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## Utah Veteran Becomes First Nisei in History to Graduate From U. S. Military Academy

WEST POINT, N. Y.—George Shibata, Garland, Utah, the first Nisei in history to enter West Point, was graduated and commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force on June 5.

Upon his graduation, Lt. Shibata was presented with a military set case by Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, on behalf of the JACL.

A veteran of World War II, Lieut. Shibata was named to the U.S. Military Academy by former Senator Elbert D. Thomas, of Utah. He made the appointment after the JACL ADC urged that a Nisei be selected. It was pointed out to Senator Thomas that while several Nisei had sought appointments, and some had placed among the highest in competitive examinations, none had ever been selected to attend the academy.

Since Shibata entered West Point four years ago, two other Nisei have been appointed. They are: Cadet Glen K. Matsumoto, Marysville, Calif., appointed in July, 1950, by Rep. Thomas H. Werdel (R., Calif.), and Cadet Kenneth Kiyoshi Ikeda, Honolulu, appointed by Del. Joseph R. Far- rington, (R., Hawaii), last month.

Lieut. Shibata is a son of the late S. Y. and Mrs. Ai Shibata. His mother still resides in Garland. He attended Garland elementary school, and was an honor graduate from Bear River high school, Tremonton, Utah.

After graduation, he enlisted in the army. He studied for one term at the University of Idaho in the war-time ASTP, then asked for active duty. After taking infantry basic training at Camp Croft, S. C., he was assigned to Ft. Benning, Ga., for paratroop training.

His first overseas assignment was with the 82nd Air Borne division in Europe. Later he was on duty with the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, an honor guard unit stationed at Frankfurt, Germany.

After his return to the United States, he studied one term at Amherst College in ASTP, then was separated from the service and entered the University of Utah. While a student at Utah he applied for, and received, his appointment to the Military Academy.

In his first year, Lieut. Shibata won a regular berth on the class football squad, but his athletic career was cut short with a major shoulder injury that necessitated an operation.

He has been a member of the West Point Debate Council.

He has three brothers and five sisters. They are:

Joe Y. Shibata, Chicago; Harry and Saburo Shibata, Garland; Ka-

## FATHER OF HERO HELPS DEDICATE NEW MEMORIAL

FORT LAWTON, Wash.—A Seattle Issei who has lost a son in Korea joined with the commanding officer of this post in placing floral wreaths on a granite boulder at the dedication of Freedom Grove, one of the first memorials to men who died fighting under the United Nations flag, on May 30.

Koshiro Furukawa joined with Col. R. E. Willoughy in the rites. Furukawa's son, Sgt. Isaac Furukawa, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, was killed in action in Korea.

Forty-eight of the UN flags displayed at the UN charter convention in San Francisco in 1945 were taken to Fort Lawton for the ceremony.

## Effort to Revive FEPC Proposal Loses in Assembly

SACRAMENTO — In a vain effort to obtain Assembly consideration of an FEPC bill "killed" in committee hearings earlier in this session, Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott, Los Angeles, on June 4 moved to withdraw the Rumford Bill, A.B. 2251, from committee, according to the JACL-ADC.

Elliott's motion was defeated by a roll call vote of 27 "ayes" and 33 "noes" (41 votes are necessary to succeed). A.B. 2251 had been killed in the Assembly Committee on Governmental Efficiency and Economy by a 15 to 3 vote.

Supporting Elliott's motion on the floor were Assemblymen William Byron Rumford, Berkeley; George D. Collins, San Francisco; and Wallace D. Henderson, Fresno.

Opposing arguments were advanced by Assemblyman Albert Stewart, Pasadena; and Harold Levering, Los Angeles.

zuko and Kouko Shibata, Garland; Terry Shibata, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Yuki Sato, Tremonton, and Mrs. Hatsuko Fujii, Gardena, Calif.

## JACL Will Sponsor National Tour by Chaplain of 442nd

The Rev. Masao Yamada, former chaplain with the 442nd combat team and first Nisei chaplain in the U.S. Army, will be sponsored by the National JACL on a speaking tour to Issei in key cities enroute to his home in Hawaii, it was announced this week by Tom Hayashi, National JACL 2nd vice-president.

Yamada is currently completing refresher courses at Boston where he has been studying the past year on leave from his pastorate in Hilo, Hawaii.

He will tell the Issei about their sons in the war and will also explain the work of the JACL in trying to secure the things for which the Nisei fought.

"We are grateful to Chaplain Yamada for volunteering his time and efforts to help us bring about a clearer understanding of JACL's aims and activities," Hayashi said. "We know that the Issei will want to hear about what their boys felt and thought as they went into battle. No one is in a better posi-

tion to tell this part of the story than Rev. Yamada."

National JACL President Dr. Randolph Sakada, in supporting the ex-chaplain's speaking tour, said that Yamada was a hero in his own right, holding the Legion of Merit award, Purple Heart with oak leaf cluster and the Distinguished Unit badge. On one occasion, he said, Yamada approached the enemy lines unarmed, waving a white flag, in order to recover the bodies of a number of Nisei killed in battle.

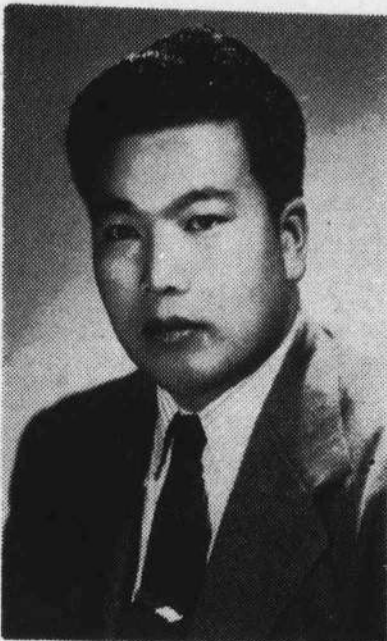
Yamada holds a captain's commission and was the first president of the 442nd Veterans Club in Honolulu.

He will be accompanied by his wife.

His itinerary has been announced as follows: New York City, June 17-22; Chicago, June 25-26; Denver, June 27-28; Salt Lake City, June 29; Portland, July 2; Seattle, July 3; San Francisco, July 4-5; Los Angeles, July 6-9.

Speaking arrangements will be handled by local JACL chapters.

## HARUO ISHIMARU TAKES JACL-ADC POST ON COAST



SAN FRANCISCO — Haruo Ishimaru, above, assumed duties as head of the West Coast JACL regional office this week in San Francisco, succeeding Sam Ishikawa, acting regional director.

Ishimaru is a religious and young people's leader and has been active in JACL and YMCA work.

## Ruling in Test Case Inspires California Bill

SACRAMENTO — Reverberations of the decision handed down last year by the District Court of Appeals in the Fujii vs. California Alien Land law case shook the State Legislature late last month into action, according to the JACL-ADC.

Fearful that rulings of the United Nations supersede State and Federal laws, Senate Joint Resolution 8, introduced by Senator Hugh P. Donnelly (Turlock) and 23 others, made rapid progress through both houses of the Legislature.

In the Fujii case, the court held the California Alien Land law to be invalid because it was at odds with the principles enunciated in the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights.

S.J.R. 8 in addition to asking that the "uncertainty in the minds of lawyers and the public" be clarified, requests the Congress of the United States to submit an amendment to the United States Constitution requiring treaty ratification by two-thirds of the entire Senate, rather than two-thirds of "those present" as now provided for.

The Resolution was filed with the Deputy Secretary of State on May 7 as Chapter 149.

## Emmons to Join In Nisei Tribute At "GFB" Opening

SAN MATEO, Calif. — Gen. Delos Emmons, ret., will participate in a tribute to Nisei war dead at the Peninsula Theater June 17 on the opening day of "Go For Broke!" MGM film on the 442nd combat team.

It will be the first peninsula showing of the picture.

Local Gold Star mothers and veterans of the combat team will be featured in a short service honoring Japanese American war dead prior to showing of the film.

The San Mateo County JACL veterans committee with Bob Sugishita as chairman is making arrangements for the program.

Gen. Emmons leads the list of JACL guests participating in the ceremony. Mayors of county cities and other city, civic and social leaders have been invited.

## Evacuation Claims Compromise Settlement Proposal Passes House by Unanimous Vote

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House on June 4 passed without a dissenting voice the JACL ADC-approved Evacuation Claims compromise settlement amendment. The measure now goes to the Senate.

The only comment on the bill from the floor came when Rep. Leroy Johnson (R., Calif.), described it as "meritorious" and urged his House colleagues to let it pass without objection.

The measure would authorize the Attorney General to settle

evacuation claims up to three-fourths of the value of the compensable items, or \$2,500, whichever figure is less, without putting each claim through the long and technical process of adjudication. Its chief application would be for smaller claims. Larger claims still would require adjudication.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said that while the amendment moved quickly through the House, he anticipated it would be "somewhat more difficult to get Senate approval."

Recommended by the Justice Department, the compromise amendment was rescribed by Mr. Masaoka as a "simple effort to speed up the payment of claims."

The amendment is no panacea for the problems that have arisen in connection with the Evacuation Claims Act, he said. "But its passage should mean a substantially faster rate of paying claims."

He emphasized: "The amendment authorizes the Attorney General to offer only up to three-fourths of the value of those items in a claim which has been ruled allowable. It does not permit a settlement on any items in a claim which are not allowable."

In making a compromise settlement, the Attorney General would be permitted to settle claims on the basis of existing documents and affidavits without requiring adjudication.

Mr. Masaoka said that before House action Monday, several Congressmen had been particularly active in laying the groundwork for the favorable vote.

He cited as "most helpful," these Representatives: T. Millet Hand (R., N. J.), Gordon T. McDonough (R., Calif.), Sidney R. Yates (D., Ill.) and William T. Byrne (D., N. Y.), chairman of the House Judiciary subcommittee on Claims.

## Pilot Faces Charge Of Stealing Plane

CULVER CITY, Calif.—Tsumoto Ben Hori, 23, was booked here last week on suspicion of stealing an airplane.

According to police, Hori told them he "borrowed" a light plane belonging to the Kern County Pilots Association at Taft and started flying south in order "to rid myself of ghosts."

He said he stopped at Compton, Lomita and other airfields in Los Angeles County and finally made a forced landing at Hughes airfield in Culver City when the plane ran out of fuel.

A passerby, Robert Smith, went to his aid and called the police when Hori told him:

"I either borrowed this plane or stole it."

## Deputy U.S. Attorney Post Given Veteran of Nisei Combat Team

LOS ANGELES—James K. Mitsumori, Los Angeles attorney, has been appointed Assistant United States Attorney in the U.S. Attorney's office for the Southern District of California, according to the JACL regional office here.

Mitsumori, whose appointment became effective on June 4, is believed to be the first Nisei appointed to this position. The appointment was made by Ernest A. Tolin, United States Attorney, with offices on the 6th floor of the Fed-

## Masaoka Will Take Part in Fund Campaign

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Mike M. Masaoka, national legislative director of JACL ADC, will leave here on June 9 for Hawaii to keynote the JACL ADC fund drive in the territory.

Sam Ishikawa of JACL ADC already is in Hawaii and has made arrangements for a series of talks by Masaoka in Honolulu and other cities.

Mr. Masaoka will meet with an Issei group in San Francisco on June 10 while en route to Hawaii and will attend hearings on the Issei pension bill in Sacramento on June 11.

He is scheduled to leave for Honolulu by plane from Los Angeles on June 13.

## War Veteran Asks Issei Naturalization At Seattle Premiere

SEATTLE—A plea for the passage of legislation in Congress to make Japan-born parents of Japanese American servicemen eligible for naturalization won a burst of applause at ceremonies attending the Seattle opening of MGM's "Go for Broke!"

Shiro Kashino, one of the three Nisei ex-GIs who were interviewed on the stage by Dick Keplinger, expressed the hope that the parents of the men of the 442nd Combat Team and of other Nisei servicemen would soon have the privilege of citizenship. Kashino, a veteran of the 442nd, was wounded five times in action.

