



House Group Reports Fund For Claimants

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The House Appropriations Committee reported its 1953 fiscal year budget, which recommends \$745,000 for the evacuation claims program, authorized by the JACL-sponsored Evacuation Claims Act of 1948, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was informed this week.

Of the \$745,000 recommended, the House Appropriations Committee has designated \$245,000 for administrative expenses and \$500,000 for the payment of claims. The recommended amount is the same as was approved for the operation of the evacuation claims program during the 1952 fiscal year.

"This recommended budget is not to be confused with the supplemental appropriations of \$14,800,000, already approved by the House, which will go entirely toward the payment of claims settled under the compromise formula," declared Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director. "Moreover, the Department of Justice fully expects to expend this sum of \$14,800,000 by June 30 of this year."

Since the special supplemental appropriations have already been earmarked for payment of compromised claims, Masaoka stated it was his assumption that the \$500,000 designated in the 1953 fiscal budget for the payment of claims would be used to pay adjudicated claims under \$2500.

Under the compromise settlement program, which was sponsored by the JACL ADC to expedite the original Evacuation Claims Act, it has been estimated by the Department of Justice that 17,000 claims will have been compromised and settled by June 30, 1952.

Mrs. Nakahara Dies in San Jose

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Mrs. Nadaye Nakahara, 51, wife of Dr. Hisaichi Nakahara, died at her home on March 28 after a brief illness.

A native of Hawaii, she had been a resident of the San Jose area for 45 years.

In addition to her husband, she leaves two daughters, Mrs. Nadine Yamamoto of San Francisco and Mrs. Doris Otagaki of Washington, D.C., and two grandchildren.

Funeral rites were held on April 1 at San Jose Buddhist church.

"One-Man Army"

Nisei Officer Gets Air Award For Latest Exploit in Korea

PORTLAND, Ore. — A 26-year old veteran of the 442nd Combat team in World War II is one of the most-decorated United States Army officers of the war in Korea, according to warfront dispatches received here last week.

He is Lt. Mineo Inuzuka, holder of a battlefield commission, who was awarded the Army's second highest combat award, the Distinguished Service Cross, while serving as platoon leader of Fox Company, 17th Infantry Regiment of the 7th Division. Inuzuka's platoon attached an important position held by the Communists, withstood heavy enemy fire and then beat off successive counterattacks. Lieut. Inuzuka disregarded his own safety to move among his men to point out individual points of attack.

The "one-man army's" latest medal is the Distinguished Flying Cross which he received for flying a reconnaissance mission despite intense fire against his plane. The action took place last November when he was attached to the 6147th Tactical Control group. Advising his pilot the enemy was attacking UN positions, they proceeded to the area and Inuzuka, using his ground combat expe-

Acquit Nisei Ex-GI of Assault After Argument on Statehood

HONOLULU — A Nisei war veteran was acquitted on March 27 of assault and battery against a WAVE from St. Louis, Mo., following an argument over statehood for Hawaii.

Akira Ohori told the Wahiawa Police Court he gave Virginia Rice, a stranger, a ride on March 12 toward the naval radio station where she worked.

Ohori said he brought up the subject of statehood and said Miss Rice fired back:

"Hawaii will never get statehood. There are too many Japs here. I don't like Japs."

After some more of this, Ohori said, he stopped the car and announced:

"I'm a Jap."

He said he then asked Miss Rice to get out. He said she grabbed his hair and they both toppled to the ground.

"I acted only in self-defense," Ohori said ruefully.

Miss Rice said she picked up Ohori and threw him down but that she blacked out after he drove away.

Ohori, 30, is 5 feet 5 inches tall and weighs 115 pounds. Miss Rice, 29, is a six-footer and weighs 175 pounds.

West Fresno Exchange Club Quits National Organization Over Ban on Nisei Member

FRESNO, Calif.—The entire membership of the West Fresno Exchange Club last week resigned from the national organization and returned their charter in protest against a ruling which barred a Nisei businessman from membership on grounds of race.

Robert Bourne, Jr., a past president of the local group, said the action stems from a national ruling contained in the Exchange Club's by-laws restricting membership to Occidentals.

"When the First Fresno club was formed five years ago, a representative from national headquarters in Toledo, O., was here and okehed our membership which at that time included six Chinese," Bourne said.

"Since then," Bourne continued, "we have accepted several Orientals, all American citizens, as members and nothing was said. Their membership fees and names were sent to national headquarters."

"Recently, another member of Japanese ancestry was accepted and his name was sent to national headquarters. Soon after we received letters from Ohio telling us such was against regulations and if we persisted our charter would be revoked."

Ned L. Brown of Fresno, a district governor for Exchange, said the national group's action was not intended as racial discriminations.

"The bylaws specifically have limited membership to Occidentals for the 35 years the national has been organized," said Brown. "There are several persons in Fresno and elsewhere who are trying to have this restriction lifted."

Bourne said a national representative, A. M. Whelpley, met with the group recently and said the local club would have to ask the member of Japanese descent to resign, but those of Chinese extraction could continue because they were charter members.

"We brought the matter up in a board of control session, and later at a general membership meeting, and voted to return the charter," he said.

The nearly 25 members of the group still are functioning, but under the name of the West Fresno Service Club. They meet Tuesdays at noon in the Basque hotel.

Since the Exchange Club charter was returned, Bourne said, other organizations in Fresno, notably the Lions Club, have asked the West Fresno group to join their ranks.

No action has been taken on this as yet.

In San Francisco, Regional Vice-President Ivan Branson of the Exchange Club declared there is "definitely no flavor of exclusion" in the organization's policy of limiting membership to Occidentals.

Branson declared the club by its constitution limited membership to men of the white race.

"We don't, however, require members to be American citizens," he said.

Branson said the West Fresno club had been in violation of its constitution for a long period of time and had been told it must conform or surrender its charter.

Oregon's Governor Declares Refusal to Hire 442nd Vet "Stupid, Damned Outrage"

State Tax Commission Changes Mind, Offers Job to Hood River Nisei Disabled In Action with Famed Regiment in Italy

SALEM, Ore. — Calling the State Tax Commission's refusal to hire a Japanese American war veteran on racial grounds "stupid and a damned outrage," Governor Douglas McKay this week called on the state agency to employ Sagie Nishioka, 31, a disabled veteran of the 442nd Combat Team.

The Oregon Tax Commission backed down following the governor's outburst and phone calls, telegrams and letters condemning its discriminatory policy. It announced on March 31 it had an opening for Nishioka, offering him a job as junior accountant.

The Tax Commission's bias was brought to light last week when State Labor Commissioner W. E. Kimsey charged the agency had violated the Oregon fair employment practices law when it refused to employ Nishioka who had applied for a job as tax examiner, led the field in an examination and then failed to get the job.

Kimsey, who administers the state's FEPC law, said this was the first case in which the state government has been found violating it.

He noted that the incident had occurred in February during Brotherhood Week.

Kimsey said that Nishioka's name was sent to the Tax Commission at the top of the list which included two others.

A state department is allowed to choose any of the three names submitted by the Civil Service Commission for any job.

Kimsey said the Tax Commission explained that it passed over the applicant of Japanese ancestry because the public wouldn't approve dealing with a man of his race.

Kimsey said last week that his agency was not taking any action against the Tax Commission but that he would submit Nishioka's name at the top of the list the next time he agency wants to hire an examiner.

News of the Oregon board's discrimination brought a flood of telegrams and letters to the State Capitol, asking Gov. McKay to intervene on behalf of the Nisei war veteran. Several of the communications came from Hood River where Nishioka

once lived with his mother.

The two Tax Commission officials involved in the situation changed their public attitudes when the protests began to arrive. When the story first broke last week Jason Lee, personnel director, confirmed all of the details of his refusal to hire the Nisei when questioned by the press. Ray Smith, chairman of the tax board, said he knew nothing of the situation until Nishioka's application was rejected by Lee but added that Nishioka was not the type of man he would like to employ in the field. He said Nishioka might be acceptable in an office position.

In March, however, Smith declared he would not turn down a man because of his race and blamed his personnel director, Lee, for the earlier decision. Lee expressed astonishment at Smith's statement and said he would not reject a man because of his race, either. Both agreed Nishioka could have the job if he wants it.

Kimsey declared, however, that both Smith and Lee "told a member of my staff Nishioka was not hired because of his race."

Kimsey said he believed he had a clear-cut case of violation of the FEPC law.

Nishioka's friends pointed out here that the Hood River-born Nisei not only is a veteran of the famous 442nd Combat Team but was severely wounded in an amphibious operation in Italy and spent more than 18 months in army hospitals.

Partly crippled, Sagie went to college under the GI Bill of Rights and graduated with a business ad-

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Report Job Refusal Not Nisei's First Brush With Prejudice

PORTLAND, Ore.—Refusal of the Oregon State Tax Commission to hire him as an examiner because of his race was not Sagie Nishioka's first experience with race discrimination, one of his closest friends told the Oregonian here last week.

Wesley Durland, a Methodist ministerial student at Lewis & Clark college and a high school friend of Nishioka, said that the Nisei veteran was in Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver, recovering from serious war wounds, when Hood River American Legionnaires removed his name and those of 15 other Nisei war veterans from the county honor roll.

Nishioka also knew, however, that there were people in Hood River who were fighting for fair play for Japanese Americans, braving economic boycott and social ostracism, Durland said.

Durland quoted this paragraph from Richard L. Neuberger's Saturday Review of Literature article which was reprinted in the Reader's Digest, "The Nisei Come Back to Hood River":

"T-4 Sagie Nishioka wrote his pastor from Fitzsimons general hospital in Denver. Sagie, shot through the abdomen in Italy, has just received his 40th blood transfusions. 'No one not in my situation,' wrote the wounded Nisei soldier, 'can appreciate what it has meant to us to find we have friends, you people in Hood River who have stood for

liberty and justice. To us, you represent the American spirit.'"

Durland said Nishioka fought in Italy with the famous 442nd Combat Team and went in for a beachhead landing at Carrara.

"He was in a foxhole when a shell blew up," Durland said. "It blew his legs all to pieces."

The German 88-millimeter shell not only wrecked Nishioka's legs, shrapnel also pierced his abdomen and punctured the right ventricle of his heart.

"I was able to live only because we were right in town and I got medical aid within 15 minutes," he once told Durland.

Nishioka spent two months in a field hospital where his legs were patched up with steel plates. Then he was transferred to Fitzsimons where the plates were removed because of an infection. He still has a steel screw in one leg.

During the 18 months he was in Fitzsimons, Nishioka had 16 operations. Most were for removal of shrapnel but some were skin grafts and orthopedic surgery.

After he got out — with a specially equipped car provided by the Veterans Administration because of a nerve injury which leaves him able to walk but unable to move one foot of his own accord — he went on to college, graduating from Lewis & Clark in 1950, and 18 months of postgraduate work at the University of Oregon.

Protest Paper's Publication Of Wild Rumors Arising from Bombing of House in L. A.

LOS ANGELES—Nisei, Negro and other community leaders this week protested the publication here of alleged rumors attributing the bombing of a Negro war veteran's home to Japanese Americans.

The story, carried in the March 28 issue of the Los Angeles Tribune, Negro weekly, was headlined, "Wild rumors lay bombing to Japanese." It said stories were circulating here to the effect that Nisei had been responsible for the March 11 bombing of the Dunsmuir Avenue home of William Bailey.

The Tribune also spoke of "the latent hostility that exists in the area between the Japanese and Negro residents."

Loren Miller, board chairman of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, deplored publication of the rumors and said Negro and Japanese had lived harmoniously in the same community in southwest Los Angeles for many years.

"No antagonism between the Negro and Japanese in this area has ever been called to my attention," Miller said. "On the other hand, we know that the Japanese community, through its nation-wide organization, the JACL, has co-operated with us, as we have with them, on numerous court cases affecting our civil rights, notably the cases on restrictive covenants, segregation in southern schools, the California alien land law case and the now pending suit against the Southern Pacific Railway by the NAACP."

Wesley Brazier, executive secretary of the Los Angeles Urban League, said printing of the rumor was "reprehensible," while Dr. George Thomas, executive director of the Los Angeles County Conference of Community Relations, scored it as "a good example of irresponsible journalism."

"To so speculate on the identity of those responsible for the bombing is unfair to any group," Dr. Thomas said. "Especially is this true if the speculation involves a group already discriminated against."

Katsuma Mukaeda, past president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, said the story was "regrettable and shameful."

The JACL, through its regional office in Los Angeles, also expressed its regrets.

Meanwhile Loren Miller, who is also head of a citizens' steering committee to act in the bombing of Bailey's home, expressed his thanks to the JACL for its cooperation.

Miller said the steering committee has held three meetings and one conference with Mayor Fletcher Bowron. As a result of this conference, it was indicated, Mayor

Bowron may name a committee on human relations to deal with the underlying causes of the bombing and other instances of racial discrimination.

