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Southwest District Favors Chapter Assistance to Expedite Compromise Plan

LOS ANGELES—JACL chapters of the Pacific Southwest District Council met Sept. 9 in the Miyako Hotel to discuss with National Director Masao Satow JACL policy on chapter services under the new evacuation claims procedures.

Recent enactment of legislation authorizes the Department of Justice to make compromise settlements on evacuation claims to expedite the payment of awards. New affidavit forms and claims schedules are being sent to all claimants by the Department.

Following considerable discussion as to the extent of competent assistance which chapters could render to claimants under this new procedure, the chapters represented unanimously voted to recommend that printed Japanese translations of the new forms be prepared by the JACL and made available to the public, and that JACL chapters arrange local public meetings for the purpose of providing the public with information and translated forms.

Nisei attorneys will be present at these public meetings to explain the new compromise settlement program and the nature of compensability of the numerous types of claims so far adjudicated by the Department of Justice.

"Because of the legal nature of these forms, which in effect are a short cut to immediate or early payment on claims, the JACL chapters of the Pacific Southwest District Council feel that they cannot extend chapter services beyond informational assistance at public meetings," said Ken Dyo, PSWDC chairman.

He explained that assistance in filling out forms, as was given by many chapters when the claims were originally filed to protest the rights of the claimants, could not be properly rendered by voluntary chapter workers for these compromise settlement forms, involving as they do legal problems.

PSWDC chapters were represented by the following: Ken Onishi, Venice; Mac Shintaku, East L.A.; Hitoshi Nitta and Ken Uyesugi, Orange County; Harry Miyake, Santa Maria Valley; Fred Ikeguchi and Momota Okura, Long Beach; Henry Ishida, Gardena; Harry K. Honda, Downtown L.A.; Tut Yata and Saburo Kido, Southwest L.A.; Lillian Nakaji, Santa Barbara; Genji Kawamura, Arizona; Jack Izu, George Shibusawa and Tom Sakai, Coachella Valley.

JACL board and staff members present were Frank F. Chuman, national first vice president and chairman of the JACL evacuation claims committee; Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national treasurer; George Inagaki, national chairman of the Thousand Club; David McKibbin, special counsel on evacuation claims; Ken Dyo, PSWDC chairman, who also represented the Pasadena chapter; and Tats Kishida, regional director.

North California JACL Heads Discuss Evacuee Claims Law

SAN FRANCISCO—JACL leaders from the Northern California-Western Nevada district and Central California met with Mike Masaoaka, ADC director, on Saturday, Sept. 8, to discuss various aspects of the evacuation claims compromise bill.

The meeting, called especially to determine what JACL services should be extended to claimants, was attended by chapter presidents, Nisei attorneys, and members of the evacuation claims committee and the NCWN cabinet. Also present were Sam Ishikawa, JACL associate director; Toru Ikeda, regional director from Central California; and Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California regional director.

Ishimaru pointed out that district council delegates in Stockton on Sept. 2 agreed unanimously that local chapters would give as much assistance as possible to claimants

U. S. Recruits Nisei Linguists For Overseas

LOS ANGELES—Nisei translator-interpreters are being sought for Civil Service appointments in the Far East, it was announced by the JACL regional office this week.

Numerous positions will be available for citizen males, ages 21-55, who can speak, read and write Japanese. Similar positions are being sought for those skilled in other languages. Four years of experience in similar work is preferred.

A CS-7 rating will be given appointees, whose annual salary will be \$3825, based on a 40-hour week. Appointees must also pass a government physical examination.

Transportation will be provided by the Government and government living quarters will be available at \$13 a month for single occupancy. Families of appointees may not accompany them, due to the current housing shortage.

Mr. Malloy and Major Arthur Lilley will be an hand to interview applicants from September 13, and a Nisei recruiter, Jaxon Sonoda, will interview from September 17. They will be at the office of the California State Employment Service, 525 South Flower Street.

Pacific Southwest To Hold Convention In Orange County

SANTA ANA, Calif.—The second biennial postwar convention of the JACL Pacific Southwest district council will be held this year at Santa Ana on Nov. 17 and 18, according to Hitoshi Nitta, president of the Orange County host chapter.

Convention headquarters will be the newly-built YWCA building, fast becoming one of the most popular public meeting places in the county.

The committee selected the Santa Ana YW for its facilities, size and convenience, Ken Uyesugi, convention chairman said.

Uyesugi said official delegates will have the opportunity to enjoy as many convention events as booster delegates. A program of events will be announced in the near future.

in filling out the new compromise claims forms.

It was suggested, however, that because of the complexity of the new forms, persons who had previously retained attorneys be advised to consult them for further services.

Masaoka said that the Department of Justice will send only one copy of each of the new forms to each claimant. It was announced that the JACL will translate the forms into Japanese and provide work sheets.

Masaoka warned that only the official form provided by the Department of Justice will be accepted by the department. Neither the translation nor the work sheet will be acceptable, he cautioned.

Florence Ohmura, San Francisco JACL treasurer, acted as secretary for the meeting. Minutes will be sent to all those who attended.

Daughter of Japan Premier Visits Bedridden Nisei

MENLO PARK, Calif.—A bedridden 14-year old Nisei girl played hostess last week to the daughter of the Premier of Japan.

Teriko Kaneko chatted for 20 minutes last week with Mrs. Kasuko Abe, 35-year old daughter of Premier Shigeru Yoshida.

Informed by a friend, Mrs. Robert E. Franck of Palo Alto that Miss Kaneko has been bedridden for the past two years by a spinal ailment, Mrs. Abe immediately made arrangements to visit the girl.

Mrs. Abe put the Nisei girl at ease with accounts of her five children's life in Japan and imparted the information she was returning with Hopalong Cassidy shirts, pistols and gunbelts for her sons, Taro, Jiro and Hutaka.

She said her sons were "old Hopalong fans."

Two Nisei GIs Hurt in Action In Korean War

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Department of Defense reported two Nisei casualties in the Korean area the past week, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee announced on Sept. 11.

WOUNDED:

Sergeant Scott S. Sagawa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kiichi Sagawa, Route 1, Box 496, Glendale, Arizona.

Private First Class Kiyoshi Kato, son of Mr. and Mrs. Seichichi Kato, Rt. 8, Box 583, Stockton, Calif.

Report Maui Soldier Killed in Korea

HONOLULU — Pfc. Nobuyuki Takeshita of Maui was killed in action in Korea recently, according to U.S. Army headquarters at Fort Shafter.

Pfc. Takeshita's next of kin is his father, Mitsuo Takeshita of Waiakoa, Kula, Maui.

Army Award Given Nisei Soldier for Heroism in Korea

SACRAMENTO — Pfc. Tadashi R. Shimosaka, son of Mrs. Haru Shimosaka, recently was awarded the Bronze Star medal for heroism in action in Korea.

The Army cited Pfc. Shimosaka for "selfless heroism" in going to the rescue of two soldiers who were exposed to enemy fire on March 10 near Tuckto, Korea. The Nisei soldier assisted the two men to safety despite the fact that he was hit by artillery fire.

Honolulu Sergeant Wins Silver Star

WITH THE 3RD DIVISION, KOREA—Sgt. 1st Cl. Henry Yoda of Honolulu recently was awarded the Silver Star, the nation's third highest decoration, for gallantry in action in Korea.

The action for which he won the award took place May 25, 1951, when his company launched an attack against enemy positions near Habae-jae, Korea.

Sgt. Yoda's platoon, comprised of Korean personnel, encountered intense enemy fire and was stopped. Although exposed to enemy fire, the Nisei sergeant walked among his men and encouraged them to renew the assault.

The ROK soldiers, inspired by Sgt. Yoda's action, moved forward, engaged the enemy and captured the stronghold.

Receives Bronze Star

NAPUNJA, Okinawa — Sgt. Yoshinobu Teruya, Honolulu, received the Army's Bronze Star for combat heroism in Korea in a ceremony which was held here recently.

Local JACL Chapters May Hold Claims Clinics to Interpret New Regulations

Services to be offered by the National JACL and local chapters in the filing of claims under the compromise settlement bill were defined this week by Masao Satow, national director.

Satow said the National JACL will provide Japanese translations for the new claims form and provide duplicate forms to be used as work sheets.

Local chapters will distribute the translations and work sheets, hold forums or clinics to explain the new claims program and some will provide secretarial and translation services.

These decisions followed meetings in San Francisco and Los Angeles last weekend of JACL leaders seeking to determine the extent of JACL aid to individual claimants. District councils in the Midwest, Pacific Northwest, Intermountain, Pacific Southwest and Northern California-Western Nevada also discussed the problem at recent meetings. Most delegates asked that local JACL chapters provide special services, including secretarial and translating help.

Satow said the National JACL decided to issue a Japanese translation for the claims applications because the government has not indicated it will provide them.

He warned that neither the translated form or the duplicate work sheet should be sent to the Department of Justice, since only the application issued by the department will be acceptable. The JACL forms will be marked to indicate their JACL-ADC origin.

A waiver, to be signed by each claimant receiving local chapter services, will also be provided by the National JACL. The waiver will state that the claimant understands that services of the local chapter are of voluntary and non-legal nature and that the chapter will not be held responsible in any way for the final amount received in adjudication of the claim.

Satow recommended that local groups hold general meetings or clinics on evacuation claims to explain the new compromise settlement program, and added that a qualified attorney should be present to answer any questions that arise.

He said all claimants who filed their original claims through an attorney should be advised to consult the attorney again in filing of the compromise claim. Claimants should be informed that this

additional service on the part of the attorney should be at no additional charge, since the lawyers are limited by law to a maximum of 10%.

Persons filling out business, land, building or crop schedules should also be advised to consult attorneys.

Satow said that services to be offered by any JACL would be determined in large part by the extent of its services in filling out of the original claims.

He said, however, that at the most, chapters should limit their services to distributing forms, giving information regarding the program in general, and supplying of secretarial and translation services.

He suggested that local chapters might arrange for having a notary public present to notarize the affidavits.

He emphasized that no chapter should provide more than the services defined above, unless it is prepared to do so under competent legal advice.

He also warned against any chapter representative suggesting a compromise settlement figure for any claimant and against the giving of any specific advice on which items might be compensable.

Claimants must also be advised that the compromise settlement plan is a voluntary one and that no claimant is required to accept the compromise formula. Those wishing to file under its terms, however, should be encouraged to ask for the maximum to which they believe they are entitled.

A memorandum on claims services will be issued to all chapters this week with an application blank specifying the number of translations, work sheets and waiver forms desired by the chapter. The form should be filled out and mailed immediately to JACL national headquarters, Satow said.

Government Approves Claim For Loss of Stored Property

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Loss through expenditures for the rent of claimant's residence and place of business, for repairs to his machinery that had been damaged during his absence, and for loss through theft are compensable items under the evacuation claims law, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was advised by the Department of Justice this week.

This interpretation was made in an award involving the community property of a San Francisco couple.

Because of their impending evacuation, claimants stored certain personal property in the portion of a building which had been occupied continuously by them since 1916 as a place of residence. All doors and windows were securely locked, and when the shop, which was the first of five rooms used by them, was later rented by their permission, the door communicating with the shop was boarded up. When they returned, they found another family occupying all five rooms and their personal property gone. The claimants tried to recover this property but were unable to do so.

When they left for the Tanforan Assembly Center, the husband-claimant left his shoe repair machinery in the portion of the building that had been continuously used by him as a shoe shop since 1916 and the entrance to the shoe shop was also securely locked.

For a number of years prior to

evacuation, the claimants had paid a monthly rental for the five rooms, including the shoe shop. Before evacuation, they made an agreement with the owner of the building to pay a certain annual rental, expressly reserving to themselves the right of re-entry upon their return, and paid this annual rent from April 26, 1942 to October 26, 1945.

About a year before the claimants returned, the owner, with their permission, sublet the shoe shop alone, together with the right to use the machinery, to various third parties and retained the income thus received. The claimants consented to this arrangement because the owner was insisting upon a larger rental and the claimants desired to protect their right of re-entry.

The claim was for the loss of the stored personal property, the cost of repairing the damaged machinery, and of the rental to retain their right of re-entry.

The difficult question in this claim concerned the rental paid to preserve the right of re-entry upon their return to San Francisco and whether this constituted a "loss" allowable under the Act.

The government conceded that it was reasonable for the claimants to pay this annual rental in order to preserve the right of re-entry, for continuous business at the same address for 26 years had given his lease in a crowded city added value that he did not want to sacrifice.

