



## Boundaries of new state of Hawaii delay Senate move

Washington

Question of boundaries for the new state of Hawaii will be determined in special hearings scheduled in Honolulu by the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs committee.

This action, ordered by Sen. Butler (R., Neb.), committee chairman, has postponed further study of the statehood bill until Apr. 13.

Butler added that despite the delay, there was no doubt the bill, already passed by the House, would be approved by his committee and enacted by the Senate.

It was revealed that an informal decision has been made to exempt Johnston and Midway islands from the new state and otherwise use the wording of the House bill which does not try to specify the boundaries.

It was tentatively decided to give the Navy administration over these islands since defense and security personnel only reside on them.

## Arizona CL joins Glendale C. of C.

Glendale, Ariz.

An unprecedented move in JACL circles was noted in the total membership of the Arizona chapter joining the Glendale Chamber of Commerce last Mar. 2.

The statewide organization preferred the Glendale chamber because of the "tremendous growth in Glendale and the wonderful work the Chamber has been doing in the city," chapter president Mas Inoshita stated.

The chapter, representing an important segment in the chamber which started its all-out membership drive, hopes to boost its present count of 85 families in this area out of the estimated 800 Japanese American resident here.

(The Glendale Herald headlined the incident on the front page across seven columns: State JACL Joins Chamber En Masse.)

The chamber officials were happily surprised by the move. "I think it is undoubtedly the largest mass joining of the Chamber of Commerce in its history. In fact, I've never heard of it before," commented W. B. Berkeley, chamber president.

## Voice of America records Issei naturalization class graduation ceremonies

New York

"I should not congratulate you. I should congratulate the United States for having would-be citizens like you," 50 Issei finishing the first citizenship class here last week were told by Bertram Bernard, Naturalization Service examiner.

The Issei, who finished a 11-week course, were told not to be afraid of the examination. Voice of America was present taping the whole proceedings for its Japanese audience. The classes were under joint sponsorship of the Buddhist Church and the Joint Coordinating Committee for Issei Naturalization.



Dr. M. A. Harada of Sacramento, sworn as an American citizen on Feb. 26, was the first Issei in his area to become naturalized. Sitting is Edward Sweeney, district examiner for the I & N office in Sacramento.

## Sacramentans give to endowment fund

San Francisco

Contributions from Sacramento in the amount of \$723.60 for the JACL Endowment Fund were acknowledged this week by the Northern California JACL Regional Office.

Wataru Tsugawa, Sacramento JACL chapter treasurer, who submitted a check in this amount said the contributions were made during the last half of 1952.

Contributors were:

Ryozo Oji, Masao Itano, Dr. James Kubo, K. Kubo, Matabe Fujimoto, M. Maeda, Tomota Tateishi, Takeo Imada, S. Washino, Toyo Hara, Sotaro Ito, Mrs. M. Masunaga, Taizo Suyenaga, Mrs. Shizuo Ehrakawa, S. Taya, Mrs. Mizutani and S. Nakagaki.

Others who sent their directly to the National Endowment Fund were also listed by Tsugawa as:

Ray Mori, H. K. Masaki, Tome Moriyama and Yoshizu Kato.

"We are grateful to these people for having given so generously," Haruo Ishimaru of the Regional Office declared, "because the Endowment Fund, which has been established by the JACL to safeguard the welfare of the Japanese in America, is a worthy cause. We hope that others who have received their evacuation claims awards but have not yet contributed to the Endowment Fund, will do so."

## CLers to attend statewide mobilization for FEP

Sacramento

A demonstration of wide support for Fair Employment Practices legislation will be made to the State Assembly this Sunday and Monday when the California Committee for FEP convenes at the Native Sons hall here.

A JACL delegation headed by Haruo Ishimaru, No. Calif. regional office, will be present. Rae Kakurai of All Peoples Community Center, Los Angeles, is a delegate from the L.A. Coordinating JACL council.

(The JACL in Northern and Southern California has gone on record in favor of statewide FEP.)

## Faulty wiring blamed for Florin barn fire

Florin

Faulty electric wiring was blamed by Florin fire-fighters who were unable to save the barn on the farm of Masatoshi Abe two Sundays ago. Equipment inside were also destroyed.

## Sen. Watkins introduces bill to restore strandee citizenship

Washington

Sen. Arthur V. Watkins (R., Utah) introduced at the request of the Japanese American Citizens League legislation to restore United States citizenship to those who voted in postwar Japanese elections under American occupation.

Sen. Watkins is chairman of the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization.

His bill provides that any person who lost his citizenship solely by having voted in postwar Japanese elections prior to the ratification of the Treaty of Peace may, by taking an oath of allegiance to the United States before any diplomatic or consular officer abroad have the same citizenship status restored.

The measure specifically provides that subsequent to such voting the applicant must not have committed any act which, had he remained a citizen, would have expatriated him. These acts refer mainly to employment available only to the nationals of Japan.

The bill also places a two year deadline on those who de-

sire to take advantage of the benefits of the legislation.

In most respects, Watkins' bill is similar to one introduced last year by Rep. Chet Holifield (D., Calif.), also at JACL's request. The major difference is that the Watkins measure does not limit its benefits only to those who voted in the 1946 and 1947 elections but takes in all elections in postwar Japan up to the ratification of the Peace Treaty.

No action was taken on the Holifield bill by the last Congress.

Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, expressed hope that this year, under Sen. Watkins' sponsorship, speedy action would follow.

Masaoka noted that last fall when he visited Japan he discussed this problem of some two or three thousand stranded Nisei with U.S. consular officials and found them to be generally sympathetic to such general legislation.

Most of those involved are women and most, if not all, voted in the elections either under duress with the idea of aiding the American occupation, Masaoka said.

He cited instances in which village officials had threatened Nisei with the loss of food rations and other privileges if they did not vote. He also told of American Army officers instructing Nisei employees to go out and vote in

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## Reno CL supports bill to repeal miscegenation law

Carson City, Nev.

Last minute attempts by the Reno JACL to have Nevada's miscegenation law repealed by passage of AB 5 started after the bill passed Wednesday 32-9 in the state assembly. It was referred yesterday to the Senate committee, where representations by Haruo Ishimaru, No. Calif. regional director, and Fred Aoyama of the Reno chapter, were made to urge its passage.

The Nevada state legislature ends its current session today.

Reno

A bill to repeal Nevada's law against interracial marriages has been introduced in the state assembly and the local JACL chapter is rounding up support for this repeal measure.

The bill had been introduced by Assemblyman Hawes at the request of the Nevada Council of Church Women.

JACL representatives met with officials of the Reno branch of the church women's group to discuss plans for pushing this bill.

Representing the JACL were:

Fred Aoyama, Mas Baba, Oscar Fujii, Bessie Nishiguchi and George Oshima, all of Reno, and Haruo Ishimaru, Northern California regional director.

The miscegenation law in Nevada makes it unlawful for any person of the Caucasian or white race to intermarry with non-whites; furthermore, any such persons marrying are guilty of a gross misdemeanor under the Nevada criminal code which carries a punishment provision of "imprisonment in the county jail for not less than six months or by fine of not less than \$500 or both."

The JACL group was advised by Sidney Fox, an attorney, that a possible interpretation of this law might mean invalidating of mixed marriages contracted out of state, thereby putting such families as those of GIs and war brides and other mixed couples married out of state in

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## San Franciscan regains American citizenship

San Francisco

In one of the first cases of its kind in the federal court here, Judge Oliver Cartier last week restored U.S. citizenship to Shigetoshi Serizawa of this city, who has voted in the 1947 Japanese elections.

Fear of loss of food rations plus the pressure occasioned by laudable efforts of the Occupation Forces to get everyone to vote were considered sufficient by the judge to make his actions involuntary.

Serizawa testified that he feared if he did not do the bidding of the Occupation, he might not be able to return to the United States. The strandee was represented by attorneys A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand of Los Angeles.

## Stockton graduates 100 for citizenship

Stockton

Graduation exercises for nearly 100 Issei who have completed a four-month course in citizenship was conducted at Edison High School here Mar. 12.

Bill Dozier, municipal court judge, was the main speaker. He served with occupation forces in Japan.

Other speakers included Haruo Ishimaru, N.C. regional JACL director and Dr. David Greene, director of adult education.

Boy Scout Troop 67, led by Scoutmaster Fred Nakamura, also participated in the ceremonies. The classes were conducted by Mrs. Marie deCarli and Mrs. Grayce Kato.

New classes with enrollment expected in the 100s again was to have started this week.



Sangoro Hatanaka, 56, of St. Petersburg, Fla., smiles happily after receiving his American citizenship papers Mar. 2 in the Federal Court at Tampa. He is shown working in his yarn shop, which he has operated since 1935 after graduating from New York University. He is a native of Aomori.

—St. Petersburg Times Photo.



# Washington Newsletter

MIKE MASAOKA

## 'Anti-Japism' still noted in Congress . . .

As this is written, the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs is considering the House approved measure extending Statehood to the deserving Territory of Hawaii.

Though somewhat belated because the deadline imposed for columns prevented its publication last week, here are some comments and reactions of interest on the debate in the House of representatives on Mar. 9 and 10 relating to Statehood for Hawaii.



MASAOKA

To those who thought that "anti-Japism," anti-Orientalism, and out and out racism was dead, language of some of the speakers would have been most revealing.

Though only a few denounced the Japanese as such, there was an undercurrent of racial prejudice that underscored many of the talks against Statehood. While most of this type of opposition stemmed from the deep South, some from the Midwest and East voiced the same antagonism.

Unfortunately, just reading the Congressional Record won't begin to present the true picture. Congressmen are allowed to edit their remarks before they are finally printed up; others are permitted to add their comments as if they had been delivered on the floor in person during debate. Only by being present on the floor or in the gallery, listening to inflections and the asides, can one really appreciate the bitterness of the bigots.

Unlike war years, however, almost every speaker who raised the question of race, or inferred that the racial composition of the Territory's population was sufficient reason to oppose Statehood, was careful to preface his remarks with usual platitudes about being unbiased and unprejudiced by race, color, creed, or national origin.