"We believe that the united action which has been achieved is much more valuable and useful than isolated activities of individual organizations," Miller said in a letter to Tats Kushida, JACL regional director.

Miller praised the diligence of the local police in its investigation of the attack and the unified community front against the bombing.

"We believe that the cooperation of the JACL and other organizations has contributed to that highly desirable state of affairs," Miller said.

More than \$3700 has been offered by community agencies in rewards for the apprehension and conviction of persons responsible for the bombing. Of this amount \$2,000 was raised at a mass meeting held last Sunday at the Second Baptist Church.

Chapters Asked For Information On Pioneers

SAN FRANCISCO—Each chapter in the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council has been asked to conduct a survey to determine how many Issei "pioneers" are to be honored at "Pioneer Night" during the 12th Biennial National JACL Convention here.

Takeo Okamoto, local insurance man and realtor, who is heading the Pioneer Night event, declared that the NC-WN DC chapters have all been asked to submit the names of all Issei 70 years of age and over, those who came to the U.S. before 1905, and those who came to this country before 1910.

A guest list will be compiled from the names submitted. Worthy Issei who do not qualify in any of the aforementioned categories may be honored at this time if their names are submitted, with reasons why they should be considered. Deadline for submission is April 30.

Wins Theater's Beauty Contest



CLEVELAND, O. — Dian Sashimara (center) was judged the first winner of the "Japanese beauty contest" held at the Mayland Theater last week in conjunction with the showing of the motion picture, "Japanese War Bride."

Other prizewinners were a real Japanese war bride, Mrs. Strauss (left) and Aiko Kitahata. Other contestants were Mich Yamane, Jane Sugiuchi,

Kitch Nakashige, Betty Nagao, Margaret Iwata, Sakae Yoshimura and June Toguchi.

Henry Ritter, Jr., mayor of Mayfield Heights, is shown presenting the prizes. Master of ceremonies was Cleveland's leading disc jockey, Bill Gordon of WHK, who interviewed each of the contestants.—Photo by Clinton Butsuda.

Nisei Burned Critically in Fuel Explosion

DENVER — Robert Sakata, 25, Brighton, was in critical condition this week from serious burns sustained when a gasoline drum exploded.

At Colorado General Hospital physicians reported 75 per cent of Sakata's body was covered with serious burns.

Quick action by Harry Sakata, 31, was credited with saving his brother's life.

Harry was also being treated for first, second and third degree burns sustained on both hands when he attempted to extinguish Robert's flaming clothing and hair with a quilt.

Harry told officers that he and his brother were cutting a piece of pipe, which they had placed atop the full gasoline drum, with an acetylene torch. The torch cut through both the pipe and the drum. The resultant spray and flames missed the older brother but splattered Robert who raced screaming through the yard before Harry could tackle him and wrap him in a quilt.

The accident is the second serious one suffered by Robert Sakata. He was seriously injured two years ago in a highway accident which took the lives of two persons, Nantaro Sakata, 50, and John Kurachi, 27.

Nisei GI Succumbs In Army Hospital

FORT ORD, Calif. — Pfc. Ryo Furumoto, Parlier, Calif., a 1951 graduate of the University of California, died at Fort Ord Hospital on March 26 after a short illness.

Death was attributed to pneumonia and a heart condition, following a flu attack.

Pfc. Furumoto graduated at UC with a degree in chemistry last June.

A native of Sacramento, he was working in Chicago at the time he was drafted last November.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Masatsuo Furumoto of Parlier, two brothers, John and Roy, and four sisters, Mrs. Masami Hirata of Kingsburg, Mrs. Jean Tsutsui of Parlier, Mrs. Shizu Nagasaki of Los Angeles and Emi Furumoto.

NISEI RETURNS WITH PRIZE FROM SOUTH SEA TRIP

LOS ANGELES—A Nisei scientist is scheduled to arrive in San Diego this week with a sea elephant captured on an expedition in the South Pacific.

He is Dr. Richard Yukio Morita of the Scripps Institute of Oceanography at La Jolla. Dr. Morita, a resident of Pasadena, found the mammal on Canberra Island off the coast of New Zealand.

The scientist and his prize find left Hawaii on March 29 for California aboard the Royal Danish frigate Galathea.

San Francisco JACL Slates "Preview" Of June Convention

SAN FRANCISCO—"Convention Prevues" will be presented at the San Francisco JACL chapter meeting this Sunday, April 6, from 2 p.m. at the Buchanan Street YMYWCA, according to Fred Hoshizawa, chapter president.

Headed by Convention Chairman Dr. Tokuji Hedani, an impressive array of convention "bigwigs" will be on hand to give a preview of the highlights of the coming 12th Biennial National JACL meeting, June 26-30, in San Francisco.

Scheduled to give reports are the following committee chairmen: Yukio Wada, official events; George Oyama, special events; Kaye Uyeda, socials; Dick Seiki, general arrangements; and Tad Hirota, public relations.

To top off the program, a fashion show preview will be held, with 15 attractive Nisei models taking part. Aiko Hironaka will be the commentator. The models are Rose Kaji, Aiko Morita, Sumi Yuto, Mary Ann Ouye, Rose Nieda, Tomiye Goami, Martha Oshima, Rose Uda, Pat Uno, Kay Uno, Lola Marubayashi Lee, Bessie Masuda, Sue Sumida, Martha Mori, and Nancee Uyeda.

Chairman for the fashion show is Kiku Hori.

Two Nisei Finish Recruit Training

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Two Hawaii Nisei, Sherwood Y. Yoshimoto and Thomas Tawata, recently completed 12 weeks of recruit training at the U.S. Coast Guard Training Station in Alameda.

Nisei Doctor Succumbs to Brief Illness

CHICAGO — Dr. William J. Furuta, member of the faculty of the University of Illinois Medical School in Chicago, passed away suddenly on March 28 at the age of 39. He was an assistant professor of anatomy.

Only a month before his death he was named the recipient of a financial grant for research, which was to have begun April 1.

He was recently voted the most popular and inspirational professor on the campus by students at the medical school.

Dr. Furuta graduated from the University of California in 1933 with honors and lived in Chicago until World War II, when he joined his family at the Gila River Relocation center.

He received his doctor's degree in 1946, after being recalled by university officials.

Funeral services were held March 30 at the Chicago Buddhist Church with the Rev. Gyomay Kubose officiating. Surviving are Dr. Furuta's wife, Sekiko, a son Teddy, and his mother, Mrs. Kimiyo Furuta.

He was a member of the Chicago JACL.

Abe Hagiwara, chapter president, said the Nisei's passing was a great loss to the community as well as the chapter.

"By virtue of his personality, position and dedication to his work, he has done far more than most of us can ever hope to do towards good human relationships," he said.

Hagiwara extended the chapter's sympathy to Mrs. Furuta and the family.

Registration Deadline Nears, JACL Warns

LOS ANGELES—The registration deadline for voting in the primary elections is April 10, the JACL said this week in urging Nisei to register for the June 3 elections.

To qualify for registration a voter must be a U.S. citizen, a resident of the state for one year, a resident of the county for 90 days and of his precinct for 54 days; must be able to read English and sign his own name; and must have reached the age of 21 on or before June 3.

Absentee ballots may be applied for between May 14 and 29.



CHICAGO—The candidates for Chicago's "Miss Portrait of Spring" are (left to right, standing) Marji Kikuchi, Jolene; Terry Yamanaka, Charmettes; Tsune Taniguchi, Silhouettes; Pauline Itano, Colleens; and (sitting) Jane Kozuta, Mam'selles. Claudine Coleman, Skyreens; June Kaita, Dawnelles; and (insert) June Yamada, Sorelles. One of these girls will represent "portrait of Spring" at a semi-formal dance given by the Chicago Girls Inter-Club Council on the night of April 12 at the Tropical Room in the Sheraton Hotel. The lucky girl will be chosen by the patrons and patronesses who will act as the judges of the contest.

Bids to "Portrait of Spring" are \$3.75 per couple and music for the affair will be furnished by Johnny Belmont and his orchestra. The affair promises to be one of the most outstanding socials of the year and is the first of its kind ever to be given by Chicago's younger set.—Photo by Yoshi Oda.

Convention Time Is Drawing Near, San Francisco, June 26-30, 1952

Senate Passes Private Bills For Japanese

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Senate passed twelve private bills for the relief of persons of Japanese ancestry, the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported this week.

Of the twelve private bills passed, six were for the relief of adopted children, three for purposes of marriage, one admitting a minor in the custody of an American citizen, one for permanent residence of an American soldier, and one restoring the citizenship rights lost by voting in the Japanese elections.

Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (Dem., Wash.) introduced the bill to restore to Hisako Hanabata her American citizenship, which she lost as a result of voting in the Japanese elections in 1946 and 1947. The restoration of the citizenship status will permit her to return to the United States.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, declared that general legislation sponsored by the JACL ADC, providing for the restoration of American citizenship rights as a result of voting in the Japanese elections, has been introduced by Congressman Chet Holifield (Dem., Calif.). "In view of the number of people involved and the obvious impossibility of getting private bills passed for the relief of each one of them," stated Masaoka, "we hope we can secure in the very near future general legislation for the relief of these Nisei, who were disfranchised, not for any wilful misdeed but because of their ignorance of the law."

Sen. William F. Knowland (Rep., Calif.) sponsored the bill to admit Harumi Kamiaka, the adopted minor child of Sergeant and Mrs. James B. C. Wells.

Sen. Francis Case (Rep., South Dak.) was the author of the bill permitting the admission of Yukio Niimura, an eighteen-year old Japanese national, in the custody of Sergeant Donald E. Wilson.

Sen. Paul H. Douglas (Dem., Ill.) introduced the bill to admit Michiko Ihara (Theresa Hatcher) the adopted minor daughter of Master Sergeant and Mrs. Richard G. Hatcher.

Sen. Spessard L. Holland (Dem., Fla.) sponsored two bills to admit the adopted Japanese children of occupation personnel; for Teruo Uechi, the adopted minor child of Cpl. Leroy F. Canty; and for Jean Hamamoto, also known as Sharon Lea Brooks, the adopted minor child of Captain and Mrs. Robert N. Brooks.

Sen. Hubert Humphrey (Dem., Minn.) sponsored the bill to admit Carl Himura, the adopted child of Cpl. Dalton C. Boster.

Sen. Wayne Morse (Rep., Ore.) was the author of the bill admitting Naomi Saito, the adopted minor child of Sergeant and Mrs. Edgar W. Thompson.

Sen. Henry C. Lodge, Jr. (Rep., Mass.) introduced the bill to admit Masako Miyazaki for purposes of marriage to Lester G. Barrett, Jr.

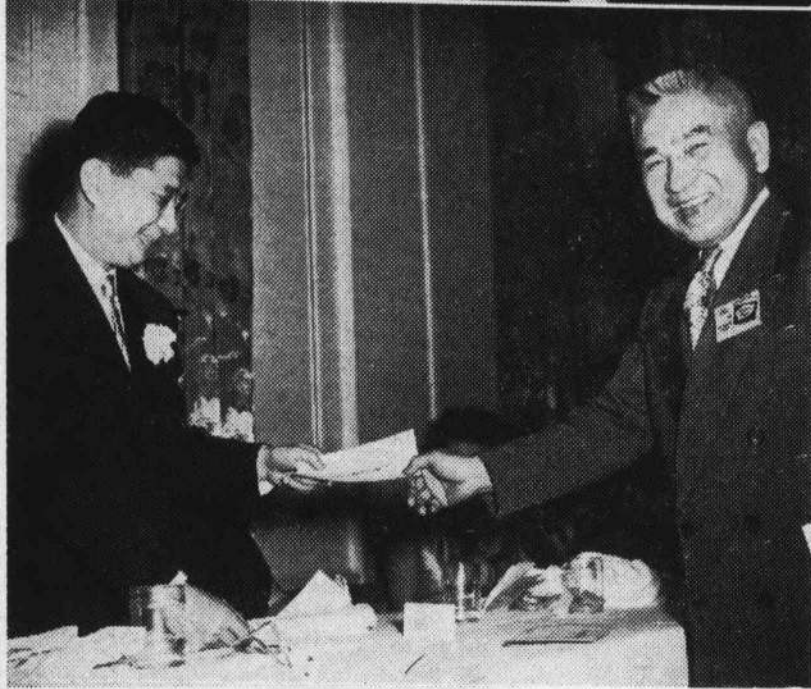
The above bills now go to the House for concurrence, while the following bills, which were previously passed by the House, now await the signature of the President: the bill introduced by Congressman Thomas J. Lane (Dem., Mass.) to admit Yuriko Tsutsumi for purposes of marriage to Sgt. Alfred A. Wetmore; the bill authored by Congressman Tom Pickett (Dem., Tex.) to admit for permanent residence Fusako Terao Scogin, the widow of Lt. David Weldon Scogin, and her son James Wesley Scogin; the bill sponsored by Congressman Walter Granger (Dem., Utah) to admit Setsuko Yamashita, and her son Takashi Yamashita, for purposes of marriage to Ronald William Edrington.

