



## Congress to Table Action On Nisei Stranded Proposal Until Supreme Court Acts

WASHINGTON, D. C.—JACL ADC-endorsed legislation to restore citizenship to Nisei who voted in post-war Japanese elections will be tabled by the House Judiciary Committee until the United States Supreme Court has passed upon the issue, a staff member of the Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization informed Mike Masaoka, national legislative director, of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

## Officials Probe Train Death Of Salinas Issei

SALINAS, Calif.—A 77-year old Issei was killed instantly when he was struck by a southbound Southern Pacific switch engine at a Salinas crossing.

The victim was Iwakichi Yoshioka, a resident of Salinas since 1912.

Salinas police and Coroner Elmer L. Machado are investigating to determine whether the death was an accident or a suicide.

A woman who witnessed the accident told police officers she was waiting for the engine to pass when she observed Yoshioka walking toward the crossing from the opposite side of the tracks. She stated that it appeared to her that he threw himself in front of the train.

Authorities said Mr. Yoshioka and his wife returned to Salinas on Jan. 2 after visiting a son and daughter in Los Angeles. Mrs. Yoshioka told officers her husband was in good spirits.

Besides his widow, Ura Yoshioka, the victim is survived by a son, Browne K. Yoshioka, 37, Los Angeles, and four daughters, Mrs. Rose Masui, Los Angeles, Mrs. Dorothy Nakamura, Gilroy, Mrs. Sue Nishikawa, Torrance and Miss Janet Yoshioka, Salinas.

## Appoint Ishimaru To Advisory Group On State Employment

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—James G. Bryant, California state director of the Department of Employment, has appointed Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California JACL regional director, to the Area Advisory Committee on Minority Group Problems which covers seven counties surrounding the Bay area: Marin, San Francisco, Contra Costa, Alameda, San Mateo, Santa Clara and Solano.

The chief function of this committee is to attempt to eliminate racial discrimination in employment in the state of California.

A significant step taken by the California State Department of Employment is to reject all discriminatory requests for workers.

George Fischer, area minority group coordinator of the State Department of Employment, declared that the Department will continue to eliminate all discriminatory practices in employment.

## Bruyeres Will Fly Gift Flag From JACL Over Memorial

Receipt of an American flag from the Japanese American Citizens League was acknowledged by the mayor of Bruyeres, France, in a letter received this week by Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, National JACL president.

The flag, which had originally flown over the Capitol of the United States, was sent to Bruyeres as a token of international friendship to the town which had been liberated by elements of the 442nd Japanese American combat team in World War II.

It will be flown over a memorial created in the memory of the Japanese Americans by townspeople of Bruyeres.

The flag was originally meant to be unfurled on Oct. 30, 1951, National Japanese American Soldier Memorial Day, over the Bruyeres memorial.

Under the Nationality Act of 1940, an American citizen loses his United States citizenship by voting in a foreign election.

Last year, Representative Chet Holifield (Dem., Calif.) introduced a bill at the request of the JACL ADC which would restore American citizenship by naturalization to those Nisei who presumably lost their United States citizenship by voting in the post-war Japanese elections which were held under the supervision of American occupation authorities.

It is this legislation which will be tabled pending a Supreme Court decision.

Several courts in Hawaii and on the west coast have held in a number of so-called Nisei election cases that Japanese Americans who voted on the post-war Japanese election did not lose their American citizenship either because Japan under the occupation was not a foreign country within the meaning of the statute or because duress entered into their voting.

This week, on behalf of Mariko Kuniyuki of Seattle, Washington, an appeal was filed in the United States Supreme Court to reverse the judgment of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco which held that she had lost her United States citizenship by voting in the Japanese elections. In the initial action, Federal Judge Pierson Hall in Seattle had ruled that the Nisei had not lost her citizenship for the reasons that she did not act voluntarily and that Japan was not a foreign state and the elections were not political within the meaning of the Nationality Act of 1940.

The Court of Appeals reversed Judge Hall's opinion and Miss Kuniyuki was forced to appeal to the nation's highest tribunal for a final determination.

The Supreme Court may hold all or that part of the Nationality Act dealing with voting in foreign elections to be unconstitutional, that Japan is not a foreign state and that post-war elections were not political in nature, or that all voting in the Japanese elections deprived Nisei of their citizenship, or, as in the recent case involving Nisei who served in the Japanese army, it may hold that each individual case must be considered separately on its merits to determine duress or voluntary action.

With so many possible legal interpretations, members of the Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization thought that the Holifield bill should be tabled until the Supreme Court has announced its views. Then, in the light of the court decision, the bill may have to be amended or even redrafted.

Mayor Rene Drahon said that it had not arrived in time for the celebration but that it would be used on the 14th of July (Bastille Day), Armistice Day and during the last weeks of October of each year. Bruyeres was liberated late in October, 1944, in the same campaign in which the 442nd rescued the "lost battalion" on Oct. 30.

"We have already planted trees, and you can be assured that your cemetery and monument will be taken care of to the best of our ability," Mayor Drahon said.

"The memory of your great soldiers which liberated our town will never be forgotten."

Mayor Drahon invited Dr. Sakada to join in the town's annual pilgrimage to the Nisei monument.

The flag sent to Bruyeres was secured for the JACL by Rep. Reva Beck Bosone, (D., Ut.).

## Nisei Sergeant Aboard Missing Transport Plane

EUREKA, Calif.—A Nisei sergeant has been identified as one of the persons aboard a missing C-47 transport which is believed to have crashed in the mountainous area near here.

Sgt. Y. M. Mikami, Lodi, Calif., son of Mr. and Mrs. Teruichi Mikami, was en route home for the holidays from his post at Spokane, Wash. The plane disappeared on Dec. 26.

It was reported this week an air search party sighted wreckage on Jan. 8 on a 4,000-foot elevation near the town of Burnt Bank and a ground search party wearing snow shoes was dispatched to the scene.

## Army Identifies Two Nisei GIs Killed in War

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Department of Defense this week informed the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee of four more Nisei casualties in the Korean fighting sustained during the past week.

### KILLED IN ACTION—

Cpl. Jack S. Tsuboi, husband of Mrs. Fumi Tsuboi, 5440 Crittenden Street, Oakland, California. Pfc. Rodney N. Hamaguchi, brother of Akira Hamaguchi, 2533 Jasmine Street, Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

### WOUNDED—

Pvt. William M. Kawano, son of Harry Kawano, Kaunakakai, Molokai, Territory of Hawaii. Pfc. Goro Nishimura, son of Mamoru Nishimura, Elele, Kauai, Territory of Hawaii.

## Nisei Midshipman, Cadet Attend 442nd Dance in New York

NEW YORK—Both West Point and Annapolis were represented at the 442nd Association's dance at the Whitehall hotel in New York recently.

Takoo Yoshihara, a midshipman at the U.S. Naval Academy, attended the affair, along with Cadet Glenn Matsumoto of the U.S. Military Academy and Kenny Kawashima of the West Point band.

## President Urges Passage Of ADC-Endorsed Measures

WASHINGTON, D.C.—President Harry S. Truman in his annual State of the Union message to the new Congress on Jan. 9 specifically urged passage of three measures high on the list of legislative objectives of the JACL ADC and by implication included the entire ten point program, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee announced this week.

Specifically, he called for early ratification of the Japanese peace treaty, enactment of civil rights legislation, and statehood for the Territory of Hawaii.

Since elimination of race in immigration and naturalization, amending the Trading with the Enemy Acts to prevent injustice to Americans and resident aliens, naturalization for alien Japanese now serving in the armed forces, extension of the current Soldier Brides Act, restoration of citizenship to Nisei who voted in post-war Japanese elections, authorization of seniority and other rights to Nisei civil service employees who were separated from the service because of evacuation, and adequate funds for paying and processing evacuation claims all have to do with the civil rights of Nisei and Issei Americans in that they provide for equality of treatment and opportunity for persons of Japanese ancestry, the President by implication urged passage of the

## JACL ADC Outlines 10-Point Legislative Objectives for Second Session of Congress

**Elimination of Race Discrimination in U.S. Immigration, Naturalization Laws Heads Program Announced by Mike Masaoka**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A ten point legislative program which the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee will stress during the second session of the 82nd Congress that convened Jan. 8 was announced by Mike Masaoka, national legislative director, this week.

Elimination of racial discrimination in Federal immigration and naturalization laws continues to be the organization's top legislative concern. Repeal of the Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924 by extending annual immigration quotas to Japan and the authorization of naturalization privileges to resident alien Issei are featured sections in the McCarran-Walter Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization bills which are pending in the Senate and House Judiciary committees.

Masaoka said that he hopes for early action by both Committees in order that the respective chambers may consider this legislation before they become bogged down in election-year adjournment rushes.

Statehood for Hawaii, which would give greater recognition and status to almost 200,000 loyal persons of Japanese ancestry as well as to the Territory itself, is second on the list. Already on the Senate calendar, it is hoped that the Democratic Policy Committee will schedule this measure among the first to be considered in the new session, as promised by Senate Majority Leader Ernest W. McFarland, Democrat, Ariz., Masaoka said.

He enumerated seven other points of the JACL-ADC program:

Adequate appropriations for the evacuation claims program is third. According to Masaoka, this means several millions in supplemental and deficiency appropriations to pay claimants who accepted compromise settlements under the 1951 amendment to the basic act and sufficient administrative funds in the 1953 fiscal year budget to enable the Department of Justice to not only complete its compromise settlements program but also to begin adjudicating claims outside the compromise procedures.

Early ratification of the Japanese Peace Treaty is fourth on the JACL ADC's legislative priority list. Japan's re-emergence as a sovereign power will enable her to become America's partner in

preserving the peace in the Orient, Masaoka said. He added that only by establishing mutual respect and friendship between the United States and Japan, cemented by appropriate economic relations, can democracy win in the Pacific. The President is expected to urge early ratification of the Treaty, possibly in his message on the State of the Union.

Fifth on the list are amendments to the Trading with the Enemy Act to overcome present inequities to citizens and resident aliens in existing law. These amendments include extension of the deadline (already expired) for the filing of claims, permission for internees and parolees to file claims, permission for Issei who have now returned to the United States after being stranded in Japan to file claims, and the return of gifts, devices, and insurance benefits of American citizens to nationals residing in Japan. Most of these amendments were introduced as bills in the last session of Congress. Others are being prepared for introduction this January.

Sixth is the extension of the so-called Soldier Brides Act. The present statute providing that the racially ineligible alien spouses and minor children of American servicemen and veterans may be admitted into the United States for permanent residence expires March 18, 1952. With the Korean fighting threatening to continue and with American troops to be stationed in Japan for several more years, an extension of the marriage deadline may be necessary unless the Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization Bill becomes law and non-quota status is established for the spouses of all American citizens.

Seventh is the naturalization of alien Japanese now serving in the United States armed forces. An amendment to existing law is necessary to enable alien Japanese who have served and are serving in the armed forces during the Korean fighting to become naturalized American citizens. Such an amendment, sponsored by the JACL ADC, enabled several alien Japanese who served during World War II to become naturalized citizens.

Eighth is to restore seniority and other rights and privileges to Nisei federal civil service employees, especially postal workers, who were separated from the service because of evacuation. Several bills for this purpose were introduced in 1951 and are pending at the present time in the Civil Service Committees of the House and Senate.

Ninth is to expedite the naturalization of Nisei who lost their American citizenship by voting in the post-war Japanese elections which were conducted under American occupation authorities. A bill for this purpose is now under study by the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization.

Tenth is general legislation for civil rights and for promoting human decency and dignity. These include fair employment practices, repeal of poll taxes, assuring equal protection of the laws to all (anti-lynching or anti-violence), cloture (filibuster), and similar measures.

In addition, the JACL ADC will continue to support meritorious private bills for corrective or remedial purposes, but will not initiate them save under exceptional circumstances, Masaoka added.

# Local Chapters Announce Members of New Cabinets

Cabinet officers for 1952 have been announced by a number of JACL chapters, according to Masao Satow, national director.

## Sanger

In Sanger, Calif., Tom Nakamura was named chapter president, with Tom Nagamatsu and Larry Hekiji as first and second vice-presidents.