Here is a sample of what was said, by Rep. Regan of Texas, in this instance:

"... May I remind the gentleman from Illinois (referring to Congressman Mason, a Republican opposed to the bill) that he has heard, as we all have, that Asiatics are the greatest worshipers

of their ancestors of any race in the world. If this is true, and I think we all concede that it is true, is it not likely that these 400,000 citizens of Hawaii of mixed blood would in case of controversy between our country and their native countries side against their own United States? ..."

As usual, most eloquent of the defenders of the loyalty of Japanese Americans was Rep. Walter Judd of Minnesota.

Strangely enough, the so-called liberals in the House failed to take any significant or substantial part in the debate on this legislation which President Truman's Civic Rights Commission back in 1948 designated as one of its major objectives.

Even stranger, perhaps, was the fact that Texans, who ought to remember the 442nd's rescue of the Lost Texas Battalion in World War II, spearheaded the opposition. Most prominent were Rodgers, Regan, and Rayburn.

Though final vote on passage was an overwhelming 274 to 138, the key motion was on recommitment.

On the charge that the Republicans had made it a party issue, many Democrats who have consistently supported Statehood for Hawaii in years past voted to recommit the measure in hope that a successful recommitment vote would force the GOP to bring out an Alaska Statehood bill.

Joining them in this motion to recommit were those of both parties unalterably opposed to Statehood for both territories.

Again, we had in the House the not-so-unusual combination of those who were opposed to a bill and those who felt that a particular measure didn't go far enough. In this case, the marriage was one of the arch-conservatives from the deep South and the liberals from the North, Midwest, and Pacific Coast.

Actually, from the strategic standpoint of parliamentary maneuvering, since recommitment would probably have meant no action on any legislation for Statehood for either Alaska or Hawaii, a vote for recommitment was a vote against Hawaii.

Though Democrats have traditionally as a party been for Statehood for both territories, because of Republican insistence on bringing up only Hawaiian Statehood, the minority leadership exerted tremendous pressure on its members to vote for recommitment.

Only 27 Democrats were able to withstand that pressure and to vote against the motion to recommit. Among the few liberals who stood for the principle of Statehood above partisanship requirements were Sidney Yates and Barret O'Hara of Chicago, Sam Yorty of Los Angeles, and Francis Walter of Pennsylvania.

The motion to recommit was defeated 227 to 182, but until the vote was announced the result was in doubt because the appeal of the motion to recommit was snowballing until the last moment.

Incidentally, again speaking of "anti-Japism," this observer was surprised at the postcards and letters from the west and east coasts damning the Japanese which deluged every congressman. Organized hatred of the Japanese is a long way from being dead.

## Nisei strandee teaching in Japanese school kept U.S. status, judge rules

San Francisco

A Nisei who taught in the public grammar schools of Japan did not lose U.S. citizenship, Federal Judge Michael Roche of San Francisco ruled in the case of Akiyo Oye, Stockton.

The judge denied the government's contention that Miss Oye's school teaching position was open only to nationals of Japan; therefore, grounds to deny a U.S. passport. He held that there was no evidence to substantiate this position.

The jurist called attention to the principle of law that to bring about a loss of citizenship, the proof must be "clear, unequivocal and convincing" and that this "cannot be done upon a bare preponderance of the evidence which leaves the issue in doubt".

The court held that the burden of proof is upon the government and that evidence presented by the government did not "even remotely, rise to the exacting standard of proof required to deprive a person of citizenship".

The government's proof consisted of general inferences drawn from the Japanese Nationality and Pension Laws. Neither of these laws, said Judge Roche, warranted the inferences attributed to them by the State Department.

In addition, said the Judge, Miss Oye could not lose her citizenship because in teaching school she had not acted voluntarily. She had gone to Normal School in the first place because of submission to her father's wishes and, upon graduation, she had no alternative but to teach since that was the order of the Japanese Government and she had to earn money for food and shelter.

Under these circumstances, especially since Miss Oye had no reason to believe her teaching in order to live would, in any way, imperil her United States citizenship, her teaching was not voluntary.

In a similar case involving school teaching in Japan, Judge David Ling of Arizona, restored United States citizenship to Noboru Kanbara of Huntington Beach. Judge Ling had likewise held that the teacher's actions were not voluntary and therefore not expatriating.

The Arizona Judge did not reach the issue of whether the position was one requiring Japanese nationality. The Oye case is the first one deciding directly that Japanese nationality was not required.

## Cherry blossom queen to win Japan vacation

Honolulu

A round trip by plane to Japan will be awarded to the lucky girl selected as queen of the first annual Cherry Blossom Festival here.

The queen, to be selected from a group of 15 finalists with contenders making up the court, will be awarded the gown and cape of her office, trophy and other gifts.

The festival starts Apr. 18 and ends Apr. 25.

## \* CAPSULES

Money hidden under a meat counter of Ben Oshima's market in Stockton was stolen by a burglar last week who smashed a window to gain entrance. Police were told \$50 is missing.

A county car skidded on wet pavement, took out 20 feet of a roadside fence before it smashed into a pole. Driver was Miss Manabu Shibuya, 24, Santa Cruz county welfare department employee, who escaped with minor injuries.

Kazuo Nakamura, 26, sculpture instructor, has his "Light, Shadow and Statue" painting on display at the Ontario Society of Artists exhibition in Toronto art gallery.

Bob Ochikubo, who has studied in New York, Chicago and Europe, has a one-man show at the Library of Hawaii. His paintings include oils of Honolulu scenery.

Agnes Haruye Miwa, who taught shorthand in Honolulu before enlisting in the WACs, is being transferred from Fitzsimons Hospital, Denver, to SHAPE headquarters, Paris, this month.

Robert Ohki was named president of the Livingston Fruit Exchange during the annual meeting last week. Fred Kishi, retiring president, is treasurer.

Sumiko Kato, R. N., in charge of nursing arts classes at San Jose Hospital school of nursing, presented freshman students successfully completing their probationary period last Friday. To be capped were Geraldine Kodama, Imperial, and Lois Kanemoto, San Jose.

Japanese murals in the living room of the Xaverian College faculty quarters, Silver Springs, Md., were destroyed in a \$35,000 fire Mar. 8.

Top honors in the Alameda County's Krusi Park kite-flying contest went to Moto Yamamoto, who hoisted a hexagonal Japanese kite up the highest recently.

Dr. Sumio Kubo, Fresno dentist, was honored by his fellow Optimists for his boys' work committee work before his departure this week to report for Army duty at Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

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## Berry farmer dies from gasoline explosion

Death struck a family twice in a month as Karl Amoto, 36, died of burns from a gasoline explosion Sunday. He was victim when he was refueling tractor on his berry farm.

His mother, Mrs. Tomi Amoto, was killed in an automobile accident Feb. 26 when she was enroute to Stockton to attend a funeral.

## Sen. Watkins -

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order to demonstrate in relation to the general Japanese population.

The Washington JACL representative pointed out that some 20 cases the courts held that voting in Japanese elections did not result in loss of American citizenship within the meaning of the Nationality Act of 1940. In one instance did the courts otherwise.

Because litigation is too and expensive for most Nisei, because individual private bills on this would overload Congress, because the quota for Japanese so small that few would be able to return to their native land in the foreseeable future, Masaoka urged that Congress act immediately on the he termed "emergency legislation to take care of an emergency situation."

Of the elections themselves, Masaoka described them as being largely to implement American-sponsored constitution and to elect pro-United States members of Parliament and local officials.

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# Tokyo Topics

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## Gomen Nasai . . .

Reports from Los Angeles that the song, "Gomen Nasai" is one of the hit tunes. It is the handiwork of Dr. Benedict Mayers, who wrote lyrics while in the Army in Tokyo, and is presently a physical science professor at Roosevelt College of Chicago.

The poem of Mayers was turned over to the Nippon Press with the understanding that all the proceeds go to charity. He gave it the title "Gomen Nasai" (Forgive Me).

Raymond Itsuro Hattori of Nippon Columbia Records wrote the music to it and had it recorded by his amateur singer Cpl. Dick Bowers sang it and all the proceeds were assigned to an orphanage for offsprings of American and Japanese girls.

Hattori's name is still familiar among many Nisei Buddhist leaders in connection with his visit to California in 1952 to attend the Pan-Pacific Young Buddhist Conference. He was with the Japanese section of the Nippon Jiji (Hawaii Times) of Honolulu one time.

Hattori has introduced more than 1,000 leading songs of Hawaiian theme to the Japanese music lovers since his return to Japan from Honolulu. He became very prominent since the surrender with Japan's keen interest in American things. His rise proved to be very spectacular.

Hattori contacted Walt Disney for the distribution of his musical compositions, including "Gomen Nasai." Disney made contracts with five major recording companies for him.

The Negro singer Bowers has been given a seven-year contract with the Disney company after he was called to Hollywood to sing Hattori's songs.

The Japanese composer is the first Japanese to become a member of the ASCAP through the efforts of Disney. He is planning to visit America this year to get more inspiration for his musical works.

Incidentally, Hattori is the great grandson of Oguri Bun-Kami, one of the Lords who went to America to ratify the Japanese-American Treaty of Commerce & Navigation. There are many important documents at his home to show various vital transactions between Japan and America. Some of his unpublished papers are extremely interesting.

Hattori has been so pleased to receive the clippings of the favorable comments of the American press. He is hoping to make many more hits in America to prove that some Japanese composer may appeal to American musical appreciation. His interest in the mixed blood children has led him to state that he is going to do everything possible to help them.

## Yoshiwara . . .

Royalty of the lyrics, "Gomen Nasai," will be turned over to a society for the benefit of mixed-blood children in Japan, which was organized last year by Yoshie Fujiwara, herself the son of a British

## LITTLE GIRLS WILL BE LITTLE GIRLS REGARDLESS OF RACE, CREED, COLOR

Pasadena  
Regardless of race, color or creed, little girls will be little girls. Japan's consul general, Ken Yoshida, has a five-year-old daughter, Kazuko, who is picking up English.

Already she can read signs like "No Parking."

The other day she asked her mother why they didn't have signs saying, "Yes Parking."

## Ex-YMCA secretary named Chicago Resettler worker

Chicago  
Kenji Nakane, onetime executive secretary of the Japanese YMCA here, was appointed associate director of the Chicago Resettlers Committee, succeeding Mrs. Chizu Iiyama, who resigned her position.