Also interviewed by Keplinger were Kaun Onodera, chairman of the Nisei Veterans Committee of Seattle, and Albert (Lefty) Ichihara.

Among the guests in the capacity audience were Stephen Chadwick, former national commander of the American Legion, and Gold Star parents and widows of Nisei war dead.

The color guard of the 414th Battalion from Fort Lawton lent a military air to the affair.

## Utah War Veteran Returns from Korea

SEATTLE—Sgt. Saige Aramaki of Magna, Utah, is one of 3759 combat veterans from Korea who are expected to arrive in Seattle on June 9 aboard the General M.C. Meigs.

Sgt. Aramaki, a veteran of World War II, is returning on the army's rotation program for U.S. combat troops in Korea.

eral Building. Tolin indicated Mitsumori will be assigned to the criminal complaints division.

A graduate of the University of Michigan ('43) and its law school ('48), Mitsumori has been practicing law at 313½ East First Street. He resides at 745 North Fair Oaks in Pasadena.

He served as a sergeant major in the famous 442nd Combat Team during World War II.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nisuke Mitsumori of Los Angeles.



## JACL Wreath Placed on Tomb Of Unknown GI at Arlington

### Honor War Dead



Don Komai, president of the Washington, D. C., JACL chapter, and Mrs. Claire Minami, are shown with the JACL wreath which was laid by Mrs. Minami at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery during Memorial Day services.

### New York Chapter Announces Dance, Summer Outings

NEW YORK CITY, N.Y. — A pre-Fourth of July dance and two outings are planned for the summer months by the New York JACL, according to Frank Okazaki, president.

The chapter's new social committee under chairmanship of Fujio Saito will make arrangements. Saito succeeds Steve Shimizu, who recently resigned the position.

The weekly Open House at the Japanese Methodist Church will be resumed, beginning Thursday, June 14, Saito said. A reception committee will be on hand and refreshments will be served.

Members of the social committee are Ricky Suzuki, Fudge Yoshihara, Tom Enochy and Chiz Ikeda.

### 5-Year Old Boy Dies In Auto Mishap

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Kerry Marumoto, 5, was killed on June 1 when struck by an automobile as he ran into the street near his home in the Cabrillo Homes housing project.

Driver of the car, John J. Hay, 28, was not held.

## 200 Attend Dedication Rites For Fresno Nisei Memorial

FRESNO, Calif. — A monument honoring 23 Japanese Americans killed in World War II was dedicated on Memorial Day in Roeding Park.

Dedicatory address was given by Donald L. Warner, California department commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who said military history contains no record brilliant in achievement as that of the Nisei in World War II. "In the face of distrust and suspicion in many instances, of discriminations born of war hysteria and the knowledge that one of their country's principal enemies was the land of birth of their own parents, these boys wrote pages in American history which shall stand for all time as an example of true devotion to a principle," Warner said.

"More decorations a man for bravery above and beyond the call of duty than any other group of military personnel, more purple hearts, more bereaved families — these are facts supported by the record."

In regard to domestic issues, Warner warned that the security of the nation is endangered by political discord.

"Democratic and Republican leaders alike virtually have declared war on each other," he said. "The average American citizen is in the middle. More important

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A JACL wreath was placed on May 30 at the foot of the gleaming, marble tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and flowers placed on the graves of each of the 20 Nisei war dead buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

It was a beautiful Memorial day in Washington. The weather was warm and sunny. Thousands thronged the rolling grass and tree covered slopes of Arlington National Cemetery.

Every grave in Arlington was decorated by local patriotic organizations. Members of the Washington JACL chapter, under the direction of Ira Shimasaki, treasurer of the National JACL Arlington Cemetery Committee, and Don Komai, chapter president, decorated the graves of the Nisei war dead.

Flowers for the Nisei graves were contributed by Toshichi Mitoma, a prominent Washington Issei. Many JACL members also contributed flowers.

Pictures were taken of each decorated grave by the local JACL chapter and will be sent to all of the next of kin.

After the graves of the Nisei were decorated, chapter members attended the major Washington Memorial Day service in the marble, open-air amphitheater at Arlington.

Immediately afterwards, the JACL wreath was placed at the tomb by Mrs. Claire Minami, Washington chapter vice president, accompanied by Mr. Komai. The two were accompanied by a military guard of honor.

Here are the Nisei graves in Arlington:

Pfc. Fumitake Nagato, Pfc. Saburo Tanamachi, Cpl. Jimmie T. Kokubu, Pfc. John Tanaka, Pvt. Raito Nakashima, Sgt. Wataru Nakashima, Pvt. Hiroshi Nagano, Pfc. Shichizo Toyota, Pfc. Victor K. Hada, Pfc. Roy T. Morihiro, Pfc. Kiyoshi Murakami, T/Sgt. Jimmy T. Shimizu, Pvt. Stanley Takeshi Oba, Sgt. Haruo Ishida, Pfc. Tamotsu Thomas Kuge, Pfc. Lloyd Mitsuru Onoye, Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka, Pvt. Roy R. Shiozawa, Pfc. John M. Nakamura and T/4 George T. Yamaguchi.

### California Sergeant Returns on Rotation

LOS ANGELES — Sgt. Mutsuo Shimamura of Los Angeles recently returned home from combat duty in Korea, arriving on the Marine Adder in Seattle on May 29.

Sgt. Shimamura, son of Tom Shimamura, served with the 25th Division in Korea and returned on the Army's rotation plan.

still, the very security of this nation is in jeopardy.

"The survival of our nation and the means for insuring the attainment of this objective are far more important than any individual including President Truman or General MacArthur, or Republicans or Democrats."

Some 200 persons stood with bared heads as the beautiful monument was dedicated.

Plan for the memorial originated with the Nisei Liberty Post, No. 5869, VFW, of Hanford. Fumio Shiroyoma was general chairman in arranging for the construction and dedication service.

Roy Fukuda was master of ceremonies. Guests of honor included Deputy Mayor George Hartwell; Mrs. Hazel Schilke of La Mesa, California auxiliary president, VFW; S. G. Sakamoto, president, Nikkeijin Kai; Toru Ikeda, executive secretary, JACL; and Thomas S. Asaki, commander, Hanford Nisei post.

Rimban Motoyoshi of the Fresno Buddhist Church gave the invocation. Mitch Mitsunaga led the salute to the Colors. George Nishi led the firing squad in a salute after reading of the honor-roll of war dead.

Final benediction was given by the Rev. George Uyemura of the Japanese Methodist Church of Fresno.

## Adoption Group Seeks Parents for Children



A youngster of Japanese ancestry under care of the Los Angeles County Bureau of Adoptions "helps" staff members with their plans for Open House, to be held June 13 at the bureau's offices at 205 South Broadway.

The other child, in a less cooperative mood,

is comforted by Lawrence Schreiber, agency executive.

The little girl is one of several children of Japanese ancestry in need of adoptive parents. —Photo by A. Ellis Smith.

### Detroiters See Studio Showing Of "Go For Broke"

DETROIT, Mich. — Cabinet members of the Detroit JACL and members of the Nisei Amvet Post No. 147 attended a special preview of "Go For Broke!" on June 1 in the United Theater's preview room.

Special invitations were also extended to Mrs. Fern Gunkle, International Institute; George Schermer, Mayors' Interracial Committee; Florence Cassidy, Council of Social Agencies; the Rev. Honts, First Baptist Church; Theodore Bohn, attorney; and S. L. A. Marshall, former colonel in the U.S. Army and now war news analyst for the Detroit News.

Representatives of the JACL and Amvets were also invited to a press preview and luncheon June 7, held preparatory to the opening Friday, June 8.

Veterans of the 442nd combat team were invited to the opening as guests of the management. A display of souvenirs belonging to Nisei veterans was displayed in the theater lobby.

### Speaks at Graduation

EASTON, Calif. — Kiyoto Arakawa, student body president at Washington Union high school, was chosen salutatorian of the graduating class and spoke at the commencement exercises on June 7.

## Open Nominations for Annual Pvt. Ben Masaoka Scholarship

Nominations are now being received for candidates for the 1951 Pvt. Ben Masaoka Memorial Scholarship, it was announced this week by JACL National Director Masao Satow. The National JACL is acting as administrator of the fund at the request of Mrs. Haruye Masaoka, mother of the war hero, in whose memory the scholarship is being offered.

The scholarship is worth \$200 and is open to any Nisei high school graduate of this year who is planning to attend college this fall. All candidates must be nominated by a regular chapter in good standing.

The final date for nominations will be June 30. Nominees will be sent a special application form upon receipt of their names. All nominations should be addressed to the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship, c/o JACL National Headquarters, 413 Beason Building, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The scholarship was established in 1946 by Mrs. Haruye Masaoka in memory of her son, Pvt. Ben Frank of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, who was killed during the rescue of the "lost battalion" in the Vosges Mountains of France.

The original terms of the scholarship designated Nisei veterans, but in 1949, it was opened up to include any deserving Nisei high school graduate. The award that year went to Gracia Taketa of Washington, D.C., and the 1950 award was given to Ken Tokiyama of Los Angeles.

Judges for the award will be a group of faculty members of the University of Utah as has been in the past.

## Los Angeles Official Reports Few Calls for Oriental Children

### "GFB" Will Get Special Showing In San Jose

SAN JOSE, Calif. — An early morning showing of "Go For Broke!" on Saturday, June 30, at the Studio Theater is now being arranged by the United Citizens League.

The show, scheduled to start at 10 a.m., will be arranged especially for the benefit of the Issei.

A master list of all former members of the 442nd combat team is now being compiled by the UCL. All veterans of this outfit are asked to send their name, rank and unit to the UCL office, 565 North Fifth St., San Jose, or to call Wayne Kanemoto, CY 4-7656.

### Nisei Woman Lawyer Opens New Office In Wall Street

NEW YORK — Tsuneko Tokuyasu, first Nisei woman to pass the New York State bar examinations, has opened an office at 37 Wall Street with Francis J. Columbia.

A graduate of the Colorado State College of Education and Brooklyn College, Miss Tokuyasu passed the New York bar last October at the age of 24.

LOS ANGELES — Don't tell the County Bureau of Adoptions there are 15 applicants for every adoptable child.

Lawrence Schreiber, deputy superintendent of charities in charge of the county's adoption agency, says that the reverse is the case with Oriental children.

"At present there are 9 such youngsters of all ages who should have adoptive parents, yet the agency has only 4 Japanese applicants whose homes are under study or have been approved for a child," he said. Of these 9 youngsters, 4 are of full Japanese descent, 4 are part Japanese and one is not Japanese.

Mr. Schreiber revealed this information upon the eve of the Bureau's second anniversary open house celebration scheduled for June 13 at their offices at 205 South Broadway.

"The agency is justifiably proud of its achievement during the past two years, of placing a total of 301 children of all races. Of these 9 were Oriental children," Mr. Schreiber disclosed, "two were full Japanese and three part Japanese."

The county official said that the process of adoption is not long or complicated for couples "who can offer a warm, loving, secure home to a child."

He pointed out that adoptive parents don't have to be rich to receive consideration from the county agency.

"Every couple is given an equal opportunity to adopt available children."

"Moreover, the average workingman's wage is sufficient for adoptive applicants, providing the income is steady, and there is sensible money management."

Mr. Schreiber said other eligibility requirements include a stable, contented marriage of three years, adequate living quarters (the home need not be owned), proof of citizenship or legal entry, and evidence of good health and wholesome attitudes.

Interested couples are urged to telephone the County Bureau of Adoptions, MAdison 6-7761, stating their interest in adopting a child of Oriental background. An early interview appointment will be arranged.

### Gives Valedictory

LINCOLN, Calif. — Tomiko Kaneko gave the valedictory address at the Lincoln High School graduation exercises on June 8.

Hiroko Yoshikawa, who won second honors, also spoke on the program.



## Prospects Dim for JACL-ADC Proposals as Adjournment Date Nears in California Legislature

SACRAMENTO—Prospects of passage this year of bills introduced in the State Legislature by the JACL-ADC are becoming dimmer with the approach of the June 23rd adjournment date, it was indicated by Tats Kushida, JACL-ADC California legislative director, this week.