Toshiko Ikuma and Dora Nishimura will be recording and corresponding secretaries, respectively. Robert K. Kanagawa will be treasurer, John Kebo will be official delegate and Sak Yamashita will be historian. Named reporter was Seichi Yamamoto. Benny K. Matsunaga will be alternate delegate.

## Milwaukee

Nami Shio was elected president of the Milwaukee JACL with James Momi as vice-president.

Mrs. Betty Makiya was named recording secretary and Helen Inai corresponding secretary. Ronald Minami will serve as treasurer. Yutaka Kuge, Gandy Inai and Sat Nakahira will be official delegates.

## Livingston-Merced

Tom Nakashima will be president of the Livingston-Merced (Calif.) JACL during 1952, assisted by James Kiriara as vice-president.

Also named to office were Joyce Kimura, rec. secy.; Caroline Nakashima, corr. secy.; Kazuo Masuda, treas.; Buichi Kajiwara, official delegate; Miako Kashiwase, historian; and George Miyake, Livingston rep.; Walter Morimoto, Cressey rep.; and Atsushi Sano, Merced rep.

## Santa Clara County

Akira Shimoguchi of Los Altos was named president of the United Citizens League of Santa Clara County, with Samuel Tanase and William Yamamoto as first and second vice-presidents, respectively.

Mrs. Joyce Furiya will be secretary, while Tom Mitsuyoshi will serve as treasurer. Phil Matsunaga was named historian and publicity director.

## Arizona

In Glendale, Ariz., John Tadano was named president of the Arizona JACL. Makoto Tanita, Lindy Okabayashi and Mutt Yamamoto were elected first, second and third vice-presidents.

Tadao Fujii was elected treasurer. Masaji Inoshita and Paul Ishikawa were named official delegates. Mrs. Hatsuye Miyauchi will be social chairman, while Johnson Sakata will be athletic manager.

## San Benito County

The San Benito County (Calif.) JACL will be led by Thomas Shimomishi of Hollister, assisted by Vice-Presidents James M. Iwata of San Juan Bautista and Shoso Nakamoto of Gilroy.

John T. Teshima will be recording secretary. Frank Nishita will be corresponding secretary. Also on the cabinet are George Yamana, treas.; George K. Nishita, official del.; Richard T. Nishimoto, historian; and Edwin Matsuura, chairman of the Issei relations committee.

## Denver

The Denver JACL elected Roy Mayeda of Brighton as its 1952 president. Mami Katagiri was elected vice-president in charge of program, Harry Yanagi, vice-president in charge of membership, and Mrs. Michi Ando, vice-president in charge of publicity.

Also serving will be Haru Tanaka, rec. secy.; June Aochi, corr. secy.; Robert M. Horiuchi, treas.; Sam Matsumoto, finance chmn.; Shig Teraji, athletic director; and Mrs. Haruko Kobayashi, editor, Bulletin.

## Orange County

Hitoshi Nitta of Santa Ana, Calif., was re-elected president of the Orange County JACL.

Other members of the eleven-man 1952 cabinet are George Kanno, first vice president; Stephen K. Tamura, second vice president; Mrs. Ruth Matsuda, third vice president; Kazuko Aoyama, executive secretary; Fred Mizusawa, treasurer; George Ogata, auditor; and four members-

at-large, Iwao Aoki, Frank Nakashima, James Kobayashi and Joe Akiyama.

The newly elected officers will be formally installed by Judge Robert Gardner of the Superior Court of Orange County at ceremonies to be held at the Santa Ana YWCA on Jan. 26th.

Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, National JACL Treasurer, will be the guest speaker at the Orange County installation banquet program which will begin at 6 p.m.

## Monterey Peninsula

The Monterey Peninsula JACL will be led by Kenneth H. Sato and Vice-Presidents Kiyoshi Nobosuda and James Tabata. Mrs. Mary Takigawa will be recording secretary.

Dr. John Ishizuka will be executive secretary. Ishio Enokida will be treasurer. Elected historian was Mrs. Ida Shintani. Kaz Oka will be chairman of publicity, while Masami Higashi will be social chairman.

## Fresno

The Fresno JACL cabinet, installed in office on Jan. 11, is led by Jim Ishikawa, president, Hugo Kazato, first vice-president, and Toy Hoshiko, second vice-president.

Filling other cabinet posts are Herky Kawahara, rec. secy.; Misa Asakawa, corr. secy.; Ben Nakamura, treas.; Seichi Mikami, official del.; Mrs. Sally Slocum, historian; Dr. George Miyake, assistant treas.; James Kubota, alternate delegate; and Hoagy Ogawa, director, public relations.

## Puyallup Valley

Hiroshi Sakahara of Tacoma was elected president of the Puyallup Valley chapter.

On his cabinet are Hiroshi Fujita, 1st vice-pres.; Joe Asahara, 2nd vice-pres.; Kiyoshi Okada, 3rd vice-pres.; Vee Mizukami, rec. secy.; Chiyeko Tanabe, corr. secy.; May Fujii, treas.; Tom Takemura, official del.; Fudge Sasaki, historian; Lily Mizukami, chairman, social welfare; Shiz Yamada, publicity director; and Mary Yotsuue and Shiyoji Kawabata, social chairmen.

## Montana

George Kawamoto of Hardin, Mont., heads the new Montana JACL cabinet. Other officers are: Charles Kataoka, Hardin, 1st vice-pres.; Yasuo Nayematsu, Hardin, 2nd vice-pres.; Tom Ogoshi, Rosebud, 3rd vice-pres.; Mary Nagashima, Shepherd, rec. secy.; Aki Kataoka, Rosebud, corres. secy.; Tom Koyama, Hardin, treas.; Harriet Nagashima, Shepherd, historian; Tak Shirasago, Crow Agency, reporter, and Sam Shirasago, Crow Agency, custodian.

## Santa Barbara

The Santa Barbara JACL's president for 1952 is Ikey Kakimoto. Other new officers are Itsuki Mori, 1st vice-pres.; Lily Katayama, and Tom Hirashima, social co-chmn.; Yoshiko Mori, rec. secy.; Mary Katayama, corres. secy.; Caesar Uyesaka, treas.; Akira Endo, auditor, and Tomoko Yamada, Masako Saruwatari, Barbara Fukuzawa, Tom Fukumura, Tad Kanetomo and Lillian Nakaji, members-at-large.

## Dayton

Dr. James T. Taguchi will be president of the Dayton chapter, with Mas Yamasaki as first vice-president, Mrs. Hideo Yoshihara as second vice-president, and William T. Yukawa as third vice-president.

Mrs. Yoichi Sato will be recording secretary and Mrs. Frank Sakada corresponding secretary. Hideo Okubo will serve as treasurer and Mrs. Joe Mori as official delegate.

## Ikeda Will Head San Luis Obispo JACL Chapter

MORRO BAY, Calif. — Kazuo Ikeda of Arroyo Grande was elected president of the San Luis Obispo chapter of the JACL at the recent general meeting.

Other new officers are: Stone Saruwatari, Arroyo Grande, vice-pres.; Mrs. Pat Nagano, Morro Bay, sec.; and Matt Kunihiro, San Luis Obispo, treas.

# Nisei Driver Killed as Truck, Train Collide

LOS ANGELES—A 20-year old Nisei was killed instantly when the truck he was driving was struck by a Pacific Electric train outside of Long Beach on Jan. 6.

The victim was Mitsumasa (Babe) Murata, son of Mr. and Mrs. Masao Murata.

According to a State highway patrolman, Murata's truck was driving alongside the train on Alameda Street until it reached the Dominguez intersection when the vehicle turned right, directly into the path of the electric train.

The truck exploded in the impact and Murata's body was charred beyond immediate identification.

The truck was nearly split in two after being dragged along the track for nearly 200 yards.

Murata, a native of Yakima, Wash., is survived by his parents, two brothers and four sisters.

# Ishimaru to Speak At Alameda JACL's Installation Dinner

ALAMEDA, Calif.—Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California-Western Nevada regional director, will be principal speaker at the annual installation dinner of the Alameda JACL chapter on Sunday, Jan. 20, from 5:30 p.m. at the Buena Vista Methodist Church.

The new officers who will be installed include Dr. Roland S. Kadonaga, president; Yasuharu Koike, 1st vice-president; Masako Abe, 2nd vice-president; Kitty Hirai, recording secretary; Aiko Yamamoto, corresponding secretary, and Yas Yamashita, treasurer.

Arrangements for the dinner are being completed by a committee consisting of Haruo Imura, chairman; Masa Hanamura, food; Haruko Yamashita, correspondence; Ryuzo Maeyama, finance, and William Takeda, general arrangements.

Members and friends of the organization are invited. Reservations may be made by contacting Mrs. Yamashita at Lakehurst 3-2481, it was announced by Imura.

## Mrs. Nishi Feted

CHICAGO—Mrs. Setsuko Nishi, sociologist, was honored at a farewell reception held by the Chicago Resettlers Committee on Saturday, Jan. 5.

Mrs. Nishi is moving to New York City.

She was one of the founders of the Resettlers Committee. She studied at the University of Chicago under a Whitney scholarship.

## Arrive from Japan

SAN FRANCISCO—Fifty-seven persons of Japanese ancestry arrived in San Francisco on Jan. 6 aboard the President Wilson from Japan.

# Buddhist Leader Hears High Praise for Utah's Issei, Nisei

Prominent Utah leaders, including Gov. J. Bracken Lee and Mayor Earl J. Glade of Salt Lake City, honored Chief Abbot Kosho Ohtani, spiritual leader of 7,000,000 Buddhists, at a dinner Thursday, Jan. 10, at the Hotel Utah.

Abbot Ohtani and his wife, Lady Yoshiko Ohtani, who ended a one-week visit in Utah on Jan. 12, were told of the contributions and citizenship of Utah's Japanese American population. The Ohtanis are making a six-week tour of the United States.

Gov. Lee praised the Nisei and Issei for their industriousness and law-abidingness and expressed hope that the international friendship evidenced in the visit of the abbot could be made secure.

Mayor Glade told of the city and state's contributions toward Japanese American friendship, which have been supported in large part by the Nisei. He praised the high citizenship qualities of the Japanese Americans, saying that per capita this group caused "less trouble" than any other in the state.

Elder Ezra Benson, representing the first presidency of the L.D.S.

# Solon Hopes to Speed Bill



MILWAUKEE, Wisc.—Assurances that he would work to get the McCarran omnibus naturalization and immigration bill on the Senate calendar were given by Sen. Alexander (R., Wisc.) Jan. 2 when he met with three Japanese Americans who asked his support for the bill.

Wiley's promise of support was given to Richard Akagi, left, Midwest regional representative for the JACL; Kazumi Oura, former president of the Milwaukee JACL and currently vice-chairman of the Midwest district council; and Dr. Rinosuke Murakami, right, long-time resident of Milwaukee.

The senior senator from Wisconsin said he was in accord with provisions of the McCarran bill as outlined to him by the delegation. The trio asked for endorsement of provisions which would liberalize citizenship and immigration laws.

# Issei Survivor of Sinking Of Maine Dies in New York

## Vail Promises Support for Omnibus Bill

CHICAGO — Rep. Richard Vail (R., Ill.) said Jan. 3 that he will support the omnibus bills on immigration and naturalization.

Vail met with Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, National JACL president, Harold Gordon, chairman of the JACL national legislative committee, and Richard Akagi, Midwest representative.

The Illinois representative said that persons of Japanese ancestry have been excellent citizens and that aliens of Japanese ancestry deserve the right of citizenship by naturalization.

Dr. Sakada outlined the general workings of the JACL and its objectives. The congressman said he had already heard of the JACL and that he was favorably impressed with the sense of responsibility exhibited by Japanese Americans.

NEW YORK — An 85-year old Issei veteran of the U.S. Navy, a survivor of the explosion of the U.S.S. Maine in Havana harbor, died at the Central Park West apartment of a friend after a heart attack on Dec. 23.

Although a native of Japan, Yamada held United States citizenship on the recommendation of President Theodore Roosevelt in recognition of his long service in the U.S. Navy.

Including his service in the Spanish American war, Yamada was in the Navy for 32 years. He was known among his intimates as "Kaigun Yama."

He held numerous citations and medals and was living on a Navy pension at the time of his death.

