



## Attend Premiere of "Go for Broke"



Six Hawaiians who were honored guests at the Washington, D.C., opening of MGM's "Go for Broke!" are shown as they left Honolulu airport last week for the mainland. They are (l. to r.) Akira (Sunshine) Fukunaga, Gloria Kanemura, second place winner in the "Miss Hawaii" contest; Lieut. George Miki, Claire Heen, Miss Hawaii; Ken Okamoto and Joan Scott, third-place winner.

Fukunaga, Lieut. Miki and Okamoto, veterans of the 442nd Combat Team, have featured roles in the picture.

The group was met at Washington, D.C., airport on May 14 by Delegate Joseph R. Farrington of Hawaii and immediately began a

round of festive events—radio and television appearances, receptions and dinners — which were climaxed by the festivities at the picture's premiere at the Loew's Capitol theater.

Miss Heen will represent Hawaii later this year in the Miss America contest. Miss Kanemura is a Hawaiian Airlines hostess while Miss Scott is a student at Punahou school in Honolulu.

The Hawaiian queen, her court and the three 442nd veterans are scheduled for a total of 16 television appearances on the mainland, including the Arthur Godfrey show in New York and Harry Owens program in Los Angeles.

—Photo from United Air Lines

## Defense Department Asked By JACL to Authorize Use Of Buddhist "B" on "Dogtags"

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The JACL ADC this week urged the Department of Defense to authorize the use of the letter "B" on military identification tags to indicate the wearer is a Buddhist.

The Defense establishment recently approved the use of the Buddhist Wheel of Righteousness on military grave stones.

In a formal communication with the Defense Department, Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, advised Defense Secretary Marshall of "this further need for a Buddhist symbol."

He said:

"Buddhists now must show their faith with the letter 'O' which indicates a faith other than Catholic, Protestant or Hebrew.

"It seems rather obvious that in selecting the letter 'O' the armed services probably felt it was an adequate designation to cover Christian sects not specifically Catholic or Protestant. The end result has been that the very use of the 'O' presupposes the wearers, including Buddhists and Mohamedans, are either members of a Christian, or possibly a minor Jewish, faith."

Mr. Masaoka said Buddhism has thousands of adherents in the United States and Hawaii, including members of the armed forces. Probably one-half of the 33,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry, as well as others with Asian backgrounds who served during World War II were Buddhists.

"Today," he added, "many thousands of Buddhists are still in uniform... fighting in Korea or on occupation duty in Japan.

"To all of these persons, the formal recognition of their religion would be of inestimable personal value."

Mr. Masaoka added:

"Despite the fact American troops are not a Christian force, but a civil one in a democracy that accords each religion full and equal status, failure to recognize any non-Christian faith but Jewish has a tendency, especially in the Far East, to characterize our military mission as a Christian crusade. Thus, the anti-Democratic elements in the Orient are given a weapon, however insignificant it may seem to us, with which to cause discord and speculation by inferring our armed forces are a religious instrument anti-theistic to the religious concepts of that part of the world.

"We also feel the use of the letter 'B' to designate members of the Buddhist faith will more closely harmonize with the religious freedoms guaranteed by our own first amendment and the ideals of the UN than the present method does.

"As the membership of the JACL

is composed of Christians, Buddhists and Jews, we are concerned that all three great religions be given equality of recognition by the armed services," Mr. Masaoka said.

## Seven Nisei Soldiers Hurt In Korea War

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

### WOUNDED:

Pvt. Tomeo Kametani, son of Mr. and Mrs. Masaichi Kametani, PO Box 68, Waiakoa Maui, T.H.

Sgt. Kuro Robert Tomasa, husband of Mrs. Irena Tomasa, 320 Ulunui St., Lanikai, Oahu.

Corp. Arnold R. Yoshizawa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kishinosuke Yoshizawa, 2921 6th Ave., Los Angeles.

Corp. Paul A. Mikami, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kazumi Mikami, 1214 Ekaha Ave., Honolulu. (Previously wounded and returned to duty.)

Pfc. Masaichi Uehara, son of Mr. and Mrs. Taro Uehara, Box 68, Hawi, Hawaii.

Pfc. John A. Hoshino, son of Kiichiro Hoshino, Ewa Law Village No. 56, P O Box 325, Oahu, T. H.

Pfc. Iwao Nonaka, son of Mrs. Takano Nonaka, Box 105, Hanapepe, Kauai, T. H.

### INJURED:

Pfc. Norima Horimoto, son of Ittoku Horimoto, 1119 Desha-land No. 6, Honolulu.

## Five-Year-Old Boy Dies in Accident

NEWCASTLE, Calif. — Leroy Nitta, 5-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Masato Jimmy Nitta, received fatal head injuries and his sister, Jeanny, sustained broken legs on May 9 when an old water pipe which gas company workers were removing fell on them.

Both children were rushed immediately to the hospital where Leroy died. Both of Jeanny's legs were broken below the knee and she was reported in critical condition.

## Compromise Settlement Plan for Evacuation Claims Wins Approval of House Group

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House Judiciary Subcommittee granted unanimous approval on May 17 to an amendment to the Evacuation Claims Act of 1948, providing for a compromise settlement procedure in settling indemnities granted to persons of Japanese ancestry for personal and business property losses sustained as a direct result of the Pacific Coast mass evacuation of 1942.

The amendment, drafted at the urging of the JACL and its Anti-Discrimination Committee, authorizes the Attorney General to settle claims up to \$2,500 or for three-fourths of the compensable loss, whichever is smaller, in an effort to speed up the program.

### Rule Agent May File Claim for Evacuee

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Attorney General ruled on May 17 that an agent may file a claim under the Evacuation Claims Act on behalf of a claimant, the JACL ADC reported.

The ruling arose in the case of a California evacuee who authorized his son-in-law to file the claim in the (the evacuee's) behalf.

The decision, signed by Newell Clapp, acting assistant attorney general in charge of the Claims division, said:

"Claims may be filed by duly authorized agents on behalf of claimants otherwise eligible," then added:

"(The Act's) language clearly indicates that Congress was aware that some claimants, due to some disability such as inability to read or write English, or for some other reason, would necessarily require an agent to file for them."

A claimant was awarded \$585.81 to cover stolen property and losses sustained in the forced sale of an automobile at the time of his evacuation.

## CALL OFF DENVER PARADE OF NISEI WAR VETERANS

DENVER — A parade of Nisei war veterans and U.S. Army units through downtown Denver on May 18 in conjunction with the Rocky Mountain premiere of MGM's "Go for Broke!" at the Broadway Theater was called off when city officials notified the Cathay Post of the American Legion, sponsors of the festivities, that the City Code does not permit parades for commercial advertising purposes.

Festivities surrounding the opening of the film were to have been confined to ceremonies outside the theater, in which the Nisei veterans and Army bands and officials were scheduled to participate.

## Berkeley Woman Dies of Overdose Of Sedatives

BERKELEY, Calif.—The mother of a 7-year old boy was found dead in her home on May 8, an apparent suicide from an overdose of sedatives.

She is Mrs. Masaye Niino, 37. Her death was reported by her husband, Steve, 32.

The husband told police that his wife had been in a depressed state because of illness for several years. A note left by Mrs. Niino to her doctor said that she was sorry but could not go on.

## Win Scholarships

PORTLAND, Ore.—Two Nisei, May Ebiyara and Billy Tomori, were named here among the winners of ten Pacific Northwest regional scholarships to Reed College. The awards are for \$250,

## Two Nisei Speak

VALE, Ore.—Ayako Terada has been named valedictorian for the graduating class at the coming commencement exercises at Vale High School.

John Yamada will be the salutatorian for the class.

## JACL ADC Initiates Drive for Remedial Laws in California

### Statewide Activity Will Support Campaign For Legislation

FRESNO, Calif. — A program for remedial legislation in the State of California was put into high gear with the creation of the JACL-ADC California Legislative Committee, it was announced following a meeting of JACL and ADC officials held here on May 13.

Sam Ishikawa, West Coast ADC director who chaired the meeting, explained:

"The purpose of this state-wide committee representing the JACL district councils and Issei supporting groups from Northern, Central and Southern California is to determine the policy of the JACL-ADC's legislative program in California and to assist in mapping out procedures consistent with the policies of the National JACL-ADC."

Bill Enomoto of Redwood City, national ADC treasurer, was named chairman of the committee.

It was understood that the JACL-ADC regional director in San Francisco would serve as the executive director of this program, while Regional Director Tats Kushida from the Los Angeles office was appointed as committee secretary.

Membership on this twelve-man body will be comprised of equal representation from each of the three district councils, and will consist of the chairman of each council, a Nisei and Issei whom he will appoint, and the regional directors, who will serve ex officio.

Present at the meeting, which was held at the Buddhist Church, were: Masao Satow, National JACL director; Northern California—Kihei Ikeda and Akimi Sugawara of the KKD, NCDC Chairman Bob Takahashi and Regional Director Sam Ishikawa; Central California — ADC Chairman Set-sugo G. Sakamoto, Jin Ishikawa and Regional Director Toru Ikeda; Southern California — ADC leader Katsuma Mukaeda, PSWDC Chairman Ken Dyo, Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL treasurer, and Regional Director Tats Kushida.

Ishikawa led the discussion which resulted in the adoption of a legislative program for 1951. He reported on the progress of four bills now pending in this session of the California State Assembly which are of concern to persons of Japanese ancestry. These deal with state old age pensions for which the Issei are at present ineligible, the reduction of sport fishing license fees to aliens, the return of settlement monies given to the State on war-time land escheat cases, and the return of liquor licenses held by Japanese Americans which were revoked in 1942. Several bills in the field of civil rights were also discussed, as well as the proposed public relations on a state-wide basis to support this program.

Satow announced that Kushida would be assigned to the Northern California office for a brief period to work with Ishikawa on the legislative program this year.

### Sailor Returns From Korea Waters

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Jim Tanikawa returned here recently aboard the USS St. Paul. The Navy cruiser returned to port after six months of action along in the Korean coast in support of United Nations forces.

## Repeal of Anti-Oriental Ban Nears Vote in State Assembly

SAN FRANCISCO — The California legislature's assembly committee on constitutional amendments voted out the Elliott proposal to repeal a section in Article XIX of the California Constitution of 1879 prohibiting "Chinese or Mongolians" from being employed in any state, county, municipal or other public works except in punishment for crime, the West Coast JACL ADC office reported this week.

The bill will now go for a vote before the entire assembly in Sacramento.

The repeal measure, Constitutional Amendment 52, sponsored

### Regional Office Reports Donations For JACL Drive

DENVER, Colo. — A \$25 check in recognition of work done by Nisei evacuees in saving the Colorado sugar crop during the war has been received by the JACL-ADC office of the Mountain Plains area.

The contribution was made by Frank A. Kemp, president of the Great Western Sugar Company of Denver.

Mr. Kemp has contributed annually to the JACL ADC as a token of appreciation to the Nisei by his company.

Other contributions reported this week by the JACL included \$75 from Miami, Fla., Issei. Sent by Yoshikazu Yamada of Tropi-Pak Food Products, Inc., the donations were made by S. Tashiro, \$25; Tom Ureshino, \$20; Howard Kobayashi, \$10; Thomas Tanaka, \$10; and Mr. Yamada, \$10.

Also acknowledged were contributions from Gengoro Yoshida of St. Cloud, Fla., and F. Ozaki of Woodbine, Ga.

### Posthumous Honor Planned for Nisei News Cameraman

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. — Ken Inouye of Telenews will be among eight American war correspondents who lost their lives in the Korean war in 1950 who will receive posthumous awards when the National Headliners club stages its annual frolic here on June 1 and 2.

Inouye, who died in the crash of an Army transport plane, was a former resident of New York City. He was 23 at the time of his death.

Inouye was considered an outstanding combat newsreel photographer and took some of the first newsreel shots of the Korean conflict.

