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Secretary Chapman Visits Nisei Ex-GIs



HONOLULU — Secretary of Interior Chapman, who hailed the wartime combat record of the 442nd Combat Team and the 100th Battalion in a Pearl Harbor Day address in Honolulu, is shown as he paid a brief visit to the 442nd Veterans Club.

Secretary Chapman gave a short talk and then answered questions on Hawaiian statehood and equality in naturalization legislation. He indicated that he favored both proposals.

Left to right: Mark Murakami, president of the MIS Linguists Club; Alfred Ige, president of the 1399th Engineers Club; Ben Ono, president of the 442nd Veterans Club; Secretary Chapman; Warren Iwai, president of Club 100; and Farrant Turner, former commander of the 100th Infantry Battalion. In the back row are Gov. Long of Hawaii and William J. Dougherty, director of information, Department of Interior.

—Honolulu Advertiser photo.

Report 26 Nisei Soldiers War Prisoners in Korea

Report Nisei Soldier Killed in Korea

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — It is reported here that Pvt. Tsuneo Shimada, a former resident of this area, was killed in action in Korea on Oct. 27.

Pvt. Shimada is a cousin of Kiyo Hiromoto of Watsonville. His parents are in Japan.

Pvt. Shimada, a wartime straggler, returned from Japan in 1947 and volunteered for the army in 1949.

His remains will be sent to his parents in Japan.

Seven Mainland Nisei Reported On POW List

At least seven of the 26 Nisei GIs on the prisoner of war list released by the Department of Defense last week are residents of the continental United States.

Most of the remainder are believed to be residents of Hawaii. The mainland Nisei on the list include:

Pfc. Harry S. Murata, brother of Mrs. Yoshie Nozawa, Helper, Utah. Sgt. 1st Cl. Akira B. Chikami, son of Hatsu Chikami, Reno, Nev.

Cpl. Ted Hada, brother of George Hada, Denver, Colo.

Cpl. Thomas T. Sueki, brother of Miss Nao Sueki, Mountain View, Calif.

Pvt. Bill Hatano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshimasa Hatano, Sacramento, Calif.

Cpl. Hayanori Mizoguchi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Katsujiro Nakanishi, Los Angeles.

Pfc. Takeshi Mukai, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kumasake Mukai, Tacoma, Wash.

Japanese Americans Listed On POW List Presented to United Nations Negotiators

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The names of 26 Nisei were included in the list of 3,198 Americans who the Communists claim are prisoners of war, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported.

Released in Tokyo by General Matthew B. Ridgeway's headquarters and issued to the press by the Department of Defense, it was emphasized that neither the Far East Command nor the Pentagon could vouch for the accuracy of the list.

The names, rank and serial number of the American prisoners of war were presented to the United Nations truce negotiators in Korea. This is the list from which the Washington office selected the Nisei names.

The Pentagon will release a later bulletin that will include the home addresses of all the names on the Communist list of American POWs.

The 26 Nisei are: Cpl. Henry T. Arakaki, Pfc. Kazumi Arakaki, Sgt. 1st Cl. Akira B. Chikami, Pvt. Billy K. Hatano, Sgt. Ted Hada, Pfc. Henry C. Higa, Pfc. George Itagaki, Sgt. Tadashi Kaneko, Pfc. Sadao L. Kawamoto, Cpl. Masao Kawana, Pvt. Robert Y. Kojima.

Cpl. Hiroshi H. Miyamura, Cpl. Hayanori Mizoguchi, Pfc. Hisashi Morita, Pfc. Takeshi Mukai, Cpl. Harry S. Murata, Cpl. Tadao Naito, Cpl. Tsuyoshi Nishimoto, Cpl. Thomas Y. Ono, Pfc. Susumu Shinagawa, Pfc. Tomio Tadaki, Cpl. Thomas Sueki, Pfc. Yoshio Tamaki, Pfc. Goichi Tamaye, Sgt. Katsuki Tanikawa, Cpl. Kiyami Yonamine.

In addition to the Nisei names, the list included three Japanese, presumably Japanese nationals, who were with American and Korean divisions. They are:

Yoshio Taniyama, Kiyohito Tsutsui and Pvt. Tatsufumi Yashi.

Southern California Soldiers Return

SAN FRANCISCO—Four Southern California Nisei GIs were among 2465 servicemen who returned from Korean and Far East service on Dec. 12.

They are Cpl. Isamu S. Itomura, Los Angeles; Cpl. Benny I. Kato, San Gabriel; Cpl. George S. Kawahara, Los Angeles, and Sgt. Tomi Matsumoto, Pasadena.

Parents File Suit

HONOLULU—The Nisei parents of two children killed in an automobile accident on Dec. 2 have filed suits totaling \$62,000 in Circuit Court against Albert E. Steffin, 22, a sailor on the cruiser Helena.

Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Kobashigawa ask damages for the death of their children, Jane, 9, and Lorraine, 2, who were killed when a car operated by Steffin struck an auto operated by Mr. Kobashigawa.

Masaoka Presents JACL's Recommendations to Expedite Evacuation Claims Program

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Multi-subject evacuation claims resolutions unanimously adopted by the Pacific Southwest, Northern California-Western Nevada and Central California JACL Councils in their respective conventions during the month of November were personally presented to Department of Justice officials in charge of the evacuation claims program by Mike Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, who recently returned to Washington from a six weeks' trip to California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas.

The resolutions called for payment of claims on which hearings have been held and recommended field office adjudications completed and forwarded to Washington by the Los Angeles and San Francisco field offices, liberalization of methods for evaluating automobile losses, less restrictive approach in arriving at valuations of concededly compensable items, supplemental appropriations from Congress to enable the Department of Justice to pay all compromise claims without causing claimants to wait for compensation for their acknowledged losses, and assignment of additional staff to conduct hearings on larger claims and those unwilling to accept compromise offers on the part of the government.

Each of the various subjects was discussed by Justice Department officials and Masaoka.

The government disclosed that it has now adopted a policy of authorizing payment of awards on claims adjudicated by the two California field offices without holding such claims up until the entire compromise program is completed.

The subject of automobile valuations for adjudication purposes was canvassed and Justice officials agreed to review this matter at a more appropriate time. Under the compromise settlement procedures, arbitrary figures are needed to expedite the program. This was one of the reasons for suggesting a compromise approach to the consideration of general losses.

Justice Department officials revealed that on the average even under the compromise program evacuee-claimants were not receiving less than they would probably have received had their claims been formally adjudicated. Their figures take into account the fact that the law limits settlement to three-fourths of the amount of compensable items or \$2500, whichever is less. Accordingly, the government rejected JACL's demand for a more liberal interpretation of valuations on the basis that present

methods are yielding as much on the average as the previously used "adjudications" system.

Masaoka said that he was happy and gratified, as well as surprised, to learn that the compromise program was "paying off" so well as far as the claimants are concerned.

The Department also revealed that it was developing estimates and other pertinent information preparatory to requesting the new session of Congress which convenes on January 8th for supplemental appropriations to permit payment of possibly all compromise claims. The government conceded that several millions more would be needed if all compromise settlements are to be paid within a year or two.

Departmental officers said that the question of additional staff members to conduct hearings on large claims and for those unwilling to compromise their smaller claims was up to Congress. If Congress appropriates sufficient administrative funds to permit employment of extra attorneys or hearing officers, the Department expressed willingness to expand its program to include adjudication of larger claims.

After his conference with the government officials, Masaoka declared that the Department of Justice was being most cooperative in considering JACL's suggestions and in trying to make the compromise program work.

"Considering the limited funds which Congress appropriated and the real difficulties in administering the program to the satisfaction of both the taxpayers and the evacuee-claimants, the Department of Justice is to be commended for the way it is developing this program," Masaoka said. "The fact that it has acted to correct many of the criticisms made by the joint resolutions even before we had presented our suggestions to them indicates an awareness of the problems and the hopes of the claimants."

Christmas Tree "Glow Brighter" Never Gave Up Hope, Says Brother of Denver Nisei POW

DENVER—"Ted's alive!"

This loud, happy yell rang out in a Denver home last week when George Hada, 30, was informed that his brother, Cpl. Ted Hada, 22, was alive and listed as a prisoner of war in a North Korean camp.

Corporal Hada had been listed "missing in action" since Feb. 12, the birthday of his father Taro, a press operator in Denver. Cpl. Hada had served with the Second Infantry Division.

"We had never given up hope that he was alive," another brother, James, 27, said quietly.

The rest of the family, Tom, 26, and sisters-in-law, Jane and Mickey, accepted the news with mixed tears and laughter.

The Christmas tree they had been decorating in the front room appeared "to glow brighter," according to the father.

James' wife, Mickey, remarked that "Santa's coming a little early, but we're glad."

Born in Longmont, Colo., Ted attended school in Fort Lupton. He quit high school to enlist in the army and went overseas with the Ninth Regimental Combat Team.

James and Ted served with the infantry in World War II.

Tom's pretty fiancée, Setsu Maru-

yama, also was at the house when the news arrived.

"Maybe he'll come home for our wedding," Tom smiled. The date for the wedding has been set for Jan. 5—"that isn't giving him much time, but maybe he'll make it."

"Us kids thought Ted was probably still alive—anyway we hoped so," George added. "He was reported missing in action on Feb. 6. Then we got a letter from his chaplain saying Ted was leading his squad when the position was overrun by the Commies."

"But what made it sound hopeful was the fact that the position was retaken within a few hours by the Americans and they didn't find Ted's body—or him wounded. We figured then that maybe he was a prisoner or else they would have found him."

The father shuffled across the room to a cupboard and brought out a picture album.

"Here are pictures of Ted," he said proudly. "See here—in his baseball suit? He was a good baseball player and a basketball player. He was one wonderful boy."

"You don't want to say 'was' any more pa," George said. "He is. He's alive."

Happiest Hoopla: New York's JACL Holds Carnival for ADC Drive

By MITSU YASUDA

The New York JACL may be credited with putting the National Anti-Discrimination Committee \$458 and two cents ahead on its 1952 drive, and with putting on the "happiest hoopla in Nisei New York history" at the same time.

A giant benefit carnival-dance held last month, with half of the profits going to the ADC, was the means whereby the chapter pulled the trick. At the same time it enlisted the aid of eight outside organizations. More than 1,000 persons turned out to spend \$1500.20. Net: \$833.77.

The cooperating clubs, Club 500, Chinese Club, Methodist Young Adults and Teen-Agers fellowships, Nisei Service Organization, Nisei Progressives, Theta Iota, United Christian Fellowship and the Young Buddhist Association, all pitched in with the JACL, manning a total of 20 booths, plus an elaborate dining room. All expenses were covered by the JACL, with 50 per cent of the profits going to the ADC and 50 per cent to the cooperating clubs.

Taro Yashima offered an original painting valued at \$250 for a special prize, while local merchants donated over \$500 worth of merchandise ranging from imported china to a plane trip to Washington to Hawaiian orchids.

The first Nisei fashion show in New York presented sparkling creations by local designers; the first male fashion show in Nisei USA went off with a howl.

The Voice of America, Japan desk, was there. A large crew of a number not ordinarily assigned to a single event tape-recorded the laughter, whoops and crowd noises. A running commentary by the announcers, plus a greeting by the chapter president, Frank Okazaki, was beamed to Japan's several million listeners the next day.

