



## Arizona Governor Congratulates Sato



CHANDLER, Ariz.—Gov. Pyle was among the first to congratulate Carl Sato of Mesa, Ariz., who was elected president of the Arizona State Junior Chamber of Commerce over the weekend of May 17. At left is John R. Hill, immediate past president.

Sato, well known vegetable farmer and produce dealer, was put into office after a well-organized campaign fostered by fellow members of the Mesa Jaycees.

The new state president has served four years on the boards of directors of the Mesa group and the state organization. He served as state treasurer for two years and was the first state officer ever re-elected to his post.

Sato's fellow Jaycee, Don Cooper, was named state secretary.

Gov. Pyle was keynote speaker at installation services held May 17.

—Photo courtesy of Mesa Tribune.

## Nisei Expatriates in Japan Face Economic Readjustment, No More Yankee Dollars

TOKYO—The return of full sovereignty to Japan has created a serious economic problem for hundreds of Nisei wartime strandeers, and other foreign nationals who are legal residents of Japan, who have been employed by the U. S. Occupation and have been paid in dollars.

Effective June 1, all of these persons, many of whom have worked for the occupation since shortly after V-J day and are still employed by the American garrison in Japan, will be paid in Japanese yen.

As legal residents of Japan, these persons also will be subject to the high Japanese income tax (about 50 per cent) and if they own cars, they will be forced to pay the same high tax as that levied against Japanese nationals.

Thousands of Nisei stranded by World War II in Japan went to work for the U. S. occupation forces throughout Japan as translators, clerks, office workers and maintenance personnel. A large percentage of this group already has returned to the United States but a considerable number still remains, including many who have been unable to obtain United States passports because they voted in the 1946 general elections, served in Japanese military forces during the war or took wartime jobs which were open only to citizens of Japan.

The June 1 deadline does not mean any change in status for Nisei workers who have come to Japan from the United States as Department of Army civilians and are still employed here. They will continue to be paid in dollars.

Some of those affected by the new ruling who are able to obtain American passports are planning to return to the United States where they hope to be rehired as U. S. personnel.

Hundreds of other Nisei strandeers who are planning to remain in Japan, lacking funds to return to the United States, already have taken jobs with Japanese and American and other foreign companies which utilize bilingual personnel and are being paid in Japanese yen.

It is estimated that there were upwards of 5,000 Nisei strandeers in Japan in World War II and that more than 3,000 already have returned to the United States since 1946.

## "Ma" Kiefer Welcomed by Maui Veterans

WAILUKU, Maui — A 68-year old widow who entertained more than 100 Hawaiian Nisei GIs at her modest La Crosse, Wis., home during World War II is enjoying her visit with her "boys" on Maui.

Mrs. Nellie Kiefer arrived in Hawaii by plane on April 28, accompanied by her son, George, and her daughter-in-law, Irene. Since that time the Kiefers have been feted by veterans of the 442nd Combat Team and the 100th Battalion on all of the major Hawaiian islands.

The Kiefers are spending more than a month on Maui where Nisei war veterans were responsible in sponsoring "Operation Kiefer" and obtaining support for the project from Nisei veterans throughout the territory.

The Kiefers were greeted by Maui veterans upon their arrival in Wailuku on May 11 at a "luau" at the veterans' clubhouse. They are currently relaxing at the beach home of a Nisei veteran at Kihei and will remain there until June 9.

Mrs. Kiefer participated in Memorial Day ceremonies sponsored by Maui veterans on May 30. The rites also marked the 10th year since Japanese American soldiers of the 100th Infantry Battalion left Hawaii for Camp McCoy, Wis. Soldiers of the 100th were the first Nisei GIs to be befriended by the Kiefers.

A farewell potluck dinner on June 8 on the beach at Kihei will

## Kalmucks Attend Buddhist Rites In Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA — Kalmucks, descendants of the warriors of Genghis Khan, who have resettled in the Philadelphia area have attended services of the Philadelphia Young Buddhists Association in recent weeks.

The Nisei YBA group is planning activities to help the Kalmucks meet and make new friends.

The Kalmucks, who are Tibetan Buddhists, were brought to the United States last year from displaced persons camps in Germany under the auspices of the Church World Service.

## Nisei Veteran Succumbs to War Injuries

FRESNO, Calif.—Elden Mitoshi Okada, 38, a veteran of the Pacific theater in World War II, died on May 26 of war-incurred injuries. Okada, who has been taking treatment for shell-shock since 1946, has been hospitalized for the past year.

Okada was a master sergeant at the time of his discharge.

All four of his brothers were in service and one of them was killed in action with the 442nd Regiment.

Okada was born in Watsonville and attended Selma High School in Selma, Calif., and the University of California.

He is survived by his wife, Midori, and two children, Emery and Judy, and one sister and three brothers.

Funeral rites were held on May 29.

## Salutatorian

RIVERTON, Wyo.—Lucy Ito, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ito, was chosen salutatorian recently of the 1952 graduating class at Riverton High School.

mark the end of the Kiefers' visit to Maui.

The Kiefers are scheduled to leave Honolulu by plane on June 11.

## Passage of Omnibus Measure Marks Highwater Mark in ADC's Legislative Activity

By RICHARD AKAGI

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Highwater mark of the JACL ADC legislative history was reached with the Senate passage of the JACL ADC endorsed Walter-McCarran Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization bill on May 22, following a similar House action on April 25.

The long-awaited and long-deferred action by the Congress of the United States eliminates the present racial restrictions in our immigration and naturalization laws, which have disfranchised the alien resident Japanese and excluded Japan, Korea and nations of southeast Asia from immigration privileges.

The Walter-McCarran Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization Bill, by erasing the race bar from our naturalization statutes, permits Issei to apply for American citizenship, and by repealing the Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924, extends immigration quotas to Japan.

Ever since the introduction of the Walter - McCarran omnibus measure in Congress, the JACL ADC has actively pressed for its passage. The JACL ADC, over the period of its existence, has strongly urged the enactment of legislation granting equality of treatment in naturalization and immigration for persons of Japanese ancestry.

The Walter - McCarran Bill has been the object of controversy and opposition. The JACL ADC, however, consistently holding that the omnibus legislation is an improvement over existing law, called attention repeatedly to the remedial provisions of the bill. Apart from the elimination of racial discriminations, the reinstatement, within the Walter-McCarran Bill, of the Administrative Procedure Act, which provides for fair hearings and court review, to apply to immigration cases, and liberalizations in other areas, were cited.

On April 25, the House passed the Walter omnibus measure by a vote of 206 to 68. Prior to the actual House passage, however, there was a great deal of parliamentary maneuvering by the opposition bloc, led by Congressman Emanuel Celler (Dem., N.Y.) and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr. (Dem., N.Y.).

The debate on the Walter Bill was postponed several times as a result.

Finally the Walter Bill was considered by the House after its Easter recess, which ended April 21st. The debate began on April 23rd and the measure was passed on April 25th.

The Walter Bill then went to the Senate for concurrent action.

In the Senate, the omnibus legislation was known as the McCarran Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization Bill, after its author Senator Pat McCarran (Dem., Nev.).

The first obstacle in the Senate was to move the Majority Policy Committee to schedule the McCarran legislation on the Senate calendar for debate and vote.

The chairman of the Democratic Majority Policy Committee is Senator Ernest McFarland of Arizona. Mike Masaoka, the national JACL ADC legislative director, made a flying trip out to Arizona and explained to the people of Arizona the JACL ADC's concern on the subject of immigration and naturalization. With the effective cooperation of the Arizona JACL Chapter, and its president, John Tadano, the JACL ADC expressed to Senator McFarland the desire of Arizona residents to see the McCarran Bill acted upon promptly by the Senate.

Majority Floor Leader McFarland scheduled the McCarran Bill for Senate consideration, beginning the second week in May. On May 7, the opposition made its first move to side track the McCarran Bill.

Senators Herbert Lehman (Dem., N.Y.) and Hubert Humphrey (Dem., Minn.) urged that the St. Lawrence seaway bill be considered ahead of the McCarran measure. Senator McFarland refused to yield on this matter of the calendar, and full-fledged debate on the omnibus immigration and nat-

uralization bill got under way on May 13th.

As the debate began, the opposition bloc started to file scores of amendments to the McCarran Bill. As it became apparent that the number of amendments would reach the two-hundred mark, Senator McCarran bluntly charged the opposition of "a filibuster by amendments."

On May 14th, Senator Humphrey, in a premature move, asked for recommitment of the McCarran Bill back to the Senate Judiciary Committee for further study and hearings. The motion was withdrawn by Senator Humphrey a few minutes later.

During the early portions of the Senate debate, the opposition contended that adequate hearings had not been given to the McCarran Bill and that no consideration had been given to the proposals advocated by the Humphrey-Lehman measure.

It was subsequently pointed out to the opposition by Senator McCarran that the Walter-McCarran Bill had been in preparation for more than three years and that hearings on it lasting for several months had been held.

Moreover, stated Senator McCarran, among the bills considered by the joint Senate and House committee was the Celler legislation, which contained the identical provisions now incorporated in the Humphrey-Lehman measure.

To bear out his contention that adequate hearing were held on the subject of immigration and naturalization, Senator McCarran called attention to the two thick volumes, which were on the desk of each senator, containing some of the statements submitted at the hearings. His staff then brought in a huge stack of documents, which formed the remainder of the material gathered at the hearings.

Later Senator Humphrey conceded that adequate hearings had been held on the subject of immigration and naturalization.

On May 19th, the opposition made its second thrust at stopping Senate passage of the McCarran measure. Reviving his earlier and premature motion, Senator Humphrey moved to recommit the McCarran Bill back to the Senate

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## Denver Nisei Named to Jury In Fraud Case

DENVER, Colo.—A Nisei was named this week to the jury that will hear the Fred A. Ward criminal fraud case, one of the most widely publicized cases here in recent years.

John Koji Kajiwara, a book-keeper for a dental supply company, first told William Doyle, assistant district attorney, that he did not think he would be a good juror because his mind would be on company business.

Doyle emphasized a citizen's responsibility to serve jury duty, and Fred Dickerson, defense attorney, also accepted Kajiwara tentatively as a juror. Kajiwara this becomes one of the few Nisei to serve on a trial jury.

The Nisei is a native Coloradan who formerly lived in Fort Lupton. He is a veteran of World War II.

The Ward case involves alleged fraud in obtaining a \$100,000 loan from the J. K. Mullen Company by Fred A. Ward, Denver car dealer.



## Two Steps Remain Before Equality in Naturalization Becomes Reality for Issei

### Plaintiff Given \$5,000 Settlement in Auto Crash Suit

SANTA ANA, Calif.—A judgment of \$5,000 was awarded Mrs. Konobo Okamoto of Talbert by the Superior Court last week in settlement of her suit for \$45,000 for injuries resulting from an auto accident on Nov. 22, 1950 in Huntington Beach.

Mrs. Okamoto sued Rachel S. Tye, driver of the other car, and James M. Tye, the owner.

### Baptists Name Dr. Morikawa To Committee

CHICAGO—Dr. Jitsuo Morikawa was named to the Council on Christian Social Progress of the American Baptist Church this week, the first person of Japanese ancestry to be named to a national post by the organization.

Dr. Morikawa, who is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Chicago, also made a major address as the American Baptist convention met in this city.

The Nisei pastor told the assembled Baptists that history has shown that the hope of the world lies in Christianity.

He said that after Japan was defeated, the first man to whom the prime minister turned for advice was a Christian preacher. The preacher said the prime minister admitted that Japan was defeated not because she was weak, militarily, but because she was "morally and spiritually bankrupt."

"Two different leaders of Japan learned two different gospels from America," Dr. Morikawa said. "The one learned the gospel of aggression from the schools of America and returned to his native land with a burning passion for aggression and expansion through power and conquest."

"Yosuke Matsuoka became foreign minister and it was he who led his nation into those desperate and defiant Axis pacts that touched off the terrible war."

"The other man, equally patriotic and undoubtedly more brilliant than Matsuoka, learned from an American missionary the gospel of the cross of Christ, and you know the story of Toyohiko Kagawa."