"Moral and Financial Obligation" The Misumis and Takahashis Will Be Repaid by U. S. for Losses in 1942's Evacuation

(Ed. note: This article which appeared in the San Francisco Chronicle of Sept. 4, in an edition celebrating the opening of the Japanese Peace treaty Conference, describes the United States government's program for the payment of evacuation losses to persons of Japanese ancestry and contrasts the difference in the treatment of the Japanese American population between 1942 and 1951.)

By DICK HEMP

The United States Government last week began to lighten its conscience with regard to a little dark-haired widow, classified as Enemy Alien No. 3878709.

For the American people her case represented a fraction of the greatest program of moral and financial obligation after waging a victorious war. It came as a result of the largest mass evacuation in our history.

Before a Justice Department attorney in San Francisco came Toyo Misumi, 63, native of Kumamoto, Japan, who timidly presented her bill to the United States: \$9204.24.

This was the value of the loss—the property loss only—which she said was suffered by her husband when, on April 7, 1942, the Misumis were plucked from their home at 429 Spruce street, and their business at 223 California street, and were transported to an isolated barrack camp at Gila River, Ark.

Payment to Mrs. Misumi, and to some 27,000 other persons of Japanese ancestry who have filed a total of more than \$133,000,000 worth of claims, is authorized by a relatively brief document, Public Law 886 of the Eightieth Congress.

It empowers the Attorney General to decide certain claims for damage to, or loss of, real or personal property that is "a reasonable and natural consequence" of war-time evacuation by military order from the West Coast.

It applies to residents of Japanese ancestry, citizens and aliens alike. In the case of Mrs. Misumi it applies to a woman who has lived in this country for 32 years, and it applies to her husband who came to California from Nagasaki in 1898, Americanized his name to Harry, opened a little camera shop in San Francisco, was relocated with his family during the war, and died of cancer after his release from camp—where Government doctors had diagnosed his ailment as stomach ulcers.

Mrs. Misumi came for justice to a ninth floor office at 833 Market street. She came as an enemy and an alien, and though the first term will be lifted from her after the peace treaty sessions in the Opera House this week, she still will be ineligible for citizenship because of her birth in Japan.

She was met by Paul Burke, a young Government attorney who flew Navy torpedo bombers in the war against her country but who approaches Japanese claims with the theory that "if firemen destroy a man's house to keep the fire from spreading, that man should be compensated."

He patiently questioned her, and through an interpreter — Francis Oka — Mrs. Misumi attempted to prove the value of her husband's cameras, photo supplies and other equipment that were lost, stolen or hastily sold to unscrupulous second-hand dealers at what the Government calls "depressed market values" in a period of hysteria and vandalism.

Again and again the widow admitted she couldn't remember what had been the age, condition or purchase price of such items as a water pump, air blower, cash register, paper cutter, wooden sink . . . and quite honestly she said her husband took care of those things, and he was dead. On many details she said her memory was faulty because:

Watakushi-tachi wa tachinoki no toji wa dochiraka to ieba kimochi ga konran shite imashita.

As Oka earnestly told the Government attorney, she meant, "We were rather upset at the time of our evacuation." But she remembered how on the very day the

family was packed off to the Tanforan assembly center a representative of the American Trust Co. arrived and drove away in the Misumis' 1938 sedan, figuring they would never be able to finish the payments. He was right.

The post-Pearl Harbor problems of the Misumis were shared, in varying degree, by some 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry on the West Coast who—charged with no specific crime and granted no hearings—were shipped inland as "an absolute military necessity." These people ranged from 90-year-old immigrants (Issei) who had lived here perhaps 60 years and considered themselves Americans, to American citizens (Nisei) and even young citizens in arms of the third generation (Sansei).

They left more than \$200,000,000 worth of property behind them; most of them are still alive and in this country, but not all who were eligible filed for claims under Public Law 886. William H. Jacobs, attorney in charge of the Department of Justice's Claims Division office in San Francisco, was told by two men: "The United States Government owes us nothing."

One said he had never been able to afford an operation, but it was performed by a Government physician in relocation camp. The other was trained as an auto mechanic during his internment and now makes his living by that trade.

For most of the thousands of others who have asked this Government for recompense, it is a slow process. Though the law to decide these claims has been on the books for three years, hardly more than \$100,000 has been paid to date. Some 9000 persons have filed claims through the San Francisco office, and only 150 have received checks. In Los Angeles, the only other field office in the country—which like San Francisco maintains a staff to interview claimants, check their statements and forward recommendations to Washington—maybe twice as many have been paid.

Jacobs readily admits he first contemplated a five-year program and now it looks as if it will take 20 years and "a great number of the claimants will be dead."

But he can explain this snail-like pace of justice, citing administrative funds for the program of less than \$250,000 a year; only two field offices in the United States when branches are needed in such cities as Denver, Chicago and Detroit; lack of personnel to conduct interviews and investigate claims.

And, Jacobs insists, "We aren't trying to make a showing of how much money is paid out. We have taken the small claims first because they can be disposed of more quickly and many needed legal precedents can be established." Some of the knotty legal problems which have confronted the Department of Justice in these claims and which have slowed processing include:

Is the Federal claim itself community property under California law? (Yes) Can a claim be inherited without the administration of an estate, a legal custom not generally practiced by Japanese? (Yes.) If a person died before pas-

New York Nisei Group Entertains GIs at Dance

NEW YORK—Members of New York's Nisei Service Organization played host and hostess to some thirty-five G.I.'s at a fund-raising Labor Day Dance held at the Central YMCA on Sept. 1.

The boys represented five camps: Kilmer, Monmouth, Hamilton, Aberdeen, and Holabird. A basketball team comprised of the combined camps headed by Pvt. George Gee, played a game against a Chinese American squad earlier in the day.

Florence Kozuma, social chairman, announced at the dance that on Sunday, Sept. 16, the G.I.'s are being extended an open invitation to an all-day boat-ride and picnic by the 442 Association. The boys were asked to meet at the 42nd Street and Hudson River embarkation point at 9 a.m.

Servicemen from Vint Hill Farms, Virginia, who missed the dance, enjoyed an outing to the Palisades Amusement Park on Monday.

Because of the shortage of hostesses, the NSO is again asking the Nisei organizations in New York City for greater support and cooperation. Interested parties or individuals may contact President Sadie Kuratomi by calling Columbus 5-3633, or Haruo Yanagi, at Monument 3-7030.

sage of the act is his right inheritable? (Yes, as in the case of Mrs. Misumi.)

Jacobs mentioned another source of delays. "The claimant comes into the office," he said, "and in theory he should prosecute his claim. But in practice he sits still. He doesn't know where to start. Our attorneys assist them by asking questions which will develop their case, and this is a curious legal burden that slows processing. Our attorneys are usually trained for adversary work, but here they try to protect the Government and the claimant at the same time. It is a concept you don't usually meet in Government work . . ."

"A Caucasian would try to prove to the hilt his claim, but with a Japanese we have to tell him how to get evidence and even assist him in getting it. He is particularly baffled because the primary evidence of nine years ago is not readily available and he has to obtain secondary evidence."

This evidence relates to all the belongings that one might have, and on which the Government must determine a fair market value existing in 1942 by checking the records of reliable dealers, price lists, farm implement catalogues and dozens of other sources. It is one of the most difficult appraisals known, and must be accomplished by evaluating a mass of different property—much of which can't be seen and can only be verbally described. A claim might contain these items:

Insurance policies (which had to be forfeited or surrendered for their cash value), samurai swords, oriental art objects of all kinds, automobile, bicycle, jewelry, sewing machine, sake jugs and cups, kimonos and obis, Japanese dolls, Japanese bows and arrows (the highly prized Yumi-no-Dogu), Japanese fencing equipment, brazier, mosquito netting, garden hose, hand-crocheted pillows, electric shavers, frogs, chickens and rabbits.

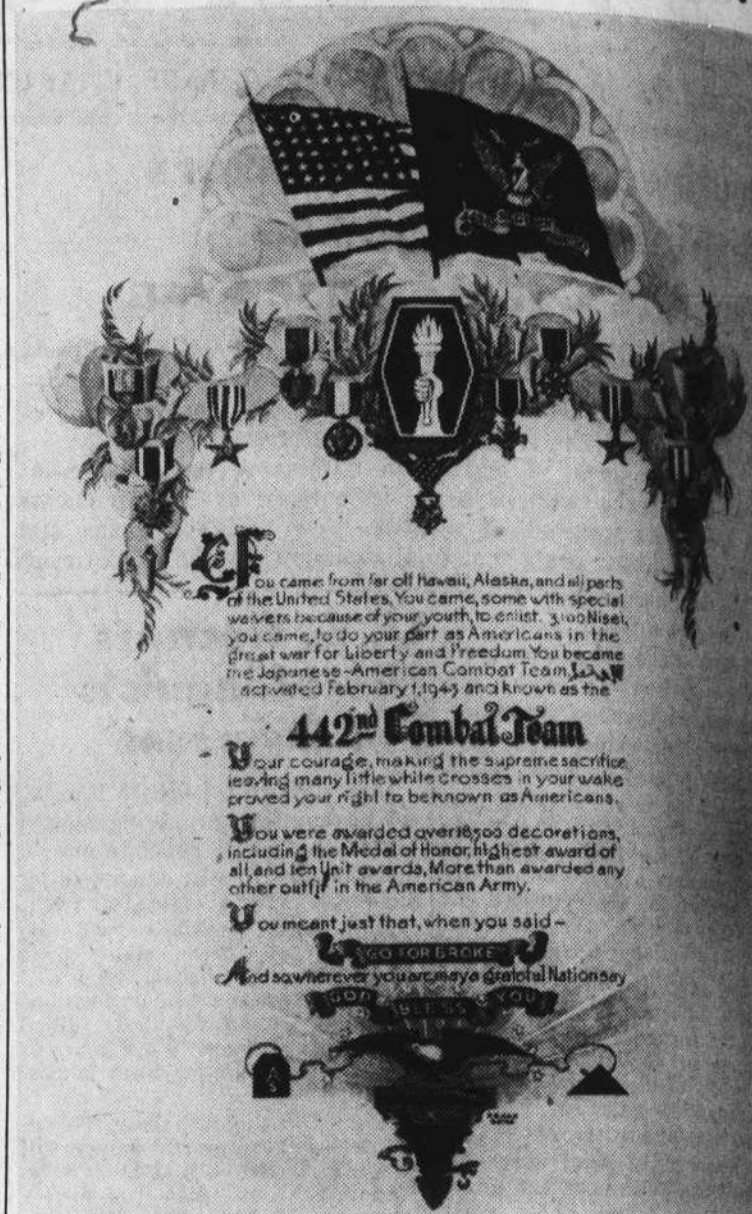
Many men who were farmers of strawberries, onions and a host of other products, have claimed losses to crops of every description and stage of maturity which they were forced to abandon in haste. The largest claim on file with the San Francisco office is one for more than \$1,000,000, alleging loss of a large rice-growing operation in the Sacramento valley.

Another large claim, of special interest to San Franciscans, is one for about \$200,000 filed by the Hagiwara family for the loss of their Japanese Tea Garden in Golden Gate Park, built in 1894 by Makoto Hagiwara. His grandson, George, last week said he was looking for a job with a meat packer.

According to Jacobs, the recommended awards here average 40

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Trade Magazine Will Publish Tribute to Nisei Combat Unit



This scroll by Frank Ochs of New York City, a tribute to the Japanese American 442nd combat team, will appear in full color in the December issue of the Royle Forum, a house organ published by John Royle & Sons, Paterson, N. J.

The scroll measures approximately 14 by 19 inches and incorporates vital facts of the fighting unit.

At the top, as a background, is the Japanese imperial standard, representing the Japanese parentage of men of the 442nd. Immediately in front are the colors of the regiment, showing the Stars and Stripes and the blue regimental standard, as they are carried on parade. Below the flags is the 442nd insignia with the Medal of Honor at its base.

An olive drab ribbon, representing the men's uniforms, is spread across the clouds, with other medals won by the men and units of the team pinned upon it. Below is the inscription to the combat unit, which reads:

"You came from far off Hawaii, Alaska, and all parts of the United States. You came, some with special waivers because of your youth, to enlist. You, 3,100 Nisei, came to do your part as Americans in a great war for Liberty and Freedom. You became the Japanese American combat team, activated February 1, 1943, and known as the 442nd COMBAT TEAM.

"Your courage, making the supreme sacrifice, leaving many little white crosses in your wake, proved your right to be known as Americans.

"You were awarded over 18,500 decorations, including the Medal of Honor, highest award of all, and 10 Unit awards. More than awarded any other outfit of like size in the American Army.