### Joe Masaoka to Be Honored at JACL Testimonial Fete

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — Joe Grant Masaoka, recently retired West Coast director for the JACL-ADC, will be honored at a testimonial luncheon Sunday, May 20, in Salinas to be held in conjunction with a meeting of the Northern California-Western Nevada district council at the Cominos Hotel.

Miss Annie Clo Watson, director of the International Institute in San Francisco, will be one of the main speakers. Also paying tribute will be Masao Satow, JACL national director.

Masaoka took over the West Coast JACL in 1945. In the following year he spearheaded the JACL campaign to defeat "Proposition 15," a measure designed to strengthen the anti-alien land law of California.

Prior to his San Francisco assignment he served as regional director in Denver for the Tri-State area.

Masaoka and his wife, Mary Ann, became parents for the fourth time on May 1 with the birth of a son, Phillip Dennis. Their other children are Grant Roger, 7, JoAnn Gail, 4½, and Allan Keith, 3½.

by Edward Elliott, D., Los Angeles, would also repeal the restriction which declares that no corporation now existing or hereafter formed in California could employ directly or indirectly in any capacity any Chinese or Mongolians. The term "Mongolians" would also apply to Japanese nationals, the JACL ADC report indicated.

Although many sections of Article XIX have been declared unconstitutional, the restrictions on Chinese and Mongolians still remain in the state constitution, the JACL ADC noted.

## Ogden JACL Seeks Names of Veterans, Gold Star Mothers

OGDEN, Ut. — Names of Nisei war veterans and Gold Star Mothers of this area are sought by the Ogden JACL in preparation of the local showing of "Go for Broke!" MGM film on the 442nd combat team.

All Japanese Americans who served in the armed forces up through and including the year 1947 and living in the Ogden district, comprising the Box Elder, Weber and Davis counties, and Gold Star Mothers in the same area are asked to submit their names to one of the following:

George Sugihara, president, Ogden JACL, 244 West 32nd St., Ogden; Michi Uchida, corresponding secretary, 505 27th St., Ogden; Harry Sugihara, chairman, Veterans Affairs Committee, 2748 Lincoln Ave., Ogden; Ute Akisada, 435 Binford, Ogden; and Jake Koga, C21 Arsenal Villa, Roy.

Veterans should include the name of the organization to which they were assigned.

## Set Hearings In Sacramento On Issei Bills

### Remedial Measures Will Be Considered By Legislative Groups

SAN FRANCISCO — Major JACL-ADC supported bills in the state legislature affecting persons of Japanese ancestry are scheduled for committee hearings shortly, according to Sam Ishikawa, West Coast ADC director.

The bill which would make Issei eligible for old age pension payments was heard before the State Senate's social welfare committee on May 18. A statement of the JACL ADC's position advocating passage of the bill was presented by Mr. Ishikawa.

A continuation of the hearings started two weeks ago on the reinstatement of liquor sales licenses revoked after Pearl Harbor is scheduled for May 21 before the Assembly's boards and commissions committee.

The Assembly's social welfare committee will hear the old age pension bill on May 22 at 3 p.m. On 8 p.m. of the same day the Assembly's fish and game committee will hear arguments for the bill to lower sports fishing licenses for Issei.

The bill which proposes to return funds taken by the State in settling Alien Land law prosecutions during and after World War II against persons of Japanese ancestry will be heard by the Assembly's ways and means committee on May 24 at 3 p.m. This bill previously was reported out by the Judiciary committee.

To assure full representation before the California legislature, Tats Kushida, Pacific Southwest JACL ADC director, will work with Mr. Ishikawa on the bills.

Mas Satow, national director of the JACL who is in Northern California this week, stated that the JACL ADC is exerting full efforts on a statewide basis to expedite passage of these bills.

### Nisei Student Selected to Make Texas Cotton Tour

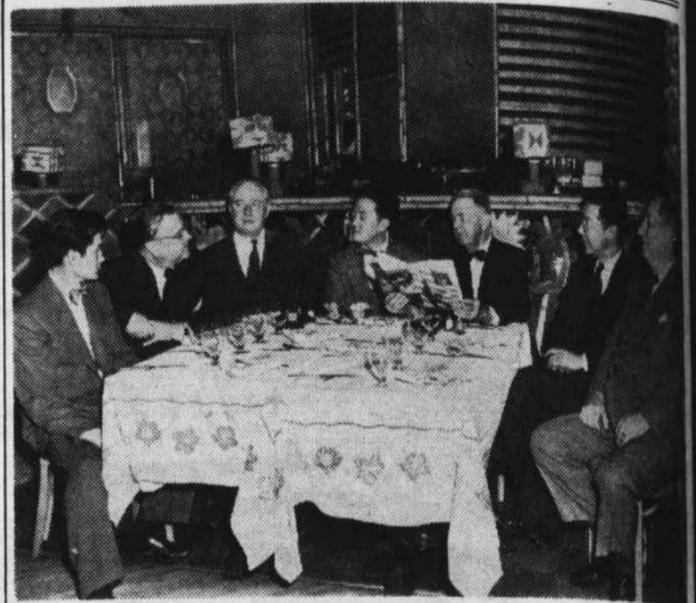
COLLEGE STATION, Tex. — Walter Tanamachi of San Benito, Tex., is one of four senior agronomy students of Texas A & M college who have been named to make the annual cotton study tour this summer.

The tour will start after graduation exercises June 1.

Tanamachi, a veteran of World War II, has been president of the Agronomy Society and won first place in crops identification in the national collegiate crops and grain judging contest in Kansas City recently.

### Attends P-TA Meet

ATWATER, Calif. — Mrs. Ben Nagai, president of the Merced County Council of Parents and Teachers, was a delegate to a three-day state convention of the California Congress of Parents and Teachers in San Diego.



Members of the executive committee of the 442nd Combat Team in New York met with Hawaiian dignitaries recently in the famous Hawaiian Room of the Hotel Lexington to discuss the New York opening of "Go for Broke!", Hollywood film on the 442nd combat team, and the 442nd reunion, which is slated for May 19 and 20.

Left to right, Bill Kochiyama; Mark Egan, formerly head of the Hawaiian Tourist Bureau; Hawaiian Delegate to Congress Joseph R. Farrington; Keichiro Yamato; Riley Allen, editor of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin; Kelly Kuwayama, and Pres. Rochester of the Hotel Lexington.

## 442nd Veterans Plan Eastern Reunion in New York City

### Will Coincide with Premiere of MGM Film "Go for Broke!"

NEW YORK — A program for the first 442nd Reunion on the east coast timed to the New York opening of MGM's film "Go for Broke!" at the Capitol Theater on May 24, was recently announced by the 442nd Committee in New York.

Invitations to more than 200 veterans of the Nisei combat team now residing on the eastern seaboard have already been sent out. The reunion will take place on May 19-20 and will be highlighted by the following events:

On Saturday, May 19, a contingent of 442nd veterans will participate and march in the Armed Forces Day parade. The remainder of the day will be devoted to special events, most notable of which will be entertainment for the Nisei veterans at the Palisades Park amusement center in New Jersey.

On Sunday, May 20, 150 veterans will be luncheon guests of Mr. Kazuhei Tsukada, proprietor of the famous Miyako Restaurant in New York City. This luncheon will include the official business meeting. An official War Department film on the 442nd will be shown.

Tentatively scheduled for Sunday afternoon is a special advance showing of "Go for Broke!" for out-of-town veterans and their wives. Arrangements are now being made with MGM to provide theater accommodations.

Climax of the two-day affair will be held on Sunday evening at the nationally known Hawaiian Room of the Hotel Lexington. Reception for the Hawaiian Beauty Contest winners and cast of "Go for Broke," entertainment by stars for stage, screen, radio and TV, and dancing to the music of Lani McIntyre and his orchestra will feature the evening's festivities.

Reunion headquarters will be at Hotel Lexington where veterans will register, and receive their special events program and housing accommodations.

Aside from the reunion, veterans will participate in opening day ceremonies at the Capitol and take part on many national radio and TV programs.

## Honor Three Issei Mothers At Santa Ana Film Opening

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Three Issei Gold Star Mothers were guests of honor May 17 at the Fox West Coast Theater here now playing "Go for Broke!"

Escorted to the stage by Charles Ishii, past commander of the Garden Grove VFW Post, they were introduced to the packed house and presented bouquets of American Beauty roses.

They were Mrs. Tamaye Ma-

## Pomona Area Citizens Honor Nisei Veterans

### Mayor Presents Scroll to Men of 442nd Combat Team

POMONA, Calif. — Local veterans of the famous 442nd Combat Team were honored by their fellow townspeople here on May 11 on the first night of the showing of MGM's "Go for Broke!" at the United Artists theater.

Some 20 Nisei GI veterans of the 442nd rode with civic dignitaries in open cars through the downtown district. They were feted by members of the 20-30 club and by the American Legion Post No. 30.

A scroll, expressing the "grateful appreciation" of the citizens of Pomona Valley to the men of the 442nd Combat Team and the 100th Battalion, was presented by Mayor Alban Orsborne of Pomona to Tak Imamura, commander of the Nisei Memorial Post 9938 of the VFW in Los Angeles, who represented the 442nd veterans.

### Toronto Will Have Special Showing of Nisei GI Picture

TORONTO, Ont. — A special showing of MGM's motion picture about the U.S. Army's Japanese American Combat Team, "Go for Broke!" is being planned in Toronto for area leaders who have been prominent in minority group affairs.

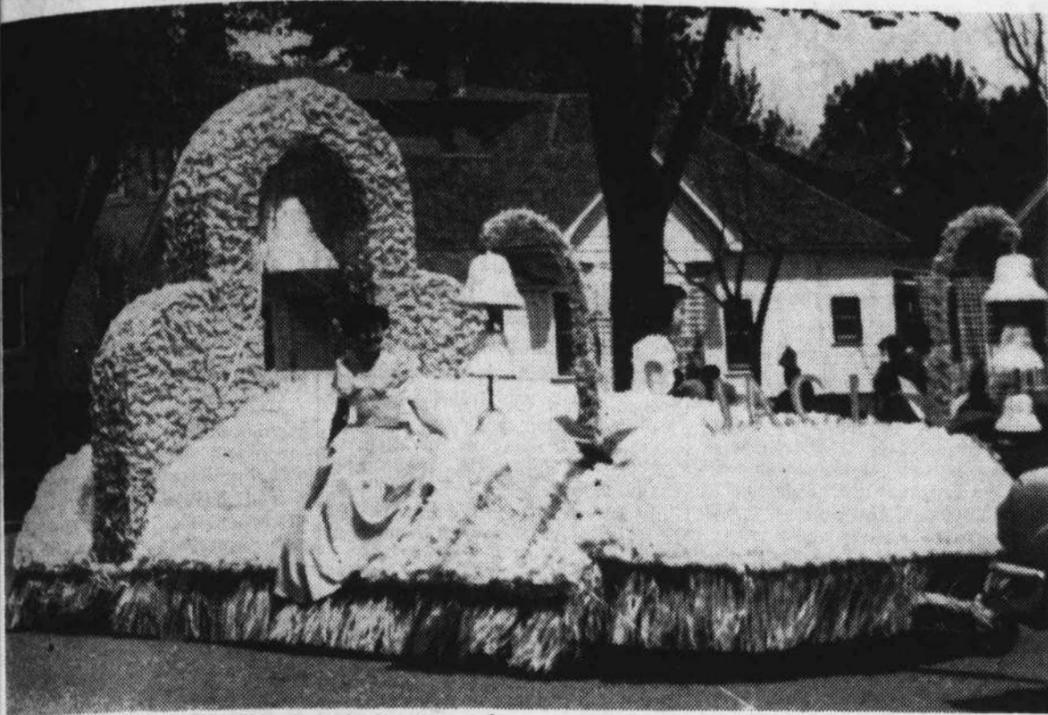
Representatives of religious, educational and labor organizations will attend a special screening of the film as guests of The New Canadian, local Japanese Canadian paper.

