# New Horizons' theme of '54 CL confab

# SUDGET BUREAU TO URGE CONGRESS PPROPRIATE FULL EVACUEE AWARDS be dismissed if

ecessary to pay all compromise vacuation claim awards made ne Department of Justice for ne 1952 and 1953 fiscal years. Rep. Sidney R. Yates (D., l.) told the Washington JA-L office of this decision after eceiving a letter from the birector of the Budget. Some

,000,000 is involved. Mike Masaoka, Washington presentative, hailed the anouncement as meaning eva-uees who have their claims ettled will receive their checks summer.

A supplemental request is exected to be presented to the ongress by the Budget Bureau. he House Appropriations sub-ommittee considers it first, nen the full committee acts up-n it, Masaoka explained. The

#### Murrett feted

Seattle On his way to Japan, Rev. ohn C. Murrett, former pastor Our Lady Queen of Martyrs hurch here was honored at a eception last Sunday. He was astor of the Maryknoll church om 1926 to 1932.

Director of the Budget Jo-eph M. Dodge will recommend at Congress appropriate funds followed in the Senate and if the amount is identical withthe House version, the bill is forwarded to the President for signature.

Only after the President's signature can the Treasury be authorized to issue checks.

The Washington office has promised that the JACL will do everything possible to expedite favorable consideration of the supplemental appropria-

# Citizen two weeks, Chicago Issei dies

Jack Yasutake, 62, first Issei to be naturalized in Chicago when he became a citizen only two weeks ago, is dead.

The Chicago Resettlers Committee director died Monday in Cook County hospital after taking ill while driving his auto in the Loop. Final rites are scheduled tomorrow at St. Paul's Episcopal church, where his son, the Rev. Michael S. Yasutake, has been pastor.

# leorganization of Nat'l JCCA looms, lat'l executive sec'y Tanaka resigns

Reorganization of the Nation-Japanese Canadian Citizens ssociation is the main item is weekend when the fifth ational council session is callto order by Ted T. Aoki, naonal president.

Proposals calling for reor-anization and modification in ne National JCCA have largely temmed from the financial risis where provincial chapers find themselves unable to eet their budget quotas uner the present operation of mergency budget of \$4,800.

Most of the present budget zed for the work of a ull-time national executive ecretary.

Chapters in Ontario and lanitoba have proposed art-time secretary; Manitoba aggesting a budget of \$2,400, hile Ontario's estimate is 2,000. Quebec suggested a 2,000. Quebec suggested a otating national headquarters n a provincial basis.

Canadian chapters to be repesented are: Vancouver, Kamloops, B.C.; Leth-ridge, Raymond, Alta.; Toronto, linnepeg and Montreal.

Toronto

George Tanaka, who has been xecutive secretary of the Naional Japanese Canadian Citiens Association for the past

Tanaka believed that the National JCCA should not give up its work, especially the work involved for relatives of Japanese Canadian families who are denied admission to Canada. The JCCA should continue to aid these people, he said. "The heart, the human touch of the JCCA is important."

# Evacuee claim may ATTORNEY GENERAL TO address unknown

Los Angeles

Japanese vernaculars were informed this past week by the Japanese Evacuation Claims office here that some 25 percent of claimants have failed to inform the Department of Justice of their change in address.

Frequently, notices mailed to claimants to their last-known address have been returned by the Post Office.

In the event, a claimant can-not be located, it is possible that the claim may be dismiss-ed on the grounds that the claimant has abandoned his claim because his failure to advise the Department of his whereabouts, Johnston K. Walker, attorney in charge, recently stated.

The section has, from time to time, released a list of persons in the Southern California area whose present whereabouts are unknown.

It is a duty of each claimant, or his heirs at law where the claimant is deceased, to keep the Dept. of Justice informed of any change in address.

#### Six Southland Issei to be naturalized Apr. 10

Los Angeles Six Issei, the first in this area

will be sworn in as United States naturalized citizens by Federal District Judge Ernest A. Tolin on Apr. 10 here in ceremonies which will be at-tended by civic, county and state officials. The six Issei will be among a group of candidates representing 41 different coun-

A celebration luncheon honoring the new citizens will be held imediately following the induction ceremonies under cosponsorship of the JACL and the SC Japanese C. of C.

# Arizona JACL putting finishing touches To three-day 'fun in sun' convention

Phoenix

The three-day "Fun in the Sun" Convention of the Pacific Southwest District Council, scheduled here May 1, 2 and 3, will be the outstanding JACL gathering anywhere in the country, according to John Tadano, convention chairman and

Convention highlights include opening ceremonies on Friday, May 1. The Saturday morning and afternoon business sessions will be punctuated by a Recognition Luncheon honoring for-mer Senate Majority Leader, Ernest W. McFarland, and an outdoor western barbecue a-lachuck wagon that evening.

Church services and sightix years, has tendered his re-ignation, it was disclosed last daylight hours on Sunday topseeing tours will take up the

have the National JCCA will be held on Saturday and A chartered plane is being ouncil accept his resignation Sunday at Phoenix Bowling planned to transport delegates the fifth national conference Center. Entry deadline will be from the Los Angeles area, it eeting this weekend in Van- Apr. 24, according to Tak No- was revealed.

mura, tournament chairman. A sparkling 44-page Conven-

tion Program including 12 pages of color photography will delegates and boosters will rethe ceive. Western gear will be the rule, Tadano said.

Dignitaries who participating past president of the Arizona in the convention, will be Gov. host chapter. Howard Pyle of Arizona, Phoenix Mayor Hohen Foster, Glendale Mayor Schrey, County Attorney William P. Mahoney and Superior Court Judges Lorna Lockwood and Charles Bernstein.

> Delegates are expected from all 17 member chapters of the Pacific Southwest District Council predicted Tut Yata, PSWDC chairman. The chapters include:

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# PICK CHERRY BLOSSOM QUEEN ON CHANCE SPIN

Washington A man who normally would not be seen in the same room with a gambling device soon will personally operate a wheel of fortune.

Attorney General Brownell will manipulate a giant-sized carnival wheel at the National Cherry Blossom Festival Ball next Friday to determine who will be the 1953 Cherry Blossom queen. One of the 52 princesses from all states and territories will be selected queen when the wheel stops on the name of her state or territory.

#### Santa Clara youth, 8, struck by automobile

Santa Clara Kenneth Fujii, 8, of Route 1, Box 860, Santa Clara, received minor injuries Thursday last week when he was struck by

an auto at intersection of Scott Lane and El Camino Real. Driver of the car was Gussie K. Rothholz, 52, of San Jose.

# **Overall program** assuming form

Los Angeles

Enthusiasm began to surge among committeemen of the 1954 National JACL convention

which met here Wednesday
when the theme, "New Horizons," was selected.

The overall program of the
five-day conclave at the new
Statler Hotel in downtown Los Angeles, Sept. 2 to Sept. 6, 1954 (the Labor Day holidays) was

beginning to take shape, too. Dr. Roy Nishikawa, general convention chairman, discussed policy matters well into the night, but special and social events were included such as fishing, golf, bowling, queen and fashion contest, hopeful booster delegates at-tending the 13th biennial convention would be fully oc-cupied while delegates moot on

the "challenge of tomorrow."
The metropolitan Los Angeles chapters, Downtown, East Los Angeles, Hollywood, Southwest Los Angeles, West Los Angeles and Venice, are hosts. The Statler has been known

to out-of-towners as the hotel with a TV set in each room.

# Pioneers of Kona coffee honored by grateful Hawaiian community

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

noon sun. Most were men in black suits; about a third were women in simple, dark dresses.

They were seated on a broad athletic field in Kona, on the island of Hawaii, which they have called home since leaving Japan before the turn of the century.

men and women These were being honored by a grateful community for having devoted 50 or more years to growing coffee. They were the pioneers who made the name "Kona coffee" world famous and who stayed on their farms through poverty and prosperity.

About 3,000 townsmen of the sleepy village turned out to pay tribute. The Governor of Ha-waii, Samuel Wilder King, flew from Honolulu 165 miles away to honor the oldtimers. Japanese consul general was be one of many souvenirs that there too; so were the Philippine consul, and many other officials.

The oldest coffee pioneer was Mrs. Mina Morita, 95 years of age but still hearty enough to sit through the two hour program under a scorching sun.

The youngest was 69 years of age. Most were in their 70s. A handful were unable to be present.

Two oldtimers had each put in 62 years of labor into coffee growing—a record for the group. They had come from Japan as contract laborers in 1891 and are the only survivors of that first group.

Speaker after speaker took turn at the loudspeaker to congratulate the pioneers. The speakers recalled the ups and downs of a coffee industry whose fate depends so much on the fluctuating prices in the world market.

Kona's coffee production last pounds, valued at about \$3,- honorary fraternity.

They made an inspiring sight—the 25 aged Japanese who sat grouped together under the hot district's income.

At one time nearly all the coffee farmers were Japanese. Today, 70 per cent are Japa-nese; 25 per cent are Filipinos, and five per cent, others.

The depression years of the 1930s were disastrous for the coffee industry. The growers sank heavily into debt but were rescued by a group of adjustors who settled the debts that amounted to nearly \$2,000,000.

A federal credit union has since been organized to assist the farmers.

The recognition ceremony was part of a two day festival, Mar. 28-29, that included a parade of floats, coronation of a queen, presentation of certi-ficates to the oldtime coffee growers and other pioneers in the coffee industry, a sumptuous luncheon, a carnival, baseball games, masquerade ball, children's field day, a judo exhibition, a lantern parade, and an international program dramatizing highlights in Kona's history.

All in all, the festival was just about the most ambitious, most successful community project ever sponsored by the Kona people.

It was a fitting recognition for that hardy band of cof-fee farmers who would not quit even during the leanest years.

#### Baron Goto honored

Honolulu

Y. Baron Goto, associate director of the agricultural extension service the past 25 years at the Univ. of Hawaii, was conferred an honorary degree of Doctor of Humanities last Sunday. He was also presented a certificate of recognition from year amounted to 7,500,000 Epsilon Sigma Phi, national

MIKE MASAOKA

Congress in confusion . .