"You meant just that—when you said—'GO FOR BROKE'—AND so, wherever you are, may a grateful Nation say—GOD BLESS YOU."

The inscription leads into a decorative design incorporating the slogan, "Go For Broke," on a ribbon, the American eagle perched on a combat infantryman's badge, and the insignia of the 34th Division, to which the team was attached, and the 36th Division, with which it saw its heaviest fighting. Intertwined ribbons indicate service in Italy and France.

A story on fighting discrimination by the artist will be carried with the scroll in the Royle Forum.

Nisei Veterans Will Attend Reunion of Red Bull Division

CHICAGO — Mike Hagiwara, a veteran of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, is assisting in plans for the fourth national reunion of the 34th (Red Bull) Division on Sept. 14, 15 and 16 at the Hotel Sherman.

Hagiwara, president of the Chicago chapter of the 34th Division Association, declared that many Nisei veterans of the 442nd who were with the unit when it was attached to the Red Bull Division in Italy in 1944 will attend the reunion.

Hagiwara said the association has names of only 8,700 of the veterans who served in the division. Altogether there were 70,000, he said.

The National Guard division was

formed during World War I and reactivated at the start of World War II. It fought in the African, Italian and European campaigns and piled up more combat days than any division in the western theater.

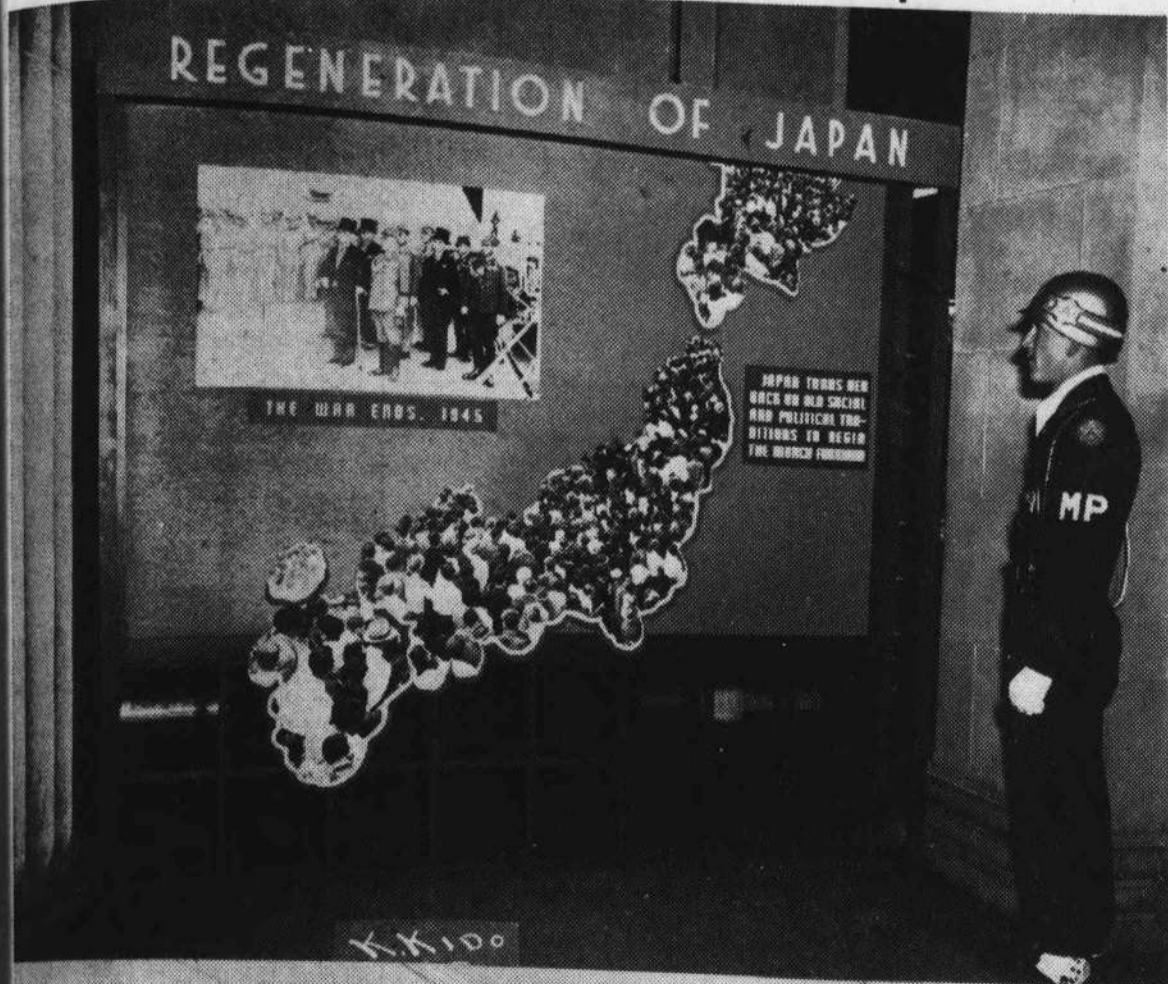
During the Italian campaign both the 100th Infantry Battalion of Japanese American GIs from Hawaii and the 442nd Combat Team were attached to the 34th Division.

Gets Officer Training

ONTARIO, Ore. — Sgt. 1st Cl. Paul Hirai of the Oregon National Guard left Ontario on Sept. 3 to attend an officers training course at Fort Riley, Kans.

Only 41 Weeks 'Til the 12th Biennial JACL NAT'L CONVENTION at the ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, San Francisco, June 26 - 29, 1952!

Nisei Helps Prepare Displays on Japan



A Nisei official from SCAP (Supreme Command, Allied Powers) in Tokyo assisted in the displays on the new Japan which lined the hallways of the San Francisco Opera House last week during the Japanese Peace Treaty Conference.

The official, Tomo Ogita of Los Angeles, is connected with SCAP's information, education

and cultural section in Tokyo which prepared the elaborate cutouts and photo-montages which were a feature of the display. Ogita and three members of his staff arrived here recently from Tokyo. Cameraman Kameo Kido of San Francisco pictures some of the displays in the above photos.

Create Sponsorship Fund for JACL National Convention

SAN FRANCISCO—Creation of a sponsorship fund to provide working capital for the 1952 National JACL convention committee was announced Sept. 13 by Y. Moriwaki, chairman of the budget and finance committee.

A drawing account is required for such expenditures as deposits for various halls and rooms, stationery, postage and other items. The fund will be created through \$25 contributions from JACL members, who will become convention sponsors.

The contributions will actually serve as pre-convention registration. Each sponsor will be pre-registered for all regular and some special activities of the 1952 convention. If the total registration cost is less than \$25, the balance will be refunded.

All interested JACL members, particularly those residing in California, are urged to serve as sponsors by sending their contribution immediately to the budget and finance committee.

The initial list of sponsors consists of Victor S. Abe, Yasuo W. Abiko, Yoneo Futatsuki, Dr. Tokujii Hedani, Dr. Carl Hirota, Fred

Hoshiyama, Tom Hoshiyama, Dr. Wilfred Hiura, Dr. Pierce Hiura, Larry Kameda, Teiko I. Kuroiwa, Y. Moriwaki, Viola Nakano, Clem Oyama, Tom Sakai, Dr. K. Takeoka, Dr. Kazuo Togasaki, Susumu Togasaki and Yukio Wada.

Would-be sponsors are asked to make out checks to the San Francisco JACL chapter. They should be sent to Dr. Wilfred Hiura, 1952 convention treasurer, 1418 Polk Street, San Francisco.

Chairman Moriwaki pointed out that the sponsorship fund is separate from the \$50 pledged by each of the Northern California-Western Nevada district chapters for the convention fund. This amount is to be applied toward the pre-registration of the two official delegates from each chapter.

Chapters which have already fulfilled their pledge are the Florin, French Camp, Sacramento, Salinas Valley, San Mateo and Southern Alameda County JACL groups and the United Citizens League of Santa Clara County.

Frank Itaya is co-chairman of the budget and finance committee, with Tom Sakai as treasurer and Victor Abe as souvenir program

Los Angeles Cook Will Be Arraigned On Slaying Charge

LOS ANGELES — Tanji Takeni, 50-year old cook, will be arraigned in Superior Court on Sept. 25 on the charge of stabbing to death a fellow kitchen worker at Mt. Sinai Hospital, Ely Christian, 63, on Aug. 19.

Takeni allegedly stabbed Christian in a dispute over the relative merits of their individual cooking abilities. He reported attempted suicide by slashing his left wrist.

Body of Nisei GI Returned from Korea

HONOLULU — The remains of Pvt. Masaya Saito of Honolulu who was killed in action in the Korean war were returned to Hawaii last week.

Pvt. Saito's remains were interred in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific on Oahu on Sept. 10.

Pvt. Saito, died in combat in Korea on Aug. 22, 1950.

editor. Jackson Hirose and Jutaro Shiota, auditors, will work closely with this committee.

Confinement in Sanitarium In Exclusion Zone Ruled Equivalent to Evacuation

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Confinement to a sanitarium in a prohibited zone during evacuation does not make one ineligible to claim under the evacuation claims act, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was advised by the Department of Justice.

In this particular case, claimant's husband was sent to the Weimar Sanitarium, Weimar, California, in September, 1941, for pulmonary tuberculosis and was allowed to remain there during the war. He was never evacuated.

Claimant, in anticipation of her evacuation and with the consent of her hospitalized husband, sold their community property.

The first question raised by the claim, according to the Justice Department, is whether the evacuation or exclusion of a physically incapacitated person can be regarded as action resulting in property damage or loss within the coverage of the Act. The Department ruled that it can.

Congress did not intend to withhold compensation merely because legal ownership happened to be in a member of the family who, because of infancy or illness, happened to be in a position where he could not personally care for the property at the time of his evacuation.

"It is, of course, impossible to know what the situation would have been but for the evacuation of the entire family," the Department said. "But when infants and other persons without legal capacity are deprived of the services and care of their families, their interests are usually safeguarded in some fashion by the community. Where such persons are unable to make provisions for themselves, it is common practice, for example,

for guardians to be appointed by the courts."

The second question is whether or not the husband in this case was evacuated or excluded from a military area within the meaning of Section I of the Act.

"There would seem to be no doubt that he was so excluded," the Department held. "This would have been true even if he had remained within the boundaries of Military Area No. 1; as much so as in the case of persons who were evacuated from places in Military Area No. 2 in California and sent to the Tule Lake Relocation Center or to the Manzanar Relocation Center."

"While both of these centers were within the boundaries of Military Area No. 2, neither was a part of that military area. Each was a sort of island or enclave to which the exclusion orders obviously did not apply. A person who was detained in the Tule Lake or Manzanar Centers was as much evacuated from Military Area No. 2 as if he had been sent to a center outside the State of California. The same is true of persons who were confined to hospitals. They were confined within the grounds of the hospitals and were not permitted to return to their homes or to go anywhere else without having first obtained the same kind of clearance that would have been necessary in the case of evacuated persons who sought to leave the two California Relocation Centers," the Department said.

The Department reached the conclusion that "a person of Japanese ancestry who was so confined to a hospital at the time of the evacuation of his family was as effectively excluded from the military area as any member of his family who was sent to a relocation center."

Nisei Artists Will Perform For Soldiers in Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — Many aspects of Japanese culture will be presented to the hundreds of GIs expected to attend the Sept. 23 USO-YWCA "patio party" at the Hollywood YWCA.

Designated as "Japanese Day" in the current series of patio parties, which are sponsored by nationality groups in Los Angeles, the Sept. 23 program will be presented almost entirely by Nisei Americans. Sponsoring organization will be the Club Service Bureau of the JACL.

Kimono-clad hostesses will extend typical southland hospitality to the servicemen guests at the Sunday afternoon party, which will include two program performances, with the first starting at 3 p.m.

Highlight of the entertainment program will be performances by Yoichi Hiraoka, world-famous xylophonist, who performed for ten years prior to the war as a featured artist with the NBC network. Hiraoka returned to this country recently and is expected to present a number of concerts throughout the nation. He was popular with GI occupation audiences in Japan.

Students of Fujima Kansuma, classical Japanese dance instructor, will present a number of odori (folk dances) to the accompaniment of Japanese music.

An exhibition of judo wrestling will be presented by members of the Hollywood Dojo or Judo Club under the direction of Nobu Ishitani. They will demonstrate the art of self-defense in regular judo outfits.

Karie Shindo, popular Nisei singer, will sing a number of Japanese tunes. Miss Shindo was featured recently in the motion picture, "Tokyo Joe."