He also conducts a naturalization class on Tuesday nights at the Resettlers Building, where 60 Issei are attending. The 25-week course will culminate in a mock examination conducted by the JACL education committee to prepare students for the final test.

The Tuesday sessions are sponsored jointly by the Chicago JACL and the Resettlers.

## Northwest YBL elects

### Tacoma Bussei president

Portland  
Tetsu Tamaki of Tacoma was elected president of the Northwest Young Buddhist League at its sixth annual postwar conference. Spokane will host the 1954 convention.

Four-hundred attended. Its oratorical winner, Miki Matsu-mura of Spokane, was awarded a trophy as well as an expense-paid trip to the Western Young Buddhist League convention recently in Los Angeles.

## 442nd Club executive heads Hawaii bank group

Honolulu  
A group of 12 businessmen headed by Akira Fujiki executive secretary of the 442nd Club in Honolulu, filed a preliminary prospectus Mar. 3 for a Nisei bank to be known as the Central Bank of the Pacific in Hawaii.

father and a Japanese mother. "I am mixed-blood myself and I know what kind of problems we have to face with respect to these GI babies of mixed-blood," the noted opera singer said. "We must continuously appeal to the public for funds to care for these unfortunate children."

Fujiwara also disclosed that a motion picture, "Gomen Nasai," will be made soon with a possibility of additional benefits for the youngsters.

Now that the Japanese press has reported how popular the disc has been in U.S., it may sell like hot cakes in Japan.

It took Hattori some 20 years to climb to prominence. He has hit his gold mine, but of late requires medical treatment for his diabetes.

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Shown at the Hawaii Territorial Senate opening recently are three key persons, (left to right) Senate President Wilfred C. Tsukiyama, Senate President Pro-Tempore Kazuhisa Abe, and former Gov. Oren E. Long.

—Photo by Don Nagano, Hawaii Times.

## Canada nationality laws permit return of voting or drafted Nisei strandeers

By TAMOTSU MURAYAMA  
Japan Bureau, Pacific Citizen

A fundamental difference between United States and Canadian nationality laws was pointed out in an interview with Robert W. Mayhew, first postwar Canadian ambassador to Tokyo, who is assisting in the return of many Canadian-born Japanese strandeers.

More than 3,000 Canadian Nisei minors came to Japan with their parents after the war. Now that they have reached their majority, they want to return to Canada. The biggest headache is the question of ship fare according to Ambassador Mayhew.

"When a naturalized Japanese wanted to return to Japan after the war, he was warned months before that they were liable to lose their Canadian citizenship automatically the moment he left Canadian soil," he began. "Their Canadian-born children, however, had no choice as they were too young. But they have become adults now. The Canadian embassy is trying to help as many as possible these Nisei who desire to return to Canada."

Canadian law specifies that Canadian-born are Canadian citizens regardless of their race or creed. They remain citizens regardless of their foreign activities — such as military service by draft or by participation in an election.

Formal renunciation and voluntary enlistment in foreign armed services may be the exception, the Ambassador told the Pacific Citizen, "but the final decision always is made at Ottawa."

The British Columbia-born diplomat has played an im-

portant role during the occupation in connection with the tripartite Japan-U.S. Canada fisheries agreement.

He is highly respected here. His first public appearance was recently made at the inauguration ceremonies of ex-Prince Iyemasa Tokugawa as president of the Canada-Japan Society.

## JAPANESE WAR BRIDE HAS TWINS, FATHER HAS NAME PROBLEM

Seattle  
A Japanese war bride who doesn't speak English gave birth to twin boys Mar. 11 at the Columbus Hospital. Sons, 5 lb.-14 oz., and 5 lb.-12 oz. were born three minutes apart to Mrs. Naoya Hanuta.

The Hanutas had a name problem on their hands. "We didn't have one name picked out, let alone two," Hanuta, a postal employee, said.

He said he met his wife, Eiko, in Tokyo in 1949; married her the following year, and shortly returned to America. It took until May, 1952, for Hanuta to cut the red tape necessary to bring his wife here. The twins are their first children.

## 442nd RCT reunion in Hawaii less than six months away

Honolulu  
Less than six months remain before the 10th anniversary reunion of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team convenes for a two-week celebration starting July 20.

George Miki, vice-chairman of the committee, suggested veterans with limited time should take their vacation during the first week of the reunion as the second week is taken up in outer island tours.

Elaborate brochures outlining costs have been sent to interested veterans. Further inquiries may be secured from the reunion committee, 442nd Veterans Club, 933 Wiliwili St., Honolulu 14.

The proposed schedule of activities:

Monday, (1st day) July 20.  
Morning: Welcome reception at airport, Motorcade through city and billet arrangements.  
Afternoon: Opening of convention, registration and orientation.  
Tuesday, (2nd day) July 21.  
Morning: Memorial Service at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Punchbowl.  
Afternoon: Organized tours.  
Evening: Luau—Hawaiian feast.  
Wednesday, (3rd day) July 22.  
Morning & Afternoon: Around the island tour and picnic.  
Evening: Free.  
Thursday, (4th day) July 23  
Morning & Afternoon: Walkiki

Beach swimming, surfboard rides, outrigger canoe rides, hula shows for picture taking, visit to the aquarium, etc.

Evening Free:  
Friday, (5th day) July 24.  
Morning: Athletic program golf and softball tournaments.  
Afternoon: Bowling tournament.  
Evening: Official Convention Banquet.  
Saturday, (6th day) July 25.  
Morning: Convention Business Meeting.  
Afternoon & Evening: Individual Company Parties.  
Sunday, (7th day) July 26.  
Morning: 442nd Regimental Church Call.  
Afternoon: Optional tours.  
Evening: Free.  
Monday, (8th day) July 27.  
Morning: Mainlanders will leave for neighbor island tours in two

## Masaoka chairman of nat'l confab on civil liberties

Washington  
More than 100 non-Communist organizations were in session for the fifth national Conference on Civil Liberties here for a two-day session which opened yesterday. Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, served as chairman.

The conference is sponsored by the National Civil Liberties Clearing House to evaluate the present status and trends in civil liberties and to discuss future programs.

Every national liberal, religious, racial and civil rights organization was expected to participate, including the two major labor unions, AF of L and the CIO.

Final session today was to consider the "Functions of Immigration in a Free Society" with Philip B. Perlman, former solicitor-general and chairman of the President's Commission on Immigration and Naturalization leading the discussion.

Masaoka is also chairman of the National Civil Liberties Clearing House, a voluntary cooperative agency of some 50 national organizations with representatives in Washington.

During the conference, Paul Sifton, Washington representative of the United Auto Workers, CIO, was to be installed as chairman for the coming year.

## Miscegenation—

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a dangerous position. (While the law has slight effect upon persons of Japanese ancestry in Nevada, the anti-miscegenation law implies second-class citizenship on non-whites. Repeal of the law would sanction marriages of Japanese war brides living with their Caucasian husbands in the state. Similar laws in California were declared unconstitutional as a denial of the 14th Amendment. —Editor.)

## Herb Caen says . . .

San Francisco  
San Francisco Examiner Columnist Herb Caen topped his column recently with an item about a Nevada GI and a Nisei girl who fell in love after they met in Japan. Instead of getting married there, they decided to have the ceremony performed "in the land of freedom and democracy," he wrote. So after arriving here recently, the couple rushed to Reno, only to be refused a marriage license because interracial marriages are not permitted in that state.

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# PSWDC confab preparations in high gear, Phoenix readied for May 1-3

**Phoenix**  
Wild west enthusiasm and vigor mark the preparations now under way by the Arizona JACL, host chapter for the third postwar Pacific Southwest District Council convention to be held here May 1, 2 and 3 at the Hotel Westward Ho.

Convention officials asserted minimum registration fees for the entertainment, food and activities should total \$25, but since primary interest is to attract as many as possible, the fee has been set at \$16 minimum.

"We are trying to make the District Council convention equal to that of the National JACL," commented John C. Glynn, convention publicist. Assurances have been received that the following dignitaries will attend the convention:

Gov. Howard Pyle of Arizona, Mayor Hohen Foster of Phoenix, Mayor Schrey of Glendale, former

U. S. Sen. Ernest W. McFarland, County Atty. William P. Mahoney, Judges Lorna Lockwood and Charles Bernstein of the superior courts.

In the meantime, PSWDC chapters have been reminded that Apr. 7 is the deadline for soliciting advertisements in the 44-page convention souvenir booklet. JACLers and well-wishers may insert individual greetings at a dollar per name. Arizona JACL is donating a perpetual bowling trophy to be retired after a chapter wins the team event three times. A chapter will be allowed one team only and further details will be issued soon.

## Civic Center planning to affect Li'l Tokio, topic for CL luncheon

**Los Angeles**  
Long range planning of the local Civic Center will affect Li'l Tokio and Charles B. Bennett, director of city planning, will be main speaker at the Downtown Los Angeles JACL chapter luncheon meeting next Wednesday at Lem's Cafe, it was announced by Harry Fujita, president.

Charts, maps and architectural sketches will be supplement the presentation.

Li'l Tokio merchants and the public are invited, David Yokozeki, chapter vice-president in charge of program, announced. The luncheon starts at 12:15 p.m. sharp. Reservations are being accepted at the JACL Regional Office here.

## Omaha CL reelects Jack Tamai prexy

**Omaha**  
Jack Tamai has been re-elected president by Omaha JACLers and the installation will be held tomorrow night at the Rome Hotel under chairmanship of Mrs. Lilly Okura and Manuel Matsunami.

Other 1953 cabinet officers are:

Mrs. Lilly Okura, 1st v.p.; Sam Tsuji, 2nd v.p.; Mrs. Robert Nakadai, cor. sec.; Emiko Watanabe, rec. sec.; Manuel Matsunami, treas.; Melvin Yamaguchi, mem.-at-large.

## Detroit CL membership hits all-time high: 213

**Detroit**  
Total membership of 213 exceeds the goal of 200 sought by the Detroit JACL chapter. It is the largest in the chapter's history, declared Roy Kaneko, membership chairman.

