FEPC is a general term, and we cannot therefore deduce that the right to employment is effectively upheld in eleven states.

We might take Colorado, by way of example. Colorado was the only state adopting FEP legislation among those states which introduced it in their legislatures this year.

The bill, now law, gives no enforcement powers in private industry. So what happens? A Nisei girl applies for a secretarial job. She's good. She can handle the job. So what? If the prospective employer decides he doesn't want a Nisei in the office, he can throw out her application. The FEP commission can try to "educate" him in the ways of democracy, because that's what the Colorado FEPC is—an "educational" commission. But the employer doesn't have to hire the girl.

It's a little like a town having a good set of laws—and no police department.

But Colorado went a lot farther than the ten other states in which bills to get fair employment practices were introduced this year.

In Arizona the legislature adjourned without acting on its FEP bill. Ditto for Utah. And West Virginia.

Indiana's House passed a bill amending its present FEP law by a whopping 83-3 vote. The Senate Labor Committee got hold of the bill and pigeonholed it effectively. It never got to the floor.

Something of the same happened in Kansas. The House passed its bill by a big margin, 89 to 14, and then sent it on to the Senate Committee, where it languished until the session came to an end.

Ohio has kept FEP bills bottled up in committee. In Montana and Nebraska proposals for FEP were defeated in committee.

But what about cities and states where FEP is in effect? Happily enough, it can be reported that where it has been instituted, FEP has been accepted with a minimum of opposition. It works. It's been proven.

In New York State, one of the first to put FEP on the books, the agency hasn't once found it necessary to go to the courts to enforce a ruling. But there's the difference—in New York the commission has the right to deal through the courts, and that power in reserve is a mighty effective weapon.

Other states with FEPC have re-

ported the same thing: almost every instance of proven discrimination can be settled by education, persuasion, conciliation. A big employer will rear back with righteous indignation at the thought of being "forced" to hire an individual of minority ancestry. "He wouldn't get along with the other employees," he says, passing the buck quickly. The educating process sets in. He decides to give it a try. And he finds everything working out fine.

Well, there are employers and employees.

There are a lot of them who are enlightened, progressive and humane, who have seen FEPC instituted and seen how it works.

Recently James L. Myers, president of the Cleveland Graphite Bronze Company, wrote:

"... as an executive of one of Cleveland's large manufacturing firms, I have seen at first hand the integration of all population groups take place in office and factory with a minimum of hostility in the early stages, and that rapidly disappearing in every instance.

"It is from these vantage points that I have formed my opinion that fair employment practices legislation, having adequate and soundly administered enforcement provisions, is the best means whereby we can modify, and eventually eliminate, the blights of job discrimination based on race, creed, color or national origin."

Cleveland is the city with an FEP commission that has enough power to do something about its decisions.

Prior to that time, however, it had "voluntary" FEP.

Under the "voluntary" plan, employers agreed to institute fair employment practices.

Well, how did it work out? One store announced proudly it HAD fair employment practices. It was already employing one Negro clerk selling lingerie. But the story was a nice cover-up: actually only the executives knew she was a Negro. No one else knew (or was allowed to learn) that she wasn't "white."

The Cleveland Chamber of Commerce directed and financed the city's voluntary FEP program. It cost \$40,000 for its first year of operation. And at the end of that time no more Negroes or more members of other minority groups were hired than before.

Enough was enough. The city council passed compulsory FEP legislation, 27 to 5. And it seems to be working fine.

San Francisco is another city which is currently debating the issues of FEPC. A large number of employers recently got together to discuss FEPC—compulsory and voluntary—and appeared to agree that it wasn't fair to discriminate against workers or prospective employees just because of their race.

But there was plenty of evidence that some of the employers want the voluntary plan.

Most employers, said Adrien Falk, president of the California State Chamber of Commerce, want a policy of voluntary cooperation "because they don't want to see methods of employment subject to legislation. The FEPC issue develops intolerance and antagonism and then the fur begins to fly."

Falk, who made an excellent speech endorsing the principle of fair and equal employment opportunities, said business had an obligation to society, to itself and the community to see that all persons have the right to employment.

Representatives for three San Francisco firms which do not discriminate said, in agreement, that their policies have caused no antagonisms, that FEPC benefits the

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442nd Veteran Shows Works



The 442nd Veterans Club of Honolulu this month sponsored its first art exhibition, one-man show of the works of Bunpei Akaji, who saw action with the 442nd Combat Team in Italy.

The show which included Mr. Akaji's oils, etchings, sculpture and mosaics which he completed as a student while studying art in Italy, was presented in the Memorial hall of the 442nd Veterans Clubhouse.

Akaji recently returned home to Honolulu after six years, most of them spent in Italy.

He took his basic training at Camp Fannin, Texas, and joined the 442nd as a replacement. He took his discharge at Livorno in 1947 and attended the Academia De Belle Arti in Florence for a few months. Then he attended the academy of fine arts in Milano, under the GI Bill of Rights, completing the four-year academic course in two years.

In 1949 and 1950 he received the Fullbright scholarship for advanced and research studies. His sojourn in Italy took him from the boot of Italy all the way up to Germany.

"I learned the Italian language well and even got to understand the people and their way of living," he said.

When he returned to Hawaii on Dec. 1, 1950 he hoped to have a one-man show of his works but found the Academy of Arts and the Library of Hawaii auditorium booked for months ahead.

The 442nd Veterans Club heard of his predicament and decided to give him a helping hand by sponsoring the show.

In the above photo Bunpei Akaji is show with one of his mosaic pictures.—Photo courtesy of Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

MANNAHATTA

By Joe Oyama

NEW YORK — Belated, but Henry Aihara and wife, Karie Shindo, needn't feel too bad about having missed the \$5,000 jackpot question on Groucho Marx's "You Bet Your Life" Show . . .

The question: "Name the Dutchman who bought Manhattan island from the Indians for \$24?"

The answer: "Peter Minuit, first governor of the New Netherlands colony."

For over five years we lived in an eleven story apartment building at 25 Claremont Ave. named "Peter Minuit," but didn't even know its significance . . .

"Four-Four-Two"

Comment on the new MGM film "Go for Broke" by some of the veterans around here who saw the film at a private showing in the local Loew's State building:

"First of all, only six of us veterans saw the movie at the MGM private theater. That night we couldn't sleep. For about three nights I couldn't sleep . . . Later some of the other boys told me that they had the same experience . . .

"We were so moved by the film . . .

"It took us several days before we could talk about the film . . .

"I thought that part about 'Come on boys, Let's Go for Broke' when they were going in to rescue the 'Lost Battalion' was artificial—too Hollywood, and not sincere . . .

"When we were going in for the rescue we threw all of our packs off, because it got too hot and we wanted to be light as possible . . . Packs, gas masks, everything was discarded . . .

"Another part I thought was artificial was our meeting with the Texas Battalion. There wasn't any yelling . . . The emotions were so deep that no one made any sound . . . That could have been shown by focusing the camera on a few faces of the boys . . . revealing their deep emotion . . .

"Our meeting with the Texas Battalion showed a whole bunch of us coming in, but actually there were only a few of us . . .

Some companies had only as little as 5 or 6 boys left. All the rest were wounded or killed . . .

"I thought more could have been shown of our meeting with the 100th Infantry . . .

"And our meeting with the Texas Battalion could have been played up more . . . The climax was a letdown . . .

Despite the criticism all the veterans agree that it is a good film and feel gratified that Hollywood has at last made a film on the Japanese American.

Third Generation

The Nisei are going through a transition period, when, sometime during the next few years they will have to replace the Capital "N" of the Nisei for a small "n" and place the emphasis on the capital "S" of Sansei.

We cannot help but recall the words of John L. Elliott:

"When a man gets to the age where he knows that he will never see any of the things he wants most—not just housing or health, but a generous and true democracy and a permanent peace on earth—then he cares even more than heretofore for young people, because they must carry on the things for which he has striven.

"Their eyes will not see fulfillment either, but they can carry the process a step farther. One cares for them in a partnership way. You take a new attitude towards them; for they will be the fulfillers, these girls and boys, are the best that you hope for."

On the Lighter Side:

Mas Ito, Fifth Ave. Commercial photographer: "Japanese children, if they laugh too much, their eyes disappear!" . . . "Gobo" (Burdock Root) even grows in Riverside and Central parks . . . William Saroyan once in one of his short stories wrote about a character named "Suki" (an old Issei itinerant) who used to catch flies in a Chinese gambling house and swallow them, but Saroyan hasn't heard about this one although the story comes out of Reedley, Calif. which isn't too far from Saroyan's Hanford:

"Pop" (not our pop) used to tell his Nisei children that they would

Coast Buddhists Hold Convention In Sacramento

Five Candidates Vie For Crown as Queen Of WYBL Meeting

SACRAMENTO — The vanguard of an expected attendance of 100 members from California and Arizona began registering on April 27 for the annual conference of the Western Young Buddhist League.

The conference will end on April 29.

Considerable interest is centered around the choice of the convention queen who will be selected from among five nominees at a luncheon on April 28 at the El Rancho.

The queen will be crowned the same evening at the Coronation Ball at Governor's hall on the State Fair grounds by Ruth Morimoto, last year's WYBL queen from the Bay district.

The five nominees are Mary Endo, Bay Area, Oakland Y.B.L.; Mitzi Murano, Northern California, Stockton Y.B.A.; Lilly Arima, Southern California, West Los Angeles Y.B.A.; Alice Watanabe, Coast Area, Monterey Y.B.A., and Ruby Takayama, Central California, Parlier Y.B.A.

A panel discussion is scheduled for the afternoon of April 28.

One of the highlights of the conference will be the outdoor memorial services in William Land Park on Sunday, April 29, in honor of Nisei and other United States war dead in the Korean conflict.

Following the services the delegates will eat lunch in the park and then will return to the Buddhist hall for the oratorical contest.

A dinner and a talent show will wind up the conference on April 29. The new officers of the WYBL will be installed at the dinner.

University Group Plans Scholarship For Nisei Girl

Announcement of a \$50 scholarship to be made available to a Nisei girl planning to enter the University of Utah this fall was made this week by the Utorient, Nisei girls club at the university.

The recipient must be a Utah. Applicants will be judged on the basis of high school scholastic records, personal character and extracurricular activities.

Application blanks may be obtained from Alyce Shiba, 1484 Richards Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Deadline will be August 1.

Eden Township JACL Will Honor Issei

At Appreciation Night

SAN LEANDRO, Calif. — Issei of the Eden Township community will be guests of the JACL at "Issei Appreciation Night," to be held Thursday, May 3, at Sunset Grammar School.

The public is invited to attend the program, which will be held as a means of showing the chapter's gratitude to the Issei for their support and interest in JACL activities.

Three movies will be shown: "Hi no Tori," a modern romantic picture; "San ju-san Gen Do," an old time sword and saber fighting film; and a cartoon for children.

Tea and cookies will be served during intermission.

The program will start at 8 p.m. No admission or donation will be accepted from guests.