The Canadian premiere of "Go for Broke!" also will be held in Toronto, probably in the middle of June.

suda, mother of Staff Sgt. Kazuo Masuda (DSC); Mrs. Taneno Ogawa, mother of Staff Sgt. John Ogawa; and Mrs. Hana Takahashi, mother of Sgt. Arthur Takahashi. Ishii spoke briefly on their behalf and the veterans of the 442nd.

The program was arranged by Hitoshi Nitta, president of the Orange County JACL Chapter, in cooperation with Harold D. Wyatt, theater manager.

# JACL Float Wins Top Prize



PAYETTE, Ida.—Mae Yasuda, left, Payette, and Sumie Hashimoto, Ontario, ride the prize-winning Snake River JACL float in the 30th annual Blossom Festival parade in Payette May 5. The JACL float received first place in the civic and fraternal division. Twenty-five floats representing 34 business and club groups were entered. Jack Eisenberg of Boise designed and constructed the JACL entry. The chapter will receive a framed, colored photograph of the float.

## Return Remains of Two Nisei Soldiers Killed in Korea War

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The bodies of two Nisei who lost their lives in Korea are being returned to the United States aboard the East Point Victor, the Department of Defense advised the JACL ADC on May 14.

The ship was expected to arrive in San Francisco on May 14. The two are the first Nisei dead to be returned from Korea to the United States for burial.

They are:

Pfc. Haruo Tomita, whose next of kin is listed as Mrs. Rose I. Moroye, 1422 Cypress St. Pueblo, Colo., and

Sgt. Isaac Furukawa, next of kin Koshino Furukawa, 930 26th Ave., Seattle, Wash.

Families have been notified of the imminent arrival of the vessel and bodies will be escorted to the locales designated by the next of kin.

The bodies of the Nisei are being returned with a group of 351 Americans who lost their lives as a result of the Korean conflict.

## Interracial Chorus Invites Nisei To Join Group

LOS ANGELES — Nisei, Mexican-American and Negro singers are invited to join the Earl Robinson chorus, recently re-organized interracial choral group.

Director Robinson, guitar-playing folk singer and composer of "Ballad for Americans" and "The House I Live In," announced that tenors are especially welcome.

However, anyone interested in singing with an interracial chorus and preferably with some knowledge of music is invited to try out. Appointments for audition may be arranged with Mrs. Sue Embrey, Normandy 2-5102.

## Newspaper Features House Designed, Built by Nisei

SAN JOSE, Calif.—A Nisei-designed home is featured in the San Jose Mercury-News' home section for May 13.

Designed by Paul Zaima and constructed by J. Nishiura for T. N. Nakashima, the home combines unusual Japanese and American features.

The house is L-shaped, of brick and redwood with heavy shake roof.

Interior features include an open brick fireplace with copper hood in the den; a religious altar in the rumpus room; sliding panels of frosted glass, decorated with mahogany strips, to form walls of the master bedroom.

## Nisei Artist In National Exhibit at Library of Congress

DAYTON, O.—A lithograph by Pete K. Hironaka, staff artist for the Dayton Daily News, is among 224 prints currently being shown at the National Exhibition of Prints at the Library of Congress.

Hironaka's work was selected from among 1298 entries submitted by 577 artists.

A reproduction of his lithograph, "Fisherman's Wharf, Monterey, California," appeared in the News on May 6.

Hironaka is a graduate of Miami University and attended night classes at the Dayton Art Institute.

## Murayama Resigns As President Of Detroit JACL

DETROIT, Mich.—Sutemi Murayama resigned from the presidency of the Detroit JACL at a recent meeting of the chapter.

His post will be filled by Wallace Kagawa, first vice-president. Murayama is leaving for New York. The chapter expressed its appreciation for his tireless efforts in its behalf.

Next meeting of the chapter will feature George Schermer, director of the Mayor's Interracial Committee, as speaker. A panel discussion is also on schedule for the meeting May 19 at the International Institute.

Chapter members will hold a box lunch social June 2 in conjunction with the Mr. and Mrs. Club, local organization for married couples.

## Ellen Ochi's Paintings Go On Exhibition In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO — Twenty paintings, mostly watercolors, by Ellen Ochi are now on exhibition at the Palace of the Legion of Honor in Lincoln Park.

The exhibition is the first in the city by the artist, a native of San Francisco.

She won a two-year scholarship to study in Paris several years ago after showing her work in Cleveland.

Her paintings also have been exhibited at the Metropolitan Museum in New York.

The exhibition includes paintings which the Nisei artist executed while in Paris.

## Mountain Plains Area Passes 1950 Mark In JACL Members

DENVER, Colo. — JACL chapters in the Mountains Plains area have already reported a total of 805 members for 1951, compared to 705 for the whole of 1950.

The district is aiming at a total of 1,000 members by the end of June.

Leading chapter in the area is the Denver JACL with 486 members. The figure puts Denver ahead of all other local chapters in membership at the present time, not excluding the Chicago JACL, which last year had a record of 1,087. The Chicago chapter has reported a total of 425 members to date.

Th Mountain Plains district is the first of the eight regional districts to surpass its 1950 record, according to Min Yasui, regional representative. Three chapters have still not reported their current membership figures.

## Hold Stork Shower

DAYTON, O. — Thirty-three friends gathered May 5 at the home of the George Moris for a surprise stork shower honoring Mrs. Shoji Okino.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. Mori, Mrs. Fred Toyama, Mrs. William Yukawa, Mrs. S. Kebo and Mrs. James Maeda.

## Ellis Center Plans Family Night for Sunday School

CHICAGO—The Ellis Community Center Sunday School will hold "family night" this Sunday, May 20, to bring together parents and teachers of the Sunday School children.

Yasuko Kusunoki, director of religious education, is in charge.

The Sunday School has an enrollment of 140 children with 27 teachers and helpers. Ben Toba serves as superintendent.

## ADC Will Appeal Order To Deport Issei Member of Alleged Totalitarian Group

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A Japanese immigrant and his wife have been ordered deported because of former membership in a long-defunct organization cited by the Attorney General as totalitarian. The JACL ADC promptly announced it would appeal the decision to the Attorney General.

The couple, residents of the West Coast, was ordered deported after filing a plea for suspension of deportation proceedings. They sought the suspension because originally they entered this country illegally in 1929. Under a law sponsored by the JACL ADC such immigrants may seek permanent residence if they had resided in the United States seven or more years prior to July 1, 1948, are of good moral character, and deportation would prove a hardship upon them and their families.

The couple has five minor children.

In ordering the deportation, the Immigration and Naturalization Service said the "male alien... was a member of the Dai Nippon Butoku Kai (Japanese Fencing association) of Southern California between 1930 and 1941.

"It is noted that the organization is listed as a totalitarian organization by the Attorney General.

"In view of the male applicant's membership... discretionary relief of any kind is not warranted. His deportation will therefore be ordered."

The Immigration Service said that "in view of the action taken... we do not feel suspension of deportation is warranted in the case of the female alien. She will be granted the privilege of voluntary departure (and) be required to depart."

The Immigration Service said that its questioning of the couple revealed that "deportation of the male applicant would deprive his native-born citizen children of the major portion of their income, and deportation of the female applicant would make it necessary for a housekeeper to be hired to care for them.

"It is apparent that deportation... would result in a serious economic detriment to their native-born citizen children."

However, the Immigration Service ruled in effect that it had no choice but to order the deportation since the Japanese was a member of a proscribed organization, and such membership mandatorily subjects any alien to deportation under terms of the Internal Security Act of 1950.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, pointed out, however, that the only time the Japanese Fencing Association ever was cited as suspect was on the Attorney General's list of proscribed organizations published several years ago as a guide in evaluating a person's loyalty for federal employment.

That list, he said emphatically, was never intended even as conclusive evidence of loyalty for employment. Now the Immigration Service has taken the position that mere membership in one of those organizations is automatically grounds for deporting an alien.

"We do not feel it ever was the intent of the President's Ex-

ecutive order authorizing the compiling of such a list, nor of the Attorney General's listing, that membership in one of those organizations could conceivably be used as a basis for deportation," he said.

"I am shocked by this attitude on the part of the Immigration Service.

"It seems incredible to me that mere membership ten years ago in a defunct 'totalitarian' organization, without proof that the individual was guilty of activities hostile to the United States, could even seriously be considered as grounds for deportation or refusal of suspension for the respondent's wife."

Not alone for the sake of the family involved, but also because the Immigration Service's ruling sets a dangerous precedent in deportation for mere membership in a proscribed organization and thus may affect other aliens as well as other Issei in the United States and Hawaii, the JACL ADC said it would make a vigorous protest in its appeal to the Attorney General.

## Alamedans Fete Army Draftees

ALAMEDA, Calif.—Nine Nisei draftees were honored at a send-off party May 18 by the Alameda JACL.

Four of them will be inducted May 21. They are Sadakazu Koga, Shuzo Sakurai, Sachi Takeda and Yoshimi Umene.

Awaiting their calls are Harry Haramaki, Jimmy Hashimoto, Dick Noriye, Shizutoshi Takeda and Komei Umene.

## Alameda Chapter Schedules Showing Of A-Bomb Film

ALAMEDA, Calif.—In cooperation with the city civil defense program, the Alameda JACL will sponsor showing of "You Can Beat the A-Bomb" on Friday, May 25, from 8 p.m. at the Buena Vista Methodist Church hall.

William W. Powell, civil defense chief warden, will give a short talk after showing of the film.

The picture is designed to "help people help themselves in an emergency," Powell said. He urged all persons to attend.

## Salutatorian

COPPERTON, Utah—Amy Miya was the salutatorian for the graduating classes at the 1951 graduation ceremonies of Bingham High School which were held on May 16.

## Proposal for Voluntary FEPC Opposed by Nisei Speakers

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Board of Supervisors May 15 voted a two-week delay on its decision about FEPC.

The supervisors voted 6-5 to permit proponents of "voluntary FEPC," the plan which has been in effect for the past year, to testify again in defense of their program.

Both proponents and opponents of the voluntary plan testified Monday, May 14, in a 4½ hour hearing before the supervisors.

Opponents to the plan included Sam Ishikawa, West Coast director for the JACL-ADC, and Mrs. Ann Kunitani, representative for the San Francisco Citizens Committee for Equal Employment Opportunity.

Ishikawa said the voluntary plan had not brought desired results,

insofar as Japanese Americans were concerned.

"All that the voluntary plan did was to conceal and hide racial discrimination, and Japanese Americans still face discrimination in seeking employment," Ishikawa told the supervisors.

"We did not come to ask for any special favors, only to ask for the right of equal opportunity to work and the right to be judged on individual merit, rather than on race."

Mrs. Kunitani made a report on discrimination against minority group individuals seeking to enter private secretarial schools. She said a recent survey showed there was still considerable discrimination against Negroes.

The supervisors are expected to take a final vote on FEPC on May 28.

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## EDITORIALS:

### Old Age Pensions for the Issei

In the years since the evacuation the matter of assistance for aliens of Japanese ancestry has become a matter of increasing concern to the Japanese American community.

Prior to the evacuation there was very little need for such assistance. The small number of indigent and aged Issei could be absorbed by friends, relatives, and lacking these, by other community groups. A high degree of racial pride kept those Issei eligible for public assistance from applying for what they considered to be "charity."

The picture today is a changed one. Organized financial resources of the Nisei-Issei community were completely broken down by the evacuation. The enforced idleness of the evacuation-relocation camp years brought an end to the working capacity of many Issei, draining their bank accounts during what would ordinarily have been their last period of productivity.

Social workers have pointed out a psychological change in the Issei: they are now willing to accept what public assistance is due them. Their stiff-necked pride in refusing "charity" has been replaced by a more realistic appraisal of their situation.