Nisei to Serve With Housing Group

CHICAGO—Mrs. Chizu Iiyama, associate director of the Chicago Resettlers Committee, will serve with the Board of the Chicago Housing Conference, an organization working for better housing in the city of Chicago.

"We feel that better housing for Japanese Americans can be attained by working together with organizations such as the Housing Conference of Chicago. The problem is too large for our agency to handle alone, and the need for adequate housing extends to all groups," Mrs. Iiyama said.

Seabrook Hosts EDC Meet



AT THE EASTERN DISTRICT CONVENTION, SEABROOK, N.J.—(Top) Rep. T. Millet Hand from New Jersey's 2nd district, principal speaker at the EDC convention banquet, assures Mike Masaoka, JACL ADC legislative director, of his support for legislation for equality in immigration and naturalization, as Charles Nagao (left), Seabrook chapter president, and Akira Hayashi (2nd from left) look on. Nagao and others of the Seabrook chapter undertook a citizenship program for Issei at Seabrook Farms five years ago. Two hundred and seventy-five Issei filled out first citizenship papers and attended classes at Shoemaker Post No. 95 of the American Legion in Bridgeton, N. J.

(Middle) Fujuki Sasaki, treasurer of the Seabrook JACL ADC drive, turns over a check for \$2,131 to Mike Masaoka. The sum represents collections of the ADC drive at Seabrook Farms. Approximately \$500 in additional pledges have been obtained and will be turned in to put the total figure well above \$2,600.

(Lower) President Charles Nagao of the Seabrook chapter welcomes President Rikio Kumagai of the Washington, D.C., chapter. Panel discussions, business and committee meetings occupied the delegates as they planned the EDC program for the coming year.

—Seabrook Farms photos.

Jun Toguri Heads Membership Drive

CHICAGO—Jun Toguri will head the Chicago Resettlers Committee's annual membership drive, which will start in April. Tadaichi Okuhara and Dr. Matsusaburo Kuki will be his assistants.

More than 150 Issei canvassers will cover the city.

George Naritoku and Jeanne Mori will head the Nisei campaign.

The Resettlers Committee is a welfare-referral agency for Japanese Americans. Its services include referral work for employment, housing, business opportunities, social welfare and education; recreational and cultural ac-

Pacific Veteran Named Commander Of Nisei Post

LOS ANGELES—Salem Yagawa, a lieutenant in the Pacific in World War II, was elected commander of Nisei Memorial Post 9938 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars last week.

Shobo Doiwchi, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, is senior vice-commander, while Frank Yamashita, also a 442nd veteran, is junior vice-commander.

Activities for Issei and Nisei, summer camps for children; and community and public relations.

New Jersey Congressman Tells EDC Mass Evacuation "Greatest Wartime Mistake"

SEABROOK, N.J.—Congressman T. Millet Hand (Rep., N.J.) acknowledged to a capacity crowd of delegates and boosters at the JACL Eastern District Council banquet in the ballroom of the Cumberland Hotel of Bridgeton N.J., that the evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast was probably the "greatest wartime mistake" this nation made.

Congressman Hand, who was the principal speaker of the occasion, went on to say that it was the responsibility of Congress to compensate the evacuees adequately for the losses which they suffered. The New Jersey legislator also castigated the Japanese Exclusion Act by calling it a grave foreign policy mistake, since the passage of that Act contributed so much toward bringing about World War II and advocated a prompt repeal of that restrictive and inflammatory legislation.

The banquet, which was the featured event of the EDC meeting, held under the auspices of the Seabrook Chapter numbered among its guests Belford Seabrook, vice-president of Seabrook Farms, Thomas A. Dailey, mayor of Bridgeton, State Senator and Mrs. W. Howard Sharp, Assemblyman and Mrs. Charles I. Williams, Clarence McCormick, chairman of County Republican Committee, and Mrs. McCormick, Sheriff and Mrs. Russell Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Sheffer, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Emerson, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene L. R. Lanning, J. Meade Landis of the Bridgeton Evening News, and Shike Levine of the Bridgeton Bulletin.

The National JACL was represented by Thomas Hayashi, National second vice-president, Ina Sugihara, secretary to the National Board, and Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director.

Preceding Congressman Hand, Masaoka discussed the legislative status of the Walter-McCarran omnibus bills, providing for the codification and the revision of immigration and naturalization laws. Masaoka pointed out the beneficial effect that the passage of the omnibus legislation would have on the attitudes of the peoples in the Far East toward America.

The banquet was opened by greetings from Charles Nagao, president of the Seabrook chapter, and Akira Hayashi, chairman of the EDC.

A piano solo by John Fuyume and a vocal solo by Bill Wakatsuki rounded out the banquet program.

At the dance following, the winners of the EDC Convention Fund Drawing were announced as Bobby Omori of Chicago, \$250 U.S. savings bond; K. Kamikawa of Seabrook, portable typewriter; J. Teruya of New York, "35" Kodak camera; Pfc. Ted Fujii, of Fort Meade, Md., ladies 19 jewel wrist watch; I. Uyehara of Philadelphia, men's 21 jewel wrist watch. Mrs. Charles Nagao of Seabrook won a \$25 U.S. savings bond for selling the most tickets and Shig Wakamatsu, chair-

Seabrook Gives \$2131 to ADC Fund Campaign

SEABROOK, N.J.—Highpoint in the Eastern District Council meeting of the JACL was the presentation of a check for \$2131 to Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, for the 1952 ADC Fund Drive by "Mayor" Sasaki, secretary of the Seabrook ADC committee, during the EDC banquet held at Cumberland Hotel in Bridgeton, N.J., on March 30.

Harold Fistere, vice-chairman of the EDC, who acted as the toastmaster for the banquet, was the chairman of the Seabrook ADC in this year's spectacularly successful drive. In a special presentation made by Aki Hayashi, chairman of the EDC, Fistere was given a copy of Allen Eaton's book, "Beauty Behind Barbed Wire," in appreciation of his helpfulness during the war to Japanese Americans as the War Relocation Administration Relocation officer and as personnel director at Seabrook Farms.

Two hundred delegates and boosters, representing chapters in New York, Philadelphia, Seabrook and Washington, D.C., were registered for the EDC meeting.

The business sessions of the EDC meeting were held in the Seabrook Farms Community House. Among the recreational activities scheduled were the golf tournament at Bridgeton Bowling Academy at Summer's Point, bowling tournament at Bridgeton Bowling Academy and Spiegel's Bowling Academy, and a sightseeing trip to Atlantic City under the chairmanship of Kats Shiba.

DSC Awarded

FORT SHAFTER, T.H.—The Army's second highest combat award, the Distinguished Service Cross, was awarded posthumously to Pfc. Fumio Moriyama, killed in action in Korea, in ceremonies at Fort Shafter on March 22.

The medal was received by Pfc. Moriyama's brother, Noboru Moriyama of Honolulu.

man of the Midwest District Council was awarded a \$25 U.S. savings bond for selling the winning ticket.

House Committee Reports Out Seven Private Japanese Bills

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The House Judiciary Committee favorably reported seven private bills for relief of persons of Japanese ancestry, the Washington Office of the Anti-Discrimination Committee was informed this week.

Three of the bills provide for the admission of adopted children, one to allow entry of a married Japanese woman, one to admit a minor for permanent residence, one for the admission of an alien child of citizen parents, and one to permit the widow of an American soldier and her children to enter the United States for permanent residence.

Rep. Walter Rogers (Dem., Tex.) introduced the bill to admit Tsutako Kuroki Masuda, the adopted child of Master Sergeant Alvin J. Lovett, to enter this country for permanent residence.

Rep. Carl T. Curtis (Rep., Neb.) sponsored the bill to permit entry of Michiko Nakashima, the adopted child of Master Sergeant and Mrs. Fred W. Homan.

Congressman Homer Thornberry (Dem., Tex.) was the author of the bill permitting the entry of Kiko Oshiro, the adopted daughter of Master Sergeant and Mrs. Blevin L. Zeumalt.

Rep. Ernest K. Bramblett (Rep., Calif.) introduced the bill to admit

Mrs. Setsuyo Sumida.

Congressman William G. Stigler (Dem., Okla.) authored the bill to admit Mrs. Kaiko (Kay) Fair, the wife of First Sergeant Curtis Allen Fair, who was killed in action in Korea on August 4, 1950. Along with Mrs. Fair the bill provides for the admission of her minor children, Donald George Fair, Arline Kay Fair, and Curtis Ray Fair.

Also two Senate initiated bills were among those favorably reported by the House Judiciary Committee.

Sen. William F. Knowland (Rep., Calif.) sponsored the bill providing for the admission of Bernard Kenji Tachibana, a minor alien child of a native born American citizen. The mother is a Nisei who was stranded in Japan because of the war. Her child, who was born there, did not derive American citizenship because the mother did not have the necessary residence in the United States required by the Nationality Act of 1940 in order to transmit citizenship to the child. The mother is Mrs. James Woodrow Carter.

Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (Dem., Colo.) introduced the bill to admit Yoshiyuki Mayeshiro, a minor.

These bills will be acted upon when the House next considers its Private Calendar.

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LARRY TAJIRI EDITOR

EDITORIALS:

A Veteran Meets Prejudice

The Oregon State Tax Commission might have picked a better time and place to show its prejudices. But it just happened to be Brotherhood Week when Sajie Nishioka was denied a job because of his ancestry, and it probably just happened that Nishioka was a veteran of World War II with war wounds.

Fortunately Oregon has hundreds of people who are ready to speak up in the defense of an individual who is discriminated against, it has a press which considers a case of discrimination needs telling, and it has an FEPC law which says such displays of prejudice will not be tolerated.

In fact, it was the existence of an Oregon State FEPC law which was responsible for the fact that the Nishioka case came to public attention. The State Labor Commission, which had submitted the 442nd veteran's name to the Tax Commission, charged that the latter agency was in violation of the state fair employment practices law when it refused employment to the Nisei on racial grounds.

The presence of an enlightened press and public in Oregon, together with the FEPC law, provided a fortunate set of circumstances for Sajie Nishioka who is probably a little tired of having to prove all over again that he is a good and worthy citizen. After being wounded in Italy, Nishioka spent 18 months in Army hospitals in Europe and the United States, fighting to regain his strength and partial use, at least, of his legs. He went to college, supporting his widowed mother out of his GI pension.

When he took his test for the tax examiner's post, he came out on top. And when he was rejected because of his ancestry, he can hardly be blamed for his discrimination to fight the case. The resultant uproar however, changed his mind.

He told a Portland newspaper last week, "I'd rather carry it through. I was rather timid or conservative before."

At last reports the fight was won. Tax commission officials scrambled to place the finger of blame upon each other, protesting their own purity of heart and freedom from prejudice.

Sajie Nishioka has been described by friends as a quiet, modest and uncomplaining individual, not the sort who would deliberately place himself in the forefront of a public controversy or ask the help of his fellow citizens in his own behalf.

He became, unwittingly, a central figure in a highly publicized case. At first unwilling to carry the case through, he decided to do so when it was apparent that the matter had become a matter of principle.

Thus it is that we demand ever more of men like Nishioka, who long ago demonstrated their right to peace and security.

Service Clubs and Democracy

The West Fresno, Calif., Exchange Club is to be commended for its withdrawal, over the principle of racial equality, from the parent Exchange organization. The club voted to become an independent civic group when the national organization demanded the ousting of a Nisei member.

The Exchange Club is not the only service group with such restrictive membership clauses. But the Fresno case serves to demonstrate that service clubs are, along with numerous other national organizations, facing the question of democratic practices in membership. National fraternities, sororities, veterans groups and other national organizations are faced today with the problem of bringing their membership requirements into line with democratic practice.

Service clubs, certainly, if they are to be true to their name, should reflect the multi-racial makeup of their community and nation.

The Fresno Bee, foremost newspaper in the area, notes editorially that "for the local club to have paraded under the banner of good fellowship and community service while banning anyone because of nationality would have made hypocrisy of the very name Exchange Club."

"West Fresno is the home of people of many racial extractions," the Bee says. "Tolerance has been prevalent and in many instances good leadership and other contributions have been made to the city of Fresno generally."

"There is the opportunity to further this commendable work through service organizations . . ."

"The Exchange Club powers that be should awaken to a major need of the times—tolerance, understanding and equality among all of mankind."

NISEI IN MANHATTAN: Roku Sugahara will resume his column in the April 19 issue of the Pacific Citizen.

