



## EDITORIAL OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN Japanese American Military Service

The Public Relations Subcommittee of the Special Arrangements Committee presenting the commemorative services this Sunday at Arlington National Cemetery prepared a 21-page "Fact Sheet" that is the most readable history of Nisei military participation in World War II—something which has not been available in this particular form till now.

Summary of actions of the all-Nisei combat team in the European theater of operations and the not nearly as well publicized contributions of the Nisei interpreters and translators in the Pacific theater make this "Fact Sheet" a most useful document.

(Because of its length, the Pacific Citizen will publish it in three parts. Our hope is that some useful purpose will be served.)

JACL was gratified to learn this "Fact Sheet" was inserted in the body of the Congressional Record by Sen. Hiram Fong of Hawaii, which is unusual for such material as this and giving it added meaning and significance.

## Review of Nisei record in WW2 told in Senate

\*Published in full below is the text of the Congressional Record containing the warm tribute paid by Hawaii's Senator Hiram L. Fong to the Japanese Americans and the excellent summary of the Nisei military record in World War II. Fong, first American of Asian ancestry to be elected to the U.S. Senate, made his speech in the Senate on May 21. The World War II summary of Nisei military achievements was prepared by the Public Relations Subcommittee of the JACL's Special Arrangements Committee which planned and carried out arrangements for the June 2 commemorative service at the Arlington National Cemetery.—Editor.\*

BY HIRAM L. FONG  
of Hawaii  
United States Senator

Washington  
On June 2, 1963, commemorative services will be held at Arlington National Cemetery to honor America's war dead and Japanese American military service in World War II. The ceremony will mark the 20th anniversary of the reopening of military service to Japanese Americans, an event that transformed a dark page in our country's history into a shining chapter.

Passage of time has dimmed the national memory of the sad events that befell Americans of Japanese ancestry after Pearl Harbor—how their loyalty to the United States was impugned, their patriotism challenged, and their right to bear arms for their country denied.

A massive cloud of suspicion hung over the Japanese American population in Hawaii, despite official Government disclosures that there was not a single act of sabotage or fifth-column activity committed by a Japanese American before, during or after the Pearl Harbor attack.

On the west coast, 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were uprooted from their homes and placed behind barbed-wire "relocation centers."

### Patriotism Shines Through

Yet, in the face of such mass mistreatment, the patriotism of our Japanese Americans shone through. Although our Government deprived them military service after Pearl Harbor, they insisted that they be given the opportunity to serve their country—to fight and if necessary die for their native land, to demonstrate that Americanism is a matter of the mind and the heart, and is not and never was a matter of race or ancestry.

Finally, the chance to serve was offered. Early in 1943, the War Department announced its willingness to organize a combat team consisting exclusively of Japanese Americans.

A call for 3,500 volunteers was issued. Within a week more than 19,000 eager Japanese Americans volunteered in Hawaii, and hundreds more did likewise at relocation centers on the mainland United States.

They served with great distinction in the European theater. They became known as the most decorated unit in American military history for its size and length of service.

### Language Students

This is only part of the heroic history of the Japanese Americans in World War II.

Because of their unique linguistic talent, thousands served in military intelligence as interpreters and translators from Guadalcanal to Burma in the Pacific and Asia. Their special abilities have been officially credited with

saving numerous American lives and shortening the war.

Still others served with distinction in other branches of our Armed Forces. No matter where they served, the Americans of Japanese ancestry vindicated the faith placed in them. It is their distinguished military record of patriotism and courage that will be commemorated on June 2 at Arlington National Cemetery, where services will be conducted under auspices of the Japanese American Citizens League.

As one who is acquainted intimately with the Japanese Americans, with life-long friends among them, I am pleased to make these remarks in tribute to them. As a minority group, they rose above suspicion and prejudice to a status of respect and complete acceptance.

They overcome difficult obstacles to earn America's trust and confidence. They won their battles in war so they could live in peace.

### High Esteem for Nisei

The high esteem in which the Japanese Americans are held today is clearly seen in the fact that we have serving in the Congress two Americans of Japanese ancestry, both decorated veterans of World War II—my colleagues Senator Daniel K. Inouye and Representative Spark M. Matsunaga, both from my native State of Hawaii.

Both are outstanding Americans whom I am proud to call my personal friends of long standing. They exemplify the sterling qualities of the Japanese Americans who fought so heroically for their country.