"The history of Asia would have been entirely different had the churches of America heeded the solemn warnings of the prophet of God who said 40 years ago, 'Unless we send 3,000 missionaries to Japan today, in 30 years we will be sending 300,000 American marines.'"

Dr. Morikawa, who was born in Canada, has been with the First Baptist Church of Chicago for the past eight years.

His church, which is the second oldest Baptist congregation in the city, is composed of 75% Caucasians, 23% Japanese Americans and 2% Negroes.

## Dr. Sakada Says Major Oriental Groups Back McCarran Bill

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Spearheading the endorsement of the McCarran bill by the major Oriental groups in the country, Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, National President of the JACL, expressed in a telegram to Senator Pat McCarran (Dem., Nev.), author of the immigration and naturalization legislation, the unqualified support given the omnibus measure by organizations representing Americans of Asian ancestry, the Washington Office of the Anti-Discrimination Committee reported last week.

Dr. Sakada was joined in his endorsement by Y. C. Hong, Grand National President of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance, Gen.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Two steps remain before the McCarran-Walter omnibus bill, passed by the Senate by voice vote on May 22, becomes law, Mike Masaoka, national legislative director of JACL ADC, noted this week.

Senate and House conferees must iron out points of difference between the McCarran and Walter measures. The final bill must then be approved by both houses.

The second and final step is the signing of the bill by the President.

Senate conferees were selected immediately after passage of the measure. Vice-President Barkley appointed Senators Pat McCarran, Nev., Herbert O'Connor, Md., Willis Smith, N.C., Democrats, and William Jenner, Ind., Homer Ferguson, Mich., and Alexander Wiley, Wis., Republicans.

Masaoka hailed the Senate's action in passing the bill.

"For the first time in American history, a measure providing equality of treatment for all persons of Japanese ancestry in immigration and naturalization has passed both houses of Congress," he said. "The McCarran-Walter legislation formally repeals the Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924."

Masaoka noted that enactment of legislation erasing race restrictions in existing immigration and naturalization laws has been the primary legislative objective of the JACL ADC since the end of World War II.

"During the congressional debate on the McCarran-Walter bill, the JACL ADC has been recognized by both the proponents and opponents of the measure as the leading organization urging equality in naturalization and immigration," he said.

Shortly before passage of the bill by voice vote, Sen. McCarran announced he had accepted 21 out of some 200 amendments submitted by the opposition. The accepted amendments were those which made only minor changes in the bill.

Earlier in the afternoon, the efforts of the opposition to amend the omnibus measure by replacing the national origins system with the pooling of unused quotas, and by other major changes which they have been urging, were defeated decisively on every issue.

The relatively quick end to the Senate debate came, when Majority Floor Leader Ernest McFarland (Dem., Ariz.) indicated to the members of the Senate repeatedly during the last few days that a logjam of major legislation was developing as a result of the protracted debate on the immigration and naturalization bill. He announced that the Senate would have to meet in night sessions, if the members of that body expected to adjourn by the first week in July.

Masaoka paid high tribute to Senators McCarran and McFarland for their leadership in securing Senate passage of the Walter-McCarran legislation.

Masaoka declared that it was the firm insistence on the part of both of these men that the immigration and naturalization measure not be set aside in favor of some other legislation that led to Senate victory for the measure.

Hilario C. Moncado, Supreme Life President of the Filipino Federation of America, and Chin Ha Choy, General Manager of the Korean National Association.

The telegram signed by the four national organizations, representing 90 per cent of the American citizens of Asian ancestry, stated that they endorsed "unqualifiedly" the McCarran bill as the fairest and most realistic possible approach to immigration and naturalization problems at this time.

The endorsement closed by declaring, "We, therefore, urge full support of the McCarran-Walter bill and recommend defeat of any substitute bill or crippling amendments."

## Some Americans Still Unaware Of Mass Evacuation Story

MENLO PARK, Calif. — Ten years after the evacuation of Japanese Americans from the West Coast, many Californians still are unaware of this forced mass exodus in 1942. The situation was discovered by Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California JACL regional director, following his luncheon address at a meeting of 60 members of the Rotary Club of Palo Alto-Menlo Park on Wednesday, May 28. Several Rotarians, upon learning for the first time that all Japanese were evacuated from California, remarked that this piece of information came to them "as a revelation."

Ishimaru told his audience of the objectives of the JACL for all per-

sons of Japanese ancestry and discussed both national and California legislation affecting Japanese Americans. He pointed out that the JACL, although primarily concerned with the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry, realizes that a fundamental goal should be the development and training for good American citizenship.

Henry Broderson, program chairman, introduced Ishimaru at the luncheon which was held at the Marie Antoinette Hotel in Menlo Park. Rotary president Clayton Elliott, attorney, assured the JACL official of the respect of his fellow members for the excellent record of Japanese Americans during the war years.

## Six Hawaii Nisei Political Leaders Will Help Select Candidates for U. S. Presidency

HONOLULU — Six of Hawaii's outstanding Nisei political leaders will attend the major party nominating conventions in Chicago in July as delegates from the territory's Republican and Democratic parties.

Early this month the Hawaii Democrats elected three Nisei to their six-man delegation to Chicago. They are Rep. Mitsuyuki Kido, Honolulu; Senator Tom Okino, Hilo, and former Rep. Tom T. Tagawa, Island of Maui.

Last week the territory's GOP selected three Nisei as part of the 16-man Republican delegation to the July 7 convention in Chicago. Harry S. Ozaki, Honolulu, and Supervisor Jack H. Mizuha, Island of Kauai, were named on the eight-man principal delegation. Dr. George K. Nakagawa of Honolulu was named as one of eight alternates.

The Hawaii Democratic delegation, headed by Governor Oren Long, will support the administration's choice at Chicago.

The GOP's 16-man delegation is officially uninstructed.

Both delegations are expected to place considerable emphasis on the adoption of planks in the party platforms calling for immediate statehood for Hawaii.

Eleven Nisei were elected to the GOP's territorial central committee while five others were named ex-officio members.

### Broken Spectacles Lead to Arrest of California Suspect

ST. HELENA, Calif.—A pair of broken glasses led to the arrest on suspicion of attempted rape of Frank Mochizuki of Angwin, Calif., on May 21.

Mochizuki was taken into custody by police officers when he sought to have his glasses, allegedly broken during a struggle with an 18-year old coed from Pacific Union College, repaired at a local optometrist's shop.

It was reported here that Mochizuki admitted to police officers he had struggled with the girl but denied a rape attempt. He was taken to Napa County Jail to await arraignment.

The coed told officers she was walking on a trail near the college when she was accosted by the youth. In her struggle to escape, she said, the glasses were broken. Authorities set a trap for the suspect next day in the optometrist's shop.

### Sacramento Boy Drowns in Sand Pit

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Arnold Akahori, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Akahori, drowned Friday, May 23, while swimming with friends in a sand pit near the Jibboom Street bridge.

The drowning occurred about 6 p.m.

The child was swimming with Mike Ortega and Ruben Humada and apparently became tired and went down before he could be helped, sheriff's deputies said.

His companions pulled him from the water and Mrs. C. W. Weaver took him to emergency hospital where a resuscitator was used unsuccessfully.

### Denver Councilman Hails Citizenship Record of Nisei

DENVER — City Councilman James Fresques noted the good citizenship record of Japanese American residents in a speech on May 17 before the Colorado Conference on Latin American Affairs.

Fresques, who rapped instances of police brutality against minority group prisoners, said "it has been two years since I have seen a Japanese American in police court."

He cited the existence of a Japanese American newspaper in Denver and "fifteen good organizations" as responsible for the fine citizenship record of the Nisei.

Speaking of minority groups in Denver, he said Spanish Americans number 40,000, Negroes 14,000 and Japanese Americans 2,500.

### Chicago Fund Drive To Get Underway At Kick-Off Meet

CHICAGO—The Chicago JACL ADC fund drive will get underway at an official kick-off meeting on Friday, June 6, at the Business Service Associates office.

Tahei Matsunaga, Chicago ADC chairman, will preside.

Officers for 1952 will be elected. Plans for the 1952 campaign will be outlined and kits will be passed out to the solicitors. Both Issei and Nisei workers have been assigned to each district.

### Three Stranded Win Recognition Of Citizen Rights

LOS ANGELES — Three Santa Barbara, Calif., Nisei who renounced their United States nationality in 1943 at the Tule Lake segregation center won recognition of their citizenship after filing for and being granted American passports by the State Department.

Passports were issued to Hatsu, 30, Kaoru, 27, and Megumi

## Election Issues Told Portland Nisei Voters

PORTLAND, Ore.—Resumes of the Democratic and Republican platforms and candidates were given to Nisei voters at a rally held May 13 at the Central YWCA.

Mrs. Frederic W. Young, vice-chairman of the Multnomah County Republican Central Committee, discussed candidates on the Republican ballot. Mrs. Young, who is a Republican candidate for delegate to the national convention, pinch hit at the last minute for William C. Robison.

Monroe Sweetland covered the Democratic ballot, emphasizing civil rights. He commended the group for holding the best voters rally he had ever attended.

Shirley Field explained measures on the ballot and went over the non-partisan ballot. She also brought the League of Women's Voters candidates' survey newspaper, "Know Your Candidates."

A number of candidates appeared briefly at the close of the program. Speaking were Ken Rink, Democratic candidate for nomination as representative in the legislative assembly for Multnomah County; Kenneth K. Maher, Republican candidate for Multnomah County Constable; and Phil J. Roth, Republican candidate for nomination as representative in the legislative assembly for Multnomah County.

Nisei groups sponsoring the rally held a membership percentage contest. The Veledas had the largest attendance, but their large membership held them down to 50%. The Adelphons, with 80% of their membership present, took first place.

Mitsy Kiyomura, president of the Sorelles, was presented with a \$5 token of appreciation for providing babysitters for the evening. Those taking charge of the 20 children brought were Mary Nakata, Aki Shiraishi, Namiko Miura, Rose Namba, Loretta Fujii, Alice and Jean Kida, Jean Matsumoto, Sumi Kaga, Frances Kinoshita and Miss Kiyomura. Mrs. Ted Tsuboi also provided movies for the children.

Refreshments were served with the assistance of Nescafe hostesses. Arrangements were made by Mrs. Jack Yoshitomi.

George Azumano was master of ceremonies.

Mrs. Nug Ninomiya and Dr. Matthew Masuoka were general chairmen.

Serving on committees were Mary Minamoto and Mrs. John Murakami, speakers; Mrs. James Osaki and Mrs. Ike Iwasaki, refreshments; Mieko Fujita, Mrs. Fred Fujii, Mrs. Min Takemoto and Mrs. Shig. Hongo, hostesses; Mrs. Frances Hayashi, Grace Ebihara, May Abe, Hiram Hachiyu, Kimi Tambara, Hisako Kido, Shizuko Ochai, Mrs. Fumi Sakano, Mike Michigami, Irving Yamasaki, Mrs. Tom Tsunemitsu, Mrs. Ted Tsuboi, Mrs. Ike Iwasaki and Dr. George Marumoto, telephone committee; Mrs. Jimmy Mizote, Kimi Tambara and Mary Minamoto, publicity.

Kawano, 26, after the State Department determined that their act of renunciation was the result of intimidation and coercion.

## Nisei Girl Learns Aviation As Tokyo Pilot's "Shadow"

OAKLAND, Calif.—A Nisei girl is the official "shadow" of the first Japanese pilot to receive flight training on the Pacific coast since 1941.

The pilot, Masahiro Tohgi, 38, chief pilot for the Asahi newspaper in Tokyo, and his shadow, Kiku Hori, 27, San Francisco, are attending the Taloa Academy of Aeronautics at Oakland Municipal Airport.

Tohgi's English is not too good so Miss Hori, who recently completed a stewardess course at Oakland Airport, has been assigned to "shadow" him through all his ground school classes and pre-flight and post-flight conferences, and on some flights aloft, to translate. This keeps her occupied

eight hours a day, five days a week.