Yoshio Terada won his own donated Elgin watch in a bean-counting contest and promptly gave it back. . . . Three out of four permanent waves donated by Mildred's Salon were won by men. The fourth was won by the salon owner's daughter. . . . Karl Iwasaki was talked into buying an orchid he had donated. . . . The same man won two first prizes in two drawings.

Well, people are still talking about the carnival. They are already talking up next year's show, and the important thing is that they talk about it as a good thing. The New York chapter at this point is ready to take an unabashed bow.

Court Rejects "Tokyo Rose" Rehearing Bid

SAN FRANCISCO — The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Dec. 17 rejected without comment Iva Toguri d'Aquino's petition for a rehearing on an appeal of her conviction in the "Tokyo Rose" case as a traitor to the United States for her wartime propaganda broadcasts.

Counsel for Mrs. d'Aquino claimed the court erred two months ago when it affirmed her conviction.

The California-born woman, a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles, was found guilty in Federal Court in San Francisco of "adhering to the enemy, giving them aid and comfort," and was sentenced to a ten-year term in the Women's Reformatory at Alderson, W. Va.

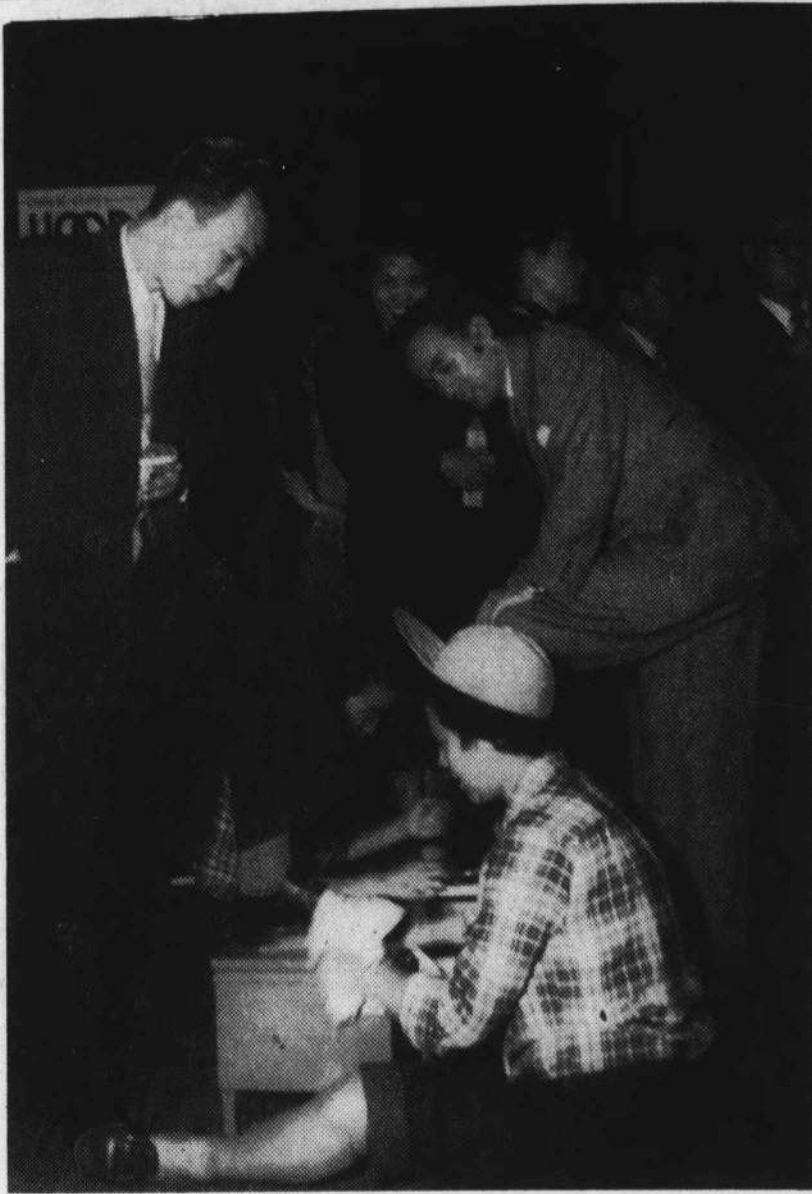
She will be eligible for parole next year.

Revived Pasadena Chapter Holds Christmas Party

PASADENA, Calif. — The rejuvenated Pasadena JACL chapter got off to a flying start at its annual Christmas party held on Dec. 15 at Casitas del Arroyo.

The affair was attended by more than 80 members and their families.

Ken Dyo, past Pacific Southwest district council chairman, heads the new cabinet which was selected from a slate of nearly 30 candidates for the six offices. The others are Ted Tajima, first vice-pres.; Mas Fujimoto, 2nd vice-pres.; Eiko Matsui, rec. sec.; Anna Oishi, corres. sec.; Shig Nishio, treas., and Tom Ito, auditor.



Probably thinking that "American women do strange things," VOA announcers Shiro Nose and Minoru Okada of Tokyo watch carefully as Theta Iota girls Megs Suzuki and Chiz Ikeda give them a vigorous 30c shine at the New York JACL Carnival.—Photo by Ken W. Asai.

Early Filing of Compromise Settlement Offers Urged

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week urged all evacuee-claimants who desire to take advantage of the new compromise procedure to send in their compromise offer to the Department of Justice as soon as possible.

Mike Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL ADC, made this statement urging early submission of compromise offers following discussions with Department of Justice officials regarding the program.

Since the government has already approved for payment more than the \$500,000 appropriated by the last session of Congress for this purpose, the Department of Justice is now preparing to submit its request for supplementary appropriations to the new Congress that convenes on January 8th.

In order that they may be better able to estimate their financial needs to authorize payment of all compromise claims and to justify their request to the Congress, the more compromise offers that have been received the better the Department will be able to judge the amount they should request in the way of supplemental appropriations, Masaoka explained.

If the department asks for too little, it will simply mean that those whose claims are compromised last may again have to wait until funds are available in the Treasury before they can receive payment. If, on the other hand, the government asks for what Congress considers too much, they will have to be in a position to justify their estimates.

"This does not mean," Masaoka said, "that the necessary forms and affidavit should be improperly or incompletely filled out in order to get them into the Department of Justice right away. The necessary papers and documents should be as detailed and as complete as possible in order that the claimants will receive the highest possible amount. But, claimants who intend to take advantage of the compromise procedure who are simply taking their time for no good reason at all and because there is no deadline for the submission of compromise offers should try to submit their initial offers as quickly as they can. In

this way, a better idea of the total picture insofar as compromise claims is concerned can be had to the end that the government will be in a better position to justify not only a request for substantial supplemental appropriations but also for its annual fiscal year request for administrative funds."

Return Bodies Of Two Nisei Killed in War

WASHINGTON, D.C.—No Nisei casualties for the week of Dec. 16 were reported in the Korea fighting, according to the Defense Department notice to the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, although the names of two Nisei were released whose bodies were returned for burial in the states.

The two Nisei among the 510 who lost their lives as a result of the United Nations fighting in Korea and whose bodies were returned last Saturday, December 15th, aboard the Loma Victory through the Port of San Francisco are Corporal Minoru Sasaki, son of Enanosuke Sasaki, 92 Seaview Avenue, Piedmont, California, and Private First Class Ken K. Kondo, son of Mikiji Kondo, Route 3, Box 282, Boring, Oregon.

Deadline Near for Claims On Contraband Goods Losses

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Claimants for losses of or damage to contraband articles who mistakenly filed for such losses in their evacuation claims are reminded that these claims must be filed with the Department of Justice prior to midnight, December 31, 1951, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee declared last week.

Claimants are advised that though the Department of Justice administers both programs, there is no connection between the two remedial projects. Accordingly, even though a claimant may not desire to take advantage of the compromise evacuation claims pro-

Report 4,500 File Compromise Claims Offers

WASHINGTON, D.C. — More than 4500 compromise offers of evacuation claims have been submitted to the Department of Justice up to Christmas Day, according to estimates released by the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Of this number, an estimated more than a thousand or twenty-five per cent have already been accepted by the government for the payment of awards. The estimated total approved for payment to evacuee-claimants is probably more than a million dollars.

In addition, an additional 200 claims which were adjudicated by the Los Angeles and San Francisco field offices are ready for payment, according to JACL ADC estimate.

Since the Department of Justice is required by law to submit annual reports to Congress and since a government agency may not supply this type of information to a private organization prior to its submission to Congress, the figures of the Washington Office are based upon unofficial estimates and conclusions from various sources, including attorneys who have filed compromise claims in behalf of their clients and spot-checks by the regional offices.

If these figures are close to being accurate, it will mean that almost one-fourth of the 1900 claims that might qualify under the compromise settlement law, sponsored by the JACL ADC in cooperation with the Department of Justice, have been filed with the government.

And, if the estimated million dollars in awards is anywhere near the actual figures, it will mean that already twice the amount which Congress appropriated last fall for the payment of all claims up to June 30, 1952 will have been exhausted with more than six months to go on this fiscal year. A supplemental request for additional appropriations is called for under the circumstances.

"If we are anywhere near the real figure in our estimates," Mike Masaoka, national legislative director, declared, "it means that in the past four months under the compromise settlement act, the Department of Justice has adjudicated more than four times as many claims and authorized payment of more than ten times as much as they did in the previous 80 months of the evacuation claims law."

From early July, 1948, when the basic evacuation claims act was signed by the President up to December 31, 1950, only 231 claims had been adjudicated, of which 73 were dismissed for late filing, the Washington Office revealed. During the same period, a grand total of \$99,577.46 was paid to claimants, \$62,595.26 in 1950 and \$3,882.20 in 1948 and 1949.

"Although the Department of Justice will be able to present a much more satisfactory report to the coming session of Congress than heretofore, JACL ADC hopes that the government will be able to complete its compromise settlement program in 1952 as well as to begin the processing and paying of the larger claims," Masaoka said.

"We now have hopes that a program that once threatened to take a century to complete will be finished in two or three years with maximum justice to the evacuee-claimants possible under the law."



In the fashion show lovely Nami Hamano, native New Yorker, models a bronze taffeta formal designed by Henry Kusaba, a former Californian—Photo by Satoru Yoshizato.

"ALL ROADS LEAD TO SAN FRANCISCO, JUNE 26 - 30, 1952"



SEABROOK, N.J.—Military funeral services were held recently for PFC George Y. Minakata who was killed in Korea when fighting with the U.S. Second Division in the U.N. armed forces. Shown here, from left, are J. Howard McWilliams and Thomas C. Newsham of Shoemaker Post No. 95, American Legion, Bridgeton, N.J., who conducted the military services. Cpl. Hiroshi Yokoyama and Cpl. David Kawajiri, both Korean veterans from Seabrook, are the honor guard.

Remind Issei To File Annual Address Report

WASHINGTON, D.C.—As 1951 draws to an official conclusion, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee issued a final warning to all aliens, including all Issei, to submit their annual address report card to the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization before the tenth day of January, 1952.

The Internal Security Act of 1950 requires all aliens residing in the United States, except those for temporary purposes, to report their current addresses to the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization before the tenth day of every January. For the convenience of aliens, a simple official report card has been prepared by the Immigration and Naturalization Service and is available at all post offices without cost.