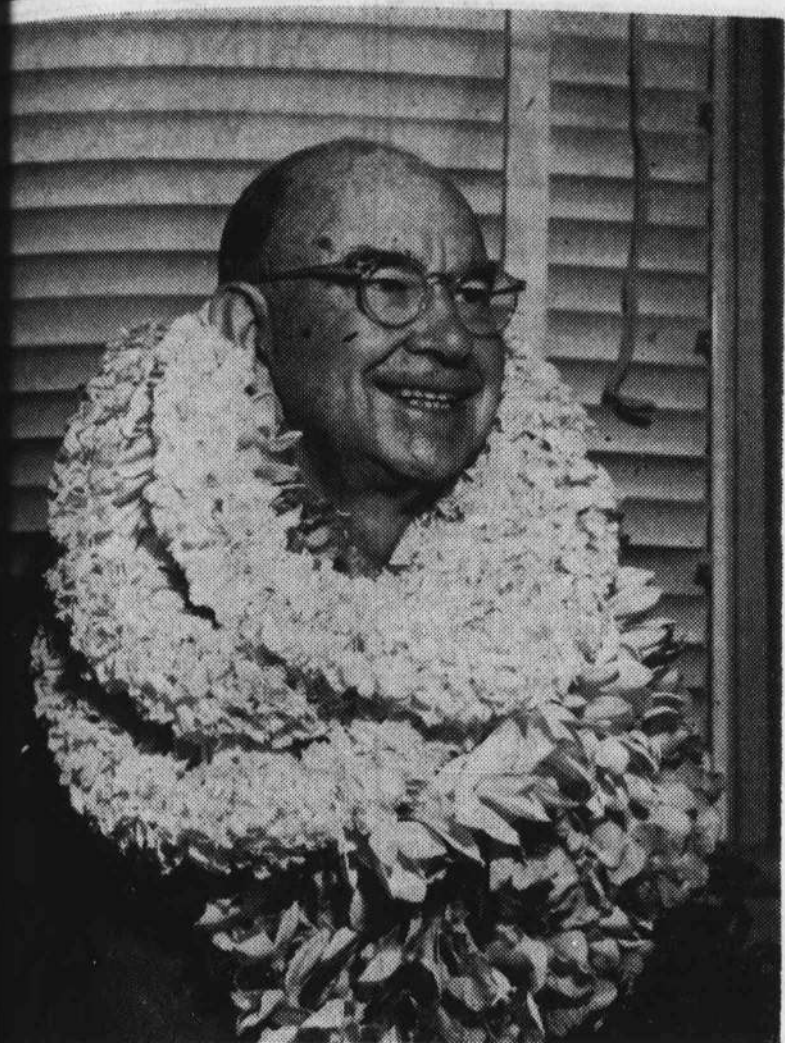
The school is located at Sunset Street and Royal Avenue in San Lorenzo.

Wins Writing Award

FRESNO, Calif.—Fred Takikawa of Reedley College won the sports award in the junior college division at the annual Fresno State College spring press conference on April 20.

grow big and strong if they ate a lot of raisins and red ants, so his children used to sandwich red ants between the holes punctured in the raisins, and swallow them by the hundreds, but Pop had only been joking . . .

Saroyan is becoming slightly out- (Continued on page 5)



Oren E. Long, 10th Hawaiian governor.

Report Selection of Oren Long As Hawaii's New Governor Is Popular Choice with Nisei Group

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—A respected friend of the Nisei has been appointed by President Truman to become the new governor of Hawaii.

Oren E. Long, a veteran educator who has spent half of his 52 years in Hawaii, will take office as the chief executive on May 1.

His appointment by the president April 20 was hailed as a happy choice by nearly all elements of the Hawaii population.

This selection was regarded as particularly pleasing to the Nisei, for Oren Long has been a champion of racial equality and fair play since his arrival in the islands in 1917.

Kansas-born, the governor-designate is a Democrat and a liberal. He is best known as a "school man," having devoted most of his career in the public school system. He rose from a classroom teacher to the top post of superintendent of public instruction.

Since 1946, he has been secretary of Hawaii and has served as acting governor on numerous occasions during the absence of Governor Ingram M. Stainback whom he will replace.

Long probably will become one of the most popular governors Hawaii has ever had. Tens of thousands of people—once students in public schools—have come to know the bespectacled, mild-mannered educator during his 30 years in the school department.

He has won the admiration of the community for his able administration of the school system and his devotion to building Hawaii's youth, regardless of race or creed, into intelligent American citizens.

He knows all the races in Hawaii, their problems and aspirations. His philosophy has been to teach young people to be "properly regardful of the rights, the liberties and the privileges of others."

When Nisei war veterans wanted a leading citizen to head up a committee to plan homecoming ceremonies for returning war dead in 1948, they went to Oren Long. As chairman of the joint veterans' memorial committee, he met every ship arriving with the remains of Hawaii's war dead, mostly men of the 442nd combat team and the 100th infantry battalion. He took part in every public memorial service in their honor.

When the 442nd Veterans club wanted a guest speaker at their annual banquet last year, they chose Oren Long.

What trait in this man endears him so much to the public? It probably is his devotion to the example set by his hero, Abraham Lincoln. His admiration of the Great Emancipator amounts to hero worship. His speeches are full of references to Lincoln, and he preaches the great man's philosophy.

"The kindness and sympathy and tact of Lincoln," Long once said, "are elemental and will make a friend and idol of humanity when the story of Bismark forms but a lifeless chapter in the history of the world."

Even though he did not seek it then, Long was boosted for the governorship as far back as 1933, while he was a deputy school superintendent. His friends started a "Long for Governor" movement by sending messages to the White House, at that time occupied by the late President Roosevelt.

One message, signed by 35 residents, stated:

"As citizens of Hawaii representative of different racial cultures, we indorse Oren E. Long for governor. This is not done for an individual but for the well-being of Hawaii. He would be fair to all and controlled by none. His appointment would consolidate progressive elements and promote a spirit of racial understanding."

Long was not appointed governor. But he was promoted to school superintendent.

His admiration for Franklin D. Roosevelt was surpassed only by his esteem for Lincoln. He once remarked: "President Roosevelt, in insisting that the laborer be given a voice in determining conditions under which he shall work, is more nearly in accord with the philosophy of Lincoln than any other national leader of the past 70 years has been."

He protested when, in 1934, the transit utility sought to raise the bus school fare rate from 3 1/2 to 5 cents.

"An increase in school fares would have a direct bearing on educational costs to thousands of homes in Honolulu," he complained.

A firm believer in vocational education, he boosted such projects as the Future Farmers of America to encourage youths to find careers in an agricultural economy.

Efficiently as he ran the school system, Superintendent Long had his critics. But even they had to concede Long did an able job in turning out "American citizens having the attitudes, habits, ideals and general knowledge essential to good citizenship."

He had faith in Nisei teachers,

Illinois Lt. Governor Praises MGM Film On 442nd Outfit

CHICAGO — Sherwood Dixon, lieutenant governor of Illinois and former commander of the 442nd combat team's Third battalion at Camp Shelby, had high praise for "Go For Broke," MGM film on the combat team, after seeing the picture at a special preview April 12.

The picture was shown by the Rome-Arno American Legion post in cooperation with MGM.

Lt. Gov. Dixon said he would like "Go For Broke!" shown to all public officials at the state capital.

Other guests included Mrs. Dixon; State Senator Lynch; Martin Finstead, Cook County American Legion commander; the Rev. George Aki, former chaplain of the 442; Shig Wakamatsu, JACL representative; and former members of the combat team.

Comments of those viewing the picture were highly favorable, according to Harry Kato, post commander. He said veterans agreed the film provided an excellent documentary of the combat team.

Marquis Asks Divorce from Nisei Wife

TOKYO — A former Japanese marquis on April 27 filed a sensational divorce suit, charging adultery, against his Nisei wife who is now living with her parents in Los Angeles.

Dr. Masauji Hachisuka, Cambridge-educated ornithologist and scion of a distinguished line of courtiers, filed suit against his wife, Chie, only daughter of Haruyuki Nagamine, wealthy Los Angeles resident.

The Machisukas have been separated since April, 1949.

In his complaint filed in Tokyo district court, the 48-year old Hachisuka alleged that his wife committed adultery on several occasions with a French diplomat and a French aviation officer in Tokyo, while Japan was still at war in 1943, and later in 1949 with an American lieutenant serving with the occupation forces in Japan.

He submitted to the court several love letters written to his wife by her alleged lovers. The Hachisukas were married in March, 1939, and have one daughter, Masako, 10, who is now in the United States.

Four Nisei Named To Council Posts

SEATTLE — Four Nisei were named to posts in the Jackson Street Community Council last week.

They are Toru Sakahara, secretary-treasurer; C. E. Chihara, board of trustees; Ralph S. Shinbo, chairman, civic committee, and Fudge Sakamishi, chairman, junior council.

James Mar was elected as chairman.

Tours Nebraska

LINCOLN, Neb.—Thelma Funayama of Hawaii is one of four students from Nebraska Wesleyan who are touring the state in a 10-day experiment in international understanding.

On the tour the students will speak in 12 Nebraska communities,

as well as in Nisei students. Under his administration, many Nisei teachers were named principals of public schools in all parts of the territory.

After V-J Day, he suggested using Nisei teachers in Japan schools to teach the lessons of democracy to children of the defeated nation.

He left his school superintendent's post in 1946 after a 12 year tenure—the longest period served by any one in that position.

From education, he moved into public welfare. After a few months as director of the welfare department, he was appointed to still a higher position, this time as secretary of Hawaii—an office equivalent to lieutenant governor.

It was only one step up from there to governor, and he made it last week when President Truman selected him to become the 10th governor of Hawaii.

JACL ADC's Need for Funds Stressed as \$9,500 Raised In Pacific Southwest Area

Kushida Urges Local Groups to Complete Financial Campaigns

LOS ANGELES — More than \$9,500 has been received so far toward the 1951 ADC goal of \$22,775 for the Pacific Southwest area, Tats Kushida, JACL-ADC regional director, reported this week. He urged committee members and solicitors to complete the drives in their respective districts as quickly as possible in view of the urgent and immediate need for additional funds to carry on the national legislative program of the JACL-ADC.

The campaign in Los Angeles was the first to get underway, with larger donations headed by the \$1000 donated by the Southern California Flower Growers, Inc. (formerly Southern California Flower Market), and at least twenty contributions ranging from \$50 to \$300.

Sam Furuta and Jiro Fujioka, co-chairmen of the East L.A. ADC drive, reported passing their goal of \$800, the first district reported "over the top." Drives in Downtown L.A., Southwest L.A., West L.A., Hollywood, Pasadena and smaller communities in the metropolitan area are in full swing.

The San Diego Chapter has forwarded \$1000 already, with only \$400 remaining to fulfill its quota.

ADC Co-Chairmen Hitoshi Yamamoto and Shigeru Tanita of Glendale, Arizona, reported that their drive to attain \$1500 will begin immediately. Other agricultural communities have begun their campaigns, and most areas are expected to complete their campaigns by the end of May. Included in these areas are Orange County, Coachella Valley, Ventura County, Santa Barbara, Santa Maria Valley, San Luis Obispo, Gardena Valley, Venice and Long Beach. \$200 had been received from several tomato growers in Niland.

