



PHOENIX, Ariz.—Cherry Tsutsumida, winner of this year's Ben Masaoka memorial scholarship, is shown (above) being presented with the award by Governor Howard Pyle of Arizona. Among those attending the ceremony in the

governor's office were (l. to r.) John Tadano, National JACL ADC's Mike Masaoka, Tsutomu Ikeda, Miss Tsutsumida, Masao Tsutsumida, Gov. Pyle, Carl Sato, Sue Tsutsumida, Tats Kushida and Iku Ikuo Okuma.—Photo by John Hirohata.

## Arizona's Governor Pyle Gives Masaoka Scholarship Award to Nisei Student

PHOENIX, Ariz.—The Pvt. Ben Masaoka Memorial Scholarship was presented to Cherry Tsutsumida, Glendale, Ariz., Nisei, at ceremonies held at the governor's office here last week, Carl Sato, past chapter president announced.

The scholarship is given by Mrs. Haruye Masaoka in memory of her son who was killed in action while fighting with the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team in France in 1944.

Selected by a special committee of faculty members of the University of Utah, Miss Tsutsumida was considered the most outstanding high school graduate from nominations received from JACL chapters throughout the country.

The \$200 scholarship was presented by Governor Howard Pyle, who told JACL officials on hand for the ceremony:

"It is always a great pleasure to see the citizens of our state distinguish themselves. Cherry is one of our finest young people and I'm sure we all share her pleasure and pride for being so recognized."

"The Japanese residents of Arizona are to be commended for their adherence to the great ideals of Americanism, their substantial contribution to the growth and wealth of our state and their increasing participation in the life of our community," he said.

Gov. Pyle paid special tribute to the men of the 442nd, and praised the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film,

"Go For Broke," as an excellent portrayal of this highly decorated unit.

JACL leaders witnessing the presentation were Mike M. Masaoka, JACL ADC national legislative director and brother of Ben, in whose memory the annual award is made, Carl Sato of Mesa, Tsutomu Ikeda of Mesa, Masao Tsutsumida, Cherry's cousin, and Yasuko Tsutsumida, her sister, both of Glendale, John Tadano of Phoenix, and JACL regional director Tats Kushida of Los Angeles.

High honors previously won by Cherry Tsutsumida was her selection as governor of Arizona Girls State and representative to the 1950 Girls Nation in Washington, D.C. In addition to her unusually high scholastic record, she has been active in almost every youth government in Arizona.

## Tamakis of Honolulu Hear From Son Held by Chinese

HONOLULU—The Tamaki family of Honolulu has been the object of an intensive propaganda campaign by Chinese Communists in the past six months.

It all started after Pfc. Yoshio Tamaki was taken prisoner by the Chinese Reds a year ago. His sister, Barbara, received an elaborate booklet from a Czechoslovakian source entitled "Army POWs Calling from Korea."

A short, airy letter, dated March 16, 1951, arrived on Aug. 2.

Last week a voice purported to be that of Pfc. Tamaki was broadcast over Peiping radio. The family didn't hear the short-wave broadcast, but they did read a copy of the broadcast "Christmas message."

The edited text of the broadcast reads:

"Hello Mom and Dad. I hope everyone at home are in the best of health and getting along fine. As for myself I am in good health and have been well treated. . . ."

"I received a letter Barbara sent Oct. 14, dated Aug. 3, and can't

tell you how happy I was when I received the letter and know that everything is okay at home.

"... we are getting part of our winter clothing already and will be getting the rest very soon. So you see there is nothing to worry about and all that we POWs are wishing for is that the Korean war will be brought to a peaceful end. We all feel that we can get it. Until then Aloha and all my love to you all. Your loving son, Yoshio Tamaki."

Yoshio's older brother, Larry, who recently returned from the Korean fighting front commented this week that the message "must have been prepared for him—it sounds like a lot of propaganda."

The rest of the family agreed with Larry after reading the full text of the message.

In the Communist booklet Barbara received, about 500 prisoners of war are listed. And included in the number are brief quotas, generally following the Communist party line, supposed to have been spoken by another hundred POWs.

## Colorado Evacuee Couple Receives Claims Payment

DENVER — Two West Coast evacuees now residing in Colorado received \$800 in evacuation loss claims payments recently under the new compromise procedure, according to Harry Matoba, operator of a local business service bureau.

Masasuke Kido of Boulder, Colo., received \$600. His original claim was for \$2,500.

Mrs. Kido received \$200 on an original claim for \$800.

Matoba said the compromise settlement forms were submitted to the government in mid-October and the checks were received on Dec. 3.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Kido expressed their appreciation for the work of the JACL ADC in expediting the evacuee claims program.

## Report Three Nisei Killed In Korea War

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Department of Defense notified the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee that seven more Nisei names were added to the Korean casualty list during the past week.

### KILLED IN ACTION—

PFC Takaya Urugami, son of Mrs. Kisayo Urugami, 2340 Delta Avenue, Long Beach, California.

PFC Sabayasu Higa, brother of Sam Higa, 2027 Kealoha Street, Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

Pvt. Tamiya Ikeda, brother of Frank K. Ikeda, Route 1, Box 2824, Del Paso Heights, California (Previously reported missing).

### MISSING IN ACTION—

PFC Calvin T. Shimata, cousin of Arthur Izumizaki, 1718 Buchanan Street, San Francisco, California.

### WOUNDED—

Pvt. Yasuo Sakima, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chosei Sakima, Ewa, Oahu, T.H.

Pfc. Masami S. Sato, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sato, Route 6, Box 350, Stockton, California.

Corporal Yoshiaki Mizuki, nephew of Masato Mizuki, Kaysville, Utah.

## Return from Korea

SEATTLE—Two Southern California Nisei, Sgt. Isami Murayama of Santa Barbara and Sgt. 1st Class Kenji Yasuda of Los Angeles, were among 2914 Army troops on rotation from Korea who returned on Dec. 7 aboard the Marine Lynx.

## Federal Court Jury Acquits Sakuragi, First Defendant in Evacuee Claims Fraud Case

SAN FRANCISCO—The first evacuee of Japanese ancestry to be charged with an attempt to defraud the government in a claim for loss of property because of wartime evacuation was acquitted by a Federal Court jury on Dec. 12.

The verdict of acquittal was brought in by the jury after only 20 minutes of deliberation in the case against Yujiro Sakuragi, 69, a resident of San Francisco. The trial, the first prosecution charging fraud among 24,000 claims filed by persons of

Japanese ancestry under the Evacuation Claims Act of 1948, lasted seven and a half days in the U. S. District Court of Judge George B. Harris.

Attorney Mas Yonemura, who represented Sakuragi as defense counsel with Reynold Colvin, hailed the jury's verdict, adding:

"The acquittal is of tremendous importance to all 24,000 claimants in that the verdict indicates that no claimant who has filed a just claim need fear of future recrimination on the part of the government."

The case against Sakuragi, brought by the Justice Department's evacuation claims division, charged the evacuee with making false claims for property loss and storage fees. At issue was an alleged payment of \$360 which Sakuragi claimed he gave his landlord, N. J. Andrezzi, and for which he filed a claim under the Evacuation Claims Act. Sakuragi testified under oath that he paid Andrezzi over a period of time while the latter testified under oath that he did not receive any cash payment over an above the rent for the flat he rented to Sakuragi.

Sakuragi produced a memorandum book, which he kept in Japanese, which purportedly showed payments of from \$3 to \$15 for 40 months to Andrezzi.

Yonemura and Colvin also pro-

duced in evidence a radio shipping crate which the defendant said was one of the boxes he stored in the landlord's building. Andrezzi had previously testified that Sakuragi had not stored anything larger than 14x14x18 inches. The crate produced in court measured 40x37x20 inches and a Zenith Radio corporation official told the court that it was the type that was used by his company to ship a 1941 model radio.

The crate has Sakuragi's markings on the sides. Recalled to the stand, Andrezzi admitted, it could have been among the items stored by Sakuragi.

Sakuragi was brought to trial after the Federal Grand Jury had voted a three-count indictment after hearing the government's case and testimony from the Andrezzi family. The indictment charged Sakuragi had filed a claim for \$350 in storage fees which the government contends he did not pay and that a radio-phonograph and a typewriter which the claimant said were lost in storage were recovered by him.

In the absence of the jury, following the conclusion of the presentations of both sides, Judge Harris commented while going over the set of instructions to the jury that the government's case was not very strong.

## Recall Nisei Risked Life To Deliver Coded Warning of War in Hawaii on Dec. 7

HONOLULU — Ten years ago this month a 24-year old Nisei messenger was almost shot carrying a coded warning through an air raid to Fort Shafter.

It was a hopeless ride from the start, Jack Burby wrote in the Honolulu Advertiser on Dec. 7, the tenth anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The top-secret message warned that a Japanese attack against Hawaii was "imminent."

It was handed to the messenger, Tadao Fuchikami, about the time Japanese planes were nosing into the bombing and strafing runs that plunged America into World War II.

Fuchikami, now a sheet metal worker at Hickam air base, retraced that terrifying ride in a broadcast from Honolulu's KG U over a nationwide NBC network.

The story began for him when he checked in for work about 7:30 the morning of Dec. 7. He and two other messengers were to carry the radiograms out into the sleepy Sunday morning streets.

Just before he left the office, he said, a teletype operator said he had heard something about planes dogfighting over Kahuku.

"Nobody believed him," Fuchikami said, "until we heard the first explosion. Then we believed it."

"Everybody was scared to go out toward Pearl Harbor," he recalled. "I finally grabbed the messages for Kalihi, Fort Shafter, out that way, and left."

No one knew then — nor for months afterward — that he was carrying the army's warning message.

The rest of the story was a nightmare, said Fuchikami.

"I nearly got shot once," he said. Soldiers at a roadblock took one look at his blue uniform with the red "RCA" circle over a pocket and decided he was a Japanese paratrooper.

Once he wound up careening

along Pearl Harbor road at 85 miles an hour, trying to keep up with the tangle of traffic that was rushing to the naval base.

He found some people in hysterics at the homes where he delivered messages.

"They begged me to wait to take back a message for their folks on the mainland. Lots of them were crying. I couldn't say no."

Even after he had finished his ride, Fuchikami said, he found a lot of people wouldn't believe the attack was as bad as he said.

They were convinced when the messenger who had drawn the Kaimuki run returned with clothes bloodied from helping the wounded.

## "FATHER DAI" TAKES LEAVE FOR STUDIES

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — The Rev. Daisuke Kitagawa, director of the Japanese American Community Center and pastor of the Japanese Christian Community church, will take an eight-month leave of absence for graduate study at the University of Chicago Divinity School from January through August, 1952.

The boards of the two organizations will keep their respective groups active during his absence.

The Rev. Kitagawa, "Father Dai" also is resigning as chairman of the Minneapolis Mayor's Council on Human Relations, a post to which he was elected last February. A temporary chairman also is being appointed to take his place in the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Episcopal Diocese of Minnesota, a position to which he was appointed by the Bishop of Minnesota when he was elected to represent Minneapolis on the Bishop and Council (an administrative policy-making body of the diocese.)



## Urge Justice Department Seek Special Appropriation To Pay for Evacuee Claims

LOS ANGELES—A resolution seeking correction by the Department of Justice of deficiencies in the operation of the evacuation claims program and its compromise settlement procedure has been forwarded to U. S. Attorney General J. Howard McGrath, Tats Kushida, Pacific Southwest JACL ADC regional director, announced this week.

The resolution was passed by the JACL's Pacific Southwest district council at its recent convention in Santa Ana, Calif.

It urged the Justice Department, in view of the "obvious insufficiency of the present appropriation of \$500,000" to pay all of the claims now being processed, to seek a supplemental or deficiency appropriation from Congress so that sufficient funds will be available to pay all awards and claimants "will not be obliged to await further before receiving compensation for their acknowledged losses."