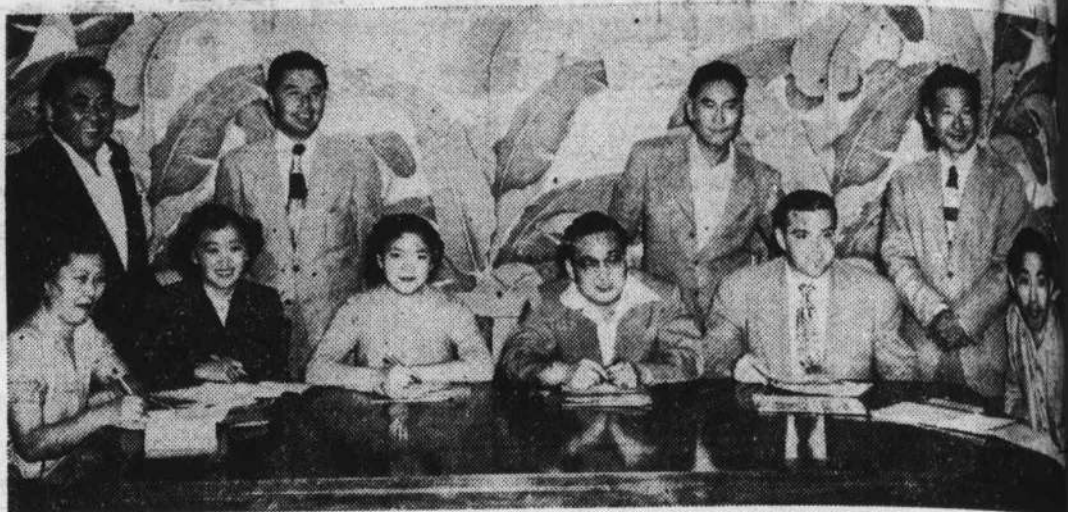
Results of the membership contest between two teams were announced last week with Alice Sato's Michigan State team winning 499 to 392. On the winning team were:

Rose Leong, Art Matsumura, Kay Miyaya, Ken Miyoshi, Shig Ochi and Tom Tagami.



Four members are absent from the photo of the 1953 Edens Township JACL chapter cabinet. Shown are (left to right) Minoru Shinoda, board; Mrs. Yo Kawabata, rec. sec.; Sus Nieda, board; Dr. Frank Saito, pres.; Toichi Domoto, board; Misa Hasegawa, cor. sec.; Masuji Fujii, installing officer; and Kenji Fujii, v.p. Absent were Miko Tanisawa, 2nd v.p.; Tok Hironaka, Ichiro Nishida, board; and Dr. Keichi Shimizu, ex-officio.

—Utsumi Studio, Oakland.



Making plans for the forthcoming "Fun in the Sun" convention in Phoenix, Ariz., for the Pacific Southwest District JACL Council, May 1-3, are (left to right) seated: Mrs. Maki Miyachi, social events; Mrs. Helen Tanita, registration; Lynne Takesuye, sec.; John Tanaka, convention chmn.; John Glynn, pub. rel.; Tom Kadomoto, treas.; standing: Ken Yoshida, official events; Mas Tsutsumida, gen. arr.; Mutt Yamamoto, special events; and Mas Inoshima, Arizona JACL host chapter president.

—Byron R. Shaw Photo

## Seattle JACL registers 350 members for 1953

**Seattle**  
Doubling their 1952 chapter membership, the Seattle JACL today signed up 350 members. The blistering campaign was spearheaded by Miss Kazie Yokoyama, chairman, who had three teams soliciting.

"The remarkably successful conclusion of the membership push was a healthy indication that the people are behind the JACL," commented the Northwest Times, all-English semi-weekly Nisei vernacular.

## CHAPTER MEMO

**Fort Lupton JACL:** A benefit Chinese dinner last Friday was held to purchase a display case for the R. K. Haynes' artifact collection.

**San Luis Obispo JACL:** Thirty-six Issei have registered with the chapter-sponsored Americanization class which began Mar. 10 at Arroyo Grande High School, according to Haruo Hayashi, president. The class is conducted by the public evening school on Tuesday and Friday nights.

**Eden Township JACL:** An early reminder was issued that the chapter picnic, a community-wide affair, will be held at Crow Canyon Park as in previous years on June 20. George Minami and Willie Nieda are co-chairmen.

**Placer County JACL:** Tad Yego, president, appointed the following committeemen for the 1953 term:

Scholarship committee: Jack Yokote, chairman; James Makimoto, Barbara Nakashima, and Ida Otani.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary committee:

Sam Sunada, chairman; Ellen Kubo, Bunny Nakagawa, Toki Okusu, and Tom Yego.

Amy Hironaka succeeds Agnes Iwasaki as chapter historian.

## Narcotics problem topic at next ELA JACL meeting

**Los Angeles**  
Guest speaker from the Los Angeles Police Department will address the East Los Angeles JACL chapter next Friday, Mar. 27, 8 p.m., at International Institute on the "Narcotics Problems as It Effects the Citizens of Los Angeles."

Officers will supplement their talk with exhibits as well as statistics, it was announced by Alice Hatakeda, program chairman. Kay Endow, social chairman, will be in charge of the final hour of the meeting.

## Omaha JACL winds up membership with 100

**Omaha**  
A tremendous job of signing 100 JACLers here was being credited to the committee of Melvin Yamaguchi, membership drive chairman, which has signed up a 100 percent membership from among 40 Japanese American families plus an additional 50 percent non-Japanese as supporters.

On the committee were: Emiko Watanabe, Jack Tamai, Lilly Okura, Manuel Matsunami, Max Hanamoto and Robert Nakadai.

## French Camp Issei

**French Camp**  
The chapter's annual Keirokai honoring the community Issei will be held next Friday, 7:30 p.m. at the French Camp hall. Mats Murata and Tamako Yogi are in charge.

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## Chicago Corner

SMOKY SAKURADA

"Our Stake in Freedom" was Sen. Wayne Morse's topic in his first public speech since he bolted from the Republican party at a fund-raising luncheon of the Council Against Racial and Religious Discrimination of Greater Chicago last Monday at the Sherman Hotel.

The council is a coordinating group of 125 religious, labor and civic organizations to foster better relations among persons of different races and religions here. The Chicago JACL has been a member for several years.

Attending the 10th anniversary luncheon were:

Abe Hagiwara, Jean Kaita, Harold Gordon, JACL; Jack Yasutake, Kenji Nakane, Chicago Resettlers; Togo Tanaka, Shig Mazawa, Scene; and Mrs. Chizu Iiyama.

## Personals . . .

Attending the 19th annual meeting of the Citizens Schools Committee on Mar. 11 were Shig Wakamatsu, Midwest District JACL Council chairman, and Tom Teraji, physical education instructor at southside's Ray elementary school and athletic director at Olivet Institute . . . Expecting the stork are the Joe Maruyamas (1st v.p., Chicago JACL), the Mike Hagiwaras and Ken Yoshiharas . . . Wedding bells in May are to ring for lovely Betty Kurotsuchi and Dr. Takeshi Inouye . . . Chicago JACL cabinet has three former Californians: Frances Abe from Watsonville, Misao Shiratsuki from Salinas and Smokey Sakurada from Monterey.

"The Juggler," a lightly colored but strongly painted canvas by Yasuo Kuniyoshi is on display until Apr. 12 at the Univ. of Illinois' sixth annual exhibition at the Arts & Architecture Bldg.

The third series of Chicago JACL round-table discussions last Sunday at the Olivet Institute took place on the topic of public relations. Orchids to Esther Hagiwara for the nice snack that followed.

## Credit union . . .

Miss Sumi Kobayashi was taken over the post of tria-Credit Union after Miss Ariye Oda was ordered by her doctor to cut down eye-strain. Miss Oda, chapter treasurer three years ago and tabulator for various fund drives, is a book-keeper by profession.

The new treasurer has spent many hours voluntarily in the past to build the credit union to its present standard.

Chicago's first membership committee social will be held Apr. 4 at the McCormick YWCA from 8:30 p.m. Dr. Frank Sakamoto, chairman, is being aided by:

Betty Kurotsuchi, Jean Kaita and Chiye Tomihiro.

An "Easter Parade" of five lovely ladies of Chicago will be the attraction.



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JOE OYAMA

## New York

The recent Mike Masaoka Testimonial held at Hotel McAlpin has augured an era of unprecedented goodwill on part of the local Issei leaders toward the Nisei. This is the first time in New York City since the war that a large social function had been sponsored jointly by two major Issei and Nisei organizations, the Japanese American Committee of New York, Inc., and the JACL.

## L'il Tokio unlimited

New York does not have a Japanese community as such, but the bulk of Manhattan's Nisei lives in the area surrounding 110th and Broadway, called Uptown, its chief landmark being the Columbia university. One surmises the reason for so many Japanese being concentrated in this area is because the Japanese Methodist Institute is (or was) the center of social activity.

When evacuees first started pouring out of the relocation centers into New York, their first stop was the Japanese Methodist Church where the Rev. Dr. Akamatsu either put them up or found them apartments in the adjoining area. As Nisei found apartments in this area, their friends and relatives came out of the centers to settle here until there was a rough estimate of some 2,000 Issei and Nisei surrounding 110th and Broadway.

At one time this corner was jokingly referred to as "First and San Pedro" (Los Angeles). Even today (on warmer evenings, of course) Nisei can be seen standing on the street corners discussing events of the day.

But generally very few Nisei are seen there during the day, because the city is so large, the population so concentrated. The Nisei blend easily into the cosmopolitan character of this city.

## Provincial notes . . .

New Yorkers have a way of boasting that after living in New York for awhile, they can't think of any other place to live, that if they leave New York and go somewhere, they are always glad to get "home."

Recently a half dozen or so fellows, who have lived here some eight or nine years, went fishing to Bear Mountain, some 50 miles from New York. They had never tried winter-fishing. Armed with hatchets and knives to cut the ice and minnow for bait, they went out on an ice covered lake high in the mountains for perch only to bump head-on into a driving icy rain. This was after they had cut holes into the ice and settled down for fishing . . . And to add insult to injury, a ranger came and warned them, "Get off the lake! The ice is breaking . . ."