"Our bills have had unusual good fortune so far, but time is running out," Kushida said in reporting on the progress of several JACL-ADC-sponsored measures.

Bills requiring appropriations or expenditures cannot be considered until the state budget is approved, he explained. The budget bills will probably not be acted upon until the first week in June. He also pointed out that during the last ten days of this session, the Senate can act only on Assembly-passed bills, while the Assembly can act only on bills approved by the Senate.

Senate Bill 734, introduced by Senator H. E. Dillinger, Placerville, provides for state old age assistance benefits to needy Issei. The bill was reported out of the Senate Social Welfare Committee on May 21 and referred to the Senate Finance Committee, an eleven-man body which, because of budget bills under consideration, will not include S. B. 734 on its agenda before June 11.

Assembly Bill 1967, introduced by Assemblyman August Hawkins, Los Angeles, would reduce sport fishing licenses for aliens from \$25 to \$10. Passed by the Assembly on May 29, with only two "no" votes, the bill has referred to the "much tougher" Fish and Game Committee of the Senate, with the hearing date set for June 12.

Assembly Bill 2611, introduced by Assemblyman George D. Col-

lins, Jr., San Francisco, a measure seeking to reimburse Nisei who had made compromise settlement payments to the State under threat of escheat of their property, finally was approved by the Assembly Ways and Means Committee. Following a series of amendments, the bill is scheduled for a vote on the floor of the Assembly, pending clearance of the budget bills. If passed by the Assembly, it must next be reported out by the Senate Finance Committee before a vote on the Senate floor is possible.

Assembly Bill 1582, introduced by Assemblyman Thomas Maloney, San Francisco, provides for the restoration of liquor licenses held by Japanese which were revoked by action of the State Board of Equalization shortly after Pearl Harbor. Reported out of the Assembly Committee on Boards and Commissions, the bill was passed by the Assembly without opposition on May 28 and is now set for a hearing before the Senate Committee on Governmental Efficiency. Both the Collins and Maloney bills, introduced by the JACL-ADC, are actively supported by Joe Grant Masaoka, representing the Committee for Justice to Japanese Americans.

## MIT'S HOKI WINS RADIO AWARD AT BRIGHAM YOUNG



PROVO, Ut. — Mits Hoki, radio production major at Brigham Young University, was awarded a fifty-dollar KSL scholarship at the school's annual awards assembly.

Hoki will be a senior next year. He served as program director on the school station this year.

During the summer he will do part-time work as a disc-jockey at a local station.

He is president of the Mount Olympus JACL in Murray, Ut.

## Thirteen Nisei Receive Degrees At Fresno State

FRESNO, Calif.—Thirteen Nisei were among 600 graduates at Fresno State College Friday, June 8, at the school's fortieth annual commencement exercises.

Dr. George L. Cross, president of the University of Oklahoma, was the major commencement speaker.

Six Nisei received bachelor of science degrees. They were Terrie Arakawa, Bowles, biology; Frank Miya, Hanford, biology; Kazuo Sanbongi, Fresno, chemistry; Nobuyuki Shimizu, Hawaii, engineering; George Toyama, Fowler, engineering; and Irvine Yokoyama, Del Rey, chemistry.

Seven received bachelor of arts degrees: Kiyoko Asaki, Hanford, journalism; Day Kikuye Miyahara, Parlier, home economics and special secondary teaching credential; Hugh Muranaka, Berkeley, business; Dorothy Nagata, Fresno, secretarial administration; Robert Sakai, Del Rey, marketing and distribution; Masami Yoshioka, Bowles, accounting; and Kenso Zenimura, physical education.

The graduates will be honored by the Fresno State College Nisei Club at a banquet June 9 at the Hotel Sequoia. James Nishioka and Joe Inami will be in charge.

## Fresno Nisei Win Memorial Awards

FRESNO, Calif.—Helen Inouye and Suiki Mataga, both of Fresno, were announced winners of Nisei Memorial Scholarships this week by Gordon A. Wilson, chairman of the scholarship committee.

Dorothy Shinagawa of Hanford and Alma Ninomiya of Fresno were winners of the Florence Akiyama scholarship.

Miss Inouye is salutatorian of her graduating class at Roosevelt High School. She will enter Fresno State College this fall and expects to major in home economics.

Mataga is graduating from Edison High School and will major in engineering at Fresno State. He has been active in the school band, science and math clubs and the California Scholarship Federation and also won an award in English.

## Named to Girls State

DENVER—Marie Mizoue, a student at Manual high school, will attend the Columbine Girls State at Colorado Women's College later this month.

She is being sponsored by the women's auxiliary of the Cathay Post of the American Legion in Denver.

by both bodies of the legislature appear remote at this stage, Kushida said.

## Governor Long Fails in Effort To Appoint Nisei Member To Police Commission on Oahu

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—Oren E. Long, Hawaii's new governor, is trying hard to live up to his reputation as a long-time friend of the Nisei but his good intentions went awry in one recent instance, through no fault of his own.

It came about during his search for a Nisei to appoint to the five-man Oahu police commission—a choice political plum, since no person of Japanese ancestry has yet served on this commission.

For a time, it appeared that Dan Aoki, former president of the 442nd Veterans club, would be the lucky Nisei. Governor Long sent his name to the Territorial Senate twice for confirmation.

The first time Aoki was rejected; the second time his nomination was withdrawn before it could be voted on.

This unusual turn of events came after another Nisei, Joseph Itagaki, had been recommended for

the same position.

Joe Itagaki, a former member of the Territorial House of Representatives, was nominated by Governor Long's predecessor, Ingram M. Stainback, in April.

But Democratic senators protested the appointment of Itagaki, a Republican.

When Long became governor in May, he withdrew Itagaki's name along with a long list of other nominations pending before the senate.

Governor Long, a long-time Democrat like his predecessor, replaced Itagaki with Aoki, a Democrat, when the chief executive submitted a new list of names to the senate.

Itagaki was named instead to be trustee of the territorial employees' retirement system. Although he said he did not care to serve on this board, the senate confirmed him.

Meanwhile, Aoki's nomination was stalled because some senators complained the Nisei war veteran was a night club bouncer, and insisted it would not be proper to have a police commissioner who is in that occupation. His name was rejected by the senate, reportedly by an 8 to 7 vote.

Aoki's name was submitted by Governor Long a second time after he cleared up his employment status. Aoki said he was no longer employed as a night club bouncer.

An informal check among the senators showed the opposition to Aoki was still strong and he would be rejected if his nomination came to a vote. As a result the governor withdrew his nomination before it could be voted on.

Were the rejections of both Itagaki and Aoki, both Nisei, based on racial grounds? Apparently not, since two Nisei senators, Senate President Wilfred C. Tsukiyama and Toshio Anai, are said to have voted against Aoki.

The Territorial Senate adjourned without confirming a police commissioner. Governor Long is still looking for an appointee.

He can flame anyone he wishes now, since the appointment will not come before the senate until two years hence when the legislature meets again.

A Democrat, Dr. Harry I. Kuriaki, is an aspirant for the post. A petition in behalf of the Honolulu dentist is being circulated for submission to Governor Long.

## New Amendment May Enhance Chances of Issei Pension Bill

SACRAMENTO — The remote possibilities of passage this year of Senate Bill 734 to extend state old age security coverage to Issei have been somewhat enhanced by a restrictive amendment to the bill this past week, according to Tats Kushida, JACL-ADC California legislative director.

With the present law requiring citizenship for state aid, S. B. 7-4, introduced by Senator H. E. Dillinger, Placerville, was originally intended to extend coverage to all qualified aliens who have resided

at least 25 years in the United States following legal entry and who have filed their declaration of intention for naturalization. Estimates by the Legislative Auditor indicated that the state share at \$6,500,000 and the county share at \$1,500,000.

Evident that an expenditure of this scope would not be approved by the Senate Finance Committee, the JACL-ADC, in consultation with various state officials, organizations and individuals, agreed to amend S.B. 734 in order to cut down the annual cost but at the same time benefit indigent and aged Japanese aliens.

The amendment, drafted by the Senate Legislative Counsel, would still require 25 years residence following legal entry and the filing for first citizenship papers, but in addition restricts the applicant group only to persons who were evacuated from their homes in California by military authority after Dec. 7, 1941, and who returned to their residences in California prior to Jan. 1, 1951.

Since statistical factors, such as legal entry, dependency rate, and number of persons involved cannot be accurately computed, no cost estimate under the amended provisions have been released so far by the Legislative Auditor. The JACL-ADC estimated, however, that the total annual cost would be substantially below \$1,000,000 to be shared proportionately by the federal, state and county governments.

Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee is Senator Ben Hulse of El Centro. The other ten members of the committee are: Senators J. Howard Williams (Tulare), vice-chairman; Roy Cunningham (Hanford), Arthur H. Breed (Oakland), Randolph Collier (Eureka), Nelson S. Dilworth (Hemet), Fred Weybret (Salinas), and James J. McBride (Ventura).

Approved by the Senate Social Welfare Committee on May 21, S.B. 734 must pass through the Senate Finance Committee, the full Senate, the Assembly Social Welfare Committee, the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, the full Assembly and have the Governor's signature before the bill can become law.

With adjournment set at June 23, chances of passage of S.B. 734

## HEARING DATE SET ON ISSEI BILL IN SACRAMENTO

SACRAMENTO — Hearing date for Senate Bill 734 (Dillinger, Placerville) has been set for Monday, June 11 at 10 a.m. before the Senate Finance Committee, it was reported on June 5 by Tats Kushida, JACL-ADC legislative representative at the State Capitol.

The Dillinger Bill, amended to reduce the cost to the State, will restrict pensions for aged indigent aliens, providing for those aliens who have resided at least 25 years in the United States following legal entry, who have filed for their first papers, and who were evacuated from their homes in California after Dec. 7, 1941 by appropriate military authority and returned to California before January 1, 1951.

The amendment, drafted by legislative counsel, would cover persons evacuated to the two relocation centers in California, Kushida explained.

Expected to testify at the hearings with Kushida are William MacDougall, Legislative Director of the County Supervisors Association, and Charles Schottland, Director of the State Department of Social Welfare.

"The odds are heavily against

## MAUI PLANS BIG PREMIERE FOR MGM PICTURE

WAILUKU, Maui, T.H.—All of the trappings of a "world premiere" will be in evidence when MGM's "Go for Broke!" has its first showing on June 20 at the Iao Theater in Wailuku.

Ceremonies will be conducted by the Territorial Council on Veterans Affairs in Maui, with the cooperation of local groups of veterans of the 442nd Combat Team and the 100th Battalion.

An Army band will be on hand to provide music.

Hundreds of Maui men served in the 442nd and the 100th in Europe.

The picture is expected to attract larger crowds than any picture ever shown on Maui.

## MGM Producer Gives 442nd Backdrop to Nisei Veterans Group

LOS ANGELES — A 16 by 12 foot backdrop, adorned with the regimental crest of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, was presented to the Nisei Veterans Association last week by Dore Schary, producer of MGM's "Go for Broke!"

The big backdrop was used during the mainland premiere of the MGM picture at the Egyptian Theater in Hollywood on May 9.

## Cleveland Veterans March in Parade

CLEVELAND, O.—Two Cleveland Nisei veterans, Roy Matchida and Sam Fujikawa, participated in the Memorial Day parade.

Their participation was described by Gene Miyake of the Cleveland JACL chapter as another in the series of steps taken to publicize MGM's "Go for Broke!"

## Congress Considers Recess Despite Legislative Inactivity

By I. H. GORDON

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Congress began talking this week about the possibility of a month or six-week summer vacation, despite the fact that some Washington pundits are beginning to comment that it is setting some kind of a record for legislative inactivity.

The failure of Congress to act upon more than a handful of public laws during the past five months has evoked increasing comment in the capital. Such inaction has affected JACL ADC-sponsored legislation, as well as other measures.

Of the major bills introduced since January, only three have passed both the Senate and House. Only one has been sent to the President.