The district council also asked that additional staff members be assigned to the evacuation claims program by the Justice Department so that claimants "who find the compromise settlement procedure unsatisfactory, will not have to wait indefinitely for an adjudication of their claims."

The resolution noted that the Justice Department's major emphasis at the present time was on the compromise settlement plan and that files of hearings on cases submitted prior to the date the compromise procedure went into operation have not yet been acted upon in Washington.

The district council also pointed out that the Justice Department, in determining the value of automobiles is "apparently giving no consideration to overhauls, new tires or special accessories, which give an added value to the property."

The resolution added that the Department "has been somewhat restrictive in arriving at valuations on concededly compensable items in a claim submitted for compromise settlement, even after the claim has been arbitrarily reduced by at least 25 per cent, as required by the compromise settlement amendment."

## Elect Dr. Kadonaga To Lead Alameda JACL Chapter

ALAMEDA, Calif.—Dr. Roland S. Kadonaga, Oakland Nisei optometrist, was elected to head the Alameda JACL chapter for 1952 at its annual election meeting last Friday night, Dec. 7, at the Buena Vista Methodist Church here.

Assisting the newly-elected president will be Yasuharu Koike, 1st vice-president; Masako Abe, 2nd vice-president; Kitty Hirai, recording secretary; Mrs. Aiko Yamamoto, corresponding secretary and Yas Yamashita, treasurer.

The members unanimously adopted the recommendations of the nomination committee. Ryuzo Maeyama was chairman of the committee.

Outgoing officers include Haruo Imura, president; Mrs. Kay Hatori, 1st vice-president; Dr. Kadonaga, 2nd vice-president; Tomiyo Hashimoto, recording secretary; Mrs. Haruko Yamashita, corre-

## Ogden Chapter Organizes Special Veterans Committee

OGDEN, Utah — The Ogden JACL chapter has organized a veterans affairs committee which will serve to coordinate the activities of chapter members who are veterans of World War II and the Korean conflict, President George Sugihara announced this week.

He said that Harry H. Sugihara, former first sergeant in the 442nd Combat Team, has been named chairman of the new committee.

Members of the veterans group held their first meeting on Dec. 12 at Tom Kinomoto's restaurant.

One objective of the committee will be to keep former GIs in the chapter informed on government activities and regulations of special interest to veterans. The committee also expects to cooperate with other veterans groups in the

## Eastern Area Leaders Plan District Parley

NEW YORK — Aki Hayashi, chairman, has called a special meeting of the cabinet and chapter presidents of the JACL's Eastern District Council to meet at the home of Tetsu Iwasaki, immediate past chairman, in Ridley Park, Pa., on Dec. 15.

Chairman Hayashi said the cabinet and chapter presidents will review the past years activities and plan an active program for 1952, culminating in participation in the twelfth biennial national convention of the JACL in San Francisco in June.

"Although we are the smallest district council in terms of chapter numbers and membership and although we will have the farthest to travel, we intend to have our district council fully represented in San Francisco," Hayashi said.

National Vice President Tom Hayashi and National Board Secretary Ina Sugihara, both of New York City, Sam Ishikawa, associate national director, and Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, have been invited to attend the meeting.

Among the subjects on the agenda are: the national convention in San Francisco, the 1952 EDC business meeting, the 1952 ADC fund drive, the Pacific Citizen, discrimination in insurance and the status of the New York JACL office.

Following the meeting the EDC officials have been invited to attend the Philadelphia JACL's annual Christmas program and installation ceremony.

The presidents of the four EDC chapters will attend. They are Frank Okazaki, New York; Charles Nagao, Seabrook, N.J.; Noboru Kobayashi, Philadelphia, and Don Komai, Washington, D.C. The presidents-elect of the four chapters also will attend.

In addition to Chairman Hayashi, cabinet officers of the EDC are Harold Fister, vice chairman, Seabrook; Sumi Kobayashi, recording secretary, Philadelphia; Jack Ozawa, treasurer, Philadelphia; and Jack Hirose, publicity director, Washington.

sponding secretary, and Maeyama, treasurer.

A prominent city official will be invited to install the new cabinet at a dinner program in January, it was announced.

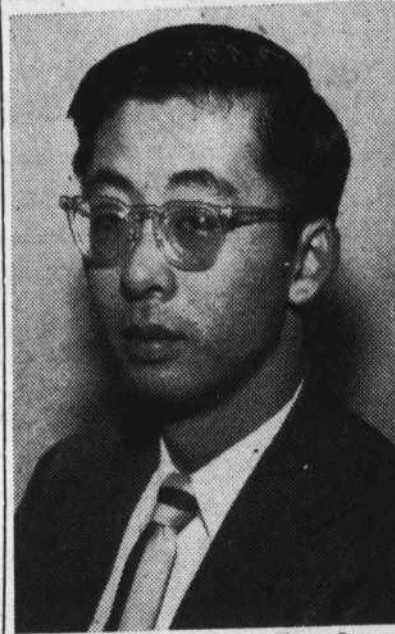
Ogden area in community activities.

President Sugihara also announced that the Ogden JACL's evacuation claims clinic will be held on Dec. 15 at the Buddhist Church. C. C. Patterson, Ogden attorney who is now in Navy service, is expected to attend the meeting to explain the new compromise proposal to the evacuees.

The JACL chapter president also presented a certificate of commendation from the Intermountain JACL District Council to Mrs. J. G. Falck of Ogden in appreciation for Mrs. Falck's friendship and assistance to Japanese Americans in the Ogden area during the war.

Marie Ohashi was named the chapter's acting business agent for the Pacific Citizen. She is the assistant public relations director of the chapter.

## Seattle's President



—Photo by Elmer Ogawa.  
KENJI OKUDA

## ELECT OKUDA PRESIDENT OF SEATTLE JACL

SEATTLE — Kenji Okuda was elected president of the Seattle JACL at the chapter's general meeting on Dec. 7.

Mr. Okuda, who has taught at the University of Puerto Rico and at Franklin and Marshall College in Pennsylvania, has been active in JACL work since his return to Seattle.

The new vice-presidents are John Fukuyama, Dr. Kelly Yamada and Min Tsubota.

Miss Kazzie Murakami is corresponding secretary while Mrs. Min Suyama is recording secretary.

Kay Yamaguchi is the new treasurer and Kengo Nogaki is the board delegate.

Harry Takagi, now chairman of the Pacific Northwest JACL district council, headed the retiring cabinet which included Kengo Nogaki, Kay Yamaguchi and Mac Kaneko, vice-president; Beulah Shigeno Sakagami and Betty Noji, secretaries. John M. Kashiwagi, treasurer, and Min Yamaguchi, board delegate.

## Killed on Highway

FRESNO—Yasukichji Hongo, 81, an employee of a Sanger ranch, was killed on Dec. 2 when he was struck by an automobile while walking on the highway near here.

## Justice Department Rules:

## Evacuee Will Be Compensated For Forfeited Rental Loss

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Loss sustained as a result of forfeited rental and for certain improvements may be compensated under the Evacuation Claims Act, the Department of Justice informed the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee last week.

The claim involved a San Francisco Nisei who in July, 1941, leased for five years premises in that city for a beauty shop. She was required to pay both the first and last month's rental in advance, the last month's rental to be applied as liquidated damages in the event that the lease was breached prior to the expiration date.

The claimant operated the beauty shop for nine months before being evacuated. Accordingly, she had to forfeit her last month's rental as provided in her lease.

Before opening her shop, she expended considerable sums in improving the premises. These consisted of plumbing and electrical work, installation of linoleum flooring, and painting and carpentry.

The government ruled that the loss sustained on account of the forfeited rental is allowable because it was clear that evacuation, and only evacuation, caused her to close her shop and break her lease.

The question remains as to whether the alleged losses sustained by claimant by reason of expenditures made for permanent improvements to the leased premises are allowable, the adjudication con-

## Denver JACL Will Accept Chicago Chapter's Challenge

DENVER — The Denver JACL chapter, proud of its 1951 membership of 500, is willing to accept the Chicago JACL's challenge to a membership race.

Denver chapter officials, however, are suggesting that the contest be placed on a different basis from that proposed by Harry Mizuno, membership chairman of the Chicago JACL.

Mizuno, in a letter to the Denver group, said Chicago was challenging the combined efforts of five Los Angeles chapters, San Francisco and Denver to a membership contest with the winner to be decided on the basis of total membership. Mizuno said Chicago expects to have 2,000 members in 1952 and thinks that this will be more than the combined total of the seven chapters.

"Chicago is known as the Windy City," Atsuyo Ito, 1951 membership chairman of the Denver chapter, commented. She asked that Denver not be placed in the same category with Los Angeles because the Denver JACL ranks "head and shoulders above any other chapter in the nation in cities of comparable population."

Denver chapter officials want to compete with Chicago on a percentage basis. They estimated that Chicago has approximately 18,000 persons of Japanese ancestry, of which total at least 5,000 would be eligible for JACL mem-

bership. Denver's JACL is willing to let Chicago have a quota of 50 per cent, or 2,500. Meanwhile, Denver, with a Japanese American population of 2,500 and with about 1,000 eligible for JACL membership is willing to go for 100 per cent, of 1,000 members in 1952.

"If Chicago is half as good as Denver, that's pretty good for Chicago," President Tak Terasaki of the Denver chapter declared.

Min Yasui, JACL ADC regional representative, noted that Mrs. Ito led all JACL members in the nation by personally signing up more than 100 members. She was closely followed by Mami Katagiri, 1950 membership chairman, who also signed up more than 100.

Mr. Yasui also called attention to the record of another Mountain Plains chapter, the Omaha, Neb., JACL, which found only 107 persons of Japanese ancestry, including babies and school-age children, but nevertheless went out and signed up 132 active members in 1951.

Mrs. Ito added the Denver chapter was willing to challenge the Chicago JACL and the five Los Angeles chapters in separate contests on a percentage basis. She suggested that Chicago and the five Los Angeles JACL groups have quotas of 2,500 members each in 1952 and Denver would set 1,000 as its quota. She noted that the Japanese American populations in both areas were "ten times as great" as that of Denver.

## Deadline Nears for Filing Claims for Contraband Losses

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reminded all evacuees who misfiled their contraband claims as a part of their original evacuation claims that the absolute deadline for sending in these contraband claims to the Department of Justice in Washington is December 31, 1951.

This deadline applies to all those who for one reason or another included their contraband claims loss with their evacuation claims regardless of the size of their evacuation claims and regardless of whether they submit a compromise offer on their evacuation claims or not.

Contraband articles claims are not to be confused with evacuation claims, Mike Masaoka, national

legislative director, declared. Such contraband articles as cameras, short-wave radios, firearms, and weapons were ordered deposited with local peace officers immediately following the outbreak of war by the Department of Justice. Losses to or damage to such articles as these are compensable under a special act of Congress sponsored by the JACL ADC.

Evacuation losses, on the other hand, to personal and real property are compensable under another act of Congress, also sponsored by the JACL ADC.

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Although the Department of Justice administers both programs, different divisions are responsible for the two projects. The contraband claims are handled by the administrative section and the evacuation claims by the claims division.

The contraband articles program was originally scheduled to end in 1950 but extended until December 31st, this year, in order that evacuees who misfiled their contraband claims by including them in their original evacuation claims would have an opportunity to recover this type of war loss.

The Department of Justice included the contraband articles claims form in their mailings regarding the compromise evacuation claims program. In every case where the individual did not file a special and separate claim for contraband claims last year with the Administrative Section of the Department of Justice and included it in with their evacuation claims, evacuee-claimants are reminded that they should immediately return their contraband claims form without regard to whether they intend to utilize the compromise procedure or when they intend to submit their compromise offer to the government.

The two programs are separate and distinct. And, this year's end is the final and absolute deadline for filing contraband claims, although the compromise and evacuation claims program will continue for several more years.