Masao Satow, national JACL director, announced in the meantime from National Headquarters in Salt Lake City, Utah, that most of the 82 JACL chapters in 32 states and the District of Columbia will cooperate in this government program by making available official current address report card forms and in assisting the aliens to fill them out as another public service of the organization.

The address report card requires the alien registration number as well as other information such as full name, permanent address, post office address, place of birth, place and date of entry into the United States, and nationality.

New York Bussei Will Hold Dance

NEW YORK—Nisei in New York are being invited to give 1952 a "royal welcome" at the New York Young Buddhists Association's New Year's eve dance which will start from 9 p.m. at Club Olde Europe, Hotel Whitehall, 100th and Broadway.

Bids are on sale for \$4.50 a couple, \$3 for stags.

Nisei Wife Contests Divorce Suit of Spouse in Japan

TOKYO — The estranged Nisei wife of a former Japanese marquis last week contested her husband's suit for divorce on grounds of infidelity and asked for 10 million yen (\$27,777) in damages and half of his 50 million yen fortune.

The counter-suit was filed in Tokyo District Court by Mrs. Chie Hachisuka, of 9156 E. 24th St., Los Angeles.

It added a new chapter to the trouble-ridden story of a trans-Pacific romance that united the scion of one of Japan's leading noble families and the daughter of

Rites Held for Seabrook Nisei Killed in Action in Korea

ELECT TAKAHASHI NEW HEAD OF PLACER GROUP

PENRYN, Calif.—Homer Takahashi, prominent Loomis businessman and sports enthusiast, was elected president of the Placer County JACL for the 1952 term at an annual general meeting last Thursday night, Dec. 13, at the Placer Buddhist church.

Other members of the new cabinet for the coming year are: vice-presidents, Ed Yamane, Loomis; Hiroko Kashiwabara, Penryn; Ben Matsumoto, Newcastle; Charley Oseto, Auburn; and Eugene Nodohara, Lincoln.

Recording secretary — Ellen Kubo; corresponding secretary — Barbara Nakashima; treasurer — Roy Yoshida; social chairman — Nobuya Nimura; and athletic director—Hugo Nishimoto.

Only holdovers from 1951 cabinet are Miss Kubo, Nishimoto and Yoshida.

The new officers will be sworn in at an installation ceremony to be held at the "Year-End Dance" on Dec. 28 at Loomis Legion Memorial hall.

Wife Asks Court Order to Visit Husband in Jail

SAN FRANCISCO—A suit was filed here recently in State Appellate Court on behalf of Mrs. Shirley Watanabe Akamine, 23, who declared she has not been permitted to visit her husband, Richard, 23, in the San Francisco County Jail.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Akamine were indicted on Nov. 23 by the local grand jury as asserted members of a bunco ring which victimized three Nisei of approximately \$27,000.

Mrs. Akamine was subsequently released on bail but her attorneys declared she has not been permitted to see her husband.

SEABROOK, N.J. — Impressive military rites were held on November 1st at the Seabrook Community House for PFC George Y. Minakata who sacrificed his life in the Korean campaign early this year.

The deceased entered the service in January, 1949, and was discharged in January, 1950. A reservist, he was recalled to active duty in October, 1950, and was sent to Fort Hood, Texas, and from there to San Francisco where he embarked for Korea. He was killed on February 12, 1951, after being overseas two and one-half months attached to Co. D, 28th Infantry U.S. Army.

PFC Minakata was born in Placer County, California, and was the son of Mrs. Mune Minakata and the late Sennosuke Minakata. He was 25 years of age.

He is survived by his mother, two sisters, Mrs. James Mitsui, Miss Suzie Minakata, and one brother, Calvin Minakata, all of Seabrook, and by another sister, Mrs. Mary Imamoto, who resides in California.

Shoemaker Post No. 95 American Legion, Bridgeton, had charge of the military service, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Y. Sasaki of the Seabrook Christian Church.

Reinterment was made in Beverly National Cemetery at Beverly, New Jersey.

Spokane Chapter Sponsors Dance

SPOKANE, Wash.—The Spokane JACL chapter sponsored its annual Christmas dance, "the Holiday Ball," on Dec. 23 at Grotto Hall.

Sammy Hirata, dance chairman, was in charge of the sixth annual affair which was featured by the music of Ralph Dickenson's orchestra.

Patrons and patronesses were Mr. and Mrs. Tsu Uno, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nakashima and Mr. and Mrs. Amy Armstrong.

Hawaiian Girl Leaves for Home After Operation

CHICAGO — Cured of the hemorrhages which caused her to be flown to Chicago for a special operation, four year old Karen Ishibashi left Children's Memorial hospital on Dec. 11 for her home in Hilo, Hawaii.

She was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Masayuki Ishibashi, who brought her to Chicago on the advice of physicians in Hawaii.

Surgeons here removed the child's spleen and attached a splenic vein to the renal vein which enters the kidney.

Doctors now say that Karen is in excellent condition.

Immigration Board to Hear Arguments in Deportations Involving Proscribed Groups

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee announced that oral arguments will be heard early next year on deportation cases involving former members of proscribed Japanese organizations as the Attorney General of the United States, J. Howard McGrath, again listed the names of 21 prewar Japanese organizations among several hundred alleged subversive organizations in the latest issue of the Federal Register, official government information bulletin.



REP. HOLIFIELD

Rep Holifield Backs Issei Citizen Rights

LOS ANGELES—An East Los Angeles JACL chapter delegation, headed by Sakae Ishihara called on Rep. Chet Holifield (Dem., Calif.) at his eastside office to discuss the JACL-ADC legislative goal, passage of the omnibus immigration and naturalization bill which would provide for naturalization of Issei and quota immigration from Japan.

Rep. Holifield, it is recalled, has consistently supported JACL-ADC objectives in the past. He assured the delegation that he would continue to cooperate in every way with Mike Masaoka, legislative director of JACL ADC.

The Congressman from the 19th District expressed his desire and intention of fully supporting the passage in the House of Representatives of the McCarran-Walter omnibus bill now pending in committees in both the House and Senate.

Speaking for the delegation was Akira Hasegawa, chairman of the East Los Angeles JACL board of governors. Joining Ishihara and Hasegawa were George Akasaka, president of the E.L.A. chapter, Mrs. Marvel Miyata, Ritsuko Kawakami and Tats Kushida.

Hold Memorial Rites

LOS ANGELES—Memorial services were held here on Dec. 15 for Pfc. Takaya Urugami, 20, of Long Beach, Calif., who was killed in action on Nov. 21 in Korea, a day before he expected to be replaced on the line.

Housewife Turns Sprinkler On Nisei Gardener Pickets

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Two Nisei pickets, protesting the employment of a non-union Nisei gardener, were the objects of a housewife's ire here on Dec. 14.

Angered by a picket line maintained in front of her house by Kay Nakano and one of his assistants on behalf of the AFL's Local 300, Gardeners & Nursery Workers Union, Mrs. Emmet W. Gottenberg turned her lawn sprinkler on the two men.

Target of the picketing was Arthur T. Kumada who was working in Mrs. Gottenberg's back yard while the pickets paced out front.

Despite the drenching Nakano and his aide remained in front of the Gottenberg residence until Kumada moved on to his next client.

Mrs. Gottenberg complained that her groceryman refused to cross Nakano's picket line to deliver groceries. She called police but declared the police refused to make the pickets move on.

As Earl A. Moorhead, secretary

The JACL ADC announced that Edward J. Ennis, legal counsel for the organization and former general counsel of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and Mike Masaoka, national legislative director, will present oral arguments before the Board of Immigration Appeals early in January protesting the deportation orders against several Los Angeles Issei on the basis that they once belonged to Japanese organizations now designated as subversive.

One of the Issei subject to deportation belonged to the Japanese Fencing Association while the other was a member of the Japanese Association. The third Issei on deportation orders is the wife of the former member of the Fencing Association.

The Japanese organizations listed by the Attorney General in his latest designation are identical to those he previously listed. The Japanese organizations are grouped as "totalitarian" along with the Peace Movement of Ethiopia. Other categories are "Fascist" and "Communist." The first list was publicized on December 4, 1947 as a guide to federal employment officials.

The 21 now-defunct prewar Japanese organizations still listed as "totalitarian" are Black Dragon Society, Central Japanese Association (Beikoku Chuo Nippojin Kai), Central Japanese Association of Southern California, Dai Nippon Butoku Kai (Military Virtue Society of Japan or Military Art Society of Japan), Heimusha Kai, also known as Hokkei Heikei Gimusha Kai, Zaibei Nihonjin, Heiyaku Gimusha Kai, and Zaibei Heimusha Kai Japanese Residing in America (Military Conscripts Association).

Hinode Kai (Imperial Japanese Reservists), Hinomaru Kai (Rising Sun Flag Society—a group of Japanese War Veterans), Hokubei Zaigo Shoke Dan (North American Reserve Officers Association), Japanese Association of America, Japanese Overseas Central Society (Kaigai Dobo Chuo Kai),

Japanese Overseas Convention, Tokyo, Japan, 1940, Japanese Protective Association (Recruiting Organization), Jikyoku Iinkai (The Committee for the Crisis), Kibei Seinen Kai (Association of U.S. Citizens of Japanese ancestry who have returned to America after studying in Japan),

Nanka Teikoku Gunyudan (Imperial Military Friends Group or Southern California War Veterans), Nichibei Kogyo Kaisha (The Great Fujii Theatre), Northwest Japanese Association, Sakura Kai (Patriotic Society, or Cherry Association—composed of veterans of Russo-Japanese War), Shinto Temples, Sokoku Kai (Fatherland Society), Suiko Sha (Reserve Officers Association Los Angeles).

of the Santa Clara County Central Labor Council (with which Nakano's union is affiliated) sees the issue, Mrs. Gottenberg was not picketed. He upheld the groceryman's decision, however, not to cross the picket line.

"Of course no union member would cross the picket line, even if the person or establishment behind the line were not unfair," Moorhead explained. "Mrs. Gottenberg is in a secondary position, but a picket line is a picket line."

He indicated the groceryman would be perfectly in the right to deliver his wares after Gardener Kumada and the pickets had moved on.

Moorhead further explained Local 300, with headquarters in Oakland, came to San Jose after several gardeners here requested Labor Council aid in organizing. Moorhead said the gardeners complained their own local organization was unable or unwilling to maintain a set wage standard.

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Petitions for Prejudice

Last week in Sacramento incorporation papers were filed by an organization which announced they plan to obtain signatures for initiative measures.

The organization is ex-Assemblyman Morgan Keaton's Initiative and Referendum Bureau, Inc., (1243 37th Ave., San Francisco). Previously Keaton has announced he proposes to circulate petitions for the so-called "Freedom of Choice" initiative, sponsored by America Plus, Inc. This initiative would change the California state constitution to permit racially restrictive covenants in property deeds and would give employers and operators of public houses the right to discriminate on any basis.

Keaton's firm will get 40 cents for each valid signature they obtain to a petition. To qualify for the 1952 ballot, 300,000 signatures are needed.

This week a state movement was under way to organize against the type of organized bigotry typified by America Plus, Inc., and the "Freedom of Choice" initiative. The JACL will play an active part, along with other groups interested in the improvement of human relations in California, in combating this latest attempt by the front men of bigotry to legalize discrimination. Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California JACL ADC director, has been asked to serve on the steering committee of this statewide organization to combat this movement. Mr. Ishimaru hopes to enlist the efforts of the JACL's local chapters in California in fighting these petitions for prejudice.