The adage that you can't teach an old dog new tricks seems to describe congressional actions thus far. After almost a quarter century of comparative oblivion, it ap-pears as if the Republicans just can't get used to the idea that they're in the majority now. And the Democratic minority is apparently unaware of its election fadeout, behaving as if it still runs the show on Capitol Hill.

This strange conditioned reflex is apparent on almost every page of the legislative journal since the President took office

Republicans, more often than not, are whaling away at the administration as if former President Truman was still in the White House while the Democrats are constantly rising to the defense of the new Re-publican chief executive.

It happened on the first major domestic bill to come before the new Congress-extension of the President's reorganization powers. It happened again on the first foreign relations measure—the proposal Eisenhower declaration against Communist "enslavement" policies. In between, the GOP-led

committees harassed the administration with everything from demands to examine departmental loyalty files to attacks on foreign information programs, from calling for tax cuts to explanations of farm policies.

The Democrats say that the Republicans still have the psychology of a minority party, that they can't get used to responsibility. Republicans reply that the Democrats are so used to defending the President that they do so auto-

Maybe what's needed is a good psychiatrist, as suggested by a "Washington Post" writer.

Ass't sec. of state . . .

Walter S. Robertson has been nominated to be Assistant Secretary of State for For Eastern Affairs, succeeding John M. Allison, recently confirmed as our new Ambassador to Japan. A Richmond (Va.) investment

banker and an Eisenhower Democrat, he is a so-called China expert. His appointment is said to be a concession to those who are charging that the new administration is too pro-Japan, what with the Secretary of State and the new ambassador so intimately tied up with postwar Japanese history.

Mr. Robertson, 59 years old, has held many diplomatic as-signments. He was chief of the United States Lend-Lease Mission to Australia in 1943-44, economic adviser to the State Department in 1945, and Minister and Counselor for economic affairs at the American Embassy in Chungking in 1945-46 and later charge d'affairs.

He was also United States Commissioner of the Marshall Truce Commission at Peiping in 1946 and in 1948 was a member of the Public Advisory Commission to the Economic Cooperation Administration's China aid program.

Perlman and JACL . . . So many have commented

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from time to time on JACL's attitude on the Walter-McCar-ran Immigration and Naturalization Act that this observer was particularly interested in the comments of Philip B. Perlman on this matter.

Speaking at the Fifth National Conference on Civil Li-berties in Washington recently,

the former Solicitor General of the United States and chairman of President on Immigraexpressed his opinion that JACL's posi-

tion during congressional debate on the le-

gislation was thoroughly un-derstandable and justifiable. In fact, he said that under the same circumstances he would have taken exactly the same position.

It is also interesting to note in passing that not one of more than 100 representatives of a hundred national liberal, labor, minorities, civil rights, racial and religious organizations assembled at the first civil li-berties conference since last November's election took issue with JACL's position on the Act as explained by its Washington representative.

All did, of course, express the hope that JACL would now join with them in seeking needed clarifying and liberalizing amendments. All seemed pleased that the JA-CL was taking the construc-tive approach to the problem by setting up a special study commission and many commented that the idea of three committees with specific tasks of policy making, technical drafting, and watchdog functions was an excellent one.

The thought was expresseed that it might be ten years or more before any real revisions of the law might be expected.

GOP and civil rights . . .

Perhaps the Republican party's ideas on civil rights can be summed up in the report of the program chairman for the Fifth National Conference on Civil Liberties that not a single GOP senator or congressman who was approached would accept an invitation to address the

gathering.
Pres. Eisenhower did, how-ever, send greetings, his first comment on civil rights since his passing mention of the subject in his inaugural address last Jan. 20.

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# Japan Interational Christian University to open Apr. 15 of the board of trusters, pointed out the university

BY TAMOTSU MURAYAMA Japan Bureau, The Pacific Citizen

Tokyo The newly formed Japan In-

ternational Christian University at nearby Mitaka will open its open its academic year on Apr. 15 to a freshman class of 199 students, it was announced by Dr. George K. Togasaki, chairman of the board of trustees.

¥400,000 scholarships have been granted to 28 students. Among the honored is Kiyoshi Tagashira, orphaned son of the Rev. and Mrs. Chiyokichi Ta-gashira, whose evangelistic activities in the States were con-centrated in Northern Califor-

nia and Portland, Ore.
Unfortunately, the Rev. and Mrs. Tagashira

killed by the atom bomb in Hiroshima. Their only son had been evacuated to Yamaguchi.

The small freshman class is in contrast to the size of classes in other Japanese colleges where financial pressures

and shortage of upper-level school facilities make for heavy enrollment.

Prefectural governors were asked to recommend outstanding scholars for enrollment examinations. Five scholarships were also established for five Chinese scholars, Dr. Togasaki

Dr. Togasaki, the only Nisei on the ICU staff as chairman

ter preamble:

Christian friends of Ja in the United States and the Dominion of Canada people elsewhere through the world who are liken ed, believing that Chris faith and practice are basis of true democracy desiring to express their will to those citizens of pan who are endeavoring develop a democratic see based upon Christian phylles, have resolved to at the founding and develope the founding and develope the founding and developed the founding and developed the founding as the International Program a known as the International Christian University."

Dr. Togasaki's accom ments for ICU during the stages of the Occupation be highly complimented i mer Ambassador Joseph Grew was also instrument the realization of this in tion of higher learning.

Dr. Hachiro Yuasa, to head of Doshisha University of Syracuse University. Dr. Maurice Informerly of Syracuse University, N.Y., and Harold W. kett have been named presidents.

# Among the group was a Tacoma-born Japanese, Inspector 1/c Takayuki Sakazaki. His rank is equivalent to an army

# He was sent to Japan while still in junior high school, fin-ished schools there and entered Mother of two he served on Japan's Eighth in head-on cras

A San Jose Nisei mot two children and anothe torist were instantly kills head-on collision near! City last Saturday.

Mrs. Miyoko Tokunaga the driver of the other car in the accident.

Her husband, Katsumi, fered facial injuries while children Paul and Pamela slightly injured. They wen ken to Yuba City hospita Japanese residents here are treatment. jubilant over the recent enact-ment of the Walter-McCarran Tokunaga is the third a

Mohei Tokunaga of Yuba The younger Tokunagas been engaged in berry fan which enables them to petition near San Jose. Saturday they were en here for a visit and had pla

to attend the annual commenty picnic Sunday.

The Detroit JACL chapter has organized Sunday after-noon classes at the International Institute with Jeanette Tennant as instructor. T. Kokubo and from the Tokunaga home Institute with Jeanette Tennant Mrs. K. Horiuchi are her two the accident occurred

# Trum an's Com mission Japan Security Forces officers arrive tion and Na-turalization to be trained at Ft. Benning army school

heer this year.

captain, he explained.

pan from Tule Lake.

a naval training college in 1934. During the Pacific war,

His father, Tokutaro Saka-zaki, was in this country until

1946 when he repatriated to Ja-

The Japanese officers wore

Detroit

uniforms closely patterened

immigration and nationality act

for citizenship for the first

after U.S. Army uniforms.

Issei translators assist

Detroit citizens-to-be

Issei assistants.

San Francisco 143 Japanese officers are ex-Six members of the Japanese | pected to attend army schools National Security Force arrived here last week, enroute to Ft. Benning, Ga., where they will undergo U.S. Army officers training. A total of

Bro. Theophane in L.A.

Los Angeles Brother Theophane Walsh, who was recalled to the States recently for surgery, after a two year stay in Tokyo is now recuperating at the Maryknoll House at 426 S. Boyle ave.

#### CAPSULES

Grace Kohatsu, secretary to Rep. Sidney R. Yates (D., Ill.) joined the Chicago JACLer publication staff. She takes shorthand at the rate of 225 words per minute.

Jet pilot 2nd Lt. Melvin Sato of Denver has completed train-ing at the Chandler Air Force Base and has been reassigned to the west coast Civil Defense Command.

Juichi Mikami, well-known Issei insuranceman in Fresno, sustained serious injuries in an automobile accident Mar. 22 when his car and a highway patrol car crashed almost head-

New York Buddhist Church's "chigo" parade, the second time it was ever held, two 'chigo" Sundays ago proved to be a camerafan's delight. Photographers from the major metropolitan were on hand to take shots which appeared in several Monday editions. The parade first was held in 1948.

Shiro Kashiwa was among seven Republicans approved for indorsement by the Hawaiian Bar association for two actual and three potential vacan-cies on the Honolulu circuit bench.

Japanese character, Harry Kari, on the Apr. 12 Eddie Cantor TV show.

The new \$800,000 Kuakini Hospital in Honolulu was officially opened last Mar. 15. consists of 125 beds, 30 bas-sinets as well as modern equip-ment. Funds were publicly subscribed.

Marine Cpl. Katsuo Kikuchi, former sports editor of the Camp Pendleton (Calif.) Scout, is now public information writer at the Pearl Harbor Marine Barracks. He was formerly employed by the Hono-lulu Advertiser.

Shigeru Hotoke, Kauai-born tenor, was among soloists in the staging of first act to La Traviata, finale to the 1952-53 concert season of the Honolulu Symphony orchesra under the baton of George Barati.

Jim Isobe, 23, son of Mrs Yoshi Isobe of Watsonville, re-cently completed pre-flight phase of his pilot training at Lackland Airforce Base, San Antonio, Tex. He enters basic flying training upon reassignment.

