



## Honolulu Newsletter

BY LARRY NAKATSUKA

### SLUR AGAINST INTERRACIAL MARRIAGES

Honolulu

Interracial marriages are such as established institution in Hawaii, news about them don't attract much attention. But a public slur about them quickly draws a barrage of angry rebuttals.

So it was last week when a woman wrote an anonymous letter to a Honolulu newspaper commenting on GIs marrying Oriental girls.



Said she: "Just because GIs are marrying Oriental women doesn't mean that the American women have to take a back seat. One reason for so many mixed marriages is the shortage of American women where the GIs are stationed. Then too, a large percentage of the GIs marrying Orientals end up in divorce."

Although her remarks were directed at interracial marriages in the Orient, not to such marriages in Hawaii, they touched off a quick reaction here.

A Hawaii-based soldier had this to say in print: "I married an Oriental girl. I had previously married an American girl. I place myself on record that Oriental wives are superior in many respects, as any Caucasian husband of an Oriental girl will admit."

As to comparative divorce rates, this soldier quoted figures to indicate that "American-Japanese miscegenetic marriages have a divorce rate of less than 5 per cent as opposed to the Caucasian divorce rate of approximately 40 per cent."

"My wife," the soldier added, "has always been accepted by American people in all walks of life, the majority being anxious to cultivate her friendship. I have numerous friends married to Oriental girls and have never known of any time where they have been ashamed of their wives."

Another letter writer suggested that "surely love overcomes many" of the social problems which might result from servicemen marrying Oriental girls. "Would that it could do the same for our substantial western divorce rate!"

### WARTIME AND POSTWAR INCREASES

Hawaii experienced a wave of marriages between servicemen and island girls, including many Nisei, throughout World War II and immediately after. Such unions were a novelty at the start but their increasing number soon made them commonplace.

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## Vagaries

BY LARRY TAJIRI

### DOCUMENTARY CINEMATOGRAPHER

Denver

Toge Fujihira has the kind of a job we desk-bound slaves dream about. Toge's a movie cameraman by trade—he films about 10 short subjects annually—and in the last several years he's made pictures on every continent except Australia.

Toge was in Denver recently (as Bill Hosokawa reported in his PC column last week), en route from his New York home to an assignment in northern California. He'll be working out of San Francisco for about two weeks, but Toge's assignments usually take him far away from the metropolitan areas. He's more, at home in a plane, a jeep or a canoe.

We first met Toge back in 1940 in New York. A native of the Seattle area, he had come to Manhattan in the late 1930s, looking for a career in still photography. At the World's Fair, which opened in 1939, Toge saw some of the classic films of America's documentary filmmakers, such as Pare Lorentz' *The River*, and *The City and The Plow That Broke The Plains*. He went back, again and again, to see these pictures. He determined to make his career in the documentary field. Today, his photography honored at several recent film festivals, Toge is regarded as one of the top cameramen in non-theatrical motion pictures.

As a result of the world's Fair experience, Toge bought a movie camera. His first picture, made in 1940, was an adaptation of Chekhov's one-act play, *The Boor*, which Shiro Tanehisa—then essaying a career as an actor on Broadway—directed with an all-Nisei cast.

During most of the war years Toge worked in the motion picture department of the Methodist Board of Missions, making an occasional motion picture. Shortly after the end of the war he met an ex-Marine named Alan Shilin, a script writer, who wanted to produce non-theatrical movies for business, civic and religious organizations. It had been in association with Shilin that Toge has journeyed to the far corners of the world—to a leper colony in Thailand near the Red China frontier, a village in India, a Sunday market in a remote Andean town, to a missionary outpost on the African west coast for a film called *Kezli of Zozor*.

Toge's longest trip was one he started late in 1952, which took him away from his wife, Mitsu, and their two children

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## Alleged discrimination against Nisei getting travel visa due Congress eye

(Washington) Discriminatory practices in the issuance of visas by foreign governments against American citizens of Japanese ancestry will be subject to congressional inquiry, Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.) told the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the JACL, called to Rep. Walter's attention that various countries in their regulations on the issuance of visas discriminate against American citizens of Oriental, Negro, or other nationality groups.

Such discrimination of American citizens by foreign countries on the basis of race or national origin is particularly odious to our

American traditions, he said, and requested that since this was a problem concomitant with immigration and naturalization, and which would thus fall within the purview of the House Judiciary subcommittee on Immigration and Nationality, it might well undertake this study.

Furthermore, Rep. Walter was requested to make an official investigation in order to secure verified information regarding this matter. From JACL's past experiences, letters of inquiry to the 79 countries represented in the nation's capital would not result in any particularly conclusive findings.

Congressman Walter, well-known to Nisei as the co-author of the

Immigration and Nationality Act (the Walter-McCarran Act) of 1952 which gave to Issei the right of naturalization and which eliminated from the statute books the discriminatory legislation of the Exclusion Act of 1924, is chairman of the subcommittee.

Matter of alleged discriminatory practices was brought to the Washington JACL Office's attention in a New York *Hokubei Shimpo* article (see *Pacific Citizen*, July 29, 1955: What Others Are Saying). In the "Blue Book of Clipper Travels," travel reference book published by Pan American World Airways System, certain countries make a distinction between U.S. citizens and U.S. citizens of Negro, Oriental (or Yellow), or of certain other racial backgrounds.

At the time of printing, the Clipper Book listed five Latin American countries as placing restrictions on visas based on race or national origin: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Peru; others were New Zealand and the British Crown Colony of Hong Kong.

Specifically, the Blue Book states that to enter Honduras, even as a tourist, certain American citizens must have a special permit: Negroes, Chinese, Coolies, and East Indians of the coolie type.

El Salvador requires a special entry permit from its consul before it will issue a visa to the following: "Descendants of Chinese, Mongolians, Negroes, Malaysians, Gypsies, Arabians, Lebanese,

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## PROPOSED CHANGES FOR DEPORTATION REGULATIONS CITED AS HUMANIZING

(Washington) For humanizing and making more equitable deportation procedures proposed in new regulations issued by the Immigration Service, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League wrote a letter of commendation to Gen. Joseph M. Swing, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization.

The JACL endorsed and urged the adoption on a permanent basis the liberalizing features of the proposed changes.

Two changes which have been of particular concern to those of

Japanese ancestry in deportation proceedings relate to the substitution of a warrant of arrest for an order to "show cause" and the provision for both examining and special inquiry officers instead of placing all functions in a single officer.

Up to now, a warrant of arrest was issued prior to deportation proceedings since the present regulation required this initial step before administrative remedy could be instituted to have deportation orders suspended and the status adjusted to that of aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence.

Many alien Japanese who qualified for discretionary relief were terrified when they were issued warrants of arrest. The fact that a warrant of arrest had been served them was a stigma undeserved and a gratuitous slight.

The substitution of a "show cause" order prior to deportation proceedings obviously is a more humane method for handling deportation matters, Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the JACL said, and certainly more in keeping with the traditional American concepts of jurisprudence which assumes the innocence of a party until proven guilty.

The national security is nevertheless provided for in that arrests may be ordered when necessary and proper in cases "considered likely to abscond" or if continued freedom "would be against the public interest."

The second proposed change, the proviso that the examining officer and the special inquiry of-

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## Calendar of events for 15th Nisei Festival released

(Los Angeles) The calendar of events for the 15th annual Nisei Week Festival is substantially similar in pattern as previous festivals—a coronation ball opening the week-long holiday and closing with a colorful ondo parade next Saturday and Sunday. The schedule:

**Friday, Aug. 19**  
Pioneer Night (Issei-Nisei Talent Show), Koyasan Hall, 7 p.m.

**Saturday, Aug. 20**  
Issei-Nisei Talent Show, Koyasan Hall, 7 p.m.  
Flower Arrangement, Union Church, 1-6 p.m.

**Sunday, Aug. 21**  
Coronation Ball (sports formal) Hollywood Palladium, 7:30 p.m.  
Flower Arrangement, Union Church, 2-9 p.m.

**Monday, Aug. 22**  
Opening Day Ceremonies, City Hall, 11 a.m.  
Art Exhibit (all week), Japanese Chamber of Commerce, 358 E. 1st St., 1-9 p.m.

**Tuesday, Aug. 23**  
Baby Show, Maryknoll Hall, 222 S. Hewitt.  
Queen's Visit of Li'l Tokio, Veterans Hospitals.

**Wednesday, Aug. 24**  
Meijin Stage Show, Koyasan Hall, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Aug. 25**  
Kendo-Judo Tournament, Koyasan Hall, 1-6 p.m.  
Tea Ceremony demonstrations, Union Church, 1-6 p.m.  
Carnival, Weller St. County Auto Park, 1-11 p.m.  
Ondo Parade, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

**Friday, Aug. 26**  
Judo Tournament, Koyasan Hall, 1-6 p.m.  
Tea Ceremony, Union Church, 1-6 p.m.  
Carnival and Ondo Parade.  
Closing Ceremony, Weller St., 9:30 p.m.

The Nisei Week art exhibit press preview tonight is also open to artists and friends at the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, 358 E. 1st St. The exhibit will be open to the public throughout the week from 1 to 9 p.m.

## LOS ALTOS BUILDS JAPANESE TEA GARDEN

(Los Altos) Construction of a Japanese tea garden "second only to that in San Francisco" in Shoup Park here is expected to be completed by the end of August, according to the Los Altos Garden Club, which is footing the bill for the \$1,500 project.

Nurseryman Tom Furuichi is contributing \$500 in labor and material for the 10,000 sq. ft. garden.