"We cannot expect the government to extend this deadline beyond the end of the year since we have already been given what amounts to another year for filing contraband claims," Masaoka said.

All contraband claims must be filed with the Department of Justice, Washington 25, D.C., before December 31, 1951, or else they will be forever barred, the JACL ADC official emphasized.

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SAN MARINO, Calif.—Members of the JACL-led delegation which received a pledge of support from Sen. William Knowland, R., Calif., on the equality in immigration and naturalization bill on Dec. 9 at the home of McIntyre Faries are

shown here with the senator and their host. They are (l. to r.) Attorney John F. Aiso, Sen. Knowland, Mrs. Merijane Yokoe, Mr. Faries and Frank Chuman, national vice-president of the JACL. —Photo by Toyo Miyatake studio, Los Angeles.

## California's Sen. Knowland Assures JACL Delegation of Support for Omnibus Bill

LOS ANGELES—Senator William F. Knowland (Rep., Calif.) recently assured a JACL delegation of his complete support for the McCarran-Walter Omnibus Bill, it was made known this week by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, National JACL Treasurer and chairman of the group that met with the California senator.

"The opportunity to accord the Japanese in the United States equality in naturalization as well as in immigration is, in my mind, a matter of fundamental justice," the senior senator from California told the group in pointing out how the Omnibus Bill would correct the existing inequities in our present immigration and naturalization laws.

"I have long had the interest of the problems of Japanese Americans at heart and certainly need no urging to speak for the bill on the floor of the United States Senate and otherwise do all I can to work for its early consideration and passage," he said.

The delegation which met with Senator Knowland on Dec. 9th at the home of McIntyre Faries in San Marino, was composed of chapter and national JACL officials who were joined by other leaders in the Japanese community. Spokesmen for this Pacific Southwest District Council delegation were attorneys Frank F. Chuman and John F. Aiso, and regional director Tats Kushiida.

Other members included Tut Yata, PSWDC chairman; Saburo Kido, Downtown Los Angeles; Akira Hasegawa, East Los Angeles; Henry Ishida, Gardena

Valley; Hitoshi Nitta, Orange County; Ken Dyo, Pasadena; Dr. George Hara and Lloyd Ito, San Diego; Carl Taku, San Luis Obispo; Hana Uno, Southwest Los Angeles; Richard Jeniye, West Los Angeles.

Community representatives included: Katsuma Mukaeda, chairman of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce; John Yamazaki, Japanese Christian Ministerial Federation; Paul Bannai, Nisei Veterans Coordinating Council and Merijane Yokoe, a member of the League of Women Voters. Carl Taku also represented the Buddhist Churches.

### San Mateo Plans Installation Fete

SAN MATEO, Calif.—The annual installation dinner-dance of the San Mateo JACL chapter will be held on Jan. 19.

Kunio Yamaguchi is general chairman for the affair which will include a joint installation of officers of the San Mateo and the newly organized Southern San Mateo County chapters.

### Nisei Girl Wins Hawaiian Contest

HONOLULU — Dorothy Mitamura of Hilo won the title of "Miss KULA" in a beauty contest staged by the Honolulu radio station last week.

She received a free trip to the mainland, \$1,000 in merchandise orders and a 15-week contract with the station.

## SHIGETA RATED HONOR MAN OF MARINE PLATOON

HONOLULU — James Shigeta, the young Honolulu singer who was on his way to stardom in mainland night clubs and on network radio, is now a full-fledged Marine.

Pvt. Shigeta last week completed his boot training at the Marine Corps recruit training base in San Diego and is now ready for assignment to duty. He emerged from his training as the honor man of his platoon, selected by his drill instructors as the outstanding Marine of his group, most all of whom were residents of Honolulu.

Shigeta, now 20 years of age, is looking forward to his life as a Marine.

When he has completed his service in the corp, Shigeta, who sang professionally as "Guy Brion," hopes to go back to show business.

## Claimant Gets Check, Makes JACL Donation

DENVER—Nikichi Kishimoto of Fort Morgan, Colo., the first Colorado claimant paid under the Department of Justice compromise settlement procedure of evacuation claims, contributed \$25 to the National JACL-ADC in appreciation of the work of the national organization in making it possible for Japanese American evacuees from the West Coast to receive claims checks.

Mr. Kishimoto's claim was for an amount slightly under \$500. His contribution was for more than 5 per cent of the amount paid to him by the Treasury of the U.S.

He commended the JACL-ADC for their splendid work in making the payment of claims possible under the compromise procedure.

"Had it not been for the JACL-ADC, we probably would not have received this check for many years yet. At the rate the Department of Justice was adjudicating cases, it probably would have been many years after all of us were dead and gone before they could get around to adjudicating my case," said the Issei claimant.

Min Yasui, Mountain-Plains regional representative for the JACL-ADC, expressed the hope that other evacuee claimants who have received their claims checks would recognize the outstanding work of the JACL-ADC that is now being paid off in the concrete form of Treasury checks. The Mountain-Plains JACL office is located at 1917 Lawrence St., Denver 2, Colo.

### Regains Citizenship

FRESNO — Gladys Kitsuko Emoto regained her United States citizenship in court action before Superior Judge Phillip Conley on Dec. 3.

## Issei Must Make Address Reports Next Month Under 1950 Internal Security Act

WASHINGTON, D. C.—All Issei residing in the United States, the Territory of Hawaii and Alaska, are required to submit current address reports to the Department of Justice through any United States Post Office during the period January 1st to 11th, inclusive, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee announced following discussion with the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

This report program applies not just to Japanese nationals but to all aliens in this country. It is required under the Internal Security Act of 1950 which declares that all aliens residing in the United States on January 1, 1952, except one in an authorized temporary status, must notify the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Washington 25, D. C., of his current address within ten days thereafter and during the same period in each succeeding year.

Argyle R. Mackey, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization stated that the Immigration and Naturalization Service will make available forms for submitting the required reports at all Post Offices throughout the continental United States, Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The report is to be submitted on Form I-53, which will be available to the public beginning Jan. 1, 1952. Mr. Mackey also advised aliens that it is to their distinct advantage to promptly notify the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Washington, D. C., of any change of address during the period between annual address reports. This will

facilitate and greatly expedite the handling of all records pertaining to aliens and their families.

Mr. Mackey emphasized that the address report is an annual requirement and is not to be confused with alien registration. An alien residing in the United States on January 1 must make the address report each and every year, regardless of whether or not he previously registered as an alien or previously reported his address except:

(1) Aliens temporarily admitted to the United States who have not overstayed their authorized period of admission.

(2) Students whose period of admission has not yet expired and who have not violated any of the conditions of their admission.

Mr. Mackey pointed out that failure to comply with the above would subject aliens, upon conviction, to fines or imprisonment or both.

Mike Masaoka, national legislative director, announced that Japanese brides who entered this country under the so-called GI Brides Act and recently returned Issei who had been stranded in Japan during the war should be sure to submit their current addresses.

"Those who failed to submit their addresses last year because of confusion or misunderstanding and those who have not previously registered, are advised by Immigration and Naturalization officials to submit their addresses this January," Masaoka said.

He expressed the hope that JACL regional offices and chapters would again assist the Issei in their areas to submit current address reports as they did last year as another JACL public service.

## Satow Urges Local JACL Groups to Assist Issei

### Denver Chapter Will Aid Issei On Registration

DENVER — President Y. Terasaki of the Denver JACL announced the appointment of Toshio Ando, attorney-at-law, as chairman to assist Issei to register under the McCarran Internal Security act.

The law provides that all Issei must register between Jan. 1 and Jan. 10 of each year. The registration forms are simple, and can be done by the individual registrant. However, as a public service, the Denver JACL assists local Issei to comply with the law. Forms will be available Jan. 2, 1952.

The 1951 committee who assisted in the alien registration were Bess Shiyomura, Sue Maruyama, Dorothy Madokoro, Atsuyo Ito, Chiyo Horiuchi, Dr. Geo. J. Kubo and Mike Kitano.

### San Diego Plans New Year's Dance

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—The local JACL chapter will hold a New Year's day dance at the Vasa Club House, 3094 El Cajon Blvd., from 8:30 p.m.

The Nisei Serenaders with Lane Nakano, featured player in "Go for Broke!" and the forthcoming "Japanese War Bride," as vocalist will provide music for the sports-formal affair.

Tickets are \$3 per couple or for stags.

The San Diego chapter's final general meeting of the year was held on Dec. 14.

### JACL Officials Visit Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Associate Director Sam Ishikawa and Richard Akagi, Midwest regional director of the JACL, discussed JACL ADC activities and problems facing the Japanese American group at a meeting attended by 40 Issei and Nisei at the Japanese American Community Center on Dec. 8.

On the previous evening Ishikawa and Akagi were guests of 15 members of the Twin Cities chapter of the JACL at a dinner at the Buckhorn.

The eighty local chapters in the National JACL organization were asked this week by National Director Masao W. Satow to assist Issei residents of their respective area in complying with the compulsory address report of all aliens required under the Internal Security Act of 1950.

Under the law all aliens, except those in the United States temporarily, must report their present address between Jan. 1 and Jan. 10. Those who do not comply are subject to fine, imprisonment or both. Approximately 80,000 resident aliens of Japanese ancestry in the continental United States and Hawaii are subject to the law.

Satow reported that JACL ADC's Mike Masaoka has conferred with the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Washington who declared they will welcome the JACL's participation in assisting Issei.

As a public service project all local chapters are being asked to set up a committee to aid the Issei.

Several chapters already have set up procedures to assist the registration project.

In a memo to local chapters this week Satow advised the chairman of the chapter committees to call on their local postmaster before Jan. 1 and arrange to obtain as many address cards as are needed.

JACL participation in the program is expected to facilitate registration for local postmasters, since the JACL will be able to provide translation services for Issei who do not write or read English.

"Chapters should announce a centrally located place and convenient times where chapter members of representatives will be available to help the Issei register," Satow said.

### Talks on Trip

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Mayor Butler of San Diego gave an informative talk on his recent trip to Japan to attend the Pacific mayors' conference at a dinner meeting of members of the San Diego JACL cabinet, the chapter public relation committee and Issei leaders at Hospitality House on Nov. 28.

Members of the public relations group also met with Assemblyman Frank Luckel at the Congregational Church for an informal discussion on pending legislation.

## Barefoot Joe Makes Getaway From Seattle Authorities

SEATTLE — Who's Barefoot Joe?

Immigration authorities have wanted to know for several months. As of this week, they also want to know where he is.

Last summer Oregon police found a youth of apparent Asiatic ancestry sleeping under layers of tarpaper near Linnton. He did not speak English and all police could establish was that his name was either Joe Ohiru or Joe Oniru and that he was either of Japanese ancestry or was educated in a Japanese school.

Officials placed his age at about 16 years and all they could get from him about his background was that he had walked barefoot from South America to the United States after debarking from a ship in South America.

But in all the questioning no one ever learned for certain where he had come from, although the suggestion was made that he may have

been a stowaway from a Japanese ship.

Joe lived for several months at the home of Detective Ronald E. McKenzie in Portland but the detective returned him to Federal custody last September.

Immigration officials tried to keep him in the county juvenile home, but officials there refused to keep him because they considered the youth "a security problem."

Then he was transferred to the Multnomah County jail for about two weeks and then sent to the Seattle office of the Immigration and Naturalization Bureau.

Joe variously suggested to Portland questioners that he was a Malayan, a Korean or a man of mixed ancestry. But the questioners did agree that his knowledge of the Japanese language probably meant he was of Japanese origin.

Seattle authorities had planned to have a representative of the Japanese government talk to him.

But that was before Barefoot Joe walked out last Wednesday.