Following are the funds received by ADC Headquarters from the various areas of the Pacific Southwest:

Arizona \$50; Downtown Los Angeles \$2,704; East Los Angeles \$716; Southeast Los Angeles \$2,158; Southwest Los Angeles \$350; Uptown Los Angeles \$446; Gardena Valley \$215; Miscellaneous

\$43; Niland \$200; Orange County \$525; Pasadena \$200; San Diego \$1,000; Santa Maria Valley \$350; Santa Monica \$80; Venice \$100, and West Los Angeles \$500—Total, \$9,637.

Of the above total, \$2,100 constituted "advances" made to Headquarters by JACL chapters in the following areas: Arizona, Southwest Los Angeles, Gardena Valley, Orange County, Pasadena, Santa Maria Valley and West Los Angeles.

Checks Totaling \$700 Reported Taken From JACL Office

SAN FRANCISCO — Burglars ransacked offices in the Booker T. Washington Community Center on April 21, stealing approximately \$700 in checks collected by the Sacramento Kika Kisen Domei committee from the briefcase of Regional Director Sam Ishikawa in the Northern California JACL ADC office.

Ishikawa immediately issued requests to halt payments on the checks.

The JACL ADC official had returned from Sacramento shortly before midnight on April 20. A local JACL chapter committee was in the office until midnight mailing out notices for a coming meeting. It was believed that the burglars broke into the office in the early morning hours.

L. A. Court Hears Church Libel Case

LOS ANGELES — Trial of a \$175,000 libel suit filed by Shoen Yasui of Pasadena was initiated on April 19 in the court of Superior Judge A. A. Scott.

Defendants are the Revs. Seytsu Takahashi and Ryosho Sogabe and the Koyasan Betsuin.

The suit involves an article in the Koyasan church newspaper, the Henjo News, regarding a legal proceeding initiated by Yasui to collect back pay for the period between March, 1942 and Oct. 5, 1945. The suit for \$8,000 in back pay was settled out of court for \$2,000 in Nov., 1948.

Yasui contends in his suit that an article in the Henjo News describing the suit libeled him as a priest and as a man. He is asking \$100,000 for defamation of character and \$75,000 in punitive damages.

The Koyasan church and the two priests are being defended by Attorney John Maeno.

Girls State Delegate

LOS ANGELES—Emiko Kato, a junior at Roosevelt high school, recently was selected as a delegate to the California Girls State in Sacramento from June 20 to 28.

Japanese Canadian Company Builds Fast Fishing Boats

VANCOUVER, B.C.—A Japanese Canadian shipbuilding company is participating in the current boom in fishing vessels on the British Columbia coast.

The firm of Philip Matsumoto and Sons at Dollarton probably would have been in business many years earlier were it not for the war. Sam Matsumoto, manager of the yard and chief designer, and his brothers, Luke and John, learned the shipbuilding trade in Prince Rupert where the Matsumotos lived.

The family's plan to start a shipbuilding firm suffered a setback because of the war and mass evacuation. They spent the wartime hiatus at Slocan City, an interior housing center for Japanese Canadians in the Rockies.

They returned to the coast two years ago and are now one of the busiest of all of the shipbuilding companies, specializing in gillnetters.

The Matsumotos are now building 25 gillnetters for British Columbia fish canneries.

Since their return the mud-floored barn they first occupied has been decked with rails so that the 32-foot boats can be built side by side, 12 at a time.

The first lot of 10 vessels was recently launched together.

According to Sam Matsumoto, the trend today is for more powerful high-speed engines with 95 and 110 horsepower engines being installed.

"Last year we thought moderate power was sufficient and good results were obtained with 15 and 20 h.p. engines," he added, "but the demand today is for more speed, more trips per season and more fish."

The Matsumoto boats are almost 100 percent Canadian. The hulls are of yellow cedar, while calking, putty, pipe fittings and engines come from Ontario and Quebec; hardware, the propeller, paint, stern bearing, stuffing boxes, cleats, anchors and the cooling system are products of Vancouver shops and the drum drivers are made in nearby Stevenston, B.C.

Meanwhile, it is reported that Japanese Canadian fishermen are currently returning in larger numbers to the west coast industry in which they played a dominant role before the mass evacuation in 1942. Many fishermen, who have relocated in the Toronto area and in other eastern provinces, are coming back for the fishing season but are leaving their families behind and plan to return east at the end of the season.

Japanese Canadians no longer are restricted as to the type of fishing they may choose or the area in which they may operate. A number of Japanese Canadians are expected to troll for spring salmon along the west coast. Others will specialize in halibut when the commercial season for the fish opens on May 1.

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LARRY TAJIRI EDITOR

EDITORIALS:

Veteran at Home

A noteworthy statement on the role of Nisei war veterans at home was made recently by Masato Doi, keynote speaker at the 442nd Veterans Club's eighth anniversary banquet in Honolulu.

"Our heritage tells us that the key to the future lies in the realization that we are citizens first and veterans second," Doi said.

"There are none who would take away from the glory inscribed in blood by all the veterans from the islands," he told his audience. "But the laurels of the past are sandy ground on which to rest the promise of the future.

"The task before us individually lies in the difficult and oftentimes onerous job of active and voluntary participation in the life of the community. The only reward may be an inner satisfaction of a life richly and freely lived.

"... the future of the 442nd Veterans Club lies in 'going for broke' both in extending tangible benefits to the membership and in participating in community affairs and serving community needs. Practical wisdom dictates the first; mature reflection compels the second."

Doi, and members of his organization, are to be congratulated for their willingness to accept community responsibility, not only as veterans, but as citizens. The "mature reflection" of which he speaks is exemplified in the attitude of his group, which seeks no special favors but only the chance to serve.

Example of Friendship

A heartwarming example of friendship was shown in Salt Lake City this week as officials, private citizens and organizations joined voluntarily to raise \$1800 on behalf of a Tokyo newspaperman.

The \$1800 represents air freight charges on a shipment of cherry tree saplings given to this city by Boy Scouts in the city of Tokyo. Several hundred of them were to be planted at the base of the impressive "This is the Place" monument at the mouth of Emigration Canyon. Others were to be placed in the International Peace Garden in Jordan Park. Another group was to be sent to the University of Idaho.

But the saplings were destroyed in Seattle on orders of the U.S. Department of Agriculture officials, and all that remained of the ill-fated project was a bill for \$1800 in air freight costs.

In Tokyo, Tamotsu Murayama, president of the Boy Scout Council, announced that responsibility for the loss was his and that he would sell his home to raise the money.

His problem brought a spontaneous response in Salt Lake City. Private individuals and organizations, Boy Scout executives and city officials began to make plans to raise the \$1800.

One Boy Scout executive reported that a casual mention of the campaign in a Salt Lake restaurant, without a request for aid, brought forth ten one-dollar donations from other customers. JACL members received calls from individuals who had read of the story in the daily press and wanted to add their contributions.

The blossoming cherry trees would have been a beautiful and heartwarming sight in Salt Lake City, but just as heartwarming is the story of Salt Lake City's voluntary campaign to help a Japanese man in Tokyo keep his home.

Unrecognized Citizens

May 20 will be "I Am an American Day," according to a presidential proclamation which sets aside the third Sunday in May as the date for publicly honoring those citizens who have reached their majority and foreign-born who have become citizens through naturalization during the preceding year.

This year, as in past years, the Japanese aliens will be among those excluded by law from the ranks of the newly-made citizens.

For two years they have lived in high hopes that within a short time they, too, would be eligible to become American. The United States is the land of their children, and they would make it theirs, too. For two years they have been within a hair's breadth of winning citizenship rights. They are still within sight of that objective.

But there is little chance that "I Am an American Day" this year will see them among the ranks of citizens. We hope that by 1952 they will have won, at long last, the citizenship to which they aspire.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

Behind the 442nd's Film Story

This is the week of the world premiere of "Go for Broke!" the culmination of nearly eighteen months of planning and production for two men in Hollywood, a producer and a writer, who had faith in an idea and the courage to see it through.

The producer is Dore Schary, the boss of filmmaking at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, the world's biggest motion picture studio.

The writer, who also directed the picture, is Robert Pirosh, a veteran of the European campaign in World War II.

Dore Schary, who was a screen writer himself before he became a producer, had felt for a long time that there was a movie idea in the wartime record of the Nisei on the mainland and in Hawaii. Mr. Schary, then in charge of production at RKO, had produced in 1947 the first of Hollywood's race problem films, "Crossfire," a hard-hitting melodrama about anti-Semitism. It was a time when the embers of the homes of Nisei which had been burned by hoodlums in California were still warm and the slap of prejudice still tingled.

Producer Schary considered the possibility of an interracial love story involving a Nisei but jettisoned the idea as suggesting only a remake on the Madame Butterfly theme. It was a time when the program for the return of remains of American war dead was initiated and Mr. Schary assigned Robert Pirosh to do a film treatment for a project called "Honored Glory," the story of a number of GIs whose remains are returned to Arlington for reburial. Each episode in the film was to be the individual story of one of these GIs. One episode was to be about a Nisei from a war relocation camp who volunteers for the 442nd Combat Team and who is killed in Europe.

Before production could be started on "Honored Glory" there was a change of ownership at RKO and Producer Schary left the studio to take the biggest job in Hollywood, the one the late Irving Thalberg once filled—that of vice president of production at MGM. "Honored Glory" was Dore Schary's personal project and he took the idea and Writer Pirosh along to Culver City. "Honored Glory" was never filmed but out of it was born the idea for "Battleground," the saga of the "batling bastards of Bastogne," probably the best picture yet made about GIs in World War II. "Battleground" won a 1950 Oscar for Writer Pirosh and kudos from the critics for MGM.

The success of "Battleground" undoubtedly inspired Dore Schary to go ahead with plans about a war film about Nisei GIs. Robert Pirosh who had been doing research on a Nisei picture continually came across the story of the 442nd Combat Team. He developed a story idea about a Nisei college student in Los Angeles who volunteers for the army on the day after Pearl Harbor and is turned down. His bitter reaction to prejudice is intensified by the mass evacuation and by detention in a relocation camp. He volunteers for sugar beet work and is in the fields when the formation of the 442nd Combat Team is announced. In his bitterness against discrimination he does not want to volunteer but is induced to do so by his girl who comes to see him from the WRA center. He joins the 442nd and goes overseas. He is captured by the Nazis and is placed in a POW camp where he manages to correspond via the International Red Cross with his girl who is in an internment camp in the United States, a situation which underscores dramatically the contradictions in the government's wartime treatment of Nisei. Later he escapes from the Germans in time to participate in the rescue of the Lost Battalion in the Vosges.