## Supermarket in flames

(Sacramento) Firefighters took an hour to bring the burning Garden Basket Market in North Sacramento on Del Paso Blvd. under control Aug. 8. Damage was estimated at \$80,000 by the Kunibe brothers, George Orite and George Murata, operators of the produce department at the supermarket.

## Nakatsuka selected for Far Eastern goodwill tour for U.S. State Department

(Honolulu) Lawrence Nakatsuka, press secretary to Hawaii's Governor and Hawaii correspondent for the *Pacific Citizen*, has been selected for a Far Eastern "goodwill tour" assignment by the U.S. State Department.

He is the first Nisei from Hawaii invited to participate in the State Department's International Educational Exchange Program. Nakatsuka's itinerary is being worked out by the State Department in Washington.

He will be given leave from his position as press secretary to Gov. Samuel Wilder King in Honolulu while he tours Asian coun-

tries. The trip may last from two to three months.

The assignment is part of the State Department's program to send Hawaii people of Asian ancestry to the Far East on "goodwill missions."

A similar tour of three months was completed recently by Dr. Richard K. C. Lee, president of the Hawaii Board of Health. Dr. Lee, the first Hawaii person selected under this program, visited Korea, Formosa, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaya and Indonesia.

The purpose of the exchange program is to promote understanding

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## Very Truly Yours

BY HARRY HONDA

### ONE SIDE OF COIN

● This weekend in Los Angeles, thirteen visiting Russian farm leaders are going to inspect dairy farm here before departing for Washington and home. They've been in California the past four days after several weeks of looking at America's bread-basket in the Midwest . . . Relations between Soviet Russia and the United States in the past months have been growing rosier with U.S. visitors being wined and dined by the Russians and we can add the latest bid of Marilyn Monroe to visit Moscow . . . But the other side of the coin of East-West relations appears rather depressing.

### OTHER SIDE: DEPRESSING

● Eleven American airmen have been returned from Red Chinese captivity. Colonel Arnold, senior officer, described the tortures inflicted by his jailers; yet his Government sat down with the jailers for further "conciliatory negotiations" . . . The State Department can't ask the United Nations to hear the airmen's story because of the delicate situation still existing over the prospective return of 41 American civilians still held in Red China . . . Red China kept pouring arms and men into North Korea as South Korea President Rhee proclaimed a state of emergency in the face of "imminent Communist threat". Yet, there was talk last week that Red China would "inevitably" be admitted into the United Nations . . . Reports from Pusan also aver the Poles and Czechs on the truce inspection teams were Russian spies as 9,000 screaming South Koreans demonstrated against their presence. Yet, the United States was bound to protect the members of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission . . . In South Viet-Nam, Premier Ngo Dinh Diem refused to make arrangements with the Reds for elections next year to decide the fate of all Viet-Nam as agreed in a clause at last year's Geneva meeting on Indochina, signed by Britain, France, Russia and Red China — but not by the U.S. or Viet-Nam. Yet the U.S. was displeased by Diem's refusal "to go through the motions of trying to organize free elections in cooperation with the Communist"

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## VAGARIES

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for nearly 10 months. He went around the world, flying by way of Hawaii, the Philippines, India, backtracking to Thailand, Indonesia, and westward again to New York via Turkey, Greece and France. He made more than a dozen pictures en route, three in the Philippine interior which were dubbed in English and five native dialects. The picture he made in India was titled *Village of the Poor* and was taken at Deenabandapuram, near Madras. Sponsored by the National Council of Churches, the story told of a poor village which survives five famine years because a native Christian showed the villagers how to organize a farmers' cooperative, a credit union and other forms of group action.

The film about the Thai leper colony, made near the town of Chiangmai, told of a dancer in the royal court who contracted leprosy at the age of 16. She lost one world but discovers her identity in another, where she learns that beauty is of the spirit, rather than the flesh.

In Japan, Toge walked the streets of cities and villages, exposed film in homes and factories for a picture called *Hope of the East*, a prizewinner at the recent Boston film festival for 16 mm. productions. In Ceylon, he made one called *Shushila's Pilgrimage*, in Bangkok a story about two university students.

The combination of Writer-Producer Shilin and Camera-man Fujiwara has accounted for a number of "Oscars" in their documentary field. *American Flamingo*, which Toge took in Yucatan, won 1st prize in the nature division of this year's Golden Reel film festival in New York. *Shushila's Pilgrimage* was cited at the Columbus festival as "one of the outstanding educational films." Other productions were shown this year at film fetes in Glasgow and Venice.

### WORLD-TOURING FOR 10 MONTHS

Probably the best-known of the Shilin-Fujiwara collaborations are *The First Americans*, seven color films produced for the P. Lori Lorillard Co., makers of Old Golds. Pictures in this growing series, already seen by more than 100 million Americans on TV and in schools, clubs and religious group showings, are *Seminole of the Everglades*, for which Fujiwara took his camera into the inaccessible swamps of southern Florida; *Miracle on the Mesa*, *The Pueblo Heritage*, both made in the Southwest desert; *Giant of the North*, which took Toge to Alaska; *Fallen Eagle*, a modern-day take of the Sioux in the Dakotas; *The Song of the Feathered Serpent*, a cinematic ode to the Toltec, Mayan and Aztec civilizations of Mexico, and *Spirit in the Earth*, the dramatization of an Indian folk tale.

All of these sound films, each running 21 minutes on 16 mm., are available free of charge and should prove of interest to program chairmen of local JACL chapters. Information about them can be obtained by writing: Alan Shilin Productions, News of the Day Building, 450 W. 56th St., New York 19, N.Y.

## Rule Tacoma Nisei citizenship not lost

(San Francisco) Federal Judge Edward P. Murphy ruled Tacoma-born Kenji Namba did not lose his United States citizenship when he served in the Japanese army during World War II.

Declared Judge Murphy: "In order to deprive an American citizen of his citizenship, the government must make its case by clear, convincing and unequivocal evidence."

Namba was drafted into the Japanese army during the war because of his dual nationality. He had been sent to Japan before the war to study and was in school at the time of Pearl Harbor.

The federal jurist also ruled that it was immaterial that Namba had not protested being drafted when one reflects "on the consequences of such a protest made to the Japanese Imperial authorities". The judge continued: "Citizenship, if made conditional upon the standard of behavior suggested by the government, would belong only to martyrs."

## Deportation—

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ficer in a particular hearing not be one and the same officer, was also lauded. This is in keeping with the traditional concept that judge and prosecutor shall not be one and the same person, thus assuring impartial hearings. This change is in conformity with the recommendations made in the Administrative Procedure Act, enacted by Congress in 1946, to prevent such abuses.

Masaoka stated that the JACL has for the past several years been very much concerned with the Service's procedures for the deportation of aliens allegedly in this country illegally and considered them unnecessarily harsh and certainly not in the best traditions of this nation.

He commended Commissioner Swing, stating, "We not only strongly approve of the proposed changes in the regulations relating to deportation proceedings but also applaud you and your colleagues for making more meaningful in our immigration practices, at least insofar as these proceedings are concerned, the democratic principles that have made and kept us a great nation."

### SUMIO DOI EXPERIMENTS WITH EARLY VARIETY OF PLUM NAMED FOR CHILD

(Auburn) An early variety Duarte plum has been grown on the 80-acre Sumio Doi ranch here. Larger and sweeter than the regular Duarte, the new fruit has been tentatively named Sharon Duartes in honor of his youngest daughter, Sharon.

Univ. of California horticulturists have examined the plum and its origin and think it has definite possibilities. They were grown on a freak tree — two thirds standard for the red flesh Duartes, the remaining one third producing an earlier and different plum.



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## IN HONOR OF

■ George Neishi of Talbert (Orange County) was elected as member of the Fountain Valley School board of trustees recently.

■ Frederick H. Chino, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tsuneshi Chino of San Diego, was named to a \$2,500 fellowship in sociology at Stanford University from the John Haynes Foundation. He will work on his doctoral dissertation this year.

### Parlier orchardists graft plum into near-dead peach trees, project successful

(Parlier) Shozo Kubo and three sons, Harry, Yas and George, were in the midst of harvesting their crop of El Dorado and late Santa Rosa plums earlier this month. When the Kubos purchased 40 acres five years ago, there were peach trees that had been planted in 1905 by the original owner.

Thought worthless because trees were three-fourths deadwood, the Kubos grafted the plums in February, 1950, while neighbors were amazed and regarded the project a complete waste of time and effort.

However, every graft took and grew right down through the stump, some splitting old tree trunks and taking their own roots. Harry Kubo states that a plum

## Additional \$275,000 set for claimants

(Washington) An additional \$275,000 to pay evacuation claims awards for fiscal year 1955 was among bills approved by the recent Congress prior to adjournment, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League learned this week. This amount is in addition to \$1,237,583.68 approved earlier this year. The supplemental appropriations bill for the fiscal year 1955 includes allocation of funds for the administration of the Japanese Claims Section of the Department of Justice and payment for evacuation claims already adjudicated or expected to be adjudicated during fiscal year 1955.

These sums should not be confused with the \$200,000 which was appropriated for administrative expenses of the Japanese Claims Section of the Justice Department for the fiscal year 1956.

graft will be much stronger and will take where a peach graft will not take. These trees, he added, are much larger and stronger than newly planted trees of the same age.

The Kubos now own 100 acres on Newmark Ave. with crops including peaches and grapes. They own and manage their own modern packing plant on the ranch.

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## Tokyo Topics

BY TAMOTSU MURAYAMA (Japan Bureau Chief)

## REFUGEE RELIEF ACT

Many Japanese are wondering what has happened to the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. At the outset, many felt 1,500 or more Japanese refugees would be admitted to the United States with assurances of a job and a house.