"Yakama Shush" for "Yakama Shi" . . . Toge Fujihira, New York cameraman, is now in Madras on his way to Ceylon, Thailand and then Japan . . . George Stanicci, formerly of Los Angeles, teaches architectural drawing at Columbia University once a week on a year's contract . . . Tetsuo Arai's home in Japan is built over a swimming pool. The swimming pool-basement is used as his studio . . . A children's book illustrated and written by Taro Yashima, author of the "New Sun" and the "Horizon is Calling," will be published in fall by Viking Press and endorsed by the Junior Literary Guild. Yashima recently was recipient of a Huntington Hartford Fellowship. He will leave shortly for Pacific Palisades (Calif.) where he will paint for a half-a-year . . . Woodrow Wilson Asai, known as "Woody," local chapter JACL president,

who was born in Houston, is the ninth in his family to graduate from Cornell University in Ithaca. Asai has four brothers and four sisters.

## Hickory Hill . . .

One afternoon we drove out to Hickory Hill, which is in Rockland county, about 30 minutes from uptown New York. Hickory Hill is a new cooperative housing project, where there are 29 new homes in all-Western ranch style.

Commercially, they are \$24,000 homes built cooperatively (pooled labor and material) for only \$16,000.

Two Nisei families live in this project. It is one of the nicest projects in the whole New York area, because the terrain is fairly rugged, rustic and well studded with trees.

Hickory is quite a contrast for people who suddenly drive in from Manhattan with "Manhattan nerves." Atmosphere is relaxing. There is no seeming hurry on part of the residents.

The people we visited, stopped work, although they were doing some fine cabinet work in their basement workshop, led us upstairs and served coffee and beer. The whole afternoon was spent just talking about what mutual friends were doing in the Manhattan jungle . . .

We were reminded of our California ranch days, when the Issei boss's wife would quit work, go into the house and come out with cold slices of watermelon.

Ah, to get away from Manhattan!

## 'KISH' KIYOSHI OTSUKA:

## Colorado's 5-star farmer

Denver — "Kishi" Kiyoshi Otsuka of Sedgwick, Colo., and a member of the Mile-Hi JACL, received a page and a half of publicity in the Sunday farm section of the Denver Post on Mar. 8, under the headline of "Meet Sedgwick's Five-Star Farmer" by Ralph Partridge, Post farm editor.

Reference in the headline was made to the silver sugar bowl with five stars on it, signifying the number of times that the Otsuka farm has been among the top ten sugar beet growers in their district.

"Kish," and his two brothers, Akira and Kameo, farm 560 acres in northeastern Colorado, and are known to be top farmers in that district. Farm editor Partridge recognized the example set by the Issei in commenting that "Kish" Otsuka follows father's footsteps as top beet grower. He further noted "Frank T., the elder Otsuka, had the home place in almost perfect condition . . . he leveled land, reclaimed land by filling bogs and establishing a near perfect irrigation system."

Kish has been a leader in the Sedgwick county soil conservation district, and the Otsuka farm has been carefully planted to wheat grasses, improved irrigation systems and attention has been paid to soil fertility. Besides beets, the Otsuka brothers raise rotating crops of sweet clover, potatoes and beans, corn, and back to grain. Recently, the brothers

## New Mexico students head school clubs

Albuquerque — Good manners and better citizenship clubs have been organized at Alameda school, Albuquerque. Jill Fukuzawa, daughter of the Jack Fukuzawa, is president of the citizenship class; while Kiyoko Yamamoto, daughter of the Michi Yamamotos, is vice president of the good manners club.

## IF YOU DON'T LIKE 'JAPS', WRITER SUGGESTS ANSWER IN HANDS OF NISEI

### Vancouver

In a letter to the editor column of the Vancouver Sun, M. W. Colvin of Cowichan Station, writes that "the Japanese Canadians who do not like to be called 'Japs' have the remedy in their own hands. All they have to do is eliminate the 'Japanese' and become Canadians."

The writer continues by saying that many immigrants bring their "bodies to Canada and leave their minds and souls in the lands of their origin." "If they don't want to become Canadians let them go back home."

The Island man has no dislike for the Japanese, he says, and has known and respected many of them. "But as hyphenated groups they can become discriminatory and detestable."

## Livingston-Merced signs up 153 members for '53

### Livingston

Competitive spirit by various membership teams culminated in a grand total of 153 for the Livingston-Merced chapter.

The team, captained by Frank Shoji, defeated the team headed by Walter Morimoto, which has the honor of helping co-chairmen Leonard Kinoshita and Sam Okuyama on the community picnic May 3.

On the committees were: (Winning) Grace Kimoto, Spud Masuda, Mutt Kimura. (Losing) Art Handa, Jake Kiriara and Gene Hamaguchi.

## ICYC elections

### Salt Lake City

Kay Tokita of Idaho Falls was elected president of the Intermountain Japanese Christian Youth Conference here recently. The 1954 assembly takes place in Idaho Falls.

## National YBA reelects

## Mike Maruyama president

### Los Angeles

Mike Maruyama of San Jose and formerly of the Intermountain YBL, was re-elected president of the National Young Buddhist association at a recent meeting held at the Nishi Hongwanji here.

For the first time since the organization of the national body, all five leagues were represented at the meeting. The leagues of the NYBA are:

Eastern, Intermountain, Northwest, Tri-State and Western.

Other new officers include:

Tak Naito, Reedley, v.p.; Nobuy Shimizu, Seattle, sec.; Harry Kurotori, San Lorenzo, treas.; Nobu Yamakoshi, Chicago, auditor; Tad Hirota, Berkeley, executive director; Mrs. Michi Nakamoto, L. A., executive secretary.

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# Tokyo Giants ready for rematch with Hollywood Stars

Los Angeles  
Southland Japanese dined and honored the visiting Tokyo Giants baseball squad of 40 members last night in Li'l Tokio and the enthusiasm was hoped would keep till Sunday when the visitors meet Hollywood Stars at Gilmore Park for the second time.

Two Sundays ago against the Coast League champions, the Nipponese socked a 2-0 win in the final raps at bat.

In the past week, the Giants have tucked in one victory in a 9 to 7 free-hitting fracas against the New York Giant reserves at Santa Maria Monday. Masaaki Hirai, shortstop, belted a two-run homer in the ninth to break a tie.

As of Wednesday's game, the Tokyo Giants sports a 6 win-8 loss record in their exhibition tour. Other scores:

(Mar. 12) San Diego 7, Tokyo 4.  
(Mar. 13) San Diego 10, Tokyo 4.  
(Mar. 14) San Diego 4, Tokyo 0.  
(Mar. 15) San Diego 8, Tokyo 3.  
(Mar. 16) Tokyo 9, New York Giants B 7.  
(Mar. 17) Oakland 4, Tokyo 3.  
(Mar. 18) St. Louis Brown B 4, Tokyo 3.

Tokyo Giants will play two AJA all-star aggregations during their six-day stopover in the islands late this month. They play the AJA all-stars composed of rural and urban standouts Mar. 29 and the Winter League all-stars Apr. 1. The Japanese pro-ball champs begin their season Apr. 5.

# Japan Olympic ski ace wins U.S. title

Aspen, Colo.  
Chiharu Igaya, Japanese Olympic ski team ace and now student at Dartmouth College, finished third in the men's slalom race here last Sunday behind two European professionals.

He negotiated the difficult, twisting 40-gate course in 1m. 39.1s. for two runs. His performance marked him the U.S. amateur champion in the event.

Stein Ericksen of Norway, representing Sun Valley, won the title in 1m. 33.1s.

Igay finished fourth in the national combined amateur event which was based on the total time for Sunday's slalom and Saturday's downhill race.

# LIVE OAK HIGH NISEI WINS 'OUTSTANDING' PLAYER COMMENDATION

San Jose  
Torchi Mukai, sparkplug of Live Oak High's lightweight basketball team, garnered the "outstanding player" tag in the All-Santa Clara Valley squad selections as chosen by coaches for the San Jose Mercury. While he tanked 99 points, he was more important to the team as a rebounder, defenseman and leadership. His teammates Robert Sakai and Ron Uesugi made the second all-SCVAL team.

# SPORTSCOPE

**BASEBALL**—Shin Yogi, third sacker for the visiting Hawaii All-Stars, will play professional baseball with the Hanshin Tigers, a top team, this season.

**BOWLING**—In Detroit's city bowling tournament underway currently, a Nisei squad captained by George Fujiwara has class with their 2709—273 pins over average. Members of the squad are:

Jim Yasuhiro 536, Louis Furukawa 529, George Fujiwara 549, Mark Satow 587, and Frank Furukawa 508.

**BOWLING**—With 50 teams rolling in the Salinas city bowling tournament recently, the Nisei squad (Santa Cruz Hotel) landed in fourth spot. On the team were Bob Yamamoto, Bob Oka, George Higashi, Charles Tarda and Kiyo Hirano.

# FUZZY SHIMADA POUNDS EIGHTH 700 SERIES SINCE LAST OCTOBER

San Francisco  
Fuzzy Shimada, No. 1 Nisei kegler, rolled his eighth 700 series since last October when he rammed out a 729 last week. It nearly included a perfect game.

Going into his third game with a 439, he made a spare in the first frame and then socked out 11 strikes in a row for a 290 and a 729 series.

# Sac'to Stags cop NC 'AA' cage title

San Francisco  
Sacramento Stags won the No. Calif. NAU "AA" cage playoff and title in a lopsided 61-31 battle here against the San Francisco Foggs Sunday.

The fast-paced quintet surged after the first 10 minutes of play featuring the lively play of Tak Okamura, Gil Matsumoto and George Goto.

Only consolation for the locals was Willie Osada's 16 points, best individual performance of the day.

# Konno to miss NCAA swim championships

Columbus, O.  
Coach Mike Peppe said that Ohio State's Ford Konno would miss the NCAA swimming championships starting here next Thursday because of his recent attack of mumps.

Konno won the 1,500-meter freestyle event in the Big 10 finals and was stricken that night.

# Vancouver Golden Glover recalls fighter of '40s

Vancouver  
Among the out-of-town competitors to the third annual Province-sponsored Golden Gloves tournament held on Mar. 6 and 7 was Bill Tsuchiya.

Representing the Prince Rupert Elks Club, Tsuchiya, a lightweight, is 17 years old.

Daily Province states that his entry will probably jog the memories of old-time amateur followers back to the days when another great little Japanese Canadian lad held his own with the local simon set.