Aiko Ogomori, recently crowned queen of Nisei Week in Los Angeles, and her four attendants will join the Nisei hostesses from the JACL-CSB. They will help serve typical Japanese refreshments consisting of tea, cakes and sushi.

Special guests will include Seizo Hinata, representative of the Japanese Government Overseas Agency, and Katsuma Mukaeda, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California.

Officials of the JACL have also been invited.

Dorothy Kikuchi will be general chairman.

Los Angeles merchants who are contributing food are the Umeya Company, Modern Food Products, Mitsuba Sushi, Matsuno Sushi, Mikaway, Fugetsu-Do and Modern Food Market.

"Are We Doomed" Will be Subject Of JACL Meeting

CHICAGO — Dr. Kermit Eby, University of Chicago professor of sociology and religion, will be guest speaker at the first fall meeting of the Chicago JACL on Thursday, Sept. 20, in the Woodrow Wilson Room at 116 So. Michigan.

Subject of his talk will be "Are We Doomed?" Dr. Eby will discuss how the present world situation affects the thinking and daily life of the average citizen.

Dr. Eby was associated, through the United Brethren Church, with the relocation of Japanese Americans during the war.

All new members as well as regular ones are cordially invited to the chapter's monthly meetings. Dr. Charlotte Babcock, psychologist, will be guest speaker on Oct. 18.

Venice Chapter Pushes Fund Drive

VENICE, Calif.—"Please be prepared to donate generously," was the plea made this week by Ken Onishi, Venice JACL president, and Matsunosuke Wakamatsu, who are directing the 1951 JACL-ADC fund drive in this area.

Onishi said the chapter hopes to complete its drive by the end of this month.

An intensive door-to-door campaign is being conducted. The 1951 quota is \$990.

Student from Japan Wins Scholarship

CORVALLIS, Ore. — Chiyono Matsushima, a student from Ogo-mura, Japan, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs to continue her studies in home and family life education at Oregon State College.

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EDITORIALS:

U. S. Public Opinion

American public opinion toward the people of Japan has taken an upward spurt in recent years, according to a survey taken by the American Institute of Public Opinion.

The institute announced this week that its survey showed 45 per cent of those polled expressed a friendly, favorable attitude, with another 6 per cent registering the same attitude, but with some qualifications. A total of 51 per cent can thus be regarded as distinctly favorable. Only 25 per cent expressed an unfavorable feeling, while 18 per cent were neutral and 6 per cent said they did not know.

This is an amazing change compared with the results only three years ago in a similar poll, which showed that at that time 34 per cent of the public was friendly toward the Japanese.

This change in attitude can be attributed to a number of things, including the occupation and the peace treaty, as well as the passage of time since the war. Some measure of credit must also go to the Nisei Americans, whose record in war and peace has been a notable one.

The American public, generally speaking, does not distinguish between Americans of Japanese ancestry and the people of Japan, as was demonstrated only too well at the start of World War II, when the accident of ancestry caused the mass confinement of 110,000 persons. It is an unfortunate fact that the actions of a foreign state, Japan, can cause reactions toward Americans originally descended from that country. But that this is a two-way thing was demonstrated when Japan's Premier Yoshida said in San Francisco last week that the changed American attitude toward Japan was in large part due to the record of the Japanese American 442nd combat team.

It is partly out of selfishness, perhaps, that the Nisei still feel that their fortunes can be affected by how the American people and the nation regard the people of Japan. Nevertheless, Nisei who read this week of the latest Institute of Public Opinion poll probably regarded the results with some degree of relief and satisfaction.

Outmoded Marriage Laws

The increasing number of marriages between Japanese civilians and American military and civilian occupation personnel points out another of those strange paradoxes peculiar to our American culture, circa 1951.

American soldiers of Caucasian ancestry are permitted to marry Japanese, citizens and residents of a foreign state. Yet here at home there are numerous states which refuse to permit the marriage of two Americans, if one is of Japanese descent.

There are still fifteen states with laws prohibiting marriages between Caucasians and Orientals: Arizona, California, Georgia, Idaho, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Virginia and Wyoming.

California, it must be noted parenthetically, does recognize and permit such marriages as a result of a court decision which ruled that the state's anti-miscegenation law was unconstitutional. The law is still on the statute books, however, and efforts to remove it have been unsuccessful.

The Army tries, in granting or forbidding permission to marry in Japan, to go along with the statutes which would ordinarily govern the soldier in his home state. Thus, a soldier from Idaho would have more difficulty in marrying a Japanese than would a soldier from Illinois. The practice only makes more obvious the ridiculous disparity between marriage laws from state to state.

There are, of course, few laws which present a worse picture of confusion than the multiplicity of statutes on marriage and divorce. They vary from state to state, as wide apart as the six-week divorce laws of Nevada to the highly restrictive laws of New York, from the racially restrictive marriage laws of the South to the generally more liberal ones of the North. It has long been recognized that unification of these statutes would be desirable. The overhauling, when it occurs, should include the elimination of anti-miscegenation statutes, which represent an outmoded concept of race superiority and inferiority.

Calls Evacuation "Blessing in Disguise"

VANCOUVER, B.C. — The compulsory mass evacuation of more than 20,000 persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast of British Columbia has turned out to be a blessing in disguise, Ted T. Aoki, president of the National Japanese Canadian Citizens Association, told the Vancouver Sun recently.

"Until the mass evacuation in 1942 almost 95 per cent of Canada's 23,000 Japanese population was concentrated in British Columbia, mostly in fishing, fruit growing and in the operation of small stores," he said.

"Now the evacuees are becoming technicians, entering government service and the various professions."

Milwaukee Paper Tells Story Of Nisei Widow Whose First Novel Is Published This Month

MILWAUKEE, Wisc.—The story of Shelley Ota, a Nisei widow who turned adversity into achievement, is told by Jeanne Lungren in the Milwaukee Journal of Aug. 29.

Mrs. Ota is the author of "Upon Their Shoulders," a novel just published by Exposition Press.

A first novel, "Upon Their Shoulders" was several years in the writing. Much of the work was done in hours snatched by the young widow from the task of tending and earning money for her four children, Bill, now 16, Florence, 14, Alvin, 11, and Allen, 7.

Mrs. Ota and her doctor husband were born and raised in Hawaii. Just before the war they moved with their two young children to Milwaukee, where Dr. Ota had been offered a teaching job in Marquette University's medical school. Here two more children were born, one with a serious heart condition.

In 1945 Dr. Ota died in service. Today Mrs. Ota says, "To the many widows whose husbands have died in Korea, let me reassure you that there is hope and brightness ahead. You won't believe this. Not at this hour when your world lies crushed and destroyed—all the hopes you held so dear, plans you cherished. . . .

"My husband died while in service in 1945, and I believed as you do that only loneliness and despair filled my life. No more laughter. No aching hopes or soaring aspirations. Nor the comfort of dear arms to hold me tight and promise me the world. I recall this vividly and perhaps my account of the struggle over anguish, bewilderment and bitterness might help others.

"The night the telegram came I took a sleeping pill. I needed courage to face the coming day, strength for my children. This at least would give me the chance to sleep and tomorrow I could plan—had to plan. When dawn came, I fed my cardiac son and made him ready for the day."

Mrs. Ota called her three older children and said, "I'd like to have you home with me today."

The 11-year-old son stared at her. "Something happened to daddy?"

"Yes, dear, that's why."

Said Mrs. Ota, "How he knew it, I don't know. Then I embraced all three of them. No more was said. They were familiar with death. Up and down our street, fathers and brothers had died in the war. After breakfast I asked them to help me clean the house. They agreed in a chorus and we fell to work."

A sociology graduate from the University of Hawaii, Mrs. Ota had always dreamed of getting a Ph. D. in sociology. But now she had to be practical. She visited her lawyer and asked about the field of law. He advised her to do something she already knew—like writing. Next she saw her doctor. She must help herself, work at something, he said.

Mrs. Ota knew what work was. She had stayed in Hawaii, doing publicity work, to support herself and her husband while he was in medical school. Her first two children were born during that time.

She had also gathered material upon the cultural conflicts of the Japanese in Hawaii, intending to use it at something when she went back to school. But now there was nothing she wanted to do. If the doctor advised it, however, she might be able to work the material into a novel—chaotic or meaningless though it might be. But also therapeutic, the doctor insisted.

Back home Mrs. Ota told the children of her plan. They nodded their approval.

"Thus the conspiracy of a novel was born in my household. Housework was planned about it, and the children pitched in, heart and soul. In the wisdom that children have, they thought this would bring me back to life. How wise they were."

"We planned a work schedule. Mornings, I slept as long as I could and the children fixed breakfast and fed the baby. Then I got up before they went to school, bathed the baby, settled him back into his crib, and took a nap on a cot in his room. At noon they prepared lunch, fed the baby and tidied up the house. After school the eldest went marketing, sister did some cleaning and the younger boy amused the baby. I did my

laundry and ironing. Supper and dishes done, I rested while the children read, did their homework or played with the youngest. Then they retired, out came my work and I wrote until two o'clock.

"We kept this plan for the five days of the week, and on Saturdays and Sundays did the rest of the housework and had time for each other. I couldn't have accomplished a thing without the children's willingness. Their spirit of cooperation was contagious and it drove me on and on."

In a year Mrs. Ota finished the rough draft and sent it out for an evaluation. The book was rough but the comments were reassuring and she went back to work.

"I had to cut corners, do without, use the old, plan and scheme to use up everything," Mrs. Ota said. "I carefully explained to the children why we had to do this."

The oldest boy, Bill, took a newspaper route and contributed his earnings. Mrs. Ota rented a room in her house. This was more economical than taking a part time job outside, for it saved the expense of lunches, carfare and additional clothing.

"But it took courage, plenty of it. And let me tell you this: No one can give you courage to keep you working—it must come from within yourself, and the sooner you accept this fact, the easier your path will be."

"But friends can help. I had a rare, sensitive friend who offered many suggestions. And here is a lesson worth heeding, especially for widows. Choose your friends wisely. You need the right kind of stimulation for reshaping your life. Don't sit at home and surround yourself with people who indulge your tears. This takes you nowhere but down a side road and in time you'll be a neurotic and a parasite, harmful to yourself and to your children."

With the grinding pace, Mrs. Ota developed aches and pains in her hands and joints and was told by the doctor to get out and see people—to forget her manuscript for a while.

"I went out to buy some new clothes. I was thrilled at my desire to do so, for I knew I was on my way to recovery. When a woman begins to look at her hair and appearance, the sap is returning to the tree."

"But mind you, you'll go through a period of darkness, of total disinterest in everything about you. Don't let anyone fool you about it. You don't care for food; you rebel at laughter; you resent the gaiety of others. Still, if you give yourself time enough for your body to recover from the shock, you'll begin to see life through new eyes."

Just when her funds were almost gone, the local WRA office asked Mrs. Ota to make a few speeches to acquaint the public with the situation of the Japanese Americans who were being resettled in the middle west. She found she could speak. That, combined with writing, would be her career. She took on substitute teaching jobs in Milwaukee public schools. She taught a night school class in Japanese. She gave demonstrations in Japanese flower arrangement.

"Here I found there was no better way to quick recovery than to give a part of yourself to others. Then another boost came my way. The Milwaukee Journal wrote a story about my kimono collection. More speaking engagements followed."

When the manuscript came back from making the rounds of the publishers, Mrs. Ota decided one more thing was necessary to complete it. Scraping together the last of her dwindling funds, she visited her family in Hawaii and returned with a new approach to the book. She made the changes.

One day she received a note from a publisher asking to read the

MINORITY WEEK

Adv. Dept.

It pays to advertise, says P. L. Prattis, executive editor of the Pittsburgh Courier. Prattis suggests that the Negro group use the press, magazines, radio, motion pictures and television to educate the public on the achievements of the Negroes and to promote race understanding.

Perhaps high pressure tactics used to sell soap, beer and bathing suits have made the public immune to the gentler methods of race education. It's entirely possible that methods more adapted to the times might be of value in programs to promote racial harmony.

Quick Quote

"Public opinion forced an apology from officials of the Sioux City Memorial Park Association after they stopped the burial of a Korean war soldier because he was a Winnebago Indian. The cemetery reserves its graves for Caucasians only. . . .

"This incident has shocked many Americans. We hope it impresses on them where a policy of racism eventually leads. A policy of racial intolerance is no worse when it is exercised against the dead than it is when directed against the living."

"The victim, in this case, at least was beyond the heartbreak and suffering endured by those among us who often find themselves shut out from employment, opportunity and a full life because of their color, nationality or religion."—The Chicago Sun-Times

Salute

We salute Gov. Sid McMath of Arkansas, a brave man.