Saburo Kido's sister and her husband, who were expatriated from North China to Japan under the direst circumstances, applied for admission as refugees. Necessary paper work appears to be in good shape for an immediate approval. However, nothing has happened to date.



Mikami in Tokyo

Meanwhile, 48 refugees left Wakayama for California last April. Reports say this first group of Japanese was well received there. They are studying English diligently in order to prepare for naturalization. Tsunekusa Kawasaki and Mike Masaka worked hard—very hard—to have the first batch of refugees into California.

Now, we have Seiichi Mikami of Fresno here, energetically working to expedite the application of more refugees. He has been in discussion with American consular officials and with Japanese government agencies to effect the movement of 99 more from Kagoshima. Passage for 14 of them to leave Aug. 28 aboard the APL President Cleveland has been ordered.

A past president of the Fresno JACL chapter, he is certainly doing wonderful work to assist refugees get to America. "The refugee relief laws are extremely difficult to administer," Mikami said, "in view of various requirements including security clearance, job assurance and other matters."

"However, I believe that the State Department is trying its best under the circumstances for the Japanese in spite of the criticisms made against the law. I am particularly grateful to the American consulate and embassy officials here who are generous in aiding this project," Mikami added.

The Fresno Nisei has been making several trips back and forth over the Pacific in connection with the refugees.

Another personality deserving of commendation in this issue is Kichiro Uchida, one of the young Japanese farmers who studied American farming methods. His strenuous assistance helping refugees has made it possible to have 99 from Kagoshima to be admitted. He thinks more will qualify soon.

"I had to fight the Communists here, who said the Refugee Relief Act was simply a gesture," Uchida said. "But I fought to prove the real nature of this law. I am doing everything I can to prove that America is friendly to Japan."

Persons of the likes of Mikami need to be recognized. They are surmounting great odds to have the Refugee Relief Act work.

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The lack of female companionship of their own race for the men in uniform undoubtedly contributed to the tendency to seek island-born girl friends of other races. The island girls, too, found selection more scarce among boys of their own race because many of them were being sent overseas for military duty. The loneliness thus created on both sides helped to bring together young persons who otherwise might never have met, much less entered into matrimony.

In the post-war period, these interracial marriages continued on a smaller scale as servicemen who liked Hawaii made the islands their home and chose island girls for their wives.

## JAPANESE ATTITUDE ON MIXED MARRIAGE

For the parents of the Oriental girls, particularly of the Nisei girls, the experience of having their daughters marry "outside their own kind" was painful in most cases. The Japanese, of all the ethnic groups, have the smallest percentage of out-marriages. The war softened this attitude somewhat, but not to the point where the parents encouraged out-marriages.

This experience was paralleled in Japan during the occupation years. A recent visiting educator and authority in race relations, Dr. Jesse Steiner, noted the general disinclination among the Japanese in Japan to marry outside of their race.

However, once better understanding of other races developed, prejudicial barriers tended to dissolve. Dr. Steiner, who taught in Japan for seven years before World War II, explained that early in the occupation period, many U.S. soldiers were quartered in Japanese homes due to lack of living quarters.

The courteous treatment these soldiers accorded their hosts, as well as the Western literature which flooded the schools, hastened the acceptance of the whites, and many inter-marriages took place, despite disapproval of the older generation and non-fraternization rules of the army.

Dr. Steiner says that inter-marriage is nature's way of solving racial problems. He has seen this sociological process in action during his study and teaching career which took him to various sections of the United States and abroad.

## PUBLIC CRITICISM LESSENING

In Hawaii, the amalgamation process is moving along at a faster pace and with less friction. Sociologists who have predicted a new strain of "neo-Hawaiians" by the year 2,000 may yet find their forecast come true.

Meantime, the fact that criticisms of interracial marriages are becoming rare, in public print, if not in private conversation, makes it that much easier for such marriages to flourish.

There is timely advice making the rounds these days that it's no longer safe to make disparaging remarks about any racial group because one never knows what racial strains may be represented among the relatives of one's audience.

## 600 Tule Lake renunciants get citizenship back

(San Francisco) Another group of Tule Lake renunciants regained their full U.S. citizenship rights here last week.

Nearly 500 Nisei whose cases were cleared administratively by the U.S. Department of Justice were restored the citizenship privileges by Federal Judge Louis E. Goodman.

According to Wayne M. Collins, attorney for these renunciants, final action was to be taken for 100 more renunciants in the same court last Monday.

As the result of these two sets of final judgments the total number of those regaining American citizenship will include nearly half the total of 4,374 involved.

Judge Goodman originally ruled in favor of all renunciants.

When the government appealed the case, the local Ninth Court of Appeals decided that citizenship could be restored to all who were minors at the time they renounced, but ruled that the justice department must pass on each case individually before the others could have their status cleared.

Both sides appealed this decision to the U. S. supreme court, but it was upheld by the nation's highest tribunal.

Final judgment restoring citizenship was then entered in Judge Goodman's court some two year's ago for the 1,228 who had been minors when they renounced in 1944 and 1945.

The others were asked to file individual affidavits through their attorneys and most of them have complied to date, it was learned.

The first group of some 300 were given back their full franchise by Judge Goodman last year.

## Kobe consulate

(Kobe) A two-story edifice is being planned by Detroit Nisei architect Minoru Yamazaki to replace the U.S. Consulate here destroyed during World War II. Motif will be Japanese with bronze lattice work and ample space for a garden. The compound will include a three-story residence for staff and servants.

## LOOKING FOR GIRL TO SPEAK 'ENGLISH ENGLISH' FOR KABUKI COMMENTARY

(Edinburgh, Scotland) The Edinburgh drama festival is looking for a Japanese girl who speaks "English English," and not "American English."

Artist-director Ian Hunter says they need the girl to announce the numbers the Azuma Kabuki dancers and musicians from Tokyo will give at the festival Sept. 3.

So far the eligible Japanese girls he has interviewed could speak only "American English."

## Scout jamboree set

(Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.) The eighth international jamboree for Boy Scouts will attract some 12,500 youths from all parts of the world, including 14 from Japan, this weekend.

Representatives from southwestern United States and Hawaii include Ronald Hamamoto of Hawaii, Sam Ryono and Ko Nishimura of Los Angeles, and Clifford Nakatani of Ogden.

## Anglican minister

(Vancouver, B.C.) The Rev. G. G. Nakayama, only Canadian Nisei Anglican minister, of Coaldale, Alta., is now minister at the Church of Holy Cross, only Japanese-Canadian Anglican church here. His son, Timothy, 23, is studying for the ministry.

## Nakatsuka—

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ing with Asians through lectures, group conferences and personal meetings.

Nakatsuka became the Governor's press secretary two and a half years ago, shortly after returning from Harvard University as a Nieman Fellow in Journalism. He is the first Nisei and Hawaii-born newspaperman to be selected for this Fellowship, which permits the recipient to study at Harvard for a year in any branch of learning he wishes.

Nakatsuka was for 12 years a reporter for the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, specializing in labor reporting. He was assistant city editor at the time of his selection for the Nieman Fellowship.

He is married to the former Minnie Yamauchi of Honolulu. The couple have one child, Paul Takashi.

## Step away from death as co-worker plunges to death

(New York) Harry Koyama, 44, a building worker, was a step from death Aug. 2 when a scaffolding he and his co-worker, Elton Thomas, were on broke. Thomas plunged to instant death five stories below; Koyama managed to scramble back to the roof, collapsed and was taken to the hospital suffering from severe shock.

The accident occurred on a six-story apartment building, 343-101st St.



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### RESETTLERS COMMITTEE

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A gigantic 10th anniversary program is being planned for Sunday, Oct. 2, by the Japanese American Service Committee, which was originally formed as the Chicago Resettlers Committee. Ichikuro Kondo is chairman, assisted by Noboru Honda and Tom Masuda as vice-chairmen.



The committee was first envisioned during the early days of evacuees relocated into the Chicago area from WRA relocation camps. Since then, thousands of Japanese have been assisted by the agency. Its services, basically referral and information, have consisted employment, housing, citizenship applications, social welfare, community projects and general participation in the larger Chicago community. It also assisted such groups as the City-Wide Recreation Council, the Chicago Nisei Athletic Association and the Cosmo Club (for Japanese warbrides).

Its first director was Corky Kawasaki. Kenji Nakane is the present director.

### CHURCH BECOMES OF AGE

Ten years ago, members of the Church of Christ, Presbyterian, were "displaced persons in their own country," quoting Dolores McCahill in the Chicago Sun-Times. Much has been accomplished since 1943—the year, some of the first Japanese Americans were transferred to Chicago by the WRA.

They have their own church at 3516 N. Sheffield and two ministers to care for the needs of the congregation. The Rev. Kohei Takeda serves the Issei members; the Rev. William London for the Nisei. The group first met at the Fourth Presbyterian Church, Michigan and Delaware.

When both pastors were absent several Sundays ago—one on vacation and the other at graduate school, they heard an audio-visual sermon delivered by the Rev. Franklin Hijikata, Firman House Community Center director. After showing slides on the center's program, the Rev. Hijikata remarked how he had nearly forgotten the 10th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima.

"It's rather strange those of us who claim some ethnic relationship to Japan would forget this great tragedy, but tragedies happen every day," he commented. "They are not destructive as the atomic bomb, but in our city everyday things are happening which cause not only physical deterioration, but social and family as well."

Nisei coming to Chicago via the wartime relocation camps found homes in a dispersed area and did not repeat the Japanese community pattern in which Issei parents had lived to avoid language difficulties, elder Den Toriumi of the congregation recalled. "We feel we can get along with the American Caucasian group," he said. "Our feeling toward them and their feeling toward us is very friendly. There isn't the prejudice here in Chicago which was noticeable in the West."