Following funeral rites in New York, his remains were sent to Arlington National Cemetery for final burial.

Yamada is survived by his wife, Mrs. Laura Lillian Yamada; a daughter, Mrs. Helen Evelyn Presgrave, and a granddaughter, Mrs. Helen Lillian Lewis, all of Washington, D.C.

Yamada left his midtown Manhattan home about 9 p.m. to visit a friend. He collapsed shortly after his arrival in the friend's apartment.

## One-Man Show:

## Hawaiian Painter Gives Exhibition in New York Gallery

NEW YORK—The works of a Hawaiian Nisei painter, Tad Miyashita, were shown in New York City last week in a one-man show at the Hacker Gallery.

A New York Times art critic commented on Miyashita's work in the paper's Jan. 5 issue:

"A private utterance, totally abstract in style, lively and buoyant in color, is the message of Tad Miyashita's paintings at the Hacker Gallery. Inasmuch as they have a mood, it is a vivacious and impersonal one. Quasi-geometrical shapes, dots, paint dribbles, happy whisks with the brush—the whole generally accepted vocabulary of the abstract style is found on these canvases.

"Good, deft brushwork appears as calligraphic gracefulness in the water-colors; and this ability along with a feeling for helter-skelter design lift the oils above the level of the haphazard. Designs are apt to be overcrowded but the latest work here leans toward more satisfying simplifications."

# "A Vacation at the Convention, June 26-30, 1952"

## Nisei Woman Initiated Into Masonic Group

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Claire Minami, wife of Dr. Henry K. Minami and formerly of Stockton and Berkeley, was initiated in the Mt. Pleasant Chapter No. 34, Order of the Eastern Star of District of Columbia, on the evening of Dec. 7, 1951. The Order of the Eastern Star is the ladies' organization sponsored by the Masons and its members must be either wife, sister, or daughter of a Master Mason. She is the first and only Nisei Eastern Star in the District of Columbia and perhaps in the nation.

She is very active in the JACL, currently completing her term as the first vice-president in the Washington Chapter.

Her other "first" is that she is the first Nisei teacher in the District of Columbia public schools. At present, she is teaching history and English at Kramer Junior High School. She also taught at Alice Deal Junior High School after graduating from Wilson Teacher's College.

## Omaha JACL Has Christmas Party

OMAHA, Neb.—Under the chairmanship of Bob Nakadoi, the Omaha JACL held its annual Christmas party Saturday, Dec. 22, in the auditorium of the Central YWCA.

During the evening Santa Claus, portrayed by Lloyd Ching, paid a surprise visit to the children present. He distributed presents donated by Mr. and Mrs. Kaya.

Treasurer Bob Nakadoi presented a donation from the chapter to the YWCA for the many services shown the JACL during the year. In the absence of Ruth M. Campbell, executive director, Mrs. Lily Okura, her secretary, accepted the donation. Mrs. Okura said the money would be placed in a motion picture projector and screen fund.

Gifts were exchanged by the members. Turkey sandwiches donated by Mr. and Mrs. Nakadoi were served.

Members who assisted in arranging the party were Mrs. Gladys Hirabayashi, Mrs. Betty Ching, Emiko and Mieko Watanabe, Rose Matsunami, Irene Suzuki and Joyce Kanamine.

The chapter sent Christmas packages to the following members who are currently serving in the armed forces: Edward Ishii, Air Force; Frank Tamai, Army; and Don Matsunami and Manuel Matsunami, Navy.

## Nisei Rescued as Fumes Kill Pair

TORRANCE, Calif.—Kei Kojima, 20, was recovering this week from effects of styrene-butadiene fumes which took the lives of two of his fellow workers at the Midland Rubber company plant on Jan. 2.

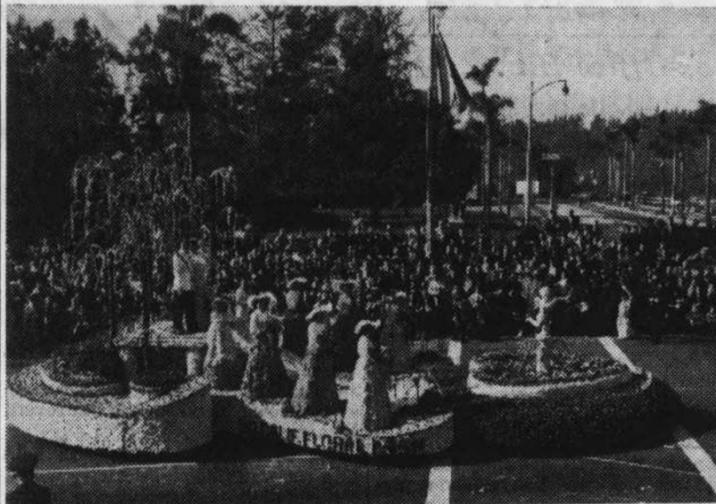
Kojima and another employe, George Jumper, one of the two men killed by the fumes, were cleaning out the interior of a tank when they were overcome by the poisonous gas. Three men went to their rescue and one of the rescuers, George Williams, was overcome by gas and was killed.

## Assist Aliens

OMAHA, Neb.—Cecil Ishii, Bob Nakadoi and K. Patrick Okura of the Omaha JACL assisted local Japanese aliens in making their annual address report with the Federal government.

The chapter announced that Jack Tamai and Alice Kaya are co-chairmen in the 1952 membership drive.

## Win Rose Tournament Honors



PASADENA, Calif.—Sweepstakes winner for the most beautiful float in the Tournament of Roses parade on New Year's Day was the entry of the Southern California Floral Association (top), most of whose members are Japanese Americans.

The float depicted a garden wedding under a willow tree. It was titled, "Every Girl's Dream of the Future."

The victory was especially gratifying because the float was severely damaged when sideswiped by a car enroute to the formation area. One-third of the right side was ripped off, necessitating welding repairs and replacement of flowers.

Flowers used to decorate the entry included 20,000 pink roses, 28,000 carnations, sweet peas, orchids, water lilies and purple stocks. About 2,000 hours of labor went into its making.

The lower photo shows the "Miss Universe" float entered by the city of Long Beach.

Seated on the right is Yvonne Iwamizu, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Iwamizu, who represented the Orient. The float was judged the theme prize winner.—Photos by Toyo Miyatake Studio, courtesy of Rafu Shimpo.

## Hold Hit-Run Driver in Death Of Two Sacramento Issei

SACRAMENTO—Two prominent Sacramento Issei were killed on Jan. 1 when they were run down by a hit-and-run driver at a downtown intersection.

The victims were Rikitaro Sato, 78, a leading supporter of JACL ADC activities in Sacramento, and Tamejiro Nishimura, 73, hotel owner.

Nishimura was pronounced dead on arrival at Sacramento hospital while Sato died three hours after the accident.

Police later arrested Joe Perez, 22, of Broderick, reportedly the driver of the death car which dragged both men 58 feet from the intersection.

Perez was booked in city jail on charges of manslaughter and hit-and-run driving.

The arrest was made by Melvin Johnson, chief accident investigator for the police traffic department, who was on duty and en route home shortly after 5 p.m. on Jan. 2, the day after the accident, when he spotted the Perez car turning a corner. Since the car answered the description of the

hit-and-run vehicle, Johnson followed it for several blocks and then stopped Perez. The latter was unable to give Johnson a satisfactory explanation for dents in the car fender.

After four hours of questioning Perez admitted driving the car.

Perez reportedly told police he was driving along Sixth St. when he saw the two men in the crosswalk at K street. He said he applied the brakes but could not stop in time. Perez said he went home to bed after the accident but "could not sleep good." He said he tried to hammer out some dents in the hood the day following.

Perez assertedly stated he had had "about seven beers" on the day of the accident but was not drunk at the time. He reportedly admitted he was fined \$250 in Broderick last year for drunken driving.

Sato was temporary chairman of the recently-organized Japanese American Friendship Society and was Sacramento branch manager of the Nichi-Bei Times of San Francisco. Before the war he was a long-time president of the Sacramento Japanese Association. He is survived by his widow, Mine. Funeral rites were held for Sato on Jan. 11.

## Sacramento Corporal Gets Oak Leaf Cluster To Bronze Star Medal

SACRAMENTO — Corp. Tadashi Shimosaka of Sacramento has been awarded an oak leaf cluster to the Bronze Star Medal with a V device as a result of heroism in action on Oct. 3, 1951 in Korea despite the fact that he had suffered wounds from mortar fire.

According to the citation Shimosaka, a machine gun operator, was told by his platoon sergeant to seek medical aid but elected to remain at his weapon with which he killed eight of the enemy and injured several others.

## Masaoka, Ennis Will Argue Against Deporting Japanese Proscribed Group Members

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Edward J. Ennis, legal counsel, and Mike Masaoka, JACL-ADC legislative director, will appear before the Board of Immigration Appeals Monday afternoon, Jan. 14, to argue that membership in proscribed prewar Japanese organizations should not subject alien Japanese to deportation, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee announced this week.

Mr. Ennis, former general counsel of the Immigration and Naturalization Service and wartime director of the Department of Justice Enemy Alien Control Unit, will present the legal arguments, while Masaoka is expected to discuss the equities in these precedent-setting appeals which may affect thousands of Issei in the United States and Hawaii.

The JACL ADC is appealing the decisions of the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization in two Los Angeles cases in which the government official denied the applications of four Issei for suspension of deportation. The deportations were ordered on grounds of past membership in organizations listed as subversive by the Attorney General. Twenty-one now defunct, pre-war Japanese organizations are designated as "totalitarian" on the latest Attorney General's listing of proscribed groups.

Denial of suspension of deportation, if upheld by the Board of Immigration Appeals and later sustained by the courts, could result in the deportation of the aliens involved.

Under a JACL ADC sponsored law of July, 1948, alien Japanese subject to deportation are eligible to apply to the Attorney General for discretionary relief in the form of suspension of deportation proceedings and adjustment of status to that of legally admitted permanent resident.

In two cases, both involving a husband and wife, the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization ruled that because of past membership in proscribed organizations, under the Immigration Act of 1917 and the Internal Security Act of 1950, these Issei are not eligible for suspension of deportation even though they otherwise qualify.

In one case, represented by attorney Frank Chuman of Los Angeles, a 50 year old husband and 42 year old wife, parents of five native-born citizen children, who entered this country surreptitiously near Calexico, California in April, 1929 have been ordered deported because the husband had been a member of the Hokubei Butoku Kai (Fencing Association) of Southern California from 1930 until the outbreak of war between the United States and Japan.

In the other case, represented by Los Angeles attorney Saburo Kido, a 56 year old husband and 44 year old wife, parents of three-native-born children, who entered this country as treaty merchants in November, 1931, have been ordered deported because the husband belonged to the Gunyudam (Imperial Military Friends Group of Southern California war veterans) in 1940 and the Japanese Association. According to testimony in this case, the husband though a member of the Gunyudam did not attend meetings.

The wives in both cases are ordered deported because discretionary relief would involve separation from their respective husbands without apparent regard to the fact that denial of relief involves separation from their minor children.

The Immigration and Naturalization Commissioner contends that the continued residence of these four Issei in this country "is not desirable in the best interests of the United States."

## Nisei Doctor Heads Cerebral Palsy Center

MADISON, Wis. — Dr. Henry Okagaki is the director of the new Easter Seal Cerebral Palsy center which opened on Jan. 2 at the University of Wisconsin Orthopedic hospital.

A \$45,000 grant from the Wisconsin Association for the Disabled will support the center for the next three years with money collected in the association's Easter Seal campaigns. A separate grant from the Alfred Laukhuff trust will finance three years' research in cerebral palsy.

Dr. Okagaki, a graduate of Stanford University, is a former resident of San Jose, Calif. He served as a captain in the Army Medical Corps in World War II.

He and Mrs. Okagaki, the former Martha Takaidhi of San Jose, have resided in Madison for the past seven years.

## Credit Union Sets Annual Meeting

LOS ANGELES — Members of the Pacific Southwest JACL credit union will hold their annual meeting Saturday, Jan. 26, at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 961 S. Mariposa Ave., according to Saburo Kido, chairman of the board of directors.