Speaking before the National Urban League, Gov. McMath last week pledged that "in the South we shall continue our efforts toward racial understanding and cooperation until the goal of the Urban League—equal opportunity for all—is a reality."

"When we have reached that goal," he added, "it will be protected forever because it will have been achieved with the full understanding and the unreserved cooperation of free men and women."

Quickie

"... Americans today live in a glass house and their behavior is studied by millions who may be on our side or against us in a showdown, depending on whether they believe we mean it when we say we believe in freedom, liberty, equality and the pursuit of happiness."—Chicago Sun-Times

Answer

Kansas City has filed its answer to an effort by the NAACP to open its municipal swimming pools to all its citizens.

The city's reply says, in part, that the policy of operating separate pools "is reinforced by a recognized natural aversion to physical intimacy inherent in the use of swimming pools by members of races that do not mingle socially."

The NAACP will rely on the Constitution in fighting its case.

Nisei Veteran Wins Scholarship For UCLA Study

LOS ANGELES—A \$1,000 scholarship has been awarded at UCLA to Hiroshi Ito, 26-year old veteran of World War II, to continue his studies in sociology during the 1951-52 academic year.

Ito, who received his master's in Far Eastern affairs at the University of Michigan last year, was the winner of the Sigmund Livingston Memorial fellowship.

He is now working for his Ph.D. His thesis is the "Social Participation of the Japanese Community."

manuscript. In two weeks it had been accepted for publication.

"The letter of acceptance reached me on the fifth anniversary of my husband's death—a fitting and proper tribute. But it proves, too, that a widow can create a new world for herself and her children."

Smog-Lites: JAPANESE FOLK PLAYS

By MARY OYAMA

Los Angeles

On the weekend preceding Nisei Week in August the Nisei Experimental Group presented their second project, a series of four "Kyogen" plays in the English language before interested interracial audiences. Probably the first time that such types of plays have been presented in English in the U.S., Issei, Kibei Nisei, Caucasians and other nationality groups represented found the presentation a novel experience.

"Kyogen" (literally translated as "mad word") though 500 years old, were something new to the audiences. Based on traditional Japanese folklore the Kyogen are light comic interludes which are presented during the interludes between a serious or tragic Noh drama. They are very brief and nearest in form (rather than content) to the old English mimes, containing some of the elements of dance, pantomime, imaginary props, and song, including off-stage chant and music.

The Kyogen stage which was used in the NEG production, is similar to the one used in "Noh" plays, characteristically constructed of "hinoki" or cypress boards or mats so that specially made hollows act as a delicate resounding board. Rhythmic tapping of dances, stamping of feet, sudden falls, and such are thereby given heightened dramatic effect. Action transpires on a bare stage before the backdrop of a single pine tree, and entrances and exits are made on a runway leading from right rear from the 18 by 18 feet stage.

Programmed for the 1951 offering were: "The Ink-Smeared Lady" (Suminuri-Onna) — "The Ribs and the Cover" (Hone-kawa), "Family Quarrel" (Mizu-ron) — a typical modern Kyogen, and "The Magic Mallet of the Devil" (Oni no tuchi). Casting as follows:

"The Ink-Smeared Lady" — An incident in the home of the mistress; Feudal Lord—Mas Suyeishi, (his attendant) — Hiroshi Kashiwagi, The lord's mistress—Yumi Kawamoto. For "The Ribs and the Cover" — In the temple where the Priest decides to retire in favor of the Novice; The Priest — Hiroshi Kashiwagi, Novice — Hiro Okubo, First Visitor—Albert Acebo, Second Visitor—Mas Suyeishi, Third Visitor — Kenji Suyeimatsu.

In the modern kyogen "A Family Quarrel"—A fight over water in the rice paddies; Father—Frank Watanuki, Son-in-Law—Mas Suyeishi, Daughter — Miki Fujimoto. "The Magic Mallet of the Devil"—An incident on the fair of the Dragon's Day, Devil—Hiro Okubo, Devil — Albert Acebo, Gohei — Kenji Suyeimatsu.

Although we are no drama critic and can only give our own personal impressions which are simply that of a layman, we found the performances of Hiroshi Kashiwagi and Frank Watanuki specially well done. Kashiwagi who may be remembered as the author of the NEG's previous production "The Plums Can Wait" has vastly improved as an actor since his initial appearance, and we enjoyed his characterization of the head Priest. Watanuki who was principal lead in a Nisei youth in "The Plums Can Wait" last year, was outstanding this year as the old man Father of "A Family Quarrel." Hiro Okubo clarified the meaning of an ancient Japanese song expertly done by Mr. Dojun Ichi, a professional, by presenting his own translation of the same into English, by means of wire recording—from off-stage, for "Magic Mallet of the Devil."

Special technique and effects of Japanese stagecraft which were capably handled by the youth Nisei actors, much to the amazement of Issei in the audiences, were coached by Mr. and Mrs. Mitsumasa Hoshizaki.

Although all the costumes were as perfect or as authentic as the Group would have wished, they were the Nisei and Caucasian spectators a faint idea of the spectacular and breath-taking beauty of Japanese period costumes. Vivid colors, gorgeous brocades, veils of wondrous sheen, and grotesque masks were enough to still and impress any theatre goer. At least both players and audience could concretely visualize that perfection could eventually be attained if the immediate needs of finances, complete wardrobes, and necessary props were achieved. Many loose ends could yet be

tightened, programming improved with dance or musical interludes between plays (or even the playing of authentic Japanese records rather than your reporter's pinch-hit "emceeing" with Kyogen lectures), and better timing, pacing, what-have-you. N.E.G.'s needs are great, the members are valiantly struggling on nothing but their worthy dreams and the proverbial shoestring. This year at the close of the performance someone asked us, "How come no tea-and-sembai intermission this year?" We had to confess, "Too poor, no money this year" — everything went toward production.

The Group could stand more members, prop boys and stagehands, a press and publicity agent, an M.C., usherettes, etc. We still recall with a smile a moment between interludes when Director Okubo sotto-voiced us from the wings, dignified and solemn in the chaste white robes of a novitiate priest, "Hey, don't forget your speech about the moola—" a voluntary or freewill offering for a worthy cause.

The Group also welcomes scripts from any playwrights as it is always on the lookout for new material. Any such should be mailed to: 1120 Los Palos Street, Los Angeles 23. Communications addressed to: Hiro Okubo or Hiroshi Kashiwagi.

Self-Employed Persons Reminded of New Social Security Law

Self-employed Nisei and Issei were reminded this week that coverage under the new Social Security law is mandatory and not voluntary.

J. Golden Hunsaker, manager of the Salt Lake City office of the Social Security Administration, said that many Issei in particular have not yet learned of changes in the new law.

"We believe," Hunsaker said, "that the belief that coverage is elective has gained currency here. While it is true that certain professionals are excluded from coverage, the exclusion is by law and not by choice."

Self-employed men and women who are not excluded by law will have to report their 1951 "net earnings" for social security purposes on their income tax returns next March. The social security tax will be paid at the same time.

In the meantime, those businessmen and women who are now covered for the first time should get social security numbers if they have never done so.

Farm owners are not covered under the new law. Neither are certain professional people working for themselves. This latter group includes doctors, dentists, veterinarians, full-time practicing public accountants and professional engineers.

Anyone not in the above categories whose net earnings from self-employment are \$400 or more in a taxable year is covered under the new law.

Booklets listing all of the excluded professions can be obtained without cost from the local social security office.

Island of Hawaii Veterans Conduct Cemetery Project

HILO, T.H. — Veterans of the famous 442nd Combat Team are now engaged in "Operation Cemetery," a project to help beautify the Veterans cemetery here.

The last territorial legislature made an appropriation of \$20,000 for the construction of a pavilion and other improvements in the cemetery.

Members of the 442nd Veterans Club of Hilo are donating their labor and equipment on weekends to make the \$20,000 go as far as possible.

The first day of "Operation Cemetery" saw nearly 100 men, veterans and non-veterans, removing trees and conducting a general cleanup of the area. Among the men at work was a father whose son, a Nisei soldier killed in World War II, is buried at the cemetery.

The project was initiated with a simple ceremony in which the Rev. Masao Yamada, former chaplain with the 442nd and chairman of the cemetery committee, participated.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

A Problem the Nisei Faced

San Francisco, Calif

I looked up a boyhood friend, a Chinese American, who lives a long stone's throw from San Francisco's Chinatown. Let's call him Jack. I hadn't seen him for years. I found him in a comfortable but not fancy flat. He told me he had given up a home with a yard somewhere in the city's outskirts to move into the flat. Then he explained why: His children were too far from a Chinese language school and they were growing up without knowing how to speak the ancestral language.

That, it seemed to me, was a problem the Nisei faced, met and forgot 10 to 20 years ago. Most Nisei felt that while it was a good thing to know Japanese they didn't pursue that knowledge with any great enthusiasm. And they're doing all right with one language.

Well, Jack explained, it didn't work quite that way with Chinese Americans in San Francisco. The economic power of San Francisco's Chinatown — allegedly the largest concentration of Chinese outside the Orient — is an enormous thing. The old-timers still control the pursestrings. You want to do business with them? Then you speak the old country language, and you observe all the old courtesies. Otherwise, you don't do business with them.

Jack is a salesman. He represents a large company that serves the general public. But his own clients are Chinese. By hustling he can make a good living, and he's a hustler. Because he can speak Chinese well, because he knows his products, because he likes the work he's doing, Jack is doing

very well. He feels sure he couldn't make nearly as good a living if he had tried to lose his identity as a Chinese American. He is using his racial background to his advantage. And he feels his children ought to be prepared to do the same.

Well, is this good? Is this bad? That doesn't seem to be the question. The point is that Jack feels he can make more money and give his children more security and comforts working among Chinese Americans than any other way. The matter of integration, assimilation and discrimination doesn't enter the picture at all. And he wants to be sure that if his children are going to grow up in such an environment, they are prepared to meet its peculiar problems.

There are few Japanese Americans today who are similarly concerned. For a long time, and especially since the evacuation, their sights have been set beyond the confines of their segregated communities. The ability to use the Japanese language has been relatively unimportant, and is becoming even less important as their acceptance in the greater community becomes more complete.

Of course San Francisco's problem is unique because nowhere else in the United States is there such a concentration of Chinese economic potential. It has existed for a long time and gives no sign of diminishing. It is a strong racial-economic bloc with a promise of long life because young folks like Jack and his family help to perpetuate it.

It's an interesting problem because it is so like — and yet totally unlike — the problems that Nisei have faced and are facing.

Vagaries

Press Corps . . .

Members of the press corps at the Japanese Treaty Conference included Bill Hosokawa of the Denver Post and Lawrence Nakatsuka of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin. The latter, on leave from the Star-Bulletin for a year's study at Harvard on a Nieman Fellowship, arrived in San Francisco in time for Gromyko's abortive walkout. . . . Two former editors of the English section of the Japanese American News in Los Angeles were on hand. They were Goro Murata, now business manager of the Nippon Times of Tokyo, and Toshiro (Henry) Shimanouchi, press liaison officer for Premier Yoshida. Both worked on the J-A News back in 1931.

Guatemala's refusal to grant a visa to a Nisei traveler, on grounds that the issuance of such a visa is prohibited to persons of the Mongolian and Negro races, was brought to the attention of the Guatemalan ambassador by JACL ADC's Mike Masaoka at the Japanese Peace Treaty Conference in San Francisco. . . . The JACL ADC is studying the visa laws of other western hemisphere nations to see if any others would discriminate against Nisei.

Painting . . .

Sueo Serisawa's painting, "Figure," won honorable mention at the California State Fair in Sacramento. Two years ago another Serisawa painting took first place and \$1,000 in the modern oils division. . . . Tomo Ogita of SCAP's information, education and cultural section in Tokyo came here recently with three members of his staff to help with SCAP's display at the War Memorial Opera House on the "Regeneration of Japan." Ogita, a native of Los Angeles, formerly taught Japanese at the University of Michigan. . . . Fresno-educated Frank Takizo Matsumoto, a member of the Japanese Diet, was in San Francisco during the Japan Treaty Conference. . . . Scotty Tsuchiya, a member of the JACL staff during the war and a San Francisco art dealer, is holding a display of Japanese objects d'art until Oct. 6. Tsuchiya is showing some rare objects never before shown in the United States. . . . Mrs. Chiura Obata, wife of the University of California art professor, gave demonstrations of Japanese flower arrangements at Gump's in San Francisco last week, in conjunction with interest in things Japanese inspired by the treaty conference.