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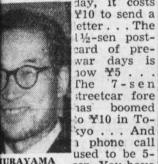


AGE TWO

cost of living . . . Tokyo

pan has become one of the expensive nations in the d in which to live due to high cost of raw materials purchased from America other countries. The situais very serious for a counwith over 80 million people he space about the size of

was the good old days we could dispatch love rs with 3-sen stamps. It red a lot of romance. Today, it costs ¥10 to send a



sen. You have tuff a \\$5 note nowadays. paid 50 sen for haircuts, it's ¥150 now . . . There many Tokyo citizens who uented public baths, scrub selves clean before dipinto the soothing atmos-e of a hot tub for 3 sen in ar days ... Alas—it is

Vithout question, rice is important staple food in an. One "sho" (about 11/2 rts) of rice formerly cost sen but we have to pay today. That's a 4 to 1 rease. And the official raof rice is sufficient to port a man for only eight s in one month. It means ending upon the black rket for much of the rice ded for the remainder of

odles, bread and flour can ourchased to augment the ger supply of rice, but at a p price. A loaf of bread to-costs ¥150. (That's about ents on the official exnge rate of 360:1) . . . And er to spread on that loaf ¥400 a pound. pint of milk is ¥20. Be-

the war, it was only 5 sen A can of Maxwell House e is ¥650 . . . A nickel age of chewing gum costs . A bar of chocolate is . . The black market has emendous supply of Amerifoodstuffs and sweets but qually tremendous prices.

he average household in an enjoys sukiyaki once a r or even less today . . . ound of beef varies 50 and up.

cause the Japanese must for the cost of occupation wages set at a "starvation ," taxes are extremely high apan. It is only natural that nized labor has been fightcontinuously for better step, raises its prices to the demand of labor. This ous circle of wages and es continues unfalteringly. uyers from America are hasing Japanese-made caas and sewing machines requests that manufacturnot label their products. One surmises that these items eventually hit the Amerimarket as "Americangoods.

this score, American ers are haggling ceaselessly a rock-bottom price. succumbing to this de-

d of low prices, manufacrs are not in a position to t the demand of labor. It

# Tokyo Topics Strandee joins WACs, stays on to better U.S.-Japanese relations in Japan Yokohama Nost likely every mile sonnel division

the Far East carried him that many more miles away from home and family, but a WAC's trip across the Pacific brought to within a few hours of her parents' home and a few minutes from two sisters at-

tending college.
Sgt. Takako Saka, known as Teddy to coworkers, has been in Japan 27 months. She extended her enlistment and tour of duty one year to stay as interpreter-translator in the labor branch of the civilian per-

# Honesty saves day

Yoshinobu Yuki, who arrived in Seattle Tuesday last week, from his home in Tokyo, is thanking the honesty of a young

20, of Enumclaw, a sophomore student at the Univ. of Wash ington, was driving on Lake Washington Blvd. Tuesday when he noticed a wallet laying in the street.

Japanese visitor.

York turned the wallet over to his father, M. O. York, editor of the Enumclaw Courier-Herald, who in turn notified the Japanese consul in Seattle. Yuki was located and the wallet was returned.

It was a valuable wallet, too. It contained \$66, Yuki's pass-port, a bus ticket from Seattle to New York City and other valuable papers.

#### WIDOW OF TEXAS G.I. UNABLE TO CONTINUE, **HEADS FOR OKINAWA**

Bogota, Tex. Back in July, 1952, a shy, little Okinawan girl stepped off an airliner in Paris, Texas. Mitzu and her young son were swept into the arms of her American soldier-hus-band, Sgt. Charles R. Evans of Bogota.

But last week, Mitzu was back at the Paris Airport to start the long journey back to her homeland.

Sgt. Evans was killed in a car wreck near Waco, only about six short weeks after Mitzu reached America. She remained in Bogota after her husband's death and tried to change her Oriental ways.

Last week she gave it up. Larry Dean, her American son, is going with her to ge-gin a new life on Okinawa.

#### Hawaiian soldier in Desert Rock atomic tests

Camp Desert Rock, Nev. Sgt. 1/c Lawrence T. Izuo, whose wife, Miyoko, and par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiichi ents, Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiichi Izuo, live at 701 Winant St., Honolulu, was one of the specially assigned army men who participated in the Mar. 17

Atomic Maneuver. He occupied a forward foxhole during the atomic blast and immediately after the blast charged forward in skirmishes to mop up an imaginary enemy theoretically weakened by the

A-bomb blast.
Sgt. Izuo is a member of the
Sixth Army operational staff for Desert Rock.

A veteran of more than six years of army service, Sgt. Izuo is serving at Desert Rock as a construction supervisor.

#### Wesak observance

Los Angeles forecasts future trouble.

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Cokyo citizens, thus, are introdden by the high cost iving. It must be a sign of ilized" nation to bear this Such pride!

Los Angeles

Floral offerings and the sweet tea ceremony mark the Wesak Day. observance among Southland Bussei this Sunday morning at Nishi Hongwanji. The Los Angeles YBA is host at the special Hanamatsuri service.

She was born in Ogden, Utah, where her father was part-owner of a general merchandise store. Her parents, who were born in Japan, met and married in Utah and stayed about 20 years. They brought their four daughters back to Japan in 1939.

The sergeant finished junior high school in Ogden, and was graduated from Japan Women's University in Mejiro, Tokyo, with a teacher's degree. She majored in English literature.

Takako returned to the United States in 1949, and after living with her sister and brother-in-law, enlisted in the Women's Army Corps in April, 1950. She was with the Ft. Lee WAC training center cadre prior to being sent overseas because she knew the Japanese language and was needed there.

She extended her enlistment "because I feel I have a good opportunity to improve Japathanking the honesty of a young American man for preventing near-disaster on his first trip to the United States.

The American, Richard York,

"She has the tact and diplo-

macy we need in an American to work with the Japanese people," said John R. Mead, chief of the civilian personnel

Her parents live in Wakaya-He stopped, picked it up and ma, an overnight train trip found that it belonged to the from Tokyo. "I see them once in a while, but I often see my sisters attending college in Tokyo," she said.

#### Nisei mother heads high school PTA group.

Livingston
Mrs. Ben Nagai of Atwater
was named head of the Livingston High School PTA last week. She will be installed at the May meeting.

She is believed to be the first Nisei mother to head a high school group. She was also formr county council president.

#### IN HONOR OF

Marjorie Nakamura, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. G. Nakamura, was recently initiated in Phi Beta Kappa, Gamma chapter, of the Univ. of Denver. Miss Nakamura is a member of Mortar Board, and majored in sociology. She is past president of Sigma Alpho Iota, national women's professional musical sorority. She is active in the California Street Methodist Church.

Yasuko Gotanda represented the Ontario (Oreg.) chapter of the Future Homemakers of America at its state convention

Judy Setsuko Furuta, seventh grader at Aromas Elementary School, Watsonville, won her school spelling bee championwill compete and Monterey County semi-finals at a date yet to be announced. She is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Furuta, recently of Chicago.

Frank Dobashi is the new commander of the Golden Gate Nisei Memorial Post 9879, VFW, succeeding Yoshiaki Moriwaki, the post's first commander.

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Mas Horiuchi, former editor of the JACL Reporter and JACL Headquarters office manager, has terminated his services this week after seven years in Salt Lake City. Declared Mas Satow, national JACL director, "His resourcefulness and devotion have been invaluable to our national program and we will miss him sorely."

#### Naturalization class instructor feted by So. Alameda County Issei

D. Brooke McKinnon, structor in the Japanese lan-guage at the Univ. of Califor-nia, who taught the So. Ala-meda County JACL chapter naturalization class, was presented a token of appreciation by the Issei students at a gradu-ation dinner Mar. 20 at the Washington Union High School cafeteria.

Other speakers on the pro-

gram were:

J. V. Goold, high school sup't.;
Haruo Ishimaru, N.C. regional
director; Giichi Yoshioka, NCWN
dist. chmn.

E. Doane, evening high school vice-principal, presented stu-dents their certificates.

#### Apr. 12 'open house'

Volunteer crews are speeding up renovation work this week to prepare for "open house" of the Seattle Nisei Veterans Committee clubhouse. The date is ing and a terrace overlooking tentatively set for Apr. 12.

# Insurers ask courf ruling on death of uling on death of San Diego The question of who should begins insurance benefits was San Diego dentist

receive insurance benefits was raised by the Occidental Life Insurance Co. of California in a civil action last week by asking the Superior Court here to determine whether the death of Dr. George Hara was suicide or

At stake the company said in its petition, are two \$10,000 insurance policies issued on the life of Dr. Hara. The dentist died of a gunshot wound in his home last Dec. 28.

If the court rules the death

was a suicide, the company says then the widow, Mrs. Miyeko Hara, 34, is entitled to payment under the policies.

If the court rules homicide, then the company wants to pay another beneficiary, a minor, Gregory George.

The late Dr. Hara served two terms as president of the local JACL chapter, during its reactivation period and was ac-

tive in all community affairs.

His personal relationship
with the mayor of the city
enableed persons of Japanese ancestry to present many of their problems to the public.

#### IT'S BLOSSOM TIME IN SAN FRANCISCO'S JAPANESE TEA GARDEN

San Francisco The Japanese Tea Garden in the Golden Gate park here was aflame with blossoms this week.

Early spring flowering of Japanese cherry trees, magnolias and rhododendrons and azaleas has caused the recreation and park commission to designate April 1 the official start of blossom time at the 60-year old tea garden.

The garden, which until 1942 was operated by the Hagiwara family, is now leased by the commission on a concession basis to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Ag-

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# Chicago

SMOKY SAKURADA

Two bills in the Illinois State Assembly being opposed by the Chicago JACL are No. 150 (the Larson housing referendum) bill and the Nos. 101 and 102 (the Broyles anti-subversives) bills . . . Last week, this Corner briefly summed up the Larson bill and pointed out the possibility of racial and minority issues being injected during a referendum campaign which would upset the overall re-development planning.

Broyles bill .

The Broyles bills are aimed against subversives by implementing a commission of 15 persons appointed by the governor—five from each house of the state assembly and five from the general public. Opponents of the bill have cited the 1919 statutes against

subversive activities. It is comprehensive and stringent. The law was succesfully invoked to punish alleged conspiracy to overthrow the U.S. government by force. It was upheld as constitutional by the Illinois su-

preme court.