This original idea later was revised to the story line which is presented in "Go for Broke!" and which does not have any scenes of a war relocation camp for Japanese Americans. It may be that the original idea was too unwieldy and lessened the telling of the story about the 442nd. And then it may be that the Army Department demurred in its cooperation with a

production which would tell the world about an event, the wartime mass evacuation of Japanese Americans, of which it is not proud although it maintains that the mass removal was carried out as a security measure and not as the result of political or economic pressures or because of race prejudice. Whatever the reason, it may have been felt that in this time of the cold war a picture about the mass incarceration of an American group on the basis of ancestry might be exploited by anti-American elements.

Whatever the reason the concentration of the story in "Go for Broke!" on a single platoon of the 442nd Combat Team has probably made for a more effective picture and places the emphasis on the Nisei GIs themselves, rather than on the still-controversial mass evacuation. The only character in "Go for Broke!" who has liaison with a war relocation camp is Sam, played by Lane Nakano, who gets letters from his girl in the center. These letters to Sam from his girl, Terry, who never appears in the film, give the film its contact with the wartime treatment of the Nisei group in the United States.

The decision to make "Go for Broke!" was announced late in January, 1950, simultaneously with the news that the JACL ADC's Mike Masaoka had been engaged as a special consultant. Mike, who holds the Army's Legion of Merit for his work in public relations as a member of the 442nd, advised Writer Pirosh on all phases of the Nisei story as well as on factual and technical data concerning the combat team.

Robert Pirosh, no tyro in Hollywood (he wrote scripts for many of the Danny Kaye and Marx Brothers films), was given his first assignment as a director on "Go for Broke!" He was determined to cast the film with as many veterans of the 442nd as possible. He went to Hawaii and interviewed scores of 442nd veterans. Five of the principal Nisei roles are filled by Hawaiian veterans of the 442nd: — George Miki, Henry Oyasato, Akira Fukunaga, Kaz Okamoto and Henry Hamada. A sixth Hawaiian, 21-year old Henry Nakamura, was signed for the role of young Tommy.

"Go for Broke!" with Van Johnson in the starring role of Lieut. Michael Grayson, the Texan whose education in race relations carries the film's main story line, was placed in production late in September. The rescue of the Lost Battalion was restaged in the San Jacinto mountains while the Italian battlefield scenes were taken among the olive groves near Calabasas, north of Los Angeles. The picture was finished in eight weeks.

It was previewed for the first time in December and received an enthusiastic audience response which was repeated in later previews.

One of the remarkable facts about "Go for Broke!" from a filmmaking angle is that the picture ran 93 minutes at its first showing and hardly a foot of it has had to be edited. With the exception of the inclusion of a few words of commentary at the end, the picture has not required any changes, a factor which is of considerable importance in these days of Hollywood economies.

"Go for Broke!" received standing applause at a preview in Hollywood and trade paper reviews have agreed with Variety's comment that it was a "topnotch war film." Both Dore Schary and Robert Pirosh, however, have been anxious to obtain Nisei reaction to the picture.

Commenting on this department's review of the picture in the March 31 issue, Robert Pirosh wrote last week: "During all the months of preparation, I was well aware that a lot was expected of the picture by veterans of the 442nd and by other Japanese Americans, and I must admit I was a little apprehensive that we might let them down. I knew that the entire story could not be told in one picture, and this meant that some people were going to be disappointed. I am very happy to learn that your verdict is a favorable

MINORITY WEEK

Coffee: \$1.40

It wasn't just high cost of living that upped a ten cent cup of coffee to \$1.40, an Army captain charged last week in a suit filed in Alameda County Superior Court. Captain Walter A. Gordon, 44, said the menu at Phil's Restaurant in Berkeley listed coffee at 10 cents, but that he was charged \$1.40; that bacon and eggs were on the menu at 90 cents, but his bill showed \$4.85, and that his cakes, listed at 60 cents, were \$2.60.

It was all due to discrimination because he is a Negro, Captain Gordon said. He got the surprise-charged bill when he, his wife and their daughter, Judith Ann, 7, wandered into the Berkeley restaurant on March 16.

The captain asks \$5,000 each for himself, his wife and daughter.

Good Risks

American Indians are good credit risks, Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman said this week.

Chapman said the government has loaned \$16,500,000 to American Indians since 1934, and that only \$6,000 of that amount has been written off in bad loans.

Good? That's terrific.

The Problem

Arizona took a good step forward when it moved to discontinue separate schools for Negroes starting this fall, but the situation has brought a bleak outlook to Negro teachers who taught in the segregated schools.

While the state is working toward integrating all Negro children into regular schools, public school boards aren't prepared to hire the Negro teachers who will be without classes.

The simple solution—of integrating the teachers, too, into the school systems—is probably too simple, as indicated by one superintendent, who said, "We doubt that our community would permit Negro teachers for the white children."

Nothing Sacred

Which is sacred—the life of a human being or the principle of white supremacy? That's the question asked this week by the Birmingham branch of the NAACP.

Last week, the group charged a Negro woman died because she was refused admission to the Hillman-Jefferson Hospital, operated by the Medical College and the University of Alabama.

"We shall insist upon segregation, regardless of the costs or consequences."—Gov. Field L. Wright of Mississippi.

Empty Seats

There were a lot of empty seats when Marian Anderson, noted Negro singer, gave a concert recently in Richmond, Va.'s Mosque. Negroes boycotted the performance, in line with the Richmond NAACP's boycott of concerts by Negro artists in which segregated seating is allowed.

one, and I want to thank the Pacific Citizen for its substantial contribution to the screenplay. Back files of your newspaper supplied me with invaluable data, and a weekly reading of current issues during the last year helped immeasurably in giving me an understanding of the kind of people who made the 442nd Regimental Combat Team a unique and magnificent fighting unit."

On Friday, May 4, the world premiere of "Go for Broke!" will be held at the Waikiki theater in Honolulu. The picture will open the following week in Los Angeles and will be shown in other major cities soon after. The Nisei are indebted to Dore Schary and Robert Pirosh for a motion picture which tells with dignity and integrity about the fighting courage of the Japanese Americans who went to war from the islands of Hawaii and the war relocation camps of the mainland. The film-going public will be indebted to MGM for a fine motion picture, full of heart and laced with humor, and a fine evening's entertainment.

Box-Score on Race Relation: Recent Happenings in Asia Recall Statements of Issei At Minidoka Relocation Center

By ELMER R. SMITH

The happenings in the Far East since the close of World War II have been much in the news. Grave political consequences that has been held in the United Nations or in the U. S. Congress over the position and intent of the USSR in the Far East. The recent MacArthur controversy is but one manifestation of the extreme interest we have in what goes on in Asia and Europe.

Many and varied explanations have been given as to the reasons the USSR was so anxious to get into the war against Japan in the last few days before the fighting ceased ending World War II. I believe it is of interest, at this critical time, to pass on to you a report made by me as Community Analyst in the Minidoka Relocation Center about what the Issei thought about Russia's entrance into the war with Japan. On August 18, 1945, I find that the Issei were very interested in Russia's declaration of war against Japan. The following is the report as made at that time.

"Some of the Issei believed Russia declared war on Japan with the hope of getting vengeance for the defeat of Russia during the Russo-Japanese war; others held that Russia was attacking Japan for the purpose of protecting her interests in the Far East from the increasing power of America and Great Britain. Another group of more liberal minded and younger Issei seemed to consider the going to war of Russia as a bid Russia was making for a communist government in Japan after the war. These persons would recall that when they were last in Japan (or from information in letters written to them before December 1, 1941) there was a powerful Soviet force working in Japan. These soviet groups left Japan in the early part of 1941 and worked with the Russian government ever since. It was felt that this new move on the part of Russia was taking advantage of this type of relationship with certain powerful and influential Japanese, both in and out of Japan."

The significant thing about this report, and the reason I have brought it to you, is its prophetic analysis as given by the Issei in August of 1945. With the events in the Far East as they are today, we can undoubtedly say that the second and third groups of Issei mentioned in the report were viewing the intent of the Soviet Union with a great degree of understanding.

Today's National Alternatives:

The other evening I had the pleasure of attending a meeting of public spirited persons in Salt Lake City. The discussion revolved around Stringfellow Barr's recent publication entitled "Let's Join the Human Race." The interest shown by the members of this discussion group in attempting to find some method of avoiding World War III was stimulating and thought provoking. The principal points of the discussion I feel are important enough to pass on to you for your consideration.

There are two alternatives now facing the people of the United States and of the world. One is to find an immediate way of dissolving our national and international tensions and differences without recourse to war. The other alternative is World War III, which will end in one power dominating the peoples of the world, but only after terrific prices have been paid in lives, wealth, and tears.

The great majority of the members in the discussion group believed that some world federation of dominant states of the western nations should take the initiative in establishing a peace promoting organization other than the United Nations as it now is organized. These states or nations would give up much of their national sovereignty, organize a world legal system and program a project for world development. It was assumed that people in other nations and states would immediately follow the lead of the United States, France, Great Britain, Belgium,

Holland, and the Scandinavian countries into such an organization. This type of "federated world state" would in turn stimulate other nations, now under the influence of communism, to join and become anti-communist.

Ideally, this sounds very good, but from the practical and immediate point of view there are many pitfalls in such a program and philosophy. The differences now dividing the nations and peoples of the world are more than mere political and economic differences. The very basic ways of life, their total cultures, are involved in the present tensions. We in the United States may talk of freedom, democracy, cooperation, and what have you, but we must not forget that such terms either have different cultural meanings to the majority of the peoples of the world, or may have no meanings at all. First and foremost we must remember that Great Britain, Belgium, France, and the United States have a record made through much of their past dealings with the rest of the world that is not beyond reproach. The peoples of Asia and Africa cannot easily forget that exploitation and colonialism was forced upon them by these nations now asking for freedom, democracy, and cooperation.

No matter how wonderful the ideally federated states of the world sounds, and we agree that it is desirable as the alternative, we must not lose sight of the fact that much education and constructive action on the part of the western powers needs to be carried out before the Africans and Asiatics are convinced of our sincerity. The colonial and exploiting nations of the world are now reaping the harvest sowed in the 18th, 19th and part of the 20th centuries by their programs of exploitation and discrimination.

Given another hundred years or four generations the necessary changes in cultures and points of view may be ripe for such a program as outlined by this discussion group I have reported. Until that time we must not allow our wishful thinking to lead us from the reality of alternative number two—that of World War III. We must, also, not be sidetracked from working for more understanding, cooperation, and economic security for all peoples of the world, but always with the realization that the people of the United States, or Great Britain, or France, or Russia, or the combination of these cannot accomplish such understanding and cooperation without radical changes in these cultures and in others in the many parts of the world. Some of the western nations might well begin an immediate constructive program in human relations by eliminating discrimination and exploitation against some of their own people as a step in proving to the rest of the world their good and constructive intentions!

Joe Oyama's MANAHATTA

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dated though because Armenians and quaint characters aren't so unique, and then there is this bold, grim business about cultural democracy, and people go about eating each other's food . . .

This man who happens to be of European ancestry is not a character, he is working for a Ph.D. in phonetics (Far Eastern Languages) at Columbia University, but he takes "Onigiri" (rice balls) for "Bento" and eats it privately in a corner.

Who cares what Saroyan would say?

Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

Land of Smog and Sunshine

Los Angeles, Calif.

To a country boy like me, this land of smog and liquefied sunshine is a strange and wonderful place. It is a country of astonishing space and architecture. It is the exponent of horizontal expansion—on and on and on. It is a prime example of motorized civilization, for a man might as well be without legs as without a car in this city of fearful distances.

Every fifth street seems to be a six or eight lane highway stretching out into the haze, and all of them seem to be burdened to saturation. New freeways advance as relentlessly as lava streams through business areas and residential sections alike, and they are overburdened even before they are completed.

Los Angeles has mushroomed mightily since I was last here thirteen eventful years ago. But it is as garish as ever, and just as full of contradictions. Like the jackrabbits we saw watching giant airliners taking off at International airport for Honolulu and New York. Like the man of God who employs a neon sign to advertise that he performs church weddings. Like the "realtors' college," the better to skin you with my dear, and the two kinds of signs at the movie studios: "No Admittance," and "Positively No Admittance." No one could explain why there should be two grades of verbal bars before the forbidden doors.

There was the fantastic and sometimes tarnished elegance of the Miracle Mile, stompin' ground of the currently great and the phoney who bask in the reflected glitter. The crowding in the night

clubs, as if their designers had psychoses about Los Angeles' amoeba-like expansion and were intent on reversing the trend within their own infinitesimal spheres of influence. Palm trees, canned orange juice and the sticky humidity of sea level.

The resurrected Li'l Tokyo is a depressing sight. It is but a tiny island, almost forgotten and all but lost in the backwash of a metropolis racing along toward Progress with a capital P. The ruts are deep here, for they have been many years in the digging. About the only heartening sight is the success of those who had the courage, ambition, ability and good fortune to use those ruts as a stepping stone upward.

My old friend Karl Kondo took me out to lunch, leading the way unerringly to a place where a jackhammer crew was tearing up the asphalt just outside the front entrance. We didn't get much talking done.

They used to say that if you stood long enough at the corner of East First and San Pedro in the heart of Li'l Tokyo, you'd meet everybody who was anybody in the Nisei world. The crossroads has been shifted now. Maybe it's closer to 20th and Larimer in Denver, or somewhere along North Clark in Chicago or even Times Square in Bagdad by the Subway. But it's amazing how many familiar faces one runs into even during a ten-minute tour of the blocks around First and San Pedro. The Nisei have come back, and they're glad to be home.

Perhaps we've lived in the lonesome lands too long, but we've come to prefer the advantages of less progressive areas. L. A. would be a good place to live if nine-tenths of the people out here went back to wherever they come from.

Vagaries

Film Story . . .

During his recent trip to Los Angeles the JACL ADC's Mike Masaoka conferred with representatives of a major studio regarding the possibility of a motion picture about a Nisei GI in the Pacific in World War II . . . The sixteen Nisei girls who are now training as "geisha girls" for a national tour on behalf of the RKO film, "Tokyo File 212," will be accompanied by Florence Marly, star of the picture, when the melodrama about U.S. Army counter intelligence in Japan opens in Washington, D.C. in June. After the Washington premiere the Nisei "geisha girls" are expected to be divided into groups of four to help exploit the picture in major U.S. cities. Mike Masaoka helped RKO explore exploitation possibilities for "Tokyo File," first U.S. picture to be produced in Japan . . . Meanwhile, Sessue Hayakawa, the one-time Hollywood silent star who made a comeback in "Three Came Home" last year, is now seeking a U.S. release for his Japan-produced version of Victor Hugo's "Les Miserables." In the Hayakawa version the Hugo characters have been adapted to a Japanese background.

Red Bull . . .

Newsreel shots of the Japanese American 100th Infantry Battalion from Hawaii are included in the Army recruiting film, "The Red Bull Attacks," which is a documentary record of the famous 34th (Red Bull) National Guard Division with which the 100th and later the 442nd Combat Team were attached in Italy. The film mentions that the 100th Battalion spearheaded the 34th Division's attack before Cassino and shows the scene in which Gen. Mark Clark decorates the famous battalion. "The Red Bull Attacks" is now being shown on video and was televised last week by KDYL-TV in Salt Lake City.

Approval . . .

Producer Dore Schary and Writer-Director Robert Pirosh have been congratulated by the U.S. Army's Office of Public Information for their film "Go for Broke!" In a letter recently to the MGM officials the Army's OPI noted that the Japanese Americans of the 100th Battalion and the 442nd Combat Team "fought side by side with men of many races and creeds in other U.S. Army units and those of our allies, and their heroic exploits, which are so vividly and realistically portrayed in 'Go for Broke!' should certainly appeal to the millions of

"Smog-Lights": SATURDAY NIGHT VISIT

By MOLLY OYAMA

Dropped down with a two-fold purpose to visit our new neighbors who have just built a new home. To make their acquaintance and present them a copy of the CSO (Community Service Organization) publication "Across the River." The head of the house, a handsome middleaged man of greying hair, and his not-so-old wife in cherry-red bathrobe, welcomed us in with typical Mexican hospitality. Their youngest, about seven years old, hovered around with wide-eyed curiosity while we made our presentation, trying to explain the CSO setup and the difference between it (a non-partisan organization) and the campaign committee boosting for Eddie Roybal's re-election.

The man in slightly-accented speech said, "Is this the same thing? A young girl gave it to me—I told her I didn't want it but she made me take it—" (thrusting forth a campaign folder bearing Roybal's picture). "Told me to go home and read it."

Sure, we told him, Eddie's all right, do by all means vote for him. THAT group is partisan, they support him politically, whereas THIS organization, CSO, is neither partisan nor political, although FOR him—unofficially because of his progressive enlightened stand. Glancing through the CSO quarterly, the man, Mr. S., nodded his approvingly, "This is something new to me—never heard of this organization before, but it sounds like something we need. About time Mexican people had something like this. I'll read it and show it to my boys."

His wife Mrs. S. informed us that her 29-year-old had attended USC for two years studying medicine, her 18-year-old was interested in architecture and that the third son was 17, still in high school. Noting our inquiring glance

people who attend motion picture theaters."

Butterfly Story . . .

Following the death of 72-year old Dr. Nobuya Kunitomo of Denver in Japan recently a number of newspapers recalled Denver's "Madame Butterfly" case of 1929, concerning his 20-year old daughter, Marie, who was found dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound six days after her wedding to James Lynch was called off. The story was that Lynch, a Denver fireman, had backed out of the marriage because of pressure from friends. Dr. Kunitomo later wrote a book dedicated to his daughter, "A Daughter of Two Worlds," under the penname of David Gay. In this book Dr. Kunitomo counseled against intermarriage.

at the baby-grand, she added that one son and the small daughter played the piano, whereupon the "chiquita" Elizabeth edged up with two sheets of music informing solemnly that she "knew them by heart." Acknowledging the interruption, we threw her mother a knowing look: Oh yes, we were positive Elizabeth played well because she practiced a lot. The child nodded gravely, I do, while her mother picked up our conspiracy, replying that indeed, Elizabeth practiced every day.

Mrs. S. worked at the county hospital while her husband was engaged in the building trade as a plasterer. Both were kept busy by their respective jobs, to pay off their new car, saving for new furniture, sending their offspring through school with the usual full-time careers of all aspiring parents.

She continued, "And how are your boys—they're still young yet, aren't they? Wait till they get to be of high school and college age, you'll have your hands full. Oh this younger generation, these young kids—they know everything. You can't tell them a thing! They tell us we're old-fashioned."

(Where had we heard this before? In Japanese, in English by Issei and Caucasian American parents.) "The boys are perpetually going out for this and that. All the time mobs of their friends are coming over. Sometimes they drive you crazy. The older they get, the harder the kids are to handle, but we do the best we can."

Just then the particular representative of the generation under discussion entered the room, casual in gay Hawaiian-print shirt and informal slacks: tall, handsome, wavy-haired, with a dimple in each cheek; the epitome of a baby-soxer's dream. As he made his hurried way to the front door, his father stopped him with a worried remonstrance, "You're NOT going out any more tonight."

The teen-ager shrugged airily, "Aw, I'll be back right away. Just gotta take this to Joe," indicating a small motor in his hand, "I hafta 'cause he's gonna pay me."

"No, YOU stay HERE. Let HIM come for it HERE." A harassed but controlled frown flitting momentarily over the father's still handsome face. Opening the door, the son with one foot over the threshold, tossed back a somewhat impatient explanation that he just HAD to collect "MY money" and was on his way leaving behind him the feeling that any parental orders or juvenile promises to return early were utterly superfluous.

Suddenly feeling ourselves guilty eavesdroppers on this familiar cleavage between generations, we hastily bade our new friends good-night, and made our departure.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Few Nisei Excel Around Initial Sack

A father who is looking forward to a future in baseball for his son might do well to teach the youngster to become a first baseman. There is a shortage of first-sackers in the majors as well as in the minor leagues and first base is always a hard spot to fill on a Nisei baseball club.

Of the more than a score of Nisei who have played college and jaycee baseball in the past three years the only one who comes to mind as a first baseman is Babe Nomura of San Jose State and Nomura was used principally as an outfielder. (It was something of a surprise when Wally Yonamine made his debut with the Salt Lake Bees last year as a first baseman, although he later found his niche in centerfield.)

There have been capable Nisei players at every position, except first base, on college clubs on the mainland in recent years. Among the catchers there have been Hank Matsubu of the College of Idaho who played two seasons in pro ball with Modesto and Yuma, Bob Hayashida of Placer College and George Fujishige of Santa Rosa JC. A number of Nisei have starred on the mound, including Jiro Nakamura of San Mateo JC and Jim Tsukamoto of Sacramento JC. Bill Nishita of UC and Ray Fukuchi, the Cal Aggies' little southpaw, are two of the best hurlers in California collegiate ball this season while a rib injury prevented George Goto of last year's Placer College team from making the Stanford lineup.

There have been more Nisei on the keystone sack than at any other position. Last year three of the better-known players were Hiromu (Heat) Heyamoto of the University of Washington, Tom Okagaki of San Jose State and Jimmy Miyasato of Brigham Young. Joe Tom is at second base and is leadoff man for the University of Oregon this year, while Tubber Okuda anchors the Weber College (Ogden) and Kayo Niwa fills the post for Carbon College of Utah. Dick Kitamura of Colorado A & M was probably the best short-patcher in the Skyline Six Conference last season, while Jimmy Yokota plays shortstop and third base for Placer College. Howie Zenimura, now in left field for Fresno State, also has played third base and second base for the Bulldogs. Babe Karasawa is the hot corner guardian for Caltech this season. Johnny Kuroda, who was one of the leading batters in the Northwest Conference for the College of Idaho in 1949, also played centerfield the years before for the University of Idaho.

Fibber Hirayama of the Fresno State Bulldogs, now a center-fielder, is one of the top players in west coast baseball this year. He started out for the Bulldogs as a catcher and was an All-American shortstop for the Santa Maria Indians in the U. S. semipro tourney in Wichita last August. He has played every position except first base and pitches for the Fresno Nisei in the summer.