To the Editor:

Reader Finds Prejudice in "Japanese War Bride" Film

Editor,
Pacific Citizen:

Perhaps I am a minority in my opinions and interpretation, but since no one else has seen fit to take exception to the somewhat thinly disguised anti-racial propaganda contained in the Yamaguchi opus, "Japanese War Bride," I feel called upon to take a stand.

After seeing the picture, I left with the definite impression that its message was a sharp warning to American (caucasoid) youth — "This Can Happen to You if You Marry a Japanese!" Let me analyze this, perhaps, to clarify my meaning. All through the story there runs a definite thread of anti-thesis, of "never the twain shall meet." In the beginning the boy is unable to understand the East; in the balance, the girl is unable to adjust to the "West," and the boy's family is unable to adjust to her. In the end they merely go into a clinch, no indication is given that they will be able to solve their problems.

The above is mainly a generalization. The particulars begin, I believe, with the war bride getting off the train in her kimono. As the PC notes in its latest issue, that just isn't so in life. Does the scene add anything to the point of the story? Not that I could see: it only gave the audience the stereotyped image of a kimonoed Japanese girl (geisha?) to snicker at, in much the same way the "country gal" is forced to dress out of fashion to burlesque her role.

I'll not bother to linger long on the stereotype of the "demure Japanese girl" as played by Miss Yamaguchi, primarily because some truly "demure" and confused war bride could probably be pointed out to refute my statements. I'll rest with positing that the characterization is not typical (If it were I could readily agree with the general thesis that "east and west" can never meet) as the ready Americanization of most of the Issei and practically all the Nisei has attested.

Remember the Issei father? Typical? There are people like him, but again, doesn't he seem to be a stereotype of what many Californians tend to think about the Issei? His role of a stubborn, poker-faced Oriental with an unrelenting dislike of his "American" neighbors certainly was not a favorable one. I surely wouldn't want to be in a dark alley with him.

Remember the hero's "poor" family? The father and sons come back from the meeting of the ranchers' association, weary lines on their faces, to relate that as a result of the Japs having returned and gone into competition with them, they are facing a lowering of their living standards? One's heart could really ache for them, and probably many in the audience did take the hint that—"if you let them back in, they'll ruin you." So far as the movie is concerned, that is the whole of that problem. It just brought out the threat to the "white" ranchers' economy, leaving it to the imagination of the audience to picture the final scene where the hero's family trudges off to the poor-house.

Finally, the baby. The casting director must have looked long and hard to find such a completely Oriental-looking offspring as that. I could quite sympathize with the folks of the hero for thinking that there might have been something to that rumor. I doubt extremely if such a thoroughly Oriental-featured child (cute, as it was) would be born from a miscegenous conception. I don't think that the writers or the producers of the picture thought so either. The apparent theme was, "white man—your children are all going to be pure Orientals, if you marry an Oriental." It is a cousin to the concept that "black blood always comes out to mark the children."

That is a patent untruth, a deliberate preying and playing upon the racist attitudes of those persons viewing the picture. The fact that the audience was moved to dislike the villainess does not remove the fact that it was not given any reason for believing that the marriage would work; that Japanese (and/or Nisei) were other than a different breed from "them"; that the Japanese are ruining hard-working "American" farmers; and that the Japanese

generally just aren't socially acceptable in "American" homes.

As I stated at the beginning, mine may be a minority attitude. I take it from the fact that I noticed no unfavorable reaction in the pages of the PC, that the movie is possibly acceptable to the Japanese-Nisei population, however, I definitely do not feel that it is at all acceptable to us "miscegenators." The very number of such marriages that have taken place in Japan and are taking place in the U.S., in which the principals are living quite happily and without any more problems than any normal family; the numerous "mixed" babies which have resulted from such marriages and which happily combine the better features of both races in response to the laws of genetics; the sight of well-producing farms and ranches; prosperous bank accounts; of whites and Japanese-Americans living as friendly neighbors, gives the complete lie to the underlying theme of the movie.

In closing, I want to point out what I think forms a sort of proof of my statements. That is that no single part of what I have termed racial and anti-miscegenation propaganda forms an integral or necessary part of the picture. Since this is so, why was it included?

Sincerely yours,
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Oregon Agency Offers Job to Nisei Veteran

(Continued from page 1)

ministration degree from Lewis & Clark College in Portland in 1950. He then took postgraduate work in business administration at the University of Oregon, supporting himself and his widowed mother on his GI pension.

Following his graduation the Nisei veteran took civil service examinations in Oregon and later talked to a personnel director and said he was told — in plain language—that he had the qualifications but that it would be "advisable" for him not to take the job.

"I thought, well . . . I would just go to the federal government," Sajie said. "The big government is more understanding about these things—they give a veteran a better break — especially disabled veterans."

Until the story broke in the papers through the action of Labor Commissioner Kimsey, Nishioka said he had decided not to fight the discrimination against him "because I might win it and I'd be sort of, well, they might consider me unfavorably after I did get the job."

The next day, however, he informed reporters in Seattle where he is employed as an office clerk in the Fort Lawton quartermaster sales outlet that he had changed his mind.

"I'd rather carry it through," he said. "I was rather timid or conservative before."

Smith and Lee both issued statements this week that Nishioka would be considered for a Tax Commission job.

"We are not prejudiced," Smith stressed. "We have a Chinese girl working for us as receptionist in our Portland office. We offered another Chinese girl a job two weeks ago, but she turned it down because it was parttime work."

"I vigorously resent every inference that I have at any time opposed the employment of Sajie Nishioka," Lee declared. "I will employ him as soon as I have been authorized to do so."

Informed of the Tax Commission's change of view, Nishioka said in Seattle that he would accept the job being offered him if he could work in the Portland area.

Gov. McKay put the case for the State of Oregon:

"If a man is good enough to fight for his country, he is good enough to hold a job in it in a civilian capacity, no matter what his race or color."

MINORITY WEEK

Invitation

A Portland, Maine, high school senior class won't lose out on its traditional annual trip to Washington, D.C., after all.

The class had decided to cancel its visit after it was told that no Washington hotel would admit Beverly Dodge because of her Negro ancestry.

The story made papers out on the West Coast, where Maxwell Abbell, head of Abbell Hotels, was visiting in Seattle. Abbell wrote to Howard C. Reicke, principal of the high school, and offered facilities of the Willard Hotel, one of Washington's best, to the class, including Miss Dodge.

"Bring the Wife"

Australia, which has been notably cold to the entry of any persons not of "white" ancestry, has finally admitted that Australian soldiers have a right to bring their Japanese brides into the country.

Up till now the government, putting white supremacy above family, has refused to let such wives accompany their husbands home-ward.

Harold Holt, immigration minister, said the new policy was the result of signing of the Japanese peace treaty. It will apply also to Japanese men married to Australian women.

Taking no chances, however, Holt warned that each couple will have to show their marriage was bona fide and that it will probably be an enduring one. . . .

Picket Line

A one-day "strike" by the Pocatello League for Negro and other Minority Rights against the local YMCA appears to have brought some action.

The league picketed in protest against "Y" policies which bar Negroes from membership and from use of the swimming pool and gym.

As a result, the league was invited to attend a meeting of the YMCA board of directors "to straighten matters out." The Pocatello Ministerial Association had tried to arrange such a meeting for two years, without success until the recent picketing.

Precedent

One of those numerous unwritten laws of the South was broken last week with the appointment of a Negro physician, Dr. Aubrey W. Henry, to the staff of Mount Sinai Hospital in Miami Beach, Fla.

The appointment is believed to be the first time any Negro has been named to the staff of a white hospital in the South.

Sacramento JACL Holds Installation

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Bert Geisreiter, former mayor of Sacramento and present city councilman, led the installation of 1952 officers of the Sacramento JACL at a banquet March 14.

Ginji Mizutani heads the new cabinet.

Haruo Ishimaru, regional director for the JACL, was the main speaker of the evening. Bill Matsumoto, outgoing president, acted as toastmaster and presented his gavel to the new president during the installation ceremony.

Pres. Mizutani will be assisted during the year by George Tambara, first vice-president; Shig Sakamoto, second vice-president; Jean Nakatani, recording secretary; Mary Nakashima, corresponding secretary; Dubby Tsugawa, treasurer. George Nishikawa, publicity chairman; Bill Matsumoto, official delegate; Emi Kamikawa, first alternate delegate; and Toko Fujii, director of athletics.

Claimants Sought

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles field office of the Department of Justice's evacuation claims section is seeking the addresses of three claimants, the JACL regional office said this week.

The claimants are Jimpei Nagasawa, Ichiro Sotowa and Tatsuko Yamashita. The Department of Justice may be contacted at the Federal Building, 8th floor, Los Angeles 12, Calif.

Masaoka Answers Newspaper's Editorial on Omnibus Bill

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, answered the Washington Post on its recent editorial criticizing the Walter-McCarran bills which codify and revise the present immigration and naturalization laws, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee reported this week.

While admitting that the "immigration and naturalization laws are in many respects obsolete and out of touch with contemporary political realities" and that "revision is long overdue," the Washington Post editorial asserted that neither the Walter or the McCarran bill, despite their painstaking preparation, "in our judgment is at all satisfactory."

Masaoka's letter of rebuttal opened by answering criticism of the Walter-McCarran bills' immigration and naturalization provisions for Asians. "After commending the provisions which grants Asians naturalization and immigration rights, it adds the demurrer 'although under harsh limitations,' insofar as naturalization is concerned there is nothing in the proposed omnibus legislation that discriminates in any way against persons of Asian ancestry or makes distinctions between them and other resident aliens."

The editorial also refers to the continuance of the immigration pattern, said Masaoka, already established for the Chinese and East Indians, which provides that ancestry rather than birthplace determines the quota area to which Chinese and East Indians born outside their native lands are chargeable.

"While we regret the political necessity for accepting such a restriction," stated Masaoka, "we submit that it is a great step forward from the total exclusion which is now directed only against the Japanese, Koreans and peoples of Southeast Asia. With the present temper of Congress as it is, insistence upon such a principle would result in absolutely no immigration liberalizations at all."

Masaoka pointed out that to peoples of Japan, Korea and Southeast Asia, who are still denied any immigration and naturalization rights, while their Chinese, East

Indian, and Filipino neighbors enjoy them, American recognition of their equality with at least other Asians is more important than the continued accentuation of the special discrimination between the peoples of the Orient.

"Legislation of this nature," emphasized Masaoka, "is a step by step proposition and we believe that to people who have absolutely nothing in the way of immigration privileges, half a loaf is infinitely preferable to the promise of a full loaf to come in some distant future."

The JACL, as an organization representing persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States is primarily concerned with the 88,000 resident aliens, 85,000 of whom are Japanese who by law are ineligible for naturalization privileges, indicated Masaoka. "This is the group to which we and all Americans owe most consideration," he said, "for they have been an integral part of our community for the past half-century and have contributed their share to the development of the land of their adoption."

Masaoka discussed the other alleged defects in the Walter-McCarran bills, as criticized by the Washington Post editorial. Pointing out the "redemption" clause which would permit the entry of reformed totalitarians, who under present law are totally excluded, Masaoka cited specific reasons motivating the broadening of grounds for deportation, calling particular attention to the abuses of the adjustment of status procedure by fraudulent immigrant entrants.

"Comprehensive measures of this type are compromises of the divergent interests of many groups and organizations," concluded Masaoka. "The real question in evaluating such legislation is not whether such omnibus bills are models of perfection but whether they are an improvement over existing law. In this connection, it is interesting to note that such a friend of liberal immigration laws as Representative Emanuel Celler, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, concedes in the committee report that the Walter bill represents undoubted improvement over present law."

Bill Hosokawa: FROM THE FRYING PAN

"Rashomon" Comes to Denver

Denver, Colo.

"Rashomon" is in Denver this week. I saw it, enjoyed it, was acutely aware of the beauty of photography, the novel plot and the superb acting that has won it rave notices. But the film left me with a feeling that an opportunity had been missed for making it a genuine smash hit with more popular American audiences.

First, I felt the footage could have been edited perhaps five or ten per cent to step up the pace for American tastes. In the opening sequences, the woodcutter, for instance, walks interminably through the woods before he stumbles on the samurai's body. The desired suspense probably could have been built up with a little less walking.

Second, the English subtitles are wooden and unimaginative. It is a tribute to the film's power that it has won such acclaim despite inadequate translation. Subtitles can never hope to equal the spoken word but a livelier job of captioning certainly would have increased the enjoyment of audiences with no knowledge of the Japanese language.

The acceptance that "Rashomon" is enjoying in the United States seems to be paralleled by other forms of Japanese culture that have made peaceful invasions of this country in the last few years.