This, plus the advancing age of the Issei group, highlights a movement in California today to bring aliens of Japanese ancestry under the provisions of the state old age pension program.

This would be no problem today, were it not for the arbitrary classification of these persons as "aliens ineligible to citizenship." Under California law, only citizens are qualified for state pension. Thus, the entire Japanese alien group is automatically deprived of old age assistance, though their residence in that state has been continuous for twenty, thirty and more years, with exception only of the evacuation period.

The JACL-ADC estimates that of the 20,000 Issei now living in California, some 6,000 are 65 years of age or more. In the general population, the dependency rate among the aged is one out of three. The JACL-ADC estimates that for persons of Japanese ancestry the rate will be considerably lower, but that even at the 33 per cent rate, the number of Issei needing assistance would be 2,000, at most.

Of the men in this group, many are not eligible for social security payments from the government, since they were previously in employment not covered by the Social Security Act: as domestic workers, agricultural laborers, gardeners and small businessmen.

The Nisei group has not sufficiently recovered from the evacuation to take financial responsibility for these Issei.

Bills in both the California Senate and Assembly now propose to include the Issei in benefits of the state old age pension program. The bills are receiving gratifying support, not only from the Japanese Americans, but from other groups interested in seeing that the old age of these Issei indigents be made secure.

Nothing need be added as to the worthiness of the Japanese alien group to such benefits as are made available for the citizen population. They have been generous, loyal and hardworking residents for a quarter century. They contributed, through taxes, to the support of the pension program. In their last years they deserve a measure of comfort and security.

This month the California Senate and Assembly social welfare committees will hear testimony on bills to give these Issei old age security. We hope they will receive the support they deserve.

### Interracial Activity in Seattle

When a few Seattle citizens decided, back in 1946, to organize human and financial resources in the Jackson Street area, they faced a nearly impossible task. The area's residents spoke four languages, represented five cultural groups. Economically, the whole group ran up and down the financial scale.

But the first community project was a well-chosen one. It was sponsorship of a X-Ray campaign to detect tuberculosis. The Jackson Street district, with three per cent of the city's population, accounted for 22 per cent of all TB deaths in Seattle.

With community interest aroused, the group formed the Jackson Street Council and got down to further work: a neighborhood clean-up project, rat control, a well-baby clinic, Community Chest drives, street improvements, neighborhood planning and recreation programs. The impetus of a few persons interested in the welfare of their fellow citizens has brought a change to the Jackson Street district.

The long-term project affords an inspiring example of inter-community, interracial activity for the betterment of all citizens.

## Japanese Racial Group Has Lowest Divorce Rate, Recent Study in Hawaii Discloses

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—Japanese as a racial group in Hawaii have by far the lowest rate of divorce among the many races, according to a study just completed by Dr. Andrew W. Lind, one of Hawaii's outstanding sociologists.

Dr. Lind's findings are contained in a report on "Divorce Trends in Hawaii, 1940-1950," published by the Hawaii Social Research Laboratory at the University of Hawaii.

The sociology professor notes that although statistics on divorces in Hawaii are not as complete as they should be, they are indicative of the problem experienced by the various racial groups. He reports that the problem of divorce is concentrated heavily in the Caucasian, Hawaiian and Filipino groups.

His study also reveals disproportionately high rates for the Koreans and Puerto Ricans.

In the Japanese group, Dr. Lind's study shows, the rate of divorces was 2.46 per 1,000 married persons, more than twice below the next group, the Chinese, with an estimated 5.11 divorces per 1,000.

"The relatively low rate of divorce among the Chinese and Japanese is consistent with the generally favorable record they have established in other areas of social relations," says the sociologist's report.

"The somewhat higher rate of divorce among the Chinese reveals their greater progress toward Americanization. It is probable that the strikingly high rates among the Caucasians and Filipinos are accountable partly in terms of the recent immigrants (defense workers, service men and plantation workers) among them.

"The Puerto Ricans, on the other hand, have never had a very strong tradition of family solidarity and their experience within the Hawaiian setting has caused them to bring their marital rifts to the attention of the courts somewhat more frequently than formerly, but has not aided them perceptibly in building a strong family system.

"The Puerto Ricans, like the Koreans, have also suffered from the greater moral hazards which always beset the smaller ethnic groups, as a consequence of their inability to provide the necessary moral protection for any control over their members during the difficult period of immigrant transition."

Dr. Lind has compiled the following tabulation of divorces by racial ancestry of persons granted divorce during 1943, 1945 and 1946 in Hawaii:

Year	Haw'n & Pt. Haw'n	Caucasian	Chinese	Japanese	Korean	Filipino	Puerto Rican	All Others	TOTAL
1943	333	681	82	207	29	183	78	17	1610
1945	306	661	87	209	29	157	54	27	1530
1947	131	616	57	184	9	162	8	9	1176
Total	770	1958	226	600	67	502	140	53	4316
Established divorces per 1,000 married persons									
1945	8.43	13.47	5.11	2.46	14.5	17.2	23.45		7.49

Dr. Lind deplors the fact that in only three of the 11 years studied was the information regarding the ancestry of the spouse suing for divorce sufficiently complete or accurate to permit of tabulation. Local reports call for information regarding the ancestry of the

spouse suing for divorce but not for information as to the ancestry of the other party to the divorce. The latter data, Dr. Lind says, would "assist greatly in shedding light upon the relative hazards of inter-racial marriage as compared with intra-racial marriage."

"This is extremely important in a community where mixed marriages are so frequent," he adds.

Of more general interest is Dr. Lind's statement debunking the dire predictions regarding the future of the American family because of an anticipated increase in divorce rates.

He says that even supposedly objective scholars, including top-ranking American sociologists, have been proven wrong in their forecasts during the war that the divorce rate would climb steeply after the war until approximately one-third of all marriages are dissolved.

"The facts regarding divorce trends in both Hawaii and continental United States simply do not support these predictions," says Dr. Lind.

A significant fact, according to the sociologist, is that the gross number of divorces in both Hawaii and continental United States was reached during or shortly after the close of the war and that the total number, as well as the rate, has declined significantly since then.

Dr. Lind says the wartime experience in both Hawaii and continental United States has clearly run counter to the expectations of competent scholars who based their predictions on what happened in World War I.

Instead of the divorce rate declining during war, he points out, the volume and ratio of divorce in Hawaii actually achieved its all-time peak during the war.

He concludes with the observation that predictions of future divorce trends seem to be of dubious value in view of the results attained by national authorities in

the recent past. "Short of a sudden and now unforeseeable revolution, however, there appears to be little likelihood to expect that either Hawaii or continental United States will fulfill the expectations of some of the moralists."

## MANNAHATTA

By Joe Oyama

New York City.

May of this year marks our 9th year of voluntary and involuntary exile from the Land of Smog and Sunshine, but the westward pull is strong and we keep thinking, "Next year, next year." This year we hope to visit the land of eternal liquid sunshine and confirm our suspicion that it is not all that it is hepped up to be and then, we hope, we won't be so restless.

But wife keeps saying that it ought to be Havana, Trinidad, Cuba, or even South America for a vacation . . . anywhere, but California.

### Provincial Notes

Manhattan's Yamato colony is literally scouring the countryside, especially on the New Jersey side, looking for "warabi," (edible ferns or fronds) which taste like slimy asparagus after it is cooked . . . A Hawaiian Nisei complains that mainland Japanese employment agencies discriminate against "Butaheads," prefer "Kotonks," . . . Yuriko (Amemiya Kikuchi) was appointed captain of the dancers in "The King and I," Broadway Rodgers and Hammerstein musical hit, and has also been

## MINORITY WEEK

### All Mixed Up

Duke Ellington's band, you might say, is "all mixed up." It is it are musicians of Negro, Jewish, Puerto Rican and Italian ancestry.

### Census

The country's non-white population, outside the South, has increased by one-half in the last decade, according to latest census figures.

Much of the change has been attributed to mass movements to the West and other areas by former Southern Negroes.

And in case you're interested, the census also showed more single men than single women in every region.

### Unlucky Shamrock

A nod to the American Medical Association this week.

The AMA had planned to hold its winter clinical session, set for Dec. 4-7, at the fabulous Shamrock Hotel in Houston, the swanky travel house put up by oilman Glenn McCarthy.

But the Shamrock won't put up Negro doctors; so the AMA reported this week it was shifting its clinic to Los Angeles.

### Walkout

We're inclined to the belief that services to the sick should come before personal prejudices, but a number of graduate nurses in Charleston, W. Va., apparently don't agree.

They walked out of St. Francis Hospital early last week in protest against hiring of three Negro nurses and a Negro laboratory technician.

Replacements were flown in from three other cities.

### Adjustment

A lot of American Indians who are venturing from their reservations these days find difficulty in adjusting to the customs and tempo of the world outside.

Out in Los Angeles, where there are an estimated 5,000 of them, the American Friends Service Committee is trying to help in making their adjustment faster and easier.

The AFSC operates the Indian Center, with classes, group work and recreation. Movies, swimming, miniature golf, beach suppers and Sunday dinners are all on tap for the newcomers, who find the center a good stepping stone to "life outside."

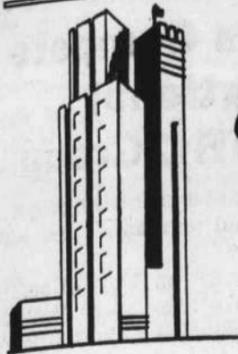
asked to sign a two-year contract.

The newly-opened Yuki Interiors have just received a contract to remodel the Havana Club on 72nd St. The owner of the former is enterprising young Mary Yoshimoto, who studied at Parsons School of Design and Columbia . . . Chris Ishii, wife Ada and son Chris Jr., will be leaving for Paris this summer. Chris is with TV's Tempo Productions . . . The Chidori, first Japanese restaurant to open in New York's Uptown Westside, has a huge red Japanese torii in front. The owner spent \$12,000 for the fine Japanese carpentry. Business is good, though, and the Chidori is handling twice the volume of business originally anticipated. It's the Uptown hang-out for new arrivals, students and businessmen from Japan and for Columbia students and professors with a yen for Japanese food.

The Mayeda gift shop, landmark in Rockefeller Center, is opening a second store in New York's gigantic bus terminal at Times Square . . . Note to visitors: Isamu Noguchi's huge plaque adorning the entrance to the Associated Press Building at Rockefeller Center is worth seeing . . .

Eurasian born in New York says: "I feel superior to the whites but inferior to the Nisei. I have a great deal of respect for the Issei. I feel more at home with the Caucasian, but feel terribly uncomfortable with the Nisei. Besides, they make no attempt to accept me."

Poetess Kikuko Miyakawa Cusick is now in Copenhagen, studying jewelry, and will go to Paris this year to further her studies.



# A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

## The Gentle Art of Subwaying

Summer is just around the corner and I must give a little bit of advice for the visiting firemen from the West.

Every sight-seeing Nisei eventually winds up on the subway when he hits Manhattan, just as sure as he seek out the coffee spigot at the Automat. There isn't a city west of Chicago with a subway, so the New York underground transportation system is like a wonderland to the lads from the other side of the Mississippi and the Rockies. Needless to say, the Manhattan subway is the largest, fastest and most efficient in the world.

Like the coffee at the Automat, the tariff has been doubled. Everything is a dime right now. The nickel is about obsolete in this city. But when you consider that you can ride some 200 miles for that dime, it is the biggest bargain in the world. From the Bronx to Coney Island is something like a 26-mile ride; from Columbus Circle to Jamaica is about 12 miles; from Flushing to Brooklyn is about 17 miles; and there are equally long rides throughout the three subway networks that operate under the sidewalks of New York.

There is one cardinal rule the neophyte rider should follow: buy a map of the subway system and study it for a couple of hours. It's either too noisy or people are too busy to give you free information. Don't get on at Times Square or Penn Station unless you have had at least 50 hours of soloing. I have heard of a couple of cases of people who have been almost given up for dead because they disappeared in the subways and were unheard of for almost 12 hours. If you ever get lost, get off at the next station and study your map. The map is your Seeing Eye dog so never let it out of your hand.