Other Nisei outfielders include George Abo, who batted .389 for Fresno State in 1949 and was baseball coach at San Joaquin Memorial high school, George Nagai of Denver University and Ed Miyamoto of Placer College.

Nishita's Steady Hurling Goes for Naught

Despite a good pitching job by Bill Nishita the University of California Bears lost to Southern California, 3 to 7, in a conference game on April 21. Nishita allowed 7 hits and only 3 earned runs. He struck out four and issued three walks. Errors proved the undoing of the Nisei fireball-tosser from Honolulu as his team committed four crucial miscues. . . . Ray Fukuchi meanwhile won another game as he tossed the Cal Aggies to a 6 to 4 win over San Francisco State at Davis on April 21. Fukuchi allowed only six hits. . . . Joe Tom started an Oregon rally with an opening frame single as the Webfoots defeated the University of Idaho, 5 to 3, on April 20 at Eugene.

With the preps: Outfielder Shunji Ito hit a home run as Fremont's Indians defeated Gilroy, 16 to 4, in a Santa Clara County league game last week at Sunnyvale, Calif. . . . Tokubo brought home a key run with a single as the Fowler, Calif., Redcats defeated Clovis, 4 to 0. Tsuki caught for the winners. . . . Kay Mitsuyoshi pitched a no-hit game but his Hanford, Calif., high school team lost a 2 to 1 verdict to Madera. . . . Timely batting by Nakao helped the Weiser, Ida., Wolverine to an 8 to 2 victory over Payette in a night game last week. . . . Dick Minakata was on the mound as Armijo lost a 4 to 2 game to Rio Vista in a Solano County, Calif., league contest last week.

Three Nisei Have Held U. S. Ring Titles

Only three Nisei ever held national amateur boxing championships. Welterweight Robert Takeshita and Bantamweight Tsuneshi Maruo won their crowns in 1946 while Lightweight Paul Matsumoto won his title in 1940. All are Hawaiians. Only Nisei on the Hawaiian team at this year's AAU championships in Boston was Coach Tad Kawamura whose protegee, Ernie DeJesus, won the 118-pound title. . . . Captain Herb Kobayashi of the Ohio State swimming team turned in one of the best 100-yard freestyle times this season in the National AAU indoor swimming championships recently at Columbus when he was clocked at 50.2s in the relay event. Kobayashi failed to qualify in the 100 when he was timed at 51.9s. Eddie Kawachika of Hilo who is also on the Ohio State team was entered in the 220 freestyle but was scratched. Ohio State is anxious to land Ford Konno in order to challenge Yale University's dominance of the waterways.

Kimura Loses Exhibition to Visitor

Joe Kimura, San Francisco State's former Coast champion at 125 pounds, lost a wrestling exhibition match to Shohachi Ishii of the visiting Japanese college wrestling team on April 20 in San Francisco. The Japanese won their exhibition match 4½ to ½. . . . Tak Iseri of the Cal Aggies won the 100-yard breast-stroke in the annual Call-Bulletin swimming meet on April 21 at the San Francisco State pool. His time was 1:06.8s. . . . The Fresno Nisei All-Stars, claimants to the national Nisei championship, won their game of the season by a 6 to 3 score over the Fresno Firemen. . . . Although the Boston Marathon was won on April 19 by 19-year old Shigeki Tanaka of Hiroshima, with three other Japanese in the first nine, there have been no Nisei distance runners to compete in track and field with the brilliance of Henry Aihara or George Uyeda in the broad jump or Carl Otsuki or Bob Watanabe in the dashes.

Hirayama, Zenimura Aid Bulldogs

Up to last weekend the Fresno State College Bulldogs had won 23 games and lost only two to give them probably the best record of any college baseball team in the land. One of the major factors of the Bulldog victory string has been the playing of Fibber Hira-

Texan Runs 9.5 Century, 220 Yard Dash in 20.5s

Carl Otsuki of East Texas Breaks School Records in Dual Meet Against Denton

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.—The "world's fastest Nisei" is Carl Otsuki of East Texas State College.

Otsuki broke all existing school records recently when he ran the 100-yard dash in 9.5s and the 220-yard dash in 20.5s in a dual meet against North Texas State of Denton.

The 9.5s century, the fastest ever recorded for an athlete of Japanese ancestry, is also believed to be the best time for any Texas athlete this season and compares with the best of collegiate marks this year nationally.

Sacramento VFW Plans Marbles Meet

SACRAMENTO—A tournament for young marbles experts of Japanese ancestry will be sponsored by the Sacramento Nisei VFW post on April 28 at Lincoln Christian center.

The winner will represent the Nisei post in the tournament with other VFW posts in the district. The district winner will be eligible for the state tourney which will select the California champion for the national tournament in Albuquerque in June.

JACL Businessmen

FRESNO, Calif.—The new business and professional men's group of the Fresno JACL was inaugurated at a luncheon on April 24 at Dante's.

Inducted

SALINAS, Calif.—Harvey Kitamura was inducted for Army service last week.

Three Nisei Named Among Utah's State Bowling Champions

Three Nisei were named in the annual Utah State "Bowlers of the Year" team selected by the Deseret News of Salt Lake City.

Dr. Jun Kurumada was named on the second team, while Sho Hiraizumi and Tom Nakamura won honorable mention. All are members of the Okada Insurance team in the Salt Lake City Majors.

Kyle Coles of Salt Lake was cited as the "bowler of the year."

Nisei Girl Swim Star Invited to Japanese Meet

TOKYO—Evelyn Kawamoto, 17-year old U.S. swimming champion, her Hawaiian teammate, Thelma Kalama, and their coach, Soichi Sakamoto, were invited to the All-Japan swimming championships in Osaka on Aug. 10 to 12.

The invitation was extended to the Hawaiians by the Japanese Swimming Federation.

Official sanction is being sought for the trip from the National AAU.

Misses Kawamoto and Kalama will lead Coach Sakamoto's Hawaiian Swimming Club team in a defense of their national women's outdoor swimming championship in Detroit in July. The Hawaiians won the team title in 1949 at San Antonio and in 1950 at High Point, N.C.

yama in the field, at the plate and on the bases. On the basepaths Hirayama accomplished the feat of stealing eight bases in two days as Fresno State swept a pair of doubleheaders from Los Angeles State and Sacramento State on April 20 and 21. Hirayama was the whole show as Fresno defeated L. A. State, 13 to 2, in the first game, getting three singles and a double in five trips, stealing four bases, scoring three and getting two RBIs. In the second game which Fresno won, 8 to 4, Hirayama had a double in two official trips, scored twice and stole a base. In this game Howie Zenimura had one for one. Against Sacramento he had 1 for 6 in two games. In the first game Zenimura paced Fresno with 2 for 4, including a triple, as the Bulldogs won, 1 to 0. . . . Zenimura stole two bases and had a double in one official trip as the collegians defeated the Fresno Cardinals of the California League in an exhibition game on April 17. Hirayama had a double and stole a base as Fresno State whipped the Visalia Cubs of the California League, 5 to 4, on April 16.

Nishiguchi Tops Nevada Bowlers

Art Nishiguchi who started bowling in the Salt Lake JACL league only three years ago finished the season with a 190-plus average in Reno, Nev., the highest for any bowler in Nevada. Art didn't do as expected in the state tourney at Las Vegas but his fellow Reno bowlers reported that the Nisei kegler went on the alleys right after a rough plane ride from Reno. . . . Doug Matsuoka of Iolani's Red Raiders is the best schoolboy pitcher to come along in Honolulu since Bill Nishita finished his high school career at St. Louis school in 1949. . . . June Jue and Chiyo Tashima won \$46 for their second place finish in the Class B doubles of the California state women's bowling tournament which was concluded last week in Los Angeles. . . . Lloyd Hahn, a bowler in the Nisei Majors in Los Angeles, took home \$30 for a 651-34-685 which was good for third place in Class A of the Los Angeles city men's bowling tournament. Jack Okamoto won \$35 for a 608-24-632 which took second place in Class C. Dave Park and Ray Cho of the Nisei Majors nabbed \$60 for third place in the Class A men's doubles with 1191-68-1259.

Jim Tsuda Defends High Jump Crown

Jim Tsuda of Placer Union high in Auburn, Calif., is defending his league championship in the high jump in the Sierra Foothills meet this weekend at Yuba City. Tsuda, probably the best Nisei high jumper in competition today, won the event last year by clearing 6 feet 2. His best record this year is 6 feet. . . . Teruo Shibata led the Garfield Bulldogs in Seattle with two hits as his team defeated Roosevelt high, 3 to 0. . . . Tom Sano of Fowler, Calif., high school lays claim to the top shot put and discus performances by a Nisei athlete this year. He won the discus event on April 21 at the Fresno County track and field meet by sending the platter out 142 feet 4¾th inches. He was third in the shot at this meet and has been around 46 feet this year.

Nisei Place High in Pocatello Tourney

A number of Nisei bowlers hold high places in the Pocatello, Ida., city bowling tournament which is now under way. Guy Yamashita and M. Tsukamoto are second in the doubles with 1223, while Bill Packer and Bill Yamauchi are sixth at 1164 and M. Tsumaki and J. Muramoto hold seventh place with 1158. Tsumaki is in second place in the singles with 650, while S. Tominaga is fourth with 627. B. Yamauchi is seventh with 619 and S. Kawamura is tied for ninth with 618. Ike Kawamura follows at 617. . . . Terrie Shigemoto, leading class D with 931, is one of the finalists in the rollofs on April 29 in the Katherine Lipsett memorial tournament at Jose Bowl in San Jose, Calif. . . . The all-Nisei Best Block team lost the championship playoff in the Valate Bowling League in San Jose to the Blue & Cold quintet on April 22. The scores for the four-game match were 3540 to 3530. Mich Shimoto with a 775 topped the Nisei kegles.

Otsuki also has run the 100-yard dash in 9.8s and 9.7s on several occasions this season, although he has been bothered most of the spring by a charley horse.

Otsuki, a resident of San Benito in the Rio Grande Valley, does not confine his athletic prowess to the cinder track. While attending Southwest Junior College at Brownsville, Tex., he was captain and halfback of the football team. He excelled as a ball carrier and as a pass catcher and was the team's climax runner, breaking up several games with long touchdown runs.

Because of injuries he did not play football at East Texas State last season.

Otsuki, a major in physical education, received more than a dozen offers of athletic scholarships from Southwest colleges while at the Brownsville school. After graduating from East Texas State, the Nisei athletic star plans to coach.

Unless he is further hampered by injuries, Otsuki will represent East Texas State in regional track and field meets later this season.

Nisei Bowler Fails To Qualify Despite Big Five-Game Total

BURLINGAME, Calif. — Tee Yoshioka is the saddest bowler on the San Francisco Peninsula this week.

He was entered in the Diamond Medal tournament in which the five champions from five of the peninsula's bowling centers meet in a round-robin rolloff. Yoshioka rolled a 1030 for five games (232-191-232-153-222) for the second best series bowled in the tournament.