One of the first organizations to act against this proposed initiative was the San Francisco Labor Council (AFL) which passed a resolution on Dec. 7 to go on record against it because it proposes to make discrimination "the public policy of the State of California."

Proponents of the "Freedom of Choice" measure already have announced that they will start a national campaign if the initiative succeeds in California. Meanwhile, the initiative provides a forum for organized bigots to preach their doctrines of hate under the guise of freedom of action.

Prelude to Action

Race discrimination against persons of Japanese ancestry is not an exclusive West Coast commodity, although it has been more prevalent there than in other regions.

Prejudice, based on arbitrary distinctions of race, creed or color, exists in varying degrees in other parts of the nation and sometimes touches the Nisei. Cemeteries, and there are many of them, deny their facilities to non-Caucasians. Anti-Semitic resorts confine their patronage to "Christians," and the Nisei may be a Buddhist. A new subdivision limits the sale of lots to "Caucasians," and the Nisei feel the sting.

As a prelude to more direct activity, the New York chapter of the JACL has set up committees to study two facets on the stone of prejudice. One committee will investigate reports of discrimination against Nisei by insurance companies. The other will report on local newspaper usage of what has been called the "chauvinistic, three-letter" contraction of "Japanese." The word "Jap" is every bit as offensive to Japanese Americans as other racial designations are to other minorities, because the word has too often been used as an insult by the hate-mongers. Since many newspapers use the word as a matter of convenience, unmindful of its racist connotations, a word or two to the copy desk will often result in the lessening of its use.

These committees of the New York chapter indicate the sort of constructive work which may be done in the continuing fight against racial and religious discrimination.

Japanese Tea Garden

The recent announcement that the name "Japanese Tea Garden" will be restored to one of San Francisco's outstanding tourist attractions is a welcome one though long delayed. It is to be hoped that the garden in Golden Gate Park will be restored eventually to the management of the Hagiwara family when the lease of the present concessionaire is terminated.

The action of San Francisco park officials in renaming the garden "The Oriental Tea Garden" after Pearl Harbor was symptomatic of the sort of euphemistic nomenclature which was illustrated by hamburgers being called "Liberty steaks" in World War I.

Happy New Year...

From PACIFIC CITIZEN

Nisei USA

Bylines in the Holiday Issue

There is, perhaps, no better barometer of the present state of the Nisei in these United States than the ads which filled the 76 pages of last week's issue, the PC's annual Holiday edition.

The articles and profiles told of the achievements of representative Nisei in some of the arts, professions and social sciences. Between the lines in the ads was an even bigger story of the integration of an American minority in community life and economy.

As Bill Hosokawa pointed out in his article, Nisei are all kinds of people and they work in many professions and occupations and run many different kinds of businesses. Farming, and its affiliated operations, is still the staff of Nisei economy but there has been a definite advance beyond what were once the frontiers of business and professional activity.

A Nisei today may design an apartment home in San Francisco or a new home in North Carolina. He is a silversmith in Pasadena and an engineer in Philadelphia. He helps build bridges in New Jersey and edits a country weekly in Nebraska. Nisei dance in Broadway productions and play in symphony orchestras in New Orleans, Kansas City and Denver. He is a gadgeteer in St. Louis and a gazetteer in Washington.

Nisei design dresses on New York's Seventh Avenue and other Nisei sew them in an ILGWU-contract shop in Los Angeles. She may be a private secretary to a packing house executive in Chicago or work for the United Nations secretariat in New York.

Most Nisei, of course, carry on in the businesses, the farming operations, the occupations pioneered by their immigrant parents. They set out in fast tuna clippers from San Pedro and San Diego to scour the seas south to the Galapagos off Ecuador. They farm huge tracts of lava soil in Idaho or operate small truck gardens in California. They grow and ship and sell a considerable percentage of the flowers which grace a nation, gardenias for milady's blouse and gladiolas for the table. The Nisei run hotels, grocery stores, shoe repair shops. They work in the coal and copper mines of Utah and in the teeming wholesale produce marketplaces of West Coast cities.

The family greetings in the Holiday issue indicate the Nisei and their parents, ten years after the debacle of mass evacuation, are doing pretty well in such widely-separated places as Thermal, Calif., and Seabrook, N.J. The comeback the Nisei have made since those days ten years ago when they packed their bags for the assembly centers and left homes and business for an uncharted future does credit to the group, its leaders and to the nation in which they are citizens.

An added measure of Nisei integration in the communities in which they live can be gained from many of the greetings and ads in the Holiday issue from non-Nisei individuals and business. Most of the several score ads from the Coachella Valley of California, to cite one community example, were placed by non-Nisei and these ads are a tribute to the integral role of the area's Nisei in its civic activity and its economy.

The same story can be told in ads from such California areas as Tulare County in Central California where sentiment once was considered unfriendly to Japanese Americans but where the Nisei are now established as members in good standing in community life.

In the ten years since mass evacuation, the Nisei have achieved a degree of acceptance which was unknown at the time of Pearl Harbor. The Holiday issue of the PC told some of the story, in its articles and between the lines in the hundreds of ads which made the issue possible.

The by-lines in the Holiday edition are a story in themselves.

The fiction in the issue is representative of the growth in maturity of writing by Nisei. Hi-saye Yamamoto, who told the story of Shig Iitomi in "In Search of a Happy Ending," recently had a story published in Harper's Bazaar, titled "The Brown House." She has also been published in Kenyon Review, Partisan Review and other

magazines of merit. A Whitney fellowship winner in 1950, she has been working on a novel. . . . Yuri Kyogoku, who went to UC and who taught school in Hiroshima, is now living in Fresno. . . . Toshio Mori, author of "Yokohama, California," a book of short stories published by Caxton Press in 1949, is completing a novel titled "The Woman from Hiroshima." His two stories in the Holiday issue were from the manuscript of that book. . . . Jon Chinen ("Christmas Reunion") recently graduated from the University of Michigan law school and is now taking graduate work. A veteran of the famous 100th Battalion, he is the author of "They Were So Young," the story of the men of the one-puka-puka, which was serialized in the PC in 1947. His stories also have been published in "The Link" and other publications. . . . Allan Beekman ("Point of View") was represented in last year's PC holiday number and also in "Scene" and other magazines. He is a resident of Honolulu. . . . Taro Yashima, author of two books on Japan "The New Sun" and "Horizon Is Calling," which have been published by Henry Holt & Co., fought the militarists with pen and brush in pre-Pearl Harbor Japan. During World War II he worked for OWI in the United States and on foreign assignment. He illustrated "Mako Discovers America," the first published work of his 17-year old son. Mr. Yashima (Jun Iwamatsu) recently sold an oil painting to the Phillips gallery in Washington, D.C.

Mitsu Yasuda ("Brownstones and Gentle Living") made her PC debut two years ago with her article "In My Father's Japan." Active in the New York JACL, she is employed at the "Voice of America" office in New York City. . . . Richard Akagi ("Two Fables for Today") is the erudite Midwest regional director of JACL ADC. . . . Iwao Kawakami ("The Shears") has published one book of poetry "The Parents and Other Poems" (Nichi-Bei Times, San Francisco, 1947). . . . Arline Winchell Moore ("Return to Hood River") was one of the citizens of that Oregon community who was not afraid to stand up and be counted on behalf of fair play for Japanese Americans during the war. . . . John Y. Yoshino ("A Home for the Golden Years") has written several articles on the problems of the aged for the PC and for publications in the State of Illinois. . . . Wilson Makabe ("Welcome House") is an amputee veteran of the 442nd Combat Team. A native of Placer County, Calif., he is now employ-

ed in Pennsylvania. He appeared briefly in the film, "Go for Broke!" . . . Roy T. Yoshida ("Return from Exile") is a veteran chronicler of Nisei activities in Placer County. . . . Aiko Tashiro Hiratsuka teaches piano at Brooklyn College and once edited a Nisei newspaper in Los Angeles. She did extensive research for her article "Music Is Their Way of Life." . . . Jobo Nakamura's interviewed Nobuo Kitagaki for "Space Composition in Two Dimensions." Now in research at UC in Berkeley, his by-line is a familiar one in Coast newspapers. . . . Mary Oyama Mittler ("Premiere at the Miyako") is convalescing at her Los Angeles home from a recent illness.

Allen H. Eaton ("They Made Beauty Grow") is the author of a new book, "Beauty Behind Barbed Wire" which Harper & Brothers will publish soon. The book tells of evacuee art and handicraft in the relocation camps. . . . Beatrice Griffith ("We Look to Tomorrow") wrote her book, "American Me," on a Houghton, Mifflin fellowship. A dramatization of the book has been presented on a Southern California stage and is being considered for Broadway. . . . Elmer Ogawa ("One World in Seattle") is a free lance photographer. Active in veterans affairs, he once was commander of a VFW post on Long Island. . . . Elton Foreman, author of the article on fiber Hirayama, has carried on a one-man campaign from his Fresno State News Bureau to win national recognition for the great Nisei athlete.

Bill Hosokawa ("These Are the Nisei") is editor of the Empire Magazine, Sunday magazine supplement of the Denver Post. Many PC readers say their favorite reading is about the Hosokawa small fry, Mike, Susan, Pete and Christie. . . . Roku Sugahara ("The Foreign Trade Game") is another regular PC byliner. Now in New York, he was a real estate appraiser in New Orleans after Army service in Europe. . . . There is an autobiographical hint in Aiji Tashiro's analysis of the life and times of Carroll Tewkes Tsugomoto. Life his subject, the author is an architect in a Southern community in this case, Hickory, N.C. . . . Elmer R. Smith ("The Nisei Heritage") is an assistant professor in anthropology at the University of Utah. During the war he was a community analyst at the Minidoka relocation center. . . . Hisako Minobe who wrote the interesting article on Mexican Americans is now living in San Francisco. . . . Shiro Matsumoto ("The Harvest") is a resident of Los Angeles. . . . Tom Okada who did the photos on Nobuo Kitagaki and his work has studio in Oakland, Calif.

These writers, and the many others who contributed to the Holiday issue, together with the many JACL chapter members and the JACL regional officials who obtained the ads, made possible an edition which tried to tell some of the story of the Nisei and their heritage.

Smog-Lites:

A NISEI PLAYWRIGHT

Los Angeles
INTRODUCING KASHIWAGI

Since we are not supposed to be hanging too much on typewriters and such as yet, the next two columns or so will be turned over to our friend Hiroshi Kashiwagi, writer-actor-playwright. We've asked him to recount the recent adventures and misadventures of the Nisei Experimental Group's San Francisco jaunt. This should make interesting reading.

By now, readers have more than a suspicion that little theatre is to us what horses-horses is to Al S. Miyadi, although strangely we are not an actress or even "of the theatah." We just got "drug" into it somehow, finding the lights-and-curtain business mighty fascinating. All is not glamor however, as Hiroshi can tell you. But in retrospect, the near-tragedies, the seemingly super-colossal crises, occasional heart-aches and hair-tearings, all add up to humor, excitement, and many a hard lesson learned. That's life, we guess.