Song Team . . .

The singing team of Jimmy Shigeta and Charles Davis, known professionally as Durand and Brion, is returning to Hawaii this month after their sensational success on the mainland, having established themselves as a top attraction on the bistro circuit and on radio and TV. They are scheduled to give a concert at the Civic Audi-

Box-Score on Race Relations: ON GROUP MORALE

By ELMER R. SMITH

The student of race relations and group relations in general is called upon to discover certain principles which tend to hold people together in groups and to make them function as a unit. In the early days of group research, "consciousness of kind" was given to the ability of groups to act as units and to function with a minimum of conflict. Recent studies, especially during and since World War II, of group action and identification has led to the study of "morale." This concept has led to a number

of significant studies in the field of race relations, including Arnold Rose's "The Negro's Morale" and the study of "The JACL Story" completed last year by the present writer and published in "The Pacific Citizen." Morale has been given many and diverse meanings, but basically it is a feeling of loyalty to or solidarity with a specific ethnic group (or any group), which gives the individuals involved a sense of rightness and strength even though the group is small in numbers and experiences numerous discriminations by the majority.

The first essential for "good" morale or group solidarity is the existence of a positive goal for the individuals and the group. Uncertainty about the future of any group's existence tends to destroy faith in that group and disintegration is inevitable. It is necessary to establish a feeling among the group members that through group action certain well-defined ends may be achieved. The various activities of the group and its members must accompany the sense of moving toward goals even though the immediate attainments of these goals are not forthcoming. A feeling must be instilled in the members that the goals and their attainments are tasks to which all the members contribute. In the past studies in morale have been based largely on negative factors: fear, hatred, anger; these have their place, but they are not enough. Future attainments for happiness and well being are more lasting forces in establishing a high degree of group morale.

Many groups and organizations have failed to take this principle

torium in Honolulu on Sept. 21 and 22 as a benefit for a church group. Shigeta (Guy Brion) won the Old Gold Amateur Hour contest in 1950 as radio's No. 1 amateur. . . . The singing team, which has appeared on the Bing Crosby, Edgar Bergen and Hedda Hopper shows, will break up for a while on orders from Uncle Sam. Shigeta is slated for Army induction on Sept. 28.

Sachi Kazunaga, 1950 queen of Nisei Week Festival in Los Angeles, was married two weeks ago to Lieut. George Miki of Honolulu, the 442nd veteran who played the role of Chick, the chick sexor, in Metro's "Go for Broke!"

of morale into serious consideration in their activities. The results of the failure to keep this principle alive brings decline and death to such groups. The various chapters of the National Association of Colored People as well as those of the Japanese American Citizens League, and Urban League may be found to be suffering from the failure to practice this basic principle of morale.

Another fundamental factor in morale is togetherness. Members of the group must be made to feel themselves as part of a larger group, sharing a common goal. This principle rests upon the well-known rule that an individual who, alone, might easily become discouraged or intimidated, can sustain his faith in himself and keep fighting on if he is with his "group." This feeling of togetherness which fosters morale is more than just being in the same room or in the same organization; the vital factor is a sense of shared purposes and goals. This principle is very closely linked with the principle named above, and organizations need to consider this aspect in making "goals" for their attainments.

A knowledge of experience of common danger in which group members feel themselves involved is another important factor in morale. An attack or threatened attack upon the group or members of the group heightens the feeling of togetherness. This factor is a very important one in the development of racial minority group organizations where discriminatory practices are always present. Studies of various racial and minority groups in the United States and elsewhere have proved that discriminatory acts against ethnic groups have tended to tighten group solidarity temporarily if not permanently. The membership in such organizations as the NAACP, the Urban League and the JACL have all increased when dangers from an outside force have threatened the members of these specific racial groups. A classic example of this was the great "rush" to join JACL immediately after Pearl Harbor in 1941 and early in 1942, especially when the Nisei realized they would be forced to curtail their movements and activities in various parts of the United States.

(Next week this column will continue the discussion of morale in minority groups.)

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Nisei Prep Stars to Play for San Jose

San Jose State's Spartans appear to have a corner on Nisei college football talent this season despite the loss of Halfback Dick Hadama, the Hawaiian star, because of scholastic difficulties. San Jose has come up with three of the top Nisei gridiron personalities in Jim Kajioke, the 250-pound tackle from Modesto J.C. and the two frosh stars, Harry Kawano and Tom Yagi. Kawano, triple-threat backfield ace from Oceanside, Calif., was a starter on the all-Southern California team which defeated the all-Los Angeles team at San Diego two weeks ago. In fact, Kawano and Ralph Kubota, now at Compton College, constituted one-half of the starting backfield for the Southern California eleven. According to Center Frank Kaplan and Tackle Joe St. Denis, Spartan yearlings who played for the all-Los Angeles team, Kawano was the outstanding player on the field. Coach Bob Bronzan is reported as happy to welcome Kawano to the squad. Yagi, like Kawano, was an all-conference star. Although he was at center for the Livingston, Calif., Wolves, it's possible Coach Bronzan will use Yagi at guard. . . . San Jose State's Nisei trio recalls the Spartan squad of three years ago which had Babe Nomura, the former Los Angeles City College passing whiz at halfback, and Jake Kakuuchi at guard.

Compton College Gets Hawaiian Gridders

Although no shenanigans apparently were involved, the University of Hawaii's gridiron supporters are bawling the loss of ten high school stars who up and left for the mainland and Compton College two weeks ago. The ten prepsters who are now practicing in Compton livery include two Nisei, according to George (Hoss) Yoshinaga, sports editor of Crossroads. Yoshinaga, a lineman last year for Los Angeles City College, identifies the Nisei as Noboru Yonamine, star back for Iolani's Red Raiders last year and a younger brother of Wally Yonamine, and a 123-pound scatback named Yamashiro who was a Honolulu all-star selection. Yonamine, in particular, is believed to be bound eventually for the USC campus since Compton College long has been considered a "farm club" for the Trojans. . . . Incidentally, Ralph Kubota, the 135-pound speedster, already has cinched a halfback post on the Compton club. Last year Kubota, a native of Compton, became Southern California's top offensive star for the Compton high school team, gaining 1007 yards. . . . Yoshinaga also notes that Joe Maruyama, sprinter on the Occidental track team and a halfback on the Tiger football club, is now in the armed forces as a volunteer. Maruyama was considered one of the best running backs in the Southern California Conference last season.

Nisei bowlers (members of the Honolulu All-Star team) competed in the American Bowling Congress national tournament for the first time this year and one of them Tad Nagasawa, a veteran of the 442nd, became the first Nisei kegler to place in the money in the annual meet. Nagasawa tied with nine others (one of them was Joe Wilman) for 378th place in the singles and received a \$20 award.

Nisei Gridders Make High School Teams

With the preps: Halfback Toby Shibata appears to have cinched a starting post of the Livingston, Calif., Wolves whose center and captain last year was Tom Yagi. . . . Bob Yoshida, quarterback last year for the champion Madera High School B team, is alternate signal-caller for the varsity this season. . . . Jordan High School of Sandy, Utah, last year's state high school champions, is putting a lot of hope in Halfback Ubuki Miki in the team's new T-formation which replaced Jordan's traditional single-wing attack. . . . Bob Uyeda hopes to take up where Bob Hamatake left off last year for the Tooele, Utah, Buffaloes. . . . Placer High's Hillmen of Auburn, Calif., will miss hard-driving Vic Nakamoto who was the team's offensive star in an unbeaten season but will have two Nisei playing halfback this year. They are Koji Watanabe and Shiro Maeda.

Hal Sakata Will Wrestle in Japan

Harold Sakata, the former Nisei weightlifting star who took second place in the light-heavyweight division of the Olympic Games in London in 1948, is a member of an American professional wrestling troupe which is scheduled to introduce American-style pro wrestling to Nippon. Sakata, who campaigned successfully on the mainland for more than a year after turning pro, was scheduled to leave Honolulu last week for Japan on a junket arranged by Promoter Al Karasick.

Hirayama Plays in Semi-Pro Finals

Fibber Hirayama who played in the finals of the National Baseball Congress tournament, the "semi-pro world series," in Wichita last week was probably the only non-professional on the field in the championship game in which the Sinton, Tex., Oilers defeated the Atwater, Calif., Packers, 3 to 0. Members of the Sinton team were GI veterans of the high minors and two played with a major league club last year (if the St. Louis Browns can be called that). They were Second Baseman Owen Friend and Outfielder Dick Kokos. The fact that Hirayama could make the grade alongside some of the best young prospects in the nation, including Atwater's Bill McDonald (who played for the Pittsburgh Pirates last year), Jim Baxes and Bill Taylor and Sinton's Pitcher Mike Blyzka, Friend and Kokos, is a tribute to the ability of the little Bulldog star who has been called the best athlete "pound for pound" on the Pacific Coast. From this week on Hirayama is slated to take over at Halfback for Coach Duke Jacobs' Fresno State eleven.

Many Schools Sought Hawaii's Konno

Ford Konno, who leaves Honolulu next week to enroll at Ohio State, is the most sought-after Nisei athlete in history. Reason Konno did not announce his decision to become a Buckeye until two weeks ago is that he was having difficulty making up his mind between Ohio State and Michigan State. The latter school, newest member of the Big Ten, is building up its swimming program under Coach Charles McGaffery. Konno's enrollment at Columbus probably means a shift in collegiate swimming power from Yale to Ohio. The Buckeyes have two national champions in Konno and Dick Cleveland, also from Honolulu and the new world's record holder in the 100 meters freestyle, as well as a backstroke star in Hilo's Yoshinobu Oyakawa.

Among the linemen playing their first year of varsity football for the Orosi, Calif., Cardinals are two tackles, 185-pound Francis Yamamoto and 160-pound Rogers Hiyama and a center, Kenny Mura, 165. . . . Seattle's Nisei Vets took a Labor Day baseball

Hirayama Voted "Most Popular" at National Tourney

WICHITA, Kans. — Fibber Hirayama, sharp-hitting left-fielder for the Atwater, Calif., Packers, was named the "most popular player" in the National Baseball Congress tournament which ended here last week.

Hirayama's play helped Atwater, California state champions, into the finals of the national semi-pro tournament in which they lost to the Sinton, Tex., Plymouths.

This marked the second straight year in which Hirayama has won the award. Last year he played shortstop for the California champions, the Santa Maria Indians, and also was named at the short patch post on the tournament's semi-pro All-America team.

Hirayama flew back to Fresno last week after the final game to join the Fresno State football squad. He is slated for the regular halfback position on the Bulldog team.

Cleveland Beats Chicago Nisei In Net Matches

CLEVELAND, O. — Cleveland's Nisei tennis teams defeated Chicago in the final intercity matches for 1951 on the Patterson courts.

The men's team defeated the visitors, 14 to 3, while the women's team also won their matches.

After the matches the Chicagoans were guests at a dinner and social staged by the Cleveland players.

The team trophy was accepted for Cleveland by Roy Koyama.

The following trophies were awarded:

Champion, Class A, Mitch Hashiguchi; runner-up, Shig Okada.

Champion, Class B, Shig Okada; runner-up, Tak Ogino.

Champion, Class C, Tak Ogino; runner-up, George Oga.

Men's doubles champions, Mitch Hashiguchi and Shintu Phalnikar; runners-up, Shig Furuki and Roy Koyama.

Women's singles champion, Eva Hashiguchi; runner-up, Kimi Tashima.

FUJIOKA HURLS FRESNO TO WIN OVER SAN JOSE

SAN JOSE, Calif. — The Fresno Nisei All-Stars defeated the San Jose Zebras, 7 to 4, at Washington Park on Sept. 9.

Fresno routed San Jose's mound ace, Junius Sakuma, with a four-run rally in the sixth.

Kenzo Zenimura and George Toyama sparked the Fresno batting attack, good for 14 hits, with three apiece.

George Fujioka went all the way for Fresno, allowing only seven hits, including doubles by Sam Sugimoto and John Horio.

double header over the Portland Nisei on the loser's grounds, 8 to 4 and 14 to 7. . . . The Service Radio team won the championship of the San Jose Nisei women's handicap league last week. . . . Placer College of Auburn, Calif., will boast one of the best Nisei backfield men in jaycee football this year in Vic Nakamoto. . . . A 12-team Nisei bowling league got under way this week at Denver's Bowl-Mor lanes, scene of the 1953 JACL national bowling tournament. . . . First Nisei team in major competition in Denver is the American Potato squad which hit a 1007 game on their opening night in the Penn-Bowl Majors. Topped by Moon Kataoka's 624, Dr. Takashi Mayeda's 612 and John Noguchi's 596, American Potato hit a 2827 scratch series. . . . The Okada Insurance team is currently leading the Salt Lake City Majors after two weeks of play. Wat Misaka had the high series for the Okadas last week. . . . Mary Sakashita is the only Nisei bowling at present in the Salt Lake Ladies Majors. . . . Mas Nakao's 624 for second-place Ogawa Nursery was high last week in the Eastbay JACL summer league in Oakland, Calif. The Center Cleaners apparently have cinched first place in the league which winds up this week.