Long ago, when hate-Japs and hate-Japan fever was at its height, someone shared a rare bit of wisdom with me. I can't remember who it was, but I have a vague feeling it might have been Dillon Myer. He predicted the pendulum would swing the other way eventually, and that Japan and things Japanese would soon be in high favor among Americans.

Well, it has come to pass. Witness the new interest in Japanese art forms. Many Americans cannot understand the old classics, but the more

modern prints, paintings, ceramics, lacquer work and the like, with a strong traditional tie, are in great vogue. Not only that, they fit quite tastefully into the American scene.

Americans have come home from occupation duty charmed with many aspects of life in Japan and with a large appetite for sukiyaki. Some of them have even brought home brides, which seems to be the ultimate gesture. And Hollywood took the cue by making a movie about them, as well as several facets of the occupation itself.

Actresses Shirley Yamaguchi and Hideo Takamine have made the national magazines, a Japanese girl appeared on a Life magazine cover, and a petite war bride is the toast of the billiards enthusiasts.

The Japanese influence is strong in the designs of George Nakashima, whose 10-page story in House & Home was reported in this space last week. The prophecy has indeed come true.

But getting back to "Rashomon," it has an authenticity that American moviemakers somehow seem to miss in their costume pieces. Take almost any American historical movie, and the characters look as if they were masquerading with either bedsheets or costumes out of an attic trunk and several sets of glued-on whiskers.

Without knowing anything about the Japan of a dozen centuries ago, to me the handful of personalities in "Rashomon" were convincingly ragged, fearful, bewildered and dejected.

Bill Barrett, novelist and slick fiction writer whose best-selling "Left Hand of God" is scheduled for movie production, found nothing objectionable in the long moments when "Rashomon's" camera did nothing but focus on faces knotted in torment or meditation. "There was something to see in those faces," he said, "and you can't say the same about most of the faces in Hollywood's acting stables." He has a point, all right.

Vagaries

Film Idea . . .

JACL ADC's Mike Masaoka is credited by Richard Dyer MacCann in a Hollywood dated story in the Christian Science Monitor of March 25 with having originated the idea for MGM's newest Dore Schary production, "Mr. Congressman," which is written and directed by Robert Pirosh . . . "Mr. Congressman," which stars Van Johnson, Patricia Neal and Louis Calhern, is the story of an honest congressman faced with the problem of deciding between the interests of his immediate constituents and the interest of the nation at large. . . . Because relations have been somewhat strained between Congress and the film industry as a result of committee investigations and whatnot it may seem that the picture, "Mr. Congressman," came into existence because of a desire on the part of the movie industry to make friends and influence congressmen, says Mr. MacCann, but the truth is that it did not.

"It was while Mr. Pirosh was working on 'Go for Broke!' that his technical adviser, Mike Masaoka, who was also Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, suggested a Washington story."

"Mr. Congressman" will be released sometime in June or July.

Box-Score on Race Relations: Prejudice and Social Distance

By ELMER R. SMITH

Prejudice was shown last week to be acquired early in the life of individuals. We discovered that the immediate persons within a child's social experiences such as parents, playmates, teachers and religious leaders, lay the foundation for his prejudices or stereotypes about other peoples and things.

The groups to which a child belongs, usually called "in-groups," begin at an early age to construct for their members the cultural framework in which will be cast the person's behavior toward members of strange nations, races and cults or the "out-groups." This feeling that one's own group is set off from another has been called social distance by the social psychologist. This feeling of social distance is well represented by the findings of Dr. E. S. Bogardus in 1928 concerning 1,725 white U.S. citizens the percentage answering positively to the following propositions were:

I. To be close kinship by marriage:

English	94 per cent
Armenians	9
Japanese	1
Turks	1
Hindus	1

II. To my street as neighbors:

English	97 per cent
Armenians	28
Japanese	13
Turks	12
Hindus	13

III. To work in my occupation:

English	95 per cent
Armenians	46
Japanese	27
Turks	19
Hindus	21

The above figures do not claim to be the percentage of such attitudes today, but they at least show what is meant by social distance and the significance of such attitudes in relation to prejudice as we have been discussing it.

The problem of interest to the bringing to Broadway from Tokyo is expected to arrive in the United States in September . . . Goro Murata, the Whittier College grad who is now business manager of the Nippon Times of Tokyo, has taken a flyer at writing song lyrics. His English version of "China Night" and "Apple Song" is now quite popular in Japan, especially among U.S. GIs.

Millionaire . . .

Don't know if he's a Nisei but a contestant named Joseph Sano of Staten Island, N.Y., won the weekly jackpot on the daily radio show, "Live Like a Millionaire," on WNBC, New York, and the NBC network. That's the show on which children appear and introduce their talented parents. Sano, a student at Wagner College, was one of the four daily winners for the week and competed last Friday for the week's jackpot which includes a vacation at an upstate New York resort, a TV set, diamond ring and the week's interest of \$1,000,000. Mrs. Sano operates a beauty shop on Staten Island.

Playground . . .

The model for a children's playground on which Sculptor Isamu Noguchi collaborated with Architect Julian Whittlesey, and which was the subject of some controversy, is now on exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. The Noguchi - Whittlesey plans later were rejected by N.Y. Park Commissioner Robert Moses. . . . The Kabuki troupe which N.Y. Producer Joshua Logan is

Art Director . . .

Eddie Imazu recently wound up his art director duties on MGM's "Carbine Williams," starring James Stewart, and is now in charge of art direction on "You for Me," an MGM film starring Peter Lawford and Jane Greer. . . . A recent syndicated news feature by Mark Barron cites Yuriko (Kikuchi) of "The King and I" as one of the outstanding dancers of the past season on Broadway. . . . Sahomi Tachibana and her dancers gave the premiere performance of their new ballet, "The Jewel Palace," on March 29 at the Brooklyn, N.Y., Museum.

Name 210 Evacuees Who Have Settled Evacuation Claims

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Department of Justice this week released the names of an additional 210 evacuees whose claims have been compromised and settled. None of these claimants, however, have been paid because all funds appropriated for the payment of claims have been exhausted. They will be paid when the supplemental appropriations are approved.

Motoji Niguma, Gifu, Japan; Kumo Kasai, Kikuta Y. Miyatake, Suyematsu Mizuno, Yukino Kataoka, Tokichi Akiyoshi, Florence Koyomi Yamanaka, Kyuzo Yamashita, Tom Yamashita, Janpachi Ikeimoto, Hidekichi Honda, James Shigemitsu Yamaoka, Morizo Ishida, Shigeki Tadama, Gilbert M. Kuramitsu, Yukiko Tananaka, Chujiro Ozaki, William Takeo Mizuno, Kuhashi Ikuta, George Koichi Ikuta, George Koichi Ikeda, Mataichi Nakao, Yoshida Yoshitaka, Shiro Maruya, Yoshihiko Sameshima, William Yoshi Kuwahara, Los Angeles;

Isamu M. Tanaka, Koji Ushio Miyazaki, Kamen Kawahara, Joseph Juntaro Matoba, Shinzemon Sano, Denver, Colo.; Kumashiro Wakamura, Brigham City, Utah; Wataru Yamakawa, Sonoma, Calif.; Tom Toshihumi Hanada, Kosaka Hanada, Santa Cruz, Calif.; Koito Hashimoto, Wilmington, Calif.; Morishige Roy Amino, Fumiko Amemiya Amino, Mrs. Misao Fujii, Jack Yoshida, George Totaro Idaka, Edward Shigemitsu Morimoto, Kimiyo Kanemasa, Eitaro Tosaya, Hirokichi Kariya, Asao Shimamoto, Genkichi Bingko, Kichichi Motooka, Jinbei Hori, Chokichi Ishibashi, Morita Wada, Chicago;

Sakuichi Toi, Clovis, Calif.; Shina Teraji, Granada, Colo.; Michio Kimura, Zenichi Uyeda, Kitaro Teuji, Kunitaro Kawaguchi, Fred Masaru Nomura, Isaku Irie, Fusa Kunitasugu, Eddie Minami, Nobukazu Yamaguchi, Kiyoko Shimomura, George Minoru Takeshita, Seattle; Ryukichi Wada, Masayoshi Sato, Hiko Yamamoto, Lodi, Calif.; Henry Tanaka, Venice, Calif.; Sho Tabata, Westminster, Calif.; Kiwa Kikuno, Torrance, Calif.; Sunnyvale, Calif.;

Genkichi Minato, Hatsuoka Katsubo, Tadachi Watanabe, Hamaye Yokoyama, Kango Suzuki, Buemon Kitazawa, Midori Kimura, Masahiko Tanaka, Hideo Baba, Masao Baba, Josephine Kitami, Takao, Ichiji Sakta, Masaichi Okamoto, San Jose, Calif.; Teigi Kogano, San Pedro, Calif.; Toshiya Shimizu, Frank E. Iguchi, Shigao Takunaga, Takeichi Hasegawa, Salt Lake City; Akira Tsurui, Frank K. Hanami, Roxburg, Idaho; Kyuemon Kuwahara, George Hirojiro Nakamura, Arroyo Grande, Calif.; June Kawakami Tatsuada, Utaro Yoshida, Minneapolis, Minn.;

Miyoko Narasaki, Fuji Eguchi, Masaji

Makino, Fumi Yokota, Shigeo Sakata, Kichizo Kobo, Yoshio Ogawa, Isami Hirabayashi, Denshiro Okamoto, Tamaichi Shiina, Jimmie Kinjuro Nakashima, Harry Okuno, Roy Kakichi Masuma, Harry K. Ishida, Kinu Kamouchi, Shiro Higuchi, Naosada Sata, Miekio Fujikawa, Jenzuchi Kurakusu, Misao Shimizu, Masa Sumil, Hatsuio Rose Yamasaki, Yomochiki Watanabe, Masako Hirata, Koyoshi Uyeno, Tadashi Ikemoto, Kenichi Hatamiya, Miki Inouye, Kiyoshi Shitamoto, Takashiro Sakaki, Haruyoshi Nomoto, Los Angeles;

Henry Tsunejiro Nagao, Genzo Horino, Haruko Nishimura, Mountain View, Calif.; Jihei Takimoto, Vacaville, Calif.; Bette K. Mukuno, Miyono Gytoku, Toshio Nishimura, Cupertino, Calif.; Heikichi Hirabara, Acampo, Calif.; Jerry Ichiro Mizuri, William K. Suenaga, San Francisco; Masao Sugimoto, Oakland, Calif.; Chiyo Arimoto, Walnut Grove, Calif.; Juroku Kono, Rocklin, Calif.; Suekichi Okamoto, Oxnard, Calif.; Akitsura Miura, Madrone, Calif.; Isaburo Kawamura, Stockton, Calif.; Shigeo Hamamoto, Hiroshi Sakurai, Masaoichi Ishihara, Sun Valley, Calif.;

Sumito Hori, Coyote, Calif.; Ryotaro Ohashi, Hino Matsushita, Gardena, Calif.; Hiroyoshi Tsuda, Sotaro Yoshioka, Takashi Hayashi, Sacramento, Calif.; Tokichi Ito, Santa Clara; Haruki Nitta, Hollywood, Calif.; Shigekata Kanamine, Omaha, Neb.; Toichi Kawate, Ihei C. Hayashi, Long Beach, Calif.; Masao Sano, Wilson, Ark.; Toshio Nakamura, Lindsay, Calif.; Shigeo Yamamoto, Ren Uchimiya, Cleveland, Ohio; Asao Goto, Rihaichi Goto, Berkeley, Calif.; Kuichi Clark Saito, Parlier, Calif.; Yoshio Hongo, Los Altos, Calif.; Helen Murakami Egusa, Omaha, Neb.; Isami Yano, Ted Otani, Sanger, Calif.;

Toshiro Suga, Gresham, Ore.; Waki Nigo, T. Ted Tsuboi, Portland, Ore.; Larry N. Fujii, Vale, Ore.; Goro Maeda, Thomas T. Kofu, Fresno, Calif.; Rinzo Nomi, Sunnyvale, Calif.; Sadao Stephen Nakashima, Reedley, Calif.; Nobuo Suzuki, Montara, Calif.; Emiko Hitomi, West Los Angeles; Thomas Yasoichi Kinoshita, Roy K. Masuma, Chiyoko Tashima, Los Angeles; Michio Taketani, Morita Wada, Chokichi Ishibashi, Bob Masao Masuda, Chicago; Keichi Imai, Dinuba, Calif.; Junkichi Kagawa, Del Rey, Calif.; Tsunekichi Hanaoka, Fresno; Mae Urahama, Denver; Shizu Tatsumi, Seattle, Wash.; Buntaro Aoki, Madera, Calif.; Masakichi Takahashi, Cleveland, O.; Momoru Sakata, Santa Monica; Gotaro Sera, Covina, Calif.; Kayuo Sumida, Artesia, Calif.; Nobuta Ebisuda, Parlier, Calif.; Hiroshi Yano, Phoenix, Ariz.; Shugoro Suzuki, San Mateo, Calif.; Shoemon J. Nakamura, Portland, Ore.; Joe Senkichi Shikami; Forrest, Ill.; Amy Hanada, Oroqui, Calif.; Masao Kusakai, Selma, Calif.; Chester K. Konishi, Santa Maria, Calif.; Ryuzo Hashimoto, Alameda, Calif.; Takazo Fujii,

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Konno Goes After AAU Laurels

All eyes in the swimming world are focused this week on New Haven where Ohio State's Ford Konno and company are trying to add the National AAU indoor swimming championship to their NCAA and Big Ten crowns. Konno, the 5 foot 7 inch Nisei from Honolulu, will continue his duel with John Marshall, Wayne Moore and Jimmy McLane of Yale, while Yoshi Oyakawa of the Buckeyes will try to add the National AAU to his NCAA 200-yard backstroke championship. Oyakawa's performance, marking him a standout prospect for the U. S. Olympic team in the backstroke events, was the surprise of last week's NCAA meet. The Hilo Nisei who has been chasing Ohio State's great Jack Taylor, the national champion in the backstroke events, to the finish line all season, took charge in the 200-yard event, tying Taylor's NCAA record of 2:07.3 which was set in 1951. Oyakawa also finished third behind Taylor in the 100-yard backstroke which the latter won in the new record time of :57.3s.