In face of this, the proposals of the Broyles bill appears legislatively redundant and a waste of money, the opponents

of the bill add.

History of a previous Broyles Commission showed that more innocent people were threatened when compared to its efficiency of turning up and convicting subversives, its opponents quickly pointed out.

The Chicago JACL stands with leading newspapers, the Chicago division of the AC-LU, schools, bar associations and other civic organizations in opposing the Broyles bill.

Remarked the Chicago Daily News last week in its editorials: "Illinois has ample protection in its laws against criminal subversives. The legislature should reject the proposal to waste the money which Sen. Broyles proposes to throw down the drain."

Personals . . .

Rev. George Aki and his church choir were scheduled to appear on TV channel 9, 7:30 p.m., on Mar. 29, Apr. 4 and 11. ... Hiroshi Hasegawa was one of 10 honor students from the Southside named by Emery Balduf, dean of students, Roosevelt College. . .

. .

Blind fund . . .

The Midwest JACL office has a coin-container for the Blind Fund, a worthy cause. It United Nations headquarters was recently circulated at the Chicago JACL executive board meeting, and it will continue to be passed at future socials and las, a Greek restaurant on W. monthly meetings.

Watsonville's JACL officers were installed by Haruo Ishimaru, (extreme left) in recent ceremonies held at Deer Park. Pictured are (left to right) Bill Mine, re-elected pres.; Tom Nakase, 2nd v.p.; Kenzo Yoshida, 1st v.p.; June Sugidono, cor. sec.; Bill Fukuba, off. del.;; Chiyeko Shikuma, rec. sec.; Tom Tao, alt. del. and Harry Yagi, aud. -Watsonville Register-Pajaronian photo.

# Who's Who as Chapter Presidents



HARLEY M. NAKAMURA Fowler JACL

Born in California, 39; attended Fowler high school, evacuated to Jerome, Ark., re-located to Nebraska. Rancher (vineyard and fruits) for past

Chapter plans: to schedule different activities each month and conduct monthly meetings; enter float in annual Fowler Fall Festival; JACL scholarship, family get-togethers and agricultural speakers.

Member of Fowler Lions, Fowler Sportsman, Nakayama Social club, boy scout commit-teeman, adviser to Fowler Buddhist Sunday School and Fowl-YBA, past president of wher Friendship Society.

Goes in for fishing. Married: wife Shizue, son Tad and daughter Marlene. Res.: Rt. 1 Box 111-A, Fowl-

#### 'April in Paris' theme of Detroit CL dance

Detroit "April in Paris" was chosen as the theme for the Detroit JACL spring dance to be given Apr. 11 at International Insti-tute. Al Hatate was announced as master of ceremonies by general chairman Irene Abe.

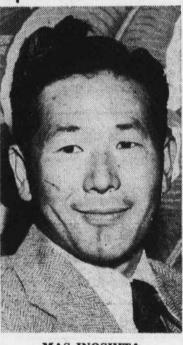
Other committeemen include: Frances Yamaji, Frank Lee, prog.; Marlene Sato, pub.; Sue and George Matsuhiro, refreshments; Kaq Ta-kata, decorations; Aiko Nakatani, tickets.

Tickets are \$2.70 per couple, \$1.50 per person.

**UN tour** 

er, Calif.

was planned for the New York JACL chapter last Sunday. It was followed by dinner at Hel-44th St.



MAS INOSHITA Arizona JACL

Born in Fresno, 34; son of Mr. and Mrs. Maruji Inoshita. Prominent vegetable and strawberry grower.

Chapter plans: strengthen chapter by varied social acti-vities, membership goal of 200 (largest in chapter's history, if attained); to make the PSW-DC Convention, May 1-3, the most memorable; and to continue the great public relations work started by last year's cabinet.

Served three years in the China-Burma-India theater

# Berkeley chapter sights 300 members

Berkeley In the coming weeks, Ber-keley JACL starts a door-todoor membership canvass with a goal of 300. William Fujita, in charge, has reported the present signup at 110, equal to the 1952 total.

The chapter board members recently calendared the re-mainder of their spring program as follows:

April-Installation dinner- dance; Tad Nakamura, Tad Hirota in charge.

May—Panel discussion, "Buying and Building a Home;" Mas Yone-mura in charge.

June 21 — Community picnic;
Frank Yamasaki, Albert S. Kosa-kura, chmns.

# TOM T. ITO

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Chicago JACL: More 200 have been signed up in the 1953 membership drive, according to the Chicago JACLer's March bulletin. Buddy Iwata led the group.

The community picnic has been scheduled for May 3. Locale has not been announced.

Fresno JACL Auxiliary: Main project this year is the raising of funds for the local Japanese Salvation Army old people's home. Mmes. Edna Yabuno and Neva Saito are co-chairmen of a hot dog booth at the Fresno Buddhist carnival in July.

French Camp JACL: Appointments for the 1953 standing committees of the chapter were made by George Ogino as fol-

lows:
Tosh Hotta, membership; Harry
Itaya, Issei relations; Tamako Yagi, program; Molly Goto, Teruo Tanaka, house; Bob Takahashi, 1000
Club; Pete Takahashi, Alyce Shinmoto, pub. rel.; Harry Ota, Nisei
veterans; Fumi Higashiyama, Irene
Nakano, women's aux.: Fumio Kanemoto, Kahn Yamasaki, fin.; Bob
Ota, leg.; Aya Tsugawa, Mats Murata, del.; John Fujiki, natr. comm.

Detroit JACL: The chapter is midway in its popular 8-weeks course in ballroom dancing. Setsu Fujioka and Irene Abe head the committee. Margaret Page, an affiliate of Arthur Murray Studios, has been in-structor since classes began April last year.

Southwest Los Angeles JACL: Co-sponsored with the St. Mary's church, the chapter is initiating a beginner's series on bridge instruction on Apr. 7 each Wednesday night at the parish hall. Hisashi Horita is

Mile-Hi JACL: Sam Matsumoto and Florence Uyeda were winners in the last JACL bridge club tournament held Mar. 20 at the home of Dr. T. K. Kobayashi.

Cleveland JACL: In conjunction with the recent member-ship drive, canvassers held a special interests survey. Find-ings show a definite interest in golf and bridge by both sexes. A final analysis will be made by the program committee.

#### Past presidents honored at Albuquerque installation

Albuquerque Newly elected officers headed by Charles Matsubara as president were installed at the Albuquerque JACL installation dinner recently.

Past president JACL pins were bestowed to George Matsubara, 1950; Sam Yonemoto, 1951; and Art Togami, 1952.

San Francisco starts third citizenship class

San Francisco A third class for Issei studuring World War II. Was prominent in YBA circles before the war in California, and president of Arizona YBA.

dents on citizenship opens Apr.

13, it was announced by Victor Abe, chairman of the Committee on Citizenship for Issei here. The second class will be concluded at accompanies scheduled dents on citizenship opens Apr. cluded at ceremonies scheduled next Thursday, Apr. 9, at the First Evangelical and Reformed church.

If 25 or more sign up, a Saturday afternoon will be opened. Yukio Kumamoto will be instructor for the third group.

# CHAPTER MEMO Placer County than all ready for big Apr. 12 picnic

Livingston-Merced JACL: to attend the biggest outside the community picnic has been cheduled for May 3. Locale as not been announced.

Fresno JACL Auxiliary: Main

More than 5,000 are expended to attend the biggest outside event in Placer County on a second of the park. The event is the financial Placer County in the park.

chapter community picnic. Roy Yoshida of Newcastle been busy the past month paring for the gala frolicing garded by the chapter as bigger than its annual go will banquet.

As usual, the queen con-highlights the day's activing Following are vieing for be ty honors:

Nancy Aoki, Loomis; Joan kamoto, Penryn; Yukie Nii, le coln; and Amy Yokota, Newas Climax will be the pix dance at the Loomis Memorial with the color of the colo

Hall with music furnished Rod McWilliam's orches Doors open at 9 p.m. and be open till 1, according to B Otani, dance chairman. 06 committeemen are:

Hike Yego, fin.; James Makim program; Harry Okusako, groz Ko Uyeno, concessions; and Ha Takahashi, pub.

#### ALBUQUERQUE ISSEL PRESENTED TEXTBOOKS AS GIFT FROM CHAPTE

As a compliment from Albuquerque JACL chapte the new textbook, "Feden Textbook on Citizenship" u given to every Issei here with hopes it would help to spet their course in citizenship.

#### Berkeley CL to honor 13 Issei citizenship classmer

Berkeles Graduation exercises to or 130 Issei completing th naturalization classes here we be held at the Berkeley lib. Theater during the third we of April, according to Berkel JACL chapter officials.

Participants in the progra will be headed by either h mayor or a federal judge.



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Sen. Pat McCarran (D., Nev.) nd Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., a.) expressed their feelings in eparate letters to McCarran Valter Ono, newborn son of Ir. and Mrs. Frank Ono, 3 ladden Pl., Dayton.

The veteran legislators wrote he infant born Feb. 6 a day fter receiving word he was to named in their honor at hristening services Easter Sunay in Greenmont-Oak Park community Church.

The parents said they had posen the name combination ecause the two members of ongress had co-authored 952 immigration and naturaliation law that permitted the oy's grandparents to obtain ci-

Text of the letter from Sen. cCarran to the Dayton infant as as follows:

"My dear young man:

"Thank you for sending ne your picture. I am very flattered that your parents rave you my name which I with honor.

"I am glad that your grandarents are now able to obain their citizenship and hope they will live a long time to njoy the privileges of American citizenship and our great ountry.

"My autographed picture enclosed and I extend to ou my every good wish for long, happy and useful life.

Sincerely, Pat McCarran.' This is the text of the letter om Rep. Walter:
"My dear McCarran Wal-

"It was a real thrill to me

I know it must be to Sen. McCarran to have such a fine ov named after I believe is splendid law.