Results of the year's progress, the PSW credit union's growing strength and the dividend to be paid to shareholders will be announced. Vacancies to the board and various committees will be filled from a slate of candidates to be submitted by the nominations committee headed by Tats Kishida.

A buffet supper will be served under direction of Mrs. Yoshiko Sakurai.

Bill Tamura is in charge of entertainment, which will include a film of the National JACL convention in Chicago.

Members are invited to bring their families, including children, to this meeting, which has become a traditional event.

The meeting will start at 7 p.m. in the social room.

## Princeton to Print Study of Restoration Wit by Fujimura

PRINCETON, N.J. — A critical study of English comedy in the 17th century by a Nisei professor at the University of Hawaii will be published this fall by the Princeton University Press.

The book is "The Restoration Comedy of Wit" by Dr. Thomas H. Fujimura, who received his Ph.D. from Columbia University and taught at Queens College and the University of Connecticut before joining the English department at the U. of Hawaii.

First written as a thesis for his doctorate, Dr. Fujimura has revised his manuscript for publication.

## Letters from Nisei Prisoners In China Arrive in Hawaii

HONOLULU — Six drab brown envelopes, at least three written by Nisei prisoners of war in Communist prison camps in China, arrived in Hawaii last week.

The letters were the first to be mailed under channels set up by the UN truce team to arrive in the territory.

Postmaster Albert P. Lino gave special delivery handling on the letters.

He carried one to Mrs. Paul Cabanlit of Palolo. It was from her brother, Henry Higa, who wrote that he was treated well and was

in "the best" of the 11 Red POW camps. He said he had already written three letters, had gotten none since his capture 13 months ago, and was writing this one in the hope it would go through.

Another went to M. Naito of Honolulu and was from his son, Tadashi. A third was for Tadashi Naito's boyhood friend, Shinsaku Kunemune.

The other three letters were for three young women in Honolulu, all written by the same soldier, and Postmaster Lino decided not to disclose their identities.

## Nurseryman Helps in Bribery Arrest of California Official

LONG BEACH, Calif.—A Nisei nurseryman, cooperating with authorities, paid a \$300 bribe to an investigator for the California State Contractors Licensing Board on Dec. 20, it was revealed here last week.

Floyd K. Walker, 38, will be arraigned in Superior Court on Jan. 17 on a charge preferred by Harold S. Kobata of Southgate.

Kobata testified that he had entered a bid for landscaping at the Bellflower school grounds without a contractor's license for landscaping as required of the bidders.

He said Walker then called on him, declaring that it would take at least \$200 to fix the case in the District Attorney's office, but that without the fix it would cost Kobata at least \$500 in fines.

Walker then asked \$300, according to Kobata. The latter told his story to a representative of the District Attorney's office and the payment was made in front of the nursery, after which Walker was arrested by Investigators Fred L. Smith and John O'Keefe of the District Attorney's office. Smith and O'Keefe corroborated Kobata's story.

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## Vagaries

Box-Office Hit . . .

"Go for Broke!" was reported this week by Variety to be one of the most profitable films released in 1951. The trade paper listed "GFB" in 20th place among some 150 Hollywood releases with an expected gross of \$2,500,000. Biggest grosser of the year was 20th Century Fox's "David and Bathsheba." . . . "Go for Broke!" will be released in Japan this year by MGM and the film is expected to be one of the most successful American productions ever shown in Nippon . . . 20th Fox will release "Japanese War Bride" in Japan early this spring . . . Breakston-Stahl is still looking for U. S. releases for two Tokyo-made pictures, "Geisha Girl" and "The Invisible Worm." Several Nisei, now in Japan, appear in both films. . . . Success of "Rasho Mon" at its U. S. premiere in New York City's Little Carnegie Theatre has hyped the interest of U. S. film distributors in Sessue Hayakawa's Japanese version of "Les Miserables" and in other uppcase Japanese productions.

Real Estate . . .

A California Nisei couple, Masami and Yemiko Hiroshima, recently purchased two parcels of land near Wintersburg, Orange County, for \$146,000 . . . Of 2,800 registered lobbyists in Washington, D.C., only 35 are women. One of the 35 is Mrs. Mike Masaoka, the former Etsu Mineta of San Jose, Calif. Only three husband and wife teams are registered as lobbyists. In addition to the Masaokas, they are Mr. and Mrs. John Gunther of Americans for Democratic Action and the Baxters who represent the American Medical Association. Mrs. Leora Whitaker Baxter is the highest paid woman lobbyist, getting \$50,000 a year from the AMA to fight "socialized medicine."

TV Lead . . .

Reiko Sato has been cast for the femme lead in a TV drama, "The Juice Man," which will be filmed by Gil Ralston shortly at Eagle-Lion studios in Hollywood. She will play opposite Keye Luke in the video drama. Miss Sato can be seen currently in Warner Brothers' "Starlift" in which she appears in a dance number. She played her first network radio role last month when she appeared with Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., in his "Silent Men" program over NBC. Miss Sato's biggest film roles were the maid in "Mother Didn't Tell Me" and the murder victim in "Woman on the Run."

No Casting . . .

The muddled Far Eastern situation is being blamed for the current unemployment problem faced by actors of Oriental ancestry in Hollywood. No films are shooting at the present time with Asian backgrounds and none is scheduled in the near future. Only film under preparation with an Oriental background is Anson Bond's "The Second Star" for Shirley Yamaguchi . . . Only film projects which may need Oriental performers in the near future are the 26 films of the television "Terry and the Pirates" series which Douglas Fairbanks Jr., and Sol Lesser are making for Odyssey Pictures.

Law Firm . . .

Three attorneys prominent in Nisei affairs joined to open a new law office in Los Angeles last week. The partners in Aiso, Chuman and McKibbin are: John F. Aiso, director of training at the Army's Military Intelligence Service Language School and a lieutenant colonel in the war; Frank Chuman, national first vice-president of the JACL, and David McKibbin, a major in the Marine Corps Reserve, a former assistant U.S. attorney in New York and a special counsel on evacuation claims for the National JACL.

Snow Queen . . .

Carolyn Okada is one of the featured dancers in Hans Christian Anderson's "Snow Queen" which is being produced by the University of Utah Young People's Theater. After three performances at Kingsbury Hall on the university cam-

# Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

## "Japanese War Bride"

"Japanese War Bride," the Joseph Bernhard-Anson Bond production which 20th Century Fox will release nationally in a few weeks, is a Madame Butterfly story with One World overtones and a happy ending.

The picture, which stars Shirley Yamaguchi and Don Taylor, has elicited favorable audience response at previews in Southern California theaters.

Its premiere showing was held this week in Seattle, the city which welcomed more than 100 war brides from Japan last week.

Newspaper advertising for the film is expected to be on the lurid side with the film's theme of miscegenation given full exploitation. Publicity on the picture also is expected to be tied in with news stories of American GIs marrying Japanese girls. Some 6,000 such marriages have been performed to date and each of these unions probably will come up against some of the problems dramatized in Catherine Turney's film play of Mr. Bond's original story.

The picture is heavy on drama with King Vidor's adroit direction helping the film sidestep the pitfalls of soap opera.

Although "Japanese War Bride" is essentially the story of the first year of marriage of Tae Shimizu and her Korean war veteran husband, Jim Sterling, the picture also has some things to say about the problems of discrimination faced by Japanese Americans, particularly in the actual locale of the story, California's Salinas Valley. In fact, "Japanese War Bride" has more to say about the Nisei and Issei in California than "Go for Broke!" which was concerned wholly, and rightly so, with Nisei GIs.

The major Nisei character in "Japanese War Bride" is that of Shiro Hasagawa who befriends Tae Shimizu upon her arrival in a somewhat hostile community. Played by Lane Nakano who did a capable acting stint as Sam, one of the mainland Nisei in "Go for Broke!" Shiro is no veteran of the 442nd. In fact, Shiro is a wartime straggler who was held in a Japanese prisoner of war camp because he chose to be loyal to the United States while caught in Japan by the outbreak of war. As he notes wryly to Tae, his father and sister were sent to a war relocation center in the United States while he himself was in a Japanese camp.

In a scene in which he is picking mushrooms with Tae, Shiro tells her that he made "the greatest mistake of my life" by going to Japan before the war.

"Like lots of young men, I wanted to see the world. I didn't want to be a farmer. I wanted to get ahead, make a lot of money. . . ."

"A friend of mine in San Francisco was offered a job in Japan and talked me into going with him. . . . My father agreed I might have a better chance there. . . ."

"I thought I was going to like it when I first got there. I got a good job and started saving money so I could pay back my father. They were at war with the Chinese, but you know—being American I didn't pay much attention. When they started to talk about war with my own country it was different. I hoped it was only talk—then came Pearl Harbor. I couldn't believe it."

"I remember that day," Tae recalls. "Everywhere flags were flying—people running through the streets—but my grandfather stayed inside and would see nobody. He dared not say what he felt, but he thought it was wrong."

"My friend went over on their side," says Shiro. "I found out he'd always planned to do so—and what's worse—he thought I would too."

"What did you do then?" Tae asks.

"I refused to do what they wanted so they put me in prison—along with some other Americans—I was

pus, the production will be presented twice at Salt Lake high schools and in Ogden, Utah, and Denver, Colo. Miss Okada, who recently was auditioned by a west coast ballet company, has a solo in the production. She has appeared many University Theater productions in recent years, including "Dark of the Moon," "Lute Song" and "Cavalcade."

a prisoner until the end of the war."

Because Tae Shimizu is the central figure in the story, she is the beneficiary of audience identification and sympathy. Her troubles, her difficulties in adjusting to strange people in a strange land, become those of the audience.

The opens in a hospital in Japan where Lieut. Jim Sterling is recovering from battle wounds received in Korea. He meets and falls in love with Tae who is a nurse's aid. One of the dramatic highlights of the film is Jim's meeting with Tae's grandfather and his attempt to obtain the elderly man's permission to marry Tae.

The major portion of the picture concerns Tae's and Jim's difficulties in obtaining acceptance of their marriage from the Sterling family and their neighbors. The picture does not gloss over the fact that Salinas had its share of anti-Japanese activity during the war and after.

A special showing of "Japanese War Bride" was given last week in Los Angeles for some members of the Japanese American community. Tats Kushida, JACL ADC director in Southern California, saw the film and was favorably impressed by its authenticity.

The picture also was tradeshown on Jan. 3 in Hollywood and was well received, although it was conceded, in the words of Daily Variety, that "adroit publicity handling" of its interracial subject can boost the picture out of its run-of-the-mill classification and sweeten its box-office potential. The review praised the performances of the leads, as well as the playing of Cameron Mitchell, Marie Windsor, James Bell, Louise Lorimer, Philip Ahn (Tae's grandfather), Sybil Merritt and Lane Nakano.

For the record, the following performers of Japanese ancestry also appear in the picture: May Takasugi as Emma Hasagawa; William Yokota, Mr. Hasagawa; Susie Matsumoto, Tae's mother; Jerry Fujikawa, man at the fish market. Chieko Sato and Tetsu Komai, Japanese servants, and Hisa Chiba, an old woman.

If "Japanese War Bride" is well received, Miss Yamaguchi, already one of Japan's outstanding actresses and recording stars, will be established as the first full-fledged Japanese star in Hollywood since Sessue Hayakawa. And just as in Hayakawa's heyday, Miss Yamaguchi's studio will be faced with the problem of developing story ideas to fit the star. The result may be a windfall for Hollywood's players of Asian ancestry who are currently having sparse pickings at the casting offices.

The studios were faced with a similar problem when Anna May Wong was a leading film personality. Miss Wong played all manners of Oriental roles, including that of an East Indian girl in Joseph Hergeshimer's "Java Head," the story of a Yankee clipper captain who brings a Javanese bride home to a New England community of a century ago.

There are few available story properties for an actress of Asian background, except for a number of negative "east is east, never the twain shall meet" dramas of a generation ago and the hardy perennial, "Madame Butterfly." One of the few is Ted Pollock's play about Occupation Japan, "Wedding in Japan," in which Michiko Okamoto, one of the most talented of Nisei actresses, played a Tokyo girl who is the apex of a love triangle involving a Negro and a white GI. Another is the unproduced play by Joseph Anthony, one of the busiest of TV actors, called "Some of the Sky" which concerns a Caucasian GI who marries a Hawaiian Nisei girl and brings her home to a Midwest community. The plot also involves the girl's brother, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team.