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## EDITORIALS:

### Legal Steps for Renunciants

As a result of the recent Supreme Court decision in the renunciants test case, natives of Japanese ancestry who repudiated their United States citizenship during the war—mostly at the Tule Lake segregation center in California—must take individual steps to regain their original status, the American Civil Liberties Union advised recently.

It is believed a number of individual suits will be filed by renunciants shortly as a result of the high court's verdict which refused to review the decision of the Ninth District Court of Appeals. The latter court had ruled in effect that all of the renunciants had to prove they had renounced their citizenship under duress, or that they were under 21 at the time, or that they were of unsound mind or had renounced their citizenship solely to be with their parents.

In all, the ruling affects some 4,000 people. In their test case they had sought an official declaration that they are U. S. citizens on the grounds that their renunciations were the result of coercion.

The ACLU outlined the legal steps a renunciant may take to clear his status. He must first apply for a passport. If the Justice Department, after examining affidavits on the renunciant's actions during the war, decides that he has renounced under duress, he will receive his passport and be treated as a citizen.

If his application is denied, the renunciant will have to secure a court order to regain citizenship.

In the case of those who renounced citizenship under 21, A. L. Wirin, counsel for the Southern California ACLU office, recently declared "some formula will be found, perhaps in the form of a letter issued by the Attorney General, acknowledging their United States citizenship."

The Justice Department has advised the ACLU that only a small number of renunciants are in danger of deportation as a result of the Supreme Court decision.

### Employment for Minority Workers

In the years before Pearl Harbor when discrimination on the basis of race was an uncomfortable fact in many professions and industries on the Pacific Coast, few Nisei were able to obtain employment which utilized the fullest extent of their training. It was said that a degree in engineering would qualify a Nisei for a job in a retail produce market where his training in bridge-building might come in handy in stacking apples.

Wartime manpower demands, which brought on a breakdown in discrimination, plus the educational influence of the President's Fair Employment Practices Commission, combined to broaden the hiring policies of many large industrial concerns. The Nisei, and members of other minority groups which had known the bitter lash of arbitrary denial of opportunity, have proved their abilities in the skilled trades and professional fields.

Last week H. B. McAfee, Area Minorities Representative of the California State Employment Service, commented on the recent policy of CSES to eliminate from departmental records discriminatory specifications regarding race, color, creed or national origin. CSES representatives have been instructed to urge employers to interview all applicants, regardless of race or ancestry. In two cases where employers declined to hire non-Caucasians, these employers were visited by Mr. McAfee who obtained a relaxation of their requirements.

The California agency last week looked back on two months of operation under the non-discriminatory policy and found that minority group applicants with professional, technical and industrial skills are being readily accepted by business and industry employers in the Los Angeles metropolitan area.

A CSES official said the agency had "successfully placed an architect, an accountant and a draftsman in industries where members of minority groups had not previously worked in upper-bracket occupations." More important, "no employers have cancelled orders as a result of the policy," he added.

Mr. McAfee specifically reported that Japanese Americans are meeting ready acceptance in all occupational pursuits on the basis of ability.

Not all of the firms placing employment orders with CSES, of course, were in favor of the agency's new policy. Some circumvented the new regulation by cancelling orders when minority group applicants were referred.

Although the affirmative aspects of the new policy far outweigh any negative developments, the Area Minority Advisory committee of CSES advises a program of continuous education to obtain even wider acceptance of minority group workers.

## MINORITY WEEK

### Realtors' Ethics

The way things are among organized realtors at the present time a member of the National Association of Real Estate Boards is in danger of being found in violation of the NAREB Code of Ethics if he refuses to discriminate against a person of minority race or religion.

At last year's NAREB convention the section of the Code of Ethics which encouraged race discrimination was rewritten to erase its offensiveness but its intent remained the same. The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith reports that this year an effort will be made to amend the present discriminatory section so that it will be unethical to discriminate on grounds of race, religion or racial ancestry.

It's to be doubted whether such a motion can be passed but it's a step in the right direction.

At the present time realtors who refuse to discriminate in real estate deals face punitive action, even to the loss of multiple listing privileges, from their local real estate boards.

In Salt Lake City, for example, there was—and probably still is—a "gentleman's agreement" among realtors not to sell homes to members of certain minority groups in so-called "desirable" residential areas. This situation probably can be duplicated in most western cities.

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### Travel Bias

The Mountain States Anti-Defamation League newsletter reports the American Society of Travel Agents recently held its annual convention in Paris, France. The Society reiterated its opposition to "discriminatory practices by hotels and resorts" as being "detrimental and inimical to our society as well as contrary to the democratic ideal of tolerance and understanding." The convention passed a resolution to reject applications for allied membership "made by restricted hotels and resorts."

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### Cigarettes

Eddie Cantor, in his new Philip Morris-sponsored radio show over NBC, will pay tribute to famous Negro names in show business on his Dec. 16 program. The Philip Morris Company also sponsored the Ralph Edwards show which recreated the lives of two outstanding Negroes, Mary McLeod Bethune and Walter Gordon of California, and the Horace Heidt program on which young performers of minority groups have won awards and encouragement. . . . Philip Morris, incidentally, was the first cigarette company to hire Negro salesmen, two Negroes now hold executive positions with the company while another is associate director of the company's research department. Last week Johnny, Philip Morris' walking trademark, presented a check for \$1,000 from the company to the Urban League to aid the latter group's work in opening new areas of employment for Negroes. Philip Morris already employs 1,400 Negroes in its Richmond and Louisville plants under union contracts.

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### Compassion

White Australia, which bars all persons of Asiatic ancestry from permanent residence, displayed a note of compassion last week. It was announced that Japanese wives of Australian servicemen would be admitted to Australia "on compassionate grounds" after each application has been given individual consideration.

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### Ransom Racket

The ransom racket practiced by Communists in China against persons of Chinese ancestry living in the United States is no two-bit operation.

After the death in New York last week of a 40-year old Chinese American, from causes attributable to the ransom racket, the New York Times reported that \$1,000,000 was sent by New York Chinese in October and November in an effort to save relatives held by Chinese authorities. Treasury Department agents estimated that \$1,000,000 had been sent from New York and that large sums also had been sent by persons of Chinese ancestry,

# Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

## Profiteers in Prejudice

The profiteers in prejudice are at it again.

This time it's a big deal, one of the baldest attempts to hoodwink the American people of their rights as citizens of a democracy.

A new national organization called America Plus, Inc., has been organized in Los Angeles and has selected California as the testing ground of a legislative effort to nullify the civil rights laws which now insure a modicum of fair play for all Americans, regardless of race or ancestry.

America Plus, Inc. is superpatriotic. Its literature sounds off against Communism. It hates Russia. But one doesn't have to look very far to find the booby-trap.

This is it. America Plus Inc. is the sponsor of a "Freedom of Choice" initiative which it hopes to have placed on the California ballot in 1952. This so-called "Freedom of Choice" proposal would restore to the individual businessman and property owner the right to choose his own guests, patrons, tenants, neighbors and employees.

In other words, this proposed amendment to the California state constitution would permit unlimited racial and religious discrimination. It would give the green light to racists, bigots and the hoodlums of hate. It would permit restrictive covenants in property deeds. It would invalidate fair employment practice laws.

Because it has come out against Communism, the men of America Plus Inc. probably will brand its opponents as pro-Communists. Yet the anti-democratic nature of a proposal like the "Freedom of Choice" initiative is such as to give aid and comfort to the Kremlin and international Communism. It adds more fuel to the Communist propaganda burner which has been liberally stoked with the shame of Cicero and other ready-made propaganda. The real foes of Communism are the men with faith in the integrity of the individual who seek to extend the frontiers of freedom.

This new California organization, America Plus Inc., is reminiscent of the score and more of hate-mongering organizations which were spawned in the backwash of Pearl Harbor and which sought restrictions and even permanent expulsion for all persons of Japanese ancestry. Some of these groups had picturesque names like No Japs, Inc. or Home Front Commandos. One white supremacy group called itself the California Preservation Association. Another was frankly the Japanese Exclusion League. Still another called itself the Remember Pearl Harbor League.

Many of these groups had a definite special interest in the complete elimination of Japanese Americans from West Coast agriculture and floriculture. Their patriotism went no further than the cash register and they failed to fool the majority of the people of the Pacific Coast. Their major appeal was to the lunatic fringe of reaction.

At least one name which was associated with organized anti-Japanese activity in California during World War II is aligned with America Plus, Inc. He is State Senator Jack B. Tenney, R., Los Angeles, one-time songwriter ("Mexicali Rose") and dabbler in reaction and racism. Sen. Tenney was one of the officials of the Americanism Educational League, a Los Angeles group which had Dr. John Lechner as its executive secretary and which was particularly active in the campaign to prevent the resettlement of Japanese American evacuees outside the relocation camps. Sen. Tenney also formed something called the Alien Relations Council, a short-lived body which proposed to keep the people of the Pacific coast informed on

caught by the international extortion racket, in other cities.

Last week's death was that of Ching Hong, 40. Mr. Ching recently sent his life savings of \$700 to relatives inside Communist China. He then received a letter demanding \$1,000 more which he did not have. When he showed signs of derangement, officers were summoned. He threw knives and cleavers at the policemen who fired back. He died a short time later.

the purported menace of people of Japanese ancestry.

A little more than a year ago in Hawaii, Sen. Tenney proclaimed loudly that he had never been anti-Nisei or anti-Japanese and that he was a friend of minority groups. He turned up recently as national chairman of America Plus, Inc., but the executive secretary of the new organization, one Aldrich Blake of Laguna Beach, Calif., announced that Tenney no longer was national chairman but had been made "honorary national chairman." The reason, said Mr. Blake, was that America Plus, Inc. was non-partisan and Mr. Tenney, a candidate for Congress, was engaged in a political campaign.

America Plus Inc., which now boasts members in 38 states, may have succeeded in carrying on a quiet, undercover type of operation if its activities had not been brought to light recently by the San Francisco Chronicle. Several articles by Earl C. Behrens, political writer for the Chronicle, have served to show up the actual purpose of the organization—which is to make California safe for race hatred.

The dollar sign in America Plus Inc. is the fact that Morgan Keaton, a lobbyist and former assemblyman from Long Beach, has been engaged to obtain the necessary 305,000 signatures to place the "Freedom of Choice" initiative on the California ballot. Keaton's firm is to receive 40 cents for every valid signature obtained to a petition. In other words, it will receive approximately \$120,000 by the time the initiative proposal is qualified for the ballot.

America Plus Inc. has sent out literature soliciting \$75,000 to start the campaign in California. Financial help is being sought outside of California since the ultimate objective of its sponsors is national legislation.

Writing in the Chronicle on Dec. 5, Mr. Behrens stated:

"Lawyers who have studied the proposed provisions of the measure which would amend California's Constitution claim it could lead to discrimination of all sorts and to complete negation of all civil rights statutes now on the books."

"Sponsors of the measure contend it is designed to restore lost personal, business and property rights."

"The proposal would allow hotels, restaurants, rental properties, bars, dance halls, cafes, inn, bath houses, skating rinks and barbers to choose their own patrons or tenants."

"Property owners in a neighborhood could contract with each other and determine who would be allowed to occupy habitations in a given area."

"... it would give employers the right to 'employ all Republicans or all Democrats if he chooses. Or he can employ all Negroes, or all whites, or some of each.'"

Following the publication of the Chronicle articles, the California Federation for Civic Unity, the state race relations body which grew out of the fair play groups which sought to defend the citizen rights of Americans of Japanese ancestry in California during the war, called a preliminary meeting to discuss plans to combat the measure. One of the organizations participating in the discussion was the Japanese American Citizens League.