Tohgi arrived recently from Japan to take a refresher course and to qualify for instrument flying, helicopter and other commercial flight ratings.

In World War II Tohgi was a transport pilot in the Japanese Air Force and was shot down by an American P-40 pilot in Java. Though he has logged 8600 hours in the air, he has been grounded since the war under the terms of the armistice. The return of sovereignty to Japan removed the bans of the armistice.

Miss Hori was a personal shopper for an exclusive San Francisco women's apparel store following her graduation from the University of California.

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## Midwest JACL Leaders Meet in Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—A number of vital organizational problems were under discussion Saturday, May 31, as the JACL Midwest district council met in this city at the Hotel Schroeder.

Delegates from the eight participating chapters were scheduled to lay down a tentative program for maintenance of the Midwest regional office of the JACL, now located in Chicago. Primary considerations relate to the raising of funds for keeping the office open.

Also slated for discussion were suggested travel pool to help district council chairmen meet expenses incurred in traveling to National JACL conventions; the site of the next MDC meeting; and the question of proportional representation to national council meetings.

Mike Masaoka, ADC director, and Masao Satow, national director, were to address the delegates.

Other reports were slated to be given by Bill Sadataki, treasurer; Harold Gordon, 1000 Club Midwest representative; Mari Sabusawa, committee on discrimination in education; Hirao Sakurada, Pacific Citizen board member; and Richard Akagi, Midwest representative for the JACL.

A number of special activities were planned by the Milwaukee JACL, host chapter, headed by Nami Shio, president.

A mixer on May 30 preceded regular sessions on May 31. A golf tournament and a dinner dance were on the agenda for delegates.

## New York JACL Names Chairmen for ADC Drive

NEW YORK CITY — Tokichi Matsuoka and Stanley T. Okada, leading members of the New York Japanese American community, have been announced as honorary chairmen for the local chapter's 1952 ADC fund drive.

Matsuoka is president of the Nisei Jinkai. Okada is a leader in the New York Buddhist Church.

Woodrow W. Asai, president of the JACL, will be general chairman, with the following assistants: Sneyhiko Takami, treasurer; Yoshiko Mori and Ricki Suzuki, secretaries; Mitty Kimura and York Inuchi, auditors; Clara Clayman, Akira Hayashi, Thomas T. Hashi, Jean Ito, Mary Konagami, Frank K. Okazaki, Joe Oyama, Mrs. Yurino Starr and Ina Sugihara, campaign committee.

The quota for the drive is \$4,000, and the chapter hopes to reach this amount by June 30.

Checks or pledges may be sent to the JACL at Hamilton Grange Station, P.O. Box 75, New York 24, N.Y., or to any member of the campaign committee.

## Verbal Fireworks Feature JACL Chapter's Open Forum

LIVINGSTON, Calif. — Verbal fireworks sparked by Congressman Oakley Hunter, Republican candidate for reelection, and his Democratic opponent, District Attorney Donald Mayes of Merced County, featured the political open forum sponsored on May 19 in Eiland hall by the Livingston - Merced chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Eight candidates seeking two contested and four uncontested offices in the June 3 primaries and representatives of U. S. Senator William Knowland and his Democratic opponent, Rep. Clinton McKimmon, spoke before the JACL members and their friends.

The oratorical pyrotechnics were concentrated in the speeches of Rep. Hunter and Mayes and talks by the opponents for the Superior Court judgeship, incumbent Judge Gregory Maushart and Chief Deputy District Attorney C. H. McCray.

Other candidates who appeared, all of whom are unopposed, were John H. Mahoney, Livingston district judicial court judge; Keith Johnston, candidate for the Republican central committee from Livingston; John Roth, GOP committee candidate from Merced, and

## Candidate in Chicago Contest



CHICAGO—Dorothy Kanii, 19, president of the Silhouette Girls Club, is one of the candidates for "Miss Charmin" in the Chicago JACL's "Operation Octopus," its 1952 JACL ADC fund drive.

Miss Kanii is being sponsored by the Enterprisers Club. She is shown with the 1952 Ford which is the major prize in the "Operation Octopus" fund campaign.

## Sen. Humphrey Asks JACL Support of Substitute Bill

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Specifically addressing the JACL, Sen. Hubert Humphrey, D., Minn., chief spokesman of the bloc which opposed passage of the McCarran Omnibus bill, cited provisions of the "substitute" bill during his speech to the Senate on May 21.

Taking cognizance of the strong and active support given by the JACL ADC to the McCarran measure, which includes a provision for equality in naturalization and immigration, Sen. Humphrey observed that the "Senator from Nevada makes note of the fact that the Japanese American Citizens league supports the measure."

The Minnesotan stated he knew the reason for the JACL's support of the McCarran bill and quoted from a letter written by Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, to Sen. Pat McCarran, D., Nev.

The Masaoka letter, as read by Sen. Humphrey, said: "As you are well aware, our

organization has been in the forefront of those who have urged the extension of naturalization rights to all loyal aliens, without regard to race or national origin. In addition, we have strongly advocated the complete repeal of the Oriental Exclusion Act, which will abolish needless barriers to understanding between our government and the peoples of the Far East.

"The elimination of these racial prohibitions, as provided by your bill, is not only a long-deferred justice but will have an enormously salutary effect upon our international relations."

Sen. Humphrey then called attention to the substitute bill which also provides abolition of racial discrimination as they relate to Asians.

"I would say to my friends from the Japanese American Citizens League—and I have many friends in that organization," Sen. Humphrey told the Senate, "that their support of the McCarran bill is primarily support, as they have testified, for the areas of the bill which remove all types of discrimination, and which provide for the removal of the Oriental exclusion provisions of the present immigration law."

After voicing his objections to the McCarran bill, which he called a "legislative maze trap," the Minnesota senator launched into an exposition of the substitute measure.

"What does our substitute provide?" he asked.

"First, I may say to the Japanese American Citizens League, it completely and totally removes racial barriers as a means of disqualification for naturalization and for admission into the United States," said Sen. Humphrey, "in other words, the Exclusion Act is repealed and racial discrimination, insofar as Orientals are concerned, is removed."

In commenting later on Sen. Humphrey's clear cut bid for JACL support of his position, a member of the Senate staff of the subcommittee on immigration and naturalization which prepared the McCarran bill declared that Senate passage of the Lehman-Humphrey proposals would mean the JACL would get no immigration or naturalization legislation through the current session of Congress, since the joint conference between the Senate and House conferees on this subject would be stalemated by the inability of the

## Opponents of Omnibus Bill Reported Asking President Veto Controversial Measure

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Truman this week was being urged by opponents of the McCarran-Walter omnibus immigration and naturalization bill to veto the measure.

Although a source close to the President predicted a White House veto while the McCarran bill was being debated in the Senate, Mr. Truman himself has given no indication of his course of action.

At his news conference on May 22, a few hours before the McCarran bill passed the Senate by voice vote, declined to comment on a question whether he would veto the bill, although he did state that he would veto the recent tidelands oil measure.

President Truman observed that he did not like to comment on legislation until it was before him.

Differences in the House and Senate versions of the omnibus immigration and naturalization bills are being ironed out by a joint committee and both houses are expected to pass the final version of the measure recodifying the nation's immigration and naturalization statutes shortly after the congressmen return after the Memorial Day holiday. Mr. Truman will not get the bill for signature until early in June.

The opposition to the immigration bill, led by Sen. Herbert H. Lehman, D., N. Y., and Hubert Humphrey, D., Minn., collapsed late on the legislative day of May 22 when it became obvious that the supporters of the McCarran bill were in the majority. The opposition was unable to muster more than 30 votes in any of the tests put on record. Its members spoke to almost completely empty seats for days and in the whole course of debate Sen. McCarran alone took the floor to defend the measure under hot and persistent attack.

"It appeared that the Senate largely was relying on and ready to support with votes the recommendations presented by the committee and its staff," the New York Times commented on May 23.

The New York Times stated in an editorial that the McCarran bill "should not be passed in anything like its present form; and if passed it deserves the veto which it will probably receive."

On May 24 the Washington Post, another editorial opponent of the measure, expressed its hope the President would send the "McCarran-Walter hodge-podge . . . back to Capitol Hill so that the 83rd Congress can have an opportunity to reconsider and improve it."

The Post commented, in part: "The McCarran and Walter bills are not only exclusionary; they are exclusionary to a certain extent in racist terms unbecoming to the

world's foremost democracy. Under circumstances, moreover, they deal harshly and summarily with aliens in ways unbecoming to a country proud of its free institutions and its judicial processes. Having waited so long for a comprehensive revision of its immigration and naturalization law, the United States ought to have a better than this McCarran-Walter hodge-podge."

The Times reported that the Lehman-Humphrey opposition was hoping for a presidential veto and reached the conclusion that if a White House veto were invoked, the supporters of the McCarran bill could be blocked from mustering the two-thirds majority required to pass the measure over presidential disapproval.

## Wyoming Girl Gives Valedictory Talk at Graduation

WORLAND, Wyo.—Grace Ujifusa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ujifusa, was chosen valedictorian of the 1952 graduating class of Washakie County High School in Worland recently.

She also has been awarded a scholarship from the University of Denver.

## Membership Drive Initiated by Long Beach JACL

LONG BEACH, Calif.—A house to house membership campaign for the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL Chapter has been launched by membership chairman Sue Takimoto Joe, President Mass Narita, announced this week.

Membership of the chapter covers the Long Beach, Wilmington, San Pedro, Palos Verdes and Paramount communities.

Official chapter delegates to the 1952 convention in San Francisco were selected at a recent cabinet meeting. Fred Ikeguchi will accompany President Narita as official delegate. Alternate delegates are Mrs. Joe and Nobie Narita.

## Modest Nisei War Hero Says Little About Korean Action

PORTLAND, Ore. — First Lt. Mineo Inuzuka, a modest hero if there ever was one, left Portland on May 23 for reassignment following a leave with his family and with no wish to display his considerable number of medals.

Inuzuka, a veteran of six years in the Army including service with the 442nd Combat Team in World War II and 18 months in Korea, is one of the most decorated Nisei in the U.S. Army.

When interviewed by the Portland Oregonian, Lt. Inuzuka didn't want to talk about his medals and didn't have much to say about the actions in which he participated. One of them won him the Distinguished Service Cross, the nation's second highest military award. That was for leading a platoon to capture of an enemy hill position in Korea.

Inuzuka, assigned to the Air Corps in Korea after a year with the infantry, won the Distinguished Flying Cross last November for sending his pilot to fly low under

conferees to come to agreement. He predicted the House conferees would support the provisions of the House-approved Walter bill, a companion measure to the McCarran proposal. He noted that the House had voted down provisions now embodied in the Lehman-Humphrey substitute when they were presented as amendments to the Walter bill by Reps. Emanuel Celler and Franklin L. Roosevelt, Jr., D., N. Y.

heavy fire while he spotted and marked hidden Red mortars.

The Nisei officer also holds the Bronze Star Medal, the Silver Star, two Air Medals, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Purple Heart and the Korean service medal with five stars together with awards he received while in the famous 442nd.

Inuzuka, now 26, was just about to graduate from Franklin High School in Portland when he and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Inuzuka, were evacuated from their home in Portland to the Minidoka war relocation center in 1942. He finished high school in evacuation camp.

After serving with the 442nd Regiment in Italy and France, Inuzuka was discharged in 1946. He reenlisted as a private in the infantry in 1948.

In Korea, Inuzuka participated in the Inchon landings and was one of the infantrymen who fought their way nearly to the Yalu River and then fought their way out of entrapment after the Chinese Communists joined the North Koreans. The ex-member of Boy Scout troop 66 of Portland won a battlefield commission in May, 1951.

When Lt. Inuzuka's name came up for rotation he asked to stay another year on combat duty overseas, but the Army wouldn't let him have it. He doubts if he will get back to Korea on his new assignment.

As for making the Army his career, it's still debatable, he told the Oregonian reporter.



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## EDITORIALS:

### A Racially Derogatory Term

Asking a headline writer to give up use of the word "Jap" is roughly comparable to asking a politician not to use "I" in his speeches. It can be done, but it isn't easy.