Still tied up in conference are: An extension of the Draft Act and UMT, and an emergency food aid loan for India. Congress just completed action on extension of the reciprocal trade program for two years.

Among the few public measures actually to have become law this session, one is the JACL ADC-sponsored extension of the Soldier Brides Act.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said the Congressional sentiment apparently is that of definitely acting upon only real emergency bills, possible action or non-controversial and minor measures while everything else is shunted aside until 1952.

However, it is anticipated that once the several major investigations "on the Hill" are out of the way, Congress could, if it decided to buckle down to work, make up in short order for its past inaction.

Mr. Masaoka said that the Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization bills probably will be considered serious enough to warrant action during the present session of Congress, although if Congress does recess for a vacation, little if anything will be done until later in the year.



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## EDITORIALS:

### Remedial Measures

Because of the lateness of the legislative hour at Sacramento, there appears to be little hope for the completion of Assembly and Senate action on bills introduced early this year at the behest of the JACL ADC.

These bills include proposals for the refunding of money paid by Japanese Americans in settling escheat cases under the Alien Land Law during and after World War II, the return of liquor sales licenses seized from persons of Japanese ancestry after Pearl Harbor, the lowering of the sports fishing license fee for the Issei and a measure to make the Issei group eligible for State pension payments.

Although these bills may not be passed in the present session, all have won the approval of the committees in the legislature which have considered them and little open opposition has developed to them.

This is significant in that California long has been the fountainhead of racist legislation aimed against persons of Japanese ancestry. In fact, the only avowed opposition has come from Assemblyman Lloyd Lowrey who, by his actions during and after the war, has shown himself to be an unreconstructed white supremacist.

The bills are of remedial nature. The measure proposing to restore escheat money affects only a few persons, but is of importance in that it attempts to correct an injustice committed against certain Nisei landholders. For a short period during the war the state pushed an aggressive campaign to deprive these Nisei of their farm property, using portions of the alien land act to prove their case. In some instances the Nisei were permitted to "settle" with the state by making large appropriations to the state. Sometime thereafter the land was made virtually inoperative by decisions of the California State Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court and the escheat actions ceased.

Affecting a larger number of persons would be the measure proposing to include Japanese aliens in the state pension plan. These Issei are excluded from such benefits only because they are prevented by law from becoming naturalized American citizens. Since the pension law exempts aliens from its benefits, the Issei are unjustly excluded.

The groundwork for passage of these laws has been laid in the current legislative session. Should they fail of passage at this time, their chance of becoming law in the next session should be stronger as a result of this groundwork.

Most significant, however, is the change in attitude of California's legislators. Historically this body of men originated anti-Oriental measures which affected attitudes towards persons of Japanese and other Asians in all the western states and even in the nation's capital. The citizenship and immigration rights of the Japanese were among national measures vitally influenced by California's legislators.

The picture today is vastly changed. The legislators in Sacramento today are more intent upon deciding measures by their intrinsic worth, not the ancestry of the people affected by them.

### No Time For Complacency

With 1951 well into its sixth month, JACL membership still lags considerably behind the 1950 figure of 10,061. As of May 8 the membership totaled 8,240.

It is only human nature, perhaps, to sink into complacency. The average Nisei has settled into a normal, comfortable existence. His immediate future is not threatened by the kind of racial hysteria that made his life a veritable nightmare in the early 1950's. When his immediate economic future, when his life and property were threatened, the Nisei felt the need for group action to win his rights.

But a look at the cold facts should serve to remind us that the basic objectives of the JACL are still far from won.

1. Naturalization is still denied aliens of Japanese ancestry.
2. The evacuation claims program is still progressing at snail's pace, and of the losses suffered in the mass relocation of Japanese Americans, only a small fraction has been repaid.

The time for action is now, while the country's legislators are aware of the tremendous wartime sacrifices of the Nisei fighting men, while they still know of the need and worthiness of the Issei for citizenship. It might be added that the time to reward the Issei with the right to naturalization is now, while they are still alive.

The Nisei cannot afford to be complacent now. The JACL ADC is fighting for adequate naturalization and evacuation claims legislation at this very moment. The success or failure of these bills might well be influenced by the support given by the Nisei.

## Writer-Director Tells Story Behind MGM's "Go for Broke!"

Unavailability of Professional Nisei Actors  
Responsible for Decision to Use Veterans  
Of Combat Team in Featured Film Roles

By ROBERT PIROSH

Writer-director of MGM's "Go for Broke!" and Academy award-winning author of "Battleground." The die was cast about a year ago. After 15 years as a screen writer, I was about to become a director, and the studio and I had agreed to the following conditions:

(a) My first venture as writer director would not have a war background because my last writing credit had been on a war picture and I did not want to be "typed;" (b) it would be made on a modest budget, (c) it would not feature any big stars, (d) the nucleus of the cast would be composed of dependable featured players under contract to the studio, and (e) there would be little or no location shooting because the studio felt it would be safer to have me on the sound stages under the watchful eye of the production department.

Everything proceeded according to plan except (a) it turned out to be a war picture, (b) the budget was anything but modest, (c) the picture did have a star in it, (d) the nucleus of the cast was not composed of dependable contract players but of unknowns, none of whom had ever acted professionally before, and (e) 90 per cent of the picture was shot on location.

In the beginning it had looked as if all the conditions would be met. Dore Schary, head of production at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, where I was employed, was interested in developing a story with a Japanese-American protagonist. This appealed strongly to me, and I tried to project myself into a Nisei character, perhaps, a university student, a beautiful girl entirely surrounded by Caucasians who would, of course, be portrayed by dependable contract players. It sounded promising, but something must have been wrong with my projection because I never found the story of the beautiful Nisei girl.

I found, instead, the story of her brothers and her sweetheart and her parents and three hundred thousand other Japanese-Americans here and in Hawaii back in 1943 when the ugly flame of race prejudice was being fanned by war hysteria. And the way to tell that story, it seemed to me, was to follow a representative group in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team as they fought their way through Italy and France... segregated Nisei troops with Caucasian officers... gallant Nisei troops, many with families behind barbed wire and under armed guard in relocation centers back home.

Mr. Schary was enthusiastic. I, of course, forgot all about my desire to get away from war stories, and he forgot that I was supposed to direct a low-budget picture featuring contract players and no stars. Van Johnson was set in the leading role, and it was decided to keep away from the sound stages in the interest of realism. "Go for Broke!" the 442nd's slogan, a Hawaiian pidgin-English expression was registered as the title.

I was in business as a writer-director, and everything went smoothly until my first conference with the casting director, a man on whom I had fondly expected to lean very heavily. Naturally, I had anticipated some difficulty in finding suitable Japanese-American actors, but I was not prepared for the blow I received. There were no Japanese-American actors, I was informed, except for a few old-timers in Hollywood and one in New York. What we needed were young Nisei of military age, preferably Army veterans, and there were absolutely none with professional experience on stage or screen, nor could any be found in amateur theatrical groups.

For a few grim days it looked as if I was going to be out of business as a writer-director. With the help of our technical consultant, Mike Masaoka, a veteran of the 442nd and now the National Legislative Director of the Japanese American Citizens League, we contacted every possible source of supply: Nisei veteran groups, business organizations, social clubs, high schools and colleges all over the country.

Applicants started streaming in to the studio, and, finally, I saw a ray of hope. One of the men interviewed seemed exactly right for a major role, and, though he had never acted before, his reading of

the part impressed us all. Hundreds of others were interviewed at the studio and then I spent a week in Hawaii interviewing hundreds more. Among those selected were a Hawaiian importer, a college psychology student, two civil service employees, a high school professor, a real estate agent and a gardener. All of them, it seemed to me, had tremendous talent and all had been more or less stage-struck since childhood.

Why had they never acted before? Because, there were no opportunities. They weren't wanted on stage or screen. There weren't suitable roles for them in high school and college plays. There was no incentive to develop acting ability, so their talents were stifled or forced into other channels. It was a joy to work with them, and it is a real thrill to see some of them going on to other things in their new profession.

Notable among these are Lane Nakano, who has played bits in three pictures since "Go For Broke!" and Henry Nakamura, who has been brought back again from his native Hawaii for a starring role as Robert Taylor's sidekick in "Westward the Women," which is now being made.

During the first week of production there were many occasions when I thought wistfully of the original conditions which the studio had insisted upon. There were enough new problems to face as a director without the added complications of battle scenes, location trips and inexperienced actors. And then it gradually dawned on me that the studio's conditions would have been a completely illusory safety factor. The sine qua non is that the new director know his characters and his locales like the back of his hand.

I do not mean to imply that the

### A Vignette:

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

By JOBO NAKAMURA

I was ready to spend a restful evening, comfortably reclined on my bed with a brand new detective novel, when soft knocks were heard on the door. "Come in," I rasped.

My friend, a yellow-haired fellow with a boyish face, came in with harried-looking eyes. "... been hitting the books hard," he explained. "Let's go up to the avenue for a stroll."

Warily I put my shoes back on and walked out with him, heading for our favorite coffee shop on Telegraph avenue. The night was warm and a legion of stars were scattered over the dark sky.

My companion was a graduate student at the university and, having done a hitch with the Occupation Forces in Japan, was particularly interested in things Japanese. He usually kept his conversation on an academic level but this night he opened by saying "I met the girl of my dreams... the kind of girl I've been dreaming about all my life." In our long talks he had previously never indicated any romantic interest in any of the girls he met on the campus.

It seemed that one Saturday afternoon he had been browsing among some record albums in a San Francisco department store. He saw this girl examining an album at the next counter. Her eyes were pretty and dark. Her mouth was slightly pursed and there was a wistful expression on her face.

My friend looked at her intently, in spite of himself, and she became aware of it. Their eyes met

## MINORITY WEEK

### What Next?

A different kind of loyalty oath has been proposed in Georgia by Representative Bush Mims for state employees.

Mims believes every employee should be required to take an oath to uphold racial segregation. Nobody, but nobody, says Mims, should work for the state unless he believes in segregation.

He's asked the attorney general's bill drafting unit to prepare legislation requiring the oath for submission to the 1952 general assembly.

It seems Mims heads a House-Senate committee investigating the State Welfare Department and found that some state employees had signed petitions for FEPC. Apparently Mims considers this highly subversive and therefore came through with his brainchild—the oath of loyalty to segregation.

### Our Althea

Althea Gibson, young Negro tennis star, will be at Wimbledon June 26 for the annual tennis tournament. She's the first American Negro ever invited to compete in that tournament.

### Hail to the Chief

Gov. Dan Thorton of Colorado is a man of principle and outspoken mind. Asked recently to extradite a Negro to face murder charges in Alabama, he said the request was a case of "obvious discrimination against a man because he is a man of the Negro race."

"I will have no part in railroad-ing any member of that race to the south on such weak and unsupported charges," Gov. Thorton said.

He said he had read the papers on the case.

"It doesn't appear that the governor of Alabama went into these papers at all," he said, "and if he did, he was at fault for proceeding."

transition from writer to director is easy under any circumstances, though I do know a writer-director who encouragingly tells fellow writers, "It's like falling off a log."

Next time I fall off a log like that, I want a parachute.—From the New York Times of June 3, 1951.

for a moment and she became embarrassed. But there was a warm smile on her face and then she looked away.

Impulsively he wanted to move over and begin a conversation with her but he checked himself fearing that this little Nisei girl would be easily frightened by a strange "Hakujin" fellow. But what could he say? How clumsy can he feel, he chided himself. In the meanwhile, he appeared to peruse through some Beethovens but kept thinking of some plausible way to meet this girl.

He looked again only to find her gone. He hurried to the next room and then to the exit. She was nowhere in sight.

He came back across the Bay and lived day to day with the thought of her. He waited impatiently until the next Saturday afternoon when he took the train over to the City and to the department store, but she was not there. He attended the Nisei socials and churches of San Francisco, peering into the faces of the crowd.

After we had finished our coffee, we walked out onto the street. The night had settled into utter quietude.

I said goodbye to him on the corner and watched for a moment as his forlorn figure disappeared around the corner.