AND FRIEND AL

Miyadi-san, whom many have missed, is still around—busily attending school, working, and studying nights, enough to keep the brief 16-18 hours of one's waking day well-filled. Al is studying journalism but would like to try his hand at fiction-writing if he could only find more time. He should feel flattered to learn that

inquiries have come in regarding his column.

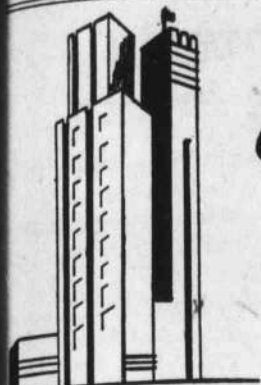
CSO FRIENDS

Understand that seven CSO members, among them Misses Pat Hernandez, Sally Gonzales and local CSO chairman Tony Rios, attended the Committee for Civic Unity conference recently held at Asilomar. Driving up with Elezio Carillo, they also made a side-joint up to San Francisco, where the latter has a service-man brother in one of the Bay Region camps. We hope they got to meet some of our friends like Mrs. Harry Nakamura of Los Altos, Dixie Hunt of Palo Alto, Hisako Minobe of S.F., etc.

MORE DRAMA BUGS

CSO and Hispano - American lovers of drama may be interested to know that both Hirotsuka Okubo of the NEG, and stage star Margo would like to see organized a group of Latin-Americans to present classical Hispanic plays, in English. Okubo would particularly like to see Lorca's "House of Maria Alba" presented in "ingles" by a competent cast. According to our friend Bea Griffith, both Margo and actor Anthony Quinn would be happy to discover any kindred-minded spirits in the Mexican and Spanish American U.S. communities.

Okubo is a great admirer of Lorca and thinks he is terrific. (Continued on page 5)



A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

About "Rashomon"

Japan's first post-war movie bid for world recognition in the field of motion pictures, "Rashomon," arrived in Manhattan this week. At the newly-redecorated Little Carnegie Theater on 57th Street, the home of foreign and unusual cinema productions, this winner of the 1951 International Motion Picture Competition in Venice, received uniformly high praise from the critics.

I would rate it three stars. Good, above average, but certainly not on a par with "American in Paris," "Trio," "Shoeshine," or "The Baker's Wife."

It will be the novelty factor, the strange settings, the unusual Japanese costumes, the heroic dramatic interpretation of the Japanese actors that will draw at the box office. There is a limited audience for this type of material but I doubt very much that it will have the box office success of "The River," "Tales of Hoffman," "Open City" or "Bitter Rice," to name a few of the real foreign smash hits in the past few years.

"Rashomon" is adequate and unusual. It merits attention and interest on the part of the Nisei who I am sure will find this picture most engaging.

Like most Nisei who have seen major Japanese epics and "chambara" in the past few years, I am inclined to be a little over-critical. There is sort of a let-down. But viewed from the eyes of a non-Japanese theater-goer, there is definite charm and unique attraction to this production.

Camerawise, the technique is excellent. The camera manages to catch the full impact of drama on the faces of each of the four leading characters and at the same time reflect some of the artistic beauty of the remnants of the ancient Buddhist temple lying in ruins in the rain. I found many of the transition shots very abrupt and hurried. Better uses of dissolves could have been made as the movie is based on a series of flashbacks.

The acting was very impressive. Especially, the part of Tojamaru, the mad wild bandit of the hills, the seducer of the samurai's wife, was handled in excellent style by one of the leading actors on the Japanese screen. His interpretation of this happy-go-lucky marauder of the hills of the Heian Period, which is around 1200 years ago, is very earthy, animal, and realistic. He makes all kinds of animal sounds while running, fighting, or just telling his story when brought before the police. If anything, there is a little bit too much of the grunting, yelling, howling, and grimacing for the average American audiences.

The role of the samurai was expertly handled as was the part of his beautiful wife who was seduced by Tojamaru, the bandit. Like all Japanese actresses in these feudal period tear-jerkers, her main forte was her ability to emit long sustaining crying wails and speak with a little "shibui" voice.

The Story

Before I go on any further, it would be well to outline the plot of the story. It is quite a simple thing. It is more of a sketch than anything else because the resolution is more on a philosophic scale than a visible logical ending.

As I said in the previous paragraph, the action takes place around the year 700 AD. The setting opens at the temple of Rashomon which is located in Kyoto. That was the time when Japan was emerging from one of her frequent civil wars and the morality of its people was at its lowest ebb. Towns and villages were decimated by the civil war, homes were destroyed and pillaged, and the general populace was depressed and poor.

The story is merely the robbery, seduction, and killing of a samurai and his wife by Tojamaru, the notorious bandit. The interest of the movie arises from the different versions of the episode as told by the four people who witnessed the affair: the bandit, the samurai's wife, the samurai, and the passing wood-cutter who happened to be in the forest at the same time.

Each person gives his own version of how and why it happened. Each seeks to protect his own "face."

The action unfolds in the ruins of an old Buddhist temple, Rashomon, where two tough characters and a young priest are discussing the tragic episode. The young priest, after hearing the four versions of the tale is very much depressed over the low morality of the people, of their selfish ways, and their predatory habits. He represents the future Japan and in face of such goings-on, he is inclined to remain bitter and overwhelmed.

Then it is that a newly-born baby, apparently abandoned in one section of the temple, is brought into the story. The priest is dismayed that such a young and innocent life has to face such an apparently cruel and indifferent society. At the last moment, the final scene, the predatory wood-cutter, reveals that he will take care of the infant because "it would not be any more trouble to me to care for seven mouths instead of six."

The priest, mirroring young Japan, then feels that there is some goodness and hope in the world after all, and thereupon the film comes to its close.

Reaction

I found the ending a little too simple and abrupt. The Japanese mind might be able to reason out the conclusion as being satisfactory but I doubt very much it will satisfy the western movie goer.

The dueling and fighting scenes, between the bandit and the samurai, were top-notch. They were thrilling and top-drawer entertainment. This, I felt, was the high-light of the film. A little more fighting would have given the picture better pace and interest.

There was a strange mixture of modernity injected into the film when the bandit kissed the samurai's wife. This reflects one of the post-war innovations of the Japanese movie industry.

A great economy of background scenery was made by the director as almost all the action took place on three sets: the temple, the clearing in the woods, and the yard in the police station.

Too much footage I feel was expended merely showing the facial changes on each character as he told his story. This wastage slowed up the picture but it was necessary because the story line is very thin.

I feel, however, this much was derived from "Rashomon," . . . forms the framework of an excellent movie for an American production.

The Japanese cinema industry is still decades behind the Hollywood crowd, but every once in a while a few jewels, like "Rashomon," flash across the horizon to give promise and hope of better times ahead.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

A Happy New Year

On the eve of the New Year, let us indulge in a little reminiscing and contemplating. Was it ten years ago that we witnessed cheerless 1942's entry? Memory plays tricks with events of even a decade ago, but I suppose we ushered out '42 at home—with little revelry and not much but hope. It looked like rough times ahead, and before long we knew our fears were well founded.

It's been an eventful decade. The Nisei matured swiftly. The nation grew up too, flexed new muscles and found them powerful, gained a worldwide conscience. And then, in the latter years, it began to have grave doubts about its ability to lead a planet to peace, then took heart once more and plunged on toward destiny.

What of the coming year? I suppose world peace will continue to live a precarious life, taxes will stay up, the cost of living will continue to slide upward—and we will have even greater reason to appreciate this, our country.

Nisei progress toward the ultimate goals of complete acceptance will be steady and not so slow. With each passing day there are opportunities to demonstrate their skills and abilities, to break down old prejudices and win new friends.

Surely, Mike Masaoka's heroic labors will bear fruit and an enlightened congress, even in an election year, will at long last do something about naturalization for the Issei and a quota for Oriental immigrants.

Denver, Colo.

And increasing numbers of ex-evacuees will be receiving evacuation claims checks—little enough compensation for losses suffered a decade ago. Paid in inflated dollars, of course, but welcome nonetheless.

And of the coming decade. Who knows how many of us will be around ten years hence? Surely most of the Issei will have gone to their reward by 1962. There'll be a bumper crop of Sansei. I suppose they will still maintain their identity although intermarriage will be a commonly accepted matter.

The average Nisei will be middle-aged by then, conservative, in the most financially rewarding years of their lives. They'll be hewing to the pattern of middle class society, whatever that may be in '62, sending their kids to college and clucking over the indiscretions of the younger generation.

All this, of course, provided we succeed in avoiding the war that surely would end this civilization as we know it.

Looking back, I'm thankful for what the years have brought. Yes, I grieve for a lot of good Joes who gave their lives in history's most momentous decade. But I'm grateful for their sacrifice, and I'll try to be worthy of it. Thanks to them and their comrades, we're still eating regularly, voting out the rascals and talking as we please. I'm glad to be alive.

Happy New Year to you. And many, many more of them.

Vagaries

TV Shows . . .

It's reported that a West Coast firm is interested in sponsoring "Frank Watanabe" on television if Eddie Holden, who created the character in the early 1920s on the old Blue Monday Jamboree show over KFRC and later did it on network radio in the 1930s, is willing to revive the role. "Watanabe" was a casualty of U.S.-Japanese tension. He was a Japanese school-boy who got laughs by mishandling the English language . . . Meanwhile, plans for a network TV show featuring the detective, "Mr. Moto," appear to have been temporarily shelved. Plans are to use an actor of Oriental ancestry in the part. On NBC radio last summer Moto, a San Francisco Nisei who solves crimes on a world-wide basis, was played by veteran radio actor James Monk.

Acrobats . . .

The Kanazawa Trio, now in their second generation of entertaining U.S. audiences with their barrel juggling and acrobatics, are currently playing the Desert Inn in Las Vegas as part of the China Doll troupe. . . . Audience reaction to his portrayal of Ito in "Westward the Women" indicates that Henry Nakamura will have a ready-made Hollywood career when he completes his Army service.

Wedding . . .

Shirley Yamaguchi, who married Isamu Noguchi in Tokyo recently, isn't the first Japanese film star to wed a Japanese American. Chieko Takehisa, then one of Japan's top actresses, married newsmen Clark Kawakami in Tokyo just before Pearl Harbor. The first marriage after V-J day of a Japanese national and a member of the occupation army was the wedding of actress Mitsuko Miura to Lieut. George Goda of California. Miss Miura, who was divorced from her Nisei husband earlier this year, returned to Japan recently to star in a new film.

Mike's Santa . . .

Bill Hosokawa tells the heart-warming story of Mike Emizawa, young son of a Tokyo photographer, who is getting an American education in Montrose, Colo., in "Mike's Private Santa" in the Dec. 23 issue of the Denver Post's Empire magazine. The story starts when young Mike, at the end of a 6,500-mile journey, is met in Denver's Union station by his "private Santa," John A. Souder, a Montrose hotelman, Mrs. Souder and their three teenage daughters, and tells of Mike's life in Montrose as a member of the Souder family. . . . It all started when Souder read a Denver Post article in which an Army major who had known Mike in Tokyo told of the youth's ambition to get an American education.

Box-Score on Race Relations:

CULTURAL PLURALISM

By ELMER R. SMITH

Many of the previous columns in this series relating to the positions of various ethnic and racial groups in the United States have pointed out the fact that we, the American people, have come from different backgrounds. We have discovered that all of us have stemmed from different racial and nationality groups. As a matter of fact, the American people boast of their diverse origins.