Thus word from New York that the Newspaper Guild's campaign to eliminate "Jap" from New York newspapers is making some headway there is gratifying news. "Japanese" is too cumbersome a word for headlines. "Nisei" is not always acceptable or suitable. A member of the copy desk, harassed for time, can't be too much maligned if he falls back upon "Jap."

However, it still remains that the word is derogatory, that its use is highly offensive and that it is the lone racially derogatory word in general use in the press. And it can always be said that the New York Times never once, throughout the war, found it necessary to descend to its use.

The Newspaper Guild and the New York JACL are to be congratulated for taking on this campaign which, in the nature of things, might seem a small matter but is, in reality, a matter of principle and one of import to many Nisei Americans.

The daily newspaper's influence in the shaping of American thought and opinion is so enormous that editors and publishers must be cognizant of the responsibility that is theirs. Part of that responsibility lies in seeing that no part of the daily paper shall be used to malign or ridicule a minority group.

So long as the Nisei American group is in a vulnerable position because of racial ancestry, so long will there remain the need for being alert to such negative influences as careless use of the word "Jap."

### The Nisei in the Occupation

The impact of the Nisei, soldiers and civilian workers alike, in the successful occupation of Japan by the U. S. Army has not been viewed in its proper perspective, in the view of San Francisco-born George Kiyoshi Togasaki, president of the Tokyo English-language daily, the Nippon Times, who is visiting in the United States.

"The importance of the role of the Nisei in the successful operation of the Allied occupation has not been adequately reported," he told a Berkeley audience last week.

"The Nisei provided the lubrication which made the occupation work smoothly," he said. "Not many held important official posts, but the individual soldier who went out to interpret or sat at a desk to translate were invaluable assets to the occupation."

Thousands of Nisei have served and are still serving in Japan in the aftermath of what probably will go down as the most successful and benevolent military occupation in modern history. The occupation might not have gone so well, however, without the special bilingual talents of trained Nisei GIs and civilian personnel who served as a liaison force between the conqueror and the conquered.

Equally as important as the services performed by these Nisei in Japan was the psychological effect on the Japanese population of the sight of soldiers of Japanese ancestry in American uniform which gave the lie to race war propaganda of the militarists who had taken the people of Japan to the edge of oblivion.

## Tomi Kanazawa Wins Acclaim As Metropolitan's "Butterfly"

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — The first Nisei soprano to sing with New York's Metropolitan Opera Company scored a personal success here on May 18 when the touring Met troupe presented Giacomo Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" before an audience of 4,300 in Northrup auditorium.

Tomi Kanazawa, already known to Minneapolis audiences through a summer concert she gave at the University of Minnesota, won the acclaim of the audience in the role of the tragic Japanese heroine. Norman Houk, reviewing the performance in the Minneapolis Morning Tribune, noted that it was Miss Kanazawa's debut with the Metropolitan company.

"So it was understandable that nervousness hardened her tone a little in the opening of the first act, but her voice was soon as

fluid and graceful as the gesture and posture with which she invested her role," Houk said.

The reviewer continued: "Her characterization of Madame Butterfly was not a mere fluttering of the hands and coy glances. It had grace and line from the toes up and, of course, an innate sense of how to wear and manage her gorgeous costumes."

"Her voice is not conspicuously large, though there is plenty of tone for the climaxes and her projection is good. The low position of the asbestos curtain during the first act was an acoustic handicap all around. Miss Kanazawa's vocal and dramatic success was beyond question as gauged by the 'bravas,' the enthusiastic applause and the curtain calls."

Drian Sullivan sang Lt. Pinkerton and Mildred Miller, mezzo, was Suzuki.

## "Japanese in the Americas" New Immigrants in Peru

By ELMER R. SMITH

Attempts to bring Japanese laborers to Peru in 1897 resulted in only a few coming during that year. The year 1898 saw about 1,200 Japanese laborers arriving in Peru, but by 1900 at least a third of them had returned to Japan.

It should be pointed out at this point that authorities are not agreed upon the figures for Japanese in Peru during this period. One source states that only 790 Japanese were in Peru in 1899. K. Ikeyama states that the first large number of Japanese arrived in 1899. These numbered about 800. All of the 1899 Japanese immigrants were under four-year contracts to some of the very large sugar haciendas.

Stories concerning the first Japanese in Peru give evidence that they were not very highly regarded. They were said to be disorderly and rough in their conduct. They were said to be in continued strife with the "Cholos" and Chinese. The Japanese did not remain very long in agricultural pursuits, but became domestic servants, small shopkeepers, proprietors of little coffee houses, etc. This type of activity followed in the steps of the Chinese before them.

The year 1903 saw another attempt to bring in Japanese laborers, but this was less successful than before. There were 984 persons who arrived in this group, and almost half of them died in the sugar cane fields.

From 1904 to 1906 a few Japanese continued to arrive in Peru in small isolated groups. These came almost always at the request of Peruvian landowners, and with no intention of settling down as permanent members of Peruvian society. This small influx of temporary Japanese created no serious objection on the part of the other Peruvian peoples, but there was some evidence of growing reluctance to allow the Japanese to become established in towns or industry other than agriculture.

The Russo-Japanese war seemed to create more antagonisms against the Japanese in Peru. This antagonism and growing suspicion against the Japanese rested in the belief that Japan was an imperial nation and her subjects could not be trusted. At the same time, however, there were feelings in many official quarters in Peru that offense could not be given to the Imperial Japanese government because of its expanding prestige in the Orient.

Peruvian politicians in 1905 introduced into the Senate a bill forbidding mass Asiatic immigration. The landowners appointed a commission to study the problem of Asiatic immigration, and it reported that factors were favorable for permitting immigration of Asiatics, especially Japanese, if rigidly controlled.

The Chief of the Immigration Service reported in 1905 that no serious danger resided in the immigration of Asiatics, but the more serious danger would be in the imposition of prohibitions against immigration which might offend "the excessive pride and suspicion" of the Chinese and Japanese.

The tendencies to control immigration of Asiatics to Peru result-

ed in the suggestion that immigration could be restricted to workers between 20 and 40 years old, "in good health and under a labor contract not longer than six years, after which time the agency which had brought them to Peru would be bound to repatriate them." It was also suggested that the Asiatic immigrant could be forbidden to reside in towns or to enter certain specified industries.

The situation was very much at a standstill as far as the control of Asiatic immigration was concerned. Much debating and propaganda was carried on by various supporters of the many suggestions for controlling immigration.

Such was the situation in 1906 when the third "wave" of Japanese immigrants came to Peru. These numbered 774 persons, and they were under contract to work on the haciendas in the Canete Valley. The mortality rate was high, and many died. This fact, plus the rising objections to the Japanese entering the Peruvian area and others along the North American Pacific Coast, caused the Japanese Government to decide to permit immigration only to specific countries where less negative feeling were present.

The years between 1910 and 1912 included a boom and bust period in Peruvian economic history. It was during these years that the rubber boom rose to dizzy heights only to collapse with sudden confusion. At one time during the expanding rubber economy, a great demand was made to bring in Asian laborers, but as quickly the attitudes of the Peruvians changed to one of control and even outright exodus of the immigrant Asiatic labor.

One fact is of importance at this critical period in Peruvian immigration history. No distinction was made between Chinese and Japanese. After 1909 no Chinese immigration took place to Peru. This was because the Porras-Wu Ting-fang Agreement put an end to Chinese immigration to Peru.

All references to "Asiatics" and "Oriental immigration" after this period relates to Japanese, and all restrictive measures leveled at "Asiatics" are likewise referring to Japanese. The same forces which worked to bring about Chinese exclusion from Peru were fermenting and directing their force against the Japanese.

The agitation carried on by California, Washington and Oregon in the United States against the Japanese had their repercussions felt in Peru.

## ADC and the Omnibus Bill

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Judiciary Committee for further study and hearings.

If the move had succeeded, the McCarran Bill would have been lost for this session of Congress.

The Senate defeated the motion to recommit by a vote of 44 to 28. This was the first Senate victory for the McCarran Bill, and pretty well established the general Senate sentiment favoring the omnibus legislation.

The second test for the McCarran measure came on May 21st, when Senator Lehman offered a substitute bill to displace the McCarran omnibus legislation. The Senate defeated the substitute bill by a margin of 51 to 27. Excepting the actual passage by the Senate of the McCarran Bill itself, this was the most serious obstacle yet overcome, by the omnibus immigration and naturalization legislation.

Passage of the Lehman substitute bill would have meant a stalemate in the subsequent conference between the Senate and House conferees, since the Lehman substitute measure differed radically from the House-passed Walter Bill.

On the day following the action on the substitute bill, May 22nd, the Senate began to consider the

eight key amendments offered by the opposition to the McCarran legislation. Principally, the proposed amendments dealt with the pooling of unused quotas, the abolition of the Asia-Pacific Triangle formula, and the reinstatement of the Administrative Procedure Act to apply to deportation and immigration cases.

Actually, despite the contentions of opposition, the reinstatement of the Administrative Procedure Act to apply to deportation and immigration cases had already been provided for in the Walter-McCarran legislation.

It took the entire afternoon of that day to debate three of the eight key amendments advanced by the opposition. Most of the time was consumed by the opposition. The three amendments were defeated in the order of their appearance.

As the Senate moved into its night session, Senator Wayne Morse (Rep., Ore.) was presenting the case for the fourth amendment. Shortly before seven o'clock the Senate voted on Senator Morse's amendment. It was defeated.

And that was the end of the fight. Senator Humphrey, the chief spokesman for the opposition, then

## MINORITY WEEK

"Ideally, we suppose, civil rights, like foreign policy, should be supported by a bipartisan coalition in fact as well as in word. But the only effective bipartisan coalition in recent years has been that of the Democrats and Republicans against civil rights. This alliance has been election after election only to dominate between elections. The task now posed before us all is clear. It will not be enough to secure uncompromising civil rights platform pledges, nor even to elect a president honestly committed to them; we must also elect a Congress that in 1953 will usher in a real revolution to make all Americans completely free and America an untarnished leader of the free world." —The New Leader, May 26.

### No Progress

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the American Jewish Congress released last week their joint release on the state of civil rights in 1951, and the summation was roughly, neither good nor bad—just fair.

The report noted that civil rights made no outstanding advances in 1951, that there was an increase in violence "designed to maintain existing intergroup inequality" and that the federal, state and local governments have been either unwilling or unable to cope with such violence.

The report wasn't all so gloomy. It noted the breaking down of segregation in southern colleges and in the armed forces (the army excepted).

But all in all, in a year when so much was said about civil rights woefully little was done.

### Canadian Minority

Skipping across the border, we note that Chinese Canadians (of whom there are 35,000) have started a program to teach education and citizenship to their group. Meeting recently in Toronto, the Chinese Canadians discussed plans to establish community centers in 30 Chinese communities.

"We cannot look to others to teach us these things," said E. C. Mark, vice-chairman of the Toronto group. "We must teach them to our people ourselves."

The group also passed a resolution asking Immigration Minister Walter E. Harris to give the Chinese the same immigration rights as other persons.

### Good News

Here's a happy note: According to Raymond M. Foley, FHA and HFA administrator, 230 new projects now being planned under the Housing Act of 1949, 42% will be for interracial occupancy.

The decision for the interracial policy came in all instances from local authorities.

Foley reported that in 1942 there were only 21 such projects in which housing was allocated on a non-segregated basis, compared to 11 in 1950.

### Navaho Plea

A recent ten-year-plan for the rehabilitation of the Navaho tribe will die aborning unless the Senate restores certain cuts made in funds by the House of Representatives, according to the Association on American Indian Affairs.

The Bureau of the Budget originally approved a 20 million dollar fund, but the House cut out funds allocated for soil and moisture conservation.

The Association, in asking the Senate vote to restore the funds, pointed out that the Navahos are ridden by poverty and disease, living in a vast, arid country that needs to be developed and the people are to be made sustaining.

rose to say that no more amendments would be offered since it was quite apparent that the Senate was in no frame of mind to accept them.

With the sudden and complete collapse of the opposition, the Senate took up for vote the pending legislation, the Walter Bill, amended by the Senate.