Anson Bond, incidentally, already is preparing a new film for Shirley Yamaguchi called "The Second Star."

Speaking of movies, this corner is anxiously awaiting the showing of RKO's "The Korean Story" in which a new film personality, name of Bill Hosokawa, appears briefly as a South Korean general.

## EDITORIALS:

### "Freedom of Choice"

It is gratifying to see that already a huge body of opposition has grown to combat the campaign in California of America Plus, Inc., for its "Freedom of Choice" initiative.

America Plus, Inc., follows the pattern of numerous other undemocratic organizations in using patriotic names and slogans to camouflage its intentions.

"Freedom of choice," translated by America Plus, means the "right to discriminate." Adoption of this proposal would give all public and private employers, all public gatherings places and property owners the right to discriminate against other persons because of race or ancestry.

Meanwhile, committees have been organized throughout the state to fight America Plus. Minority groups, civic organizations, labor and other groups have begun to alert their members to the dangers behind the "freedom of choice" initiative.

For the initiative, if passed, would be a death blow to civil rights.

It would, as the sponsors themselves say, "place the civil rights issue beyond the reach of any court." It would give any individual the right to discriminate against any other on any grounds.

The proposed initiative amendment cannot be laughed off as another crackpot scheme. It is too dangerous. Any measure of success in California would lead to comparable movements in other states.

### The Unprejudiced Grave

On Nov. 28 the body of Pfc. Thomas C. Reed was returned to Phoenix, Ariz., from Korea.

Four of the men with whom he had fought were already buried in the veterans section of Greenwood Memorial Park in Phoenix and Pfc. Reed's father wanted his son to lie alongside his buddies.

But because the private was a Negro, cemetery officials unleashed a barrage of red tape to delay his burial. They brought forth a curious regulation; No Negro could be buried in the veterans section unless three notarized letters specifically requesting such action, for each veteran separately, were obtained from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled American Veterans and the American Legion.

The three groups requested that the cemetery change their policy by accepting for burial all Negro veterans upon request of their families. The cemetery refused.

Reed's family, insisting that the veterans organizations could not be asked to act further, refused to ask for the additional letters.

For six weeks Pfc. Reed's body lay in a Phoenix mortuary, the victim of racial discrimination even in death.

"Why don't they try to bury this boy in the Jewish cemetery?" asked a spokesman for the cemetery. "They would have been turned down."

But public indignation over this last insult to an American soldier was too great for the cemetery to fight. Civic officials and organizations deplored the red tape that kept Pfc. Reed's body from its last resting place. The gross insult to Pfc. Reed, the callous disregard for his family's feelings were too much for the public to accept.

This week the cemetery acceded. It announced a change in regulations. In the future, officials said after a meeting, only proof of military status will be required for burial in the veterans section.

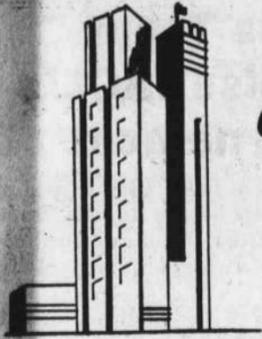
In Reed's case, a spokesman said, the cemetery would not require proof since they were satisfied he was a veteran because of stories appearing in the press since the delay had been discovered "last Saturday."

Cemetery discrimination, even against American soldiers of minority ancestry, is hardly new.

Over and over again the public has risen to protest such insults to America's war dead. In many individual cases a victory of sorts is won.

Prejudice in cemetery burial is one of the ugliest forms of discrimination. But let no one believe that it harms only the dead. It harms the living, too. It brings humiliation, shame and anger to those who mourn the dead, at a time when they most need help and sympathy.

The United Nations action in Korea is a combined action of men of many races and religions. We cannot honestly uphold the principle of joint action in a common cause when we dishonor the men who are part of that action.



## A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

### College Students From Japan

Over the Xmas holidays I had an opportunity to meet several young college students from Japan. I didn't know that there were 500 such exchange students in this country. Most of them are here for a one-year stay, having won scholarships issued by the Japanese Government.

These collegians represent the finest academic talent of post-war Japan. For the academic year, 1951-1952, some 8,000 college students, both graduate and undergraduate, took the examinations which would award them a one-year scholarship in the United States. Competition for the 500 awards was very keen. Naturally the best students of each university in Japan took the grueling examinations. The main requirements for an American scholarship were mastery of the English language and a high academic record.

Out of the 500 students that were sent to this country, there were only 63 girls.

These Japanese collegians were sent to several dozen large American universities, ranging from the University of Maine to San Diego State. Many were graduate students who are doing advance work in this country. The largest concentration of these students, quite naturally, is in the New York area. There are over 150 such students in this region. At Columbia's massive International House on Riverside Drive, large clusters of these scholars are located.

### What They are Like

Most of these Japanese collegians look and talk much like the Nisei students. All of them have a good command of the English language, though a few have traces of a Japanese accent. A large majority of these college students picked up a lot of their knowledge of the English language while working for SCAP and other governmental agencies in the Japanese Occupation.

I find them to be eager and conscientious students. They want to know all about this country, its people, its customs, and its traditions. They would like to visit all sections of this nation but find their limited budgets prevent their traveling much beyond the limited radius of their campus.

They have little trouble in making friends with fellow collegians. They are able to understand the lectures given by their professors without too much reference to their English-Japanese dictionaries.

Most of these young people like this country intensely and wish they could stay on several more years. Most of them feel that a one-year indoctrination stay is insufficient. They prefer to have one year to get acclimatized to this country and another year to really get down to their particular specialized field.

### Main Problem is Money

These 500 students are on a very limited budget. Tuition, books, and housing are furnished in the scholarship with an allowance of about \$10 weekly for food and incidentals. Those young people with wealthy parents can supplement these meager funds, but most families in Japan are very dollar-wise.

Many an American collegian works his way through school and many of these Japanese scholars would be willing to work. But there is a clause in their academic contract not to work while in this country. I think this applies to all foreign students in this country for a short stay. Therefore, the Japanese students find their activities vastly curtailed by the limited scope of their pocketbooks.

All would like to travel more. They would like to purchase a few more changes of clothing. They would like to buy a few gifts to take back to relatives in Japan. Most of all they would like to stay here a little longer.

### Reaction

I think it is a wonderful thing for Japan and for these students to be able to study here even for a brief time. The future leaders of Japan will be better able to understand this country and its people and at the same time acquire some of the know-how that is America.

However, to really comprehend the American scene, its people, its customs, and its industries will require much more time. A minimum of four years is imperative.

For that reason, the American Nisei, with his decades of experience of living and studying in this country can best serve in this intermediary role. While visiting collegians will be able to get small capsule doses of Americana, the best interpreters and translators of the American scene to and from Japan will be the Nisei.

Most Nisei have spent a lifetime in this country and the knowledge and experience we have gained should be invaluable. Japan could use a lot of liaison and public relations personnel on their long road back to normalcy, politically and economically.

In talking with most of these young people, I find that the majority of them wish to introduce many American methods and ideology back in Japan. They feel that many changes, social and political, could be installed. They all think that Japan has very much to learn yet from America. They believe that many old traditions should be overhauled and a few thrown overboard.

I think it will take a good long time, perhaps a few generations, to change the basic thought pattern of the Japanese people. But, if these young collegians are representative of any trend of the younger generation in Japan, there will be many changes made in the years to come and all for the better.

What about Russia? What about the influx of communistic philosophy?

It's not for them. The American pattern and plan is much more appealing, more convincing. They have seen this country with their own eyes; they have talked to the American people. They like what they have seen and what they have heard. They have been favorably impressed.

## Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

### It Happened to the Chinese

Denver, Colo. Ten years ago this month there was a lot of ranting and chest-thumping about kicking those "treacherous yellow Japs" off the west coast. Remember? Rough, wasn't it. But if you think we had a bad time of it, listen to what happened in my old home town of Seattle a long time before the Japanese were any sort of problem on the Pacific coast.

It happened in 1885-6, and the Chinese were the targets. Murray Morgan, one of the Northwest's liveliest writers, writes about it in his new book, "Skid Road" (Viking Press, \$3.75), which records the lustier side of Seattle's history. The Chinese, say Morgan, were imported in large numbers by the railroad builders when cheap labor was needed. The Chinese, one and all, were called John, and the stories of John's prowess as a construction worker almost reached folk legend proportions. John could work 12 hours on a handful of rice, he was fearless with explosives, he could do work that white men could or would not.

But when the railroads were finished, there were more men than jobs. Morgan writes: "The hard-working, industrious Chinese who were willing to take any job, to accept any wage, became symbols of discontent to the unemployed. 'Go Home, John,' the slogans said, 'Go, John'."

Morgan says a newspaper named the "Seattle Call," claiming to speak for labor, spoke of "the two-bit conscience of the scurvy opium fiend... the treacherous almond-eyes son of Confucius... chattering, round-mouthed lepers... those yellow rascals who have infested our Western country, the rat-eating Chinamen."

Violence against the Chinese started in small communities. The Chinese moved to the cities for protection, and found the police were siding with the mob. An organizer named Dan Cronin used the Chinese as a scapegoat to drive a rift between capital and labor.

In nearby Tacoma, Cronin's men marched on the Chinese shanties along the waterfront and escorted the residents under armed guard to the railroad tracks. They flagged a train, herded the Chinese into boxcars, and shipped them off to Portland.

Mass meetings to whip up anti-Chinese senti-

ment were held in Seattle. Then, as in 1942, there were courageous men who defied the mob. One such man was Judge Thomas Burke who faced a hate-meeting. Speaking as an Irishman to the Irishmen in the crowd, he cried:

"I cannot conceive how it is possible that any man of Irish birth could be so base, could be guilty of such black ingratitude, as to raise his hand in violence against the laws, the Constitution, or the treaties of this country... If the Irishman is true to his own nature, he will love justice and his sympathies will go out in overflowing measures to the weak, the lowly, the despised and oppressed. He will not deprive any of God's creatures, not even the defenseless Chinamen, of the protection of that law which found the Irishman a serf and made him a free man..."

Boos drawn out Burke's words. Morgan says Burke's speech may well have been the greatest ever made in the Puget Sound area, but it may have made violence inevitable. "Nothing," he writes, "is so painful as truth told by a former friend, nothing so infuriating as an unanswerable argument."

On Feb. 7, 1886, an anti-Chinese mob moved through the Chinese district, warning the residents to get out of town at once. Once the Chinese agreed to go—there was a ship for San Francisco in the harbor, and a menacing crowd outside—the mob would rush in and hustle the Chinese and his household goods to the wharf.

While the authorities pondered and fumbled, the mob herded nearly all of Seattle's 350 Chinese to the dock. The captain of the ship wanted \$7 per head to haul the Chinese to San Francisco. Only nine of the Chinese had their fare. The mob put \$600 into a passed hat, and 86 more Chinese climbed aboard. The ship finally cast off, leaving 185 Chinese on the dock.

While the Home Guard was escorting these Chinese back to their shanties, the shooting started. One man was killed, four other wounded. There was a mess of legal jockeying around thereafter. Some of the agitators were tried, but promptly acquitted. Eventually Congress appropriated \$276,619.15 as full indemnity for losses and injuries suffered by Chinese on the west coast. The money, Morgan observes, was paid to the Chinese government. History marches on.

## Box-Score on Race Relations: MINORITIES AND CRIME

### Belief Non-Whites Are More Criminal Common Misconception

By ELMER SMITH

Last week's column introduced the problem of crime and minority groups in relation to cultural diversity. It seems appropriate to extend the discussion of crime and minorities and make a more complete analysis of the various factors involved in this field of interest.

The belief that non-whites and non-American nationality groups are more criminal than whites and persons of "American cultural background" is commonly held by many persons. This belief is behind much of the fear shown by whites in their dealings with non-whites.

While the writer was a Community Analyst in a War Relocation center during World War II, he was living within the Japanese community, visited various Japanese families at all hours of the day and night, and would walk one or two miles to his residence at 2 or 3 o'clock in the mornings.

Many of the Caucasian personnel associated with the Relocation center often commented: "Aren't you afraid to wander around like that among those 'Japs'?"