"I wonder who she was?" I said to myself. "I wonder what would have happened if he had spoken to her that Saturday afternoon."

I went home and reopened the detective novel.



# Smog-Lites: EAST FIRST RAMBLINGS

By MARY OYAMA

At a P-TA meeting a young matron informed us of her family physician "a young Japanese doctor" (a Nisei) whom she highly regarded. Then continued, "I asked him why he had his office in that awful dump when he was that good enough to have a swanky place on Hill street or Wilshire boulevard or any of the better places. But he said that he liked places. But he said that he liked to have his quarters because he could best serve the people whom he needed the most, right where he was."

And of course, we realized that she was referring to Lil Tokio as the "awful dump" because, to her, it was the alien "furrin" section of town teeming with strange Filipino, Negro, and Mexican faces. She was seeing Minority Town through Dominant Majority eyes, somewhat in the same manner of a Nisei domestic worker riding in from the more exclusive residential sections such as Bel-Aire or Toluca Lake, to the shabbier districts where the industrial encroaches upon the old down-at-the-heel residential.

Upon entering these border-line zones of disintegration, the American Nisei's initial reaction is: "Lookit the Japs" — just like a "hakujin" or some other American. Upon immediate reflection however, the Nisei realizes with a jolt: But hey, these are MY people. And this is "Japanese town" — it isn't so bad if you work or live there and are accustomed to it.

We go down E. First or San Pedro streets enjoying the color and quaint ways of the Issei (first generation), the immaculate inviting cleanliness of the Japanese fish-markets, and Japanese book-stores filled with intriguing books and knick-knacks. Whenever we discover an interesting-looking Japanese book or magazine we regret our inability to read the language, our lack of proficiency in asking intelligent questions (in Japanese) of the Issei proprietor.

One day we saw a charmingly illustrated booklet on Kabuki drama for \$1.75 which we bought after a minor inward debate on Extravagance Or Education. Quite rightly rationalizing that sometimes the Lillies of Life were more important than Bread, we picked up the Kabuki book just as our eye lit upon another on Japanese Art. Ensued another debate—is this work another \$1.75 or not?

Shall we buy it to read, study, pass on to our sis for Christmas—clever idea, or NO for the moment? In the end we decided that we should first consult some artist friend for a reliable opinion since we were just a lay-person totally ignorant of art.

Not long after this tentative excursion into our Cultural Heritage, we checked up on our Mom's Japanese magazine which so intrigued us with its strikingly arty cover. Since we could not even decipher the title we inquired of an Americanized Issei drama enthusiast who informed us that the ideographs read "Maku-mae" (maku mah-ye), which still left us staring blankly. What does that mean—?

"Interlude" explained our patient Issei friend, "—just before curtain time."

"Oh," indeed an apt and charming name for a drama-mag.

One could always live and learn.

## "HELLO, YOGORE"

In a facetious mood at a party we mentioned something about "yogores" and "boochies" to friend Mas Kojima (ILGWU organizer) who sighed nostalgically, "By golly, I haven't heard those two words since I left Japanese town—it's been a long, long time."

To the uninitiated, we might point out that "yogore" is a Nisei American slang word derived from an abbreviation of "yogoreta nezumi" a literal translation of the American "dirty rat." Definitely a derogatory term, you apply it to some no-account as "a stinking yogore." The word is also used to describe the ne'er-do-well or toughie types amongst the younger set, thusly: "Is he one of those downtown yogores?"

Harry Honda of the Rafu Shimpo once aptly described the building leaner-owners who hang around the corners of E. First & San Pedro, in the heart of L.A.'s nihon-machi (Japanese town) as "those hand-in-pocket yogos."

Our friend Kimi from Spokane, Wash., tells us of her first encounter with the word. "One day some of our local Washington boys looked out the window remarking —'Looky, here come some of those California yogores.'" I looked out curiously wondering what they meant and what do you suppose I saw? Some dark-looking Nisei kids with funny duck-tail haircuts and zoot-suit style 'drape-shape' pants."

"Boochies" means "Japanese" people or nihonjins, abbreviated to "bootch" (bootch-style, bootch-boy, etc.), which some of the elder Japanese Issei deplore as derogatory. We do not know whether the term is a contraction of "Buddha-head" or not, but perhaps some one could enlighten us.

We have a hunch that the "yogore" (yo-goray) term originated in Southern California, or more specifically in Los Angeles.

Recently we were informed that the teenage set refer to the downtown building-leaners as "the t.b. boys"—Taul Building boys. The Taul building is THE building on the southeast corner of E. First & San Pedro, where the yogores lean, or stand with hand-in-pocket stance, "with teeth hanging out" as Jobo Nakamura once said, critically ogling the passing femmes.

## Vagaries

### Open House . . .

Video: Gloria Kanemura danced a hula with star Jerry Lester and Kenny Okamoto played the ukelele on a recent "Broadway Open House" show over the NBC-TV network. The visit of the Hawaiians, also including Queen Claire Heen of Hawaii and Barbara Scott, was a stunt to ballyhoo Metro's "Go for Broke!" . . . The Hawaiians also made appearances on a number of other TV shows, including Arthur Godfrey's. . . . Eleven-year old Chiyeko Kikuchi won a \$100 bond and a refrigerator for her dancing on Paul Whiteman's Talent Show on May 26 over WJZ-TV and the ABC network.

### East Is East . . .

Production was started this week on 20th Century Fox's "East Is East" on location at Salinas, Calif. A number of Japanese Americans in the Salinas Valley are expected to appear in the picture . . . Shirley Yamaguchi, the Japanese film star, and Don Taylor play the roles of a Japanese nurse and a GI wounded in Korea who are married and come back to the GI's home town in California . . . Originally the story was laid in a Japanese hospital but the script has been rewritten . . . Miss Yamaguchi, who returned to the United States after considerable difficulty occasioned by the fact that she overstayed her leave last time, according to the Immigration Department, is here on a 13-week permit . . . After the location shots are made in Salinas the company will move back to Hollywood for interiors at the Motion Picture Center.

### Headstone . . .

In its Memorial Day issue the Washington Post published pictures of 14 headstones of American war dead of various races, creeds and colors at Arlington National Cemetery. One of the gravestones was that of "Jimmy T. Shimizu, Washington, Tech. Sgt., 442nd Inf., World War II." Sgt. Shimizu, then 26 years of age, was killed on Oct. 29, 1944 during the 442nd's rescue of the Lost Battalion in the Vosges Mountains of France.

### Cameraman . . .

The Hokubei Shimpō adds the latest to the global itinerary of Cameraman Toge Fujihira of New York City. In the past three years Fujihira, a native of Seattle, has made movies in Africa, South America, the Florida Everglades and the American Southwest. His latest assignment will take him to the edge of the Arctic Circle to make documentary films on Alaskan Indian and Eskimo life for

## Bill Hosokawa:

# FROM THE FRYING PAN

## Susan Wins Two Ribbons

Denver, Colo.

Our seven-year-old Susan came home from school the other day, her chest less shapely but held as high as Lana Turner's. For pinned on her T-shirt were two blue ribbons, a red one and a white one—proof of her prowess at the annual track and field day.

It seems Susan is the largest girl in her class. Thus she had no great difficulty in winning the individual dash and the partners dash. These accounted for the two blue ribbons. The partners race, we were told, is performed by two girls running hand in hand. Susan virtually dragged her partner across the finish line.

The red ribbon was for "jump the brook," the first grade equivalent for the broad jump. The white ribbon was of such little importance that I don't remember what it was for. But at any rate, our Susan's athletic accomplishments made her the heroine of 1-A class, morning session, at Stedman grade school.

About the only one to scorn Susan's triumph was her 10-year-old brother Mike, a proud fifth grader, who sniffed and said: "Aw, she's just lucky." It seems that in the fifth grade events, where competition is somewhat stiffer, Mike had garnered only one white and a couple of orange ribbons.

Our Mike had his day last week-end when he embarked on his first overnight trip without one or the other of his parents. He went with a playmate and his dad up into the hills to a Girl Scout camp where preliminary work preparatory to the summer season was going on. Mike got his stuff together—including his Dad's Korean sleeping bag—and headed for the tall timber.

And what an experience it was: He saw dyna-

mite being used for the first time. ("Gee, the guy who lighted the fuse was sure brave. He didn't hurry or nothin'. There was a flash of fire and a heck of a big noise and the dirt and rocks flew up higher'n the trees.")

Before the dynamite was set off, he and his pal were detailed to drive some mules out of a corral too near the blasting operations and into another corral at a safer distance. ("Did you ever throw stones at mules? We did. We threw rocks and clumps of dirt and anything we could find and hit 'em in the rump. That's what they told us to do—we had to chase 'em outa the corral so they wouldn't get hurt. Gee it was fun.")

He heard tall tales spun by a real live cowboy around a fireplace, slept in the sleeping bag on a mattress stretched on the floor ("It was warm enough but I got all tangled up."), used an out-house and drank from a spring, ate 16 pieces of bacon for breakfast ("They were only teeny-weeny pieces."), had one grand time and came home exhausted.

At this writing Mike is scheduled to spend a few weeks of his summer vacation with Grandpa in Seattle. Grandpa is waiting to take him fishing, fill him up with steaks and strawberries, shower him with attention and otherwise spoil him outrageously. But of course that's a grandfather's privilege when he has a grandson.

Mike is looking forward to this particular adventure with mixed emotions. He's never been away from home that long. He thinks it'll be wonderful fun with Grandpa and away from his small fry brother and sisters. But he's not altogether sure.

Unless he changes his mind completely at the last minute, we'll load him aboard a plane and ship him off late this month for a couple of weeks that he'll remember a long, long time. And the house will be awfully quiet with him gone.

## Box-Score on Race Relations:

# New Stuart Chase Book Gives Insight Into Group Activities

By ELMER R. SMITH

All of us are involved in the process of interacting with our fellow human beings. This is the criterion by which a society is defined. None of us live in a vacuum in relation to other persons. Some of us may be for the time being more interested in one particular aspect of this interaction pattern than another. An example of this might be the person's interest in the interaction within a given ethnic group or with their interaction with others of a different ethnic background. This type of interest would bring us to a consideration of race relations.

The persons interested in race relations desire to know how various ethnic groups can get along together, work together, understand one another, and ease some of the tensions potentially enveloping possible serious conflict situations. A recent book by Stuart Chase entitled "Roads to Agreement" (\$3.50), published by Harper and Brothers, New York, can assist the interested person in gaining an insight into some of the recent research into the answers to these problems and many others, including suggestions for organizing active and successful group meetings and conferences.

Chase outlines and discusses the principles involved in a number of serious experiments and studies carried out by anthropologists, sociologists, psychologists, industrial relations experts, labor relations advisors and many others working in the fields of social and/or group interaction.

The main points presented by Chase center on the fact that the democratic process rests upon the freedom of discussion of citizens

Old Gold cigarettes and the national boards of the Episcopal and Methodist churches. Fujihira returned to New York two weeks ago after winding up a film assignment in Oklahoma.

## Palette . . .

Art world: Suelo Serisawa's painting, "Musical Instruments," was purchased recently for the permanent collection of the Los Angeles County Museum. . . . Chris Ishii and his wife, Ada, are going to Paris this summer. . . . Miki Hayakawa (Mrs. Preston McCrossen) is now living in Santa Fe, N.M.

Suelo Serisawa's "Puppet and Child," recently purchased by the Metropolitan Museum in New York, is now on exhibition in San Francisco at the Kenneth Slaughter galleries.

of the basic problems and policies involved in our everyday relations with people in our neighborhood, community, state, nation and the world. The days of the proverbial "cracker barrel" have gone. The vast mechanisms of mass communication have replaced or are tending to replace independent conversation and is even endangering independent judgment. We are told what to believe upon the basis of restricted and confirming bits of evidence. The independent gathering of data upon a personal basis through "talking it over with your friends in town meetings, conferences and the country store" is gone. Instead we are bombarded day and night by propaganda in support of or against a given proposition. Citizen participation in the settlement of issues of public concern is in danger of being terribly restricted if not eliminated entirely from the conduct of our affairs. Citizens must participate in the formation of public policy if democracy is to survive. Chase takes stock of the possible ways Mr. John Q. Citizen may again make his voice heard, and how he may more effectively arrive at objective conclusions and recommendations concerning the pressing problems of the day.