"I am sure you have the distinction of being the first McCarran Walter. While I annot attend your baptismal ceremony, you may be sure that thoughts will be

with you on Easter Sunday.
"May God bless you with ealth and happiness in years

"Sincerely, Francis E. Wal-

our Nisei die in uto-tanker crash

Four Los Angeles Nisei, inseven-months-old ild, were killed when a car illd, were killed when a car which they were riding colded with a heavy oil tanker in U. S. Hwy. 60-70-99 near relast Saturday morning. State Highway Patrol identied the dead as Tom T. Ikeda, of 2647 Halldale, Mits Mauda, 23, 2647 Halldale, Mrs. my Hanemoto of 31734 E. 24th and her infant son Tadao.

and her infant son Tadao

The driver of the car, Jack latsumoto, 23, also of 2647 alldale, was the only survivor the car crash. He suffered vere head injuries and was ken to the Casita hospital

According to patrolman eorge McCurdy, Paul Ruyss, iver of the tanker said Maumoto's car traveling east aprently skidded broadside into e path of the westbound tank-Ruyss told him that the car ddenly loomed in front of

The Nisei were enroute to hoenix to attend the wedding Kinuye Nomura and James mooka. The families of the edding party indefinitely postned the ceremony upon being formed of the fatal accident.

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ter."
Here is the text of the Ono letter sent to the two legisla-

"My daddy and mommy are so happy for my grandpas and grandmas who will be to obtain their citizenship after all these years, after being denied such, that they have named me after

"I was born on Feb. 6, 1953, and wonder if I am the first to be named McCarran Walter. If you happen to be in or near Dayton on Easter Sun-day we will be most happy for you to attend the service

at Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church where my daddy and mommy will have me dedicated.

"I would consider it an honor if you would exchange photographs with me. I am sending you mine taken when was three days old.

"My mommy and daddy are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ono. I also have two sisters, Barbara-Lyn and Valde, and a brother, Morey. My grandpa and grandma Arikawa live in Omaha, Neb. Grandma Ono lives in Spokane, Wash., and Grandpa Ono lives in Venice, Calif."

# LIKELY TO APPEAR IN JULY AS FIVE-CENTER

Washington The Capt. Matthew Cal-braith Perry commemorative, which was unexpectedly an-nounced by the Post Office several weeks ago but without details as to date of is-July 14, to mark the centenary of the negotiation of a treaty between the United States and Japan.

It will be very likely be of the five-cent denomination, writes Franklin R. Bruns, Jr., The Philatelist columnist for the Washington Post.

# Feminine 'tamatsuki' champion tries second time for title

Until the start of the threecushion billiard 15-day tournament here Thursday last week. Miss Masako Katsura and Willie Hoppe, many times world champion, toured eastern cities earlier in the month as a warmup to the tournament.

She has been in the States since 1951 and has been given huge coverage with photos in the leading metropolitan papers —in both the sports and women sections, strange as it may

To the women editors, the fact that Miss Katsura has won several exhibition matches over Hoppe was re-

Two bum check artists hit two Li'l Tokio stores

Los Angeles Li'l Tokio merchants were on the lookout for a glib-talking Nisei who spoke fluent Japanese this past week after it was learned two checks passed by him were found to be "bum."

Checks signed by Bill Tai made out to Yoshio Hatada were returned to two merchants, Tozo Yahata, appliance store operator, and Kenichi Murayama, grocer, by the bank with the notation that no such person had a checking account with the Pasadena branch.

for a \$25 fishing rod. The gro-country a year later. cer sold some rice and canned goods for a \$15.90 check.

garded as "another feminine triumph." To the sports editors, she is a "Japanese doll."

She scoffed at the established male theory that the game is too nerve-wracking for a wo-

In Japan, said the diminutive winner, billiards is a family affair. Often, husband and wife will bring the baby along when they go out to play. She her-self has been cushioning the ivory balls since she was 18.

Now a young-looking 40 she handles the cue with complete relaxation. She doesn't reveal any feeling of strain in com-petitive play with the man who is known all over the world as "the old master" of this difficult game, one which requires unusual manual dexterity and strength, stamina, too, is a requisite, since tourna-ment matches often last for hours.

Miss Katsura's three sisters and one brother are all outstanding players, too. At the present time her younger sister, Noriko, is National Wo-man's Billiard Champion of Ja-

With a twinkle in her black eyes, Miss Katsura said she enjoys the traveling her ex-hibition tours entail, but her main job is being a housewife. She married Sgt. Vernon Green-USAF-now retired-in leaf. Yahata cashed a \$48 check 1950 in Japan, came to this

She finds housekeeping easier in the United States than in

her own country. The only ne-cessity in her San Francisco home is a living room big enough for a billiard table as well as after-dinner matches with her husband, who enjoys scientific study of various shots.

Mr. Greenleaf accompanies her on all exhibition trips. Last year she toured with Welker Cochran, former world's champion, for five weeks.

Only 5 feet tall, Miss Katsura wears very feminine Western clothes. Because she is so small she loves high heels and wears them when she plays.

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# OYAKAWA TURNS IN WORLD'S FASTEST San Francisco Saints TIME IN 200-YARD BACKSTROKE RACE

Columbus, O.

Olympic backstroke champion, the minute mark in the event. broke his second straight re-cord in the NCAA swimming meet Saturday as he won the 100-yd. backstroke in 56.9s. to

Oyakawa set a new record of 2m. 5.1s. in winning the 200-yd. backstroke the previous night at the Columbus Natatorium.

In the 100-yd. event, Dick Thoman of Yale led the Ohio State Hawaiian at the end of 25 yards, was tied with him at the 50 and led by a yard at the 75. But Oyakawa passed him with a great spurt just before the finish line.

Thoman last year set the intercollegiate record for the nized world record in this event, event in 56.9s. NCAA officials but it was 2.2s. faster than the said that this was probably the existing U. S. record.

| first time in swimming history Yoshi Oyakawa, Ohio State's that all six finalists had broken

Yale, pre-meet favorites, won the meet with a lopsided aggregate of 96½ points. Ohio State was second with 73½, sorely missing the services of Ford erase the 57.3s. meet record set a year ago by Jack Taylor of Chio State. was second with 73½, sorely missing the services of Ford Konno, middle-distance swimmer, who was recurrent of the control of th a recent attack of mumps.

Yoshi, who learned to swim in a river on his native island of Hawaii, was called the "greatest backstroke swimmer of all time" by his coach, Mike Peppe, after his two dazzling performances.

Oyakawa set the fans to roaring his first time out in going 200 yards in 2m. 05.1s., which was the fastest time ever recorded. There is no recog-nized world record in this event,

# Reporter turns line-up announcer unexpectedly at Tokyo Giant-Star game

A baseball reporter can have more fun than watching a game -if he can pronounce Japanese

names and happens to be covering the Tokyo Giants.

Masamori Kojima, Southern

# 150 golfers sign for NoCal classic

One of the best turnouts in Northern California Nisei golfdom will battle for honors in the N.C. Nisei Golf Classic Apr. 18 and 19 in a 36-hole medal play at Pebble Beach and Del Monte courses near Monterey. The Fresno-Turlock clubs of

the No. Calif. Nisei Golfers Association are conducting the tournament. At a recent board of governors meeting at Mon-terey, Frank Yoshioka of San Jose with a net 74 won the pre-business sesion round of

Delegates attending the meet-

Ing were:

Monterey—G. Yamamoto, Frank Shingu; San Jose—Nob Araki, Frank Yoshioka;; Stockton — Dr. James Tanaka, George Fujimoto, Mas Inamasu; Watsonville — Masi Okumura, Shig Morimune; Sacramento—Tim Sasabuchi, Art Yokotá. Fresno—Fred Yoshikawa, Harry Morofuji; Century Club—Dr. Kay Morimune; Sacramento—Bill Noda; Fresno—Mike Iwatsubo, Gary Kadani; San Francisco—Dr. Shogo Takahashi, Kelly Komaru; Eastbay—Dr. Henry Takahashi and Dr. M. Tsukasaki.

#### Army, Air Force boxers in all-service tourney

San Antonio, Tex. Ray Hasegawa, 112, was suc-cessful in the quarter finals of the worldwide Air Force boxing championships here last Sunday night. Representing the Payton, 111, of the European

Camp Atterbury, Ind.

Two Nisei boxers from the Pacific theater were outpointed in the semi-finals of the All-Army boxing championships here last Friday night. They

119—George Davis, 2nd Army, dec. George Ganeko, Paci-

fic. 125—Stanley Berkley, Eu-rope, dec. Ralph Nagasako, Pa-

#### Tamanaha wins Hawaii marathon in 2h. 51m. 35s.

Honolulu

Norman Tamanaha, 45, captured the first annual Hawaiian AAU marathon crown last Sunday in 2h. 51m. 35s. Despite the severe leg cramps and walking the final 300 yards, he bettered by 20 seconds his fifth

'sdureno Saj before 2,700 fans.

California reporter for "Scene" magazine, found out when he was assigned to a recent training game between the Tokyo

Giants and the Hollywood Stars. Kojima not only covered the game, but ended up pinch-hitting for the public address announcer. Here's how it happen-

Before the game got going, Kojima went down on the field to get the lineup. Getting the same thing with an unusual look of anguish and worry was the public address announcer.

"Suffering catfish!" the latter moaned. "These Japanese names -how am I going to pronounce them?"

Kojima offered to help, sat down at the typewriter and wrote out the names phonetically. Example: Yo-nah-mee-neh for Yonamine, the Giant's star Nisei outfielder, who once played for the Salt Lake City

"Now you can say it," Kojima said, confidently.

The announcer grimly set himself, made a valiant try and came up with "Yo-mah-neemee."

"No no" Kojima protested

mee."
"No, no," Kojima protested gently, "it's Yo-nah-mee-neh. Try again."
The announcer did—again valiantly—but the best he could produce was something like "Yo-mee-nah-mo." He gave up. So did Kojima.