The Senate by a voice vote passed the Walter Omnibus Bill, amended by the Senate.

Only the president's signature needed to make it law.





Michi Okamoto is shown here checking lines of the play, "Wedding in Japan," with Gould Maynard (left) and Ted Pollock, the author. Miss Okamoto played the leading role of the Japanese girl who marries a Negro GI, played by Mr. Maynard. The drama, which was well received by New York critics in 1949, was produced by the Dramatic Workshop of the New School. Miss Okamoto later appeared in summer stock in the play opposite the late Canada Lee.—Photo by Toge Fujihira.

## Nisei Actress Helps Combat Race Stereotyping on TV

New York City Nisei and other Oriental American performers are doing their part to combat the racial stereotyping of minority groups on network TV programs.

And they are getting the support of TV stars and producers. Michi Okamoto, stage and television actress, told of what happened on CBS-TV's "Man Against Crime" show, a weekly program with a mystery format which stars Ralph Bellamy.

Miss Okamoto and four other Nisei and Chinese American actors appeared with Bellamy on his show on May 8 which dramatized the story of the extortion of money from Chinese Americans by persons inside Communist China who held the relatives of U.S. Chinese as hostages.

"During rehearsals we came across derogatory lines such as a pun on 'no tickle, no washee,'" Miss Okamoto said. "However, Mr. Bellamy and Melville Burke, the director, did not hesitate to delete these lines."

"It was also troubling that the only Chinese American character portrayed prominently was a Communist agent," Miss Okamoto added. "Mr. Bellamy agreed that this might be damaging to the majority of loyal Chinese Americans and was careful to stress the difference in the final scene."

"This incident marks progress and is encouraging particularly to Oriental actors who must often decide whether or not to sacrifice integrity in order to work," the Nisei actress concluded.

Miss Okamoto commended the JACL's National Committee Against Discrimination in Entertainment and Allied Fields for its positive and successful stand against the TV showing of wartime movies slandering the Nisei.

Michi Okamoto has appeared as Maria in Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" and in productions of "Meet the People," "Princess Turandot" and Jean-Paul Sartre's "The Flies."

A native of Sacramento, she was living in San Francisco at the time

of the evacuation. She was relocated with her mother, Mrs. Henry Kusama, now of Chicago, to the Topaz WRA center in Utah where she attended high school and played the role of Emily in the school's production of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town."

## Ann Nisei's Recipes: What to Do With the Catch When the Shrimp Boats Are In

Shrimps are one of the ocean's real blessings. Their delicate flavor and colorful appearance make them among the best eating and best appearing foods. To keep their delicacy of flavor and texture, however, it's important to handle shrimps with a light touch. Never overcook them, for they turn tough.

Shrimp tempura (shrimp dipped in batter and fried in deep fat) is wonderful stuff, but when the batter is made into a lacy, doily-like shape, it's a rare treat.

### Lacy Shrimp Tempura \*

Clean two pounds of fresh shrimp, removing black vein and shell, but leaving tails. Slit down back, lay flat on board and pound lightly with flat side of knife to make shrimp lie flat.

#### Mix together:

- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup cornstarch
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon monosodium glutamate
- 1 egg, beaten

Add 1½ cup water and mix.

Heat sufficient oil for deep frying in large, thick pan. Oil is hot enough when a bit of batter dropped into it rises immediately to the surface.

Dip fingers into batter and sprinkle on the oil. Repeat several times to make lacy background. Then dip three or four shrimps into batter and place carefully on the lacy background. Sprinkle more batter on top of shrimps. After one minute, turn and cook on other side.

Drain on paper towels and serve hot.

We suggest you use a tomato catsup sauce for this: Season catsup to taste with a dash of soy sauce, fresh grated horseradish and dry mustard moistened with a little water.

Chicken, shrimp and China peas combine beautifully in the following dish which is a variation of yose-nabe, a sort of chowder which

## Vagaries

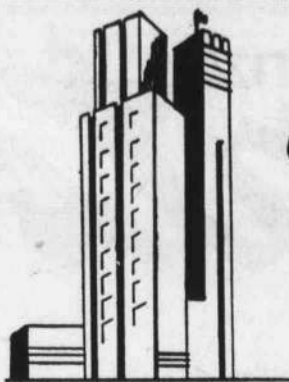
### Casting Calls . . .

Most Nisei getting casting calls currently in Hollywood are going to work in Universal-International's "Willie and Joe Back at the Front" which takes Bill Mauldin's GIs back to war in Korea. The film has a Japanese Occupation background and among the Nisei before the cameras are Frank Iwanaga, May Takasugi and Rollin Moriyama. Exteriors were taken in Japan but interior scenes are being filmed in Hollywood. Tom Ewell is the star. . . . Eddie Imazu is co-art director with Jack Smith of the big new MGM musical, "I love Melvin," which stars Donald O'Connor and Debbie Reynolds.

Richard Kageyama, young Army veteran who was the first Japanese American to be elected to the Honolulu Board of Supervisors and served two terms, will be a candidate for his old seat at the coming Honolulu election. Kageyama decided not to run in 1950 after telling the House un-American Activities subcommittee of past Communist party membership. He was a "friendly" witness before the committee. At present he is in the real estate and insurance business. . . . A Honolulu bakery is now sponsoring a weekly hour-long Japanese language dramatic program featuring many of Japan's leading performers. The programs, dramatizations of famous Japanese plays and novels, are broadcast over the Japan Broadcasting Company's network and are tape-recorded and air-expressed to Honolulu. . . . A number of U.S. film companies have visited Japan in recent years to make films and now a Japanese company, Shinto, is sending a troupe to Hawaii to make a picture. The story is expected to be about persons of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii and will star Hideko Takamine, Ryo Ikebe and Ken Uehara.

### Ike's Bandwagon . . .

Nisei GOP supporters are mostly on the "I Like Ike" band. (Continued on page 7)



## A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

### A Note on the Drama

I have been meaning to write a note to Mrs. Mary Mittwer, a Los Angeles Nisei columnist, about a couple of plays I am writing. The stomach operation overtook me and caused me to adopt a delaying action.

Mrs. Mittwer is one of the shining and guiding lights of an ambitious group of Nisei thespians in the sunshine belt who are looking for new material which might be suitable for presentation in the Lil' Tokyos of the West Coast. They have produced, with much success, one play titled "The Plums Will Wait," I believe, and are looking for new heights to scale.

As far back as I can remember, and this goes back to those hazy dazey days of the 1920s and 1930s, the Nisei drama movement has been very stagnant. About the only attempts were made at Christmas time in the various churches, with traditional Yuletide playlets. There were a couple of YMCA extravaganzas and benefits which lured a few stalwarts to do a one-act comedy or to dance the can-can to the tune of a squeaky record. The Buddhist groups have been rather active with Japanese situation dramas which had strong Issei overtones and tailored to the Issei tastes.

There have been writers' clubs and groups in the past few decades, but nothing in the way of Nisei dramatic clubs, until a few years back. This is a very commendable trend. Of course the movement has been hampered due to the lack of good suitable plays which might interest both the Nisei and Issei. Nisei playwrights have been very few and far between. So have plays with a Nisei background. As far as Nisei actors and actresses are concerned, I think the woods are filled with good potential material. The younger generation has taken to acting like a duck to water. What is needed are a few good plays.

### Rules of the Game

What I wanted to tell Mrs. Mittwer, Molly as I knew her, is that I do not have a sure-fire hit on my hands that is aching to be produced. A few possibilities, yes, but my dramatic output has been very sketchy.

I had in mind a good idea. It was to be sort of a 1950 "All Quiet on the Western Front," with a Japanese background. I took my treatment and outline of the play to an expert at Columbia and he turned it down. He said it did not ring true. He thought I would be wasting my time attempting something on that order.

Therefore, I became acquainted with rule number one in the gentle art of playwriting . . . write only on subjects and experiences which you are familiar with.

I could write about a Nisei GI, being one myself, but to try to analyze the sentiments and emotions of a Japanese army man is out of my range.

Rule number two is quite simple and quite elementary to all writers in the field of drama . . . there must be a conflict. Said conflict is resolved during the course of the three acts, usually in the third act.

Rule number three is that the characters must be alive and dynamic so that their personalities are projected out beyond the footlights.

### On the Fire

So, with one eye cocked on the above, I decided that I must treat only subjects that are familiar to me.

I came up with two fairly decent ideas which might serve as a format for respectable plays and which might be suited to Issei and Nisei audiences.

Both are of the old cliché school and therefore quite discouraging to me. Number one is the old story of the conflict between the Issei and the Nisei. It has a rural background, with the elder Mr. Hayashi wanting his son, a college man, to stay on the farm. The Nisei lad wants to go to Chicago and enter into business. The father tells the son that his life's ambition has been to see his son take over the farm and keep it prospering. There is a cleavage of ideas with the son running away and adamant in his way of thinking. There are a few minor situations and the final resolution of the play being the return of the son to the farm. The son finds that he is sentimentally and emotionally bound to his parents and cannot be happy unless he knows his parents are satisfied with his actions. This plot is as old as the hills, so I am looking for a new gimmick to enliven the play. I know it will have Issei appeal.

Now, for number two. This is also dated. It concerns life in the Relocation center. Not a very pleasant subject and an experience which all of us want to forget. Here the conflict is between two Nisei lads, one who is disgusted with the treatment by the government and the entire evacuation policy; the other who tries to make the best of a bad situation. A JACL stalwart is the hero who undergoes all kinds of taunts, threats and violence in doing what he thinks is right. The climax is a minor camp riot, with the handsome hero being killed, and the errant villain seeing the error of his ways, decides that the red-white-and-blue isn't so bad after all. Sort of a flag-waving epic, but I felt that some kind of a play about the evacuation should be retained for posterity, even though it is a poor one.

Both of the above are not yet in the production stage. I'll have to ask Molly if these outlines appeal to her and then I shall have to try to finalize them.

I have another idea for a play which steeps itself heavily on the subject of race discrimination, especially to Nisei, but a subject that doesn't seem to be too palatable to most Nisei theatergoers, so I have been reluctant to proceed. Seems more suited for a short story.

I am keeping tab on other possibilities and ideas. When I come up with something new, refreshing, and not too objectionable, I shall try to develop it into a play and wigwag the information to California. One such idea is a play with an old Issei immigrant as the central character and his part in the building of the West while working for the old Southern Pacific Railroad. These are just straws in the mind and Mrs. Mittwer can evaluate them for what they may be worth.

¾ cup sugar, a dash of monosodium glutamate and a bit of minced garlic.

\* Recipe from "Japanese Foods," by Hui Manaolana, International Institute, YWCA, Honolulu.

### Honda Speaks

CHICAGO — Noboru Honda, Chicago JACL official, spoke before the Windsor Park Woman's club on May 20 on the subject "Better Americans in a Great America."

### SHARE YOUR RECIPES

Readers are invited to send their favorite recipes for this column.

Use standard measurements to indicate amounts for ingredients—cups, teaspoons, tablespoons, etc.

Send recipes to COOKING COLUMN, Pacific Citizen, 415 Beason Bldg., Salt Lake City 1, Utah.



# PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

## Three Nisei Bolster San Jose State Team

Eleven year-old Alan Miya, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Y. Miya of Syracuse, is the runnerup to Utah's 1952 marbles champion. Young Miya lost to 10-year old Ronald Reaveley of Salt Lake in the finals on May 24. . . . Colorado A & M's star shortstop, Dick Kitamura, went 0 for 12 as the Aggies lost a three-game series and the Skyline Conference to BYU at Provo. . . . Three Nisei figure importantly in San Jose State's gridiron plans for 1952. They are Jim Kajioke, mammoth tackle from Modesto JC who is now listed at 256 pounds; Tom Yagi, 205-pound center and linebacker from Livingston, and Hash Taketa, 180-pound guard from San Jose. . . . Riki Dozan, Japan's pro wrestling champion, will invade the mainland U.S. soon. Dozan is now appearing in Honolulu. . . . The Seattle Savoys, behind Tiger Asaba's four-hit hurling, won their first league game after four defeats by drubbing Everett, 10 to 3, in the Puget Sound League. . . . Steve Yano received a plaque from his fellow bowlers in the Cleveland Nisei League for his 701 series which was rated the outstanding individual achievement of the year. The Chester-30th team won the league title. . . . Hippo Kawahara was named one of 13 "fishing professors" to teach youngsters how to catch trout in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer's Green Lake fishing program. . . . Although Promoter Ralph Yempuku of Honolulu, who staged the Shirai-Marino flyweight title before more than 40,000 at Tokyo's Korakuen stadium, declined to announce the gate, newsmen estimated it to be 43 million yen (or about \$120,000), the biggest gate in history for a bout in the 112-pound division.