If we are to face our problems in a democratic manner and solve them through the democratic process a number of specific things must be accomplished. Stuart Chase outlines these main points of action as follows:

- (1) Organize groups for discussion of common problems and conduct these group meetings upon the findings of "group dynamics" as outlined by recent research studies;
- (2) Clear our communication lines along the principles of scientific semantics;
- (3) Support new and intensive research projects into the subjects of group relations, communication and group organizations;
- (4) Increase mediation and conciliation services between groups where tensions and conflicts are possible or are in evidence.

With the new tools to aid us in

our understanding of our inter-relations with one another at our disposal, the road remains open for the constructive solution of our conflicts both on the international and national scene. It is, however, later than many of us think, and we must take advantage of these tools before it is too late! This is the message of "Roads to Agreement."

## "WE, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE"

A recent book on ethnic relations in the United States pictures a selective group of people with differing ancestral and national backgrounds, and traces their successes and failures in becoming members of the various communities into which they migrated. "We, the American People" (3.50), by Marguerite Ann Stewart published by John Day Company, New York, presents the "minority" peoples in the United States through the use of stories and brief descriptions of their experiences in the settling of a new world.

The technique used by Stewart is interesting and in some instances exciting, but tends to over simplify many of the forces at work making for adjustment or lack of adjustment of the persons concerned. The book would be more useful if some specific references had been given for a follow up by interested readers. This is especially true since the book was evidently written for the reader who has not had background material from other sources. It is, however, useful for persons at the high school level of education, and it is guaranteed not to send them to sleep. The personal stories will keep the interest of most readers until the book has been finished. It can be read at one sitting since it is restricted to only 246 pages.

The Nisei will be disappointed as was this reviewer in not finding the persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States listed as an important ethnic group. As a matter of fact the terms "Japanese" and "Nisei" are not even listed in the Index. This failure to include persons of Japanese ancestry in the story of the American people is hard to understand, especially since an increased interest has been and is shown in the Nisei and their parents since 1941. All of the principles of prejudice, segregation, discrimination, and adjustment apply equally well, if not in some instances more so, to the Issei and Nisei as to some of the other groups discussed by Stewart. The author of "We, The American People" can not "beg off" with the argument that material was not available, since hundreds of articles, monographs and books are easily available on persons of Japanese ancestry in the U. S. to anyone who attempts any type of research on race relations.



# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Palo Alto Has a Future Track Star

Mits Mihara drops a note from Palo Alto, Calif., about a future Nisei track star, Yosh Kumagai, an eighth-grade student. Young Mr. Kumagai set a new high jump record in the Junior Olympics, the annual track and field meet for Palo Alto elementary and junior schools. He jumped 4 feet 11½ inches to win the Class B jump, breaking the old record by 4½ inches, and took second place in the broad jump. He is a younger brother of Floyd Kumagai, the Palo Alto high school star who has bettered 21 feet on several occasions in the broad jump this year... T. Sano of Fowler won the Class A 50-yard freestyle event in 27.6s in the annual Sequoia League swimming meet last week in Selma, Calif. Tak Iseri of the California Aggies won the 100-meter breaststroke in 1:15s in the fourth swimming meet of the Stockton, Calif., Swimming Association on Memorial Day. Iseri also raced a lap on the Cal Aggies' winning 300-meter medley relay team.

## Caltech's Karasawa Makes All-Star Team.

Honor roll: Dick (Babe) Karasawa, hardhitting third baseman for Cal Tech of Pasadena, Calif., was named to the first team of the all-Southern California College Conference baseball team last week. Karasawa also was named the co-winner of the Caltech Alumni baseball trophy... Teru Shibata, second baseman for Garfield high, was named to the second team of Seattle's all-city baseball team this week... Jim Tsujimura won a baseball award at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Ore. ... Fibber Hirayama and Howie Zenimura were two of 17 members of Fresno State's famous baseball squad who were feted at a dinner by the North Rotary club in Fresno last week at the close of their season, the most successful in Fresno State's baseball history. Captained by Hirayama, the team won 36 of 40 games, seven against pro baseball teams. Both Hirayama and Zenimura will play with the Fresno Nisei All-Stars this summer, together with Ben Yano, ball-clouting outfielder from JC, and Jim Nakamura, second baseman on Reedley College's conference champions... George Goto has fanned 44 batters in the first six games he has pitched for the Placer County JACL in the Placer-Nevada League. The Placer JACL team has a team batting average of .313.

## Nisei All-Stars Will Face Detroit's Strohs

Elimination matches will be held on June 10 and 17 in San Francisco to select an all-star Northern California Nisei team which will roll an exhibition with the famous Stroh's Beer team of Detroit, led by Lee Jougard, the 1951 ABC singles champion with a 775—highest triple in the history of the tournament. Six Nisei bowlers will be selected to meet the famous Stroh's team which is made up of "200" average or better bowlers... A fishing contest for Colorado stream trout is being sponsored again this year by the Denver JACL chapter... A six team bowling league is being planned this winter by Nisei in Washington, D.C. ... Irving Akahoshi and 24 other Nisei veterans of the 442nd Combat Team were guests of the Brooklyn Dodgers management on May 26 at Ebbets Field. Akahoshi draped a lei around the neck of Jackie Robinson in a pre-game ceremony. Other leis were given to Pee Wee Reese, Gil Hodges, Roy Campanella, Duke Snider and Cal Abrams. Watching the ceremony was Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Mrs. MacArthur, also guests of the Dodgers. The Brooklyn lost a 12 to 10 decision to the Boston Braves although they scored five runs after two were out in the ninth inning.

## Nishita Will Return to Wichita Tourney

Two Nisei players were among the individual stars of the 1950 National baseball Congress, the U. S. semi-pro championships, at Wichita, Kan., last August. They were Fibber Hirayama, who played shortstop for the Santa Maria, Calif., Indians, the California champions, and was named to the All-America team and Bill Nishita who nearly pitched the longshot Honolulu Braves to the championship. Nishita will be back again this year, since the Honolulu Braves have been certified as the Hawaiian representatives in the tournament. Originally the Honolulu Red Sox, an all-Nisei team, had first call on the trip to Wichita since they are the 1950 Hawaii League champions. However, the Red Sox have other plans, namely a trip to Japan in August as the guests of the Big Six University league... Owner Louis Fernandez of the Braves announced recently that he would have an all-Nisei battery soon in Nishita and George Fujishige, captain of the Santa Rosa JC team. The Nishita-Fujishige battery, both from Honolulu, led Santa Rosa to the Northern California JC championship last year. This year Nishita starred for the University of California Bears and was named on the conference all-star team. Nishita and Fujishige are expected to arrive in Honolulu by air from California to join the Braves on June 15... Since Nishita already is committed to the Braves this summer there's no truth in the rumor that he may sign a pro baseball contract. Although major league scouts have been drooling over Nishita, he will pitch at least another year for UC... Hirayama, one of the most versatile of ball players, pitched the Fresno Nisei to a 10 to 4 win over the San Fernando-Los Angeles Nisei All-Stars on Memorial Day in Fresno.

## Two Bowlers Enter Big Seattle Meet

Fred Takagi and Pruney Tsuji from Seattle's Main Bowl are entered in the Big-50 singles classic, an annual event which brings together the top bowlers in the Seattle-Tacoma area... One of the few Nisei now in fast semi-pro baseball play in Northern California is Jim Daijogo, second baseman for the Lodi, Calif., Moose... Wally Yonamine is finally hitting the ball after a slow start for the Honolulu Wanderers in the Hawaii Baseball League... Nisei bowlers rolled in the Women's International Bowling Congress for the first time this year and three teams with Nisei members were entered. There were Nisei girls on the Play-Mor and Aloha teams from Honolulu and on the Vogue Bowl squad from Los Angeles. Eiko Watanabe and Marge Miyakawa (whose 664 series in the mixed doubles at the National JACL tournament is still being talked about) were members of the Vogue team. Marge Miyakawa had a 470 in singles and teamed with Iris Weinfurter to roll a 1012 in the doubles. Miss Watanabe had a 497 and paired with June Jue for a 995 in the doubles. The Vogue team had a 2289 series, well out of the money. Six Nisei teams from the Seattle Nisei Girls league rolled in the tournament in the booster division... The Rafu Shimpō reports that Compton high school's star halfback, Ralph Kubota, is still in the running for

## Name Hirayama To Conference All-Star Team

CAMBRIA PINES, Calif. — Fibber Hirayama, captain of Fresno State College's baseball champions, was named for a first team outfield post on the annual all-California Collegiate Athletic Association team for the second straight year.

Hirayama last year led the league in batting with a mark of .435. This year he topped the conference in stolen bases.

## Tominaga Hurls Springfield Into U. S. Playoffs

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Henry Tominaga, a little 23-year old left-handed sophomore from Honolulu, pitched Springfield College to the New England zone championship of the NCAA playoffs with a 2 to 0 victory over Brown College on June 6.

As a result of Tominaga's hurling Springfield will be one of the eight U. S. schools in the NCAA tournament which starts next week in Omaha, Neb. Other schools in the tourney include USC, Utah, Tennessee and Princeton.

Tominaga has been the pitching star for Springfield all season. He has been used in relief and in starting roles and pitched a no-run, no-hit 3 to 0 win over American International early in May. In this game the Honolulu southpaw faced only 28 batters. He walked the first man to face him and then retired the next 27 batters in order.

Tominaga, a graduate of McKinley high school in Honolulu, was Hawaii's "player of the year" in 1946 and represented the territory in the Brooklyn vs. the World high school game at Ebbets Field.

## CHIKAMI NAMED TOP PLAYER IN NEVADA TOURNEY

RENO, Nev. — Jim Chikami, catcher of the Levy-Zentner team, received the outstanding player award as his team won the championship of the first annual Sparks invitational softball tournament here on June 3.

The Levy-Zentner team defeated Dunc's Bar, 5 to 0, in the tournament finals.

## San Francisco Team Wins First AAU Judo Tournament

BERKELEY, Calif. — The San Francisco Judo Dojo on June 3 won the championship of the first judo tournament held under the sanction of the Amateur Athletic Union.

In the meet which brought together outstanding judo teams in Northern California the San Franciscans nosed out the host Berkeley YMCA team to win the Pacific Association AAU trophy.

San Jose State, coached by Yosh Uchida, and the Stockton Dojo were tied for third place.

The Southern California "athlete of the year" award given by the Scholastic Sports Association.

## Kumagai Once Carried Tilden Five Sets

Ichiya Kumagai, non-playing captain of the Japanese Davis Cup tennis team which will meet the United States in the first round of the American zone play at Louisville, Ky., on July 20-22, is one of the great names of the racquet sport in Nippon. He was a member of the first Japanese Davis Cup team in 1921 with Zenzo Shimizu. The Japanese got as far as the challenge round when they lost to Big Bill Tilden and Little Bill Johnston. Kumagai once carried Tilden to five sets at Forest Hills in the U. S. Open tennis championships... The Japanese have sent a number of great tennis players to the U. S., in world play. Satoh, a colorless perfectionist, was asked to make one last tour of the world's tennis tournaments in 1934 since he was in order to marry. He agreed to make the trip to Wimbledon, May of that year, while his ship was sailing through the Malacca Straits near Singapore, he committed suicide by leaping off the ship. Japan's present tennis contingent is composed of veterans, led by 36-year old Fumiteru Nakano who was a member of the 1937 and 1938 teams with Jiro Yamagishi. In addition to Nakano, other members of the Japanese team are Goro Fujikura and Jiro Kumamaru, Salt Lake City in June in a Utah tournament. Expenses for their stay are expected to be covered by the sale of 150 tickets at \$1 apiece to Nisei and Issei in the Salt Lake area.