Our ancestors have brought to this country many and diverse ways of life, and these have been incorporated into the "American Way." This being true, and the history of the United States shows it to be so, a stranger from some far-off land might expect that in this country cultural diversity would be taken for granted. America, one might suppose, is cultural diversity. A culture and a country created out of differences might surely be expected to show respect for differences. This however, as we have seen, is not the true picture of life in these United States.

There are many different kinds of cultural diversity in the United States, and American culture can be divided and subdivided in a number of ways. Many of these do not constitute a serious problem nor bring about conflict situations. These types of cultural diversity seem to be taken for granted and no radical objections are raised to their existence. For example, the great regions of the United States—the Northwest, the Southern (Seaboard, the Southwest, the Middle West, the Mountain States and the Far West—all have their peculiar cultural differences. It is interesting to note that in many respects these regional differences, which are accepted as part of the American scene, may actually be greater than some of the more controversial ethnic and national differences of some of the inhabitants of the United States.

There are still other cultural variations in the life of the people of the United States. There are differences in the culture of city and country, of men and women, of the old and the young. There are still other differences in the total way of life corresponding to economic and social classes, as well as to the professional classes. Facts of this kind, and many comparable ones, might be added in a total description of the way of life found in the United States. These facts should have some important influence upon the point of view taken toward a philosophy of "cultural pluralism" for America. Dr. Otto Klineberg has stated this implication in the following words:

"Those who object in principle to cultural diversity may become a little less virulent in their antagonism if they realize that it is an all-impressive phenomenon and one which they accept in most of its manifestations without even realizing its extent and its widespread ramifications."

The type of cultural diversity most often criticized is derived from diversity in national, ethnic or racial origin. The criticisms and objections to this type of diversity are often vague and indefinite, and they are often unverbalized. These seem to represent relatively deep-seated, emotionally-toned resistances to what is vaguely held to be foreign and un-American. The antagonisms to what is believed to be "foreign and un-American" shifts from time to time and tends to show little real consistency. They are simply prejudices, similar to all other prejudices in their source of origin and intensity. This is not the place for a detailed analysis of prejudice, this will be presented later. It will suffice to state now that prejudice against ethnic and racial minorities flourishes because of the dominance it gives the majority over the economic and social life of the minority. Prejudices of this order give a convenient scapegoat in time of personal, economic, political and social adversity.

There are, however, other arguments used by the opponents of cultural pluralism which demand more serious consideration at this time. It will be to these that we will turn our attention next week.

San Benito JACL Donates to PC

The San Benito County, Calif., chapter of the JACL recently donated its Christmas issue commission for Pacific Citizen ads to the PC.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Nisei Headliners During 1951

Looking back at year's end, here are some of the Nisei who made headlines in sports during 1951.

The most outstanding undoubtedly was **Ford Hiroshi Konno**, the 18-year old Ohio State freshman from Honolulu, who won the U.S. men's outdoor championships in the 1500 and 800 meter freestyle swimming races at Detroit in July. Konno will be the cornerstone on which the U.S. swimming team will be built this coming year for the Olympics in Helsinki this summer. **Evelyn Kawamoto**, now a freshman at the U. of Hawaii and Konno's teammate last year at Honolulu's McKinley High, won a national championship for her third year in a row and also should make the U.S. Olympic team in the 300 meter individual medley, probably the most grueling event on the women's swimming program.

Two Nisei ball players, both from Hawaii, made a big hit in Japan. One was **Wally Yonamine**, the ex-pro griddier who went to the Tokyo Yomiuri Giants after making his pro baseball debut with Salt Lake City in 1950. Yonamine became one of the stars of the Central League in Japan as a leftfielder for the Giants. He batted leadoff and helped the Giants win the league crown and the Japanese "world series" from the Nankai Hawks, champions of the Pacific League. Yonamine hit a home run in the final game of the championship series. Meanwhile, **Bill Nishita**, already one of the college stars most in demand by baseball scouts, accompanied the Hawaii Red Sox to Japan and proved himself to be an outstanding prospect for pro ball, in Japan or the United States. Nishita, named to the league all-star team as a pitcher for the University of California last season, will play again for the Golden Bears this year. He is a junior and has two years more of intercollegiate eligibility.

Satoshi (Fibber) Hirayama, touted by Fresno State College as the greatest athlete "pound for pound" in the country, starred for the Bulldogs who finished the season with one of the best college baseball records in the nation. Hirayama starred in centerfield for the Bulldogs and stole 36 bases in some 40 games. He stole seven in one day in a game in Hawaii. Later Hirayama accompanied the power-laden Atwater, Calif., Packers to the National Baseball Congress in Wichita. Returning from Kansas he donned football togs and had a good year, alternating at right and left halfback. Hirayama already is entertaining pro baseball offers, from teams in the U.S. and Japan. Although he has pitched, caught and played the infield and outfield in the past three years, Hirayama probably will wind up at shortstop if he decides to play pro baseball. It was at shortstop the Fibber was named to the semi-pro All-American team in 1950 when he played at the Wichita tourney for the Santa Maria, Calif., Indians. Another collegian, **Henry Tominaga** of Honolulu, pitched Springfield, Mass., College into the NCAA's national tournament. He also hurled a no-run no-hit game.

Carl Otsuki, the East Texas State flyer, ran the 100-yard dash in 9.5s and the 220 in 20.5s, the best performances ever recorded by a Nisei, for an outstanding showing in track.

George Yoshioka of Honolulu, another favorite to make the Olympic team, became the latest Nisei to win a national title in weightlifting, winning the AAU 132-pound title. Among the former U.S. champions are **Richard Tomita** and **Emerick Ishikawa**, both of Honolulu.

The year 1952 marked the first time Japanese Americans have competed in the annual American Bowling Congress tournament. Three Nisei stars, **Taro Nagasawa**, **Eugene Akamine** and **Richard Nishizawa**, were members of the Hawaiian All-Stars, at the St. Paul meet. The Hawaiians had a 2691 team series, while Nagasawa had a 652 in doubles. Akamine turned in a 199 average in his nine ABC games, 635 in singles, 625 in doubles and 532 in the team event. **Taro Miyasato**, veteran Honolulu kegler, became the first Nisei to make the squad of 164 in the U.S. National All-Star bowling tournament. Miyasato won the Hawaiian match game championship and a free trip to Chicago where he survived until the semi-final round. **Shun Nakayama** of Denver won the singles and all-events in the National JACL tournament in Los Angeles with scores of 692 and 1777. **Marge Miyakawa** recorded an outstanding performance in the JACL mixed doubles with a 654 series, including games of 264 and 232.

Three Reedley Nisei Honored

It's reported from Reedley, Calif., that three Nisei were among the athletes honored at the annual Merchants Association football banquet. **Roy Watari**, a star on offense and defense, was named the "most valuable player" on the high school varsity. Another Nisei, **Frank Goishi**, also won the "most valuable" citation on the B team. Goishi turned in an amazing performance, averaging 13.6 yards per carry during the season. He gained 1200 yards and scored 20 touchdowns. **Norman Iwasaki** won the award as the "most improved" player on the varsity. Watari is now playing guard for the Reedley High basketball varsity.

Drakes Plan Annual Tournament

The annual San Francisco Drakes invitational basketball tournament will be held on Jan. 12 and 13 at the Kezar pavilion. **Dickie Nagai** is the top Nisei eager to date in the Los Angeles area. Playing forward for Roosevelt High, he potted 15 points as the Rough Riders defeated Washington, 59 to 56. **Yamamoto** is a starter at guard for Chula Vista, Calif., High. **Nishino** scored five points for a losing Garden Grove, Calif., High team in the annual Huntington Beach tourney. Forward **Hiro Kubo** was lauded by the Sacramento Bee for his first half performance although his El Camino College team lost to the Sacramento JC Panthers, 61 to 59, on a last-minute goal. Kubo scored eight points.

Nisei to Enter Utah Round-Robin

A large number of Nisei bowlers, at least 30, from the Salt Lake JACL league have entered the Utah State round-robin tournament which will be held for four weeks, starting Jan. 12. **Tom Nakamura** was high man in the Salt Lake Majors on Dec. 13 with a 626 for Okada Insurance. **Kaz Nakamura** of the league-leading Mr. Anthony's team with 613 and **John Kasano** with 610 were the leaders in the San Jose Nisei league. Los Altos Nursery tops the Peninsula Bowling League in San Carlos, Calif., while Inamasu Jewlers head the Stockton JACL circuit.

West Coast May Get JACL Meet

A rule adopted this year which specifies that the National JACL bowling tournament will be held outside the Pacific Coast on alternate years probably will be waived in 1954 when the American Bowling Congress brings their national event to a west coast city, probably San Francisco or Seattle. The JACL tourney, scheduled for Denver

Evelyn Kawamoto Named Attendant To Pine Princess

HONOLULU—Eighteen year old Evelyn Kawamoto, National AAU women's swimming champion in the individual medley for the past three years, received recognition for pulchritude here recently when she was named as one of five attendants to Anne Martin, the Pineapple Bowl Queen of 1952.

Miss Kawamoto, a freshman at the U. of Hawaii, was one of the contestants for Pineapple Bowl queen, selected annually on the U. of Hawaii campus.

The other attendants are Joan Nakamura, Eunice Kubota, Alice McNally and Barbara Park.

Miyasato Bowls 195 Average In Tourney

CHICAGO — Taro Miyasato of Honolulu, first Nisei bowler ever to enter the National All-Star bowling tournament, did well in his debut this year.

Bowling against 164 of the nation's top keggers, Miyasato rolled an average of 195.5 for 24 games.

His 4,692 score which failed to qualify him for the finals, gave him 51st place. He rolled 1,178 for six games for a 196 average in his final appearance on Dec. 11.

Miyasato needed only eleven pins more to qualify for the finals.

His score, however, bettered those of such nationally rated bowlers as Andy Varipapa, Buddy Bomar, Connie Schwoegler and Johnny Crimmins.

Crown Produce Loses Ground in Coachella League

INDIO, Calif. — League-leading Crown Produce lost ground in the 12th round of the Coachella Valley JACL Produce bowling league as they were whitewashed, 4 to 0, by second place Cal Vita. Elmer Suski's 578, including games of 212 and 222, for the winners was high for the night while Mas Shimizu rolled 535 for the losers.

Third place Eagle Produce defeated Southwest, while the fourth-place H & F team remained in the race for top honors by dropping Theron Hooker, 4 to 0. Ray Ishimatsu's 5g3 and Hidi Nishimoto's 556 sparked H & F. Shig Sakamoto's 575 and Kengo Takano's 546 were high for the losers.

Fifth-place Levy-Zentner knocked over last-place W. Fay, 3 to 1. The Coachella Valley JACL may send a team to the National JACL bowling tournament which starts in Denver on Feb. 29, it was reported here.

Will Defend Title

SAN FRANCISCO—The Chinese Saints, champions of the 1951 San Francisco Drakes basketball tournament, have accepted an invitation to defend their title at the Nisei-sponsored event on Jan. 12 and 13 in Kezar pavilion.

in 1952, must be held outside the Coast on even-numbered years, according to the present rule. However, since the ABC meet probably will be held in a Pacific Coast city in 1954, the JACL tourney probably will be scheduled in the same city that year, thus permitting bowlers participating in the JACL meet to roll in the ABC on the same trip. Bowlers, of course, will have to make arrangements so that they will be scheduled in the ABC on dates coinciding with, but not conflicting with, the JACL championships. The Nichi-Bei Times reports Sacramento is favored to get the JACL meet in 1953, although Seattle probably will enter a strong bid.