## Zenimura Joins Junket to Japan

Harvey Zenimura has accepted a bid to tour Japan this summer with an all-star college team, mostly recruited from California. Zenimura is still leading the Fresno State batters at bat with an average around the .400 mark. Fibber Hirayama, captain of the Fresno Staters, and Babe Karasawa, third baseman for Caltech, also received bids to make the junket. . . . Zenimura, Hirayama and the Fresno State team will have their chance at national recognition soon as they enter the 8th district regional NCAA playoffs. The Bulldogs must beat the California Collegiate conference champion and then must dispose of Seattle University and the Pacific Coast conference champs before winning a trip to the NCAA finals at Omaha. . . . Gilbert Matsumoto, Sacramento College's pole vaulter who has cleared 12 feet consistently, received a track award last week while Harry Kawamura won a baseball letter. . . . Yoshio Kato, William Nishimoto and Koji Watanabe are among 14 baseball lettermen at Placer Union High in Auburn, Calif.

## Nishita Looks Toward U. S. Pro Ball

Hutch Aoki, now an Army corporal stationed with mountain troops at Camp Carson, Colo., returned to competitive powerboat racing on May 25 as he won the feature event of the day, the combined 135 and 225 cubic inch hydroplane class, in the Intermountain regional powerboat races at Salt Lake City's new Aero-Marine stadium. Hutch piloted his supercharged 135 cu. in. racing hydroplane, Miss Salt Lake City, to victory over Jim Foreman and Burr Coleman. . . . Heat Heyamoto, the 442nd veteran who played a lot of second base for the University of Washington in 1949 and 1950, is now working for the Washington State Fisheries Department. . . . Eight teams are competing in the San Mateo, Calif., JACL's summer bowling league. Kiyu Sasano's 251 is the high game to date, while Joe Yoshioka and Ken Adachi both have rolled three-game series of 659. . . . Three Nisei members of the 1952 baseball team at Punahou school in Honolulu will go to mainland colleges. Willie Morioka is heading for Princeton U., while George Tamura is trying to decide between Pasadena JC and Purdue. Wendell Marumoto will enroll at Chicago. Two of Punahou's top stars, Jack Altman and Greg Seastrom, are heading for Fresno State College. . . . According to Carl Machado of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Bill Nishita, star Nisei righthander who is now pitching for the Tokyo Yomiuri Giants, "has his mind set on mainland pro ball." Nishita signed with the Tokyo club when he was convinced he would have a better chance to graduate to the U.S. majors from Nippon than from the low minors in the U.S. If Nishita has a good year with the Japanese club, he may wind up with Bill Veeck's St. Louis Browns who are keeping a close tab on the two Japanese pro leagues. Veeck originally wanted to sign Pitcher Atsushi Aramaki of the Mainichi Orions but gave up when Aramaki's sore arm failed to respond.

## A Saga of Homicide Hal Hoshino

Down in San Francisco's ring row the talk got around to Japanese fighters now that Yoshio Shirai is the new world's flyweight champion. In his column, "Shadow Boxing," in the San Francisco Examiner, Eddie Muller recalled one "back in the old four-round days, a fellow named Watanabe, a real good club fighter" who engaged in many local fights. "Watanabe fought several sensational battles with Willie Hoppe, the old Butchertown pride."

According to Muller, Watanabe was handled by Moose Taussig and later went back to Japan where he taught boxing.

Muller goes on to tell an apocryphal story about the Nisei featherweight, Harold (Homicide Hal) Hoshino, "whose father owned a small newspaper in southern Oregon."

Here's Muller's story:

"Hoshino, who was a terrific socker, always took a typewriter with him wherever he fought."

"Immediately after a fight and before he hit the showers, Hoshino would haul out the typewriter and bang away at a fast clip."

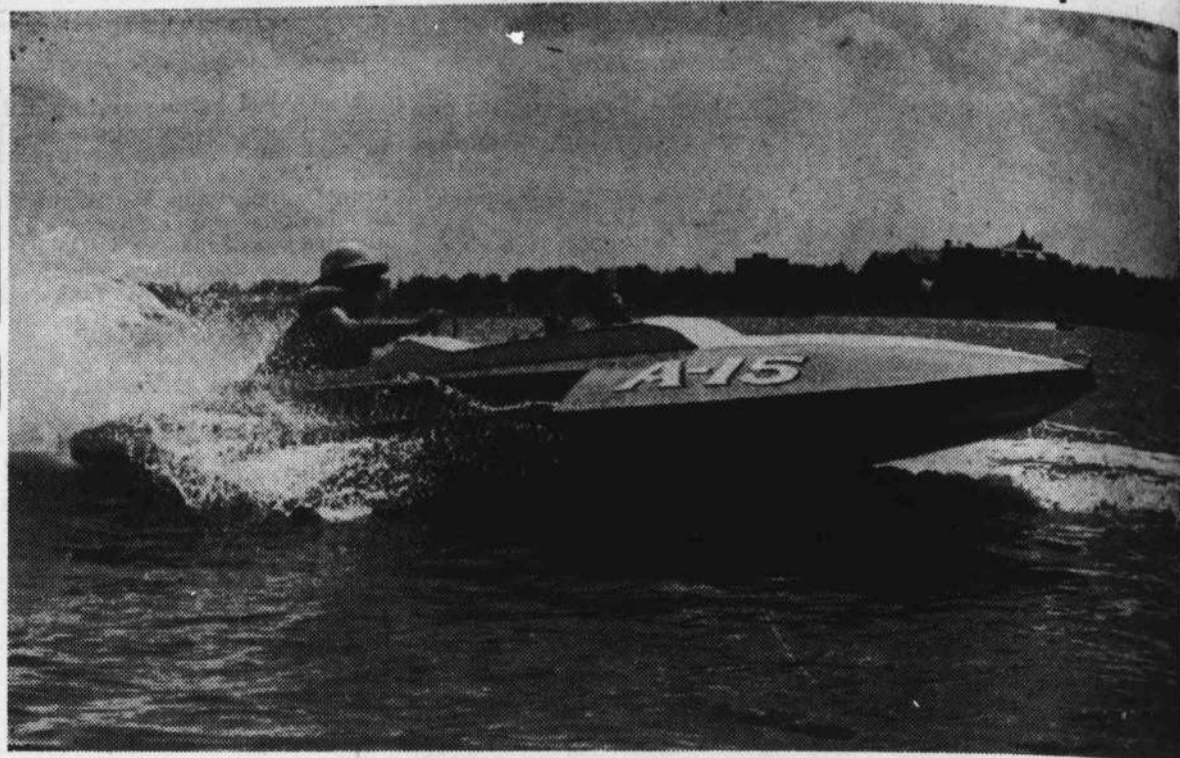
"When I first saw him do this," recalled Joe, "I paid no attention. When it happened again I became curious. I asked him why he couldn't wait until he got back to the hotel before writing his letters."

"Then I learned what it was all about," said Joe, "Hoshino told me he was the sports editor of his father's paper and he was merely sending in a first hand report of his fight."

"Of course," added Herman, "he never lost. That is, in his father's paper."

Not to throw cold water on a good story, but Hal Hoshino was a farm operator from Pendleton which is in northern Oregon. Hal was one of the outstanding fighters around on the coast about the time of Pearl Harbor and might have gone on to big money in eastern bouts had it not been for the war. His last appearance in 1941 was in the main event at L.A.'s Olympic Auditorium when he lost to Jimmy Florita. He essayed a comeback after the war but gave it

## Hutch Aoki Wins Regional Championship



Hutch Aoki, who returned to competitive powerboat racing last Sunday, May 25, by winning the feature race in the regional American Power Boat Association races at Salt Lake's new Aero-Marine stadium, is shown driving "Miss Salt Lake" to victory in a Denver race in 1950. "Miss Salt Lake,"

which set a world's record for 135 cu-in. boats at Salton Sea in California several years ago, is owned by Jim Aoki of Salt Lake City. Hutch Aoki is expected to pilot the speedy inboard in regional and national meets later this year.

—Photo by Ira Gay Sealy, Denver.

## Midwest Bowlers Prepare For Regional Pin Tourney

CHICAGO — The Midwest Nisei Bowling Tournament, co-sponsored by Chicago Nisei bowling leagues and the Chicago JACL, will be held on June 7 and 8 at the Marigold Garden Bowling Lanes, located on Grace Street near Broadway.

According to Frank Sakamoto, chairman of the Northside League who is the host group, the tournament will feature men's singles, doubles, girl's singles and mixed doubles. Aki Matsushita and Ben Hirano are co-chairmen for the event. Other officers are: Bob Miyahara, secretary; Sock Kojima, arrangements chairman; and Ike Ito, Kaz Nagai and Joe Nakayama, tabulators.

Nisei bowlers in Minneapolis, Cleveland and Detroit have been invited to participate in this annual tournament.

The award presentation dance

will be held on Saturday, June 14, at Buena Park Hotel located at 4145 N. Broadway. The dance will begin at 8:30 p.m. Admission will be \$2, ladies free.

Arrangements are being made to secure an orchestra for this event.

## Feminine Golfers Start 1952 Season

CHICAGO — Getting off to an early start, the Chicago Fairway Club, a women's golf group, held its first tournament on May 18 and announced its next tourney for June 8.

## School Treasurer

Pete Ota was elected student body treasurer at Westminster College in Salt Lake City last week.

up after losing a bout in Honolulu. Hoshino is now living in Southern California.

## Sgt. Tashiro Knows the Ringmen

Ken Tashiro, sports editor of the Rafu Shimpo back about two decades ago, probably had more data on Japanese prizefighters in the U.S. than any other scribe. Sgt. Tashiro (he was recalled to active duty two years ago after serving with the 442nd Infantry and in military intelligence in World War II) knew about the tough boxfighters from Nippon who slugged it out with the likes of Bat Nelson and Baby Joe Gans back in the halcyon days of the ring sport. . . . Incidentally, Sgt. Tashiro's son, Sgt. Ken Tashiro, Jr., came back from combat service in Korea recently.

## Award Memorializes Nisei Athlete

One of the most coveted honors conferred at Mesa, Ariz., High School is the Ishikawa Memorial Award, presented annually to the athlete showing the finest sportsmanship during his four years at school. The trophy memorializes Zedo Ishikawa, one of Mesa High's greatest football players who died during his senior year in 1932. John Hirohata made the 1952 presentation last week to James Magnusson during the school's honors assembly.

## Okamura Bats Bullpups to State Title

Third Sacker Okamura of Santa Rosa Junior College helped the Bullpups to the California jaycee baseball championship on May 24. After the Santa Rosans, Northern California champions, had lost the first game of their state playoff series to Santa Ana JC, Okamura's double and two singles and a sacrifice in five trips, giving him three runs batted in, was the margin of victory as Santa Rosa evened the series with a 9 to 6 victory. In the final game Okamura had one for two as the Bullpups coasted to a 15 to 2 win. . . . Two years ago the Nisei battery of Pitcher Bill Nishita and Catcher George Fujishige led Santa Rosa to the Northern California championship but the team lost the state playoffs to Pasadena JC.