There is no need for me to advise anyone that it is sheer nonsense to do a little subway exploring during the rush hours, from 4 to 6 in the evening. It would be suicide. Even veteran riders are pushed, shoved, squashed and trampled by the surging herd of humanity that descends down to the lower depths during those hours.

## The Mark of the Veteran Rider

The battle-scarred, calloused, veteran member of the subway set can easily be spotted. He is the guy that usually finds a seat. He is the one that scampers first up the stairs, and he is most likely the one who pops up from his seat at the last possible moment.

The expert rider is like a talented open-field runner in football. He can quickly spot the plays and the holes. By casting a quick, knowing glance at an entire ten-car train at once, he can easily determine which door to rush and just where the empty seats are available. Also like an expert billiard player, he also takes into consideration just at which exit that particular car will stop when he arrives at his station. He grabs a seat in the car close to the most convenient exit at his destination. In this way he saves valuable seconds which may be wasted for the people to shuffle up the exit stairway.

The veteran rider is also a hardened and a heartless individual. He never would dream of giving up his seat to a lady and would never hesitate a second to give a jarring body block to some unwary soul in order to beat him to a seat. He is also a man of prodigious strength because when the car is jammed full of people with seemingly no more room, he can always force himself in, jamming his hand and leg against the door and bullying his way.

The seasoned subwayer is also a person of many talents. For example, no matter how crowded the car, he can always manage to read his paper, flip the pages, and even read fine type without any difficulty. He also has a trained intuitive power that makes it possible for him to know where he is without looking at the signs. His keen sense of timing tells him just when to get off to transfer or just where his home station is. He is also quite a sleight-of-hand magician when it comes to manipulating his dime in the turnstile. He will drop the coin in the slot and rush by the turnstile in one sweeping motion without losing a stride in the process.

The old timer has that glassy impersonal stare. He never smiles or shows any trace of emotion. He is concentrating on his newspaper and deciding which particular exit to tackle when he comes to his station.

## The Wise Guys of the Subway

There is always a group of lads who are thinking up ways and means to beat the subway. A dime is a dime to them. These are the boys who are swift of foot, agile of body and unafraid of the law. No smoking is allowed under ground and this band of subway badmen take great delight in sneaking off a smoke in some dark corner, even if it means blowing the smoke under his coat.

This bunch of sharpies are experts at "beating the gate." That means they save a dime going past the turnstile. Usually they ride double-saddle, two lads co-ordinating their timing so that they whiz past the turnstile like Siamese twins. A few of the more hardy ones hurdle the barrier and then run down the platform. They have it timed just so that they will do their high-jump act just when a train pulls into the station. In this way the guard can't quite catch him. A few will dash past the exit gate when the guard is looking the other way.

There are two other classes who give the subways a bad name. The first group consists of the lads with the quick and slippery fingers. They specialize on people who are drunk or who fall asleep on subways. They can easily extract a watch, loose change, and sometimes even a pair of shoes from the snoring rider, particularly at night when the traffic is light. One section of this group are "rush hour" operators. They take advantage of crowded conditions to sneak out a wallet or cut open a handbag from some unsuspecting soul.

The other group is the "legit" operators. This closely-knit bunch are the pan-handlers. Usually they will have some kind of musical instrument and invariably they are all "blind." The violin and the accordion are the most popular instruments. Whenever they cannot make \$8 an hour, they try another subway route. There are a few singers in this group who move from car to car, timing it so that they will beg from one car per station. These lads usually operate in pairs, one doing the begging and the other keeping an eye for the "law" and craftily calculating the "take" per car.

I still say the subway is the greatest ride for a dime. It is also the greatest show for that price anywhere.

## Bill Hosokawa:

# FROM THE FRYING PAN

## First Non-Nisei in JACL

Denver, Colo. Dr. John A. Rademaker, author of the newly published "These Are Americans," is possibly the first Caucasian to have joined the JACL. It was some 15 or 18 years ago at a meeting of the Seattle chapter. Dr. Rademaker at that time was teaching at the University of Washington and even then was deeply interested in the Nisei.

So he attended the JACL meeting, and when someone asked all new members to rise and take the oath of membership, Dr. Rademaker just got up with the rest of them and was sworn in.

Dr. Rademaker was community analyst at the Granada WRA camp for a period before he went to the University of Hawaii from 1944 to 1947 as assistant professor of sociology. There he gained the interest and gathered the material that resulted in the excellent "These Are Americans," a vivid and graphic record of the wartime role played by persons of Japanese descent in the Hawaiian islands. "These Are Americans" is an album-size slick paper volume containing more than 200 pages of pictures (Pacific Books, Palo Alto, Calif. \$5).

Perhaps someone can compile a similar book on Japanese Americans on the mainland before the thousands of priceless photos from WRA, army and private sources fade away or are buried forever in the archives.

## A Luau at Boulder

Last Saturday some 50 Hawaiians of all extractions now attending schools in the Denver area threw a luau for a couple hundred of their friends at Boulder, Colo. The leis were of paper rather

than flowers, and there was no coconut palm shade, but everything else was as authentic as could be, even to the roast pig (three) cooked in a pit.

Previous commitments prevented my getting there for the fun, but from all reports it was a party that left all guests bubbling with enthusiasm for everything Hawaiian.

"They sure know how to throw a party and how to have fun," declared one fellow who'd never been closer to the islands than western Colorado. "Hawaii's for me."

## The New Lawnmower

The other day we broke down and purchased a new lightweight, free-wheeling lawnmower with which to keep the recently fertilized grass looking respectable. The clerk clinched the sale when he gave the mover a one-handed shove and said: "Even your wife could mow the lawn with this."

There was nothing wrong with the old mower that a liberal quantity of elbow grease and masculine oomph couldn't cure. Sure it was heavy, but it would still cut grass in its noisy, spasmodic way.

But this we've learned about lawnmowers: They get old, stiff, hard to push and inefficient in just about the same proportions as their owners. Thus it is necessary for a man to get a new mower every so often because the old one becomes more difficult to operate at the same time the fellow himself is getting old, stiff and less able to expend the required horsepower.

Perhaps a gasoline or electric-powered model is the answer, but in this case the rise in income has not been proportionate to the decline in physical stamina and vigor. Alas.

## Vagaries

### East Is East . . .

Yoshiko (Rikoran) Yamaguchi, currently in Japan, is pencilled in for the femme lead in Anson Bond's 20th Century Fox production, "East Is East," about the love of a GI for a Japanese nurse. Don Taylor will play the GI, the role originally slanted for Keefe Brasselle. The film is expected to go into production on June 4 and a number of Nisei featured players probably will be cast for subsidiary roles.

### Song Team . . .

The song team of Durand and Brion (Jimmy Shigeta) is expected to open on May 31 at the Flamingo in Las Vegas on a show with Mickey Rooney. The Hawaiian songsters were featured on Hedda Hopper's NBC show last Sunday . . . As a result of the agreement signed recently between ASCAP (American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers) and the Japanese Society of Rights of Authors and Composers, anyone who plays or sings a Japanese song commercially in the United States will have to pay for the privilege. The agreement is expected to affect Japanese floor shows in cabarets in Hawaii and the west coast. A number of Japanese tunes have been introduced in America. The most popular has been "Shina No Yoru (China Night)."

### Dancers . . .

Michiko (Iseri), one of the dancers in Rodgers & Hammerstein's "The King and I," also is programmed as the musical's consultant on Oriental dancing . . . "A.T." writing in the May issue of the Dance Observer, notes that choreographer Jerome Robbins of "The King and I," has "provided Yuriko (Amemiya) a superb central role which she dances to perfection. Both she and the ballet ('The Small House of Uncle Thomas') won a deserved ovation from a brilliant and discriminating first night audience."

Benny Gim, brother of Mrs. Jun Kurumada of Salt Lake City, recently was appointed deputy attorney general of the State of New York. He will be in charge of narcotics enforcement . . . It's reported that Sono Osato is slated for a principal role in the forthcoming "Helen of Memphis." Her last Broadway appearance was in ANTA's revival of Ibsen's "Peer Gynt" earlier this year in New York . . . Lottie Hartnett (Mrs. Harry Watanabe), wife of a retail florist, lost out in her bid for a seat on Denver's City Council from the Fifth District in Tuesday's election. The incumbent, Alex Holland, was reelected.

Trouble comes double dept.: Attorney Tom Hayashi, national vice president of the JACL, was taken

## Box-Score on Race Relations:

# Derogatory Impulses Inspire Nicknames for Racial Group

By ELMER R. SMITH

All peoples of the world have a technique known as "name calling." The person or persons named become classed in a specific category below that of the "caller." A number of examples of this type in our American society can be called to mind, but a few of which have taken on specific "status" meanings are: "gook," "nigger," "wop," "chink," "kike" and "jap." All of these terms may be spelled with either a little or capital letter, depending upon their use and degree of meaning. The above English

words are not to suggest that only the persons living in the United States use such terms. Other peoples in other cultures have names with comparable meanings, and the one that many of the readers of this column will recognize is the term "keto."

What do such nick-names attempt to do? How did such terms originate? To answer the last question a survey would have to be made into the history and development of a specific language, but to answer the first question we but need to see how such words tend to function in a given culture. The first thing, and perhaps the most obvious one, a specific nick-name, does when applied to a group or to a person belonging to a group is to set the person speaking out of the zone of association with the group or person named. The term considered to be degrading immediately makes the hearer understand that the user of the nick-name is not "one of the out-group," and is higher in the social status of the community.

The nick-name tends to place the group or person designated in a given role within the society. The term attempts to state the person's part he shall play in the total culture—such as a common laborer, a lackey, a laundryman, etc. The name "labels" or brands the group or person as to what he or she will do in a given society and automatically restricts their areas of activities.

Racial nick-names or labeling (if we wish to be generous with the term) gives the user a feeling of superiority over the group or person so designated. An example will tend to make this meaning clear. If I am talking to a friend of mine about where I live in a given city, I can say: "I live on the east bench on the other side of 'Wop' town." Any other

to St. Luke's Hospital on May 5 for a checkup for a stomach ailment. Two days later his wife, Futami, was hospitalized . . . Despite the fact that "The Mikado" has a Japanese setting, very few singers of Japanese ancestry have appeared in the Gilbert and Sullivan opus. An exception is Frank Kumagai of Toronto who recently scored a hit in the role of Nanki-Poo, the wandering minstrel, in a Canadian production.

"name" may be substituted and the feeling of my superiority over the group named and my position as a higher one in the city will be recognized.

The fact that my feelings become involved with the racial nick-name adds to the importance of the term used. I become conditioned to the fact that at the mention of certain "racial nick-names" I react emotionally to the name or to the group or individual so designated. This emotional reaction blocks an objective recognition of the person, the group or the situation involved in the discussion. This can be shown by the following example. I am told that Mr. Condos has endorsed a program for civic unity, and that I should do likewise. However, I will probably react quite differently to this proposition if I am told that "A Wop has endorsed the civic unity program, and you should support it." This is comparable to the way I will react to a piece of meat if I am told it is "a delicious pork chop," or "a piece of dead hog."

The emotional aspect of racial nick-naming has another angle of importance for our consideration. This revolves around the fact that the emotional reaction we have associated with the name tends to become the group or person itself. In other words, one can get an emotional reaction from people by the use of the word itself, and the group or person may be miles away—even thousands of miles away in a foreign country. People act as if the word or name was the group or person. True, we will not fight the name, but we will become red in the face, our adrenal glands step up their activity, and we may even shake our fists in the air at the mention of specific racial nick-names in relation to given circumstances. It is interesting in this connection that many patients in our mental hospitals show great emotional concern over words such as sex, money and morality because they fail to discern the word from the thing to which it refers. Persons with emotional reactions towards the use of such names as given in the first paragraph are close to the behavior of the patients in the mental hospitals.