He was further quoted as saying: The Nisei has no resentment over evacuation because "they feel their range of opportunity was opened when they were prompted to go East. They found many more opportunities to use the professional and educational skills they had acquired."

Charles Ukita, general chairman of the Chicago JACL annual carnival, Oct. 22-23, Olivet Institute, is enjoying his three-week vacation (motoring to Los Angeles) before returning home to buckle down for the gala event. A Chevrolet was announced as the main prize. Ukita is also active in the City-Widers and Chicago Nisei Athletic Association.

**AROUND WINDY CITY:** City-Widers beach outing will be held tomorrow at Sand Beach, north of Wilmette. The Obon dances at the Univ. of Chicago Midway last Saturday concluded the two-day Obon services of the Chicago Buddhist Church. Japanese American organizations are being invited by the JACL to join a conference in early October to determine the housing situation with respect to Japanese Americans. The Chicago JACL housing committee, headed by Mrs. Chizu Iiyama, is conducting a survey to gather immediate and accurate information on the problem.

Minoru Osako, fifth-dan judoist, and Frank Lizinski, third-dan, both students of Masato Tamura, of the Chicago Judo Club have been selected by the National AAU to represent the U.S. in the special Japan-American judo tournament to be held this fall in Tokyo.

## VERY TRULY YOURS

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North". . . And stories from Moscow tell of Russian and American officials spending Sunday afternoons together, picking strawberries, sharing fun and games and singing. Yet thousands of prisoners and slaves are still looking to Britain and U.S. to free them.

People are probably smiling at the prospects of a cold war thawing out of existence after President Eisenhower went to the summit conference. Yet, as this meeting ended trigger-happy Bulgarian Reds shot down an Israeli Super-Constellation at the loss of nearly 60 lives. . . The Bulgarians said they were sorry, but it's still the "other" side of the coin—rather depressing.

### SPECTRE OF COMMUNISM

I suppose since the by-lined think-piece by Harrison Salisbury, the New York Times expert on Russian affairs, American public opinion is being gradually nursed to accept unconsciously the peaceful efforts of the Kremlin in the name of its people. . . It may be that the Soviet Union genuinely desires peace for the time being, but can anyone be sure of the Chinese Reds?

Regardless of what comes from Moscow in the way of peaceful intentions, the intrinsic nature of international communism is still one of world-domination. It's only a matter of time with them. . . What Red China does next will affect affairs in the Pacific—and it's no wonder why Senator Knowland has been as adamant in keeping Red China out of the United Nations. . . If the present defense perimeters on the western Pacific crack, then the American Pacific coast is threatened.

## Southwest L.A. CL in open mail bid for Issei members

(Los Angeles) An open invitation to join the JACL was extended by letter this week to more than 600 newly naturalized Issei residing in the southwest and up-town districts by the Southwest Los Angeles JACL, chapter president Dr. Toru Iura announced.

The active chapter is planning a recognition program for Issei citizens in the late fall, according to president Iura. Among other projects of special interest to Issei members will be an information program on voter registration.

"We welcome Issei members to our chapter and hope that they will join with the Nisei in participating in the JACL program of community service and advancement of status for Japanese Americans everywhere," Iura said.

Because of the difficulty in preparing a complete list of naturalized Issei, the names of some Seinan and Uptown residents may have been inadvertently omitted, he added, and urged that those who do not receive the membership invitation letter to join the Southwest chapter by mailing in three dollars per person or five dollars per couple to the Southwest JACL, in care of the regional office at the Miyako hotel, 248 E. First St., or telephone their desire to join at MA 6-4471.

### CHICAGO JACL PREPARES FOR OCT. 22-23 CARNIVAL

(Chicago) New concessions and surprises are being planned for Chicago JACL's annual carnival, Oct. 22-23, at Olivet Institute, 1441 N. Cleveland Ave., it was assured by Charles Ukita, general chairman. Other carnival board members include:

George Chida, Bill Fujii, Abe Hagiwara, Helen and Mike Hori, Miye Ito, Sumi Kobayashi, Joe Maruyama, Hank Morikawa, Mas Nakagawa, Yoshi Nishimoto, Johnny Okamoto, Sue Ormori, Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Jean Shimazaki, George Tanaka, Tom Teraji, George Teraoka and Kumeo Yoshinari.

A unique Splatter Party is also being organized Sept. 17 to brighten and freshen up JACL carnival property purchased in 1949 at the Olivet Institute. Volunteers will be provided light refreshments, good fellowship, soothing music and work, necessary for preparing the 1955 chapter carnival.

### BUSINOTES

Art Ito, Hollywood JACLer and longtime 1000er, represents the So. Calif. Floral Association at the Telegraph Delivery Service national convention at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Aug. 21-24. The Nisei floral designer owns the Flower View Garden.

Dr. George Hiura, practicing dentistry in Chicago the past 12 years, has opened his offices at 689 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto.

### CHAPTER MEMOS

San Diego JACL: Chapter membership surpassed its goal of 200 with a total of 205, according to Mas Hironaka, treasurer. The chapter also has 23 1000ers. . . Adverse tide hampered the fishing derby at the July 4 chapter picnic, as G. Kozuma's 1-lb 15-oz. catch was judged the winner.

Mt. Olympus JACL: The chapter held its summer picnic last week at Storm Mountain. Feature event was a softball game between the married and single men.

### Inagaki to address OC JAYs first banquet

(Santa Ana) George Inagaki, national JACL president, will be guest speaker at the first anniversary of Orange County Japanese American Youth installation banquet Sept. 2 at the local Masonic Temple.

Suzie Ohara, general chairman, said the O.C. JAY's \$100 scholarship award will be presented to the outstanding graduating senior in addition to the Blue and White awards to the boy and girl of the year, considered outstanding in service to the community, school and organization.

### NCYPCC chairman named

(Zephyr Point, Nev.) William Takahashi of San Mateo was elected 1956 chairman of the No. Calif. Young People's Christian Conference which held its 26th annual week-long meeting at this Lake Tahoe camp. Ninety-three persons attended.

Takeshi Hitomi was installed president of the Senator Lions, all-Nisei unit in Sacramento last month.

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## Dean Itano heads Sacramento JACL bd. of directors

(Sacramento) Dean Tsuyoshi Itano was recently elected to head the Sacramento JACL board of directors for the current year. He succeeds Toko Fujii as board chairman and president of the local chapter.

Assisting him on the board cabinet will be:

James Kubo, v.-chmn.; Mary Nakashima, rec. sec.; Jean Nakatani, sec.; Ralph Nishimi, treas.; William Matsumoto, Ginji Mizutani and Joe Matsunami, delegates.

Also on the board for 1955 are: Mamoru Sakuma, Percy Manaki, Dubby Tsugawa, Peter Osuga, Martha Miyao, Harry Fujii, Henry Taketa, Dr. George Takahashi, George Tambara, Toko Fujii, Soichi Nakatani, Noboru Shirai, William Teramoto, Fred Pineda, Mrs. Mary Yamamoto, Marian Uchida, Dr. Masa Seto, George Kato, Sam Ishimoto, Dr. Alwin Sato, Gishi Aoki and Masao Itano.

Masao Itano is the father of the new chapter president and this is probably one of the first time father and son are serving together on any JACL chapter board.

Among major projects to be undertaken by the local JACL chapter during the remainder of the year are the joint JACL-VFW building fund drive, pot-luck dinner for new citizens, annual talent show and New Year's Eve dance.



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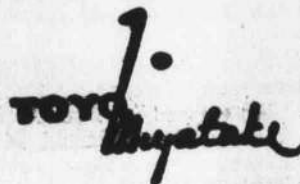
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## What Others Are Saying

### NOGUCHI'S 'KING LEAR' SET

London: The Shakespeare Memorial Theatre at Stratford on Avon has formed a second company, led by Sir John Gielgud and Peggy Ashcroft, with which it is touring various cities of Europe. It has interrupted this tour to make a couple of months' stay in London, where it is presenting "Much Ado About Nothing" and "King Lear."

"King Lear" is . . . the grimmest and heaviest of Shakespeare's tragedies. It is one with whose difficulties Sir John is closely acquainted. He has played Lear three times before, always well and sometimes superbly.

This time he has chosen a new approach to the play, largely through the eyes of a Japanese scene designer, Isamu Noguchi, none of whose work has hitherto been seen in Britain.

Sir John and his colleagues state that Mr. Noguchi's scenery is intended to be timeless and universal, so that it will not in itself attract attention, but leave the audience free to concentrate upon the poetry of Shakespeare's text. No odder explanation of a work of art has ever been offered than this, for Mr. Noguchi's scenery is easily the most eye-catching thing of its kind that has been seen in London since the Russian ballet settings of 40 years ago. (See Life Magazine, Aug. 8 issue.)

It is conceived in terms of science-fiction, grafted on to Mr. Noguchi's Japanese upbringing; and it moves about of its own accord in a manner that recalls the magic of Maskelyne and Devant.

Taken as an example in scenic legerdemain, this performance has its points; but as a serious production of "King Lear", determined to get out of the story's somber theme the dark glory and beauty in which Shakespeare invests it, the production was an almost total failure.

HAROLD HOBSON

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## NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Locally, That Is): by MASAO SATOW

### Judges for Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka scholarship to meet next to decide 1955 winner; 14 outstanding seniors in contention

San Francisco  
With Headquarters located in San Francisco, we naturally depend heavily upon local people to help us on our programs. One of these projects is the judging of the candidates for the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship which Mrs. Haruye Masaoka has entrusted to us.