## Sato Surprises in California Net Meet

Sacramento JC's Gilbert Matsumoto tied for sixth in the California state junior college track and field championships at Modesto last week, clearing 11 feet 6 in the pole vault. . . . Jim Sato, probably the best Nisei netter in the nation today, nearly walked off with the 5th annual South Gate, Calif., tennis championships Sunday. Top-seeded Nolan McQuown had to come from behind to defeat the unseeded Sato, 2-6, 9-7, 6-2, in the finals. Sato pulled the upset of the tourney by toppling second-seeded Harvey Grimshaw, 6-2, 6-3, in the semi-finals. Earlier the same Sunday Sato defeated veteran Sekizo Yoshikawa, 6-2, 6-1, to win the Angeles club championship in Los Angeles. . . . Utaka Harada is now playing shortstop and leading off for the Hill Air Base Wings of the Utah-Idaho semi-pro league. . . . Kaz Katayama and Frank Ota are currently leading the two-man event in the annual Figueroa Doubles-Singles Classic in Los Angeles with 1275. Tok and Nobe Ishizawa are tied for third with 1260. Nobe Ishizawa's 664 series has him in third money so far in singles.

## Placer JACL Loses, Rally Falls Short

By HOMER TAKAHASHI

Auburn, Calif.

A five-run rally featured by shortstop Bob Kozaike's grand slam triple in the last of the ninth fell one tally short of catching up with the Auburn Cubs and the Placer JACL ball club had to settle with an 8 to 7 defeat on May 24 at James Field in a Placer-Nevada League game.

Southpaw Frank Dutra, Placer High school sensation just signed by Manager Bob Lardner of the Cubs, did a magnificent job of putting out the fire. Dutra relieved big Joe Pomin on the hill when he seemed to have lost control in the ninth after chucking a brilliant game, despite the fact the Nisei garnered 11 hits off him, outthumping Auburn 11 to 9 in the offensive department. There were none away when Dutra came in and he polished off the five batters to face him, striking out two.

Placer JACL came to bat for the last time on the short end of an 8 to 2 score. Pinch-hitter Hada hit a clean single to left field to open it up. Another pinch-hitter Takayama followed with a walk. The third pinch-hitter Watanabe also drew a walk to fill the bases. Doman also worked Pomin for a charity pass, bringing in Hada. At this stage the brains of the Auburn club held a convention around Pomin on the mound to settle down his nerves after issuing so many passes, the most he gave out all evening. He gave up only one walk up to this little spree of generosity. Pomin was left in to face the music. Kozaike, due all evening, connected for the cleanest hit of the game between center and right fields, for a three-bagger to send in those gone ahead of him.

In their sixth straight league encounter the JACLers have either emerged or submerged by a difference of one run which is one for the books.

## Tommy Umeda Gets Rematch with Teran in L. A.

LOS ANGELES — Tommy Umeda, the fighting 442nd Combat Team veteran, who lost a bruising ten-round donkey to undefeated Keeny Teran last month, has been rematched with Teran in the 10-round main event at Los Angeles Olympic auditorium on June 17.

The loss to Teran was Umeda's first appearance since his return from a four-month trip to Australia where he won one bout and lost two.

Both Umeda and Teran are bantamweights. Handlers of the latter, however, are challenging Yoshio Shirai, the new world's flyweight champion.



## Vital Statistics

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank-Matsu-moto a boy on May 18 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. William Otani a girl on May 15 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Seimoku Kosa-saka a boy on May 17 in Lodi, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Jim Furukawa a girl, Linda, on May 4 in Cleveland.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hideichi J. Yoshida a boy in Berkeley.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Haruo H. Sakino a girl in Berkeley.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Kiyonaga a boy on May 21 in Seattle.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tokio Oda a boy on April 26 in Reedley, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. William T. Hirata a boy, Ronald W., on May 8 in Portland.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Shizuo K. Kurakazu, Bishop Bridge, Calif., a girl on May 17.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Jack S. Sugimoto a boy on April 12 in Stockton, Calif.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Harumi Higaki, Redwood City, Calif., a boy, Harrison Masami, on May 14.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shigeharu Honda a girl, Kimiye, on May 15 in San Jose.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Izu, Los Altos, Calif., a girl, Kathryn Alison, on May 4.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Z. Uchida a girl in Denver.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Toshiharu A. Tawara a boy in Denver.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Toshio Satow a girl, Leslie Awamura, on May 2 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Morimizu a boy, Alan Hiroshi, on May 12 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Saika a boy, David Tatsuo, on May 14 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yasuda a girl, Karen Jean, on May 12 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio James Nakagawa, Gardena, Calif., a girl, Nadine, on May 11.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Mikio Takeuchi a girl, Vicki Mitsu, on May 13 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Minoru Tsujimoto a girl, Vicki Lynn, on May 14 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Hirata, Long Beach, Calif., a girl, Joyce Reiko, on May 14.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Hokoda a girl, Janice Gail, on May 12 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George Shigehara Mayeda a boy, Rodger Alan, on May 14 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiaki Harada a boy, Gerald Yoshio, on May 12 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shafter Mitchell (nee Florence Koga) a boy, Daniel Christopher, on May

17 in Los Angeles.  
To Mr. and Mrs. T. Yamato a boy in Salt Lake City.

### DEATHS

Thomas Tomoitsu Nakano, 69, on May 26 in Salt Lake City.  
Mrs. Haru Hagiwara on May 23 in Los Angeles.  
Tamezo Yamaguchi, 78, on May 17 in Seattle.  
Mrs. Chiyo Sakuma, 56, on May 16 in Seattle.  
Mrs. Suga Baba Niizawa, 36, on May 22 in San Francisco.  
Paul Haruo Takeshita, 37, on May 20 in San Jose, Calif.  
Suyeno Shiraki Takeshita, 25, (Mrs. Paul H. Takeshita) on May 20 in San Jose.  
Ichiro Suga, 62, on May 19 in Sacramento.  
Hisashi Kitano, 58, on May 20 in San Francisco.  
Arnold Akahori, 9, on May 23 in Sacramento.  
Mrs. Yasuno Hiram in Denver.  
Mrs. Tomi Kawa on May 21 in Los Angeles.  
Sensaburo Ishimoto, 70, on May 22 in Oxnard, Calif.  
Shiroshi Tai, 76, on May 20 in Oxnard, Calif.  
Mrs. Tsuru Hirayama on May 20 in Santa Maria, Calif.  
Tokiyu Yoshino (Mrs. Kiyofumi Yoshino) in Denver.  
Ben Mato Yamada, 62, on May 24 in Salt Lake City.  
Elden Mitoshi Okada, 38, on May 26 in Fresno.

### MARRIAGES

Janet Okagaki to Satoru Nakamishi on May 25 in San Jose.  
Frances Kawagiri, Seabrook, N.J., to Mike Minato on April 26 in Cleveland.

### VAGARIES

(Continued from page 5)  
wagon. A poll at a political "candidates night" sponsored by Bay Region JACL groups in San Francisco recently showed considerable Eisenhower sentiment. . . . Incidentally, more than a score of Nisei business and professional men in the Los Angeles area last week formed a committee supporting the reelection of Republican Sen. William Knowland of California. The group includes Attorneys John Aiso, Saburo Kido, Frank Chuman and Henry Tsurutani and reportedly was inspired by Knowland's efforts on behalf of Issei citizenship and evacuation claims.

### Democrats . . .

While a group of Southern California Nisei leaders have come out for Senator Knowland, a Nisei committee has been organized in San Francisco for Knowland's Democratic opponent, Rep. Clinton McKinnon. The committee also is backing Assemblyman George D. Collins, Jr., who stood firm for fair play for the Nisei during World War II at a time when such activity was considered politically inadvisable, and Congressman Jack Shelley and Frank Havenner, San Francisco Democrat. The committee is headed by Dr. Kazuo Togasaki and Frank Dobashi and includes Fred Hoshiyama, Andy Handa, Florence Ohmura, Michi Onuma, Yori Wada, Tamotsu Sakai, Dr. Tokuji Hedani, Frank Itaya, Kaye Uyeda, Dr. Wilfred Hiura, Dr. Carl Hirota and Kim Fujita. . . . The daily Hokubei Mainichi in San Francisco announced support of the McKinnon-Havenner-Shelley-Collins ticket this week. . . . The same group is supporting the Edmund G. (Pat) Brown slate, the Truman administration ticket, in the California primaries.

## Philadelphia YBA Honors Mothers

PHILADELPHIA — The local YBA observed Mother's Day with a special service on May 11.  
Mothers of members were honored with red carnations and a program featuring Japanese movies and vocal selections by a vocal trio consisting of Gene Kanamori, Terrie Oya and Betty Watanabe.

## Nisei Teacher Wins Hearts Of Students

BAKERSFIELD, Calif.—A petite Nisei teacher has won the hearts of her pupils and co-workers at Vineland School District, where no other persons of Japanese or other Oriental ancestry live.

Miss Fumiko Oshita, fifth-grade teacher, graduated in June of last year from the College of Pacific with California teaching credentials in the elementary school and home-making fields. She is now recognized as a leader in her field of homemaking.

Peter A. Bancroft, district superintendent, pointed out, "Since there are no other Orientals living in this area, in hiring Miss Oshita, we were interested in her as an outstanding individual and not as a Japanese teacher to teach Japanese children, as is far too often the case."

"In one word, we consider ourselves extremely fortunate to have a person of her attitude and ability on our staff," Bancroft said.

The young Nisei is also rated as very popular with parents of her fifth graders.

She lives with three fellow teachers and assists in the planning and cooking of meals and general homemaking.

The Vineland School District, five miles off U.S. Highway 99 just outside of Bakersfield, serves a rural area of some 3,000 persons ranging from impoverished transient families to wealthy farmers.

The school is also unique in that it teaches children of elementary school age such subjects as aviation, farming, ranching, drama and cosmetology. The children even have their own airport.

## Denver Girl Wins Sears Fellowship

DENVER—Lelia Yamamoto, 21, a student at Opportunity School, is one of six Denver public school students who are recipients of \$200 Sears Roebuck Foundation scholarships.

The scholarship may be used at any college or university of the student's choice.

## Co-ed Wins Honor

FORT COLLINS, Colo.—Tomi Hiram, senior coed from Granada who reigned as the college "snow queen" last winter, is one of the Colorado A & M students who have been named to "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges."

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## Plan Dedication of Memorial To Pioneer Issei in Colorado

DENVER, Colo.—A memorial to the first Japanese to enter Colorado will be dedicated on Memorial Day by members of the Oriental Culture Society of Colorado. A granite tombstone in Riverside Cemetery has been erected in honor of Tadatsu Matsudaira, who arrived in the United States in 1872.

Money for the memorial was raised by contribution throughout Colorado's Japanese American communities. More than 1,000 individual donations were given. The rest of the money needed for the seven-foot high memorial will be provided by the society.

Dr. K. K. Miyamoto is chairman of the memorial group and will be

among speakers at the service.

Matsudaira was the son of a feudal Japanese lord in Shinshu prefecture. After Japan was opened to the world by Commodore Matthew G. Perry, Matsudaira was sent to the United States to receive an American education.

He graduated from Rutgers college in 1879 and took work as an engineer for the Union Pacific railroad. He became assistant engineer for the state of Colorado and married the daughter of a retired General Thompson, onetime superintendent of the industrial school at Golden.

Matsudaira had two sons, one of them believed to be living in the eastern United States. He died in 1888 at the age of 33.

## Ellis Center Plans Service To Enter Community Group

### Popularity Will Be Basis for Selection Of Nisei Week Queen

LOS ANGELES—The queen contest, a feature of Los Angeles' annual Nisei Week Festival, will be held strictly on a popularity basis this year and will not be keyed to merchandise purchases as in the past, Eiji Tanabe, executive secretary for the 1952 celebration, announced this week.

## Watsonville Slates Annual Steak Fry At Sunset Beach

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — The Watsonville JACL's annual steak barbecue outing will be held this year on Saturday, June 12, at Sunset Beach.

The outing will also be in honor of graduates of local schools.

Bill Mine and Bill Fukuba will be co-chairmen.

Tickets are being sold now at \$2 for members and students and \$2.50 for non-members. Reservations must be made by Tuesday, June 17.

The barbecue will be followed with entertainment under Tom Tao, toastmaster.

All persons attending are asked to bring their own knives, forks and dishes.