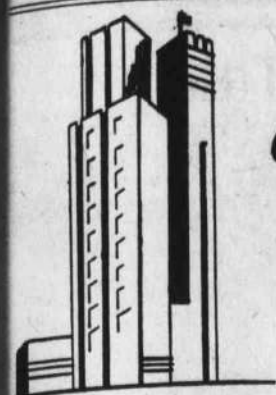
The JACL and its Anti-Discrimination Committee which successfully campaigned to defeat a legislative initiative proposed by Sen. Tenney to tighten the State Alien Land law in 1946 will take an active part in helping defeat this masked attack on the civil rights of the State's citizens. It will join with such organizations as the NAACP, American Civil Liberties Union, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and other Jewish organizations in any such campaign.

It is to be hoped that the citizens of California will refuse to qualify this misnamed "Freedom of Choice" initiative, thus repudiating its fascist origin and denying its sponsors an opportunity to reap a harvest of financial gain from the fields of controversy.

The right to discriminate is not a fundamental right in a democratic society.

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## A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

### One Born Every Minute

I read with a lot of interest the Pacific Coast escapades of a couple of slick-operating, fast-talking Nisei who bilked thousands of dollars from unsuspecting victims. To me, it's old hat and a wonder how and why people still fall for those age-old tactics.

I guess human nature never changes. They are always out for the fast buck, the rapid turn-over, and the quick easy deal. They always get stung in the final analysis.

This brings to mind the modus operandi of other slicksters, from California to Manhattan.

The small-time smoothie usually has a solo setup. He approaches you on the street or in an office and tries to peddle off a "bargain." It can be a "genuine" Panama hat, a "bluewhite" diamond, or an "18-karat" gold ingot. He will tell you that he either stole it, smuggled it in, or is trying to "fence" the item. He is always a very convincing talker and tells you that it is worth five or ten times the price he is asking.

It's such a bargain that you invariably fall for the sales pitch. It is cheaper than wholesale and you figure you can't go far wrong even if you get stuck.

The hat turns out to be a paper replica that can't be shaped or pressed; the diamond is usually a zircon or maybe plain glass; and the gold brick turns out to be brass with a thin coat of gold paint.

The operator depends upon speech for the success of his act. He must be very convincing and must be able to size up quickly your probable bankroll.

It is usually a \$5 or \$10 deal, sometimes going as high as \$25, but never more. He is on the run and invariably looks like the type running from the police. That is part of the act.

### Li'l Tokyo Favorite

When I was treading the streets of Li'l Tokyo about a decade ago, the top sucker come-on was the rigged poker game. Scouts would tramp up and down East First street, usually dressed like farmers or fishermen, and try to convince a prospect where a hot poker game would be going. The scout would flash a big bankroll at the sucker and reveal that he had a secret method for beating the "house."

This pseudo-tramp was going to team up with the victim. They would work out a series of signs, signals and gestures to get a drop on the other poker players. They would get into a high-stake game and win a few hands. The victim would gain more confidence and start betting more, sometimes even going to the bank for reinforcement of his chips.

Then the big "kill" would be set up. The tramp and the victim would both get into a high-betting round and both lose. Usually the tramp would put on a good act and say he "was robbed," but would go out of the gambling emporium bemoaning his bad luck to the sucker.

After the sucker was out of sight, the scout would ramble back to the gaming rooms and get his "cut" on the deal which ran about 25 per cent for steering another "prospect" or pigeon into the operating room.

Most Issei are men with an itch to try their luck and it doesn't take much persuasion to get them to take the fling.

### The Hotel Fix

A more elaborate and perhaps more legitimate interpretation of the above plan is the "rigged" hotel.

A wily operator says he has a money-making hotel lease for sale. It's a real "gold-mine" and the present operator is retiring due to ill health. The "prospect" is taken to this hotel, inspects all the rooms checks over the books, and is soon convinced that the hotel is a going business. He finds that every room is occupied and the rentals received are high. He sees lots of linens and supplies in the closets and fine furnishings in the rooms.

The deal goes through and the prospect buys the lease. Usually it is for \$2500 or so. When he goes to operate his hotel business he finds that actually there are only 20 per cent occupied rooms; that the linens and furnishings have been removed; and the hotel rates are 25 cents a night instead of the \$1.00 a night he saw on the books. The cagy "hotel" man, by this time, has departed from the city, changed his name, and is ready to start another "business" to sell to another customer. The same setup is worked on a cafe or beer parlor transaction.

### The Sales Promoter

Selling worthless oil stock and gold mine shares has been tried on the West Coast with varying degrees of success. Usually the salesman gets about 50 per cent commission, delivers impressive looking stock certificates, and is armed with an elaborate brochure of pictures and impressive statistics. Most of these mines never exist, except on paper, as the victims wait for the well to flow or the mine to produce.

In recent years, the commodity has changed to borax and uranium, but the basic elements of the non-existent mine game are the same. The sucker puts down his money and gets only fancy-looking paper for his cash.

The salesman usually tells you that he has sunk every cent of his personal fortune in the deal to sound convincing. When there is no payoff he merely tells you he lost many times your investment.

These people live by their wits, invariably operate in gangs. One person makes the pitch, the second pretends to be an interested buyer, and the third may act the part of an "expert" on the subject.

This is the strategy used on the sealed box game. When the salesman is talking to the victim, his confederate poses as an interested buyer who confirms the value inside the box. The third man may pretend he is the "disinterested" party who will act as a trustee on the deal and hold the money. When the victim is fleeced clean, the trio get together, split the take, and then are off to another community.

I must give them this much credit. They are all great actors. Whenever you get a chance to make some "easy" money, just watch out and steer away. It's usually a phoney.

## Bill Hosokawa:

## FROM THE FRYING PAN

### Four Views on Santa Claus

Denver, Colo.

Christmas is less than two weeks away and Santa is a pretty lively subject around our house. Since there are four kids, of course there are four points of view regarding S. Claus.

Take Mike, who is 11 years old and well-educated in the ways of the world. He learned long ago in the back alley school that Santa was a pleasant fraud foisted on children by their parents. At first he was belligerent about his new knowledge. He was ready and willing to argue his point. But the last few years he has mellowed. He knows bunk when he sees it, but he's willing to go along for the ride, to keep "the little kids" happily deluded. He's not above getting cut in on the graft himself. After all, what's he got to lose. Sure, Santa's okay. Mike is very practical.

Susan, at 7½, is next. She is torn by serious conflicts. She is old enough to doubt. But she still wants to believe. She would be the world's happiest little girl if she could know for sure that a fat little man in a sleigh flies through the sky behind a team of reindeer with presents for good children. She will be sadly disappointed one of these days when she learns the facts of life.

To Pete, at 3½, Santa is as big as life. He is a fearsome and gigantic old man with a loud voice and terrifying manners. And yet he has a magnetic attraction that small boys cannot resist. Pete isn't troubled by the mechanics of how a fat man can come sliding down a chimney, even when there isn't any chimney at all. All he's interested in is the expectation that Santa brings presents, and the more he brings the better. Pete is motivated simply by childish and universal greed.

And Christie, 1½, doesn't quite know what to make of the entire caper. What's more, she doesn't give a darn. She just wishes things would get back to normal pretty soon so that folks will pay some

attention to her. Maybe next year she'll flatter Santa with the anticipation of understanding.

It must be said that the parents look forward to Santa's visit with somewhat less enthusiasm than the children do. Of course that isn't the proper Christmas spirit, but that spirit has become more than a little jaded by crass commercialism.

Take today's toys, for instance. Ever since the advent of plastics, the toy-makers have taken to manufacturing flimsy and fragile items. They break all over the living room floor, and the chemists haven't developed a glue yet that will put them back together. The manufacturers aren't satisfied with one toy per child. No, they market boxes of the stuff, each box filled with dozens of tiny items. These items must be picked up all the time because, of course, children haven't kept pace with technological progress. They still haven't learned to put things away.

If the toys aren't the kind that scatter, they need a lot of adult assistance in assembling. Take a basketball hoop, for instance. Kids learn to play basketball long before they know how to mount a hoop. What happens? Dad has to put up the hoop, with the kids on the sidelines demanding that he hurry so that they can start playing. And does he get a chance to play, too? Nothing doing, the ball's for the kids.

### We Still Like Christmas

Even though Christmas has become the chief promotion of manufacturers and retailers, even though they din the sacred old hymns hour after hour through loudspeakers, even though Christmas has become anything but a day for spiritual redemption, it's managed to hang on to a bit of the traditional, heartening, inner warmth. If the paragraphs above sound cross and Scrooge-ish, pay no mind. We like Christmas.

## Vagaries

### Exotic Star . . .

20th Century Fox is planning a full-scale exploitation campaign for Shirley Yamaguchi's first American film "Japanese War Bride." Newspaper ads have been prepared which will say: "The Story of a Miscegenetic Love. . . ! Introducing the exotic star of the East . . . YAMAGUCHI in her first American production." . . . Trade paper ads are already advising theater managers that "Japanese War Bride" is "Startlingly Different!" . . . Originally, Miss Yamaguchi was to have received featured billing but her performance so impressed studio executives that both she and Don Taylor are now starred. . . . The Japanese actress was to marry the noted New York sculptor, Isamu Noguchi, in a Tokyo wedding Saturday. They were to have been wed in Rome in the midst of a round-the-world flight but decided to postpone the ceremony until Japan. After a short honeymoon Miss Yamaguchi probably will return to Hollywood where Writer - Producer Anson Bond is preparing a new film for her called "The Second Star."

### In a Forest . . .

The first showings of Japan's prize-winning film, "Rashomon" (In a Forest) in the U.S. since it won the Venice International Film Festival award were in Los Angeles where it played for a week before Nisei and Issei audiences at the Linda Lea theater. A special version of the film, complete with English subtitles, is being made in Tokyo and will be distributed in America on the art theater circuit by RKO. . . . The current issue of Crossroads publishes an interview with a young night club dancer named Kiyoko Tachibana, now performing at Dolly's Bowery in Los Angeles. Miss Tachibana, a native of Boston, was educated in Japan and England. Miss Tachibana is of Japanese, Scotch and English ancestry.

### Network Role . . .

Reiko Sato, who has appeared before Hollywood cameras in such films as "Woman on the Run," "Call Me Mister" and "Mother Didn't Tell Me," got her first big network radio role last Sunday when she appeared with Douglas Fairbanks Jr. in his "Silent Men" program over NBC. She played the role of the daughter of a Bank of Japan official in a drama called "Piracy-20th Century Brand" in which Fairbanks had the role of a U.S. agent on the search for a missing shipment of gold bullion.

### Ancestor . . .

Bradford Smith, who wrote "They Came from Japan," (Lippin-

## Box-Score on Race Relations:

## Social Stratification Influences Lives of Japanese Americans

By ELMER R. SNITH

The principles of social stratification as outlined last week in this column have influenced the course of development of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States. This is especially true in the Far West. The people of the Pacific Coast area, especially California, have been characterized for at least three-quarters of a century with distinct color prejudices and social stratification based upon these prejudices.

As a matter of fact, it is safe to say that the "White population" of the region has inherited a distinct set of rules for social stratification based upon race from the earlier settlers who found the territory settled by "colored persons" of Indian and Mexican ancestry, and who also brought with them a definite set of mores from the southern part of the United States relative to non-whites. This mental set of whites where social stratification was concerned became associated with and reinforced by the experiences of "coolie" labor from the Orient. When any group other than their own "white aristocracy" came into direct competition with their economic and social empire, bigotry, intolerance and discrimination in social, legal and economic fields were resorted to for the purpose of holding the non-white, and especially the Oriental, in his place. This particular type of discrimination became especially outstanding when applied to persons of Japanese ancestry.

The persons of Japanese ancestry were the first group of Orientals seriously to challenge the "coolie labor" complex of the Pacific coast. True, the early arrivals from Japan and Hawaii were of the menial laboring class, but the Japanese showed more initiative and independence than other groups,

cott, 1949), a book about American residents of Japanese ancestry, has a new tone out titled "Bradford of Plymouth," the story of the Plymouth colony and its governor, William Bradford. Author Smith, who once taught in Tokyo and has written several novels with Japanese backgrounds, is a direct descendant of Governor Bradford.