Incidentally, Konno's 18:15.5 is a new NCAA record, bettering Marshall's 1951 mark of 18:18.8s but is over his recent Big Ten time of 18:11.5 which is being applied for a new collegiate record. The NCAA meet was held in Princeton's 25-yard pool and consequently will not count as a new world's record which is still Hironoshin Furuhashi's 18:19 set at Los Angeles in 1949 over the large course.

Zenimura Blasts for .416 Average

Harvey Zenimura, a combat veteran of the Korean conflict, is back playing baseball again for Fresno State and is taking up where his brother, Howie, left off in left field. Howie and Fibber Hiramama formed two-thirds of the outfield last year when Fresno State had one of the outstanding college teams in the nation with something like 37 wins in 42 games, including many over professional teams. This year Harvey is part of the Bulldogs' Nisei tandem in the outer pastures and is currently leading the Fresno State team in batting with a healthy .416 mark.

Meanwhile, Hiramama is continuing to prove that he is probably the best all-around ball player developed among Nisei on the mainland in a decade and more. Already this season, the fleet center-fielder's accurate rifle arm has figured in three double plays and pro ball scouts who have seen him in the outfield claim he covers more ground than most of the flychasers in the Pacific Coast League. Hiramama, who has set aside consideration of a number of pro offers until the Bulldogs finish their season in May, won "all-American" honors two years ago at the national semi-pro tournament in Wichita as shortstop for the Santa Maria, Calif., Indians and was rated a top outfielder last year for Atwater, Calif., Packers. Hiramama also has caught for Fresno State and last week he took a turn on the mound as the Bulldogs swept a doubleheader from the College of Pacific.

Coach Pete Beiden's Bulldogs are out for the NCAA championship this year and they have won six of their first seven games, including three against Coast Conference teams. Fresno's only defeat to date came at the hands of Manager Joe Gordon and his Sacramento Solons of the Coast League.

Tubber Okuda Wins AAU Boxing Title

Tubber Okuda, the Weber College sports star, won the Intermountain AAU senior 126-pound division championship on March 28 in Salt Lake City, knocking out Ted Keener of the Utah State School in 1:26 of the first round. It was a busy night for Okuda since he changed from fighting togs and the colors of the Ogden American Legion to a Northern Utah Nisei All-Stars basketball uniform immediately after the bout and saw action against the flashy San Francisco Chinese Saints in the semi-final round of the JACL Intermountain tourney. Okuda was the regular third-sacker for the Weber College team last season... Jonathan Shiota of the Provo, Utah, Elks lost the decision to Freddie Trono of Deseret Chemical in the finals of the 118-pound division.

Kimura Plays Outfield for So. Oregon

Ken Kimura has clinched one of the outfield berths on the Southern Oregon College baseball team. Kimura starred for the Red Raiders in basketball and was named recently to the second team of the all-Far West Conference squad at guard... Frank Kawamura's two singles figured in Elk Grove's scoring rallies but his team lost to Grant Union High of Sacramento, Calif., by a 7 to 4 margin last week... The University of California Bears will miss their star pitcher, Bill Nishita, who is not in school. Nishita, who turned down a contract with the Mainichi Orions of the Japanese Pacific league, is not in school this term but may return to Berkeley in the fall. Nishita is now pitching in the AJA league in Honolulu... George Ito is on the San Juan, Calif., High squad... Terry Fujinaga and Benny Morinaga are candidates for infield posts for Ontario, Ore., High while Toy Tamiosho hopes to nail down an outfield job... Vic Nakamoto, football and basketball star for Placer, Calif., College, is also out for baseball but is temporarily incapacitated by an ankle injury... Johnny Kimura, regular second-sacker for San Jose, Calif., High, took his turn on the mound last week and pitched the Bulldogs to a 7 to 6 win over Washington High of San Francisco... Sakai at shortstop and Miyamura at second form a keystone combination for Live Oak High in the Santa Clara Valley, Calif., League, while Murakami plays third base and bats leadoff for the Washington High Huskies of Centerville... Best batting performance in the Santa Clara Valley loop is being staged currently by Tetsuo Fujimoto of Santa Clara High who turned in three for three to spark his team to a 5 to 4 win over Sequoia of Redwood City. Fujimoto's three bingles ran his hitting streak to seven straight and gave him nine hits for 15 trips during the past week... Following in the steps of Fiber Hiramama as a versatile Nisei athlete in the San Joaquin Valley is Hiro Tsukimura of the Fowler, Calif., Redcats. Tsukimura won all-league honors last fall as a guard for the strong Redcat eleven and followed by playing first string guard on the basketball team. He is now the regular catcher on the baseball team and scored one of the runs as Fowler trounced Washington Union... Outfielder Ben Yano has been the batting star of Fresno Junior College's early season games. His single and triple helped beat Reedley College last week.

Aki Nakatani who set a school basketball scoring record at James Lick High in San Jose, Calif., recently is now on the school track team. He won the broad jump at 19 feet 3 and took third in the hop, step and jump in a dual meet with Los Gatos last week. Nakaji was third in the hurdles for James Lick... Tets Fujimoto was third in the 100-yard dash for Santa Clara, Calif., High's varsity in a dual meet against Campbell as Clark Yamasaki took three first places in the C division meet... Tateishi of McClatchy High of Sacramento won the Class B 100-yard dash in 10.8s in a dual meet with Placer High last week... Yamaguchi is running the sprints and competing in the broad jump for Riverside Junior College, while Iwata is Har-



HONOLULU—Bill Nishita (left) and Dick Goto, members of the championship Moiliili team of the Honolulu AJA baseball league, won the two major individual awards at the close of the AJA season here recently. Nishita, star pitcher last year for the University of California, was named "the most valuable player" while Goto, a shortstop, won the batting championship with a .355 average.

Victories by Konno, Oyakawa Lead Ohio State to Triumph In NCAA Swim Championship

PRINCETON, N. J.—Three first place wins by two of Ohio State's freshman Nisei swimming stars from Hawaii led the Buckeyes to the team championship of the National Collegiate Athletic Association last week.

Ford Konno won NCAA titles in the 1500-meter freestyle and the 440-yard freestyle while Yoshi Oyakawa turned in a record-tying winning effort in the 200-yard backstroke which was a surprise to everyone except Coach Mike Peppe and his Buckeyes.

Ohio State's 94 points, highest ever scored in NCAA history, gave them the title over the defending champions, Yale, who wound up with 81.

Konno's victory in the 1500-meters in the new NCAA record time of 18:15.5s on March 27 was one of the most exciting of the meet as the slim, 140-pound Nisei star came from 40 feet behind to win by five feet over Jimmy McLane of Yale while John Marshall, also of Yale, who led throughout most of the grueling race tired and finished third by 25 feet.

Konno's victory over Marshall, who will be Australia's top entry in the middle distances at the Olympic Games in Finland, enhanced United States chances for victory in the 1500 meters. The smooth-stroking Nisei came on like a sprinter to beat Marshall, the defending champion, who held the previous NCAA record of 18:18.8 set last year. Konno's performance was off his time of 18:11.5 in the recent Big Ten meet, the best time ever made by an American collegiate swimmer.

However, Coach Peppe and Konno's teammates were of the opinion that Konno's margin over McLane and Marshall would have been much greater if the Hawaiian had an opportunity to warm up before the race.

"Konno normally likes to swim about 400 yards to loosen up for a long race," Peppe said, "and he was only able to get in about 100 yards before the start."

However, Konno was pulling away from Marshall as the race ended. The Australian built up a big lead early in the race but Konno never faltered in his steady

stroking and he timed his spurt at the end perfectly.

Konno also won the 440-yard freestyle over Wayne Moore of Yale in 5:30.3 on March 29 in a victory which insured Ohio State's team championship win. Yale swimmers also finished third and fourth with McLane and Marshall winding up in that order.

Konno missed his grand slam, however, losing to Moore, the winner, and Marshall in a blanket finish in the 220-yard freestyle event. Moore won in 2:08.2s and Konno was only four-tenths of a second behind, and only a foot behind Marshall.

Oyakawa's surprise victory in the 200-yard backstroke also made him a co-holder of the NCAA and American collegiate record of 2:07.3 which was set by Jack Taylor of Ohio State last year. Taylor finished third behind Oyakawa and Dick Thoman of Yale in the 200 but won the 100-yard backstroke as Thoman placed second and Oyakawa was third. Taylor's time was :57.3, bettering Thoman's 1951 time of :57.5.

Captain Herb Kobayashi of Ohio State also helped gain points for the Buckeyes in the relay events.

In his race against Marshall in the 1500 Konno averaged two strokes fewer to a lap than Marshall throughout the race but his action appeared smoother and he seemed to get more power from his kick.

Konno changed his tactics in the 440-yard event. Whereas he came up from behind in the 1500 and 220 races, he took charge from the beginning in the quarter-mile competition, going to the front and staying there.

bor College's top pole vaulter... Taro Sasai took second place in the 220 as Belmont High of Los Angeles lost a dual meet to Polytechnic in the varsity division. In Class B Masaaki Yamamoto of Belmont won the broad jump at 19 feet 5 while Sets Horita of Poly tied for first in the high jump at 5 feet 7. A number of other Nisei athletes took points for both schools in the B and C events including a 10.7s first for Tak Tokiyama of Poly in the Class C century and a first place for Benny Kobayashi, also of Poly, in the pole vault.

Matsumoto Ties for Bowling Lead

John (Mush) Matsumoto, who won \$500 last year in taking the Class C championship in the Los Angeles Examiner bowling tournament, is currently tied for the Class A lead with a 613. Matsumoto was one of two Nisei to win \$500 awards in the 1951 tourney. The other was Hy Sechi who took the Class A championship in the \$13,500 tournament... Meriko Ishigaki rolled with the Sacramento Produces who hit a 2113 series in the California State women's tournament in Sacramento. Two Nisei teams also rolled last week, the Riversiders hitting 2019, while Sacramento Bowl rolled 1924... Nisei bowlers did well in third round elimination matches in the 20th annual Diamond Medal tournament in San Francisco last weekend. George Inai defeated Walter Koetz, 642 to 555 in Class One, while Tad Sako trounced Frank Luporini in Class Two and Kayo Hayakawa hit a 608 to win his Class three match. Mas Moriyama and Ken Nakahara won in Class Four but Fred Shimizu and Sam Sato were defeated in Class Six... Fuzzy Shimada was eliminated in the San Francisco Bowling Writers invitational tournament last week as the original field of 16 top Bay Area keglers was whittled to eight. Shimada had 1853 for ten games last weekend for a 5715 grand total for 30 games. Shimada averaged better than 190 over the first 30 lines.

Chiyo Tashima Wins L. A. Femme Bowling Title

LOS ANGELES—Chiyo Tashima won the Los Angeles women's singles championship on March 29, defeating Lou Julian, 544 to 524, in a playoff match.

Mrs. Tashima, all-around champion at the National JACL bowling meet in Denver recently, and Miss Julian rolled identical series of 621 in regular play, necessitating the playoff match.

Mrs. Tashima rolled games of 218, 170 and 156 in the playoff at Airport Bowl in North Hollywood.

Konno Wins 1500 Meters At AAU Meet

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—A terrific finishing drive by Hiroshi Konno of Ohio State and Hawaii won him the 1500 meter freestyle championship on April 3 over Jimmy McLane of Yale, the 1948 champion, by 10 lengths.