Assisting the co-chairmen will be the following committee chairmen: Bob Manabe, meat; Louis Waki, fire; June Sugidono, invitations; Mine and Louis Waki, tickets; Chiyeiko Shikuma; and Tom Tao, entertainment.

The chapter has also requested that persons living in rural districts send in their new address to the secretary as soon as possible.

## Plan Annual Picnic

CLEVELAND, O.—The annual picnic of Cleveland's Japanese American community will be held on July 27 at Roundup Lake Park in Mentor, Ohio.

All Nisei and Issei organizations in Cleveland, including the local JACL chapter, are participating in the annual event.

## Return from Korea

CHICAGO — Two Nisei were among 125 Chicago area servicemen who returned to the United States recently from combat service in Korea.

Arriving on the USS General William Gordon in San Francisco were Pfc. Tadashi H. Kikuchi and Sgt. Chiyoshi Okada, both of Chicago.

CHICAGO — The Ellis Community Center last week announced its purchase of new property at 4612 South Greenwood Avenue to which it will move all its activities in the near future. The new site adjoins the Kenwood Community Church, with which the center is working out a joint program.

After four and a half years of service at the Ellis address, the church's council recommended a proposal to merge with the Kenwood church and to serve the whole community jointly on a larger and more effective scale.

The new property will be turned into a nursery school and parsonage and the Ellis Center members will join with the Kenwood congregation in religious and community activities.

The larger facilities of the Kenwood promise greater opportunities for a larger program than was possible at the old Ellis building. A recreation director is being secured to carry on activities for young people.

The Ellis Community Center was started by the Evangelical and Reformed church as a special mission project to serve Japanese Americans in their process of rehabilitation immediately after the close of the government's wartime evacuee relocation program.

Since that time the emphasis has been directed toward the total community.

"It stands as a symbol of a positive and creative force in the community that has grown from a racial institution into one of community welfare and service," a church official commented last week.

## Cemetery Cleanup

MONTEREY, Calif. — Members of Boy Scout Troop 47, sponsored by the Monterey Peninsula JACL, participated in the clean-up of the local cemetery on May 24 in preparation for Memorial Day services.

The scouts went on a picnic to Uvas Dam on May 25.

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## Kushihashi Defends Air Race Crown in Coast Competition

LOS ANGELES—Three contestants, including the winner, of the 1950 Henry Ohye Trophy Race will be back for the 1952 race when it gets underway June 22 from East Los Angeles Airport.



Albert Kushihashi, who took top honors in the 1950 race from Los Angeles to Chicago, will pilot the same plane, a six-cylinder 145 h.p. Cessna 170, in this year's Los Angeles to San Francisco flight.

Thomas Takemura, 31, and Herbert Fushimi, Salt Lake City bookkeeper, will also be back for another try at the Henry Ohye trophy.

Kushihashi, 36-year-old Nebraska farmer, studied flying in Denver and in North Platte, Neb., his birthplace. He received his CAA license in 1937 and has been flying ever since.

Fushimi will fly a Beechcraft Bonanza. He entered the 1950 race just two months after he received his pilot's license. At that time, with only 100 flying hours to his credit, he piloted a Mooney Mite monoplane, with only a 20-ft. wing span, to fourth place. The plane, including a flashlight, weighed a total of only 500 pounds. He covered the 2200 miles in 23 hours.

Fushimi is a veteran of World War II. He entered the Army in 1943 and became a member of the 232nd combat infantry company attached to the 442nd regimental combat team. He saw action in Italy and France and was discharged in December, 1945.

Takemura, third place winner in the 1950 contest, will fly his own Ryan Navion single engine monoplane.

Takemura will represent the Puyallup Valley JACL in the forthcoming race.

Takemura served two and a half years in the armed forces. He piled up a thousand flight hours after finishing his GI training course at Valley Air Service. He has both a private and a commercial pilot's license.

He is a member of the Nisei Veterans Committee of Seattle.

First timers in the air race will be brothers Tadao and Noboru Nishima of Venice, Seiji Ogata, Tully Miura, Eddie Kurose and Giichi Yoshioka.

Lap prizes will be awarded in Fresno, Calif., and grand prizes for first, second and third place winners will be awarded in San Francisco on June 26.

## Long Beach-Harbor Chapter Will Hold Graduation Dance

LONG BEACH, Calif.—The annual graduation dance sponsored by the Long Beach—Harbor District JACL Chapter will be held on June 15th at the Harbor District Community Center, it was announced by Yae Marumoto, social chairman, this week.

Joe Sakai and his Combo will provide the musical background for this sports formal event at which more than 40 high school, city college and college graduates will be honored. A full evening of entertainment is assured by the committee, which has extended an invitation to the public to attend.

## "Woman of the Year"

WAILUKU, Maui — Mrs. Rose Tagami recently was selected as "Woman of the Year" on the Island of Maui by the Maui Home Council in recognition of her leadership in volunteer services which have contributed to the development of better homes and community life.

## Washington JACL Sponsors Japanese Variety Program

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Featuring the diversified dramatic talents of their members, the Washington, D.C. JACL chapter sponsored a Japanese Variety Show for the entertainment of the Issei, at the National City Christian Church Social Hall on May 18.

The dual highlights of the evening were the two plays, which were cast entirely with Nisei players, "Toki no Ujigami" (Timely Intervention) and "Moshi, Moshi,

## Regional Office Moves Up One Floor In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO—The Northern California regional office of the JACL has moved its offices from the first floor of the Kinmon Gakuen Building, 2031 Bush Street, San Francisco, to the second floor.

The Booker T. Washington Community Center, which for about six years has occupied the entire building except for the two rooms used by the JACL, has moved out anticipating the completion of its new plant on Presidio Avenue.

The Kinmon Gakuen Board announced that the first floor of the building will be reconverted as soon as possible into classrooms for Japanese language students for which purpose the building was used before the war.

## Inter-Club Council Schedules Dance

CHICAGO—Eleven girls' clubs of this city comprising the Inter-Club Council will sponsor a dance at the Olivet Institute gym, 1441 No. Cleveland Ave., on June 21.

"Guys and Dolls" will be the theme of the evening. Admission will be \$1 for couples and stags.

The sponsoring clubs are the Charmettes, Colleens, Dawnelles, Debonaires, Jolene's, Mam'selles, Philos, Reginas, Silhouettes, Sky-leens and Sorelles.

The council will also hold its annual graduation tea at the Loop YWCA, 59 E. Monroe St., on June 29. All high school, junior college and university graduates will be honored at this time.

Monogatari" (A Telephone Episode).

In "Toki no Ujigami," Mas Ushiro played the part of the husband; Mrs. Lily Endo, the role of the wife; and Ruth Kuroishi, the cousin.

The play describes the plight of a struggling writer with a nagging wife, on the verge of a separation. At the proper moment, however, the wife's cousin, who has left her husband after a tiff, enters the scene. The cousin is persuaded to go back to her husband and the nagging wife decides, with the husband's concurrence, that a husband in hand is better than no husband at all.

In "Moshi, Moshi, Monogatari," Peggy Matsuda acted the part of a teen-ager infatuated with a handsome and respectable businessman, who was played by Ben Nakao. The businessman's wife was played by Mrs. Katsuyo Takeshita, who also doubled as the teen-ager's mother. Much of the lovemaking is done over the telephone, hence the title.

Rose Matsuda, professionally trained in Japan, performed two Japanese dances, and Mrs. Masako Baker contributed a colorful Spanish tango.

"Tanko Bushi" (Coal Miners' Dance) featured male stalwarts of the JACL Chapter: Jack Hirose, Rikio Kumagai, Ira Shimasaki, Toshio Enokida, Don Komai, Harold Hanaumi and S. Tasaka.

Thomas Takeshita contributed a Japanese ballad. The program was opened by Harold Horiuchi, who addressed the audience, which numbered well over 200, in both Japanese and English. A number of Japanese war brides were in attendance.

The persons responsible for the production of the Japanese Variety Show were:

Peggy Matsuda, Harold Hanaumi, Co-directors; Ben Nakao, Ed Mitoma, Stage Managers; James Shizuoka, Scenario; Mesdames Nishio and Ota, costumes; Mr. Shimoda, Stage props; Akira Nose, Finance and publicity.

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## Pacific Southwest Chapters Hold Pre-Convention Rally

GUADALUPE, Calif.—Enthusiastic delegates from JACL chapters of the Southwest, including four representatives from Arizona, attended an "On to Frisco" pre-convention rally of the Pacific Southwest district council on May 25.

With chairman Tut Yata presiding, the afternoon business session covered many reports, discussions and resolutions pertaining to the JACL program and the forthcoming 12th biennial convention on June 26th. They included a progress report of the National ADC Legislative program, the California Alien Land Law, the JACL Endowment election procedure, convention credentials, proportionate chapter representation, convention travel pool, moving of National Headquarters and the Pacific Citizen to Los Angeles, a new chapter membership plan and the JACL public relations brochure.

Masao Satow, National JACL director, was on hand to join in the discussions, as were other board and staff members from this area.

Sixteen resolutions were deliberated and adopted by the PSWDC, the first of which called upon Harry S. Truman to enact the Walter - McCarran Omnibus Bill into law. California Attorney General Edmund G. Brown was commended in a resolution for refusing to appeal the Fujii case in which the California Supreme Court ruled the Alien Land Law unconstitutional and congratulations were extended to publisher Sei Fujii and his attorney Marion Wright for their court victory.

The Arizona Chapter was given special recognition for its contributions to the JACL-ADC national legislative program through its vigorous representations to Senate Majority Leader Ernest W. McFarland and Senator Carl Hayden, both of Arizona. Resolutions expressing gratitude to Senator Pat McCarran and Congressman Francis E. Walter for their leadership in bringing about Congressional passage of their respective omnibus bills were also adopted, as were resolutions of appreciation to Senators William F. Knowland and Richard M. Nixon of California, and Senators McFarland and Hayden for their support in the passage of the omnibus bill. Senator Warren Magnuson of Washington and Senator Carl Hayden of Arizona were cited in a resolution thanking them for their important role in restoring \$8,000,000 to the Third Supplemental Appropriation for the payment of evacuation claims compromise settlement awards.

## Livingston Heroes Honored by JACL At Memorial Rites

LIVINGSTON, Calif.—The Livingston-Merced JACL scheduled a memorial trip to San Bruno Memorial Cemetery on Thursday, May 29, to pay tribute to Toshiaki Shoji, Mamoru Kinoshita and Arnold Ohki, former Livingston Nisei who are buried in the Army cemetery at San Bruno.

Franklin Okuda was in charge of transportation and general arrangements.

Resolutions commanding national officers were also adopted to express the appreciation of the PCWDC to Director Masao Satow for his leadership and direction of the National JACL organization, to Mike Masao, National JACL-ADC legislative director, for his direction of the national legislative program, and to National President Dr. Randolph M. Sakada.

Member chapters of the PSWDC resolved to assist the Los Angeles chapters to win their bid for the 1954 biennial convention in Los Angeles and to support that convention in every way possible. The chapters also agreed by resolution to endorse the proposed travel pool plan for National Board members attending the national convention, and to create a committee to work with a Northern California committee to study and recommend the possible moving of the Pacific Citizen to Los Angeles.

More than 30 enthusiastic clamors braved a chilly 6 a.m. low tide to dip up near-limits of lucious Pismo clams. The evening recreation got off with a steak barbecue with members of the San Luis Obispo host chapter in charge. Satow presented certificates of appreciation to past district council chairmen and national officers in recognition of their invaluable service to the organization. The scrolls were awarded to Dr. Roy Nishikawa, Frank F. Chuman, Ken Dyo and George Inagaki. Others to be awarded the certificate but unable to be present were Henry Sakemi and Frank Mizusawa.

Some 150 JACLers enjoyed the singing of San Franciscan Rose Kaji, "Miss Homecoming" for the convention, who made a guest appearance with convention chairman Dr. Tokuji Hedani. The day ended with a large attendance at the American Legion Hall where the Santa Maria-Guadalupe ladies group served as hostesses at a dance.

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