The same attitude is found to apply toward Negroes, Mexican Americans, Indians, Filipinos and others. Many of these fears and beliefs are based upon statistics drawn primarily from the Negro crime rate as recorded by statisticians, while others are based upon news stories of crimes committed by non-whites. It should be remembered in this connection that newspapers often "play up" crimes committed by non-whites while white crimes are reported as merely common news stories.

Statistics on crime, the basis for a variety of evaluations, is very poor criteria for comparisons of racial or national groups. This is true for a number of reasons. First, an arrest of a person is placed on the "police blotter" and can be used as a basis for comparison whether the person was convicted of a crime or not. Second, there are higher rates of convictions against minority group members than against whites because of discriminatory practices involved in the performance of "justice." This rests upon a number of factors, such as inability of non-whites to pay and obtain efficient lawyers, prejudice on the part of judges and juries, and the inability of

some non-whites to communicate in English to the court.

Arnold and Caroline Rose in their book, "America Divided" have shown how minorities, especially colored ones, are more likely to be picked up by the police for real or alleged crimes, and are more likely to be sentenced and committed.

Upon the basis of statistics only as related to crime, it may be stated that many of the minority groups show a higher crime rate per ratio than is found in the majority population of the United States. This is true of specific groups such as the Negro, Mexican American, Pole and Italian. On the other hand, some of the minorities show a lower crime rate. These are Japanese, Jews and Chinese.

To give but one instance relative to persons of Japanese ancestry, a recent study of persons of Japanese ancestry in Utah showed the "Japanese" to have the lowest crime rate per capita of any group in the state.

"Juvenile judges and consultants in Ogden and Salt Lake City state that few Nisei are brought into the juvenile court for offenses. During the year 1947 in Ogden of 1313 juvenile cases referred to the juvenile division of the city law enforcement agency, only one was Nisei. His offense was trivial, and the boy was not listed as a 'case.' The State Industrial Training school at Ogden has had but four Nisei committed to the institution in the last 45 years, and three of these were committed during the height of the population influx of persons of Japanese ancestry into Utah in 1943-45. A member of the Salt Lake

## MINORITY WEEK

### Hysteria

Some die-hard Southerners are getting a little hysterical over the growing practice on television shows of using Negro artists according to their ability rather than their color.

In Atlanta, Ga., Gov. Herman Talmadge, sounding a little like a rabid rabbit, said that the Arthur Godfrey show frequently has Negro men "mixed up in the dancing ensembles in juxtaposition to scantily clad white females."

Both Godfrey and the CBS network denied the charge vehemently. There are no "scantily clad females" on CBS TV shows, they said.

"In the present situation a Southerner must either turn off the dial and miss the good shows or else must stand there and take these insults," Talmadge said.

Meanwhile Godfrey defended the Mariners, the Negro-white quartet that set off the Talmadge blast.

"The Mariners served together on a Coast Guard ship during the war," Godfrey said. "That's where I found them. We also have some Negroes fighting in Korea. I wonder if the Governor knows that?"

"It's a pretty tough place where human beings can't sing together. In such a place liberty is going to collapse."

### Plan Benefit Concert

NEW YORK—The 10th annual Izumi Kawamata concert will be held on Jan. 25 at the Broadway Tabernacle, instead of Jan. 18 as previously announced.

The concert will feature Lily Miki, pianist, Yoko Matsuo, violinist, and Cha Kyung Kim, soprano.

County Sheriff's office stated in an interview in 1947 that 'Nisei are the most law abiding citizens in Salt Lake City. There has not been any noticeable increase in crime among the Nisei.' (Elmer R. Smith, "The Japanese in Utah," Utah Humanities Review, July, 1948, p. 219).

The belief that non-whites are more criminal than whites, when all the factors are considered, seems to be a common misconception based upon inadequate statistical analysis, common stories, and pure prejudice.

# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Japanese Pros Scout Nisei Ball Players

Now that Wally Yonamine has paved the way, Japanese professional baseball is on the lookout for American baseball talent, including Nisei stars. Teijiro Kurosaki, manager of the Mainichi Orions, recently toured the United States and interviewed a number of American players, some of whom evinced an interest in playing a season or two in Nippon. Kurosaki said that Japanese pro ball had a new rule under which each of the 14 teams in the Central and Pacific Leagues could have up to three foreign players apiece. The Japanese teams, according to Kurosaki, are prepared to pay up to \$5,000 a year for these foreign players, a sum equivalent to that paid Yonamine last season by the Tokyo Yomiuri Giants.

After a successful break-in in pro baseball with Salt Lake City of the Pioneer League in 1950 when he batted .335 in 125 games, Yonamine signed with the Tokyo club and joined the Giants last June. He immediately won a starting berth in left field and was instrumental in the Giants' pennant drive which they won going away by some 14 games. The Giants then won the Japanese "world series" by trouncing the Nankai Hawks, champions of the Pacific League, in five games.

Two of the Nisei in whom the Japanese pros are most interested are the University of California's slender Bill Nishita and Fresno State's versatile Fibber Hirayama. Nishita impressed the Japanese when he toured Nippon last summer as the ace hurler of the Hawaii Red Sox, while Hirayama was highly recommended to the Japanese baseball moguls by members of the Red Sox, who saw the Fresno star play in Hawaii earlier this summer. Nishita, however, will sign with one of the major clubs, probably the New York Yankees, when he finishes the 1952 season with UC, while Hirayama also has been offered contracts by several clubs, including the Fresno Cardinals, a farm team of the St. Louis Cardinals.

Kurosaki conferred with Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick while in the United States and any ball player signing with a Japanese club undoubtedly will have the blessings of organized baseball. One player, incidentally, has announced he would like to play in Japan. He is Herb Fleischer, a southpaw pitcher for Fargo-Moorhead in the Class C Northern League, a subsidiary of the Cleveland Indians.

Japanese baseball has remained static in recent years because of lack of contact with teams, players and styles of play outside the United States. If any sizable number of American pros go to Japan in the next year or so, it is bound to have a salutary effect on the caliber of baseball in Japan. Yonamine, for example, was surprised to find that a number of tactics employed in American pro baseball, including that of a runner breaking up a double play at second base, were unknown in Japan. American baseball men who have seen Japanese teams say that the Nipponese have ability but need harder and higher level competition to bring out their potentialities.

Look for several Hawaiian Nisei players to wind up in Japanese ball next season.

## Lotus Vikings Win Own Tournament

The Lotus Vikings of Seattle won their own Pacific Northwest Nisei teenage basketball tournament on Dec. 30 when they defeated the Lotus Saints of Seattle, 32 to 24, in the finals. Previously the Vikings had trounced White River and the Spokane Yanacs. White River won the consolation round... Ken Kimura hit for 11 points as southern Oregon defeated Oregon College of Education, 59 to 52, last week... Vic Nakamoto scored 18 points but Placer College was eliminated by Long Beach in the California junior college tournament at Modesto last week. This is the tournament in which George Goto two years ago sparked Placer to the championship and was honored as the "outstanding player" of the tourney... Shig Yoshida scored ten points on five jump shots but Mission High of San Francisco lost their league opening to St. Ignatius last week... Hamamoto plays guard for the Sacramento State junior varsity.

## Shimada Continues to Scorch the Alleys

Fuzzy Shimada, who scored a near miss in the San Francisco Bay eliminations for the National Match Game championships back in November, is still hot on the alleys. He had a 685 on games of 244, 226 and 215 in the Simmons Mattress company league at Golden Gate. Shimada, a member of the National JACL champion Sequoia Nursery team from Redwood City, Calif., also placed in the money in the recent Northern California "Big Deal" tournament... San Francisco and Sacramento are expected to bid for the 1953 National JACL bowling tournament... A women's bowling tournament will be held in conjunction with the Northern California Nisei Men's handicap in San Francisco on Jan. 19 and 20... Mari Uyemura rolled a 577 series, including a 222 game, in the Nisei Ladies League in Los Angeles... Some of the best Nisei bowling of the past week was turned in by keepers in the Nisei Majors in Los Angeles. Atlas Vegetable hit a 2908 series to shut out league-leading Rio Hondo Nursery as Eddie Tsuruta paced the attack with 633 pins, including a 256 game. Paul Ishizawa followed with 629 and Tok Ishizawa had a 575. Ko Arihara had a 617 for the losers. Sho Matsumura's 634, George Fukushima's 607 and Jack Takahashi's 637 also were recorded the same night.

## Ikeda Leads Way to Another "Bowl" Win

Little Kent Ikeda, a candidate for the small fry All-America, starred in another "bowl" game on New Year's day when he ran and passed the Conway-Culligan Tigers of San Mateo, Calif., to a 32 to 0 victory over the Antioch Bears in the Asparagus Bowl at Antioch. Ikeda scored once on a 16-yard run, set up three other scores with running plays and passed for the Tigers' fifth touchdown. The defeat was the first suffered by the pint-sized Bears in two years. Conway-Culligan, which also has two other Nisei on its starting team in Wayne Fujito and George Fujita, both linemen, is the champion of the Pop Warner conference in the San Francisco area.

## New York Bowlers Enter Manhattan Tourney

A New York Nisei bowling team will enter a major bowling tournament for the first time in March when an all-star squad from the New York Nisei bowling league rolls in the annual Journal-American tourney. Members of the team, the New York Merchants, are Frank Yoda, Hiro Sasaki, Tsugi Hashimoto, Hide Kondo, Morrie Kuramoto and Kaz Kubo. The team also plans bowling matches against Nisei squads in the Seabrook, N. J., Philadelphia and Washington areas... The Holiday issue of Crossroads in Los Angeles named Min Yoshizaki as their "athlete of the year." The paper said "the lanky, six-footer is by far the top Nisei golfer in the country." Yoshizaki played his first golf only four years ago at the St. Clair country club in Minnesota. In the past two years he has won nearly

## Wally Yonamine, Jane Iwashita to Wed in Honolulu

HONOLULU — Wallace Yonamine, outstanding Nisei athlete, and Jane Mitsuko Iwashita of Honolulu will be married on Feb. 2 at Harris Memorial Methodist Church. Yonamine, the first Nisei to play professional baseball in Japan since the war, is under contract to the Tokyo Yomiuri Giants, champions of Japan. He played left-field for the Giants in 1951 and batted .350.

After serving in the Army in World War II and playing on an Army Pacific all-star team, Yonamine played professional football in 1947 for the San Francisco 49ers. He made his pro baseball debut in 1950 with Salt Lake City of the Pioneer League. He is now playing AJA basketball in Honolulu.

Miss Iwashita, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Migaku Iwashita, has been active in club work in Honolulu and represented Hawaii at the national convention of the Business and Professional Women's section of the YWCA in San Francisco in 1950.

## Sequoias Favored In North California Bowling Tournament

SAN FRANCISCO — Powerful Sequoia Nursery, 1951 National JACL champions, is favored in the Northern California Nisei Bowling Association tournament which will be held on Jan. 19 and 20 at Downtown Bowl.

The Sequoias from Redwood City will have the same lineup which won the 1951 title and also the 1950 National JACL championship when they bowled at the John S. Towata Florists of Alameda. Members of the team are Fuzzy Shimada, Gish Endo, Tad Sako, Chy Kawakami and Dixon Ikeda.

More than 40 teams are expected to participate in the tournament.

## Enter JACL Tourney

DENVER—One of the first team entries accepted for the 6th annual National JACL bowling tournament which will start on Feb. 29 at Ellitch's Lanes here is that of the Fort Morgan, Colo., Nisei team which is currently in first place in their local Merchants league.

Chairman John Noguchi said that the deadline for tournament entries is Feb. 1.

## Hold Annual Nisei Pinfest in Seattle

SEATTLE—Teams from Seattle, Portland, Tacoma, Spokane and Ontario, Ore., are entered in the 6th annual Northwest Nisei bowling classic which will be held at Main Bowl on Jan. 11 and 13.

## Wins 2-Mile Run

HONOLULU — Norman Tamanaha, veteran Nisei distance runner, won the 2nd annual two-mile run, a feature of Hula Bowl festivities in Honolulu on Jan. 6. Tamanaha was clocked in 10:50.0s.

every Nisei tourney he has entered and also won the St. Cloud Open in Minnesota and the Santa Ana Open in California. In the St. Cloud tourney he defeated the state intercollegiate champion. His best competitive round was an 8-under par 64 at St. Cloud.