Konno, who has never been defeated in a 1500 meter event, also defeated the 1951 defending champion, John Marshall of Yale.

Konno Will Train For Olympics Under Honolulu Coach

HONOLULU — Ford Konno will return to Hawaii to train for the Olympic Games under Yoshito Segawa who developed the star swimmer at Nuuanu YMCA in Honolulu.

Konno will return with another Ohio State swimming star, Rick Cleveland, national 100-yard freestyle champion, who will be under Coach Soichi Sakamoto.

Tomo Kai Signs Contract With Japan Pro Team

HONOLULU—Tomo Kai, infielder for the Hawaii Red Sox, came the sixth Hawaii Nisei to sign a contract with a Japanese team when he agreed to terms offered by the Osaka Kintetsu team.

His teammate Outfielder Kojima recently signed with Hanshin Tigers of Osaka. They are expected to leave shortly for Japan.

Already in Japan are Yagi, Wally Yonamine, Jyun Hara and Masato Morita.

Placer JACL Opens Season With Victory

PENRYN, Calif.—Showing surprising zip afield and amounting power at bat for so early in the season, the Placer JACL ball team came out of hibernation last day to trounce the visiting Folsom Globes by a score of 8 to 1 in the JACL recreational field.

The Folsom club already had head start with a game or two under their belt at this stage of the season, but against the onslaught of starting chucker Yo Yama and Sam Ikeda, both of whom were absent from the Nisei last year, the Globes couldn't any better than get six hits.

Third baseman "Billy" the Doman who in time looks like will fill the gap left by Jim kota, started off the Placer works as leadoff man, connected for a double and taking third an error.

Veteran secondsacker Jim koji was the man of the day 3 for 3. Shortstop Silver Folsom hit safely twice in 5.

Longest hit of the game credited to First Baseman Matsuo of the JACL in eighth with a none-on triple being robbed in two previous attempts by the rightfielder, also collected two hits.

Managed this year by Nishimoto and coached by Sunada, the local club played a pressive ball before a fine day crowd.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Takechi, a girl, Geraldine Reiko, on March 16 in Omaha, Neb.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ichiriyu, a boy, Vincent Dale, on March 2 in Omaha, Neb.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ohtani, a girl in Omaha, Neb.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben K. Miya, Blanca, Colo., a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Don K. Miya, a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Y. Watson, a girl on March 22 in Seattle (address incorrectly reported last week's issue as Denver.)

To Mr. and Mrs. Loyd M. Shibata, a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Earle Yusa, a boy, Wayne Harold, on Feb. 29 in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Takaki, a girl, Kathy Susan, on Feb. 29 in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Howard Okubo, a boy, Michael Howard, in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiromi Miyawaka, a girl, Marsha Kazuko, on March 15 in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mike Higashi, a girl, Susan Kiyu, on March 13 in Monterey, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tanaka, a boy on March 19 in Auburn, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ken Yamachi, Richmond, Calif., a boy on March 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Teshin Shibata, a boy on March 5 in Ontario, Ore., a boy on March 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo Wakayama, a girl on March 17 in Sacramento.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Sato, Cupertino, Calif., a girl, Sandra Toshiye, on March 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Daisho Tana, Palo Alto, Calif., a boy, Akira, on March 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toyoo Nitake, a boy, Michael, on March 17 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Morito Nakamoto, a girl on March 15 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Junichi Takahashi, a girl on March 4 in Stockton, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hamada, Longmont, Colo., a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Saichi Oshima, a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kouso Hatanaka, a girl, Julie Yasuko, on March 13 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tatsushi Ishida, Altadena, Calif., a girl, Christine Mari, on March 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Karl Ihara, a girl, Jacqueline Joan, on March 12 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Yoshio, a boy, Mark Randall, on March 12 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Saneichi Fukunoto, a girl, Shirley Emiko, on March 16 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hisaye Hasegawa, a boy on March 16 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tomomi Kusumoto, a boy, Kazumitsu Roy, on March 17 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masato Onishi, a girl, Peggy Naomi, on March 13 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Noboru

Takahashi a boy, Paul Henry, on March 16 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Murao Kobata, Long Beach, Calif., a boy, Brian Hiromu, on March 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shinzo Nitao, a boy, George, on March 20 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Takahashi, a boy on March 8 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hong Louis (nee Tase Cecelia Kingi), a girl, Jill, on March 14 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Matsutani, a boy in Berkeley.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Honda, a boy in Berkeley.

To Mr. and Mrs. Genichi Shimada, a boy in Berkeley.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hayazi Oda, a girl in Berkeley.

To Mr. and Mrs. Satoru Kato, Kent, Wash., a boy on March 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshihiko Kaneko, Cupertino, Calif., a boy, Richard Sumio, on March 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Kusaba, Cupertino, Calif., a girl, Doris Riye, on March 19.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Tosaya, a boy on March 28 in Seattle.

DEATHS

Mrs. Tamayo Hatago on March 24 in West Los Angeles.

Kihachi Shimoyama, 77, on March 25 in Seattle.

Mrs. Asano Wada, 69, on March 27 in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Masaye Mayeda, 58, on March 28 in Reedley, Calif.

Dr. W. J. Furuta, 38, in Chicago, Ill.

Otokichi Adachi, 72, on March 27 in Ontario, Ore.

Nadaye Nakahara (Mrs. Hisaichi Nakahara), 51, on March 28 in San Jose.

Pfc. Riyo Furumoto, Parlier, Calif., 23, on March 26 at Fort Ord, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Grace Mikamo to Hank T. Okuda, Bellflower, Calif., on March 16 in Los Angeles.

Teruko Ogami, Weiser, Ida., to Raymond Sasaki on March 23 in Seattle.

Mitsuko Yabuki to Susumu Shiba on March 22 in Los Angeles.

Judy Mayeda, Berkeley, Calif., to Nao Takasugi on March 23 in Oxnard, Calif.

Sachiko Furusho to Kaoru Hirazawa on Feb. 12 in Arapahoe, Wyo.

Helen Yoneko Morimoto to Sidney Sadao Sakane on March 9 in San Jose.

Aiko Murayama to Woodley Kimura on March 29 in Fresno.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Momoe Muramoto, 21, and Kazue Yabusaki, 29, in Seattle.

Mercy E. St. Clair, 40, and Hiroshi Tanno, 27, Fort Lewis, Wash., in Seattle.

Yukino Kamine, 24, and Harry M. Sakai, 29, Morgan Hill, Calif., in Seattle.

Kazue Nabata, 25, and Richard Yamamoto, 29, both of Spokane, Wash., in San Francisco.

Tamanaha Enters Boston Marathon

HONOLULU—Norman Tamanaha, a veteran of 20 years of distance running, will represent Hawaii in the 56th annual Boston Marathon on April 19.

Tamanaha, now 45, plans to leave Hawaii for Massachusetts on April 10 with Mrs. Tamanaha.

This will be Tamanaha's second try in the Boston event. He finished 42nd six years ago.

Marge Oda Wins Utah Women's Singles Title

OGDEN, Utah—Marge Oda of Clearfield is the new women's singles bowling champion of the State of Utah.

Marge annexed the championship at the Utah women's bowling tourney at Ogden Bowling Center last week when she hit a 563 scratch and 629 handicap series.

Seabrook Team Garners EDC Bowling Title

SEABROOK, N. J. — Seabrook Zebras, bowling "scratch," took the team championship in the EDC bowling tournament. The matches were held at Bridgeton Bowling Academy and Spiegel's Bowling Academy at Vineland. The Zebras are Joe Ogata, Kats Shiba, Kazuto Taniguchi, Jim Taniguchi and Bill Tagawa.

In singles, Jim Taniguchi's scratch score of 543 won first place honors, with Sho Nakayama of the Seabrook Chirais in the runner-up spot. Taniguchi had a field day as he knocked off also the sweepstakes prize in the high singles men's handicap. Chickie Furushima of Seabrook Mariettes walked off with the women's section of the sweepstakes. Chickie Furushima also took the women's singles handicap.

In the singles handicap, it was Wat Okamoto of Seabrook El Lobos with Jim Kitahara of the Washington JACL following him. The team of Wat Okamoto and Yosh Kono walked away with the doubles handicap.

In the doubles, scratch score winners were Joe Ogata and Kajuto Taniguchi. The handicap division team championship was put away by the Seabrook Wrappers' crew of Fred Ito, S. Yakabi, Mori Ishuin, Herb Tazumi and Mori Shimomura. The women's handicap team championship was won by the Seabrook Mariettes. The Mariettes are Toby Kato, Marge Kono, Chickie Furushima, Helen Bano and Mary Nagao.

Bill Tagawa of Seabrook was the chairman of the tournament. The teams entered in the matches were Philadelphia Hostel Hotshots, Philadelphia JACL, Seabrook Zebras, Seabrook Chirais, Seabrook El Lobos, Seabrook Wrappers, Washington, D. C. JACL; the women's teams were Seabrook Mariettes and Seabrook Okamoto Watch shop. Trophies for the occasion were donated by Seabrook Farms and Spiegel's Bowling Academy.

Okamoto, Nakauchi Take Honors in EDC Golf Meet

SEABROOK, N. J. — Harry Okamoto of Seabrook shot an 86 to win the low gross honors in the Eastern District Council golf tournament held at Ocean City Country club, Sumner's Point, last weekend. Okamoto was also the chairman of the tournament.

In the handicap flight, Frank Nakauchi of Seabrook, with a 30 handicap, made a net score of 72 to walk away with the prize in that division.

Golfers from New York, Philadelphia, and Seabrook participated in the tournament, which was held in conjunction with the EDC meeting at Seabrook.

San Francisco Saints Win Intermountain Cage Tourney

West Los Angeles Team Wins California Nisei Cage Title

LOS ANGELES—The West Los Angeles Lucky Doks claimed the California State Nisei basketball championship this week, following its 65 to 57 victory on March 30 over the San Jose Zebras, Northern California Nisei champions.

The Lucky Doks also defeated the San Jose club earlier this season in winning the Western Young Buddhists tournament.

Young Dickie Nagai was the high-pointer for the winners, scoring 22 points while Chisato Kubo tanked 19 and Hiro Kubo scored 14. Chi Akizuki led San Jose with 18.

The Zebras defeated Nisei Trading of Los Angeles on March 29 by a 52 to 45 margin.

KIMURA ENTERS OLYMPIC MAT TEAM TRYOUTS

SAN FRANCISCO—Joe Kimura, former San Francisco State college wrestler, will compete in the final tryouts for the U.S. Olympic Games wrestling team on April 18 and 19 at Ames, Ia.

Kimura won the 15th district trials in the 125-pound class recently at the UC men's gym in Berkeley, defeating Bill Donecho of the Olympic Club in the finals.

Nancy Ito, Tilers Lose AAU Contest

WICHITA, Kans. — Despite 13 points by Nancy Ito the Denver Tilers lost a 33 to 31 game to the Dallas, Tex., Hornets in the quarter-finals of the National AAU women's basketball tournament here last week.

Miss Ito sank three baskets and seven free throws.

Reginas Plan Dance

CHICAGO — The Reginas will sponsor "Combo in Spring," featuring James Ellis and his boys, on April 5 at the Monroe YWCA from 9 p.m. to 12 m.

Yempuku Seeks Teran for Higa

HONOLULU — Promoter Ralph Yempuku said this week he has offered Keeney Teran of Los Angeles a 10-round bout with Roy Higa of Honolulu on April 15.

Tommy Umeda, just back from

Living up to their pre-tournament billing, the San Francisco Chinese Saints outclassed all opposition to win the 17th annual JACL Intermountain invitational basketball tournament last week at the Hellenic gym in Salt Lake City.

The Saints outscored a game Chicago Nisei All-Stars team, 85 to 64, in the tournament finals on March 29.

The Northern Utah Nisei All-Stars edged the Salt Lake Zephyrs, 49 to 48, for third place.

The consolation round trophy was won by the Salt Lake Hellenics with a 62 to 51 victory over the Seattle Savoyes.

Cliff Wong led the Saints in the finals with 22 points, while John Okamoto matched the total for Chicago.

The Saints, rated as the outstanding Oriental basketball team in the nation, rushed to a 26 to 5 lead over Chicago in the first quarter and held a 43 to 20 bulge at halftime.

Little Jim Ishii paced the Northern Utah team with 22 points over the Zephyrs, while Pete Comas tallied 20 for the Hellenics and Ken Yoshinaka tapped in 17 for the Savoyes.

Chicago's John Okamoto received the Fred M. Toyota memorial trophy as the "outstanding player" of the tournament.

The champion Saints placed three men on the tournament all-star team. Those named were Eugene Wong, Cliff Wong and Earl Gee of the Saints, Frank Hagio of the Zephyrs and Non Wakamoto of Chicago.

The Seattle Savoyes received the team sportsmanship trophy. Awards were made at the Victory Dance which followed the tournament finals.