Kimura Stars for Southern Oregon

Ken Kimura, who latched onto a starting post on Southern Oregon's Red Raiders, scored nine points but his team lost in the final minutes to Oregon College of Education in a 59 to 56 contest. Shig Morishige, who bowled three identical games of 147 in league in the country. After 42 games his average also is 147. One reason give for Japanese flyweight champion Yoshio Shirai's surprise show-champ out in seven rounds in Honolulu) is said to be the instruction John Tsukimura's eight points helped Fowler's Redcats to a 40 to 30 named to the "small fry" Bay Region all-star team picked from the and Kent Ikeda, halfback, of the champion Conway-Culligan team were among the players who participated in the annual Santa Claus Bowl game at the College of Marin last week. Guard Vic Nakamoto tallied nine as Placer College walloped the Chico State JVs, 45 to 28, last week.

Twin Cities JACL Protests "Great Togo's" Ring Antics

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Asserting that "Great Togo's" ring behavior undermined the public goodwill toward persons of Japanese ancestry, two representatives of the United Citizens League (JACL), Father Daisuke Kitagawa and Charles Tatsuda, protested on Dec. 10 to Tony Stetcher, promoter of the "Great Togo's" bouts in Twin Cities. They urged that Togo desist from tactics which have already provoked riots in many cities in which he has appeared.

BEARS TO RELY ON NISHITA FOR MOUND WORK

BERKELEY, Calif. — William (Billy the Kid) Nishita, slim right-hander from Honolulu, will carry the big load for Coach Clint Evans' University of California baseball team next spring.

Nishita, an all-conference selection last season, will anchor a top-flight pitching staff for the Golden Bears and may have another Honolulu Nisei, George Fujishige, as his batterymate.

Fujishige is expected to play for the Bears unless he is inducted into the army. He already has taken his physical.

Nishita and Fujishige formed the battery which led the Santa Rosa College Bear Cubs to the Northern California junior college championship in 1950. Last year Nishita played for UC while Fujishige captained the Santa Rosa team.

Nisei Boxer Wins Featherweight Crown In Army Tourney

HONOLULU — Stan Nawatani won the featherweight title as Army boxers made a clean sweep of all divisions in the annual inter-service boxing championships here on Dec. 14.

Nawatani, former Kakaako AC star, used a wicked left hook to upset Dick Abasial of the Air Force-MATs team in the night's most spectacular bout.

Stockton Veterans Will Hold Dance

STOCKTON, Calif.—The Stockton Nisei Vets will hold their annual New Year's dance at the Officers' Club.

The affair will be a sports formal and Jack Hanna's eight-piece orchestra will play.

Among the dance committee members appointed by President Tak Wakimoto are: Lou Tsunekawa, Sus Nishikawa, Jack Kitagawa, Don Takahashi, Tom Kitagawa, Ted Saiki, Hal Hirose, Ralph Tsutsui and Jerry Hashimoto.

Patrons and patronesses will include Mr. and Mrs. Kats Nagai, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Matsumoto and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kitagawa.

Admission will be \$2.50 per couple.

Denver Staff Dines

DENVER—Staff members of the Denver JACL Bulletin held their annual dinner at the Cathay Post on Dec. 14.

George Masunaga, editor, reported the paper has been published 11 times during the past year.

The Rev. Kitagawa and Tatsuda maintained that "Great Togo," in taking the part of the ring "villain," capitalized on a racial stereotype, current during World War II, which portrayed all Japanese to be sneaky and treacherous.

To these protests Stetcher replied that Togo was not doing anything illegal and that his tactics were within the rules. Stetcher stated that he instructs his referee to curb any illegal tactics by the wrestlers.

When Kitagawa and Tatsuda pointed out Togo also misrepresents himself as being from Japan, Stetcher remarked that he is unaware of the fact that Togo may not be from Japan, and that he can believe only what Togo tells him.

Later Kitagawa and Tatsuda commented that Stetcher "seemed quite insensitive to the great disservice that Togo is doing" toward bringing better understanding between the Japanese and their non-Japanese neighbors.

Father Kitagawa is the director of the Japanese American Community Center in Minneapolis and also the chairman of the Mayor's Commission on Human Relations. His leadership in many civic activities has made him probably the most widely respected Nisei in Twin Cities.

Charles Tatsuda, an attorney, has been active for a number of years in the affairs of the Japanese American Citizens League. He attended the recent MDC Convention in Detroit as Twin Cities' official delegate.

Denver Evacuee Makes Donation To JACL ADC

DENVER — The first Denver resident to receive payment on his evacuation claims under the new compromise plan recently made a contribution to the National JACL ADC in appreciation of the work of the organization on behalf of Japanese Americans, the Mountain Plains JACL ADC regional office reported last week.

Frank G. Hirayama filed a small claim in 1949 in connection with losses suffered in the liquidation of his seed business in Los Angeles as a result of the evacuation order.

His compromise claim was processed by Attorney Min Yasui's office on Sept. 17 last and he received his check on Nov. 28.

"If it weren't for the National JACL ADC looking out for the interests of persons of Japanese ancestry in the U.S., I never would have received the check," Hirayama said.

Montana Chapter Opens Member Drive

DENVER — Thirteen members have been signed to date following the opening of the 1952 membership drive of the Montana JACL chapter, Tom Ogoshi Jr., Rosebud, Mont., said in a report to the Mountain Plains JACL ADC office last week.

The Montana chapter reports it is determined to top its peak membership of 51 in 1950 to demonstrate to the JACL's other eighty chapters that Montana is an "outstanding chapter" in the national organization.

Chicago Recreation Group Will Hold Pot-luck Supper

CHICAGO — A pot-luck supper and social will be held on Dec. 29th at the Olivet Institute, 1441 W. Cleveland for the members and friends of the City Wide Recreation Council.

Songs, games, square dancing, social dancing, charades, and prizes will be the attractions for the evening. Mr. George Naritoku will be the Master of Ceremonies for the affair.

Pot luck supper will be in charge of the food committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Alice Ukita and Kiyo Yoshimura.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Shigemi George Niino, Madera, Calif., a boy on Nov. 15.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wataru T. Nakahara a boy on Nov. 28 in Oakland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideyoshi Tsutsui a boy, Robert Fumio, on Nov. 10 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank K. Kikugawa a girl on Dec. 4 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Yoneyama a girl on Dec. 11 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ken Kodama a girl on Dec. 11 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Fujikawa, North Sacramento, Calif., a boy on Dec. 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Victor Ikeda a boy on Dec. 11 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shizuo Namba a boy on Dec. 3 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ginzo Morino a boy on Dec. 4 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kusaba a boy, Henry Torao, on Nov. 25 in New York City.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Yakata a boy, Brian Takashi, on Nov. 29 in New York City.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Kiyoshi Kanbara, Gardena, Calif., a girl, Kim Rae, on Nov. 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Miura a girl, Marsha Keiko, on Nov. 12 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Rio Kashiwagi a girl, Karen Matsuko, on Nov. 14 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shiro Kinoshita a girl, Janet Sakaye, on Nov. 25 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harley Kusumoto a boy, Michael Takashi, on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tomio Gohata, Gardena, Calif., a boy on Nov. 27.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Masatoki Kishi a boy, Gary Hideo, on Nov. 28 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Motooka a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Toshimasa Miyata, Santa Monica, Calif., a boy, Gregory Toshio, on Dec. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Akira Rikimaru a boy, Rodney Akio, on Dec. 5 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Haruo Ego a boy, Randolph Koji, on Nov. 24 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Boyd (nee Mildred Meko Takashima) a boy, Roger Lee, on Dec. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Oya a boy on Dec. 18 in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Ishimine, Long Beach, Calif., a girl, Joanne Shizuye, on Dec. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Teruichi Kozai, Gardena, Calif., a girl, Joanne Kimiko, on Dec. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tsutomu Nakasone a girl, Cynthia Jean, on Dec. 3 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fumio Terry Shiroishi a girl, Donna Lee, on Dec. 4 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mikio Sera a girl, Nancy Mariko, on Nov. 30 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Nikaido, San Fernando, Calif., a girl on Dec. 6.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Aihara, Garden Grove, Calif., a boy on Nov. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Minamide, Santa Ana, Calif., a boy on Dec. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. William T. Hirano, Richmond, Calif., a girl on Nov. 19.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka K. Mori a girl on Dec. 8 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ishihara a girl on Dec. 18 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tomi Teruo a boy on Dec. 13 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Kaida a boy on Nov. 18 in Lodi, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tatsuo Saito a boy on Dec. 1 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiromu Taniwa, Sanger, Calif., a girl on Dec. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Kiyoshi Shimizu a boy on Nov. 23 in Fowler, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Tsunetaro Nitta a boy on Nov. 28 in Fowler, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yoshio Kakuichi, Kingsburg, Calif., a girl on Dec. 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Higuchi a girl, Frances Anne, on Nov. 24 in Chicago.

DEATHS

Mrs. Reiko Yoshihara, 72, on Dec. 11 in Chicago.

Mataji Urakawa on Dec. 13 in Citrus Heights, Calif.

Senkichi Kosaka, 96, on Dec. 12 in Long Beach, Calif.

Mrs. Tomono Kodama, 63, on Dec. 7 in Denver.

Mrs. Michiko Shizumura on Dec. 8 in Los Angeles.

Saburo Kanki, 77, on Dec. 12 in San Francisco.

Courts Restore Citizenship to Two Stranded

LOS ANGELES—In two different cases involving the question of whether Nisei in Japan who were drafted in the Japanese Army during the war should lose their United States Citizenship, Judge Dave Ling of Phoenix, Arizona and Judge Louis E. Goodman of San Francisco, California decided recently in favor of the Nisei, it was reported here. Both judges held that the young men who were drafted in wartime Japan did not act of their own free will but rather under compulsion and from fear of the secret and military police in Japan.

Judge Ling's case was that of Noboru Kanbara of Huntington Beach, California, while Judge Goodman's case was that of Shigenori Morizumi of San Francisco. Kanbara's case was tried in the Federal Court in Los Angeles. Morizumi's case was tried in the Federal Court in San Francisco.

Attorneys A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand of Los Angeles represented both plaintiffs.

The Kanbara case had an additional factor, it was noted. In his case the government claimed that he lost his citizenship, in addition to the army service reason, by teaching in the Iwata Elementary School in Kibi-Gun, Okayama-Ken. Judge Ling held that this teaching position of Kanbara's, at least as of the time he occupied it, was not under the government of Japan and further, that it was not a position for which only nationals of nationals of Japan were eligible.

Iwamatsu Hoshiyama on Dec. 1 in Chicago.

Y. Yoshida in Watsonville, Calif.

Akira Kishi on Dec. 5 in Chicago.

Mrs. Masuno Shinoda on Dec. 15 in San Lorenzo, Calif.

Mrs. Shina Kadoyama on Dec. 10 in Los Angeles.

Kamenosuke Aoki, 71, on Dec. 13 in Huntington Park, Calif.

Mrs. Haruye Takata, 73, on Dec. 17 in Salt Lake City.