There are some instances wherein a racial nick-name (Continued on page 6)

# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Tominaga Faces Only 28 in No-Hitter

Henry Tominaga, the little 23-year old lefthander from Honolulu, faced only 28 men when he pitched his no-run, no-hit game for Springfield College of Massachusetts recently, giving his team a 3 to 0 win over American International. Tominaga, a graduate of McKinley high school and Hawaii's "boy player of the year" in 1946, walked the first man to face him and then retired the next 27 batters in order. He struck out eight... The no-hitter marked Tominaga's first start of the season. He has been his team's chief relief hurler and has saved several Maroon games.

## Kaneyuki Hits Homer for San Diego

Around the bases: Paul Kaneyuki hit a home run but San Diego JC lost a 3 to 2 game to the Camp Pendleton Marines... An eighth inning single by Shortstop Jim Yokota drove in Ed Miyamoto with the winning run as Placer College defeated Yuba College 3 to 2 to win the championship of the Golden Valley Conference... Bill Nishita took his second loss of the CIBA season from Stanford last week, toiling eight innings for the University of California in a 10 to 3 game... The Fresno Nisei All-Stars defeated the Parlier Nisei, 8 to 6, on May 13 at Parlier, Calif... Terry Terada of Salt Lake who had a trial with the St. Louis Browns' farm club, the Redding Browns of the Far West league last spring, is now playing with the Occidentals in the Salt Lake amateur league. Tyra Tashiro is also on the team... The Nisei Vets of the Puget Sound baseball league lost their opening game by a 7 to 2 margin to the Naval Air Station at Sand Point, Wash. The Nisei Savoys of the same league opened their season by blasting the Louis Ford VFW, 9 to 1, in Seattle. Richie Tsuji, a high school star two years ago, heads the Nisei Vets mound corps... Joe Tom had three for five but the University of Oregon was nosed out, 7 to 6, by the U. of Washington.

## Hamamoto Pitches Five-Hit Victory

Prep horsehide chatter: One of the best looking high school pitchers is Santa Rosa's Chet Hamamoto who had a five-hitter last week, defeating Napa, Calif., high school, 9 to 2... Cliff Sato, the latest of the Satos to play baseball for Pocatello, Ida., high school, walked and scored the first run as the Bannocks defeated Preston to win the Idaho 5th District championship on May 15... Tom Daijogo, catcher-centerfielder for the Lodi Flames, had two for three as his team slaughtered the Stockton College Colts, 17 to 1, to gain a second-place tie in the Sac-Joaquin league... Pitcher Kay Mitsuyoshi pitched and batted Hanford, Calif., high school to a 4 to 2 win over Merced on May 8 but was on the losing end of a 15 to 7 game with Fresno high school on May 11... Harry Kawamura and Ray Matsuzaki had two hits apiece for Elk Grove, Calif., high school as the Herd stampered to a 16 to 2 victory over Lincoln... Tom Hamamoto's fifth-inning single broke a tie and gave Placer high of Auburn, Calif., a 3 to 2 victory over Roseville and the Sierra Foothill League championship. Vic Nakamoto and Mole Okamoto were two other Nisei on Placer's championship team... John Kimura pitched and Hash Taketa caught as San Jose, Calif., high school lost a 10 to 8 decision to Sequoia in a Peninsula league game.

## Notes from Prep Track Meets

Palo Alto's Kumagai jumped 21 feet 2 for third place in the Peninsula Athletic League championships in San Jose on May 7... Tateishi, sprint star for McClatchy high school of Sacramento, won both Class C sprints in the Northern California high school meet, last week. He took the 100 in 10.9s and the 160-yard dash in 17s. Matsumoto of Sacramento was second in the pole vault... Roy Takahashi of La Jara, Colo., high school took a third in the broad jump and tied for third in the pole vault at the Colorado State championships in Fort Collins on May 12.

## Zenimura Holds .467 Batting Mark

Fresno State, the best college baseball club in the west until proven otherwise, now has won 31 of its 34 games this season. The Bulldogs are now calling for a playoff against the Pacific Coast Conference champion for the right to enter the NCAA playoffs. Leftfielder Howie Zenimura continues to pace the Bulldogs with a .467 batting average, while Centerfielder Fibber Hirayama has scored the most runs, 35, and stolen the most bases, 27. This season Fresno State won five of their seven games against pro ball clubs and next spring they already have games scheduled against the Cleveland Indians and the San Francisco Seals "A" team. The Bulldogs walloped the Seals "B" team this year... The Denver Nisei were on the short end of a 7 to 0 shutout in their opening game against the Construction Club last week... Bob Tokikawa, a little Hawaiian sophomore from Bradley College, came in with a 67, four strokes under par, in the Missouri Valley Conference golf tournament at the Tulsa, Okla., country club on May 12... Tom Matsumoto, broad jumper and sprinter for Colorado State at Greeley, is the only Nisei trackman in the Rocky Mountain Conference this season.

## Tak Iseri Breaks Conference Mark

Sports roundup: Tak Iseri, probably the best Nisei swimmer developed on the mainland, recently set a new 220-yard breaststroke record for the Far Western Conference when he won the event in 2:31.1s, bettering the old record by 10 seconds. Iseri, swimming for the Cal Aggies, won his favorite event last week in a dual meet against Santa Clara... Yoshioka of San Leandro qualified in both hurdle events for the Oakland Athletic League championships... Hiroko Yoshikawa of Lincoln high school lost in the finals of the girls singles tennis tournament of the Sacramento County league. Tomiko Kaneko and Joanne Zehnder lost in the finals of the mixed doubles... Vic Hirose and John Kasano are now in the "second ten" of the California State Bowling tournament at Richmond, Calif., with their 1252 tandem score... Tommy Umeda, the clever Honolulu bantamweight who was rated one of the best in the division in the Pacific Northwest and Western Canada last year, is slowly building himself a reputation in preliminary bouts at Los Angeles' Olympic auditorium. Umeda last week graduated to the semi-windup and took an unanimous decision over Manuel Hernandez.

## Los Angeles Nisei Enter WIBC

In addition to the six Seattle Nisei girls' teams entered in the Women's International Bowling Congress which got under way this week at Ideal Recreation in Seattle, the Vogue Bowl team of Los

## Nancy Ito Makes Seasonal Debut, Gets 3 for 3

DENVER, Colo.—Nancy Ito, 18-year old softball star, made her seasonal debut with the Denver Industrial Bankettes on May 14, getting three for three to help her team to a 5 to 2 victory over the Denver All-Stars.

Miss Ito was named the "most popular player" on the Bankettes, winners of the regional women's AAU championship, last year.

## Nisei Canadians Hold Bowling Meet

TORONTO, Ont.—One hundred and eighty Nisei bowlers are entered in the 5th annual Eastern Canada bowling tournament on May 19 at the Olympic Alleys. Teams from Montreal, Hamilton, London and Chatham are expected to bowl in the tourney.

## Enter Softball Play

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The D.C. Nisei again will be entered in the District of Columbia's unlimited softball league this season.

## Nishita Gets Credit For Win Over Dons

Bill Nishita got credit for the victory as the University of California defeated the University of San Francisco, 5 to 3, on May 15. Nishita went into the game in relief in the sixth inning when the Bears were on the short end of a 3 to 1 score.

## Elmer Smith:

### Racial Nicknames

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is used by a person without the recognition of the derogatory meaning attached to it by the majority of the society. However, it is doubtful even in these cases if the user does not at least indirectly recognize the "status" meaning associated with the "race name."

Racial names based upon the forms discussed are a culturally conditioned phenomena; they create a feeling of superiority in the user; they come to mean the groups of persons instead of a symbol of such groups; and finally, they act as automatic social controls over the behavior of persons classed by the "nick-name."

## To Represent Church

CHICAGO — Harry Nakano, chairman of the community activities committee of the Ellis Community Center Church council, will represent the church at a meeting of pastors and lay delegates of Evangelical and Reformed churches in North Illinois on May 22 and 23 in Freeport, Ill.

## Japanese Americans Compete For First Time in National Championships of ABC Group

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Bowlers of Japanese ancestry competed in the American Bowling Congress' annual tournament last week for the first time in the ABC's history.

The three Nisei who rolled in the ABC on May 10 and 11 were members of the Hawaiian All-Stars team from Honolulu who were selected after a 100-game rolloff by the territory's leading bowlers.

They are Tad Nagasawa, Eugene Akamine and Richard Nishizawa.

The Hawaiians rolled a 2691 series, more than 350 pins below the top series to date and out of the money.

Akamine rolled a 199 average for his nine ABC games with a 635 in singles, 625 in doubles and 532 in the team event.

Nagasawa, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, had the highest series for any of the Hawaiians, rolling a 652 in the doubles with Jesse Kelly. The Nagasawa-Kelley total of 1218 was third

highest for the day.

Participation of the Nisei bowlers and other non-Caucasians was made possible by the action of the ABC convention last May in Columbus when the 35-year old "whites only" membership restriction in the ABC was wiped out.

In 1948 Nagasawa was a member of the Hawaiian Bowling Ambassadors, a team composed of non-Caucasians, which visited the ABC tournament in Detroit but was not permitted to bowl.

## Placer JACL Scores Upset Win Over Placerville Club

By HOMER Y. TAKAHASHI

LOOMIS, Calif.—Going into the game as the underdog despite the 28 to 0 record of the week before over Grass Valley, the rampaging Placer JACL ball club once again turned the tables on pre-game prognosticators by defeating another Placer - Nevada League power, the Placerville Bartletts, 2 to 0, last Saturday night, May 19, at Hangtown.

It was George Goto all the way. He rang up 17 strikeouts this time and allowed but two hits for the Bartletts. Goto last week whiffed 14 Braves in the 6 innings he toiled, and allowed no hits.

The Nisei rifles opened the game with a hard-hit triple into right-center by Jackson Hayashida. He romped in on slugging Jim Enkoji's sharp single into centerfield to score the lone run of the game that was to hold them until the seventh inning. Goto, apparently unsatisfied with a mere one-run advantage so late in the game, laced a solid one into centerfield to send in Ed "Shorty" Miyamoto who had gotten on with his second hit before him. Miyamoto took all batting honors of the evening with 3 safeties in 4 times at bat. He also ran the bases with reckless abandon, getting three stolen bases, one featuring a double steal in the ninth with Bob Kozaiku.

George Goto got himself out of a deep hole in the last of the ninth. Placerville's top of the batting order was up and he walked

Pedretti. After working on A. Brunello, Goto finally struck him out. Rossi, however, was walked, advancing Pedretti to second. It was too much Goto for the next two batters, McLahen and L. Brunello, and being over-anxious they both went down the big "K" route.

Despite another cold night for baseball under the arcs, the crowd was large. A large contingent of fans from Loomis, Penryn and Newcastle from which the Placer JACL is made up of followed the team to Hangtown.

Two triples, the game's longest clouts, one for Jackson Hayashida of the Nisei, and the other by Catcher Brunello of the Bartletts, found their targets in right field.

Placer JACL ball club travels to Colfax next Sunday, May 27, to do battle with the rising Fireballs in the mountain city. The Nisei team was to have met the slugging Roseville Merchants on Sunday at Auburn before the largest crowd of the season in the fifth week of Placer-Nevada league play.

Colfax has been known to pull the darndest surprises on first division clubs in the past and though this year the Fireballs are not rated very highly even by the club's most staunch supporter, Scoop Thurman of the Colfax Record, they are figuring to chalk up a win over the down-the-valley newcomers.

It's been an interesting race so far as far as the league's newest entry is concerned. The Nisei weren't figured to do much in their first year of play in the semi-pro P-N loop, but so far are sporting a 3-1 position in the standings, among them wins over two of the favored teams this year, Lincoln and Placerville. Three weeks ago the Nisei upset the favored Potters, 2 to 1, and the Potters the following week defeated Placerville, 1 to 0, while the Nisei were running roughshod over Grass Valley by 28 to 0. Last week Placer played another close game to beat the Placerville nine by 2 to 0.