Without our good friends who are more than glad to assist, we would be at a loss in trying to name one of 14 high powered young people as the 1955 Scholarship recipient, especially with every one of them so deserving. The judges have now completed their individual estimates, and we will be ready to disclose the winner next week after a meeting of the judges together.

We have again enlisted the aid of Mr. Nagel Miner, president of Golden Gate College, and Dr. Norman Reider, head psychiatrist at Mt. Zion Hospital. Those who resettled in the east will no doubt remember Mrs. Louise Reider in the New York WRA office. Mrs. Josephine Cole teaches at Balboa High School, is the S.F. Board of Education's expert on problems relating to Negro youth. Mrs. Ann Rockwell, Vassar graduate and wife of a prominent attorney, was former chairman of the Buchanan YM-YW Board.

Miss Annie Clo Watson of the International Institute, one of our

most gracious and ever helpful friends, rounds out the panel of judges. Annie Clo did an outstanding job in our behalf during wartime, for which we presented her with the JACL ruby pin at the 1948 Biennial.

Unfortunately, the summer schedules of two other good friends have prevented their participation.

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, semantics expert from Chicago, is now getting settled in nearby Mill Valley, preparatory to teaching at San Francisco State this fall. His recent lecture

in San Jose on jazz attracted a capacity crowd of 1,400.

Miss Esther Briesmeister has just taken off for a much needed vacation. She is with the local YWCA regional office. Nisei girls will remember her as the very helpful National YWCA representatives during the relocation and resettlement days.

#### CACA

At the recent meeting of the Northern California-Western Nevada DC meeting we had a pleasant chat with observer representatives of the newly organized

Salinas Lodge of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance. President Lee informed us that there are eleven lodges in the national organization.

We talked about matters of mutual interest and concern, and especially with regard to the Ham Say Naim case contesting the miscegenation law of the State of Virginia. This case will be heard in the U.S. Supreme Court this fall session, and National JACL is submitting an amicus brief.

Our good friend Al Lim of United Air Lines keeps us posted on the doings and inside goings on of the local Chinese community. Through him we have had occasion at various times to meet with their key leaders.

A recent meeting was with the wheels of the 500 member S.F. Chinese Bowling Association, trying to iron out the misunderstanding that bars Nisei from participation in their annual State tournament. A goodly number of Chinese bowlers have helped to develop our own National tournament and have added quality and color through their participation.

#### Richmond-El Cerrito

A nice representative group of Richmond-El Cerrito Chapter JACLers spent an informal evening with author Jim Edmiston of *Home Again* at the home of President Marvin Uratsu last week. Edmiston was his usual down-to-earth, entertaining self, and revealed plans progressing for the movie production. He reported that the producer and director would be in Northern California this week to look over possible locations for shooting, also to get acquainted with some families to get the "feel" of the people who made the story possible. Any discussion of *Home Again* naturally winds up on the social and economic background and progress of the Nisei.

For us it was a chance to get better acquainted with our Richmond-El Cerrito members. This Chapter was organized three years ago with the splitting up of the bulky Eastbay Chapter into three parts, the others being Berkeley and Oakland. Modest and unassuming, but effective Marv ("visit Japan via American President Lines") Uratsu is doing a great job as Chapter President.

This Chapter's news bulletin, currently edited by George Sugihara, has consistently been one of the better chapter publications, crammed with news interestingly presented, and one of the neatest mimeo jobs that comes across our desk. Twenty 1000 Clubbers help to bolster the Chapter and its support to National.

#### Nice Going, Gals!

Last Sunday we went on a simulated trip to Japan with some 350 others, courtesy of the Women's Auxiliary of the San Francisco Chapter. The occasion was their second annual Fashion Interlude featuring 20 charming models showing off some 50 items of wear. From the opening "Bon Voyage" through the gay and carefree life aboard a President luxury liner, taking in sites and events of interest in Japan, and return by air, it was a sparkling show superbly well done.

American President Lines, Japan Air Lines, Pan American Airways, Aki Hotel Travel Bureau, Japan Travel Bureau, Japan Trade Center, and The Bank of Tokyo—all did themselves proud in wholehearted cooperation. But who would not be more than happy to assist such charming group of ladies, including the fellows of the Chapter who did just that!

All the clothes displayed were those of the models and of members of the Auxiliary, with the exception of a number of Kow Kaneko creations, which Flo Wada of Pasadena so generously volunteered.

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#### Gilroy JACL dance

(Gilroy) Tom Iwanaga was named general chairman of the second annual Gilroy JACL Thanksgiving Dance, Nov. 24.



**The Sou'Wester**

BY TATS KUSHIDA

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## ● Leave us not belabor this caption.

Because of this truism rather than in spite of it have we chosen the primrose path of gluttony, a word our friends(?) employ when referring to our mode of partaking nourishment. Even the Issei call us *o-gui*. We'll be the first to admit that we aren't on an austerity diet but then neither do we engage in engorging unless compelled to.

Optical deception probably accounts for the fantastic and unreliable reports of the gastronomic scavenging of a certain person we won't name here. Since we know him pretty well, we'll defend him by revealing that he hasn't any wisdom teeth, not to mention wisdom per se, and has an abnormal shortage of molars and bicusps, hence a shortage of masticatory surface resulting in more time required to chew a given quantity of food.

In other words, he's a slow eater. Thus, given a head start at a Chinameshi, he invariably is the last to finish, conveying the impression that he's stowing away that much more. And what's embarrassing is that fast eaters funnel the remaining food in front of his plate.

Since his table mates expect to be entertained, he, like a good sport, obliges and generally manages to consume most of the uneaten goodies, as attested to by the dimensions of his gut and butt, to use a refined term. Now that the illusion has been shattered, we might add that it's really not embarrassing at all. You live only once and you can't take it with you but why leave it on the table?

**UP THREE TIMES FOR CHILI CON CARNE**

● While on the subject, we can't resist mentioning the braised steaks our carload to the PSWDC 1/4-session enjoyed at George Kodama's home in Pacific Beach last Sunday. Chef was his in-law, Sam Sugita, while the lavish alimentary accouterments spread by Geo's wife were an esophageal delight.

George is a transplanted Orange Countian and is now prez of the San Diego JACL. His hobby is grafting camellias and other plants, being a near-professional propagator of flora-fauna, too, witness his three offspring.

The new PSWDC boss, Debi-chan Yokozeki, chaired his first meeting and streamlined the business through twenty agenda items including a generous appropriation of \$200 to purchase an addressograph and other useful embellishments for the regional office.

But to hasten on with gourmand matters, the post-meeting weenie bake by the host chapter held at Mission Bay featured a chili-con-carne which defies description. We can only tritely call it a culinary masterpiece. With stoic restraint, we re-entered the chow-line only thrice. A fitting sendoff for smog-bound Ellay, enroute to which we amazingly convinced a highway patrolman that we shouldn't be cited for careless driving. Yes, the S.D. cops are nice guys. Our carload, by the way, included Jim Higashi, Wilbur Sato and Shig Kaminaka of ELA and DTLAer Frank Suzukida, chauffeured by a certain corpulent JACL staffer, all of whom had taken in the ELA chapter's Emerald Ball the night before, a dazzling success. Shut-eye, schmut-eye, who wants sleep when there's good food around.

(Our profound apologies to Mike Masaoka if this dissertation causes him an enteric frustration for he's on a murderous diet having to stomach only the most bland and insipid food(?) for the past kupla weeks. Fact is, his gout's gone on a rampage again and he was flat on his back the first ten days of August. Sincere commiserations, Mike.—Sou'Wester.)

**PEOPLE OF NOTE**

● Mr. Albert D. Bonus of Seattle is one of the staunchest CL supporters. It's in his nature to want to be helpful, and he has been a bulwark of moral and financial strength to the JACL for many years. He feels so strongly about it that he buys a half-dozen complimentary PC subscriptions every year to see that the gospel is disseminated in public libraries. He's a regular contributor to the Red Cross in Japan and other worthy causes. We doff our porky-pie to Albert.

● Peter Koelsch, 1000 Clubber of the Downtown LA chapter, whose Epicurean Caterers fed the nat'l convention outing at Royal Palms last Labor Day, traveled to Washington, D.C., with his mother and a brother from Texas to receive, posthumously, the Congressional Medal of Honor for his brother John Kelvin Koelsch, who was killed in action in Korea while with the Navy as a helicopter pilot.

● VISITORS THIS WEEK: George Shibata, first Nisei to graduate West Point ('51), just out from a 4-year hitch in the USAF including 30 combat missions over Korea as a jet pilot. The former looney from Garland, Utah, still single, will study law at USC . . . Ronnie Shiozaki, past prexy of the Chicago JACL, vacationing with his family away from the sweltering midwest . . . Cousin Mitsuye Shida (nee Togasaki) of Honolulu enroute to New York where her daughter, Alice Kiyoko, will become Mrs. Tomio Enochy on Aug. 27. Tomio's a prominent Gotham 1000 Clubber . . . Fertile Frank, latest propagator of the species, who labored through the ordeal with flying colors and is now doing fine passing out cigars commemorating the arrival of the heir to the Chuman middlehorse ranch, Daniel Christopher, 6 lb. 11 oz. in fighting trim. Mother Ruby's doing okay, too.

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-workout for San Jose appearances**

■ Two of Japan's top fighters, Masaji Tonami and Takeshi Yamaguchi, are working out at Shig Takahashi's Stables in Stockton for future California bouts, promoter Abe Acquistapace of San Jose recently announced.

If the Japanese pair live up to reputations they have built in Japan, they will have an extended stay in California. They arrived in San Francisco Aug. 10 after a brief campaign in Hawaii.