The man with the highest series was Adam Bocian of San Carlos with a 1098 and he rolled with Yoshioka at San Mateo Bowl.

Although Yoshioka's score was not bettered at any of the other four alleys he will not be in the rollofs which started this week at Burlingame Bowl. Under tournament rules only the champion in each of five divisions from each alley may compete in the finals.

Of the Nisei entries in the Diamond Medal tourney only Tetsu Fujikawa at Indian Bowl who won the Class 4 tourney win an 870 for five games will be in the finals.

Nori Nakamura came in second with a 916 in Class 2 at San Mateo, while Kunio Yamaguchi was third in Class 4 with 838. Shig Adachi was third in Class 5 with 846.

Fujikawa with 3157 for 15 games, including a 480 handicap, is now far in the lead in Class 4 in the rollofs with ten games remaining. His nearest competitor in his division is Jack Janis with 2971.

Fresnans Triumph Over Sanger Team

SANGER, Calif. — The Fresno Nisei All-Stars scored a 10 to 3 victory over the Sanger Merchants on April 22, collecting ten hits off Don Asplund who pitched for the Salt Lake Bees of the Pioneer league for the past two years.

George Tanigawa limited Sanger to two safeties over the nine-inning course, while George Toyama led the Fresno batsmen with a double and two singles.

Tanigawa fanned six and walked three as his mates played errorless ball. He pitched for the Florida Nisei team last year but will play for Fresno this season.

Fresno's next game will be on April 29 against the Tulare Aztecs in Tulare.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tateoka a boy in Salt Lake City.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Daniel K. Yamagami a boy in Denver.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tsutomu Kadota a boy on March 20 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Ryoichi Sakonari a boy on April 2 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Shoji M. Tamori, Concord, Calif., a boy on March 20.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Martin M. Oshima a girl on March 15 in San Diego.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Asaoka a girl, Julie Lynn, on April 14 in Alamosa, Colo.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Seiji Nishi, Caruthers, Calif., a girl, Karen Lynn Keiko, on April 14.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Seigo Sugino a boy, Paul Seichi, on April 9 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. James Masakatsu Wakatani a boy, Craig Alan, on April 4 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Yoshimura, Pacoima, Calif., a boy, Takashi Steve, on April 10.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Masami Yokotake, West Los Angeles, a boy, Michael Jin, on April 8.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hayao Kaneko a boy, Ryoji Lloyd, on April 11 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Nobori a boy, Dean, on April 12 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Shimabukuro, Bell, Calif., a boy, Wayne Yukichi, on April 8.
 To Mr. and Mrs. John Tadashi Kawahata a girl, Kristine Kiyoko, on April 13 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Miura a girl, Suzanne Yuri, on April 7 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo Mike Munesato, Torrance, Calif., a girl, Robin Chieko, on April 14.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Tanikawa, Downey, Calif., a boy, Steve Kazuo, on April 14.
 To Mr. and Mrs. John Y. Arita a boy, Gordon John, on April 2 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ken Dyo, Pasadena, Calif., a boy, Michael Ken, on April 10.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Inouye, Monrovia, Calif., a boy, Marvin Minoru, on April 9.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Shuki Hayashi a girl on March 22 in Oakland, Calif.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuru Haraguchi a boy in Berkeley, Calif.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Masatatsu Yonemura a boy on March 30 in Berkeley.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ichihiro Imamura a girl in Berkeley.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Haruo Iwawaki a boy in Berkeley.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hiromoto Katayama a boy in Berkeley.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo John Kitamata a boy in Berkeley.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Kawaya a girl on April 20 in Seattle.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kaichi Takimoto, Santa Clara, Calif., a boy, Steven Wayne, on April 7.
 To Mr. and Mrs. James Tamino Takehana a girl, Shari Gail, on April 9 in San Jose.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Megumi Nakano, Los Altos, Calif., a boy, Dale Shuyi, on April 9.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hatsuo Takahashi, Payette, Idaho, a girl on April 17.
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Mita, Payette, Idaho, a boy on April 17.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Minoru Kawasaki a girl on April 12 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nishi-

mura a girl on April 9 in Sacramento.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Harumi F. Kajiwaru, Stockton, Calif., a girl on April 10.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Seiichi Mikami a girl on April 2 in Fresno.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeru Matsuoka, Parlier, Calif., a boy on March 31.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Chiyuki Nakahara, Capitola, Calif., a boy, William Yoshiyuki, on April 10.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Teiji Okuda a girl, Patricia Kay, on April 16 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Koichi Amano a girl, Lynn Miyeko, on April 1 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Morikichi Fukumoto a girl, Christine Toshiko, on April 1 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Norio Hori a boy, Herman Koichi, on April 1 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Katsuo Morita, Gardena, Calif., a boy, Kenji Kenneth, on April 1.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Seiichi Ichikawa a girl, Joy Tomi, on March 25 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Nagahiro, East Los Angeles, a boy, William Tadashi, on March 31.
 To Mr. and Mrs. John Masaru Endo a boy, Daryl Kenneth, on April 2 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Haruo Hamamoto, San Gabriel, Calif., a boy, Grant Tadashi, on April 2.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Higuchi, Gardena, Calif., a girl, Naomi Shuzuko, on April 2.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Katayama a girl, Maxine Miwa, on April 4 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mitsugu Nitta a boy, Dexter Alan, on April 4 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toru Sugihara, East Los Angeles, a boy, Glenn Paul, on April 3.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi Take-shita a boy, Dan Manabu, on March 31 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Fuji Hayase a boy, Patrick, on April 3 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Matsuyuki Nishimura, Pasadena, Calif., a girl, Carol Toshiye, on April 6.
 To Mr. and Mrs. John Hideichi Hayashida a girl in Berkeley.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Nakashima a boy on April 11 in Sacramento.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Mark Kondo a boy on Feb. 26 in Detroit, Mich.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Omar Kaihatsu a boy on April 17 in Chicago.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Roy R. Atsumi a girl on April 13 in San Francisco.

DEATHS

Seichi Sasaki, 76, formerly of Florin, Calif., on March 29 in Eau Claire, Mich.
 Mimatsu Shibaji on April 23 in Lemon Grove, Calif.
 Shigeki Iohara on April 22 in Los Angeles.
 Nariki Ikeda, 66, on April 16 in Chicago.
 Mitsuko Akiyama, 2-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kanaye Akiyama, on April 13 in New York.
 Mrs. Kazuko Nakano, Richmond, Calif., on April 23.
 Mrs. Hisae Mary Ikeda, 73, on April 19 in Sanger, Calif.
 Mrs. Yuri Umekita, 43, Fowler, Calif., on April 19 in Fresno.
 Seiki Ikeda on April 16 in Chicago.
 Mrs. Aino Okada, 56, on April 17 in Seattle.
 Hisaye Uyechi, 29, on April 17 in National City, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Ayako Ota, Berkeley, to Ken Shimomura on April 21 in San Francisco.
 Maida Ikeda to Raizo Okazaki on April 15 in Seattle.
 Shigemi Umemoto to Kenichi

Name Mackey As Immigration Bureau Chief

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Argyle R. Mackey, acting commissioner of immigration and naturalization, has been sworn in as the new commissioner, according to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee. He was inducted as commissioner in the Arlington, Va., home where he was born. Services were held there so Mr. Mackey's father, recuperating from injuries suffered in an automobile accident, could witness the swearing in. Justice department officials, headed by Attorney General Howard McGrath, and Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark, were present. The new commissioner had served as a deputy commissioner since 1949. He was graduated from the National University law school, and first entered government service with the General Accounting Office in 1919. He practiced law with his father several years, then joined the Immigration Service in 1930. The new commissioner is not expected to propose any major changes in the service. He is known to favor strong security regulations to prevent alien subversives from entering this country, as well as weed out any already here.

Leadership Course Plans Demonstration In Singing, Games

CHICAGO — A demonstration in group singing and social games will feature the third session of the leadership training workshop Monday, April 30, at the Chicago Resettlers Committee, 1110 North LaSalle. Edward Kalb of the American Music Conference will lead the group in singing. Supervisor of music in the public schools, Kalb has been active in teaching song-leading to various groups throughout the country. In charge of social games will be Herman Hertoz and Quinn Gustason, students at George Williams College. Both work with the Duncan YMCA. Chairman Ben Chikaraishi urged a large attendance for the workshop. The session will start at 8 p. m. A fee of fifty cents will be charged persons not registered for the series.

Murakami Named

HONOLULU — With the unanimous approval of the Board of Supervisors, Mayor Wilson of Honolulu recently named Mark Y. Murakami to the civil service commission. Mr. Murakami, an insurance underwriter, is a Democrat and a former chairman of the Oahu board of registrations. Hasegawa on April 14 in Uapato, Wash. Esther Inmaru to Jake Nakama in Detroit. Helen Tsuneko Yamane, Layton, Utah, to Roy Sunao Higashida, Van Nuys, Calif., on April 21 in Los Angeles. Nobuyo Mishima to Harry Tsugio Araki on April 22 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lily Fujimoto to 2nd Lieut. Toshio Matsumoto on April 22 in Chicago. Blanche Sueko Tanaka, 20, and Robert Eiji Matsuura, 23, both of Berkeley, Calif. Betty Komatsubara, 22, Yuba City, Calif., and John Mamoru Kowata, 29, in Marysville, Calif.

Placer JACL Loses Opener In Northern California League

By HOMER TAKAHASHI
 LOOMIS, Calif.—Off to losing start in the Placer-Nevada league at the hands of the Nevada City Athletics by a score of 9 to 3, the Placer JACL club has vowed to make their home-opener a winner when they play hosts to Grass Valley in a night game at James Field in Auburn on Saturday night, May 5. Game time is set at 8:15. Plans are underway for opening game ceremonies. A capacity crowd is anticipated to welcome the locals who played two games away from home. They were to have met the champion Lincoln Potters at Lincoln April 29 in conjunction with the Holy Ghost picnic. Against the Nevada City club, this year rated by local sports-writers to finish in the first division of the loop, the Placerans matched the winners in getting 6 hits but outnumbered them in the errors department. Erratic base-running in the early phases of the game did a lot to let down the team's spirit. Big George Goto who relieved

Aki Hada, starting chucker, in the fourth inning, allowed but 2 hits but both were bunched in the 7th inning and accounted for four of the Athletics' runs. Hada for a while performed well but was touched for 4 bingles, one a homer in the first inning by manager Goldsberry with a runner on. Hada hit twice in two official times at bat to lead his team on offense. Manager Chuck Hayashida has a hard-hitting club this year and a fair pitching staff which should improve as the warm weather approaches. Goto is rounding into shape and Hada with more endurance and better control of his submarine ball should win some ball games. Then there is Aki Hokama who is chucking for the Placer College Spartans. He defeated the Chico State nine several weeks ago in a full game stint and is about the best conditioned man on the Nisei mound corps. Reliable Jim Yokota, all around athlete from Placer College, is the most consistent hitter to date. The Hayashida brothers should begin producing with basehits before long.