## Rosecoe Garage Wins Team Event in 1st Midwest JACL Bowling Tourney in Chicago

By RAY TSURUI

CHICAGO—Roscoe Garage of Chicago won team honors in the 1st annual Midwest JACL tournament, sanctioned by the American Bowling Congress, on June 2 and 3 at Hyde Park Bowl.

Eleven Chicago teams and two from Cleveland participated in the tournament.

The Roscoe team, captained by James Kozuma, hit a 2725 series in the team event. Marigold Arcade was second with 2704 and Tellone Beauty Salon was third with 2673. Monarch Furniture of Cleveland placed fifth with 2649.

Squad prizes were won by Tea Pot Inn and the Chester 30 Lanes team from Cleveland.

Jun Oishi of Chicago won the men's singles with a 592 series, followed by Nob Murakami's 588.

The combination of Tad Nabeta's 605 and Edo Yamauchi's 565 gave the Chicago entry a 1170 total for first place in the men's doubles. Bob Miyakawa and Sock Kojima settled for second place with an 1160 total.

Tak Fujii of Chicago won the all-events trophy with a nine-game score of 1711, barely nosing out Jun Oishi who turned in a 1709 card.

Tak Nabeta's 614 won the tournament high series trophy while Hiro Uchida won the high game award with his 268.

In the women's event held in conjunction with the tournament, Mako Ike won the singles and all-events with scores of 527 and 1496. Yuki Ikenaga and Lucy Sato captured the doubles with 976, trailed

by Yone Koga and Jane Kushino's 965. Yone Koga won the high game and high series trophies with a 212 and a 537.

Tak Hiyama and Yuki Hara bowled 614 and 437 respectively for a 1051 total to win the mixed doubles. Yone Koga and Jun Oishi were second with 1039 pins.

The Chicago Southside Nisei Men's League expressed their appreciation to the following firms and individuals for their donations in making the tournament a success:

Southside Bank and Trust, Murakami & Sons, Barry Zaiman Jewelry, Bobbett Electric Co. Marigold Arcade, Plaisance Cleaners, Seno Realty, Snack Bar, Hyde Park Restaurant, Dr. Randolph Sakada, Cosmopolitan Bank, Asia Post, Roscoe Garage, Supreme Watch Repair Co., Noboru Honda Insurance, Dane Cleaners, Hyde Park Bowl, Tea Pot Inn and Marubachi cafe.

James Kozuma and Dyke Miyagawa were the tournament co-chairmen and Ray Tsurui served as tournament secretary.

## Season's Biggest Crowd Sees Placer JACL Defeat Auburn

By HOMER Y. TAKAHASHI  
LOOMIS, Calif. — The Placer JACL team surged into second place in the Placer-Nevada League with an 11 to 4 victory over the Auburn Cubs on the night of June 2.

The Nisei team had the Cubs shut out until the ninth when Auburn came up with a four-run outburst.

The game was seen by the largest crowd of the Placer-Nevada League season and showed appreciation of the batting power of the Nisei team and their skill at running bases.

George Goto opened on the mound for the JACL and worked six shutout innings before giving way to A. Hada.

Bowen opened Auburn's final inning and worked Hada for a walk. He advanced to second on a wild pitch but was held on the keystone sack while Bernal beat out a slow grounder to third. Simmen flied to Bob Kozaiaku at short for the first out but Smith was hit by a pitched ball. Gallagher flied to left as the runners held their bases but Dick Galbreath came through with his first hit to score the shutout breaking run. Second baseman Enkoji made a brilliant stop of the ball to save a possible two-base hit. Moreno walked to force in the second run and Marshall then hit a Texas

Leaguer to score two more. Fallon flied out.

Catcher Bobo Hayashida and his brother, Jack, First Baseman Lefty Matsuoka and Outfielder Ed Miyamoto got two apiece. Bobo had two doubles while Jack Hayashida turned in a triple, the longest hit of the day. Kozaiaku had three singles as the Nisei club got to Tex Smith for 14 hits while the Cubs could garner only 8 off Goto and Hada.

Goto struck out 8 Cubs in the six full innings and issued only two walks. He worked himself out of a pinch in the fourth inning when he struck out Fallon, Bowen, and Bernal in successive order after Moreno and Marshall had gotten into scoring territory on two successive hits. Two hits and no runs for this inning.

Shortstop Kozaiaku had a great day afield. It was all Kozaiaku in the sixth inning. He handled all three grounders in deep short field and threw perfect strikes to Matsuoka at first. He handled one more in the seventh to make it four straight. Kozaiaku is beginning to find his batting eye and has hit 7 times in the last thirteen times at bat.

The Placer JACL wound up the first half of the Placer-Nevada league having played every scheduled game, while the other clubs are this week making up postponed games. Lincoln last Sunday took Roseville Merchants into camp by 6 to 4 to lead the race with 5 wins against 1 loss and that at the hands of the Placer Nisei club by a 2 to 1 score earlier in the season. Placer is in second place with 5 wins and 2 losses.

With an open date on hand before the start of the second half of the P-N flag chase, the Placer JACL is tentatively booked to play the touted Carmichael Firemen of the fast County League this weekend. Carmichael it will be remembered won its way to the national championships at Wichita, Kans., in 1947.

## Wins Degree

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Tomiye Ishimatsu of Salt Lake City will receive a bachelor of science degree in nursing education from Marquette University during commencement exercises on June 13.



## Vital Statistics

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. George Michio Nagano, Gilroy, Calif., a girl, Anne Midori, on May 22.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Gojio a girl on June 1 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Tera-nishi, Tracy, Calif., a boy on May 22.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Harada, Oakland, Calif., a boy on May 10.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Jim J. Fukusawa a boy on May 27 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Tanabe a girl on May 25 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Rene Miyake, San Francisco, a boy, Harold Michael, on May 18 in San Jose.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nakamoto a girl, Suseko Sue, on May 16 in San Jose.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Sakoda a girl on May 27 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Morita a girl on May 20 in Sacramento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Sagara, Esparto, Calif., a boy on May 24.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Chikara Yamasaki, Morgan Hill, Calif., a girl, Janet Sanaye, on May 18.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Yokota a boy on May 22 in Sacramento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ichijui a girl, Karen Kikuye, on May 15 in Washington, D.C.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Sets Ito a girl on May 31, in Kansas City, Mo.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Asakawa, Fowler, Calif., a girl on May 9.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Iwashita, San Diego, Calif., a boy on May 8.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masuo Takahashi, San Diego, a girl on May 5.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Kida, San Diego, a boy on May 7.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Koji Konishi, San Diego, a boy on May 8.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Hashizume, Sierra Madre, Calif., a boy on May 26.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kishiyama a boy in Minatare, Neb.  
To Dr. and Mrs. Howard Suenaga a girl on June 1 in Denver.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Takaki a boy, Eric Harumi, on May 14 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Nakawaki, Anaheim, Calif., a boy, Glenn Kazuo, on May 20.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Toshii Osaka, El Monte, Calif., a girl, Janet Sachiko, on May 18.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiki Tanigawa a girl, Arlene Fujiye, on May 21 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Ashimine a girl, Donna Matsuno, on May 22 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Yasutada Hasegawa a boy, Eugene Shinichi, on May 19 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Katsumi Mizumoto a girl, Lea Marie, on May 21 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Murakami a boy, William, on May 21 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kengo Mayeshiba a boy, Theodore Ken, on May 12 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Mikio Miyamoto a boy, Eric Kane, on May 15 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Harley Mori, East Los Angeles, a girl, Susan, on May 22.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masaharu Okamoto a boy, Tim Allen, on May 13 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masayoshi Henry Shimohara, Lawndale, Calif., a girl, Lorraine Satsuki, on May 22.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyomi Harano a boy in Berkeley, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Kishi a boy on May 26 in Auburn, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Uyen, Penryn, Calif., a boy on May 24.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tomio Kubo, Cupertino, Calif., a boy, Thomas Yoshio, on May 25.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Isamu Nishimatsu, Los Gatos, Calif., a boy, Gene, on May 25.

### DEATHS

Sadayoshi Izumi, 50, on May 8 in Washington, D.C.  
Kerry Marumoto, 5, on June 1 in Long Beach, Calif.  
Tamekichi Oishi, 65, on June 1 in Gardena, Calif.

### MARRIAGES

Edith Etsuko Shintaku to Tom Tamotsu Arai on June 2 in Los Angeles.  
Hideko Tahara to Shinzo Nitao on June 3 in Los Angeles.  
Katsuko Kato to Woodrow Odanaka, Chicago, on June 3 in Los Angeles.  
Margaret Chieko Nagata, Denver, to John Yasuo Inouye, Norwalk, Calif., on June 2 in Downey, Calif.  
Yoshiko Kurokawa to Iwao Matsuo on June 3 in Los Angeles.  
Shizuko Mayeda, Azusa, Calif., to Yoshihiro Nagamoto, San Francisco, on June 3 in Los Angeles.  
Yoshiko Shitakubo to Tom Tsumi Kimura on June 3 in Los Angeles.  
Alice Fumiko Wakabayashi to Hiroshi David Yakura on May 27 in Los Angeles.  
Kimi Kawano to Dr. Akira Jitsumyo on May 27 in Kingsburg, Calif.  
Florence Nakano to Tom Tsutomu Tsunoda on May 27 in Santa Barbara, Calif.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Alice Y. Miyamoto, 27, and Mit-

## Blind Stowaway Goes Home as Canada Citizen

SAN FRANCISCO — George Shikaze, 24-year old blind Japanese Canadian stowaway, left San Francisco last week—no longer a stowaway and no longer classified as a "Japanese."

George was born in Canada and went to Japan at the age of 8. Last month he stowed away aboard the President Wilson in Yokohama and was met by his parents on arrival here two weeks ago. The Chronicle noted that it was "a practically unheard of thing for stowaways to be met at the dock by friends or relatives."

But then immigration officials nabbed him and the American President Lines was stuck with him, the law being that the APL brought him into the country and was responsible for getting him out again.

Last week George's parents paid the APL for his passage, removing him from the stowaway class and the Canadian government confirmed his contention that, being born in Canada, he was a Canadian citizen.

He flew out of San Francisco by plane with his parents and will settle down at the family home in Mission City, B.C.

## Detroit JACL Will Help Celebrate City's 250th Anniversary

DETROIT, Mich.—The Detroit JACL will participate in the city's 250th anniversary celebration this summer.

Japanese Americans have been asked to participate in a program July 27 at Belle Isle showing cultures of the various racial groups in the city.

Working with Setsu Fujioka, chairman, are Mrs. Janice Ouchi, in charge of apanese dancing, and Shig Kado and Tom Hashimoto, judo. The story of the Issei and Nisei in Detroit will also be featured in the 250th anniversary celebration.

suo Fujisada, 42, both of Sacramento.

Mary Sato, 27, and David Kiyoshi Unoura, 29, both of Berkeley, in Alameda County, Calif.

Namiko Nagashima, 26, and Minoru Uyeda, 30, Monterey, Calif., in San Francisco.

Grace Nobuko Nitta, 24, Florin, and Kern Kono, 27, in Sacramento.

Akiye Amie Takahashi, 23, and Tom Fujimoto, 25, in Sacramento.

June Matsui and Koichi Endo, Long Beach, Calif., in San Francisco.

Mary Masako Omura, 20, and Oswald Y. Imai, 26, San Andreas, Calif., in Stockton.

Ruth Masako Kobara, 21, and Hiroshi Terakawa, 22, Salt Lake City, in Stockton, Calif.

Toyoko Miyazaki, 26, and Yeizi Okiyama, 31, in Seattle.

Betty Akiko Fudenna, 24, Irvington, Calif., and Henry Shoji Sakamoto, 33, Berkeley, in San Jose.

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## Detroit Council Will Sponsor Fifth Community Picnic

DETROIT, Mich.—For the fifth consecutive year a community picnic will be held by the Japanese American Coordinating Council Sunday, June 17, at Middle Rouge Park.

In charge will be Joe Matsushita, chairman, and his committee consisting of Ben Ouchi, Lloyd Joichi, Tom Hashimoto, Frank Ebisuya, Louise Hirada, Suda Kimoto, Kei Matsushita, T. Kokubo and Peter Fujioka. Ice cream and soft drinks will be provided.