Mrs. Alice Kasai and Mrs. Grace Oshita helped out behind the scenes in the Utah Opera Guild's production of "Madame Butterfly" this week in Salt Lake City. . . . Toshio Asaeda is assistant preparator at the California Academy of Sciences in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park. His work includes that of preparing displays of wild animals in their natural habitat. . . . Northwest Airlines, which recently hired Peter Ohtaki as a special Japanese representative, this week announced that it had appointed a Chinese American and a Korean to their west coast sales staff.

and they were soon working for themselves or by and through organizations of their own demanding more legitimate pay for their type of labor. The San Francisco Chronicle in a 1905 editorial summed up this situation with the statement: "The Chinese are faithful laborers and do not buy land. The Japanese are unfaithful laborers and do buy land." This type of attitude is still prevalent in various parts of the coastal area, but is becoming less. In the winter of 1945 a county commissioner of Yakima county, Washington, stated to the writer: "The negative reaction against the return of Japanese is not just emotional. It is a basic economic problem. The Japanese came as laborers, but they weren't content to remain as such. They leased farms, saved money, and are now able to outwork and outsell the whites. . . . They gain control of the land. The Mexicans are the best laborers. I have never hired Japs. I don't intend to! The Mexicans are content to work, and not try to outdo the white man. The Japs are just the opposite."

The opposition to persons of Japanese ancestry was not only found in the landed aristocracy of the Pacific Coast, but also among various labor unions. This source of discrimination and prejudice was founded upon an already existing unfavorable stereotype of the Oriental as a "coolie" who worked for less pay than a white person, and upon the slumbering "social stratification" tradition of the Coast built up over many years of experiences with and discrimination against Chinese, Hindus, Koreans, Filipinos as well as the Indian and/or Mexican infiltrations from south of the border.

It is of interest to recall the history of the Japanese American Citizens League from its early inception as a small group of democratically minded young Nisei in 1918 was considering the forces at work making for discriminated social stratification in the American communities. Twenty years ago the JACL fought legislative attempts to force persons of Japanese ancestry into a stratified position in American society, and this struggle has been continued to the present time.



# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Lefty Kikkawa Plays in Rose Bowl

Halfback Lefty Kikkawa played with the defensive platoon for Pasadena City College as the Californians topped an undefeated season by edging Tyler College of Texas, 28 to 26, in the Little Rose Bowl game before 42,000 on Dec. 8. . . . Ralph Kubota, supercharged little halfback for Compton College, is named on the third team of the United Press' all-Southern California junior college squad. Kubota, who scored 42 points for the Tartars, was an all-Southern California high school selection last season when he starred for Compton High. . . . For the past three years Ray Fukui has been a backfield star for Wheatland, Calif., High in the Sacramento Valley six-man football league. Last week Fukui was named at quarterback on the league all-star team. A six-man team has three linemen, two ends and a center, and three backs, a quarterback, halfback and fullback. . . . Mits Fukumura, quarterback for San Jose, Calif., High, and Min Ikeda of Lincoln of San Jose were among the backs given honorable mention on the Peninsula Athletic League all-star team announced last week. . . . Keigo Obata and John Yamate were members of the Central Union High team of Fresno County, Calif., which won the Shasta League Class B football title. . . . George Nishiyama, senior at Chula Vista, Calif., High School won honorable mention in the backfield on the all-Metropolitan League team picked by the Breitbard Athletic Foundation in San Diego. Nishiyama, sports editor of his school paper, played left half on offense and was a linebacker on defense.

## Scatback Aoki, Goto Make All-Stars

Scatback Bennie Aoki, second highest scorer among junior colleges players in Southern California during the past season, and Teruji Goto, guard for the Harbor College Seahawks, were named to first team berths on the All-Metropolitan Conference all-star team picked by the Los Angeles Times last week. Aoki, nicknamed "The Bunny," scored 100 points for the Long Beach City College Vikings and carried the ball 78 times during the season for a 5.3 average. . . . On the Los Angeles Times selection, Compton College's Ralph Kubota made the second team of the Western States Conference all-star team.

## Caltech's Karasawa Given Trophy

At Caltech in Pasadena, one of the nation's top IQ schools where the student body is apt to be more interested in the latest developments in science than their football team's football fortunes, the Engineers have managed to field a small but scrappy team annually in the Southern California Football Conference. For the past three years the field general of the Engineers has been a slim Nisei named Richard (Babe) Karasawa whose passing arm has kept the Caltech eleven in the thick of the conference race annually. Last week Karasawa served as chairman for the school's athletic banquet at Brookside Clubhouse. Chairman Karasawa was surprised when he found himself the recipient of the Wheaton Trophy, the school's outstanding athletic honor, presented annually to the athlete who ranks highest in scholarship, sportsmanship and moral influence among his fellow players. The trophy was Karasawa's second award for the year. Last spring he was a co-winner of the Caltech Alumni baseball trophy. Karasawa played third base for the Engineers and was named to the all-conference team.

## Swimming's "Race of the Century"

Japanese sports writers already are looking forward to the 1500-meter freestyle swimming race next summer in the Olympic Games in Helsinki when Japan's great Hironoshin Furuhashi will probably meet Ford Hiroshini Konno of the U. S., John Marshall of Australia and Tetsuo Okamoto, the new Brazilian star. Furuhashi already has started training for the Olympics, while Konno, now a student at Ohio State University, is working out daily in the Buckeye tank under Coach Mike Peppe's direction. According to Leslie Nakashima, former Honolulu newsman who now writes for the United Press from Tokyo, Japanese sports experts think Furuhashi can beat Konno at 1500 meters. On the other hand, the American AAU's experts who recently named Konno as all-American in three events think the slim (5 feet 6, 130 pounds) Honolulu Nisei has the potential to become the greatest swimmer in world history. Konno still has to make the U. S. Olympic team in competition with other American swimmers but, barring illness or injury, should have little difficulty in making the team in the 400, 800 and 1500 meter freestyle events. His strongest competition, at the present time, should come from Yale's Wayne Moore and Jimmy McLane. Moore surprised Konno by winning the 400 meters in the National AAU meet in Detroit last July.

## Many Tourneys Await Bowlers

The Northern California Nisei bowling tournament will be sponsored by the San Francisco Nisei bowling league on Jan. 19 and 20 at Downtown Bowl. . . . The 2nd annual Gardena bowling tournament will be held on Jan. 26 and 27 at Gardena Bowl. . . . Because of the fact that the date of the tourney was set ahead this year, a number of Idaho bowling teams are planning to enter the 6th annual National JACL tournament which starts on Feb. 29 at the new Ellitch's Gardens lanes in Denver. There are Nisei bowling leagues at present in Idaho Falls, Pocatello and Ontario, Ore.

## Dr. Kurumada Wins City Title

Dr. Jun Kurumada of Salt Lake City is probably the first Nisei to win a city championship in the continental United States. Dr. Kurumada teamed with Al Smessart to win the doubles title, taking both scratch and handicap honors, in the annual Salt Lake City tournament at the K-B Lanes. Dr. Kurumada's 605 and Smessart's 625 were good for a 1230 total and the pair had 1306 with handicaps added. Tom Matsumori and Bill Honda of the Terashima Studio team in the JACL League came in fifth with 1280. Chippy Umemoto of the Okada Insurance team placed third in the city singles championships with a handicapped 699. King Joy of the JACL League placed seventh in the team division.

## Fresno State Booms Hirayama

Elton Foreman, director of the Fresno State College news bureau, deserves an "A" for effort for his campaign to get Satoshi (Fibber) Hirayama named to the West All-Star team in the annual Shrine game in San Francisco. Comparing Hirayama with such pint-sized greats as Albie Booth of Yale, Foreman carried his campaign to the sports desks of the Coast's major newspapers. He won the support of the Los Angeles Examiner's sports section which thought that Hirayama would be an asset to the West in the Shrine contest. Fibber, one of the most popular athletes in Fresno State's recent history, was selected "Campus King" this year.

James Tsuda, holder of the Northern California Class C high

## Miyasato Rolls In Championship Bowling Meet

CHICAGO—Taro Miyasato, only non-continental bowler in the field of 160 in the National All-Star Bowling tournament, finished in 20th place in his 32-man squad as the tourney got under way here on Dec. 8.

Miyasato scored 1125 in six games. His games were 187, 171, 206, 175, 180 and 206.

The Hawaiian bowler, first Nisei to compete in the annual tournament, fairly lit up the Chicago Coliseum with his bright Aloha shirt.

Miyasato had trouble getting accustomed to the new alleys but bowled steadily and had only three misses and two splits in the six games. He had only two doubles, however, both coming in the 206 games.

## Denver JACL Plans Sports Program

DENVER — The Denver JACL will actively support a program of sports activities during the coming year.

Members voted to sponsor a winter basketball league and expressed full cooperation with the National JACL bowling tournament which will be held in Denver, beginning on Feb. 29, 1952.

Dr. George J. Kubo, athletic director of the local chapter, reported that a Nisei basketball league is being organized under the sponsorship of the local chapter.

In connection with the national bowling tourney, the chapter voted to recommend to the 1942 cabinet of the JACL that it sponsors a dinner-dance in connection with the tournament.

## Montanans Will Enter JACL Tournament

HARDIN, Mont. — The Standard Seed team of Hardin, Mont., will enter the National JACL bowling tournament in Denver, the Montana JACL chapter announced this week.

school high jump record at 6 feet, and Vic Nakamoto, erstwhile football star, are guards on the Placer College basketball varsity. . . . Ken Kimura, rated a football and baseball prospect when he enrolled at Southern Oregon College last year, has developed into one of the top cagers on the Red Raider varsity. Kimura has won a starting post at guard and tallied five goals and two free throws for 12 points as the Raiders walloped the Oregon Tech Owls, 65 to 53, last week. . . . Jim Miyano chalked up three points from his guard post as East Los Angeles College bowed to Chaffey JC. . . . Guard Hiro Tsukimura was one of the outstanding linemen on a good Fowler, Calif., High Redcat football team this fall and he has won a starting job at guard on the Redcat basketball varsity.

## Main Bowl Gets City Tournament

Taro Miyasato, Hawaiian match game champion and the first Nisei to enter the National Match Game bowling championships, isn't listed among the top 20 as the 160-man field went through the first weekend of the qualifying round in Chicago. With young Dick Hoover of Akron, O., as defending champion, the field includes nearly all of the top bowlers in the U. S., including Ned Day, Junie McMahon, Joe Wilman and Buddy Bomar. Miyasato paused in San Francisco long enough to win two match games. . . . The Seattle Bowling Association, one of the first city groups to fight for the removal of the ABC's ban against Nisei and other non-Caucasian bowlers, this week awarded it annual city bowling championships to Main Bowl, the Nisei-owned and operated alley which is also the home of the local Nisei leagues. . . . The sixth annual Northwest Nisei Invitational bowling tournament will be held on Jan. 11, 12 and 13 at Seattle's Main Bowl. . . . Lean George Sakamoto, who once rolled a 275 game in the National JACL tournament in Salt Lake City, fired a 215-198-253-56-722 to become one of twelve bowlers to qualify for the "house finals" in the Valley Bowl section of the "Big Deal" tournament in San Jose. Two other Nisei, Nab Otomori with 673 and Mike Murotsune with 668, are among the lucky dozen who will roll on Sunday for a \$345 pot. The Valley Bowl winner will be eligible to roll in the grand finals at San Carlos Bowl on Dec. 22 when the champions of 25 Northern California bowling houses will compete for \$1500 in prizes, including \$400 for first place. . . . Sakamoto also captained the Diamond Crafts team of the San Jose Nisei men's league which won the team championship of the 3rd annual Nisei Mid-State Bowling tournament at Fresno's Playdium alleys. The quintet bowled 2748 scratch and received 277 pins handicap for a grand total of 3025. Besides Sakamoto the team members are Jim Taketa, Mich Shiomoto, Mike Murotsune and Mike Sakuda.