Nisei Girls Make Softball All-Stars

Named to the all-star team of the Snake River Valley Women's softball league were Pitcher Mio Fujita of Ontario and Utility Player Kay Morishita of Payette, Ida. Named to the league's second team all-stars were: Yoko Ikano, Nyssa, Ore., and Lillian Morinaga, Payette, pitchers; Minnie Ishimoto, Ontario, first base; Mary Mio, Ontario, second base; Jean Uriu, Payette, third base; Alice Komatsu, Nyssa, centerfield, and Maye Yasuda, Payette, utility. The two all-star teams played in an exhibition doubleheader on Sept. 4 in Nyssa. . . . Walt Takeda, lineman for Sacramento High last season, has enrolled at Sacramento JC and was singled out last week for his practice play by Coach Jack Woerner. . . . Hiroshi Nishimura will be back at left tackle this year for Fremont High school of Sunnyvale, Calif., but Shinji Ito, who made the second team all-star squad, lost from his guard post through graduation and Tom Hashimoto tops the candidates currently for the opening.

Pro Baseball Clubs in Japan Consider Talent Hunt Among Nisei in Hawaii, on Mainland

TOKYO — Wally Yonamine's showing as a member of the league-leading Yomiuri Giants of the Central League, one of Japan's two professional baseball circuits, may prompt the whole-sale recruiting of Nisei baseball players from Hawaii and the mainland United States next year.

The success of the Hawaii Red Sox, champions of the Hawaii Baseball League, in their current barnstorming tour of Japan also has sharpened the interest of the owners of Japan's 14 professional baseball clubs in Nisei talent. The all-Nisei Red Sox team, featuring the pitching of Bill Nishita, have won a majority of their games in Japan and include two victories over Waseda University, champions of Tokyo's Big Six University league. The Red Sox have played a busy schedule on Honshu and Kyushu islands and have met Nippon's leading college and non-professional teams.

Yonamine, the first Nisei player to be signed by a Japanese team since V-J day, joined the Tokyo Giants in June and has been hitting around the .350 mark. He is understood to have received an unprecedented contract, including a bonus of 1,000,000 yen (about \$3,000) for signing his contract and a monthly salary of 100,000. In addition, the club is reported to be paying his expenses while in Japan.

Two members of the Red Sox team now touring in Japan are believed to have received definite offers from the Tokyo Flyers of the Pacific League. They are Shortstop Larry Yagi and hard-hitting Outfielder Kats Kojima. Both Yagi and Kojima are said to have been approached before their arrival in Japan but occupation red tape is believed to have slowed negotiations. Until the signing of the peace treaty the approval of SCAP was needed before any foreign players could be brought to Japan. SCAP approval was necessary before the Giants could conclude their negotiations with Yonamine.

The player who has caught the eyes of Japanese baseball officials on the Red Sox squad is their pitching star, Bill Nishita. The University of California star, a native of Honolulu, has indicated that he is not interested in Japanese baseball at the present time. He and Catcher George Fujishige, also with the Red Sox, are expected to make up an all-Nisei battery for the University of California in 1952. If Nishita goes into professional baseball, it is believed he will sign with one of the major league clubs in the United States. Several of these teams reportedly have been seeking his services.

Japanese baseball circles also have been excited by the report that Bill Veech, new owner of the St. Louis Browns, is hoping to sign players from the Japanese pro leagues. The player most mentioned in reports has been Pitcher Atsushi Aramaki who impressed Veech when the latter saw him in action last spring in Honolulu with the Mamichi Orions.

With organized baseball in the United States expressing interest

in Japanese players and the Japanese leagues looking for Nisei stars from the United States an international exchange of baseball talent may be forthcoming. Nisei and other American players are not new to the Japanese leagues, several playing here before the war.

Plan California Tournament for Nisei Golfers

SAN JOSE, Calif. — A state-wide tournament for leading Nisei golfers is being planned for October by the Garden City Golf Club.

The event will be held on either the second or third Sunday in October at either the Pasatiempo or Pebble Beach courses.

Entries in the invitational tournament are expected to be limited to players holding a handicap of 12 or less.

Invitations will be sent to all Nisei golf clubs in the state.

YOKOTA LEAVES SCHOOL TO ENLIST IN AIR FORCE

AUBURN, Calif. — Placer College lost one of its outstanding athletes last week when Jimmy Yokota, letter-winner in three sports, left to enlist in the Air Force.

Yokota was an all-Golden Valley conference star in football, playing halfback for the Spartans. He also played third base on the baseball team and was a star on the varsity basketball squad.

Yokota made all-conference teams in all three sports while attending Placer Union high school in Auburn. He also was named two years running as the outstanding player of the annual Placer basketball tournament.

Yokota played shortstop this summer on the Placer JACL team in the Placer-Nevada League.

Los Angeles Team Wins Long Beach Bowling Tourney

LONG BEACH, Calif. — The Los Angeles Buddhist Coordinating Council won the team trophy in the 2nd annual Long Beach JACL Labor Day handicap tournament with a 2898 total, including a 300 handicap.

Members of the winning team are Pluto Shimamura 479, Jack Takahashi 547, Harry Tashima 479, Hisashi Fukushima 539 and Jack Okamoto 552.

Gardena Pharmacy, with a 206-pin handicap, placed second with 2845 while Werhle's Nisei 5 took third with 2824. Others in the money were Cal Vitas, 2616; Liquinox, 2788, and Murakami Citrus, 2777.

Individual honors were taken by Jim Yasutake of Gardena who had scratch series of 630 in team, 594 in doubles and 626 in singles, plus a 66 handicap for nine games, won the all-events crown with 1916. Jack Okamoto was second with 1860 and Tom Sakamoto took third at 1828.

Okamoto won the singles with a 658, including a 72 handicap. Yasutake was second with 648 and Joe Tanaka placed third with 626.

Hank Nakabayashi and Art Sanematsu won the doubles with 1217, followed by Koya Kurihara and George Shibao with 1216 and Ko Arihara and Sumi Fujimoto at 1212.

Neola Martin and Ed Tsuruta won the mixed doubles with a 1182 total, while Teri Muranaka and Easy Fujimoto placed second with 1167 and Marge Miyakawa and Pluto Shimamura were third with 1093.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Takagi a girl on Sept. 4 in Seattle.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masami Ono-dera, Elk Grove, Calif., a boy on Aug. 29.
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Hirai, Yuba City, Calif., a boy on Aug. 29.
To Mr. and Mrs. Katsuma Takamaga a boy on Sept. 3 in Marysville, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kenju Uyeno a boy on Aug. 29 in Fresno.
To Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Fukuda a girl on Aug. 30 in Fresno.
To Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Okada, Walnut Grove, Calif., a girl on Aug. 13.
To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nakano twin girls, Susan Sadako and Naomi Yukiko, on Sept. 3 in Denver.
To Mr. and Mrs. Rio Sunahara a boy on Aug. 28 in Sacramento.
To Mr. and Mrs. Yasuo Clifford Tanaka, South Pasadena, Calif., a boy, Timothy Kimio, on Aug. 20.
To Mr. and Mrs. Kunimitsu K. Iwano a boy, Craig Jun, on Aug. 25 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Akira Minamide a girl, Christine Wendie, on Aug. 27 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Haruo Mogishima a girl, Nanette Eiko, on Aug. 26 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Akio Nakahara, Hawthorne, Calif., a girl, Joanne Yasuko, on Aug. 25 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. John Takayoshi Yamada a girl, Susan Naomi, on Aug. 24 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taiji Kajita a girl, Janis Harumi, on Aug. 19 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. William Saijoro Fujita, Torrance, Calif., a boy, Brian, on Aug. 30.
To Mr. and Mrs. Seichi Harada, Gardena, Calif., a boy, Ricky Tokuwon, on Aug. 29.
To Mr. and Mrs. Iwao Hiramoto a boy, Perry Masanobu, on Aug. 28 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Joe Higashi a boy, Ted Tetsuo, on Aug. 28 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Akira Inouye a boy, Bruce Akira, on Aug. 29 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Hichiro Kanow, Long Beach, Calif., a boy, Gary Keane, on Aug. 25.
To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo M. Nozaki a boy, Mark Alan, on Aug. 22 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Katsu Oshima, El Monte, Calif., a boy on Aug. 31.
To Mr. and Mrs. Isao Sakaishi a girl on Aug. 28 in Auburn, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. K. Takuma a girl on Aug. 28 in Auburn, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sagara, Jamieson, Ore., a girl on Aug. 31.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Saito, Weiser, Ida., a girl on Sept. 1.
To Mr. and Mrs. Shuzo Ikegami a boy, Eugene, on Aug. 26 in San Jose, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yoshito Nakahara a boy in Berkeley, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Nishikawa a boy on Sept. 2 in Auburn, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Shimizu, Yuba City, Calif., a boy on Sept. 1.
To Mr. and Mrs. Steven Okamoto a boy on Sept. 1 in Sacramento.
To Mr. and Mrs. Hisatoshi Tammaribuchi, Penryn, Calif., a boy on Sept. 1.
To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Aoki, Calif., a girl on Aug. 26.
To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Urakawa a girl on Sept. 1 in Sacramento.
To Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Mura-shima a boy on Aug. 27 in Fresno.
To Mr. and Mrs. Fumio Ikeda a girl on Aug. 24 in Clovis, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kato a girl on Sept. 5 in Denver.

DEATHS

Kumataro Nishikawa, 77, on Sept. 2 in Seattle.
Kuichi Haga, 84, on Sept. 5 in Los Angeles.
Suketaro Toda on Sept. 5 in Washington, D.C.
Infant Yoshimura, one-day old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Yoshimura, on Aug. 30 in Denver.
Mrs. Taka Horiye, 87, on Sept. 3 in Los Angeles.
Dr. Tetsuo Toyson Sugahiro, 45, on Sept. 8 in Ontario, Ore.
Kijiro Kumagai, 80, on Sept. 11 in San Jose, Calif.
Mrs. Yoshiye Tamaki, 77, on Sept. 8 in Stockton, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Sumi Takahashi to Yoshimitsu Kobayashi on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.
Dorothy Kiyoko Katakoto to Robert Toshio Tomita on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.
Yuriko Date, Japan, to Ikuro Kumagai, Guadalupe, Calif., on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.
Mable Shitamoto to Henry Omoto on Sept. 2 in Hollywood, Calif.
Violet Imada to Frank Mizukami on Sept. 2 in Tacoma, Wash.
Sumi Hara to Tsuguo Ikeda, Portland, Ore., on Sept. 2 in Seattle.
Amy Emiko Yoshida to Harry Kiyoshi Yoshida, Rosemead, Calif., on Sept. 8 in Los Angeles.
Yoshimi Hayashi to George Kiyoshi Ishitani on Sept. 9 in Los Angeles.
Mieko Sanada to Kazuo Kanemoto on Sept. 9 in Los Angeles.
Aiko Seko to Ken Takata, Long

House Passes Private Bill To Admit Child

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The House passed and sent to the Senate a private bill to permit the entry into this country of five-year old Rhoda Akiko Nishiyama, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nishiyama, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee learned this week.

Robert Nishiyama is the famous Kamikaze pilot who is attending Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania, on a scholarship offered by the parents of Robert Johnstone, an American GI who was killed in the war against Japan. Featured in Life and other national magazines and publications two years ago when he won this scholarship, he expects to complete his course of study in 1952. He plans to return to Japan and to aid in bringing about a better understanding between the Japanese and American peoples.

His wife, Mrs. Atsuko Matsuoka Nishiyama, is a permanent resident of the United States, having first entered this country in 1922 at the age of seven. She was educated in California schools and was graduated from Stanford University in 1940. She went to Japan after her graduation from college to do further study on leprosy and enrolled at the Tokyo Women's Medical College. She was in the process of having her re-entry permit renewed when war broke out. She married Robert Nishiyama in 1944 and Rhoda Akiko was born in 1946.

Beach, Calif., on Sept. 9 in Los Angeles.