The day's program will include door prizes, a pie-eating contest, tug of war, races, games, a softball game between married men and bachelors, horseshoes and a hole-in-one contest with prizes for all winners.

Last year some 500 Japanese Americans from Detroit and vicinity attended the council picnic.

## Nisei Participate In VFW Ball

Salt Lake City Nisei participated in the VFW military ball June 8 at the Rainbow Randevu, under direction of the Nisei Inter-Organization Council.

Yuriko Shiba and Hatsumi Mitsunaga, dance pupils of Hisaye Shiba, presented Japanese odori numbers.

Also participating were members of the Japanese International Peace Garden committee, who paraded in the grand march.

The program was seen on television in Salt Lake City.

## Veterans Return From War Zone

LOS ANGELES — Two Nisei combat veterans, one cited for heroism by the Army in the battle of Waegun, will return from Korea on June 9 aboard the General M.C. Meigs at Seattle.

Twenty-one year old Corp. John Seiji Akiyama, who volunteered for service at the age of 17, and Pfc. Kyo Tambara are the two Los Angeles Nisei aboard the Meigs.

Akiyama was wounded in September but recovered to return to action and was cited for bravery in action with the 1st Cavalry Division at Waegun.

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## Nisei Merchants Will Cooperate With Trade Fair

SEATTLE — Merchants of the Japanese American community will decorate their store windows with Japanese dolls, lanterns, and ornaments in conjunction with the opening of the Japanese Trade Fair, according to Genji Mihara, chairman of the Japanese Community planning committee.

The Trade Fair is to be held at the University of Washington Pavilion from June 17 through July 4.

The Japanese Community committee is considering putting up lanterns, streamers, and other decorative material along Main and Jackson Streets, the two major thoroughfares of the Japanese district.

The staging of a street dance, or bon odori, with participants attired in kimonos, is also being considered.

Mihara stated that his committee is well on the way toward raising \$2,000 for the Japanese Trade Fair fund through the collection of contributions in the Japanese community.

Japanese from all over the Pacific Northwest will attend the Fair, Mihara said, with groups expected from such cities as Spokane, Portland, and Vancouver, B.C.

## Slate Sixth Annual Bussei Carnival

FRESNO, Calif. — The Central California YBA will hold its sixth annual carnival the weekend of July 6 and 7.

Local chapters are asked to cooperate with plans of the souvenir booklet committee by sending in snapshots before the second week of June to the Madera YBA, c/o Joe Inami, 802 Washington Ave., Madera, Calif.

Concession reservations should be made by June 10 with the Clovis YBA, c/o Sus Uyemura, Route 3, Box 428, Fresno. All concession sponsors will meet June 20 at the Fresno Buddhist Church at 8 p.m. to receive instructions and assignments. Concession entries not represented will be canceled.

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## "Go for Broke!" Reunites Nisei Veterans



CLEVELAND, O. — Veterans of the 442nd combat team were reunited on Memorial Day at a dinner climaxing a publicity campaign for "Go For Broke!," MGM movie on the famous combat unit.

Guests included Judge and Mrs. Petrash of Cleveland; F. Murphy, managing director, Loew's Incorporated; and Hiro Higuchi, former battalion

chaplain.

Immediately following the dinner the veterans and their guests attended a showing of the film at Loew's State theater.

Members of the JACL were commended for their efforts in making the reunion possible. A portion of the large group at the dinner is shown in the above photo.

### Give Dates of "GFB" Showings

LOS ANGELES—Playing dates for "Go For Broke!" in the Southern California area have been tentatively announced as follows:

Vogue Theater, Glendale, June 6-26; El Miro Theater, Santa Monica, June 6-12; United Artists, Inglewood, June 6-19; United Artists, Pasadena, June 6-19; Golden Gate, East Los Angeles, June 6-12; Strand Theater, Redondo, June 6-12; Hemet Theater, Hemet, June 12-14; Vermont Drive-In, Gardena, June 13-19; Rennie Theater, San Fernando, June 13-19; Cornell Theater, Burbank, June 13-19; La Rena Theater, Van Nuys, June 13-19; Paulo Drive-In, Santa Ana, June 10-16; El Portal Theater, North Hollywood, June 13-19; Warner Brothers Theater, Beverly Hills, June 13-19; and Fox Theater, Florence, June 17-19.

The film was scheduled to show during the past week at the Orange Theater, Orange; Rubidoux Drive-In, Riverside; Fox Theater, Fullerton; and Warner Brothers Theater in San Pedro.

It is scheduled for showing June 6 to 15 in Tucson, Ariz., at the Fox Theater.

## Disregard Racial Background, Nisei School Graduates Told

ONTARIO, Ore. — Nisei graduates should pick their occupational fields without regard to their racial background, Bernard Mainwaring, editor and publisher of the Idaho Free Press, said Thursday, May 31, at a graduation banquet held by the Snake River JACL.

"There was a time when some callings were difficult for Japanese to enter," Mainwaring said, "but this is no longer true. You can now aspire to virtually any calling, to virtually any position in life."

More than 30 graduates from this area were guests of the JACL at the banquet, which marked the sixth annual graduation dinner held by the chapter.

Mainwaring told his listeners they owed a responsibility to their own minority group. "If you fail as a citizen, your failure will reflect on your group," he said.

Special recognition was given to Miyako Inouye of Ontario, winner of the Conway award for outstanding citizenship, scholarship and leadership. Also honored were Ayako Terada, valedictorian of the Vale graduating class; John Yamada, salutatorian of the Vale class; and John Kaku, salutatorian of the Weiser graduating class.

Tom Iseri, president of the Snake River JACL, welcomed the graduates. Charles Watanabe, Ontario, responded for the graduates.

John Watanabe of Payette, toastmaster, introduced the graduates.

Graduates were Jean Murata and Ken Murata, New Plymouth; Nellie Fujii, Ruth Fujii, George Hishinuma, Miyako Inouye, Danny Mio, Mary Morikawa, Anne Morishita, Sakae Nagaki, Michi Nakamura, Marianne Rikimaru, Lily Sato, Mineo Shimooka, Lefty Shoda, Jim Wada and Charles Watanabe, Ontario; Shig Okuda, Payette; Alyce Enoki, Jimmy Kurata, Sam Maruoka, John Tameno, Ayako Terada and John Yamada, Vale;

Nobuko Arima, John Kaku, Helen Kido, Dean Nakao and Henry Odate, Weiser; Kaz Kato,

Oregon State; Mitsie Nagasaka, University of Oregon; A. Komatsu, University of Minnesota; Mae Hironaka, Jackson Business University; and Ida Nukida, Emanuel School of Nursing.

The Rev. Norio Yazaki gave the invocation. Frank Sakata, general chairman, introduced the following special guests: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sanquist, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Gallagher, Mr. and Mrs. Don Lynch, Dr. and Mrs. James Flanagan and Mr. and Mrs. Mainwaring.

Dinner music was furnished by Hayden Simpson, Bill Wagner and Charlotte Green.

### Venice Chapter Holds Installation

VENICE, Calif. — Installation services of the 1951 Venice JACL Cabinet were scheduled for Friday, June 8, at the Moose Lodge in Santa Monica.

Dr. Roy Nishikawa, National JACL treasurer, installed the following officers:

Kenich Onishi, pres.; Mary Wakamatsu, 1st vice-pres.; Toshikuki Tomita, 2nd vice-pres.; Aiko Imazu, 3rd vice-pres.; Mary Yamoto, rec. secy.; Mikiko Chikawa, corr. secy.; Osamu Yumori, treas.; and James Yasuda, auditor.

Square and social dancing were also on the program.

### Barbecue Held

SAN JOSE, Calif. — The June meeting of the United Citizens League (JACL) was scheduled for June 8 at the Wiland barbecue gardens.

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## Sacramentans Honor Nisei GIs At Opening of 442nd Picture

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Civic and military leaders joined with the Japanese American community in honoring Nisei war dead in ceremonies held June 6 in conjunction with the opening of "Go for Broke!" at the Fox Senator Theater.

The Sacramento JACL, the Florin JACL and the Nisei VFW Post 8985 held a dinner honoring Gold Star mothers prior to the showing.

Heading the list of special guests were Major Gen. Curtis D. O'Sullivan, adjutant general of the California National Guard, Lieut. Gov. Goodwin Knight, Sen. Earl Desmond, Assemblymen Gordon Fleury and Moss, Jr., County Supervisor Kelly, Mayor Ber Geisreiter, City Manager Bart Cavanaugh, Bob Takahashi and Tats Kushida of the JACL, VFW State Commander Warner, Bob Ely, Weinheimer, Darold DeCoe, Sr., Darold DeCoe, Jr., Ray Williams, Ray Fleming, Warren Childs and J. G. McDuffie. The American Legion was represented by A. A. Cordell.

Eight local ministers were guests of the three sponsoring groups, as were representatives of the Sacramento Bee, the Sacramento Union, the Nichiei Times and the Hokubei Mainichi.

Henry Taketa was toastmaster at the dinner. The program included an address by Mayor Geisreiter, a transcription of an address by Gen. Mark Clark and musical selections.

The VFW auxiliary and women of the JACL presented corsages donated by Tosh Kiino to the Gold Star mothers.

Following the dinner guests of honor moved in a 20-car caravan escorted by city police to the Senator Theater, where an opening ceremony was held on stage. Darold DeCoe, Sr., past national commander of the VFW, was master of ceremonies for the theater program.

Gen. O'Sullivan addressed the audience, after which gold stars were presented to the Gold Star mothers.

The theater management donated 140 lounge seats for the opening performance of the MGM film for special guests. Theater Manager Brodie arranged for the seats.

Committee members making arrangements for the dinner and program included Gene Okada, Shig Sakamoto, George Dekuzaki, Willie Sakai, Bill Matsumoto, Mamoru Sakuma and Ginji Mizutani.

The four branches of the armed forces, the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force, were represented in the color guard and escorts at the theater.

### Payette Youth Is Gem State Delegate

PAYETTE, Ida.—George Yasuda of Payette was selected as a delegate to Gem Boys' State in Boise June 3 to 9. He was sponsored by the Snake River JACL.

Yasuda will be a senior this fall at Payette High, where he was elected class president.

## Nisei Grocer Wins Fight To Buy Store

LOS ANGELES—The story of a Nisei businessman's fight against prejudice in opening a grocery store in Bell Gardens, a Los Angeles suburb, was told on June 1 in the Rafu Shimpo.

Albert T. Hirota and his father-in-law, H. Yonenaka, have successfully overcome discriminatory pressures and the threat of a \$45,000 damage suit in opening their Bell Gardens store.

The legal tug-of-war involving Hirota and Yonenaka started on May 21 when "Red" Bonham, then owner of the grocery and butcher shop, entered escrow to sell his property to Hirota. Bonham met opposition from Ernest Reed of the O. C. Beck Co. who asserted that the former would be liable to a damage suit if he violated the clause in the restrictive covenant covering the property which prohibited sale to a person not of the Caucasian race.

Reed allegedly declared that if Hirota took possession of the property he would not have a clear title because the escrow company would see to it that it was clouded.

On May 28 the case was brought to the attention of Dale Gardner, executive secretary of the Los Angeles County Committee on Human Relations.

Gardner, together with Hirota and Yonenaka, conferred with the persons involved in the case and also spoke with several clergymen in the Bell Gardens area.

"They (the clergymen) pledged full support to combat rumors which would increase prejudice in the community," Gardner said. "The immediate neighbors also gave proof of their democratic faith."

The transaction was consummated in a matter of hours that same evening with Bill Mechem, a broker, handling the deal. Inventory was taken and Hirota and Yonenaka opened for business the next morning.

"We have faith in the American principles of justice and fair play so we knew we would win out in the end," Hirota added. "Our business is better than expected. We are really happy here."

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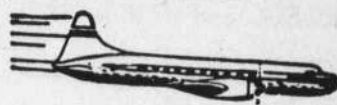
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