"His name—Tadao Kato, from North Vancouver." In 1940 Kato battled to the Dominion title and swept his division in the Seattle Golden Gloves. With the war, he moved to Toronto, boxed briefly there before losing use of a hand in a factory accident.

# Nisei-coached lightweight cagers wins Gilroy meet

Gilroy  
Coach Dan Fukushima's James Lick lightweight cagers completed their 1953 season Mar. 7, tripping Gilroy in the finals of the Gilroy Invitational tournament, 33-29.

# BOWLING BRIEFS

Detroit Mixed (Mar. 8)  
220—WHG: Lily Amano  
535—WHS: Pat Fatt  
216—MHG: Frank Dol  
611—MHS: Jim Moy

# Moriya wins mile, 2-mile Central AAU indoor gonfalons

Chicago  
Only double winner of the meet, Kikuo Moriya, Tokyo-born student at Wheaton College, won the mile and two-mile events in the Central AAU indoor track championships last week.

Bradley university, however, replaced Wheaton as champions by two points, 87 2/5 to 85 2/5.

Moriya won the mile in 4m. 16.9s, the two miles in 9m. 38.8s.

# Seattle youth graded best student skier, earns Sun Valley vacation trip

Seattle  
Kenny Takeuchi, ninth grader at Marshall Junior High School, was one of two ski-trip winners of the Post-Intelligencer ski school at Snoqualmie Pass the past winter and has been awarded a week's vacation at Sun Valley.

Selection was based upon attendance, improvement and ability in the series of ski lessons. Kenny was graded the top pupil.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Takeuchi, 10208 First Ave. N.E.

# Placer nine meets Folsom in warm-up to Giant game

Loomis  
Placer JACL horsehiders travel to Folsom Mar. 22 to tangle with powerful Folsom Globes, American "A" Winter League champions of Sacramento, in a practice game prior to the Tokyo Giant game slated for Mar. 26 at Edmonds Field, Sacramento.

Managed by Rollie Barton, famous in this vicinity for his dance orchestra, the Globes are the some as last year's with the reception of a strengthened mound corps. JACL trounced Folsom in a practice tiff last year.

Placers appear better fortified in depth to withstand the rigors of Placer-Nevada League play from what it was last season.

The probable battery will be Yo Takayama and Bobo Hayashida.



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# Frank Hironaka to head Placer JACL baseballers

Auburn  
Frank Hironaka of Auburn was recently appointed director of the Placer JACL entry in the Placer-Nevada Baseball league by chapter president Tad Yego.

He succeeds Bunny Nakagawa of Lincoln who saw two years' service as director from the time of the club's inception in the P-N loop.

The 1953 baseball committee includes:

George Goto, Bob Kozaiku, Bunny Nakagawa, Hugo Nishimoto, Charley Oseto, Uichi Sunada, Ko Ueno, and Homer Takahashi.

# Umeda in draw

Manila  
Tommy Umeda, Honolulu boxer and former bantam-champion of California, battled to a 10-round draw last Saturday here with Benny Escobar of Manila.

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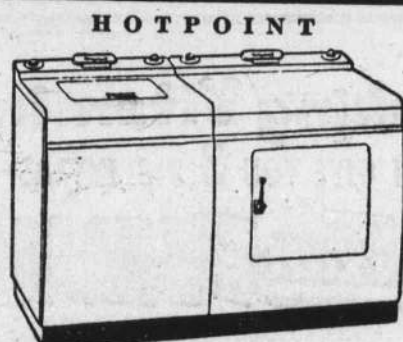
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# Los Angeles Newsletter

HENRY MORI

## Freedom of choice . . .

From all indications, Sen. Jack B. Tenney is losing some of his bite against minorities. His buddies were lending their names too freely, but they found out what he was up to. Last week, eight co-authors of the "Freedom of Choice" resolution declared their intentions to let Tenney amend the constitution to permit discriminatory practices alone. Tenney's SCA 21 is probably getting a committee burial.

Oriental talent with flowers blossomed profusely at Hollywood Park last Saturday, the opening day of the fourth annual So. Calif. International Flower Show.

Some 30 Issei and Nisei individuals and floral establishments displayed their skill in the cut-flower, miniature gardens and floral arrangement division—copping many of the top prizes as well.

San Pedro and San Diego fishermen are etching their brows with wrinkles of worries over the shortage of catches along coastal waters.

One boat owner commented, "There are no more sardines; mackerals are on the decline, and anchovies keep getting scarce."

The multi-million dollar industry looks rather shaky, and Monday, the Democratic legislator from San Pedro, Vincent Thomas sought a conservation program calling for a two-year halt on all fishing.

## Ambassador Araki . . .

The Japan America Society is planning a reception for Ambassador Araki next month at the Biltmore Hotel with Ralph P. Merritt, former head of Manzanar Relocation Center, as banquet chairman.

The last time the Japanese ambassador was in the Golden State, arrangements were made by the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California and the local consulate-general to honor him, but the elderly statesman took ill at a San Francisco Japan America Society reception. After recuperating in San Francisco he returned to Washington.

The Los Angeles Keisen Jogakko alumnae has established a memorial fund for the late Dr. Michi Kawai, educator, who died Feb. 11 in Tokyo at the age of 73.

She founded a girls school in 1929, helped many Nisei women who had difficulty with the Japanese language in a special class set up especially for them.

One of the most active veteran organizations is the Commodore Perry Post 525 of the American Legion. Currently, it is assisting the Red Cross with its annual fund campaign, stepping up the blood donation program from its post for emergency needs of the Japanese community, and will sponsor a Nisei for Boys State in Sacramento this June. Last year, the post sent two delegates.

Speaking about Perry, there will be a commemorative stamp on the 100th anniversary of his entry into Japan sometime this summer. We suggest the post use them on their mail after they appear.

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### Births

AKINO—Feb. 12, a boy Roger John to the Robert Akinos, Santa Clara.  
ANTOKU—Mar. 4, a girl Teruko Marlene to the Charles Teruo Antokus, Palo Alto.  
EDDOW—Feb. 16, a boy Ron Garlick to the Shigenaga Eddows (Yasuko Kajihara), Los Angeles.  
EMA—Feb. 21, a boy Linus Haruo to the Maj. Henry Emas, St. Louis.  
FUJIHARA—Mar. 4, a girl to the Herbie T. Fujiharas, Stockton.  
FUJINO—Feb. 13, a boy Arnold Terry to the Frank Toichi Fujinos, Yuriko Taketa, Los Angeles.  
HARUTA—Mar. 11, twin sons to the Naoya Harutas, Seattle.  
HASHIMURA—Feb. 19, a boy Akira Gary to the Taichi Hashimuras (Yoshiko Endo), Los Angeles.  
HAYASHI—Mar. 4, a boy Keith Toshio to the Hideo Hayashis, New York.  
HORIUCHI—Feb. 27, a girl to the Kazuo Horiuchis, San Francisco.  
INOUE—Mar. 6, a boy to the Mike M. Inouyes, San Francisco.  
IWAMI—Mar. 10, a girl to the Kanichi Iwamis, Seattle.  
JITSUMYO—Mar. 4, a boy to the Dr. Akira Jitsumyos, Fresno.  
KABA—Feb. 23, a boy to the Takeji Kabas, Lodi.  
KANEMOTO—Feb. 13, a girl Mary Ellen to the Wayne Masao Kanemotos, San Jose.  
KANESHIRO—Feb. 6, a girl Dawn to the Yoshio Kaneshiros, Palo Alto.  
KAWATA—Feb. 11, a boy Mark Stephen to the Teruo Kawatas (Kiku Matsumoto), Los Angeles.  
KATO—Feb. 15, a boy Ronald Akira to the Hideo Katos (Masaye Sato), Los Angeles.  
KAWASAKI—Feb. 28, a girl to the Ben Kawasakis, Selma.  
KITAHARA—Mar. 2, a boy Larry Shigeru to the Burt Shigeru Kitaharas, San Jose.  
KUBOTA—Mar. 5, a boy to the James Kubotas, Fresno.  
KUBOTA—Mar. 6, a boy to the Shoichi Kubotas, San Francisco.  
MASUKO—Feb. 17, a boy Timothy Tamio to the Sadao Masukos, Palo Alto.  
MATSUDA—Feb. 21, a girl to the Jack J. Matsudas, Santa Ana.  
MATSUI—Feb. 13, a girl to the George T. Matsuis, Sacramento.  
MATSUOKA—Mar. 1, a girl to the Shig Matsuokas, Redwood.  
MIYAZAKI—Feb. 17, a boy Phillip Jay to the Jacob Yobu Miyazakis (Tomoye Maeda), Los Angeles.  
NAKAGAWA—Mar. 14, a boy Steven K to the George K. Nakagawas (Toshiko Kuramoto), Watsonville.  
NAKAMURA—Feb. 15, a girl Eiko to the Tom Tsuneo Nakamuras (Yumiko Murakami), Los Angeles.  
NISHIZAKI—Mar. 7, a boy to the Ray Nishizakis, Ontario, Ore.  
NOZUMI—Feb. 24, a girl Diana Haru to the Joe Kameshi Nozumis, San Jose.  
OIE—Mar. 6, a girl to the Clarence Oies, Kent, Wash.  
ONIZUKA—Mar. 3, a girl Ito to the Asao Onizukas, San Mateo.  
SAITO—Mar. 9, a boy to the C. Saitos, Seattle.  
SAKAGUCHI—Feb. 18, a girl Wendy to the George Sakaguchis, San Jose.  
SAKAMOTO—Feb. 13, a boy Daniel to the George Ukichi Sakamotos (May Hokama), Los Angeles.  
SAKAMOTO—Feb. 27, a girl Terrie Lynn to the Yukio James Sakamotos, Cupertino.  
SHINODA—Feb. 21, a girl Dawn Yuki to the James Tomochi Shinodas (Alice Shigeko Yoshino), Monrovia.  
SHINTANI—Mar. 10, a boy to the Atsushi Shintanis, Seattle.  
SUMI—Jan. 30, a boy Steven Anthony to the Walter T. Sumis Jo-Ann Castler, Los Angeles.  
SUZUKI—Feb. 21, a girl Diane Aiko to the Frank Suzukis (Sadako Ige), Gardena.  
TAKIMOTO—Mar. 1, a girl to Jo Ann to the Karl Kaichi Takimotos, Santa Clara.  
TOMINAGA—Feb. 10, a girl Alesia Namiko to the Sadaki Stanley Tominagas, San Jose.  
TOYOOKA—Feb. 28, a boy to the Charles M. Toyookas, San Francisco.  
WADA—Feb. 13, a boy George Randall K. to the George Hiromu Wadas (Yoshie Morinaga), Los Angeles.  
YAMAMOTO—Mar. 13, twin sons to the Hideo Yamamotos, Seattle.  
YAMASHITA—Mar. 3, a boy Gary to the Tad Yamashitas, Denver.