## San Francisco Plans All-Star Team

The San Francisco Nisei bowling league is holding a weekly "Denver shoot" to raise expenses to send an all-star team to the National JACL tournament. Last week's winner was Joe Sato with a 610-32-642. Winners receive merchandise prizes and entry fees are placed in the all-star team fund. . . . After 11 weeks of competition there are eight men with averages of 180 or better in the league, led by Henri Takahashi's 192. Others are Gish Endo 186, Tad Sako 185, Tats Nagase 185, Don Gee 184, George Gee 183 and Joe Sato at 180. . . . The Sacramento Valley Nisei bowling league will hold its annual tournament in mid-February. . . . With the demise of the national all-Nisei basketball tournament in Chicago and the all-Oriental tourney which was held in Seattle and San Jose, the San Francisco Drakes meet and the annual Intermountain JACL competition loom as two of the most important affairs involving Nisei teams. The Drakes tournament, scheduled for Jan. 5 and 6, will pit Northern California's leading Nisei teams against the San Francisco Chinese Filipino Mangos.

## Wins Hawaii Golf Title



HONOLULU—The Japanese American squad won the annual International Goodwill tournament recently at the Ala Wai course for its second win in the two years of the event which is sponsored by the Hawaii Public Links association.

Members of the winning team (above) are: Front row, Ken Miyaoka, Captain Sukeyoshi Kushi and Isamu Murata. Standing, Manager Andy Fuchikami, Yukio Kashiwa, Ted Murata and Ed Nakagaki.

The Nisei golfers are among the top amateur devotees in Hawaii.

## Japanese "War Bride" Will Enter World Billiard Meet

TOKYO — The Japanese woman who is believed to be the world's outstanding female billiard player is coming to the United States as a "war bride."

She is Masako Katsura, 38, wife of U. S. Army Sergeant Vamon

Greenleaf, who left Yokohama with her husband on Dec. 12 aboard the USS Breckenridge. The ship is scheduled to dock in San Francisco on Dec. 23.

Prior to her departure Miss Katsura said she will represent Japan in the world three-cushion billiard tournament which opens March 5 in San Francisco. She will be the only female contestant in the tourney.

Miss Katsura has been playing billiards since she was 14. Her intense interest in the game prompted her family to buy her a table. It was her proudest possession during her youth.

In 1937 she met Kinrey Matsuyama, Japanese billiard star who won the United States national three cushion championship in 1934. Impressed by her ability, he offered to teach her.

Although Miss Katsura has never won the Japanese three cushion title, she placed second in 1950. She did not compete this year because of preparations for her trip to the United States.

She fell in love with Sgt. Greenleaf over a billiard table. They met when she offered to teach him to play. They were married about a year ago.

After the San Francisco tournament, the Japanese billiard star will tour the United States before settling down as an American housewife.

## Annual Installation Dinner Dance Set By Eden Township

SAN LEANDRO, Calif.—Newly-elected officers of the Eden Township JACL chapter will be installed at a dinner-dance to be held at Onstada's in San Leandro on Friday evening, Jan. 11, from 6:30 p.m.

Regional Director Haruo Ishimaru of the JACL will direct the installation.

Chairman Kenji Fujii is in charge of the affair and is being assisted by the following committee members, Kazuo Okada, decoration; Henry Wada, finances; Tak Shiba, membership and tickets; Mr. Shiba, membership and tickets; Mrs. Giichi Yoshioka, Min Shikoda and Tak Shiba, reception.

Guests of honor will include Mayor Cross of Berkeley, Mayor Carlos Bee of Hayward, Sheriff Gleason of Alameda County and a representative of the Southern Alameda chapter.

Mr. Ishimaru will also lead the group in singing.



Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Dr. and Mrs. George T. Shida a girl, Carolyn Sue, on Nov. 24 in Minneapolis, Minn.  
To Mr. and Mrs. John N. Mura- shi, Berkeley, Calif., a boy on Nov. 16.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Ito a girl on Nov. 29 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. amakawa a boy on Nov. 26 in Sacramento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo C. Sa- ki a girl on Nov. 26 in Sacra- mento.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Y. Mu- ra, Brighton, Colo., a girl.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nakade- wa a boy in Oakland, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George K. Na- no, Berkeley, Calif., a boy.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Uyeno a girl on Nov. 30 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tomio Mune- wa a boy on Nov. 21 in San Francisco.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi T. Ta- ka, Berkeley, Calif., a boy on Nov. 19.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Ichiro T. Tera- ma, Berkeley, Calif., a boy on Nov. 17.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshikazu Ya- da a girl on Nov. 28 in Chicago.  
To Dr. and Mrs. George Nishio in sons, Wayne Alan and John Herman, on Nov. 16 in Fresno, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Sugi- moto a boy, Thomas Takeo, on Nov. 12 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fuku- moto a boy, David Eiji, on Nov. 20 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kaiso Ha- da a girl, Susan, on Nov. 16 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Fukashi Hori, San Fernando, Calif., a boy, Don- kio, on Nov. 19 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Tokushi agiyama a girl, Andrea Isha, on Nov. 22 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. William Tomio anaka a boy, Robert Teruo, on Nov. 26 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Yoshi- ka, Encino, Calif., a girl, Rosie Iyoko, on Nov. 23.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Echio Andow, Santa Monica, Calif., a girl, Suzan- nie, on Nov. 21.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Masami Fuji- awa a girl, Janet Kazuye, on Nov. 3 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Fujimoto a girl, Cynthia Joy, on Nov. 25 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hiroshi inami a girl, Jeanne Hiroko, on Nov. 23 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Ohi-

gashi a boy, Tsuyoshi Steven, on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Koichi Yamashiro a boy, Duane Koyei, on Nov. 25 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Y. Teramura a girl in Ontario, Ore.

DEATHS

Mrs. Tomano Kodama, 63, on Dec. 7 in Denver.  
Akira Hirano, 32, of Clovis, Calif., on Dec. 5.  
Yasukichi Hongo, 81, on Dec. 2 in Fresno.  
Calvin Nakaji, 25, on Dec. 4 in San Jose, Calif.  
Tetsuro Kanai on Dec. 4 in Los Angeles.  
Naokusu Kishiyama on Dec. 6 in Los Angeles.  
Yaemon Yoshida on Dec. 3 in Watsonville, Calif.  
Nobuhiko Kamei on Dec. 2 in Sun Valley, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Kikue Matsumura, Spokane, Wash., and Jack W. Oda, Clear- field, Utah, on Dec. 2 in Salt Lake City.  
Lilly Nagae to Ryomi Tanino on Dec. 2 in Seattle.  
Himeko Kawabata, Fife, Wash., to Isamu Suyematsu, Bainbridge Island, on Nov. 4 in Tacoma.  
Michiko Kuroiwa to Tamio Shi- kada on Dec. 2 in Gardena, Calif.  
Sally Mizukami to Tad Yasu- naga on Dec. 1 in Los Angeles.  
Margie Yoshimura to Ichiro Yoshihashi on Dec. 2 in Alhambra, Calif.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Dorothea Yokota, 21, and Kay Fukuma, 25, in Seattle.  
Miyo Machigashira, 26, and Wil- liam Muramatsu, 29, in San Fran- cisco.  
Florence S. Iwata, 26, and John- nie Inouye, 25, in Sacramento.  
Sally Sasaki, 20, and Kenji Ya- mane, 26, in San Francisco.  
Sayuri Tsujimura, 20, Los An- geles, to Glenn Budd Buell, Jr., 27, Buellton, Calif in Oakland.  
Mary Ichihana, 24, and Frank Yamagata, 26, both of Reedley, Calif., in Fresno.  
Mary Ando, 23, and Saburo Min- are, 30, Livingston, Calif., in San Jose.  
Hideko Tsukamoto, 24, and Sho- ichi Araki, 27, in San Jose.

Plan Dedication For San Jose Church

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Official ded- ication services for the newly- erected Japanese Methodist Church at 566 No. Fifth St. were held on Dec. 9.  
Bishop Tippet delivered the dedication message, which was translated into Japanese by the Rev. Taro Goto.

Denver Mothers Will Invite Orphans To Annual Party

DENVER—The annual Denver Nisei Mothers Club Christmas party will be held on Sunday, Dec. 16 at the Denver Christian Center, 29th and Curtis Sts., from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., according to Mrs. Robert Horiuchi, chairman.  
Following the custom of past years, orphans from various depen- dent homes in Denver will be in- vited as special guests of the club.

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Denver JACL Will Obtain Blood Donors

DENVER — Mrs. Tsuyako Ta- kata, was designated Denver JACL blood donor drive chairman by President Y. Terasaki, to partici- pate in the current Red Cross cam- paign to replenish rapidly dwind- ling blood supplies for U.S. sol- diers in Korea.

Miss Chiye Horiuchi, program and activities vice-president of the Denver JACL, explained that blood donations are being solicited on the basis of organizations. The Den- ver quota is 75 pints per day, or 400 pints per week. However, the Red Cross offices advised that they would not be able to handle more than 5 persons at any one time.

Moreover, Miss Horiuchi scotch- ed rumors to the effect that blood donated to the Red Cross was being commercialized, or that the blood was being diverted to civilian uses. The Red Cross has authoritatively stated that all blood donated is im- mediately allocated for the use of the armed forces. Most of the blood is being used and is desper- ately needed in the Korean war.

The Denver JACL agreed to participate in the blood donation drive as a patriotic gesture and as con- tinuing evidence of loyalty as Am- erican citizens.

French Camp JACL Hosts Japan Sailors

FRENCH CAMP, Calif. — The French Camp JACL recently play- ed host to 49 sailors from the S.S. Higashi Maru which loaded 200,000 tons of rice for Japan at the Port of Stockton.

Captain Keijiro Shiho and his crew members attended he JACL chapter's bazaar and spent the event playing bingo, penny pitch, lucky strike and ball rolling. Token tickets were given to the sailors to participate in the games.

Many Japanese dishes were serv- ed.

Issei attending the bazaar spent the evening learning about con- ditions in Japan from the sailors.

Farmers in the French Camp area donated vegetables to the ship.

Final Rites Held For Fever Victim

LOS ANGELES — Final rites were held here on Dec. 8 for Pfc. Edward Oshiro, 22, who died in a Tokyo hospital on Nov. 10 of Man- churian fever contracted on the Korean front.

Pfc. Oshiro's remains, escorted by his brother, Corp. Eiki Oshiro who also was serving in Korea, ar- rived in Los Angeles on Dec. 1.

The Los Angeles Veterans Co- ordinating Council was in charge of the service.

Bay Area Drama Critics Praise Nisei Experimental Players

By JOBO NAKAMURA

SAN FRANCISCO — Bay area drama critics had high praise this week for the Nisei Experimental Group of Los Angeles following their performances at the Gyosei Theater in San Francisco on Dec. 8 and the Berkeley Little Theater on Dec. 9.

The program, consisting of a modern Nisei play, "The Plums Can Wait" and a series of short, classical Japanese comedies known as "Kyogen," was sponsored by the Buchanan YMWCA Nisei Com- munity Forum and the San Fran- cisco and East Bay chapters of the JACL.

The audiences, of 450 at the Gyosei Hall and 350 in Berkeley, gave the well-coached troupe an ovation after each performance.

Regarding the "Plums," Theresa Loeb Cone of the Oakland Tribune wrote it "was an extremely moving account of the plight of the first generation Japanese engaged in ranch work."

Miss Cone praised Hiroshi Kashi- wagi, a UCLA student in Oriental studies, who wrote the play and played the leading role. She said Kashiwagi demonstrated "a re- markable adeptness at etching with economy of dialogue and action the problems of a whole generation of Americans."