The upshot was that the "Scene" reporter, under a hurried last-minute arrangement, braved the microphone and heard himself booming out the names of the Giants as each stepped up to the plate for his first swings with the bat.
At that, Kojima discovered

it wasn't so easy. He was reading off the Giants lineup cold.
"You can bet," he confesses,
"I really sweated on Komatsuburo, Minamimura and Kashiwaeda

#### Five Japanese marathon men arrive for Boston run

San Francisco

The five-man Japanese ma-rathon team which will run in the Boston marathon next month arrived here Monday from Tokyo via air enroute to

Shizo Kanaguri, 62-year-old coach, said he was confident his runners would take team honors but said he feared top individual honors would go to an Argentine star.

The runners are: Keizo Yamada, 26; Katsuo Nishi-da, 24; Hideo Hanamura, 25; Kurao Hiroshima, 25; and Kiyoshi Shino-

Nishida has the best mark at 2 hrs.27m.59s.

#### Zenimura paces

Fresno Leftfielder Harvey Zenimura place time in the Boston run last year.

Ken Nagatani of the Univ. of Hawaii dropped out with some four miles yet to go because of Oregon team last Friday night

# keep Salt Lake CL invitation cage title

The defending champion San Francisco Saints turned back the Magna Hellenics, 66 to 58, here at the Hellenic War Memorial gym last Saturday night to win the 18th annual JACL invitational basketball tourna-

The Magna crew pulled up to within 5 points of the Saints at the half, 36-31, in a closely fought tilt. But the Saints, led by aces Wong, Lew and Lum, quickly pulled the Saints to a comfortable lead early in the second half.

The Saints trio tanked 49 of the Saints trio tanked 49 of the 66 total. Pacing the Hellen-ics was John Prokopos with 25 counters. Prokopos came through with 11 out of 20 chances at the charity stripe. 50-43 win over Salt Lake Nisei 50143 win over Salt Lake Nisei to cop second honors leaving the host team in third spot.

Consolation honors went to the Northern Utah All-Stars with a win over Pocotello, 47-

The favored Saints defeated Pocatello, 59-44 in the first round Thursday night and continued with a 53-49 win over the Salt Lake Nisei.

The Hellenics eliminated the strong Chicago Nisei 74-67 in the semi-finals.

Chicago beat the Utah All-Stars 78-68 in the opening round, while the Hellenics defeated Rexburg, Ida., 85-50.

#### SPORTSCOPE

Sacramento Oriental Girls' Bowling League will sponsor a Memorial Holiday handicap tournament, May 29-30-31, at the Capitol Bowl. Because of the anticipated heavy schedule. girls' singles and doubles will be eliminated. Team and mix-ed doubles are scheduled. Aya Sato is tourney chairman.

Sam Fukuda's leap of 20 ft. 10 in. was listed as one of the best broad jump marks this early season by Northern California prep athletes. The San Francisco Polytech-nic High school Nisei last year had a 22 feet plus jump.

Ken Zenimura, Fresno Nisei baseball coach, has been asked by the Hiroshima Carps of the Central professional league, to pick out two Nisei pitchers. The Japanese will pay \$400 per month to start. Ken's son, Harvey, may join the Carps after his graduation from Fresno State College this year.

Puget Sound Golf Club (Japanese American) players par-ticipated in the first Seattle Park Department's sweepstakes two Sundays ago. A field of 129 professional and amateurs

Miss Lucille Kikushima, Sweetheart of 1953" for the Intermountain Young Buddhist League, presented championship awards to the Honeyville YBA and Salt Lake City Juniors, men and women IYBL basketball tournament winners, respectively.

Keizo Yamada of Fukuoka gave Japanese hopes for a creditable showing at the Boston marathon a boost by running a 30-kilometer course in 1 hr. 42m. 1s., the best time as yet. Yamada ran for Japan in the 1952 Olympics.

The Nisei Veterans Committee of Seattle announced sponsorship of the International Fighting Irish "Little" football team last season cost \$268.57, which includes insurance, equipment, victory banquet and trophies.

Fuzzy Shimada, only Nisei kegler with a 200 average, will probably be the first California Nisei to participate in the American Bowling Congress tournament when he rolls in Chicago Apr. 30 with a team representing the Salinas lettuce industry.



The Tokyo Giants, first Japanese ball team to visit the U.S. since the war, left San Francisco last Friday by air for Honole and Japan, winding up a 40-day visit in which the team played The squad left Hawaii yesterday and is scheduled 23 games. to land in Tokyo tomorrow. Heading the team were (bottom row, left to right) T. P. "Cappy" Harada, gen. mgr.; Shoji Uno, owner's rep.; Shigeru Mizuhara, coach; Les Powers, pub, in U.S. and Hawaii; Tetsuji Kawakami and Shigeru Chiba, asst.

# Tokyo Giants frim Placer JACL nine, wind up mainland 23-game series

Placer JACL went into the hole right from the beginning against the Tokyo Giants Thursday last week when the Nisei squad lost 7 to 1 in a seven-inning contest.

Starting pitcher Sam Ikeda gave up two hits, walked two batters for a run, left the game with the bases loaded. Reports were he had wrenched his arm chucking to the second batter.

A Sagramento Solon hurler Placer JACL went into the once in the sixth which proved

A Sacramento Solon hurler, Frick, followed Ikeda on the mound and proceeded to force in two runs by passing the first two he faced.

Three hits and two errors accounted for four more Giant runs before the first out was registered.

A sharp single into right by Bob Kozaiku in the fourth in-

ning saved the Placer nine from a shutout. He took second on a fielder's fumble and advanced on a pair of infield

In the nightcap, the Solons

Sacramento | scored twice in the first inning

# BALL, LOSES IT INSIDE HIS OWN UNIFORM

The Mountain View High School Bees edged the little Santa Clara High School lightweight baseball team 3-2 last week in their league openers, but the oddity which should be reported is that:

Kurato Shimada, Mt. View chucker, fumbled a ground ball and lost the ball inside his uniform. He could not recover in time to make a play at first base.

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# Los Angeles Newsletter

HENRY MORI

Li'l Tokio scene . . .

Li'l Tokio merchants got a shot in the "arm" last week, so to speak, from Charles B. Bennett, Director of City Planning Commission, when he told an audience composed of JACL members and businessmen that the development of a Nihonmachi should be encouraged; that its future lies in tourist trade.

He said the northeast side of Li'l Tokio will be leveled although when he could not say. But he gave definite assurance that the southside of First Street

will be kept intact.

Meantime, the northwest corner of First and San Pedro Sts. is changing. Skeleton forms of steel are pushing its way up. By end of 1954 a Police Administration Bldg. will be com-

Jack Tenney's vicious "free-dom of choice" measure may have met its doom in Sacra-mento but the fight for FEPC in the state is also losing ground.

At the Fair Employment practices Commission's Mobili-zation Rally held in the Capitol City, results of the political poll were far from being enlighten-

Thirty one out of 52 legislators were contacted for their vote on FEPC. Nine of the assemblymen said "no," 12 were non-committal and only 10 expressed "in favor of the principle."

The housing bill to eliminate race discrimination in the sales of homes to minority groups was another which is losing support. Fifteen of the 19 in the Assembly Judiciary Committee are opposed.

States come Apr. 10 in the District Federal Court presided by Judge Ernest A. Tolin.

Bruce Wong's Chinese Village on North Main is attracting many Japanese American night clubbers. The reason: Tak Shindo and his combo.

The musician who is accompanying Chiemi Eri, "Tennessee Waltz" singer from Tokyo on her southbound tour, has already introduced Masto Karasawa of West Los Angeles, known as "Tommy," and Lily Tanaka of Artesia as one of his do and his combo.

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Virginia Ko who sings with Afro-Cuban rhythm is creating quite a sensation as is Bob Kino, former San Francisco Chinatown vocalist, who had a bit part in Mr. and Mrs. North television series last week.

A drummer from Idaho, Joseph Owaki, is a good draw-ing card for Shindo's combo

Baby arrives . . . It might interest some of our good friends back east that we were blessed with a baby boy last Monday. We've named him Bennett Takao. How does it feel to beecome parents for the first time?

Life has many exciting moments, but we don't think it will ever surpass that feeling you get on the day of your wedding or that day when a nurse tells you you've just

become a papa.

Bennett tipped the scales at 8 pounds, 3 ounces, the nurse said. I was dumbfounded.

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# VITAL STATISTICS

Births

ENOMOTO—Mar. 16, a daughter Kimberly to the John Enomotos, Redwood City.

HARADA—Mar. 7, a boy John Jiro to the Tsutomu Haradas (Emiko Kohigashi), Los Angeles.

HAZARD—Mar. 3, a girl Caroline Frances to the Robert F. Hazards (Hisako Aida), Los Angeles, HIGASHI—Mar. 9, a boy Alan to the Hisashi Higashi, Berkeley. HIRAMOTO—Mar. 13, a girl to the Kinji Hiramotos, Lodi.

HIRANO—Mar. 8, a boy Gary Toru to the Toru Hiranos (Masako Masaki), Los Angeles.

IBARA—Mar. 13, a girl to the Kan Ibaras, Reedley.

ISHIHANA—Mar. 13, a boy to the Michael Ishihanas, Del Rey.

KADOYA—Feb. 19, a girl Jane Miye to the Jiro Henry Kadoyas (Yaeko Betty Sasaki), Los Angeles.

KATO—Mar. 3, a girl Laura Sachi to the Polity Tsakki Value Sachi

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KAWAKAMI—Mar. 11, a girl Susan Kiyo to the Tetsuo Franke Kawakamis (Leslie Eiko Watanabe), Los Angeles.

KIDO—Mar. 2, a boy Kei Charles to the Charles Yoshio Kidos (Frances Fusako Hatada), Los Angeles.