Judo Given Recognition by AAU As National Competitive Sport

SAN FRANCISCO—Recognition of judo as a competitive sport on a nationwide basis has been granted by the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States and a national judo committee has been formed as the first step toward seeking recognition of judo as an Olympic Games sport the Nichi-Bei Times reported on April 24. The newspaper quoted Henry Stone, wrestling coach at the University of California at Berkeley, as saying that the committee hopes for world-wide judo competition by the time of the 1956 Olympic Games at Melbourne, Australia. Stone reported that the first sanctioned AAU judo tournament will be held in Berkeley on May 13 under the sponsorship of the Pacific Association of the AAU. Eleven persons of Japanese ancestry are among the 20 judo experts who have been asked by the AAU to serve on its judo committee. Stone is chairman, while Emilio Bruno of Omaha and Capt. Donald F. Draeger, USMC, of Cleveland are vice-chairmen. The members of the committee are: William Miller, Charles Yerchow

and George Yoshida, New York; Hiroshi Fujimoto, Detroit; Cpl. Frank C. Hubbard, Dearborn, Mich.; William Suski and Masato Tamura, Chicago; William Masaya, Cleveland; Dr. Harry I. Kurisaki and H. Kitayama, Hawaii; Mitsuho Kimura and Suketaro Doiguchi, San Francisco; A. Holtman, San Diego; Don Carollo, Piedmont, Calif.; Kenneth Kuneyaki, Jiro Nagano and Jack Sergel, Los Angeles. Stone noted that Japanese Americans comprise the large majority of judo competitors and deplore the omission of Nisei from the top posts on the AAU committee. "The selection was entirely in the hands of the National AAU and they are not familiar with the leaders of the judo movement in the west," Stone told the Nichi-Bei Times. He said he has recommended that Suketaro Doiguchi, chairman of the Northern California Yudan-sha Kai, be named to replace one of the vice-chairmen or that another place be created for him. "We need someone to keep our contact with the Kodo-kan in Tokyo," Stone explained.

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By ROY T. YOSHIDA
PENRYN, Calif.—Three pretty girls sponsored by young people's clubs in this area will compete for the Placer County JACL community picnic queen crown on May 6.
Kaye Horikawa, left, backed by the Placer Youth Club, is a junior at Placer Union High. Seventeen years of age, she is 5 feet 2 inches and weighs 113. Her hobbies are reading and cooking.
Sakaye Tenma, center, running under the banner of the Placer Young Buddhist Association, is 19 years old and a senior at Placer High. She

is 5 feet tall, weighs 102. Her hobbies are reading, crocheting and singing.
Janice Makimoto, 17, representing the Loomis Methodist Youth Fellowship, is a freshman at Placer College. She is 5 feet 2 inches, weighs 120. Her hobby is modern dance.
The queen coronation will take place at the picnic ground, just before drawings for picnic prizes are held, at the JACL recreation park near Penryn.
James Makimoto will be chairman of the queen contest.—Photos courtesy of Higaki Studio, Sacramento.

National JACL Credit Union Will Hold Annual Meeting

Shareholders in the National JACL credit union in Salt Lake City will hold their annual meeting Friday, May 11, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Pagoda Restaurant, Hito Okada, treasurer, announced this week.

Members will vote upon the following officers, all of whom were renominated to serve for another term:

Yukus Inouye, American Fork, and George Fujii, Murray, renominated for three-year terms on the board of directors.

Ichiro Doi, Salt Lake City, supervisory committee; Tats Masuda, Salt Lake City, credit committee; Mas Horiuchi, clerk; and Okada, treasurer.

Changes in interest rates, as voted at the last meeting of the board of April 16, will be announced. Okada also said the board voted upon a strict policy of fines for delinquent payments on loans.

Films taken of the 1950 biennial convention of the JACL in Chicago will be shown. Refreshments will be served on a "Dutch treat" basis. The credit union currently has 405 members, Okada said. Shares held amount to \$102,000. Loans outstanding total \$89,000, and cash in the bank totals \$12,000.

Soldier, Passenger Injured in Crash

LOS BANOS, Calif.—An auto driven by Pvt. Kenso Araki of Selma overturned on the Pacheco Pass road on April 21, injuring the driver and a passenger, Tom Masuda Fujimoto of Reedley.
Araki suffered minor cuts and bruises while Fujimoto sustained a fracture of the right leg.

Woman Killed, Five Hurt in Fresno Crash

FRESNO — Mrs. Yuri Umekita, 43, of Fowler, succumbed on April 20 to injuries suffered the day before in a traffic accident in which five other persons were injured, two of them seriously.

Mrs. Umekita was fatally injured when an automobile driven by her husband, Kinjiro Umekita, 53, and a car operated by Mrs. Allison Janice Hill, 30, collided at a Fresno intersection.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Umekita is survived by two daughters, Mariko Mary and Betty, both of Fowler, and two sons, Norio and Katsumasa, who are in Japan.

Umekita was reported in a serious condition with internal injuries and fractures of the right leg, right collarbone and the ribs.

Other passengers in his car who were hurt are Takenari Arimura, 46, who received internal injuries and whose condition was reported serious; Mrs. Masu Arimura, 42, who suffered a brain concussion, and Betty Arimura, 24, who was cut on the right hand. All are residents of Fowler.

Mrs. Hill was treated for bruises and abrasions.

Queen Contest Entry

OROSI, Calif.—Marian Hanada will represent the Orosi Youth Organization in the queen contest which will be held in conjunction with the annual Cutler-Orosi Tomato Festival on May 25 and 26.

Yoshino Will Speak At Chicago Forum

CHICAGO—John Yoshino of the Illinois Public Aid Commission will be the guest speaker on the Sunday Four O'Clock Forum on April 29.

Mr. Yoshino will discuss the problems of the Nisei and other racial minorities in the United States.

A discussion and question period will follow with Sam Druck as chairman.

Engagement Told

FRESNO, Calif.—The engagement of Kiyu Ohashi to Joe Nishizaki of Sacramento was revealed to friends here April 9.

The wedding will take place this fall.

Little Accomplished This Year On Fair Employment Bills

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employer as well as the employee.

But FEPC, as a voluntary policy, will not work because progressive employers will not need it, and employers who do discriminate will not be influenced by it. FEP isn't needed for those employers who believe in fair play, in treatment of each individual as a human being with rights. FEP is needed for those employers who think Negroes can be used only as janitors, that Nisei make good wrapping clerks and nothing more, and that because they do hire persons of these minority groups in such capacities, they are broadminded and tolerant indeed.

National FEPC?
There are two expedients by

which it would be possible to eliminate a lot of the grief and worry in getting local cities and states to pass FEP legislation.

First of all, Congress could (if it wanted to) pass FEP legislation for the whole country. But it's been obvious for a long time that the present Congress isn't going to do anything about it, except defeat FEP proposals.

Secondly, Pres. Truman could, by presidential order, create a National FEPC. A lot of hope for this possibility has been raised, but more recently most of it has gone glimmering. Pres. Truman has spoken on behalf of FEPC, but it's beginning to look as though it isn't going to start by way of an executive order.

Veteran of 442nd Teaches Printing in California School

War Veterans To Participate In Film Opening

DENVER — Veterans of the 442nd Combat Team and other Nisei ex-GIs will participate in the Rocky Mountain premiere of MGM's "Go for Broke!" on May 18 at the Broadway theater.

John Noguchi, commander of Cathay Post 185 of the American Legion, said this week a downtown parade will precede the showing of the film.

A Lowry airfield band, infantry companies from local military bases and a Nisei marching unit sponsored by the Cathay Post will be in the parade.

Several of the "most-decorated" Nisei veterans will ride with Mayor Quigg Newton of Denver in the parade.

"We want to impress the general public with the gallant record of the 442nd Combat Team," Noguchi said.

The Cathay Post commander added that he hoped that Nisei veterans in the Denver area would cooperate with the post in plans for the premiere celebration.

Announce Classes In Square Dance

CHICAGO — Individuals and groups interested in learning square dancing are invited to join a leadership training workshop on Friday evenings, April 27, May 4 and 11, at the Lawson Y Outpost, 54 West Chicago, from 8 to 10 p. m.

Betty Myer of the YWCA will lead the group.

Students will also learn to call squares and teach others to square dance.

LOS ANGELES—Frank Fukuzawa, 28, is the first instructor of Japanese ancestry in the field of industrial arts in the Los Angeles school system, according to the Rafu Shimpō.

Fukuzawa, a veteran of the famous 442nd Combat Team, now teaches printing to 130 pupils in five classes at Emerson Junior High School.

Fukuzawa, a graduate of Santa Barbara State, entered the 442nd Combat Team in 1944 from the Gila River war relocation center in Arizona.

Fukuzawa, who has a B.A. degree with a special secondary credential in industrial arts, recalled that he once thought he would not have an opportunity to enter teaching in his chosen field.

"Before World War II my instructors were discouraging in their opinions of my ever becoming a teacher," he said. "They thought that 'Orientals' were forced to work in lesser occupations and chances for Nisei were considered small."

He noted that sentiments now have changed completely and the same teachers who once discouraged him from entering the field are now encouraging him to develop other Nisei for the educational field.

Visalia Chapter Completes Drive

VISALIA, Calif.—Two goals have been accomplished by the Tulare County JACL this month, according to the Chapter President Kenji Tashiro this week.

Under the chairmanship of Hiroshi Mayeda, the ADC Fund Drive was brought to a successful close, upon meeting their 1951 quota.

Their membership has been increased to 121, over last year's record of 112. The Membership Drive was undertaken by the following District Chairmen: Ed Nagata, Hiyoshi Imoto, Lindsay; Hisao Yebisu, Visalia; and John Yamamoto, Orosi.

Move to Salinas

SALINAS, Calif.—Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Iyama, recent newlyweds in Watsonville, are now residents of Salinas.

Mrs. Iyama is the former Barbara Nakanishi of Reedley.

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Nine Escape Death as Fire Razes Building

SAN FRANCISCO—Nine Nisei barely escaped serious injury or death on April 23 in a spectacular fire which gutted an apartment building at 2663 California street.

Two Nisei couples, both with 2-year old children, and three others living in the building escaped in their nightclothes in the early morning fire.

Nearly all lost their personal belongings and furniture.

The victims were:

Mr. and Mrs. Koji Urabe and their son, Ronnie; Mr. and Mrs. Shig Inamasu and their daughter, Judy; Lily and Alice Kawana; and Bob Sasaki.

The fire was discovered at 3 a.m. by two policemen who saw flames shooting out of a third story window.

Urabe, who is in the air force and is stationed at Riverside, Calif., was home over the weekend on furlough. He received an emergency extension of his leave.

Seventy-five other persons, including several Japanese American families, were evacuated from adjoining apartment buildings until firemen got the blaze under control.

Bids Available For "Spring Fantasy"

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Bids are now available for The Puella Societas' annual "Spring Fantasy," to be held May 12 in the Silver Room of the Odd Fellows Hall. Dick James and his orchestra will play.

Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Mori and Mr. and Mrs. Mel Yen will be patrons and patronesses. Chickie Iwamoto will be mistress of ceremonies.

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