"The Great Togo," the Nisei grappler whose villainous deportment in the ring has alarmed some Nisei who have seen him in the flesh and on TV, lost a match the other night in Chicago to Vern Gagne, the former Minnesota football star. Gagne's victory over Togo put him in line for a match with Lou Thesz, long-time holder of the National Wrestling Association's version of the "world's heavyweight championship." Talk around Chicago is that Gagne will toss Thesz and take over the synthetic title... Kaimon Kudo, veteran canvas stylist who doesn't go in for the frills which decorate many pro wrestlers today, is back in action in the Los Angeles area. He met Danny McShain the other night at Ocean Park.

## Asato Leads Scorers for Hawaii's Rainbows

The Roaring Rainbows of the University of Hawaii who had an active, if not too successful a season under their new coach, Archie Kodros, had 12 Nisei gridders in action in their Pineapple Bowl game loss, 13 to 34, to unbeaten San Diego State. Hard-running Jimmy Asato and the passing arm of Sadao Matsukawa helped keep the Rainbows in the game. Asato, who wound up as the top scorer for the season for Hawaii, broke away for several long gainers while Matsukawa handled the passing attack with a netted 118 yards... During the past season Asato scored 80 points on ten touchdowns and 20 conversions. His biggest day was against the Mickalans when he scored five TDs and converted four times. Dave Takushi had 18 points for the year... Two former U. of Hawaii star gridders, line-men Bob Shibuya and Saburo Takeasu, played for the Hawaii All-Stars, led by Frankie Albert and Kyle Rote, who lost a 41 to 40 game in the Hula Bowl against Vic Janowicz and Co. of the College All-Stars on Jan. 6.

## Salt Lake Entry Wins Team Championship at Boise JACL's Annual Bowling Tournament

BOISE, Ida.—Okada Insurance of Salt Lake City topped 24-team field to win scratch and handicap honors in the team event of the 3rd annual Boise Valley JACL handicap bowling tournament on Dec. 27, 28 and 29. JACL bowlers from four states competed in the tournament.

The Okadas hit 2776 scratch and 3052 with handicaps added to win \$95 and team and individual trophies.

George Kubosumi of Caldwell, Ida., won the men's singles with 708, while Takeo Yamaguchi and James Dunbar of Caldwell took the doubles with 1264. Kubosumi's prize was \$50 while the doubles pair took \$90 and a trophy for first place in all-events with 1897.

The scratch singles trophy went to Homer Dickerson, a member of the Boise Valley JACL, for his 629, while Dr. Jun Kurumada and Ken Takeno won the scratch trophy in the men's doubles with 1154. Their score gave them 6th place in the handicap event.

Homer Brooks of Caldwell won the scratch trophy in all-events with 1714.

George Kubosumi of Homedale, Ida., and Bill Nishioka of Caldwell turned in a 1320 total to win first prize of \$174 in the open doubles tournament which was held in conjunction with the regular tournament events.

Harry Kaneshige of Caldwell won \$90 for his 1556 score in the eight-game sweepstakes.

More than \$2,000 in cash awards were presented to the prizewinners.

The summaries:  
**TEAM EVENT**  
Won by Okada Insurance, Salt Lake City (Ken Takeno 557, Chappy Umemoto 555, Bill Oike 557, Bob Shiba 554 and Dr. Jun Kurumada 553), 2776 scratch plus 276 handicap for 3025; J. C. Watson Co., Parma, Ida., 2995, 2633, \$70. Town Pump, Caldwell, Ida., 2975, 2525, \$50; Boise Stages, 2965, 2607, \$35; Garrahrant Bros., Hood River, Ore., 2941, 2543, \$24; L. J. Josephson & Son, Payette, Ida., 2939, 2455, \$20.  
Scratch award, Okada Insurance, 2776.

**MEN'S SINGLES**  
Won by George Kubosumi, Caldwell, Ida., 708, \$50; 2nd, George Minatani, Ontario, 694, \$40; 3rd, Kow Matsumura, Wapato, Wash., 678, \$35; 4th, Tom Arima, Caldwell, 674, \$30; 5th, Homer Dickerson, Boise, 673, \$25; 6th, Yama Sugahira, Ontario, 669; Tied for 7th, Min Nakamura, Ontario, and Bob Shiba, Salt Lake City, 666; 9th, Joe Inaba, Ontario, 659; 10th, Sam Kora, Caldwell, 650; 11th, Mas Tsukamoto, Pocatello, 645; 12th, Dyke Ishibashi, Caldwell, 644; 13th, Sho Uchida, Ontario, 643; 14th, Kay Inouye, Caldwell, 639; 15th, J. O. Young, Nampa, Ida., 638; 16th, Tak Yamaguchi, Caldwell, 635; 17th, Henry Kondo, Ontario, 634; Tied for 18th, George Pahlka, Ontario, and Homer Brooks, Caldwell, 632; Tied for 20th, Larry Fujii, Ontario, Mas Sakoi, Ontario, and Ben Yoshida, Puyallup, Wash., 631.  
Scratch award, Homer Dickerson, Boise, 629.

**MEN'S DOUBLES**  
Won by Takeo Yamaguchi and James Dunbar, Caldwell, 1264, \$80 and trophies; 2nd, Tucker Itano, Homedale, Ida., Harry Kaneshige, Caldwell, 1260, \$65; 3rd, Tom Iseri, Ontario, and Emerson Maxson, Nampa, 1252, \$45; 4th, Ike Kawamura and Mas Tsukamoto, Pocatello, 1250, \$30; 5th, George Kubosumi, Homedale, and Ben Nukida, Parma, 1249, \$20; 6th, Ken Takeno and Dr. Jun Kurumada, Salt Lake City, 1246, \$15; 7th, Guy Yamashita, and Joe Tominaga, Pocatello, 1226; 8th, Jim Jacobson and Homer Dickerson, Boise, 1224; 9th Bill Nishioka and Frank Tanikuni, Caldwell, 1223; 10th, Mas Wada and Jim Umemoto, Wapato Wash., 1222; and, 11th, Larry Fujii and Min Okuda, Ontario, 1220.  
Scratch award, Ken Takeno and Jun Kurumada, 1154.

**ALL-EVENTS**  
Won by George Minatani, Ontario, 1897, \$50 and trophy; 2nd, Jim Jacobson, Boise, 1892, \$30; 3rd, Harry Kaneshige, Caldwell, 1890, \$20; 4th, Larry Fujii, Ontario, 1876, \$10; and 5th, Homer Brooks, Caldwell, 1870, \$6.  
Scratch award, Homer Brooks, Caldwell, 1714.

**OPEN DOUBLES**  
Won by George Kubosumi, Homedale, and Bill Nishioka, Caldwell, 1320, \$174.00; 2nd, Julius Numata and George Mizuta, Ontario, 1296, \$145.50; 3rd, Heizi Yasui and Karl Tanaka, Ontario, 1283, \$116.40; 4th, Harry Hamada and Jim Oyama, Caldwell, 1276, \$87.30; and 5th, Shig Nishimoto and Jim Kawano, Caldwell, 1271, \$68.20.

**SWEEPSTAKES**  
Won by Harry Kaneshige, Caldwell, 1556, \$90. 2nd, Sam Kora, Caldwell, 1554, \$70; 3rd, Harry Kawahara, Nampa, 1457, \$50; 4th, Ken Takeno, Salt Lake, 1454, \$40; 5th, Jim Kawano, Caldwell, 1478, \$35; 6th, Tom Arima, Caldwell, 1471, \$30; 7th, Larry Fujii, Ontario, 1468, \$25; 8th, Ben Nukida, Caldwell, 1456, \$20; 9th, Chappy Umemoto, Salt Lake, 1455, \$11; 10th, George Doi, Ontario, 1449, \$15; 11th, S. Takami, 1466, \$12; 12th, Y. Sugahira, Ontario, 1434; 13th, Hideo Takahashi, Ontario, 1434; 14th, Tom Takatori, Caldwell, 1480; 15th, Bill Nishioka, Caldwell, 1426, and, 16th, Yosie Ogawa, Nampa, 1422.

## Shibata Wins Coachella Sweeper

INDIO, Calif.—Charlie Shibata rapped a 585-73-658 series to win the midseason sweepstakes of the Coachella Valley JACL League at the Indio Recreation Center last week.

His brother, George Shibata took second place with 577-66-643 while Sammy Musashi was third. The latter had high game for the night with 232.

Low-handicapped Kengo Takami failed to place in the money despite a 585 scratch series.

Nine bowlers bettered 525 scratch.

Crown Produce, led by Captain Jack Izu, won first half honors in the JACL League.

A sweepstakes will be held after the second half of the season, as well as a playoff between the first and second half winners.

## Salt Lake Chapter Will Hear Talk on Marriage Problems

The Salt Lake JACL chapter will hold its first general meeting of the year on Jan. 25 from 8 p.m. at the Tribune Auditorium.

Winifred Hazen, consultant on family life education of the State Department of Public Instruction, will speak on "Young People and Marriage."

Kazuko Terasawa of the Utah Nippo will show films of her recent trip to Japan and a talent show also is being planned.

The new board of governors of the Salt Lake chapter was appointed by President Mas Yano at a cabinet meeting on Jan. 8. Members of the new board will include Kay Terashima, Ichiro Doi, Teri Nakano, George Yoshimoto, Mrs. Maurea Terashima, George Sakashita, George Mochizuki, Mrs. Grace Oshita, Mrs. Lessie Yamamoto and Maki Kaizumi. Mrs. Alice Kasai will function as secretary to President Yano.

The new cabinet includes Ernie Seko, vice-pres.; Kou Hasegawa, rec. sec.; Rose Oda, corres. sec.; Dr. Shig Matsukawa, treas., and Susie Kaneko, historian.

Mr. Seko will be in charge of the chapter's monthly bulletin, while Miss Wada heads the membership drive which is now under way and is expected to be completed within a month.

## Address Wanted

The address of Tomi Ikegaki, daughter of Frank Ikegaki of San Leandro or Hayward, Calif., is sought by a former classmate, Mrs. Henry J. Bothman, formerly Eleanor Leiran.

Mrs. Bothman, who has been trying to contact Miss Ikegaki for a number of years, can be reached at 912 Arnold Ave., No., Thief River Falls, Minn.

**Vital Statistics**

**BIRTHS**

To Mr. and Mrs. Kunihiko Tanaka a girl, Merianne M., on Dec. 18 in Portland, Ore.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Jim T. Tomimaga a boy on Dec. 26 in Sacramento.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Nakayama, Walnut Grove, Calif., a boy on Dec. 25.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Okimoto, Marysville, Calif., a girl on Jan. 2.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Sakae Kubo a boy, Paul Jiro, on Dec. 20 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nomura a boy, Craig Brian, on Dec. 20 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Higa a girl, Kathy Jo, on Dec. 23 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hayao Kadota, Baldwin Park, Calif., a boy, Mark Fumio, on Dec. 27.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Yukio Jack Kimura a girl, Kristine Louise, on Dec. 24 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kenso Kiyohiro, West Los Angeles, a girl, Bonnie Keiko, on Dec. 26.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hisashi Muranaka a girl, Maureen Miyuki, on Dec. 29, in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nishitani, Parma, Ida., a girl on Jan. 6.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. William Kishi a boy, Glenn, on Jan. 1 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Takamoto Honda a boy on Dec. 22 in Sacramento.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Katsuro Murakami a boy on Dec. 22 in Sacramento.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Sakai, Walnut Grove, Calif., a boy on Dec. 22.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Ozawa, Mountain View, Calif., a girl, Irene Janice, on Dec. 18.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Soichi Takayama, West Los Angeles, a boy, David Sho, on Jan. 1.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Neishi a girl on Dec. 14 in Hayward, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuru Matsunaga a boy on Dec. 20 in San Francisco.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shimaburo a girl on Jan. 6 in Salt Lake City.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Hiromi Sumida a girl, Adelina, on Dec. 24 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shintaku,

Pasadena, Calif., a girl on Dec. 28.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tsuyoshi Iwanaga a boy, Calvin Roy, on Dec. 26 in San Jose.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo Matsu-mura a boy, Thomas Masami, on Dec. 27 in San Jose.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Duke Toshio Kubota a boy, Steven Edward, on Dec. 27 in San Jose.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noboru Ota a boy on Dec. 29 in Fresno.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ted T. Hayashi a girl on Dec. 28 in Seattle.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Murotani a girl on Dec. 28 in Seattle.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Kuramoto a boy on Jan. 6 in Seattle.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Yasuo Okajima a girl on Dec. 14 in Sanger, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Koji Kay Yoshimoto, Parlier, Calif., a boy on Dec. 14.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Nobuichi Yamada a girl on Dec. 12 in Kingsburg, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tak Komaru a boy, David Ken, on Dec. 30 in Denver.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Eiji Okuhara a boy on Jan. 2 in Lodi, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Yoshioka a boy on Jan. 2 in Auburn, Calif.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Stud Tamura a boy, Randall Alan, on Dec. 15 in Los Angeles.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Matsu-mura, Knights Landing, Calif., a girl on Dec. 25.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tom T. Shirashi, San Diego, Calif., a girl on Dec. 15.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Henry I. Tani, San Diego, Calif., a boy on Dec. 14.