Yamaguchi is the second-ranking flyweight in Japan, just having dropped a 15-round decision to speedy Akira. Tonami is rated as No. 2 lightweight in Japan.

Twenty-four year old Tonami is scheduled to box Lorenzo Vasquez in San Jose soon and has a record of 24-2-3. Yamaguchi, 24, has been boxing the past two years with a 15-1-2 record. Both are being managed by Shig Takahashi of Stockton.

Yamaguchi has wins over Baukou Yongkitrat, Thailand champ; Takeshi Horiguchi and Masaru Miyasaki of Japan. He also dropped an unpopular decision to Leo Espinosa in Honolulu last Aug. 2.



Takeshi Yamaguchi, 114, Japanese bantamweight champion, loosens up for his Aug. 23 bout with Memo Diaz of Mexico, North American flyweight king, at the San Jose Auditorium. Winner of this bout is expected to meet Pascual Perez, world flyweight champion.

the 200-m. breaststroke, slower than his 2m.33.7s. time at Tokyo but better than the listed record of 2m.35.4s.

The American squad won six firsts as compared with two for Japan.

■ Margaret Iwasaki, who is 13 years old, was named to the Vancouver Amateur Swim Club relay team and thereby became the youngest swimmer to compete in the national Canadian swimming meet at Montreal this weekend. She swam the 100-yards in 1m.10.3s., to qualify in the junior division of the national competition.

Coach Howard Firby hopes she will be an Olympic champion in the future, noting great possibilities in her style. She has mastered the crawl (which she likes best), the breaststroke and backstroke. Last June, she won the British Columbia juvenile championship, being the first Oriental to win a swimming title in the provincial championships.

She has also competed in meets in Seattle and Portland.

**Tennis Results**

■ Seven semi-final matches were played last Sunday at Los Angeles Elysian Park Solano courts with 10 different finals to be played in the next two Sundays. The scores:

**MEN'S DIVISION**  
"AA" Singles—Jim Sato def. Gen Matsuo 6-0, 6-2.  
"A" Doubles—Joe Nagano-Frank Sato def. T. Shinden-Stephen Kobayashi 6-2, 7-5.  
"B" Singles—Toshie Hisamune def. Tom Keimi 6-2, 6-1; Rey Maeno def. Tosh Shinden 6-0, 5-7, 6-3.  
"B" Doubles—Tom Tokoro-Shig Go-to def. Mac Teshirogi-Tom Mori 6-0, 6-2.

**WOMEN'S DIVISION**  
"A" Doubles—Sumi Kamachi-Bessie Igarashi def. Diane Tamura-Norma Mitani 6-2, 6-1.  
"A" Mixed Doubles—Helen Watana-be-Joe Nagano def. Kimi Sato-Jim Sato 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

■ One crazy note on fishing: John Ohta of Orange County is chairman of a new sportsfishing group, "Kichigai Anglers". George Ogata is heading another sportsfishing group in the county, "Kingfishers". Somehow, current Isaac Waltons pick dandy names—the Japanese in the first translates "Crazy", the second is a name of bird.

■ Kimbo Yoshitomi, originally from San Francisco with eight years golfing experience in Cleveland, is operating the Lincoln Ave driving range in Anaheim. Joe Salazar, golf pro, is assisting.

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(Dinuba) A 64-year-old Dinuba district farm worker died last Saturday after being bitten by a rattlesnake.

The Issei, Tsunéji Sekishiro, stepped on a rattler while fishing in the High Sierra in the Mineral King area last Friday. The snake struck him in the leg when he took a short cut through some dense brush.

Sekishiro applied a tourniquet to the wound, walked some distance to his car and drove two hours to his home in Dinuba. His clothing was wet with perspiration and he took time to change before he went on to the doctor's office.

Despite anti-venom serum rushed to the Alta District hospital from Fresno, he died Saturday.

**Salow—**

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teered to bring and modelled so attractively. It did our heart good to see these Nisei girls radiate such wholesome charm and confident poise, even though most of them were parading in public for the first time.

We know something of the weeks of careful planning, the painstaking preparation, and the willing spirit and eager cooperation that all of this involved. From a very modest beginning last year, this fashion event bids fair to become one of the highlights ushering in San Francisco's fall fashion season.

Never underestimate the power of women, especially when they are organized and willing to undertake a lot of hard work together, and have fun in the doing thereof!

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## Los Angeles Newsletter

BY HENRY MORI

### NISEI WEEK FESTIVAL



One of these girls will be queen of the 15th annual Nisei Week Festival, Aug. 19-28. Seated are (left to right) Nori Shiozaki, 19; and Aki Mitani, 23; standing, Margaret Fukuda, 18; Stella Nakadate, 18; Margaret Ouchi, 21; and Hazel Fujikawa, 21.

#### Los Angeles

Li'l Tokio is all decked out for a "bigger and better" Nisei Week Festival which begins tonight with a two-night talent revue, starring Issei and Nisei artists, at the Koyasan Betsuin.

However, the identity of the 1955 queen will not be known until Sunday when the Coronation Ball takes place at the swanky Hollywood Palladium. Six lovelies are vying for top honors.

The last time the festival committee broke tradition on the usual number of five finalists was in 1949 when seven girls lined the stage to receive the applause of the crowd. Terrie Hokoda, now Mrs. Tug Tamaru, was queen in that first postwar extravaganza.

This year's aspirants include Nori Shiozaki, Stella Nakadate, Aki Mitani, Margaret Ouchi, Hazel Fujikawa and Margaret Fukuda.

A panel of Caucasian judges have already "picked" the probable winner on a point-system basis at an afternoon buffet reception last Friday. However the choice will be weighed by popular vote of those attending the Coronation Ball.

Stella, 18, was Friendship queen at an Eastside community function under the sponsorship of the various service organizations. Her entry was then supported by the East Los Angeles JACL.

Nori received the bid of the Boyle Heights chapter early this summer as their candidate for a similar title. Miss Fukuda claims a club distinction for being named "Miss Merry Christmas" at one of the year-end socials in 1953. Others admitted this was their first try at a queen contest.

### CIVIC OFFICIALS FEASTED

The Japanese American Optimist Club of Los Angeles, which is supervising the coronation ball and the well-being of the beauty contestants, enlisted the culinary know-how of the Tuesday Niters, to host a reception at the Kawafuku cafe on Sunday.

Local city and county officials and the members of the consular corps and the press were guests of honor. The four-hour dining and wining had most of the invited personalities in a very cheery frame of mind. "That's good public relations," chimed Kiyo Yamato, general festival chairman, and Yosh Inadomi, Optimist president.

Next week, the regal court will find itself hopping around in tightly-scheduled program of meeting the city's officials, the Li'l Tokio merchants, the press and the ondo and carnival crowd.

If we don't miss our bet, some of them will also be minus jobs day after the Aug. 28 closing ceremony on Weller St. Maybe Hazel, Margaret Ouchi, or Aki might be; Stella and Nori are students; and Miss Fukuda helps her dad, owner of F and F Produce Co., as secretary for the summer.

The Nisei Week "grind" does one fine thing for the girls who make the finalist bracket. It really develops poise in them and brings out their hidden personality. Maybe Nisei Week coincides with the age of maturity, one queen committee member commented. Whatever it is, the charm which they acquire through their week's experience is amazing. Oh, well, that's the way we see it, anyway.

### PLUG WE PROMISED MICH

Mrs. Michi Takata, west coast sales manager for Richard Engel's Beauty Creators cosmetics, will direct the makeup chores for the contestants at the ball.

Michi, who has started another sales agency in Hawaii to handle Beauty Creators, recalls that we were classmates during our grammar school days. How far can you remember, kiddo?

That makes us yet a very young man!

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## 'Fashion Interlude' sparkling

(San Francisco) A spectacular parade of fall fashions was presented by the local JACL Women's Auxiliary this past Sunday. Twenty-two beautiful Nisei girls modeled the latest styles before some 350 guests.

Gyosei Hall was transformed into a Japanese paradise with the aid of colorful posters, lovely autumn flowers, intriguing paper lanterns and carp, and priceless Japanese vases. A Japanese folding screen, enhanced by rare scenic photographs of Japan, formed a natural background for the models as they paraded down constructed runway.

Fabulous Japanese-inspired fashion creations by Kow Kaneko of Pasadena drew raves and comments from the audience. Especially outstanding was a skin-tight gold brocade evening gown modeled by lovely Flo Wada of Pasadena. This strapless gown was form-fitting to the knees, where it flared out for ease in walking.

Creating great stir in a turquoise blue velvet sheath dress with matching jacket featuring a large Dior collar was Ruby Yamamoto.

A flirtatious can-can ruffled bathing suit, modeled by Gladys Nakabe was greatly admired by the guests. Hana Abe was greeted with a round of applause as she appeared on the runway in a white silk sheath-type dress hand-painted with a bamboo design. A matching stole completed this ensemble which was designed by Chiyo Tanaka of Japan.

Lovely Chiz Miyazaki was out-

standing in a robin's egg blue nylon gown bedecked with tiers of ruffles.

Looking very demure in a salmon-colored baby-doll nitey was Jeannette Okazaki. Lace trimmed bloomers injected a bit of merriment into the script.

A luxurious silver-green brocade cocktail dress by Anne Fogarty was worn by Mary Hamamoto. This dress featured a high Empire waistline and a full gored skirt.

A Don Loper coat fashioned of silk and angora was modeled by June Uyeda. Tight push-up sleeves and a full swing back were the highlights of this watermelon colored coat.

A stunning pink hand knit dress was worn by Mary Negi. A matching skull cap completed this afternoon outfit.

A silk velvet two-piece lounging kimono looked lovely on Jean Omura. Yards of matching material encircled her waist into an interesting obi pattern.