"This playwright has real prom- ise and ought to go far if he stays with his craft," she added. "In fact, this newcomer shows great- ed dramatic insight and ability to create archetypes rather than stereotypes than did the established author Rice." She referred to Elmer Rice whose play, "Two on an Island" was reviewed in the same column.

Luther Nichols of the San Fran- cisco Chronicle described Kashi- wagi's play as "a forceful Western- style study" and the Kyogens as being "unusual and very interest- ing."

Nichols interpreted the Nisei- written drama as a study of a "young transient fruit picker named Tom who tries to get his hard-working brother and proud Japanese mother to realize their energy is being exploited by a white plum grower."

"Family love and a tradition of generations of industrious, unques-

tioning labor are too much for him to overcome, however, and he him- self is unable to break away," Nichols commented. "Author Kashiwagi has mirrored the prob- lems of many Japanese Americans with touching effect."

"To eyes accustomed to the realistic theater of the West, the formal and unrealistic stagecraft of Japan proved a delightful change," said Nichols. "The brief Kyogen stress characterization, and the natural humor of simple peo- ple, rather than plot. The actors sit with their backs to the audience until their turn comes to take part in the action; then each rises and introduces himself."

"Long journeys are indicated by trudging in a circle. Doors are represented by a sweep of the ac- tor's hand while he mutters 'Gada- gada-gada.' (A slammed door is 'gada-gada-gada-wham!')

The Los Angeles Experimental Group was directed by Hirotaka Okubo.

Members of the company includ- ed Mas Suyeishi, Hiroshi Kashi- wagi, Fumi Kawamoto, Albert Acebo, Kenji Suyematsu, Frank Watanuki, Miki Fujimoto and Alice Nakagawa.

Two Fresnans Hurt

HOLLISTER, Calif.—Two Fres- no residents were injured, one seriously, on Dec. 10 when the car in which they were riding went out of control and crashed into a con- crete culvert on the Pacheco Pass road.

Seriously injured was Shintaro Matsuhara, 76. He was treated at Hazel Hawkins Hospital for head, shoulder and chest injuries.

His daughter, Mrs. Caroline Miyamoto, 26, driver of the vehicle, escaped with a minor hip injury and bruises.

Mrs. Miyamoto said the car went out of control as she started to take a curve.

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## 15 IDC Members Advance \$1500 for JACL Project

ONTARIO, Ore.—Fifteen checks, each for \$100, were forwarded to National JACL headquarters in Salt Lake City this week by George Sugai, past president of the Snake River Valley JACL, to initiate the National JACL's Japanese movie project.

The checks represent money advanced by 15 JACL members in the Intermountain District Council to provide \$1,500 for the JACL project for the showing of Japanese language motion pictures, primarily to Issei audiences, in order to raise funds for local chapters and the national organization.

Associate National Director Sam Ishikawa broached the film idea at the recent IDC convention in Salt Lake City, explaining the JACL did not have funds at the present time to start the project.

Several IDC members volunteered to advance money for the project and Mr. Sugai volunteered to collect the \$1,500 which was needed. The money will be returned out of funds collected from the film showings.

Those advancing \$100 apiece are: William Yamauchi, Pocatello; Manabu Yamada, Nampa, Ida.; H. Y. Kasai, Salt Lake City; George T. Sugihara, Ogden; Ken Uchida, Ogden; Yukio Inouye, Shelley, Ida.; Elden Martin, Shelley; Sadao Morishita, Idaho Falls; Kay Tokita, Idaho Falls; Tom Itami, Payette, Ida.; Harry Mastro, Ontario, Ore.; Joe Y. Saito, Ontario, Ore.; Thomas Iseri, Ontario; Mun Iseri, Ontario, and George Sugai, Payette.

### National Director Visits Wyoming

WORLAND, Wyo.—National Director Masao W. Satow reported on the state of the JACL and told of the progress of JACL-ADC-supported legislation when he met with members of the Northern Wyoming JACL chapter on Dec. 8 at the Masonic Hall in Worland.

It was Mr. Satow's first visit to the chapter.

More than 40 members and friends attended.

Issei parents of members were invited as special guests.

Kaz Uriu, chapter president, presided at the meeting.

Games and entertainment rounded out the evening.

### Eden Township Plans Annual Christmas Party

HAYWARD, Calif.—The Eden Township JACL will hold its 4th annual Christmas party on Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sunset School Auditorium in Hayward.

Invitations have been extended to all children of the community.

Movies and entertainment by local talent will compete with Santa Claus for the children's interest.

Candies and toys will be distributed.

Mrs. June Yoshioka and Mrs. Masako Minami are co-chairmen for the affair and are being assisted by Mmes. Alice Domoto, Mary Iyemura, Betty Saito and Takiko Shinoda.

### Two Chapters Send Advance Funds to JACL

Two more chapters have forwarded advance payments on their JACL ADC financial campaign quota in order to assist JACL national headquarters, National Director Masao W. Satow announced this week.

Mr. Satow said President Bill Matsumoto had sent \$500 for the Sacramento JACL, while President Henry Suyehira had forwarded a check for \$650 on behalf of the Boise-Valley JACL.

Boise Valley is the first Intermountain district council group to send the advance payment.

### Salinas Chapter Plans Xmas Fete

SALINAS, Calif.—The Salinas JACL will hold a Christmas party on Dec. 22 at the Lincoln Ave. Presbyterian church from 7 p.m.

Mrs. Miya Kubota will be in charge of refreshments.

Members of the Junior JACL will lead the games while motion pictures will be shown by Nob Shigemasa.

Gifts were purchased by Janet Yoshioka and Ikey Miyayana and will be distributed to all children attending under 12 years of age.

John Terakawa was chairman for the Christmas ad committee for the Pacific Citizen's holiday edition.

### TOM MIYANAGA REELECTED BY SALINAS JACL

SALINAS, Calif.—Tom Miyayana was reelected president of the Salinas JACL chapter at the election meeting which followed the annual potluck dinner held to climax the 1952 membership drive.

Other members of the 1952 cabinet include George Hayashi, vice-president; John Terakawa, treasurer; Mary Hibino, recording secretary; Mickey Miyayana, corresponding secretary; Doris Yamamoto, reporter; Henry Tanda, official delegate, and Craig Yama, alternate.

The new officers will be installed at a ceremony in January.

Tony Itani headed the annual membership campaign and was assisted by Mickey Miyayana, Bob Yamamoto, James Tanda, Craig Yama and Ken Sato.

Masaye Tanimura and Grace Hirano headed the dinner committee.

### "Miss JACL" Will Reign at National Meet

SAN FRANCISCO—A Miss JACL of 1952 will be chosen next year to reign as the official hostess over the 12th biennial National JACL convention in June, but the contest will be limited to Northern California.

This was the plan revealed recently by the San Francisco JACL convention board after it had been given a "green" signal by the N.C.—W.N. District Council at its recent convention in Berkeley to go ahead.

Heretofore, convention queens have been selected in a series of regional contests with a finals at the convention.

It was reported that delegates to the 1950 convention in Chicago urged abandonment of such elaborate events because of the costs involved in transportation and other expense.

### Orange County Names Candidates

ORANGE COUNTY, Calif.—Candidates for the 1952 cabinet positions of the local JACL Chapter were revealed this week with the announcement of the slate by the nominations committee.

Candidates for the offices are: president, Hitoshi Nitta and Ken Uyesugi; first vice president, Lincoln Munemitsu and George Kanano, second vice president, Mits Nitta and Stephen Tamura; third vice president, Ruth Matsuda, Betty Oka and Lily Masuda; secretary, Kazuko Aoyama and Keiko Fujino; treasurer, Roy Kobayashi and Fred Mizusawa; auditor, George Ogata and Masaru Kato; members-at-large, Iwao Aoki, George Iwakoshi, Frank Nakashima, Masashi Kariya, Mike Kusuda, James Kobayashi, Hiro Yamashita and Joe Akiyama.

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## Interior Secretary Recalls Record of Nisei Fighting Men

### Elect Rikio Kumagai New President of Washington Group

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Rikio Kumagai will lead the Washington, D.C., JACL chapter for the coming year, succeeding Don Komai, the retiring president.

Other new cabinet members include: Toshio Enokida, 1st vice president; Ben Nakao, 2nd vice president; Kathleen Iseri, recording secretary; Miekko Kosobayashi, corresponding secretary; Yone Matsuo, treasurer, and Ira Shimazaki, board delegate.

The chapter will hold an installation dinner-dance on Dec. 29 at the Lafayette Hotel.

### Denver JACL Plans New Year Eve Fete

DENVER—President Y. Terasaki of the Denver JACL convened a general meeting of the local chapter at the YWCA on Dec. 4, to lay final plans for an outstanding New Year's eve program in Denver.

A recognitions dinner, honoring public-spirited chapter members and community leaders, will be held at the Albany Hotel, preceding the annual New Year's Eve inaugural ball of the Denver JACL. Plenty of noise and fun-makers will be provided to welcome the New Year in.

Roy Mayeda, finance chairman for the chapter, announced that many valuable prizes will be given away at the dance, including a television set, or a certificate good for future delivery, and other prizes.

In addition to planning for New Year's eve, it was announced that Mrs. Edward Matsuda has done an outstanding job in soliciting Pacific Citizen Xmas greetings.

Nominations for 1952 officers of the Denver JACL were completed and the final slate would be announced by the nominating committee, headed by George Ohashi, chairman.

### Texans Raise Funds For JACL-ADC

HOUSTON, Tex.—An additional \$335 has been raised by Japanese American families in the Houston area to aid the National JACL ADC financial campaign, it was announced here recently by K. Saibara, Webster, chairman of the local Issei supporters group for JACL ADC.

During May, 1951, the group raised \$220 following appeals by Z. Kanegaye of the Mountain Plains Issei supporters group and Min Yasui, regional representative of JACL ADC, who visited the Houston area.

The latest contributions resulted from the visit to Houston in November of Mike Masaoka, JACL ADC national legislative director.

### Oratory Winner

HONOLULU—Edwin Yanagihara, a freshman in the teachers college, won the University of Hawaii's annual freshman oratorical contest here last week.

He spoke on the "Challenge of the Slums."

HONOLULU—The wartime gallantry of two Japanese American combat units, the 442nd Central Postal Directory and the 100th Infantry Battalion, was recalled by Secretary of Interior Oscar Chapman in a speech at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in the Punchbowl Crater on the 10th anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack.

In a brief talk before he introduced Vice President Alben Barkley, the main speaker, Secretary Chapman described Hawaii as America's "show window."

"America could not ask to have a better show window—to prove that all races, classes and creeds have grown together into a whole community."

"Here in Hawaii," he said, "is proved beyond the shadow of a doubt the great way of American democracy is broad enough for all of the sons of man to walk together in true friendship."

He placed himself on record for immediate statehood for Hawaii.

Secretary Chapman said Hawaii's reaction to the Pearl Harbor attack was "one of the most profoundly encouraging, heartlifting experiences in the history of America."

"Let me say that I feel an undying gratitude, not only to the men who died here, but to the thousands of marvelous men and women who live here," he declared.

"They prove that our faith in the processes of democracy is justified."

"The records show that the 100th infantry battalion and the 442nd regimental combat team, made up of Hawaii's brave sons, met the test of battle and ranked with the finest fighting units our country has ever known."

In his speech Vice President Barkley declared himself as an advocate of immediate statehood for the territory.

### Hold Final Rites For Mrs. Furuta

DENVER—Final rites were held here on Dec. 3 for Mrs. Teru Furuta, 55, at the California Street Methodist church.

The remains were taken by one of her sons, George Furuta, to Oakland, Calif., for burial.

She is also survived by two other sons, Ben and Pete Furuta.

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