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(Frances Fusako Hatada), Los
Angeles.
KISHI—Mar. 5, a boy Russell Lee
to the Yoshiharu Kishis (Shizuko
Imoto), Los Angeles.
KOTO—Feb. 19, a boy Fred T. Jr.
to the Fred T. Kotos (Eiko Yokota), Atlanta, Ga.
MAEKAWA—Mar. 20, a girl to the
Vernon Maekawas, Seattle.
MATOBA—Mar. 15, a boy to the
Takao Matobas, Sanger.
MATSUYAMA—Mar. 1, a girl Cynthia Harue to the Henry Tamehiro Matsuyamas (Florence Hagiyo Tsuyuki), Los Angeles.
MAYEDA—Mar. 2, a girl Coleen to
the Hajime Mayedas (Masako
Zaimoku), Los Angeles.
MEDINA—Feb. 22, a boy Mark
Ryan to the Anthony Phil Medinas (Grace Wozumi), Los Angeles.

dinas (Grace Wozumi), Los Angeles.

MORI—Mar. 30, a boy Bennett Takao to the Henry K. Moris (Mary Oshiro), Los Angeles.

MURAMOTO—Mar. 5, a boy Bertram Kenji to the Yoshito Muramotos (Sumiko Kaneyoshi), Los Angeles.

MURAOKA—Mar. 16, a boy to the Henry Muraokas, Seattle.

NAGAHIRO—Mar. 2, a boy Denis Masao to the Masao Nagahiros (Midori Mary Monji), Los Angeles. (Date corrected.)

NAGAI—Mar. 9, a boy to the Hisashi Naagis, San Leandro.

NAKASAKI—Mar. 6, a boy Danny Kazuo to the Harry Susmu Nakasakis (Florence Toshiko Tomita), Los Angeles.

NIMURA—Mar. 2, a girl Christine to the Robert Tsutomu Nimuras (Keiko Kikuchi), Los Angeles.

NISHI—Mar. 23, a girl Janice Naomi to the Charles Nishis (Tani Amemiya), San Francisco.

OKASAKI—Feb. 23, a girl Robin Hiroye to the Yoshihiro Okasakis, Palo Alto.

OMORI—Mar. 14, a girl to the Yo-

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OMORI—Mar. 14, a girl to the Yoshiharu Omoris, San Francisco.
OSAKI—Mar. 17, a girl Beverly Jeanne to the Tets Osakis, New York.
SAITO—Mar. 8, a girl Stephanie Allyn to the Shozo Saitos (Bessie Kyoko Matsuzawa), Los Angeles.
SAKASEGAWA—Mar. 10, a boy to the F. Sakasegawas, Fresno.
SAKIMOTO—Mar. 3, a boy Alan James to the Jimmy Sachio Sakimotos (Amy Emi Mitani), Los Angeles.

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PERSONAL

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Joe Chikara Takagaki, formerly Star Rt., Rosamund, Calif.
Shoichi Samura, formerly 238 S. Beaudry, Los Angeles.
Shinn Yamashita, 2127 Irving St., San Diego 13.

TSUJI—Mar. 4, a boy Paul Satoshi to the Theodore Takeshi Tsujis (Suzuko Tanabe), Los Angeles. YAMAOKA—Mar. 5, a girl Jean Naomi to the Ted Yamaokas, Hol-land, Mich.

Weddings

Weddings

HASHIMOTO-TERAMOTO
Fresno, Mar. 21. Jimmy Goro
Hashimoto and Kay Teramoto,
both of Fowler.

HIGA-IWAMURA
Los Angeles, Mar. 22. Roy Higa,
Santa Monica, and Itsuko Iwamura, Selma.

HIRATA-ISHII
Seattle, Mar. 22. Hajime Hirata
and Michi Ishii.

KOBAYASHI-HIRATA
Gardena, Mar. 15. George Kobayashi, and Misao Hirata, San
Pedro.

KIWAHARA-KAWARE

yashi, and Misao Hirata, San Pedro.
KUWAHARA-KAWABE
Los Angeles, Mar. 22. Tatsuya Kuwahara, Sun Valley, and June Ikuko Kawabe.
MORITA-NISHIHARA
Pasadena, Mar. 14. Jiro Morita and Toshiko Nishihara.
TAKI-MURAKAMI
Seattle, Mar. 15. Kiyoshi Taki and Elsie Murakami.
SHIMABUKURO-UYESUGI
Cleveland, Feb. 21. John Shimabukuro and Fumi Uyesugi.
YENOKI-TANAKA
Los Angeles, Mar. 22. George Kyoji Yenoki and Lily Yuriko Tanaka.

Marriage Licenses Issued

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ISHIMITSU-UYETA — Sadamu, 28, and Victoria T., 18, both of Seattle.

ISONO-ITO—Masami, 31, Alameda, and Tomio, 24, Berkeley.

GOSHO-EDAMURA — Tatsuo, 30, and Kazumi, 27, both of Seattle.

GOTO-YATABE—Joe and Grace, both of Berkeley.

MATSUMOTO - IWATA — Yutaka, 26, Acampo; and Masaye 21, Stockton.

OKUNO-KUBO—Kinchi, Palo Alto, and Masaye, San Francisco.

TAMURA—UYENO — Yoshiaki Chicago, and Yeiko, Loomis.

YAMAMOTO - KAWAHARA — Kiyoo, 27, and Kazuko Kay, 23, both of Seattle.

Engagements

HAMAMOTO-HIGASHIDA — Ada Mae to Joseph, both of Sun Val-ley, Mar. 21. MORITA-HIRATSUKA — Margaret to Frank, Jr., both of Chicago. OKITA-SAKAMOTO—Molly, Chica-

go, to Jiro. SEDOHARA-OGATA—Amy to Roy, TASHIRO-MINAMI — Shizu, Chicago, to Robert. WATANABE-KANEKO - Terry, Chicago, to Harry.

Deaths

Deaths

ITO, George, 84
Riverton, Wyo., Mar. 15; survived by wife, eight children.

McCROSSEN, Mrs. Miki
Santa Fe, N.M., Mar. 6; survived by husband Preston, mother Mrs. Hayakawa.

OKAMOTO. Juhei, 79
Seattle, Mar. 21; survived by wife, four daughters Mmes. Natsuko Tanabe, Yoshiko Sato, Akiko Mar, Rae Nomura four sons, Shigeru, Takumi, Tosh, Juro and 19 grandchildren.

SUGIYAMA, Benjamin N.
Detroit, Mar. 11; survived by parents, Mr. and Mrs. George S., brothers Herbert and Curt, sisters Mabel and Helen.

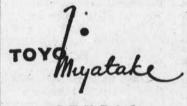
SUMIDA, Zennosuke, 79
Stockton, Mar. 16.

TAKATSUNO, George S., 67
San Francisco, Mar. 27; survived by wife, son Joseph T., and daughter Sister Xaveria (Terry Rose).

Rose).

YOKOYAMA, Ginji, 74

Renton, Wash., Mar. 16. survived by wife, sons Roy S. and Frank Y. and daughter Mrs. iVolet M. Okura.



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Armitags carnival uses county fair' theme

Chicago Busy since January, the Armitage coeds will transform the Olivet Institute into a "country fair" to fit the carnival theme. Proceeds of the Apr. 18 benefit will go to the Metho-dist Fellowship Church building fund.

#### SOCIAL NOTES

Gardena Women's Circle: On hand last week were 20 mem-bers of the Women's Circle of the Gardena Baptist church to prepare Easter baskets for Sunday School children . . . The group holds its installation dinner for new cabinet officers Apr. 16 at Chalon's on Manchester between Normandie and

Western. New officers are:
Dorothy Dohi, pres.; May Koga,
v.p.; Merry Masunaga, sec.; Kathleen Doi, treas.; Jean Murakami,
dev.; Rose Kobata, white cross
chmn.; and May Kushida, pub.

#### KITCHEN TIPS

MUKOZUKE

10 eggs
1 cup shredded onion
2 cups bean sprouts
1 cup tuna
1 tbsp shoyu
1/4 tsp Ajinomoto

Drain juice from canned bean sprouts. Mix thoroughly with the flaked tuna fish and onion.

Beat eggs slightly and add to mixture, with soy sauce and Ajinomoto.

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According to the news-

papers, Shigeru Yoshida is in

danger of losing his job as Ja-

pan's premier because he said a bad word. In the heat of legislative debate, he called a heckler "bakayaro."

That, as most Nisei know, is very naughty although in

translation it comes out an innocuous "stupid fellow," or,

as the press dispatches have it, "stupid fool."

Now that seems to be a pretty mild epithet for deter-

mining the life or death of a

cabinet, but the severity of

"bakayaro" stems from a fact

little known among Americans—that it is impossible to

swear in Japanese because

Even Mr. Takenobu's Ken-

kyusha Japanese-English dic-

tionary, which has been gath-

ering dust for a long time on

my bookshelves, has trouble

translating bad-word Japanese into English. "Baka," for instance, is defined as meaning the following: "a fool; a simpleton; a dupe; an asset a depletor; a moon-calf:

ass; a donkey; a moon-calf; a goose; a dunce; a blockhead;

a dullard; a dolt; a ninny; an

oaf; a booby; a chump; an idiot." In adjective form

there are no cuss words.

Denver

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Editor: It is indeed a service of any race are denied and lodging in public paramerely because of their race. One lady rightly asks in the must endura

long she must endure sur instances of humiliation. answer, tragically enough that for the rest of her children, too, she and the will always be victims of and other forms of racial tolerance.

In that case, what must s or what can she do about Above all, she must maint the dignity, self-respect a self-restraint which that he ter reveals.

Let her remember that i individuals who subject to insult and injury, by the very fact reveal themselve be her inferior.

Let her bear in mind to racial prejudice is rooted ignorance, in a sense of i security and not infreque in a guilt complex, and the those who are poisoned it are the worst victims their own bigotry and ch blindness.

Let her join with the let ers of her race in working a ward legitimate goals of the ness and justice, and let he remember that in this figshe and they have the deep mined support of a large a ever-increasing number non-colored people in walks of life.

-JAMES L. TAYLO Oakland.

#### Careful

Editor: All the Japanese is scended people of my a quaintance are exemplary.