Thirteen-year old Emiko Yamamoto surprised the audience with her professional flare of modeling. Her white dotted Swiss gown was most flattering to her Junior Miss figure.

An outstanding color combination was revealed by Jean Omura in her black matador pants and bright tangerine blouse.

An intricate Japanese dance by Misa Tani captivated the audience. Misa Asakawa rounded out the day's program by singing "Sayonara", written by Mrs. Kikuo Taira of Fresno. Maria Miyamoto accompanied at the piano.

## VITAL STATISTICS

### Births

#### SANTA ANA

HAYASHIDA—July 1, boy Don Yukio to Sumiyuki Hashigawas (Rei Miyashita), Anaheim.

#### FRESNO

FUJIMURA—July 11, girl to Sam Fujimuras.

#### STOCKTON

HIGASHI—June 12, boy to Stephen T. Higashis.

OGATA—June 29, girl to Kiyoshi Ogatas, Lodi.

OKASAKI—July 8, girl to Asamaru Okasakis, Lodi.

KISHI—July 11, boy to Joe K. Kishis.

WATANABE—June 30, boy to Ken Watanabes.

#### WATSONVILLE

TAKAKI—July 15, girl to Jim Takakis (Mary Ishigaki).

#### SAN JOSE

FUJINO—July 13, boy to William H. Fujinos.

SAKAMOTO—July 16, girl to Kay Sakamotos.

#### SAN FRANCISCO

HIRASHIMA—July 8, girl to Hiroshi Hirashimas.

KOGA—July 3, boy to Harry Kogas.

NAKAI—July 14, girl to Michikazu Nakais.

OHTA—June 20, boy to Allen H. Ohtas.

SUENAGA—July 8, boy to Herbert Suenagas.

SHIMADA—June 27, boy to Fuzzy R. Shimadas.

TAKAHASHI—July 12, girl to George M. Takahashis.

TAKENAKA—June 9, boy to Sachio Takenakas.

UNO—June 6, boy Michael Scott to Howard Unos (Yuri Furuye).

WATANABE—June 18, boy to Shozo R. Watanabes.

YAMAMOTO—June 30, girl to Takeo J. Yamamotos.

#### OAKLAND

YANO—June 8, boy to James I. Yanos.

#### WOODLAND

SAGARA—July 5, twin boys to Masao Sagaras, Esparto.

#### SACRAMENTO

GOISHI—June 26, girl to Mac I. Goishis.

HIRAHARA—July 1, boy to Frank Masaiichi Hiraharas.

HIRONAKA—July 5, girl to James M. Hironakas.

HIROTANI—June 17, boy to James H. Hirotanis.

INOUE—June 13, girl to Harry S. Inouyes.

INOUE—July 4, girl to Johnnie Inouye.

MATSUMOTO—June 28, girl to Henry Matsumotos.

MORISAKI—June 19, boy to Henry K. Morisakis.

MORITA—June 30, boy to Harry H. Moritas.

NOMI—June 23, girl to Taishi Nomis, North Sacramento.

OSUGA—June 21, boy to Joseph Osugas.

OTO—June 28, girl to Toshio Otos.

#### OROVILLE

ABE—July 17, boy to Tom Abes.

#### AUBURN

HAMASAKI—July 6, boy to Noboru Hamasakis.

### Marriage Licenses Issued

FUJII-YAMADA — James and Emiko of Denver.

KAWAMOTO-SAKAKIHARA — Mitsutaro and Sakuyo of Ontario, Ore.

KOBAYASHI-ITAMURA — Nelson and Edith of San Francisco.

MATSUOKA-NAGANUMA — Shigeki and Kiyoko of San Francisco.

MORITA-NAKAOKA — Henry S. and Masako of Stockton.

MOTOYAMA-FEWEKES — Howard K. and June of Denver.

OGATA-NATSUHARA — Mitsuo and Sue of Sacramento.

OTA-NISHIMURA — Richard T. and Barbara K. of Oakland.

TAKAO-YUMAE — Paul, 28, Alameda; Yoshiko Doris, 20, Oakland.

TAKEUCHI — MATSUMOTO — Frank K. and Miye of Oakland.

TOKUSHIGE-TSUCHIDA — Victor H. and Peggy C. of San Jose.

### Sr. Tri-Villes to install new cabinet at dinner

(Palo Alto) Newly elected officers of the Senior Tri-Villes of the Sequoia JACL chapter will be installed at a dinner at Chukkers in San Mateo Aug. 19.

The 1955-56 cabinet will be headed by Yaeko Yuki, president. Other officers are:

Mary Kawakami, v.p.; Shirley Yoshida, rec. sec.; Anna Takamoto, cor. sec.; Masako Sakaguchi, treas.; Tamiko Mori, ath. mgr.; Tomoye Tamura, parliamentarian.

### Bank-shopping center mixup clarified

(Gardena) Until several weeks ago, it was general knowledge that the Bank of Tokyo would establish its Gardena branch at the Town and Country Shopping Center at 153rd St. and Western Ave. The new shopping center is under construction and being developed by Home State Investment Co., with Taul Watanabe, board chairman.

In a sudden turn of events, the Bank of Tokyo is planning to build its own branch, Watanabe revealed, and said facilities for a bank in the shopping center would be leased to another banking firm.

Watanabe, in a statement to the press, said the clarification was necessary at this time to prevent further misunderstanding among Gardenans and company stockholders.

### Dentist, obstetrician open offices in L.A.

(Los Angeles) Dr. Roy S. Morimoto, formerly of Stockton has moved his dental practice from Chicago to 317 E. 2nd St., Los Angeles. He is married to Dr. Linda Kiku Morita, also of Stockton, who announced her association with Dr. George R. Baba in the practice of obstetrics and gynecology at 317 E. 2nd St.

### Lotus Skyliners

(Seattle) The Lotus Skyliners, a 21-piece dance band sponsored by the National Young Buddhists Association, are making a goodwill tour of California, Aug. 19-27.

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## Editorials

## TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

When so many foreign nations are anxious to build their U.S. dollar reserves through American tourists, it seems anomalous to note some countries restrict the issuance of travel visas to certain American citizens.

With travel bureaus in America are doing a booming business today, why any nation—especially within a 2,000 mile radius like the Central American republics—is squeamish to accept a Yankee Dollar sleeps at the switch to its own domestic prosperity.

We can only surmise how much a foreign country hopes to increase its own economic standing through the tourist industry. Japan is a very enterprising nation in this respect. And we feel other foreign countries are similarly anxious. This dollars-and-cents attitude ought to rectify travel restrictions but quick.

## NISEI JOURNALIST

Veteran newspaperman Tooru Kanazawa of New York first reported on the restrictions against certain United States citizens to travel in five Latin American countries, New Zealand and Hong Kong. Kanazawa is also the personality of the week in Bill Hosokawa's column today.

The tabloid Hokubei Shimpō of New York features a page of English, taking note of who's who, sports, socials, JACL items and community with a strictly New York Nisei angle. For a local vernacular, it rates among the best—edited in Nisei journalism form this standpoint—to report events of the week in their own community first.

Littel did Kanazawa figure his top story of one week would beckon congressional inquiry since discrimination of American citizens by foreign countries on the basis of race or national origin is particularly odious to American traditions.

## From the Frying Pan

BY BILL HOSOKAWA

## NISEI IN GRAPHIC ARTS FIELD

New York

As the outlanders often remark, New York is a fine place to visit. We managed to sandwich in a too-hurried business visit—this last week during a few pleasant days between an unprecedented heat wave and a fierce hurricane. As always, we were dazzled by the incandescent display of Times Square, awed by the magnificent spires of Midtown Manhattan, frightened by the press of sweating humanity and overwhelmed by the abundance of fine sea food.

One night, in the company of Tooru Kanazawa, we managed to sneak away to the upper stands in far centerfield of Ebbets Field to watch the Brooklyn Dodgers humiliate the Giants in ten innings. "Sneak" is hardly the word for it, though, because we were fighting a mob intent on reaching the field by the time our cab was within three miles off the ball park.

Another night, Joe Oyama took us out for sukiyaki, which was mediocre, but the companionship and conversation more than made up for shortcomings in the restaurant's kitchen. Tooru, who was my first editor in the newspaper business, was in the party as was Dick Itanaga, until lately promotion manager of the Ziff-Davis publications. In the course of the evening we talked about Nisei making good in the field of graphic arts here in New York. Joe, Tooru and Dick picked a few names out of the air, without attempting to reach beyond their immediate memories, and the list was an impressive one. Here are some of the Nisei they named:

Neil Fujita, erstwhile art director of the *Heart Mountain Sentinel*, who left a job as art director of N.W. Ayer to take a similar position with Columbia Records.

Bill Yamaguchi, a copy writer in the promotion department of Time-Life.

Chris Ishii, formerly as hired hand in the Disney studios, creator of the cartoon character Little Nebo at Santa Anita, now working on television commercials for United Productions.

Henry Yamada, one of the earliest of west coast Nisei to seek opportunity in New York, art director of Dell Publications.

Midori Shimoda, a contemporary of Henry Yamada, now a prominent commercial photographer.

Ray Komai, of *Architectural Forum*, and Tak Shigaki, a much sought-after illustrator.

Richard Okamoto and Sherri Murakami of the *Esquire* magazine staff.

Michi Weglin, costume designer, whose creations grace the cuties of Radio City Music Hall and the Copacabana night club.

Martha Kaihatsu, who handles publicity for Kroil, the fancy furniture people.

No doubt there are many other Nisei making good—and making good money, too—in allied as well as disassociated professional fields. At any rate, it was heartwarming to get this progress report, incomplete though it was.