Tamesaku Kataoka, 65, on Dec. 10 in Hanford, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Mary Ichihana to Frank Yamagata on Dec. 8 in Reedley, Calif.

Toshiko Narita to Kay Watanabe, Los Angeles, on Dec. 9, in Kent, Wash.

Ida Otani to Tosh Ninomiya on Dec. 8 in New York City.

Emi Cujow to Richard K. Ensey on Dec. 8 in New York City.

Kiyo Fukuyama to Noboru Okada on Dec. 1 in Ontario, Ore.

Sumi Nakagawa to Henry Inouye on Dec. 16 in Watsonville, Calif.

Dorothy Kikuchi to Roy Uno on Dec. 16 in Los Angeles.

Yoshiko Shirley Yamaguchi to Isamu Noguchi on Dec. 15 in Tokyo, Japan.

Hisako Shimada to Tsunemi Shimada on Dec. 15 in Greeley, Colo.

Sakae Kurachi, Crowley, Colo., to Tom Matsuo Miyahara, Fort Lupton, on Dec. 16 in Denver.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Betty K. Hirano, 21, and Tohoru Nakatani, 27, both of Concord, Calif., in Alameda County.

Terry T. Kurihara, 21, and Jack T. Urabe, 27, in Fresno.

Harumi Murakami, 25, Stockton, Calif., and John Satoru Oki, 35, Yuba City, Calif., in Sacramento.

Patricia Annabella Lee, 20, Portland, Ore., and Edson Akira Fujii, 27, Nampa, Ida.

Wins Hair Styling Trophies



DENVER—George Ohashi, noted Denver hair stylist, was the winner of two gold trophies at the recent Rocky Mountain Hair Style convention in Denver.

Competing against 32 other entrants, Ohashi won the grand prize gold trophy in hair design on the motif, "Style of tomorrow," as well as the grand prize gold trophy in hair styling.

Ohashi, formerly of San Diego, Calif., has been a consistent winner in open competition since coming to Denver during the evacuation.

Ohashi, shown in the photo above with other prize winners, is an active member of the Denver JACL. The model seated, center) is Velma Johnston of New York City.

Hirabayashis Take Children, 40 Pairs of Shoes to Beirut

SEATTLE — Dr. Gordon Hirabayashi, central figure in one of the wartime test cases on the validity of wartime restrictions against Nisei, left here on Dec. 17 for Beirut, Lebanon.

With him were his wife, three children and a three-year supply of clothing—including 40 pairs of shoes—household furnishings and appliances.

Hirabayashi, 33, an instructor in sociology at the University of Washington, has accepted a job as assistant professor of sociology at American University in Beirut.

The problem of buying shoes in advance for the children—a boy, 4, and twin girls, 6—was solved by a shoe-fitting in a shoe store. He measured the children's feet, then calculated how long a pair of shoes would last and what size each child would need at each successive stage.

Most of the things they'll need are not available in Lebanon.

Dr. Hirabayashi was much in the news after the outbreak of World War II. A native of Auburn, Wash., he objected to wartime exclusion orders which removed persons of Japanese ancestry from the Pacific Coast to inland camps.

His case, together with that of Min Yasui, Denver attorney who was then a resident of Portland, Ore., were fought clear to the U.S. Supreme Court which on June 21, 1943 upheld the exclusion and

curfew orders. Hirabayashi drew a three month sentence.

He created controversy with his letters to the draft board. Later he was sentenced to one year at McNeil Island Federal penitentiary for failure to report to a conscientious objectors' camp.

He was one of 1,523 "conchie" granted full pardons by President Truman in 1947 and his citizenship rights were restored.

At Spokane, Wash., he was the secretary of the American Friends Service Committee, a Quaker organization, in 1944.

The same year he was married to Esther Schmoie, now 31, the daughter of a Quaker missionary from Seattle. A year later they had twin daughters, Mitzi and Mari.

Dr. Hirabayashi signed a three-year contract to teach at American University. The English-language school is sponsored by the Near East College Association of New York City.

"I wanted to get acquainted intimately with the culture of some country abroad," he said. "I will have a good opportunity to study the Arabic family in Lebanon. Not much research had been done in that field."

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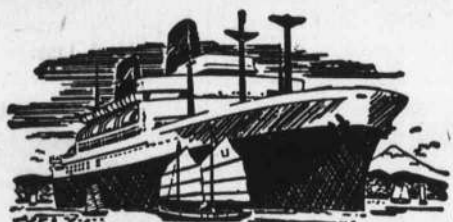


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Hawaii Buddhists Observe Bohdi Day



HONOLULU—Undaunted by rain several hundred Buddhists gathered at Ala Moana park to revere the Guatama Buddha with a sunrise service on Bohdi Day.

Bodhi Day is revered by Buddhists as an anniversary of the establishment of Buddhism as a world religion 2,500 years ago.—Photo by McKinley photo service, Honolulu.

Holds Annual Christmas Party

HAYWARD, Calif.—A capacity audience of some 150 children and adults attended the Eden Township JACL's 4th annual Christmas party on Dec. 15 at the Sunset grammar school.

Mrs. June Yoshioka, co-chairman for the affair with Mrs. Masako Minami, opened the program with a few words of welcome.

Mrs. Oliver Nishimura accompanied on the piano.

George Minami, Jr. was the master of ceremonies.

Highlight of the evening was Santa's arrival with gifts for all the children.

Tak Shiba, chairman of the membership drive, and Min Shinoda, president of the local chapter, both gave short talks.

The chapter expressed appreciation for the donation of a large Christmas tree for the party by Joe Korematsu.

JACL Committee Will Study Prejudice on East Coast

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—In order to more ably service the Nisei along the Atlantic seaboard, the Eastern District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League authorized the formation of two special committees, Akira Hayashi, chairman, announced following a special cabinet and chapter presidents meeting in Philadelphia.

One committee is to study discrimination against persons of Japanese ancestry in the east coast states. Discrimination in employment, housing, insurance and cemeteries were specific tasks assigned to the special study group.

The other committee is to consider programming problems of the EDC chapters to meet the needs of the urban Nisei population.

Chairman Hayashi will appoint committee members after consultation with the 1952 chapter presidents.

The reactivated Seabrook Farms Chapter was selected as host for the next EDC meeting which will be held in the spring, prior to the National JACL Convention in San Francisco in late June.

Chapter activity reports were heard from Tom Hayashi, national JACL vice president and member of the New York Chapter board, Noboru Kobayashi, Philadelphia Chapter president, Charles Nagao, Seabrook Farms Chapter president, and Don Komai, Washington Chapter president.

Sam Ishikawa, associate national director, reported on the Pacific Citizen, National JACL Membership Drive, and the annual fund drive for the Anti-Discrimination Committee, while Mike Masaoka,

national legislative director, reported on the legislative situation in Washington and the evacuation.

National JACL Committee appointments to represent the EDC announced by Chairman Hayashi were Dr. Thomas Tamaki, Philadelphia, Thousand Club; Mitsuo Yasuda, New York City, Pacific Citizen Board; Tetsu Iwasaki, Philadelphia, National Recognitions; Don Komai, Washington, National Nominations; and Harold Fistere, Seabrook, Discrimination in Entertainment and Allied Fields.

EDC cabinet officers present at the special December 15th meeting were Chairman Hayashi, New York City; Harold Fistere, Seabrook, vice chairman; Sumi Kobayashi, Philadelphia, secretary, and Jack Ozawa, Philadelphia, treasurer. Absent were Jack Hirose, Washington, publicity director, and Sachi Tasaka, New York City, corresponding secretary.

Chapter presidents present were Norman Kobayashi of Philadelphia, Charles Nagao of Seabrook, and Don Komai of Washington, D. C. Tom Hayashi, New York City, represented the National JACL Board and Sam Ishikawa of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Mike Masaoka of Washington, the National Staff.

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Newlywed Film Star, Sculptor Will Return to U. S. Shortly

TOKYO—Shirley Yoshiko Yamaguchi, Japanese film star who married New York sculptor Isamu Noguchi on Dec. 15 after a global romance, will return to Hollywood early next year to start work on her second American film.

The new Mrs. Noguchi also is expected to make some personal appearances on behalf of her first American film "Japanese War Bride," which is scheduled to be released by 20th Century Fox shortly.

The petite Japanese actress, who won her greatest acclaim in a pre-war Pearl Harbor film called "Shima No Yoru" (China Night) in Japan, met the internationally-known sculptor in New York City in 1950 when he went there to appear in a musical version of Donn Byrne's novel, "Messer Marco Polo." The production was indefinitely postponed because of the war in Korea and Miss Yamaguchi returned to Japan.

They met again in Tokyo when Noguchi went there to design a garden, dedicated to his father, the poet Yone Noguchi, for the new Reader's Digest building in the Japanese capital.

Miss Yamaguchi came to the United States again last June to appear in the film, "East Is East," now renamed "Japanese War Bride."

Both Noguchi and Miss Yamaguchi left for Europe last fall on a round-the-world trip, announcing their intention of marrying in Rome. The Italian wedding later was postponed and the pair decided to marry in Tokyo.

Tokyo newspapers reported that the Japanese actress "flouted convention" in marrying the Los Angeles-born sculptor. The simple ceremony by-passed most of the elaborate rites usually associated with Japanese weddings.

Newspapers said the ceremony actually was no ceremony.

The two quietly slipped off by themselves in a Shinto Shrine and stood before the altar dedicated to the spirit of the late Emperor Meiji, the founder of modern Japan.

There, in their own words, they "waited for our souls to harmonize."

When they felt this had been accomplished, they returned to the home of their friend, painter Ryuzaburo Umehara, where they drank a toast.

Miss Yamaguchi further broke with tradition by appearing at a

wedding banquet in a white kimono of unconventional design. Custom calls for the bride to wear a richly embroidered kimono in dark colors.

Attending the function were 60 guests representing the top figures in the Japanese artistic world. The affair was estimated to have cost half a million yen (\$1388). By Japanese standards, this is about five times more than that of the usual wedding reception.

Noguchi wore a black ceremonial kimono with a split skirt and carried a fan.

The newlyweds also broke tradition by not going on a honeymoon.

Miss Yamaguchi's secretary explained they were both too busy for a wedding trip.

The bride of one day reported to her studio, while Noguchi went to work in a rented sculptor's studio.

Nisei Beauty Will Ride on Rose Float

LONG BEACH, Calif. — A 20-year old Los Angeles girl was named recently to represent the Asiatic racial group as "Miss Orient" on the \$10,000 "Universe" float which represent the City of Long Beach in the Tournament of Roses parade in Pasadena on New Year's day.

Yvonne Suzuko Iwamizu, a recent graduate of Garfield High School, won out over six other candidates in the finals of the contest held at Long Beach Municipal Auditorium to select the six princesses who will ride with "Miss Universe" on the float.

Miss Iwamizu is 5 feet 2, 112 pounds, has a 32 inch bust and a 25 inch waist. She is employed as a power machine operator in a sewing plant in Beverly Hills.

"Nisei Combo" Plays At Placer Dance

PENRYN, Calif. — A rhythmic "Nisei Combo" featuring George Nakao, saxophone-smoothie; Mabel Sugiyama, boogie-woogie pianist; Blackie Maeda, drummer - boy dandy; and Goi Koyasako, be-bop bass-man, furnished the music for the Placer County JACL's annual "Year-End Dance."

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