The Saints entered the finals with a 75 to 43 win over a game Northern Utah team, while Chicago came from behind to defeat the Zephyrs 57 to 53.

In the consolation bracket Seattle defeated the Idaho Falls JACL, 54 to 50, while the Hellenics topped the Salt Lake Centaurs, 52 to 40.

First round scores were: San Francisco Saints 76, S. L. Centaurs, 32.

Chicago All-Stars 64, Idaho Falls 63 (overtime).

Northern Utah 55, S.L. Hellenics, 43.

S.L. Zephyrs 51, Seattle Savoyes, 45.


a tour of Australia, originally was scheduled to fight Higa. Umeda left last week for California.

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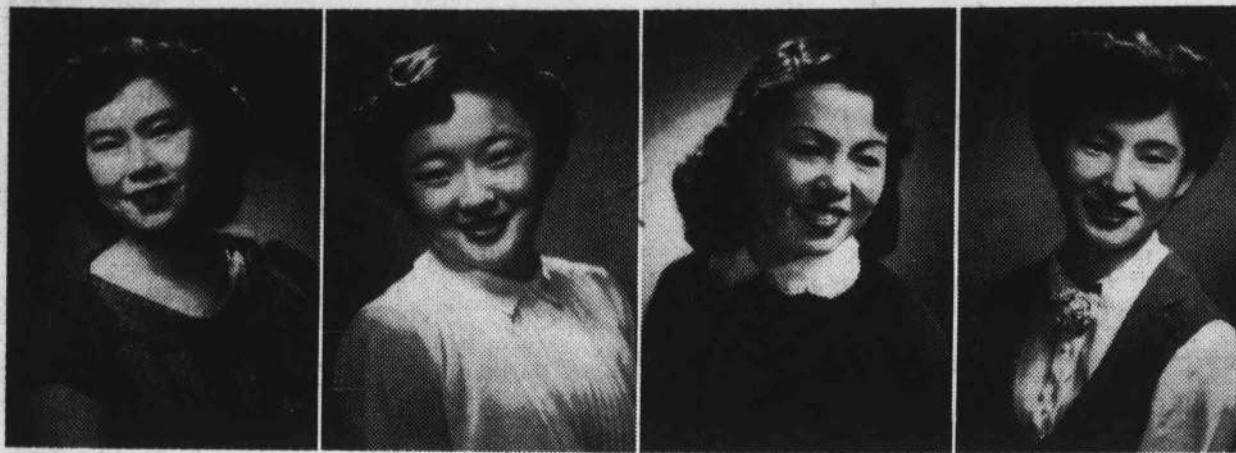
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Placer JACL to Crown Picnic Queen



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PENRYN, Calif. — The Placer County JACL will crown its "picnic queen" at the annual community-wide picnic on April 6 at the JACL recreation park near Penryn. The coronation of the queen will be a feature of picnic activities. The candidates are (l. to r.) Miwako Yoshikawa, Auburn-Lincoln, 23, Placer College graduate, sten-

ographer at the State Department of Employment; Grace Sunada, Newcastle, 20, Lincoln High graduate, insurance firm secretary; Amy Maeda, Penryn, 21, Placer High student; and Martha Iwasaki, Roseville, 19, Roseville High graduate, typist at State Department of Public Works. —Higaki Studio Photo, Sacramento.

Buddhists Plan Spring Festival At Chicago U.

CHICAGO — Local Buddhists will celebrate their annual Wesak (Dawn of Spring) Festival on Tuesday, April 8, from 8 p.m. at Mandel Hall on the University of Chicago campus.

The festival will mark the 2518th anniversary of Buddha's birth in the Garden of Lumbini in north Benares, in northeast India.

The first part of the April 8 program will consist of impressive religious rites conducted by the Rev. G. M. Kubose of the Chicago Buddhist Church, assisted by the Rev. Gyodo Kono of the Midwest Buddhist Church, the Rev. Yohaku Arakawa of the Nichiren Buddhist Church, the Rev. Shinso Hasu and the Rev. George Levy of the Shingon Buddhist sect, and the Rev. Taishi Hino, Yoshiaki Fujitani and Hidemo Asaki of the Chicago Buddhist Church.

Rev. Kubose will deliver the message of the day, "Buddha in This Chaotic World," while Dr. Francis L. K. Hsu, noted Chinese scholar of Northwestern University, will give the main address.

The religious service will begin with a procession from the rear of the hall, while the choir, led by Mrs. Dorothy B. Durfey, sings. The Wesak ceremony, which represents the bathing of the infant Buddha, will follow.

Oriental dances and music, including Chinese and Hindu instrumental numbers and dances by Ivan Saranoff and his dance group, will be featured on the entertainment section of the program. Shizuko Inbe and Jerry Green will perform several Japanese classical dances.

Fashion Models to Hold First Showing

SAN FRANCISCO — Fashion models for the National JACL convention show will make their first public appearance Sunday April 6, at a general meeting of the San Francisco chapter.

The show will also serve as an elimination contest to select winning models for the convention fashion show.

East Los Angeles, Coachella Chapters Hold Desert Outing

EAST LOS ANGELES—One of the most successful events ever undertaken by the East Los Angeles chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League was the desert outing held Sunday, March 30, with members of the Coachella Valley JACL in Coachella Valley. Approximately 75 people attended the affair which began with a picnic lunch at the Riverside County Fairgrounds in Indio.

Tom Sakai and Elmer Suski of the host chapter explained the merits of living in the valley, its opportunities for Nisei interested in farming and professional work. Later, the group toured the vicinity of Indio, viewing the All-American Canal, the resort homes and the rich agricultural area.

One of the highlights of the tour was the stop at the Sakai ranch where members of the Los Angeles chapter were privileged to pick sugar peas and squash for their own use. A stop was also made at a grapefruit packing plant where the visitors were able to purchase sacks of grapefruit at greatly reduced prices. The last stop was at a date farm where movies were shown on date production.

A caravan of ten cars made the trip from Los Angeles. Anson Fujioka, 1st vice president, was in charge of the Los Angeles group.

Panel Discusses Civic Organization

CHICAGO—"New Day for Chicago: Community Organization" was scheduled as the topic of discussion for a meeting of the Chicago Council Against Racial and Religious Discrimination on April 1 at Roosevelt College.

Slated to appear were Mrs. Chizu Iiyama, associate director, Chicago Resettlers Committee; Prof. Herb Thelan, University of Chicago; Corneff Taylor, Commission on Human Relations; William Bacon, Welfare Council; Thomas Wright, Commission on Human Relations; Mrs. Maxcey, Chicago Urban League; Hans Adler, Anti-Defamation League; and David McNamara, Catholic Interracial Council.

ARIZONA JACL PLANS PICNIC FOR COMMUNITY

GLENDALE, Ariz. — The Arizona JACL chapter is planning a community picnic to be held on April 12 at Seven Springs picnic grounds.

The picnic will feature a barbecue and athletic events for young and old.

Prizes will be given all children participating in the "undo-kai" events.

This will be the first community picnic since 1940 and a committee of 30 is now hard at work on plans. Jimmy Ozasa is general chairman.

Lindy (Porky) Okabayashi will serve as chief cook, while Mits Tanita is in charge of transportation. The games and entertainment committees are headed by Sat Tanita and Tom Kadomoto and John Glynn is in charge of transportation.

Pioneer Issei in the Salt River valley will be honored at the affair which will be attended by from 150 to 200 persons.

Seven Springs picnic ground is located 52 miles northeast of Glendale on 7th Street through Sunnyslope and Cave Creek. Signs will be posted all the way.

Chicago Minister Recovers from Major Operation

CHICAGO — The Rev. George Nishimoto, director of Ellis Community Center, is recovering following a major operation performed recently at Billings Hospital.

Complications set in after the operation but Rev. Nishimoto is now reported to have passed the critical stage.

Food Sale Held

SAN JOSE, Calif. — A luncheon food sale held by the Nisei Women's Society of Christian Service and Sunday School mothers at the San Jose Japanese Methodist Church netted \$24.55.

Part of the money will go toward the purchase of Sunday School materials and the rest into a playground equipment fund. Mrs. Shirley Iwagaki and Mrs. Kay Shimizu were co-chairmen.

Next meeting of the WSCS will be held at the church, 566 North Fifth St., on April 15.

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Slate Golf Meet For Conventioneers

SAN FRANCISCO—The words "tee-off time, 7 a.m.," should be sweet music to the ears of golf enthusiasts who attend the 12th biennial National JACL convention here June 26-30.

The Mira Vista County Club in Richmond will be the locale for the convention golf tournament Friday, June 27, according to Dr. Carl Hirota, chairman. The Mira Vista course, which is a half-hour ride from downtown San Francisco, is the home course for the University of California golf team.

Locker and shower facilities will be available for tournament entrants. An entry fee of \$5 will include lunch at the club house. The tournament is open to all JACL members attending the convention. Entry forms will be sent to chapters.

Working with Dr. Hirota on the tournament committee are Ben Matsude, Dr. Frank Saito, Clem Oyama, Gus Yoshida, Dr. Tak Takeoka, Dr. Mas Tsukasaki and Dr. Wilfred Hiura.

Stockton Chapter Has First Meeting Under New Prexy

STOCKTON, Calif.—First regular meeting of the Stockton JACL under its new president, Hiroshi Morita, was held March 28.

Pres. Morita announced the following cabinet members will serve with him: Yoshimi Terashita, first vice-president; Kayo Takechi, second vice-president; Yuki Shinoda, secretary; Tad Akaba, treasurer; George Baba, publicity chairman; Virginia Inouye, historian; Fred Dobana, welfare chairman; Kimi Shimakawa, athletic chairman; Frank Doi, delegate; Ginko Kanagaki, alternate; Jane Komure and Mas Matsuo, social chairmen; Nori Endow, publication chairman; and Sam Itayama, legislative chairman.

Sam Ishikawa, assistant national director of the JACL, and Haruo Ishimaru, regional director, spoke informally on the various functions of the organization.

Ishikawa compared the present-day JACL with the prewar organization, pointing out that it is a national organization today instead of being confined only to the West Coast.

Pres. Morita announced the chapter will start its membership drive this week. He urged Nisei in the Stockton area to support their local chapter.

Omaha JACL Holds General Meeting

OMAHA, Neb.—First general meeting of the Omaha JACL was held at the Central YWCA on March 29. Reports were given by Jack Tamai, president, on membership drive results and evacuation claims, and by Mrs. Lilly Okura on the Mountain District council meeting in Denver.

A Bingo session followed, with prizes donated by chapter members. Harry Watanabe of the Oriental Trading Company contributed more than \$25 worth of prizes toward the chapter's convention fund, which will go toward expenses of sending delegates to the JACL national convention in San Francisco.

The chapter netted \$40.45.

Issei Pioneers To Be Honored In Long Beach

LONG BEACH, Calif.—An "Issei Recognition" program will feature the annual installation banquet of the Long Beach JACL Chapter to be held on April 19.

Pioneer Issei residents over the age of 75, Issei community leaders and Issei Gold Star parents of the Korean war will be honored according to George Mio, retiring chapter president.

Newly elected officers of the chapter cabinet will be formally installed by Tats Kushida, Regional Director. The new officers: president, Mas Narita; 1st V.P., Noboru Nakamura; 2nd V.P., Frank Sugiyama; 3rd V.P., Yaye Marumoto; Corr. Sec., Ruby Mio; Rec. Sec., Nobie Narita; Treas., Fumio Takahashi, Historian, Gladys Issei; Official delegate, Fred Ikeguchi.

Principal speaker for the banquet program will be Vice-Mayor Leonard Sutter of the City of Long Beach, who had attended the recent Conference of Mayors held in Tokyo. Other public officials will attend, it was learned. Frank Ishii, prominent Nisei florist, will be the toastmaster. Following the banquet, color sound films of prewar Japan will be shown to the Issei present.

Joe Sakai and his Combo will provide the music for the dance in the Mirror Room to follow the banquet program. The banquet dance will be held at the Lafayette Hotel at Broadway and Linden in Long Beach with the program to begin at 6:30 p.m. Open to the public, reservation, tickets and information can be obtained from Fred Ikeguchi, phone L.B. 701220.

Air Freight Expert Will Speak to Nisei Airmen

LOS ANGELES—The Nisei Flyers of America will have May Thomas, freight manager of the famous Flying Tigers Line, as their main speaker at a dinner on Saturday, April 5, at the San Kor Low starting from 6:30 p.m.

Thomas is an authority on air freight transportation and will speak on "The Future of Commerce with the Orient."

Consul Kenichiro Yoshida of the local Japanese Consulate and his staff will be guests. Mr. Yoshida will give his views on trade relations between the United States and Japan.

Chairman for the evening is Attorney Frank F. Chuman.

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