All the stories I have to in the Pacific Citizen ha been fine flavored until dipped into the end of a on page 8 of March 27th sue. Now I must be caref.
—ALTON L. HALL Huntington Beach.

#### MINORITY WEEL

Action on Fair Employme Practices legislation w thrwarted in the Arizona sta legislature last week when the House voted to postpone of sideration of the measure to definitely.

A bill to prevent radal religious discrimination i "perpetual care" cemeter was passed 44-0 last month the Iowa Senate in a movel avert any further incidents discrimination such as them at Sioux City where Sgt. Ju Rice, a Korean war casual was refused burial because his Indian ancestry.

The White House last we announced segregation will ended in all army-opens schools at the end of the pr sent school year. Schools fected are situated at Ft. Bo ning, Ga., and Ft. Ca Ky.

The CIO offered Pres. senhower the first and mi important step in ending gregation in the District Columbia as pledged in campaign would be issued of a directive forbidding gregation and discrimina in public employment and use of public facilities.

# A DECADE AGO

Pacific Citizen, Apr. 8, 194 Compulsory military servi for loyal Nisei in WRA cam looms.

Jack Kawano, trade mis leader, appointed by Go Stainbeck to Hawaii Man power Board.

U.S. Supreme Court age to review Nisei test cases curfew and evacuation.

Gov. Warren seeks bill stored agricultural mach

belonging to Japanese.

State of Utah to spend \$5000 for facilities to house cuee-farm workers.

#### Strong comeback

No one hesitates to admit there are flaws in any composite legislation, such as the re-cently enacted Walter-McCarran omnibus bill that attempt-ed to codify and bring up to date what had been passed and amended during the course of many years regarding immigration and naturalization laws.

Persons of Japanese ancestry were in favor of its passage despite the intentions of the President in the last Congress to veto the legislation if passed. It was passed, vetoed and the veto overridden. They adopted this attitude to gain equality in naturalization and immigra-

However, civic organizations which usually are associated with the Japanese American Citizens League in the matter of legislation were on the op-posite side on this issue of the Walter-McCarran bill.

It should be admitted that there will be instances of hardship among persons of Japanese ancestry, now that the law has been in force since Dec. And there are further desirable changes. But how important and fundamental these are remains to be seen.

The JACL has founded a special committee to review and study the Act; indeed, a constructive approach to such a controversial subject.

The plan has evoked favorable comment. This committee is made up of three sections; policy, technical and "watchdog". This procedure will eliminate any semblance of a hysterical or emotional approach

It will be sensible to study the operations of the new law to ascertain what changes would be beneficial. The three sections are to cover all phases through studies by key committeemen in various parts of the United States, Hawaii and

Once the findings are gathered, the overall picture can be appreciated. This shall be the time when necessary recom-mendations to Congress can be offered. It is conceded that every special-interest group will concentrate on certain provisions of particular concern to

After the facts are ascertained, then priorities can be arranged to those shortcomings and needed improvements for appropriate action.

That the JACL program is also being considered by other groups makes it possible for a highly desirable united front to be formed after a most careful review and study of the entire subject.

#### Study commission

The strong comeback stained into the Southland scene by evacuated Japanese Americans is evidenced in many ways. More and more are investing in homes and real property.

And the fact that two banks, the Bank of Tokyo and Sumitomo Bank, have had local residents subscribe more than a million dollars evinces substantial savings since their return to the West Coast.

On the other hand, there are many who have not been able to reap in this late economic harvest. The number of Issei living in old folks' homes and receiving public relief has increased immeasurably since prewar days.

Social workers used to comment over the absence of Japanese names on relief rolls in California. This is longer true.

Of great help to many families, which have been struggling to make ends meet, can be the expeditious payment of evacuation claims.

facilitating Any delay in necessary payment of awards can become a source of another injustice and further hardship.

It is truly hoped that the present Congress will take into consideration the nature of the loss involved in the evacuation claims program and alleviate the unfortunate ones who still patiently wait.

# Bakayaro

"baka" becomes "foolish, dull; stupid; weaksilly: minded; dull-witted; this headed; idiotic, imbecilic." thick-If anyone calls you "baka,"

you take your pick of the above and get as angry as you like—depending of course on how big the name-caller happens to be.

In the case of Mr. Yoshida, it might be helpful to know that he is a tiny, slight and somewhat elderly individual. I saw him in San Francisco during the peace conference a year and a half ago and he wasn't calling anyone "bakayaro" in those days. At least, not in public.

The real effect of "bakayaro" is in the inflection. Shouted by a military officer it sounds half way between a pistol shot and a whipcrack. There's no mistaking the meaning when an expert in the "bakayaro" business uses the word.

Early in my encounters with the English language I discovered the word "crazy." Someone described one of our playmates by saying: "Aw, he's crazy." It sounded like a pretty good word and subsequently all of us used it frequently and indiscriminately.

Because we were a pretty Cosmopolitan gang, one of the fellows happened to ask me how to say "crazy" in Japanese. "Baka," I told him. It was the only bad word I knew in Japanese.

My parents, however, were scandalized. A person could be "baka," they explained to me, and sometimes it wasn't too bad. But to be crazy, why that was "kichigai," and "ki-chigai" people were put away in the booby hatch.

I've never forgotten that lesson in trans-Pacific seman-

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Since our Sansei youngsters don't speak any Japanese at all, the things they pick up sometimes are litle short of weird. One day they came back from a visit with some black-haired friends and one of them—I forget which one -remarked:

"Dad, I know how to say shut up' in Japanese."
"How?"

"'Yakamashii.' That's what the man said when we were hollering and running around."

by Harry K. Honda

Very Truly Yours . . .

# Sakura Festival

If Nisei Week is to come to Los Angeles, now is the time to start thinking on an active basis. It should be passed the discussion stages . . . So many physical changes have been wrough t on Li'l Tokio, I doubt the same old spirit can prevail. However, this apparent obstacle might be the sort of a challenge to inject higher enthusiasm into this community project.

Nisei Week was such a grand scheme, that the young businessmen of Honolulu began promoting a "million dol-lar" attraction for the part attraction for the past weeks . . . Word comes from Honolulu that with a huge turnout of 72 contestants in the Cherry Blossom Festival queen contest, tally clerks have been confused completely . . . The first batch of ballots were counted the other day and the voting public has thought it quite enough to mark only the first name of the contestant they want to see as queen . . . This would be fine, but among the con-testants there happens to be five named Jean, four named Grace and the same number of Amys and Bettys . . . Now the tally committee is asking that full names be written and legibly . . . The Nisei Week contest had evolved to a de-The Nisei Week gree where contestants had rubber stamps supplied to many of the stores where ballots were distributed . . . The Honolulu version has adopted the system whereby the num-

ber of ballots a customer may cast depends upon the amount of purchase . . . This system was ruled last year in Li'l Tokio because of alleged dishonesties . . . Honolulu counters are not only plagued by similarities in first names, but also in surnames . . . There are three sets of sisters and others whose last names are identical . . . Balloting in Honolulu continues through to Apr. 11 . . . The top 15 that day will be finalists and from that group will be the selection of a queen by a panel of judges. A week later, the co-ronation ball reveals the lucky winner of a free trip to Japan plus other prizes and reign of Cherry Blossom Festival Week.

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Sen. N. Miyake of the 4th District, Oahu, has placed Sen. Res. No. 44 in the hopper, commending and congratulating the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring its first annual festival for the enjoyment and benefit of the people of the Territory ... Cherry blossoms, the resolution points out, were selected as the occasion of celebrating Japanese customs and culture.

The pattern of cultural shows, talent revues, a fete in honor of the old-timers, queen contests and the ondo parade can foster better understanding between friends of the East and the West in any community . . . While it may not enhance business in every instance, some of the ideas which go to make up Nisei Week or Cherry Blossom Festival deserves consideration in other Japanese American communities like San Francisco, Seattle, Salt Lake City, Denver, Chicago and points

Tuck him away in his snug little bed,

After the wear of the day, Glad that the sandman, at last, came around
Putting an end to the fray.
Then after a while, when you

start to retire,
Look down on the innocent
face—
No doubt you will wonder just
how and just why
You ever were cross with his
grace.

—LILAH WARREN (Something for the Henry Moris, proud parents of their first-born. —H.H.)

CHLOROPHYLL-Mounting criticism on chlorophyll of late is worrying advertisers . . . Last year, some \$100,000,000 was spent and how well we know who watch TV commercials . . . The chlorophyll prestige dropped when British medical authorities tested the grass-green stuff with foul odors, perspiration, chopped onions and garlic and charged it has no "deodorant" qualities. . . . Of course, I won't miss the Cloret kissing commercial or the green-colored dentrifice . It was getting to the point where chlorophyll was added to tobacco, toilet paper, dog-food, and even shoes . . .

# Opinions from Other Newspapers . . .

A new international and interdenominational university near Tokyo to be known as International Christian University in Japan has just been granted a charter by the Japanese government.

The university is sponsored and partially supported by funds from 14 major Protestant denominations in the United States and Canada. A fund-raising committee collected several thousand as a contribution from local churches.

Opening of the university in April will culminate a dream begun more than 50 years ago by Japanese and Christian

educators. Its actual building started in 1948 when the Japanese people raised the re-markable sum of more than 160 million yen (about \$450,-000) for the establishment of ICU. Ninety-five percent of the Japanese contributors were non-Christians.

The university represents many "first." It will be the first Christian graduate institution of higher learning in Japan. It will have student dormitories for men and women (almost no Japanese institution has housing facilities for students). ICU will develop a campus centered life. This experiment of faculty and students sharing community life informally may influence all Japanese education. Also, the university will have five vice presidents, each in a special field. Administration of this kind is not practiced by Japanese colleges or universities today.

The Japan International Christian University Foundation, Inc., with headquarters in New York City, and with Dr. Stanley I. Stuber, executive secretary, is responsible for the establishment of the graduate institution. Dr. Hachiro Yuasa, scientist and educator, is president of the new university.

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