### The Box-Score:

	AB	R	H
J. Hayashida, rf	5	1	2
J. Enkoji, 2b	4	0	0
J. Yokota, 3b	3	0	0
B. Hayashida, c	4	0	0
N. Matsuoka, lb	4	0	0
A. Hada, lf	4	0	0
E. Miyamoto, cf	4	1	3
B. Kozaiku, ss	4	0	1
G. Goto, p	4	0	1
	36	2	8

## Marysville JACL Team Wins Opener

MARYSVILLE, Calif. — The local JACL team won its opening game in the Yuba County Foothill baseball league by a 4 to 2 score over the Dobbins.

Akio Iwanaga blasted a home run for the Nisei to break up a 2 to 2 tie in the six inning.

## Los Angeles Area Bowlers Win \$2390 in Tournaments

LOS ANGELES—Bowlers from the Nisei Bowling Association took major individual honors in two Los Angeles area tournaments during the past two weeks, winning \$2390 in prize money.

Hy Sechi and Mush Matsumoto won the A and C divisions, respectively, in the Los Angeles Examiner's bowling tournament which was concluded on May 13 in 10 bowling alleys.

Jack Yoshimizu won first place in the 5th annual Forgotten Bowlers Tourney at Burbank, with a 1000 scratch series and a 1043 total for the \$300 first place award. Shorty Tanaka was third with a 980, winning \$100. Tanaka also won \$70 in the Examiner tourney.

In the Examiner tournament the NBA bowlers collected \$1990. Sechi went into the final night of the tournament after a 4-game 864 (213, 227, 234, 190) at Pan-Pacific which put him only 12 pins behind the leader. He rolled a

786 on the final night for a 1650 total which topped the A division.

Matsumoto's 1525 for six games at Culver City and Vogue was good enough to win the C title. Matsumoto is a former National JACL doubles champion.

Bowlers from the NBA also took second and third places behind Sechi in the A division. Dave Park got \$300 for his 1605 while Tok Ishikawa received \$200 for a 1593 total. Tanaka was sixth with 1562.

Ralph Ahn's 1449 was good for fourth place and \$120 in Class C.

Eleven other bowlers received \$25. They were Lloyd Hahn, Yo Natsuhara and Ko Arihara, Class A; Lefty Watanabe, Paul Ishizawa, John Lyou, Class B; Jack Okamoto, Tad Uyemura and Sho Kajimoto, Class C, and Jesse Tamaki and Jiro Hirose, Class D.

More than 40 Nisei were in the Examiner tourney among the 400 entries.

Angeles, champions of the Nisei Ladies League, will roll in the WIBC on May 30. The team, captained by Eiko Watanabe, has hit scratch series of 2450 on several occasions. June Jue, Rhoda Kobo and Iris Weinfurter are three other members of the team... In Salt Lake City on May 16 the Mecca Billiards team, which includes two Nisei, Dr. Jun Kurumada and ex-JACL National President Hito Okada, won the city's "Champion of Champions" bowling tournament by defeating the all-Nisei Tuxedo Cafe team in a six-game playoff series. Dr. Kurumada had series of 615 and 605 in the finals and a 675 in a preliminary round. Hito Okada's series were 553 and 543.

### Vital Statistics

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo G. Sakai a girl on April 26 in Stockton, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Yoshimura, Holt, Calif., a boy on April 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Tachibana, Los Altos, Calif., a boy, Larry Dean, on May 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kagawa a girl, Sandra Lynne, on April 18 in Portland, Ore.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yamada a girl, Susan Jill, on April 19 in Portland.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Maeda a girl, Marilyn Sue, on April 20 in Portland.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hachiya a boy, Byron Masayuki, on April 19 in Portland.

To Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Yasuo Fujinari a boy, Clifford Rodney, on April 28 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yoshioka a boy, Stanley Frank, on April 29 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Takeshi Yoshida twin boys, Richard and Robert, on April 30 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Shoji Sakuda a boy on April 29 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ushiro Hosono twin girls, Yoshiko and Chieko, on April 23 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadamasu Morishige a boy in Berkeley, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Y. Nishiyama a boy in Berkeley.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Uye-hata a boy in Berkeley.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grant Masakoa, South San Francisco, Calif., a boy on May 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul T. Matsu-mura, San Francisco, Calif., a boy on April 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Terrence Yadao Takahashi a girl, Patrice Sueko, on April 28 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yukio Watanabe a boy, David Takeshi, on April 30 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Maku-ta, Santa Monica, Calif., a boy, Hiroshi James, on May 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Seiyei Yama-shiro a boy, Richard Yukio, on May 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shuzo Sumii a boy, Ronell Steven, on April 29 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Abe a girl, Patricia Ann Sachiko, on April 24 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigeki Naka-tsuru a girl, Martha Jane, on May 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Saito a girl, Elaine Joy Kazumi, on May 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Tsuruo Takaoka, Venice, Calif., a boy, Kenneth Dean, on April 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tetsuo Toda a boy, Dennis Toshio, on May 1 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ishida, Lindsay, Calif., a boy on April 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ikuo Yamamoto, Hawthorne, Calif., a girl, Nina Yuki, on April 8.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Jow, Lawndale, Calif., a boy, William Minoru, Jr., on April 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Hayashi twin girls on April 13 in New York City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shizuo Nishi-mura a girl on May 13 in Ontario, Ore.

To Mr. and Mrs. Howard Oshi-yama, Pasadena, Calif., a boy on May 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur T. Taka-hashi, San Diego, a boy on April 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Kuro-miya, Pasadena, Calif., a girl on May 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Saka-guchi, San Diego, Calif., a girl on April 6.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Morio, San Diego, a girl on April 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Y. Ka-wano, San Diego, a girl on April 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Ya-mauchi, San Diego, a boy on April 8.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sadao Sakai a boy on May 16 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Mura-kami a boy on May 16 in Salt Lake City.

To Pfc. Toshio Tsunekawa, U.S.

Army, and Mrs. Tsunekawa a girl on May 5 in Sacramento.

#### DEATHS

Itsuo Hori on May 6 in Los Angeles.

Donald S. Nishimura, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Nishimura, on May 9 in Montrose, Colo.

Jisakichi Ichimura on May 7 in Los Angeles.

Kaneo Kurisu, 51, on May 9 in Los Angeles.

Toyojiro Hikida, 73, on May 7 in Seattle.

Sadayoshi Izumi on May 8 in Washington, D.C.

Kikuzo Inouye, 77, in Sacramento, Calif.

Mrs. Masaya Niino, 37, on May 8 in Berkeley, Calif.

Kusaku Kamada in Orange Cove, Calif.

Leroy Nitta, 5-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Masato Jimmy Nitta, on May 9 in Newcastle, Calif.

Mrs. Sei Takeuchi, 59, San Francisco, on May 11.

Sokichi Gondo, 78, on May 10 in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Kosaku Fujii on May 11 in Los Angeles.

Makisaburo Sasaki, 69, on May 13 in Santa Ana, Calif.

Kaneji Fujimura, 69, on May 14 in Hawthorne, Calif.

Yoshio Kawasa, 27, on May 14 in Seattle.

#### MARRIAGES

Jennie Higuchi to Mike Yone-moto, Albuquerque, N.M., on May 8 in Denver.

Betty Sasaki, San Francisco, to Hi Akegi on May 12 in Alameda, Calif.

Fumi Nakashima to Atsumi Ya-maguchi on May 6 in Seattle.

Kathleen Watabayashi to Wash-in Murakami on May 13 in Seattle.

Sachi Hayashida to Ray Fuku-tomi on May 12 in St. Louis, Mo.

Yone Iguchi, Huntington, L.I., New York, to Roy Yoshimoto on April 28 in New York City.

Emiko Yamada to Joe Ohno on May 12 in Los Angeles.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Aiko Minamoto, 25, and Kazuo Yamamoto, 30, Stockton, in Oak-land, Calif.

Maya Nagata, 24, and Shiyoge T. Yoshida, 26, in Oakland, Calif.

Kiyo Matsumoto, 29, Acampo, Calif., and Jauk Hirose, 28, San Francisco, in Stockton.

Alyce Sumiye Takayama, 27, Reedley, Calif., and Takao G. Shin-moto, 31, in Stockton.

#### Directors Named By St. Louis JACL

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—A board of directors to handle all program activities and problems of the St. Louis JACL was named at a recent general membership meeting.

The board, which will act subject to approval of the executive board, has the following members: Rose Ogino, Mary Ema, Yuki Kato, Dan Sakahara and Dr. Kaz Kimura.

The chapter is headed by Edward Koyama, president.

Other cabinet officers are Fusa Doi Wakasa, vice pres.; Grace Oshima, rec. secy.; Skeets Hase-gawa, corr. secy.; Jimmy Hayashi, treas.; Ida Mitori, historian; Fred K. Oshima, delegate; and Joseph Tanaka, public relations chmn.

#### Spelling Bee

SACRAMENTO—Horace Mochi-zuki of Madera County was one of 21 county champions who com-peted in the 4th annual Central Valleys spelling bee on May 12.

#### Graveside Rites

MONTROSE, Colo. — Graveside funeral services were held on May 10 for Donald S. Nishimura, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Nishi-mura, at Cedar cemetery.

The infant was born on May 9. He was a first child.

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#### Salt Lake Groups Form Council to Coordinate Work

A Nisei Inter-Organization Council (NIOC) was formed Thursday, May 10, by representa-tives of Nisei clubs in Salt Lake City.

Kazuko Terazawa, representa-tive of the Utah Nippo, Salt Lake City newspaper, was named chair-man. Jiro Sakano, president of the Sonenkai of the Buddhist Church, will assist as vice-chair-man. Mrs. Henry Kasai, JACL representative, was named secre-tary.

Other club representatives pres-ent at the meeting were Ichiro Doi, Sonenkai; Rose Yagi, Young Buddhists; Fumi Fujii, Utorients; and Mary Shiozaki, JACL auxil-iary.

Purpose of the group will be two-fold: to serve as a repre-sentative of the Nisei community in civic activities and to provide ser-vices to the participating clubs.

A calendar of activities will be handled, setting down all dates for activities of Nisei organizations. Miss Terazawa will be in charge.

First group project will be par-ticipation in a VFW military ball June 9 at the Rainbow Rendezvous. Members of all nationality groups have been asked to take part.

#### Prominent Officials Will Attend Meet Of District JACL

SALINAS, Calif. — Prominent local officials will attend the JACL Northern California-Western Nevada district council meeting Sun-day, May 20, at the Cominos Hotel, according to Tom Lefty Miyana-ga, president of the host Salinas Valley JACL.

On hand will be Mayor E. J. Raffeto of Salinas, publisher Paul Casswell of the Salinas Californian and Mrs. Casswell, and Superior Judge H. G. Jorgenson.

Army officers from nearby Fort Ord will be present for the Sun-day morning preview of "Go for Broke!" at El Rey Theater. Vet-erans groups from Salinas, Mon-terey, Watsonville and San Benito County will participate.

#### Wedding Slated

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Miss Nancy Kimura, daughter of Mrs. Toshio Kimura, will become the wife of Mr. Edward Newell Chan on Sun-day, May 27, in rites at the Trinity Episcopal Church.

#### Engagement Told

DENVER, Colo.—The engage-ment of Miss Sarah Miyoshi, sec-ond daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Miyoshi of North Platte, Neb., to Sam Terasaki, third son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Terasaki, was an-nounced here recently.

Miss Miyoshi is office reception-ist for Dr. T. K. Kobayashi. Mr. Terasaki is a pharmacist with T. K. Pharmacy.

Their wedding will be held in the latter part of June.