**DEATHS**

Giichi Shimoda on Jan. 4 in Los Angeles.  
 Jusaburo Iwami, 71, on Dec. 31 in New York City.  
 Sekizo Nomura, 63, on Jan. 2 in West Los Angeles.  
 Harry Otoichi Fukushima in Los Angeles.  
 Takie H. (Tony) Sakaguchi, 36, on Dec. 31 in Seattle.  
 Yoshizaemon Yamada, 73, on Dec. 29 in Seattle.  
 Junichi Kakebe, 69, on Dec. 30 in San Francisco.  
 Yonekichi Tanaka, 79, on Jan. 3

**Nisei Leaders Will Appear On FM Radio**

BERKELEY, Calif. — Three prominent Nisei leaders of the Bay area will be interviewed over the air on Sunday, Jan. 13, at 7:45 p.m. by Alfred Partridge, director of FM radio station KPFA in Berkeley.

The Rev. H. John Yamashita of the Oakland Japanese Methodist Church, Mas Yonemura, Oakland attorney and president of the East-bay JAACL chapter, and Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California regional director of the JAACL, will discuss the change in status of both the Issei and Nisei since their evacuation and relocation.

In the hour-long program, Mr. Partridge will draw out the moods of both Issei and Nisei as they reacted to the evacuation and relocation and how they have adjusted themselves following their resettlement either back on the Pacific Coast or in the Middle West and the East.

FM Station KPFA is a unique experiment in radio broadcasting in the United States. None of the programs has a commercial sponsor. A high level type of interesting and educational programs is put on, including discussions, readings, and music, at the request of members of the station's listening audience who support the programs through their yearly subscription of \$10.

This experiment in a high standard of broadcasting has interested the Ford Foundation which at present is studying KPFA programs with the possible hope of introducing this caliber of radio programming all over the United States.

**Head Hawaii 442nd Veterans**



HONOLULU, T. H.—Officers of the 442nd Veterans Club for 1952 were installed in office at a meeting of board of directors on Jan. 4.

Seated, left to right: Akira Fujiki, executive secretary; Matsuo Takabuki, president; and Samuel Y. Sasai, treasurer. Standing, Masato Doi, first vice-president; Ben G. Takayasu, second vice-president; and Dr. Wallace S. Kawaoka, third vice-president. The new president is an attorney.

**Attorney Says Supreme Court Did Not Upset Invalidity Ruling**

LOS ANGELES — The United States Supreme Court did not upset a lower court decision that portions of the United States Nationality Act are unconstitutional in its Jan. 2 ruling in the Okimura

and Murata citizenship cases, according to A. L. Wirin, attorney representing the Nisei.

Wirin said that earlier press releases reported that the high court upset a decision by Judge M. Frank McLaughlin of the Federal court at Hawaii, in which sections relating to loss of citizenship by service in a foreign army or by voting in foreign elections were declared unconstitutional.

All the Supreme Court did was to send the cases back to Judge McLaughlin for further specific findings as to whether the Nisei voted voluntarily or under coercion in voting or in serving in the Japanese Army.

After Judge McLaughlin makes such findings, the cases will go back to the Supreme Court for further hearings upon the constitutionality of the Nationality Act, Wirin said.

Attorneys for the Nisei, in addition to Wirin, are Katsuro Miho of Honolulu and Fred Okrand of Los Angeles.

**Hold Burial Rites**

LOS ANGELES—Military burial rites were held here on Jan. 5 for Pfc. Yukio Tanouye of Gardena who died in Korea on Sept. 7.

Pfc. Tanouye's remains arrived here recently under escort of Cpl. Isao Tanouye, his brother, who also served in Korea.

**Fresno Soldier Wins High Army Combat Award**

FRESNO, Calif.—Award of the Silver Star, one of the Army's highest combat decorations, to a Nisei soldier, Corp. Frank Y. Yamamoto, was reported here last week.

Corp. Yamamoto received the decoration for gallantry in action on Sept. 23 near Satae-ri, Korea.

According to the citation for the Silver Star, Corp. Yamamoto led an attack upon a well-entrenched enemy position until he was wounded by hostile fire.

The Nisei soldier, a graduate of Sanger, Calif., High School in 1950, also received the Purple Heart.

**Judge Murakami Given Indorsement For Circuit Bench**

HONOLULU — Magistrate Robert K. Murakami and two other applicants for the vacancy on the U.S. Circuit Court bench in Hawaii were indorsed for the post by the membership of the Bar Association of Hawaii last week.

Judge Murakami, veteran Honolulu attorney and Democratic party leader, took office last October as the first magistrate of Japanese ancestry appointed to the Honolulu court.

The Federal court vacancy occurred when Judge Chuck Mau stepped down after the U.S. Senate failed to confirm his nomination.

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# Pocatello Installs New JACL Officers



POCATELLO, Ida.—New officers of the Pocatello JACL were installed in office at the group's annual dinner-dance at the Colonial Inn in Blackfoot.

Photographed at the head table during the dinner were Bill Yoden, left, outgoing president; Mrs. George Sato; George Sato, pres.; Charles Bilyeau, toastmaster; Mike Yamada, vice-pres.; and stand-

ing, left to right: Sam Yokota, treasurer; Will Kawamura, athletic co-ordinator; Natsuyo Yamada, corresponding secretary; Ronnie Yokota, co-social chairman; Sanaye Yamauchi, publicity chairman; Guy Yamashita and Ike Kawamura, official delegates; and Bill Yamauchi, master of ceremonies. Not pictured are Miye Morimoto, co-social chairman; Suzan Yamiyama, recording secretary. Stanley Kishiyama is the photographer.

# House Judiciary Committee Will Begin Study of Bill For Naturalization Equality

WASHINGTON, D. C.—As the 82nd Congress began its second session, Representative Francis E. Walter (Dem., Pa.), chairman of the Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, informed Mike Masaoka, national legislative director of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, that the first major item of new business to be considered by the House Judiciary Committee probably would be his Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization Bill.

The sponsor of the proposed revision and codification of the immigration and naturalization laws thought that by the end of the month the full Committee might be able to report out his bill for House action.

On the Senate side, Masaoka reported that Senator Pat McCarran (Dem., Nev.), author of a companion measure and chairman of the Judiciary Committee, would not arrive in Washington for another two weeks or more. The Nevada Democrat has been hospitalized with a heart attack but is now fully recovered. He is resting before returning to the nation's capital where an arduous legislative work load awaits him.

Both omnibus bills feature JACL ADC endorsed provisions for the repeal of racial discriminations in immigration and naturalization by extending immigration quotas to Japan and other Asian countries and authorizing the naturalization of all legally admitted permanent resident aliens, the overwhelming majority of whom are of Japanese ancestry.

The new session began in an atmosphere of presidential politics, with General Eisenhower's statement as to his availability and British Prime Minister Churchill's discussions with the President overshadowing the opening of the new Congress.

Although most Democratic and Republican leaders expressed the hope that the Congress would be able to wind up its work and go home before the GOP National Convention in July, House Republican Floor Leader Joseph W. Martin, Jr. (Rep., Mass.) predicted that this session will sit long and accomplish little. "All these investigations and political talk will drag out the session. I expect we will have to come back after the politi-

cal conventions and wind up our work," Martin said.

The formal opening of the 1951 session, called to order by Speaker San Rayburn in the House and Vice President Alben Barkley in the Senate, were drab affairs, devoted to roll calls, eulogies to members who have died since adjournment last October and swearing in of a handful of new members elected during the recess.

The real business of the session will get underway after President Truman announces his legislative recommendations in his State of the Union message before a joint congressional session Wednesday. Actually, both chambers will not get into the full swing of legislative activity for another week or two.

To help Masaoka with his work during the early days of this Congress, Sam Ishikawa, associate national director from national headquarters in Salt Lake City, reported to the Washington JACL ADC office. He expects to remain in Washington until the end of the month.

## Transport Munimori Brings Troops Home

SEATTLE—The Navy transport Pvt. Sadao Munimori, named for a Nisei Medal of Honor winner of World War II, arrived here on Jan. 7 with a shipload of rotation troops from Korea.

Among the 56 Pacific Northwest men aboard the Munimori was Sgt. Kenneth S. Nakata of Seattle.

## Salt Lake Youth Sentenced for Armed Holdups

Ted Ueda, 19, Salt Lake City, last week was one of two youths sentenced to the Utah state penitentiary for participating in a series of armed robberies in the Salt Lake City area.

Both Ueda and George C. Baird, 18, had been on probation on earlier charges.

In Utah's 3rd District Court on Jan. 4 Judge A. H. Ellett revoked the probation terms when the court was advised that Ueda and Baird had participated in at least five crimes in recent weeks.

Ueda and Baird appeared before Judge Ellett and said the affidavits were correct and they would not attempt to fight the charges.

Ueda faces terms of 1 to 10 and 1 to 20 years on grand larceny and second degree burglary charges and Baird will start serving a 1 to 10 year term for grand larceny.

Ueda was arrested on Dec. 31 as he was leaving the Tooele Ordnance Depot at Tooele, Utah, where he was employed.

Ueda was specifically charged with taking part in the armed holdup robbery of a cafe and two supermarkets in the Salt Lake City area.

## Designs Luxurious Apartment House

SAN FRANCISCO — Roy G. Watanabe was one of the chief designers of San Francisco's newest luxury apartment house which was completed recently.

Watanabe is listed as associate architect to Alog N. Ivanitsky in planning the building.

## Citizenship Restored

HONOLULU—The U.S. citizenship of Mrs. Kikuyo Ichiki, 46, of Aiea, Oahu, was restored by a Federal court ruling of Judge Delbert E. Metzger last week.

Mrs. Ichiki in 1949 was denied a passport by consular authorities in Japan because she had voted in the 1946 Japanese general elections.

Judge Metzger found the Oahu-born Nisei woman was coerced into voting through fear of losing her rations if she did not cast a ballot.

Mrs. Ichiki went to Japan on a visit in 1939 and was unable to return because of the outbreak of war in 1941.

## Joins Air Force

UCLUELET, B.C. — The second Canadian of Japanese ancestry to join the Royal Canadian Air Force is Masamitsu Oye, 20, of Ucluelet who is now in training at St. Johns, Que.

AC2 S. J. Nishiyama of Revelstoke, B.C., was the first Japanese Canadian accepted by the RCAF.

## California Nisei Wins Wings In Air Navy

LOS ANGELES—One of the first Nisei to be commissioned in the Naval Air Corps, Ensign Harvey N. Kitaoka visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nomia Kitaoka, over the holidays.

Ensign Kitaoka received his Navy wings at ceremonies on Dec. 21 at Pensacola, Fla., and will report for advanced training at Corpus Christi, Tex.

Kitaoka graduated from high school during the war at Jerome relocation center in Arkansas. He graduated from the University of Illinois in 1950.

## Describe JACL Role

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — The place of the Japanese American Citizens League in the community was described by Richard Arimoto, president of the San Mateo County JACL, at a meeting of the Redwood City Rotary Club on Jan. 8.

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