### Weddings

Goto-Nishikawa—Isamu and Tayeko, both of Fresno, Mar. 14.  
Kusaba-Hamachi—Masaru, 25, Long Beach, and Chiyeiko, 22, San Pedro, Mar. 8, at Los Angeles.  
Martin-Ishii—Leon, Honolulu, and Mary Kimiko, Norwalk, Mar. 6, at Los Angeles.  
Sumida-Sugiura—Harry, Blanca, Colo., and Nagako, Denver, Mar. 7.  
Uesato-Oiye—George, 27, Honolulu, and Ikuko, 27, Los Angeles, Mar. 7.  
Yoshida-Ito—Harry, Cortez, and Jeanette, San Francisco, Mar. 14.

### Marriage Licenses Issued

Awata-Konno—Arthur Akira, 31, Berkeley, and Florence Hiroko, 27, San Francisco.  
Ikemoto-Yonekura—Ted, 31, Stockton, and Edith, 30, San Francisco.  
Inami-Matsubara—Frank, Livermore, and Setsuko, San Francisco.  
Kato-Hisato—Akira, 33, and Hiroye, 28, both of Seattle.  
Kondo-Johnson—Cheney S., 30, Newport, Wash., and Violet M., 28, Spokane.  
Murai-Yamauchi—Iwao, San Francisco, and Masae, Walnut Grove.  
Nakada-Enomoto—Paul Minoru, 32, Berkeley, and Rose Kazuko, 22, San Francisco.  
Sakamoto-Leo—Henry S. and Lolo, both of Portland, Ore.  
Shironaka-Ishida—Harold H., 30, and Ina F., both of Lodi.  
Taki-Murakami—Kiyoshi, 28, and Elsie A., 25, both of Seattle.

### Engagements

Bonzo-Suzuki—Mary, Berkeley, to Lewis, New York, Mar. 8.  
Seki-Sonoda—Aiko, Los Angeles, to Toshio, Lindsay.  
Takeshita-Kamihara—Chiyo to Kaz, both of Seattle.  
Wakai-Okuhara—Sumiye to Masuwo, both of Lodi, Feb. 26.

### Deaths

AMIMOTO, Karl, 38  
Sunnyvale, on Mar. 15; survived by father Yoshimatsu, brothers Minoru, Yoshio, and sisters Mmes. Mmes. Masayo Yokoi and Mary Ougi.  
FUJII, Mrs. Yoshio, 64  
Venice, on Mar. 14; survived by husband Motonori.  
ISHIBASHI, James, 2½  
Chicago, on Mar. 4; survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. James.  
IWAI, Kiyo, 66  
Lomita, on Mar. 14; survived by husband Shouemon, son Masao and daughter Mrs. Meiko Mizukami.  
KAWANA, Chojiro, 66  
Los Angeles, on Mar. 5; survived by wife, sons Richard and Buster; and six daughters Mmes. Kinuko Tsukahara, Kiyoko Kawahara, Rose Kojima, Ruth Kanemoto, Jane Shitara and Betty Tsuchiyama.  
KAWASAKI, Tomihel  
Portland, on Mar. 13.  
KUROKAWA, Mrs. Sumi, 25  
Ontario (formerly of Wapato, Wash.), on Mar. 1; survived by husband Dick, parents Y. Hashimotos of Ontario, three sisters and brother Ted.  
MATSUMOTO, Tokutaro, 78  
Stockton, on Mar. 10 survived by son Jack, and three daughters Mmes. Bessie Takei, Catherine Gotana and Dorothy Matsumoto.  
OIE, Nobuye  
Los Angeles, on Mar. 9; survived by husband Kotaro, daughters Mmes. Hatsuyo Matsui and Mieke Shoji.  
OKIMOTO, Minnie Michiko, 22  
Honolulu, on Feb. 20 at Clinton, Ill. (Student at Washington Univ., St. Louis); survived by parents Yutaka, three brothers and two sisters.  
OSATO, Nui, 59  
Redwood, on Mar. 11; survived by husband Masazo, three sons Masashi, Masaki, Kiyoshi, and seven daughters Shizuno, Kinue, Setsuko, Mmes. Ayako Nishimura, Yoshiko Miyamoto, Miyoko Arao and Fumiko Tanouye.  
SAKAMOTO, Hiroshi, 55  
Los Angeles, on Mar. 12; survived by wife, son Kazuo and daughters Louise Setsuko, Aileen Noye and Mrs. Mildred Mizukami.  
TAKEUCHI, Yoshitsugu, 64  
Seattle, on Mar. 10 survived by wife Mitsue, sons Shigeo, Yukio and Robert S.  
YAMAMOTO, Taneichi  
Chicago (formerly of Salinas), on Mar. 12; survived by sons Harry, Peter, Robert and Joe, and daughters Mmes. Fumi Kita and Kiyo Yoshida.

### Stockton pioneer dies

Tokutaro Matsumoto, 78, of Hiroshima, who died Mar. 10, was one of the first Japanese to settle here, farming from 1903 to 1922, then operating a ranch and El Dorado Drug Store at the same time until he retired in 1942.

He had returned a month ago after spending three years in Japan.

### SOCIAL NOTES

Detroit's Mr. & Mrs.: Easter party for children will be held at International Institute, Mar. 29, 2 to 5 p.m. Alice Miyao and Fred Miyao are co-chair man.



Horace Mochizuki (left) of Madera High School was awarded superior rating for his instrumental violin solo at the California Music Educators Association Festival in Fresno recently. To his right is his sister, Joyce, pianist. —Fresno Bee photo.

### KITCHEN TIPS

#### STUFFED MUSHROOMS (serves 6)

¼ lb. imported Chinese mushrooms  
1 lb. pork  
1 can bamboo shoots  
1 tsp. salt  
½ lb. fresh shrimps, shelled  
1 can waterchestnuts  
¼ can green onions, chopped  
1 tsp. soy sauce  
½ tsp. Ajinomoto

Wash mushrooms, soak in warm water for 30 minutes, drain and press water out of mushrooms.

Chop shrimps, pork, waterchestnuts, bamboo shoots and green onions into a "burger-like" mixture.

Add salt to chopped meat mixture. Mix well.

Spread one tbsp. of chopped meat on the under side of each mushroom.

Place the stuffed mushrooms in a shallow dish. Now sprinkle soy sauce and Ajinomoto over stuffed mushrooms.

Place bowl with stuffed mushrooms in a large pan with a metal concentrator under bowl. Add sufficient water into pan so that it comes up to the bottom of the dish. Do not let water overflow into dish with stuffed mushrooms. Cover. Bring water to a boil and

### THE MAILBOX

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threatened he publicly protested the thousands of injustices perpetrated during that trying period. Whether it was in finding the returnee a job, or to help gain entrance into schools, or even to open his own home as a temporary haven, he was always a friend who could be counted on to do everything in his power to help.

Other public officials made the headlines in our newspapers after our return with their public apologies for actions against the Japanese Americans. Mr. Darby, like the unheralded good, rarely made newsprint, because men of such integrity act only in accordance with their deep sense of justice.

Through all these years, until his sudden death on Mar. 5, his friendship was unexcelled. We mourn deeply the passing of a truly fine, courageous friend.

—HARRY MASUNAGA

—HENRY ISHIDA

Gardena.

for 30 minutes. Add more hot water if it boils dry until stuffed mushrooms are cooked. (Ben C. Moy)



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#### PERSONAL

Anyone knowing whereabouts of following persons should call the Pacific Citizen, care of the JACL Regional Office, 258 E. 1st St., L.A.  
Tokuyee Sakaji Iwasaki, formerly of Chicago, Ill.  
Joe Chikara Takagaki, formerly Star Rt., Rosamund, Calif.  
Shoichi Samura, formerly 238 S. Beaudry, Los Angeles.  
Shinn Yamashita, 2127 Irving St., San Diego 13.



## A Child's Faith

Denver

Susan, sidled up coyly the other day and, looking at me with wide open eyes, asked if I could beat up Buster Crabbe. I knew by the expression on her face that she expected me to say yes. I disappointed her. I asked her who Buster Crabbe happened to be.

Patiently she explained. It seems that Buster currently is a TV-type cowboy. Buster is very strong. He vanquishes bad guys with skill and dispatch. He can ride like the wind and he has a wallop in his right that should make Rocky Marciano quiver with fear.

Then the cobwebs fell away and I remembered Buster. He used to be an Olympics swimmer. After that, I recalled, he played a movie Tarzan for a while, leaping through trees, strangling lions and outswimming crocodiles. He was quite a man.

Perhaps I should have been flattered that my daughter thinks I am in the same physical class, more or less, with Buster. And yet there is a

little sadness in the thought because all too soon she will grow up and lose her child's faith.

Soon she will realize that her daddy is a chair-borne softy who gets winded running for the bus. And even in his prime, she'll come to learn, he couldn't have qualified to carry Buster's towel for him.

Today, though, through the adoring magic of her nine-year-old eyes, her daddy has stature. She is sure he can do anything. She thinks that perhaps he too can perform all the brave and wonderful feats that Buster Crabbe demonstrates so well on television.

As adolescence opens her eyes, she will discover the horrible truth. Her daddy is not a superhero. He crumbles in her estimation, an adobe god with feet of clay. He never again quite approaches her ideal of what a man should be like—never, that is, until she is grown up and wise.

But in adolescence she will see only that his suit always

wrinkles across the back, that his hair sticks up no matter how he combs it. That his shoes usually need a shine and that he lacks the courtly manner that all young women expect in elderly men. Elderly men? Why, that's me. One of them anyway.

I am afraid that before long, her eye will wax critical of her father. Perhaps I shall be rushed out of the front room when her special young man comes to call. Because I, the man she once thought was a fit rival for Buster Crabbe, will disgrace her. And of course that would be unforgivable.