#### Makes Phi Beta Kappa

LOS ANGELES—William Shige-kawa of Anaheim, Calif., is one of 57 students who were named to Phi Beta Kappa, national hono-rary society, last week.

The pre-medical student is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Shige-kawa. He is 25 years of age and a graduate of Fullerton Junior Col-lege.

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#### Former Denverite Makes Donation

DENVER, Colo. — Gifford Phillips, former Denver million-aire who has established himself in Beverly Hills, Calif., recently forwarded \$100 to the Mountain Plains regional office of the JACL to aid in the JACL-ADC financial campaign.

Phillips was formerly active in the Denver Unity Council and the Denver Urban League, serving as board member of both organiza-tions.

He is the publisher of "Frontier" magazine.

The contribution was obtained through the efforts of Arthur A. Brooks, former Denver attorney and legislator, who in 1946 success-fully persuaded the Colorado leg-islature to amend the state fishing code to permit alien Issei to fish.

#### Seek Damages

MADERA, Calif. — A suit ask-ing for damages in excess of \$4000 was filed here last week by Min and Toki Kinoshita and Gen Goto as a result of an automobile collision here on June 12 last.

The defendant is H. E. Hensley who is charged by the plaintiffs with driving a hay bailer in a negligent and reckless manner.

#### Denver JACL Plans Memorial Day Rites

DENVER — The JACL chapter will cooperate with the Cathay Post of the American Legion in spon-soring a community-wide Memorial Day service on May 30.

Carol Tanaka of the JACL group is general chairman.

#### Body Identified

SACRAMENTO—A body found in the Sacramento River last week by a boat landing operator was identified as that of Kikuzo Inouye, 77.

An autopsy showed that death was by drowning. The body had been in the river approximately two months.

Identification was made through papers bearing Inouye's finger-prints and through a photograph issued in a war relocation center in World War II.

#### Hurt in Explosion

SAN PEDRO, Calif. — Ichitaro Morizawa, 65, was painfully in-jured when the 40-foot fishing boat, Susan, exploded on May 8. Morizawa was the only person on board at the time. He suffered burns on the arms and face.

#### CHURCH TO HOLD FESTIVAL TO AID BUILDING FUND

The grounds behind the Japa-nese Church of Christ, 268 West First South in Salt Lake City, are being transformed into an Oriental setting for the 3rd annual Oriental Festival which will be held on Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2, from 6:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the festival will go into a building fund for Sun-day school rooms.

Booths featuring the arts and culture of Japan are being pre-pared for the festival.

Demonstrations of flower ar-rangement and the Japanese tea ceremony will be given and a pro-gram of entertainment is being prepared under the direction of Mrs. Dorcas Nakao and will in-clude Japanese classical dances, exhibitions of fencing and judo, vocal selections and instrumental numbers and a skit, "Momotaro-San," featuring the Sunday school children.

Girls in kimonos will serve Ja-panese food.

Tickets will be sold at the door for 60 cents and a souvenir book-let will be given to all those at-tending.

#### Plan Recital

CHICAGO — Piano students of June Oda will be heard in a recital Sunday afternoon, June 3, begin-ning at 2 p.m.

The recital will bring together all children who have been re-ceiving instruction under the Ellis Community Center program of children's activities.

Scheduled for the program are Amy Arase, Jean Hayashi, Karen Hirota, Janice Tanabe and Patricia Nakayama. The public is invited.

#### Continuance of L.A. Group Sought

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Con-tinuation of the staff and services of the Los Angeles County Com-mittee on Human Relations was urged by the JACL Regional Office last week in a request to the Los Angeles County Board of Super-visors, now conducting budget hearings to determine coming fiscal costs for the county gov-ernment.

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### Nisei Gardener Kills Self at Seattle Home

SEATTLE — A 27-year old gardener committed suicide on May 15 by forcing his neck between the pickets of a gate near his home, according to Coroner John P. Brill, Jr.

The man, Yoshio Kawasa, was found by his wife, Mary, at 2:30 a.m. near the garage of their home. She told coroner's deputies she became alarmed when she awoke and found he had not returned after leaving early in the evening.

A note found near the body said: "I'm sorry for what I'm going to try. I'll be looking for you from wherever I go."

Coroner's deputies were told he had incurred heavy gambling debts.

### Japan Organ Student To Give Recital

CHICAGO — Hisako Ito, organ student from Miyagi College in Sendai, Japan, who has been studying at Chicago Musical College for the past three years, will give her graduation recital Sunday, May 27, at the First English Evangelical and Reformed Church sanctuary, 3062 Palmer Square, So.

Miss Ito is on leave from Miyagi College, where she taught voice, piano and organ.

She is sponsored by the Evangelical and Reformed Church. She has been studying with H. Fleischer, internationally known organist.

### San Diego JACL Is Reorganized

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Some 65 Nisei voted unanimously to reactivate the San Diego chapter of the JACL at a general meeting held here recently.

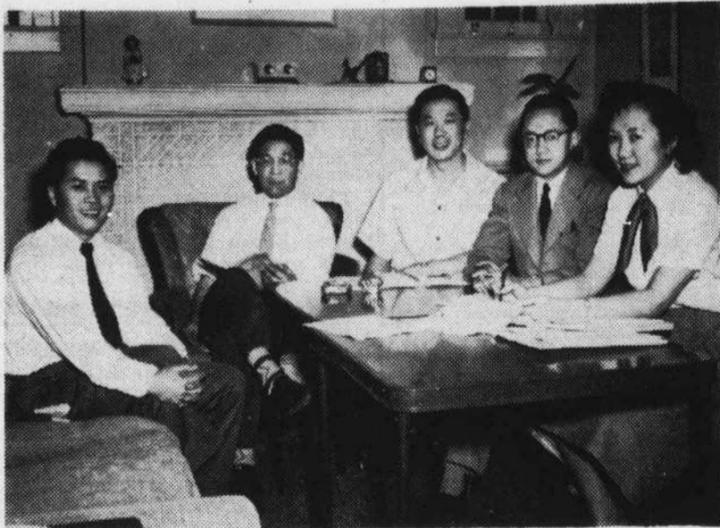
Moto Asakawa was temporary chairman.

A general meeting will be held next month to elect new officers. Dr. George Hara, past president, was named chairman of the nominating committee.

Representatives planned a coordinated program for younger members and special interest groups for older JACLers.

"The tremendous response to the first meeting is sufficient proof that there is a great need for the JACL and within a short time," Dr. Hara said, "the chapter will prove to be the most active in the district council."

### Plan Midwest Convention



DETROIT, Mich.—Delegates and boosters from JACL Midwest chapters will meet in Detroit Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1 and 2, for their second biennial convention at the Book-Cadillac hotel.

Making early preparations are members of the executive committee above, left to right: Wallace Kawaga, associate chairman; Clem Miyaya, treasurer; Peter Fujioka, chairman; Sutemi Murayama, former associate chairman, who has been replaced by Ben Ouchi; and Louise Hiraga, secretary.

The committee recently announced the following officers and committee chairmen:

Aiko Nakatani, convention secretary; Doris Fujioka, publicity chairman; George Tanaka, photography; Roy Kaneko, general arrangements; Setsuo Fujioka and Nobie Nanko, registration and reservations; Miyo Mano, banquet; Katherine Shimoura, convention ball; Lloyd Joichi, luncheon; Rosalia Kondo, mixer; Shig Ochi, discussion groups; Joe Matsushita, golf.

Louis Furukawa, bowling; Min Togasaki, bridge; Tes Tada, transportation; Ben Ouchi, sightseeing; Betty Mimura, reception. Wallace Kagawa, souvenir program; Irene Abe, date bureau; Yuri Shimokochi, church; Fujioka, Ouchi and Kagawa, general convention program; Roy Kaneko, opening session; and Clem Miyaya, budget and finance.

### Denver JACL Plans Participation in American Day Rites

DENVER, Colo. — Chiye Horiuchi, first vice-president of the Denver JACL, will head a chapter delegation to annual "I Am an American Day" ceremonies to be held Sunday, May 20, at the city Auditorium.

Principal speaker will be Judge Orie L. Phillips of the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals.

The Denver JACL has participated annually in American Day services. All local Nisei are invited to join them in the observance.

### World Series Film Shown in Fresno

FRESNO, Calif.—A motion picture of the 1950 World Series was shown at the general meeting of the Fresno American Loyalty League (JACL) at the Buddhist church on May 17.

Preparations for "Issei night" which will be held on May 26 at the Lincoln auditorium were discussed. Tom Kamikawa is chairman of the "Issei Night" committee.

Reports also were given by Velma Yemoto and Willy Suda on the JACL blood bank project, by Seichi Mikami on the ADC fund drive and by Dr. Sumio Kubo.

### California County Supervisors Endorse Issei Pension Bill

SAN FRANCISCO—The County Supervisors Association of California has unanimously endorsed the inclusion of Issei for old age pensions in the state, according to the West Coast JACL-ADC.

The group took action after hearing JACL-ADC representatives plead for the right of Japanese aliens, now ineligible for pensions because of their ineligibility to citizenship, to receive old age assistance.

William MacDougall, director, said his group had "always opposed making old age pensions available to non-citizens."

"This was primarily on the grounds that if anyone wishes to receive old age pension, he should become a citizen," MacDougall said. "On hearing the representations presented by the JACL-ADC representatives, we are endorsing legislation which will make Issei who have filed petitions for naturalization, even though they may be ineligible to naturalization, eligible for old age pensions."

The County Supervisors Association of California, composed of the county boards of supervisors of every county in the state, is considered one of the most powerful organizations with representation before the state legislature.

### Form Committee To Make Plans For Film Showing

SACRAMENTO — A committee to organize plans for the Sacramento premiere of "Go for Broke!" has been formed here by the Nisei VFW, the Sacramento JACL and the Florin JACL, according to an announcement made by Commander Yasuo Mori of the VFW and Pres. William Matsumoto of the JACL chapter.

Members of the state legislature and state, county and other officials will be invited to the showing.

Forty-two JACL chapters in California have promised their support for the Sacramento premiere, Matsumoto said. The project has been endorsed by the Northern California-Western Nevada, Central California and Pacific Southwest JACL district councils.

The premiere committee is composed of Willie Sakai, Yasuo Mori, Mamoru Sakuma, Henry Taketa, William Matsumoto, Mary Nakashima and George Dekuzaku.

### Utah Theater Invites 442nd Vets, Families To "Go for Broke!"

Gold Star mothers and widows of Nisei servicemen and veterans of the 442nd combat team will be guests of Inter-mountain Theaters, Inc., and MGM when "Go for Broke!" opens in Salt Lake City, Friday, May 25, at the Utah Theater.

Invitations are being issued for the 8 p.m. showing, according to Lou Sorensen, theater manager. Invitations will also include all members of immediate families of the Gold Star mothers, widows and veterans.

A short talk on behalf of the management will be made immediately prior to showing of the picture, recounting the battle heroism of the men in the all-Nisei combat team.

Names of Salt Lake area veterans of the 442nd will be posted in the theater lobby during the film's run.

The Salt Lake City and Mt. Olympus chapters of the JACL are assisting the theater in compiling names of persons to whom invitations will be issued.

Persons receiving invitations and unable to use them at the 8 p.m., May 25 showing may make use of them at any time during the film's run at the Utah, Mr. Sorensen said.

### Girl from Japan Wins Preliminary Round of TV Contest

SAN FRANCISCO—A girl from Japan, Kitty Ishii, won the second round of the "Miss U. S. Television" Contest sponsored by KGO-TV.

Miss Ishii, a contralto, was named the winner out of four contestants on the May 5 show.

She is the daughter of Mitsujiro Ishii, president of the first private broadcasting company to be organized in Japan, and came to the United States last summer to study voice. She is a graduate of the Tokyo Conservatory of Music and is known in Japan as a singer of popular songs.

The "Miss U. S. Television" contest is being held in 18 cities.

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