## BUYING HOMES IN CONNECTICUT

One of this trip's highlights was a hurried drive up to Connecticut and back. We found an amazing network of freeways moving an enormous volume of traffic. Equally exciting was the landscaping that has been undertaken to beautify the highways. Even though cars roll along much too rapidly for the drivers to enjoy the sight, the tree-lined roads between Manhattan and coastal Connecticut were a pleasant contrast to the barren dryland routes of the west. The difference, of course, is due to the abundance of rainfall in the east. To get the comfort of Denver's low humidity, we have to give up a lot in botanical beauty.

Joe and Tooru told me increasing numbers of New York Nisei were building or buying homes in Connecticut, another indication that they're doing well professionally and are resigned to tackling Manhattan's challenges on a semi-permanent basis.

# Rebroadcast of Aug. 14, 1945, incidents ending hostilities of World War II revives memories of 442nd in Italy Campaign

Washington

■ Though there is much more to report on the activities of the recently adjourned Congress, this week's Newsletter will be devoted to some memories of V-J Day, 1945, and some comments on the decade that followed, particularly for Americans of Japanese ancestry.

All this is inspired by CBS's two-hour rebroadcast of its V-J Day program (Aug. 14) ten years ago, which is presently blaring forth as I try to meet my weekly Sunday afternoon deadline.

As I hear the historic pronouncements of President Truman, General MacArthur and other world leaders that World War II has ended victoriously for the United Nations, and listen to the joyous noises of that happy hour, I can not help but recall V-J Day with the 442nd in Leghorn, Italy, ten years ago.

## 442nd's Fame Earned

■ Though the war with Germany lasted until May 9, a week earlier the war in Italy had been terminated with the surrender of the Nazi forces there. By that time, the 442nd had earned renown as one of the most potent infantry fighting machines in the American Army.

From May 2, it was to be occupation duty only. But, for the tired infantrymen of the 442nd who had read of the bloody assaults on Iwo Jima and Okinawa, there was ever the specter that we might be sent to the Pacific to demonstrate our prowess over there against the Japanese enemy.

There was no fear of battle, or of death, for the 442nd had earned their combat honors under the gravest conditions. There was no reluctance to kill the Japanese enemy either, as some die-hard Californians insinuated, for in battle the enemy is the enemy and the impersonal accident of ancestry makes no difference when life and limb are involved. As a matter of fact, because the Japanese enemy by their attack on Dec. 7, 1941, had precipitated the chain of events that had brought so much humiliation and tragedy and suffering on their families and upon them, the original desire of the 442nd was to be sent into combat against the Japanese enemy. The War Department, however, because of the identification problems involved, rejected this request and assigned the Nisei to the ETO.

The 442nd didn't want to go to the Pacific for showboat or psychological purposes.

Like other dogfiet who had fought up the long boot of Italy, with some time off to slug it out with the Germans in northeastern France, we were dogged tired of war. No matter where we looked, we could see the grim reminder of the high price of victory, for by then few were left who had started out with us in Camp Shelby a little more than two years earlier.

We had done our job, so why single out the 442nd and transfer us to the Pacific just because we happen to be of Japanese ancestry and because of our war record, was the general attitude. If the routine practice was to transfer battle-hardened troops from the ETO for the final assault on Japan, then, as always, the men of the 442nd would not complain, but would accept their assignment and fulfill their designated mission.

But, by V-J Day, the 442nd was not interested in heroics for heroics sake, especially if it meant

the toughest targets with the most fighting and killing.

So, V-J Day was of special moment to the Nisei of the 442nd.

By August, 1945, the 442nd was attached to the Peninsula Base Section, headquarters in Leghorn, which coincidentally, was one of the first major cities to be liberated by the elements of the outfit when it was committed to battle some 18 months earlier in west-central Italy just above Rome.

When formal surrender ceremonies for Japan took place on the Battleship Missouri Sept. 2, the 442nd was honored by the allied officials by heading the World War II Victory Parade in Leghorn.

## The Nisei 'Back Home'

■ The Nisei of the 442nd knew and appreciated their acceptance by their fellow GIs. But, they were nervous and apprehensive about their acceptance and that of their fellow Nisei "back home".

Many of them had received disturbing letters from their parents and brothers and sisters and friends of violence on the west coast, of vigilantism, of hostility to the returning evacuees.

They read of Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion posts refusing to accept into their membership bemedalled Nisei; they heard of a Nisei GI in uniform whose home was burned to the ground as he was driven out of town.

Eight months earlier the United States had declared that the military evacuation was a constitutional exercise of the war powers but that continued detention of loyal citizens was not. The War Department, in anticipation of the latter decision, had revoked its mass exclusion orders and by V-J Day thousands of evacuees had returned to the Pacific Coast.

On that V-J Day, ten years ago, the Nisei volunteer for the 442nd had many thoughts—and hopes. Had he so successfully fought prejudice in the Army and won, after paying such a price, only to have to don another uniform and return to fight another battle against bigotry, this time against his fellow Americans?

## Welcomed Everywhere

■ His fears, like so many apparitions of doom, were needless.

On his return, he and his comrades were acclaimed as American heroes, welcomed almost everywhere as examples of the great glory of the American soldier.

True, here and there were some isolated "bad" spots and reactions. But, that was to be expected, as the exception to prove the rule. True, too, high-paying jobs were not waiting for them on platters and each of them were confronted with the same adjustment problems that challenged every other honorably discharged GI. But, as on the battlefield, given the same opportunities and the same breaks, the Nisei proved capable enough and soon were so well integrated into their respective communities, along with their fellow GI Joes, that few ventured outside of their own little affairs to participate in the activities of either their larger communities or of Japanese Americans generally.

## Future Decade

■ The past decade has been good to the Nisei of the 442nd, as it has been to all persons of Japanese ancestry in this country.

Our status as human beings, as assimilable Americans, as welcome partners in every enterprise, has been established.

The hate laws and practices of prewar days are gone; the fears and apprehensions of evacuation and its aftermath have largely proved groundless; the future looms more promising than ever before in history—for us as individuals and as a nationality group.

Certainly, we as Americans of Japanese ancestry have been treated far better by a benevolent destiny in the past ten years than has our country and the world.

For us, most of the things for which we fought as Americans of Japanese ancestry have been won. But, for our country and for the peoples of earth, it now appears that World War II with all its proud pretensions will, like World War I, have been fought and won only in vain, for there is no real peace and security and human freedom in the world at large and the threat of totalitarian communism is far more menacing and insidious than the military challenges of both great wars.

Much has happened since V-J Day, 1945—much good and much evil.

Destiny, in its mysterious way, has on one hand given us of Japanese ancestry in this country much to be thankful for, while on the other hand, as Americans and individual citizens in an interdependent civilization, graver problems than ever before have been thrust upon us.

Look back to V-J Day, 1945. Assess our present, V-J Day plus ten years. Then, look forward to V-J Day plus twenty years. Will we as Nisei, as Americans, as free people, be better off then than we are now? Will the next decade bring to our country and our troubled globe the promise which the past ten years have given to us as Americans of Japanese ancestry?

## Travel visas—

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Poles, Russians, Palestinians, Turks, Egyptians, Armenians, and nationals of East Indian countries."

Nicaragua has restrictions against "All U.S. citizens of the Yellow and Black Races."

Costa Rica will not issue tourist visas to Arabs, Armenians, Hindus, Poles, Turks, and coolies; however, at the discretion of the consul, tourist visas may be issued to members of the Negro and Yellow races.

New Zealand restricts travel to U.S. citizens of Oriental ancestry by stating: "U.S. citizens (native born) of wholly of European race and those (naturalized) citizens who were formerly British subjects . . . wholly of European race are exempt for Entry Permit."

Hong Kong, which is a port of call for many who travel in the Orient as well as those on a round-the-world trip, requires "prior authorization for issuance of visa except for U.S. citizens not of Oriental origin, coming for two months or less."

In other words, United States citizens not of Oriental origin coming for two months or less are not required to have prior authorization. United States citizens of Oriental origin who wish to visit Hong Kong longer than 48 hours would need prior permission, according to an inquiry made by a travel agent.

## 'Miss Japan' in Festival

(Los Angeles) Keiko Takahashi, "Miss Japan" in the Universe pageant, will ride in the Nisei Week parade Aug. 27-28. She is currently attending a Hollywood modeling school.

## CALENDAR

Aug. 22 (Monday)  
Salt Lake City—Ogden—Family Lagoon Night, West Terrace, 7 p.m.

Aug. 27 (Saturday)  
Cincinnati—Evening picnic, St. Edmond's.

Aug. 28 (Sunday)  
Chicago—Exec. board meeting, Bowen C. C., Waukegan, 1 p.m.

Sept. 2-4  
Long Beach—Community carnival, Harbor Community Center.

Sept. 2 (Friday)  
Orange County—JAYs annual installation banquet, Santa Ana Masonic Temple, 5th & Sycamore, 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 3-5  
Chicago—Outing, George Williams College camp, Lake Geneva, Wis.

Sept. 17 (Saturday)  
Chicago—Splatter party, Olivet Institute.

## DECADE AGO

Aug. 18, 1945  
Spokane.—National VFW sends apology to Nisei GI over rejection; regret told over "stupidity" of Spokane unit in refusing application of wounded veteran.

Detroit.—Three Michigan veteran units offer membership to Nisei GI rejected by Spokane VFW.  
Washington.—Believe V-J will not affect WRA closing program; quota system for return disclosed.

Salt Lake City.—National JACL president Saburo Kido holds end of war in message.

Washington.—Lt. James Oda (USMS) of Honolulu awarded Navy Cross.