Just for a little while, though, I shall stand a little straighter and talk a little lower down in my throat. I shall flex my muscles under the layer of fat, and try to walk with just a little spring in my flattened arches. All because Susan, in her childish way, thinks that perhaps her daddy is big enough and strong enough and brave enough to beat up Buster Crabbe.

## Editorials pertinent

When I read your warning about "Freedom of Choice" (whose "freedom" is the freedom of bigots to destroy democracy, reducing minority groups to second class), I sent the following message to each senator:

Jack Tenney may choose his chauffeur and baby sitter, But not who may eat in his restaurant or be shaved in his barber shop. His SCA 21 would enable those who serve the public to refuse to serve to "part" of the public, Deny liberty & justice to ALL. Your editorials are always pertinent, restrained and reliable. I consume them regularly.

—ALTON L. HALL

Huntington Beach, Calif.

(Added note: State Sen. John A. Murdy, Jr., of Huntington Beach has announced he is lending support to a proposed freedom of choice bill authored by Sen. Jack B. Tenney even though listed as a co-author. Sen. Luther E. Gibson of Vallejo also announced his withdrawal as co-author of the measure—despite the fact that the bill remains with their names. Other co-authors are A. W. Way, Fontana; Fred Weybret, Salinas; Verne W. Hallman, Acampo; Louis G. Sutton, Maxwell; J. Howard Williams, Porterville; and Charles Brown, Shoshone.—Editor.)

## Raymond V. Darby

What does one say as a tribute to a friend?

Raymond V. Darby passed away. Isn't it time that there is recognition of a man who has worked so unobtrusively and diligently for the Nisei welfare? Although high and influential in politics, he is symbolic of the thousands of unheralded friends such as teachers, ministers and friends who fearlessly stuck by us in the most crucial crisis of our lives.

Immediately following the outbreak of World War II, while serving on that now famous Committee on Evacuation, as the Mayor of Inglewood, his was the only dissenting vote on evacuation of the Japanese from the West Coast.

When he had everything to lose, and nothing to gain as a popular public official in politics, despite anti-Japanese hatred, he had courage to stand by us. This he did, because of his unflinching faith in us—the Nisei.

Even for this alone, he should be long remembered. But above that, because of his advanced knowledge of the plans for the camps, he mustered the aid of his relatives and friends in Kansas and Colorado, to open their homes to the Japanese, and as a result, many families were able to avoid the Concentration Camps. He wrote letters on official stationery asking for the release of fathers from the internment camps, so that the families could be together.

When the West Coast was again open to the Japanese, at which time he was a Supervisor of Los Angeles County, he was instrumental in making our return not only possible but made it easier in every way. Though his life was often

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to observe that while all senators are not expected to be familiar with all bills, the man whose name is down as an author (even a co-author) might be assumed to have given careful consideration before he signed his name.

But all's well that ends well; and this sly attempt by Sen. Tenney to write discrimination into the constitution will probably fall flat on its face. And, in the future, we'll bet that many senators will take care that the measures they sponsor really reflect their own views. —Register-Pajaronian, Watsonville

## Endowment fund

When the Southern California Retail Produce Dealers Association contributed \$2,000 out of its \$5,000 prewar surplus, that tribute stimulated the drive to build up the JACL endowment fund.

The Association was organized in Los Angeles in 1933 and at one time boasted an affiliation of 660 stores and 3,500 Nisei employees. Mass evacuation in 1942 stopped its activities. After the exclusion ban was lifted in 1945, its members did not return in sufficient numbers to warrant reactivation.

To distribute its accumulated surplus, old members decided it was the best policy to distribute it to worthy causes and projects. Other recipients were the Southern California Japanese Chamber of Commerce, \$2,000, and the Shonien Home, \$1,000.

Members of the produce dealers association will have a deep satisfaction since the contribution will remain in the endowment fund. Only the income derived from the investment of the money will be used.

As the endowment fund grows, they will know they had a helping hand in boosting a project which shall be one of the means of securing the future of all persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States, Hawaii included.

We have just passed a period where income taxes were paid. A good way of cutting that down would be a contribution to the JACL Endowment Fund.

## Harmony &amp; Unity

What may have been heartening to our Tokyo correspondent has been taken for granted by many of us, despite instances to the contrary. We refer to the relationship existing between the Issei and Nisei today. Our Tokyo writer recalled the days when the situation differed.

That it could be separated is a naive notion. The relationship between the parent and child is unchangeable. What hurts one shall concern the other.

Recent enactment of the Walter-McCarran immigration and nationality law is removing a source of considerable grief—the citizen-alien relation of the two.

With a citizen-citizen status, the community is headed for an era of stronger unity and harmony. The JACL has a duty to encourage this obligation of making the Issei active citizens.

## 12 Page Issues

Encouraging letters and mounting subscriptions to the Pacific Citizen have been sources of deep satisfaction. Such manifestations from JACL chapter leaders, general membership and non-member friends, we are certain, are a tribute to the splendid work of Larry and Guyo Tajiri, editors of this publication the past ten years; the effective and constructive program that JACL and its legislative arm, the JACL-ADC, recently completed.

Since moving to Los Angeles, our advertising has increased by 100 percent. Our circulation has added another 1,000 readers.

Instead of operating in the "red," the balance shows a net profit.

Chapters have accelerated the flow of news items and photographs enough to warrant adding four pages.

This steady growth of more advertisers and more subscribers can be nurtured by our readers and JACLers. The quicker we ascend, the sooner will we be able to launch our 12-page edition.

Girls in an Eastern college are taught how to cut gems. They already know how to do the same to classes.

## Very Truly Yours . . .

## You've Got to Be Taught

"South Pacific" made news several weeks ago in a manner which would earmark the item for our "Minority Week" column . . . That it would ever be found on pages outside of the drama pages was never anticipated . . . About the show, I recall the couple who bought two tickets for it at the Philharmonic auditorium, only to have a big post separating them . . . And how we played bridge to pass the time waiting our turn at the box office—the line was that long.

You've got to be taught to be afraid  
Of people whose eyes are oddly made,  
Of people whose skin is a different shade . . .

That tune was denounced by two Georgia legislators as justification for interracial marriage and they said they would introduce legislation "to prevent the showing of movies, plays, musicals or other theatricals which have an underlying philosophy inspired by Moscow" . . . It is understandable that feelings down South are still on edge when the race question arises, and I would have ignored the incident. But tagging "interracial marriage" as a "philosophy

inspired by Moscow" can't be ignored . . . It's becoming so that anything you don't like, you regard as Moscow-inspired . . . Interracial marriages were blessed before Karl Marx was ever born.

The show played to full houses the two weeks it played in Atlanta. Even Gov. Talmadge enjoyed the show . . . But the two state senators assailed the city for permitting such "propaganda" . . . Lyricist Oscar Hammerstein II told the press that he meant every word of the song. He thought the solons were correct in thinking the song a protest against race prejudice . . . "It's no undercover propaganda," he said. "If they don't like it, it's just too bad" . . . Hammerstein was further quoted as saying: "I doubt that these men are true representatives of the Georgia people" . . . It was the first time such a protest was lodged against this musical.

This incident, if anything, plays directly into Moscow's hand . . . It's the old game of "divide and conquer" . . . Pitting one group against another is an old trick of theirs—labor against capital, blacks against whites, the godless

## by Harry K. Honda

## You've Got to Be Taught

against the God-fearing . . . The legislators fear interracial marriages would result in half-breeds not conducive to a higher type of society . . . "White supremacy" is their ultimate . . . The unconcerned Nisei shakes his head. "That's not right!" he instinctively tells himself . . . Yet around the corner in his own neighborhood might be a young Japanese war bride, married to a Mr. Jones who happens to be a Negro . . . To her, he may not even be civil. Not even a "hello" when she takes her kinky-haired baby for a short stroll . . . You might say this was brassier version of "supremacy"—"yellow supremacy."

The irresponsibility of such statements from legislators staggers imagination . . . When Uncle Sam is spending millions trying to help millions of people in Asia and Africa emerge from colonialism, the Communists resort to vicious denunciations of "white supremacy" . . . So what the two Georgians offered was a beautifully tailored piece of Red propaganda—not "South Pacific" as they criticized . . . While many will ignore the pair; unfortunately, Red propagandists will not.

## Opinions from Other Newspapers . . .

## Didn't Know It Was Loaded

A number of California state senators are running rapidly in reverse this week, like a curious pup who has taken a heavy sniff of red pepper.

They're thinking up diplomatically-worded apologies for their sponsorship of a constitutional amendment which turned out to be a sly gimmick proposed by Sen. Jack Tenney, Gerald L. K. Smith and assorted other odd persons.

... the Tenney amendment would make a considerable change in Article I, section 1 of the California constitution, guaranteeing (in addition to the traditional life, liberty and pursuit of happiness) the right to "choice of associates, customers, tenants and employees" and the right to "disposing" of property as they see fit.

There is ground to question whether racial and religious discrimination can be best ended by compulsory law—but on the other hand

this brass-bound attempt to write the "right to discrimination" into the constitution has no place even on the legislative docket, as some senators are finding out at this late date.

We expressed surprise last month at least one name on the list of co-authors of the amendment, that of Sen. Fred Weybret of Salinas. The senator has now beat a retreat in the following words:

"Please bear in mind that there were about 5,000 bills introduced in a 10-day period for consideration this session . . . I have talked with some of the other senators who co-signed this amendment, and . . . there is some question about its constitutionality. Therefore, I am of the opinion that the senators that co-authored this proposal, other than Sen. Tenney, will withdraw their names as co-authors or withhold their sup-

port, when it comes before us for consideration . . . This session is going to be one of the most trying and serious sessions in our history and we certainly will need all the support possible . . ."

Sen. Weybret's words could be roughly translated as follows:

"Honest, I didn't know it was loaded."

There are indeed more than 4,000 bills pending in the legislature, and it would be unreasonable to assume that any senator could be familiar with them all.

It would be reasonable to observe, however, that in the senate only 28 of those measures are constitutional amendments; and changing the state's constitution certainly is of more importance than a simple bill to specify the type face in insurance policies. Amendments to the constitution are not matters to be taken lightly.

It also would be reasonable