Yukiye Fukuda to Thomas M. Kiuchi on Sept. 8 in Los Angeles.

Yuki Furuya to Kaz Suzawa on Sept. 9 in Los Angeles.

Emi Matsuda, Delano, Calif., to Katsuyoshi Hazama, San Fernando, on Sept. 9 in Los Angeles.

Dorothy Tanizawa to Tokiki Nagaishi on Sept. 9 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Jean Kishi, 21, Orosi, Calif., and George Shiba, 26, Cutler, Calif., in Reno, Nev.

Mitsue M. Tahara, 21, Florin, Calif., and Tom Tamotsu Yagi, 28, Mountain View, Calif., in San Jose.

Fumiko Morita and Takashi Imai, University of Washington, in Seattle.

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Note U. S. Moral Obligation In Paying Evacuee Claims

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to 50 per cent of what is claimed. He said this is not because of dishonesty in preparation of the claims, but because of unfamiliarity with interpretations of the law. "There has been little intentional exaggeration on their claims" said Jacobs. "I've found the claimants quite honorable."

Just one claim in the San Francisco office has been recommended for full payment; the \$2400 asked by 81-year-old Chiyokichi Takahashi of 1724 Carleton street Berkeley, evacuated in April, 1942, to the Poston relocation center in Arizona.

Takahashi is a cheerful goateed man who—with infinite patience and daily care — grows dwarfed trees and miniature Japanese-style gardens and has exhibited his work in flower and garden shows and at the Treasure Island fair. The Government attorney who assessed his claim declared:

"At the time of his evacuation he had gained widespread recognition as an expert in this art and had developed a considerable commercial market for these plants and gardens. When about to be evacuated he had over 2000 dwarfed trees and miniature gardens as well as molds, figurines, ferns, seedlings and other materials necessary for construction of the gardens."

When the old man was sent to camp he left his Berkeley home with a tenant who promised to care for the trees in consideration of reduced rental. But this tenant was drafted and the property fell into the hands of shipyard workers who ignored the garden.

When Takahashi returned to Berkeley many of the miniature trees had withered and died or had grown oversized rendering them valueless. "Grew just like forest" he observed last week while pattering around his garden and binding the roots of his little trees with wire. "High as house."

But it appears Takahashi will receive full recompense for his property loss, and this signifies a marked change in the Government's attitude since Lieutenant General John L. DeWitt ordered the gardener's evacuation on the announced theory that "A Jap is a Jap." The campaign the general waged cost 110,000 disrupted lives, millions of dollars worth of lost or damaged property and an expense to American taxpayers of more than \$250,000,000 for the evacuation and relocation programs alone.

In urging passage of Public Law 886, to salve the conscience of our Government, Undersecretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman said:

"These persons whose only crime was the unavoidable accident of birth and ancestry were compelled to forsake their homes and abandon their businesses without being given a prior opportunity to prove their loyalty to the United States."

Said William H. Jacobs, the 53-year-old Government attorney who is carrying out the program for Northern California, a veteran De-

partment of Justice official who served as counsel in the Japanese war crime trials:

"Paying these people is the only fair and proper thing to do. The citizens have as much right as any other citizens to be paid for their losses, and the aliens among them established a good record of peaceful life in this country. They committed no sabotage during the war."

The United States, in its mammoth and diverse actions, has occasioned varied feelings within the heart of little Toyo Misumi, trying to recover some financial settlement out of what had once been her husband's modest camera shop. Her words were translated as:

"We actually did not expect to get paid and I feel very grateful." But—"Though we did not have American citizenship and were citizens of an enemy country, we lived here a long time and never did anything disloyal to this country . . . You are paying us for a materialistic loss but we have suffered a great loss of spiritual value."

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Seek Legion's Support for Issei Pensions

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Support of the state American Legion convention is being asked by Perry Post 525 for legislation which will permit resident aliens of Japanese ancestry to become eligible for old age pension payments in the State of California.

A resolution asking the legislature to pass the Issei pension measure, which was introduced in the 1951 legislature, was introduced at the state convention of the American Legion this week by Soichi Fukui and Seiji Imamura, delegates from the Japanese American post in Los Angeles.

Another resolution which the Perry Post delegates brought to the convention asked the American Legion's support in obtaining an Academy Award nomination for MGM's "Go for Broke!" a picture about the Japanese American Combat Team.

Plans Square Dance

GARDENIA, Calif.—A full evening of fun is assured everyone attending the Gardena Valley JACL's square dance, scheduled for Friday evening, Sept. 21, at the Gardena Community Center.

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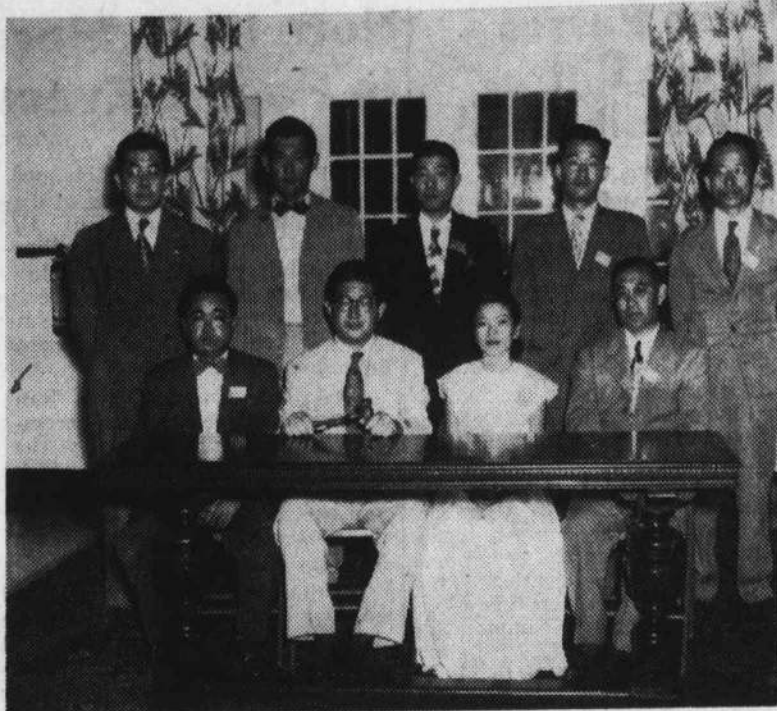
Program chairman Yo Minami revealed that musical entertainment has been scheduled: vocalist Marlene Fujita, entertainment committee chairman, Kay Haga, pianist, and Julia Fukuzaki, violinist.

Door prizes, plenty of doughnuts and apple cider, unusual social games and "one of the best emcees in the valley," Harry Masunaga, are on tap. The public, as well as chapter members and friends, is invited to attend.

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HONOLULU, T. H.—1951-52 officers for the Hawaii Federation of YBA were elected at the annual territorial YBA convention held in August at Wailuku, Maui.

Front row, left to right: Roy Uto, treasurer; Kenji Onodera, president; Mae Sakamoto, recording secretary; and George Matsumoto, corresponding secretary.

Standing, left to right: Shiro Kashiwa, immediate past president; Shingo Jo, vice-president; Harold Kasai, vice-president; Stanley Okamoto, vice-president; and Masanori Matsuda, vice-president.

Missing from picture are Margaret Makino, Shigeo Miyoshi and Tamotsu Takahama, vice-presidents.

Onodera Elected to Lead Hawaiian Buddhist Federation

HONOLULU, T.H.—Kenji Onodera, president of the United YBA of Honolulu, was unanimously elected at the 18th Territorial Young Buddhists Association convention held in August at Wailuku, Maui, to lead the Hawaii Federation of YBA, a territory-wide organization, for the year 1951-1952.

Other officers who will serve with Mr. Onodera are Shiro Kashiwa, immediate past president; Stanley Okamoto, Margaret Makino, Shingo Jo, Shigeo Miyoshi, Harold Kasai, and Tamotsu Takahama, vice presidents; George Matsumoto, corresponding secretary; Mae Sakamoto, recording secretary; Roy Uto, treasurer; and Masanori Matsuda, auditor. Mineo Yamagata is executive secretary.

In addition to serving as president of the Hawaii Federation of YBA and the United YBA of Honolulu, Mr. Onodera is also vice president of the Honolulu YBA, which is a unit of the United YBA group.

Mr. Kashiwa also served as president of the Honolulu YBA last year. Mr. Okamoto, who presided over the convention in his capacity as president of the host organization, the United YBA of Maui, is also president of Wailuku YBA. Miss Makino is president of the Moiliili Buddhist association, a unit of the United YBA of Honolulu, and is also corresponding secretary of the latter organization.

Mr. Jo, of Ewa, Oahu, is a past president of Ewa YBA and the United YBA of Oahu. Both Mr. Miyoshi and Mr. Kasai are serving as president of the United YBA of Kauai and United YBA of Hawaii, respectively. Mr. Takahama of Lanai is president of his organization, the Lanai YBA. Miss Sakamoto and Mr. Matsumoto both represent the United YBA of Oahu on the Federation board of officers. Mr. Matsumoto is president of Wailuku YBA, which is a unit of the United YBA of Oahu.

Vice president of the United YBA of Honolulu and recording secretary of the Honolulu YBA are the present official duties of Mr. Uto in addition to his federation office. The federation auditor, Mr. Matsuda, is past president of the United YBA of Oahu and the Waianae YBA.

Find Body of Missing Issei Fisherman

MONTEREY, Calif.—The body of Gunichi Fukushima, 65, was found on Sept. 5 at a beach near here, almost a month since he disappeared while fishing in Monterey bay.

The badly-decomposed remains, now beyond facial identification, were sent to a mortuary. Identification was established through a wallet in the dead man's trousers.

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Detroit Entrants Win Major Awards in JACL Tourneys

DETROIT, Mich.—Detroit competitors took a major share of the first place awards in the bowling and golf tournaments held here over the Labor Day weekend in conjunction with the Midwest JACL district convention.

Tom Fukuda won the men's singles in the bowling meet held at the Great Lakes Bowling Alleys with a 560 score and also teamed with Eiji Shibata to win the doubles with a 1152 score.

Seiji Yamauchi of Chicago was second in the singles at 542. Others in the money were Mark Satow, Detroit, 531; Eiji Shibata, 530, and Harry Fukuda, Detroit, 519.

Stogie Toki of Cincinnati and Roy Kaneko of Detroit teamed for second place in the doubles with a 1115 tally. C. Yasutaka and S. Yamauchi of Chicago placed third with 1095 and B. Miyakawa and S. Kojima of Chicago finished fourth with 1073.

Cheri Miyakawa and Sock Kojima of Chicago won the mixed doubles with 1019. T. Fukuda and M. Kinoshita of Detroit followed with 994 and K. Shibuyama and F. Furukawa of Detroit took third with 974.

Joe Matsushita of Detroit won both the low gross and championship trophies in the golf tournament held on the Warren Valley west course on Sept. 2. Matsushita who also was chairman of the tournament had an 83-12-71 score card.

Joe Kadowaki of Cleveland was second with 85-14-71, while R. Shiozaki of Chicago finished third with 91-19-72.

George Yoshioka Wins Enterprisers Tourney

CHICAGO — George Yoshioka, carding a net score of 73, took the Enterprisers' golf tournament at Big Oaks course last Sunday.

A dinner was held at Wilson Village after the tourney. Mrs. Kats Uba presented prizewinners with their awards.

Pres. Tora Ichiyasu made a welcoming address.

Ronald Shiozaki was chairman of the event.

Takenaka Named Principal of School

HONOLULU—Howard Iwao Takenaka, a 24-year veteran with the Department of Public Instruction, recently was named principal of Likelike school in Palama.

Takenaka formerly was principal at Kukuiahae school on the Island of Hawaii.

Nippon Prize Film Shown On West Coast

LOS ANGELES — When Issei and Nisei audiences here saw a Japanese motion picture called "Rasho-Mon" (In the Forest) here last May they did not realize that the picture would be acclaimed as the world's best film for 1951 by verdict of winning the grand prize at the 12th annual International Film Festival in Venice, Italy.

"Rasho-mon," a film concerned with a man's faith, was judged the best feature motion picture, technically and artistically, out of 23 entries from 14 countries.

The Daiei production was made from a novel by Ryunosuke Akutagawa and was directed by Akira Kurosawa.

Among the United States entries were Warners' "Streetcar Named Desire" which received a special award and Paramount's "Ace in the Hole."

Plans Concert in Canadian City

TORONTO, Ont.—Michiko Sumihara, Tokyo opera star, is delaying her departure for Paris to present a concert in Toronto on Sept. 15 at the Ukrainian Hall.

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