An excellent summary of the Japanese American military service in World War II has been prepared for the commemorative services on June 2 by the Public Relations Subcommittee of the Special Arrangements Committee, Japanese American Citizens League.

The Japanese American Citizens League's able Washington representative, Mike Masaoka, who was the first mainland volunteer for the Japanese American combat team, is in charge of arrangements for the services. Masaoka's four brothers also volunteered; one died in action and another is totally disabled from war wounds.

Among those who will pay tribute to the Japanese Americans will be Gen. Jacob L. Devers, retired, Chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission, who was commander of American forces under whom the Japanese American troops served in Europe, and Dillon S. Myer, wartime Director of the War Relocation Authority, who was among those in Government who urged the formation of a Japanese American military unit.

I ask unanimous consent that the "Fact Sheet on Commemorative Services Honoring America's War Dead and Japanese American Military Service in World War II," be printed in the RECORD at this point.

There being no objection, the fact sheet was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

### Why these services?

Just 20 years ago, Americans of Japanese ancestry were suspect citizens, with almost all of them on the continental mainland confined to war relocation camps after their mass military evacuation from their west coast homes and associations in the spring and summer of 1942.

In the then Territory of Hawaii too, they were viewed with suspicion, though not subject to internment.

## YOUTH TO MEET IN SALT LAKE ON NAT'L DRAFT

Recommendations for Organizing Jr. JACL on National Scale Due

SALT LAKE CITY. — The National JACL Youth Commission meets June 8-9 at the Newhouse Hotel to draft recommendations regarding the youth program for the 1964 National JACL Convention in Detroit.

The meeting will be attended by 20 youth delegates and district council youth commissioners, according to Mas Satow, national director.

Jerry Enomoto, national JACL youth commissioner, will preside at the four sessions scheduled from Saturday afternoon and lasting through Sunday afternoon.

At the Seattle National convention, the youth delegates had proposed a national Jr. JACL organization. Rather than wait until 1964 to present the recommendations, the various district councils with organized Jr. JACL units at the district level have been called to this meeting.

Five subcommittees were formed at the Seattle convention to study a particular phase of a national Jr. JACL. They are: 1. Purposes & Objectives, Margaret Kai; 2. Program, Robert Akagi; 3. Organization, Roy Ikeda; 4. Finance, Roger Nishida; 5. Constitution, Gil Furuta.

The recommendations are expected to be formalized at the Sun- (Continued on Page 4)

## Midwest Youth pick Detroit Jr. JACLer as NYC chairman

DETROIT. — Some 70 Jr. JACL delegates from Cleveland, Milwaukee, Chicago and Detroit convened for the Midwest Youth Council meeting here on April 19-21.

Principal business was the election of 1963-64 officers: Satsuki Shiroma, Detroit, pres.; Marilyn Nagano, Detroit, 1st v.p.; Susan Toriogo, Chicago, 2nd v.p.; Betty Furuki, Cleveland, sec.; Ed Ogawa, Milwaukee, treas.; and Elaine Ohno, Detroit, hist.

Also discussed were the tentative program for the Labor Day joint EDC-MDC convention at Cleveland and changes in the MDC constitution.

The weekend included a picnic and dance, followed by an open house at the home of Shirley and Jay Satoh.

## Eight records fall at 12th Nisei Relays; Matsukane's 22-8½ breaks '39 record

LOS ANGELES. — The 12th annual JACL Nisei Relays at University High last Sunday saw eight new records set and five marks in the books tied. Competition was keenest in the three lower divisions while the open division turnout was the slimmest in years.

The six-man Harbor Hawks team scored heavily in a variety of events to win the Open title. Mel Matsukane of Orange County JAYs leaped 22 ft. 8½ in. to break a prewar record of Will Tawa's by a good inch. Ron Muraoka of Orange County JAYs improved his own mark set last year in the 70 high with an 8.6s. time.

The Maryknoll Striders, led by Henry Hoshino, Monrovia star athlete, took the junior title with ease. Hoshino tied the 50 record at 5.5 and broke the 100 mark at 10 flat. Hideyo Osada of Long Beach cracked the shot put record with 54 ft.-10.

Veloc-Culver JACL led the six-team field in the midjet division and the Westside Dodgers paced the four-team field in the cub division.

Honorary chairman C.K. Yang of UCLA and world record holder in the decathlon enlivened the 1963 Relays meeting by assisting the participants. It was a "first" in Relays history to have a world record holder mixing with the athletes.

An "unofficial" record set was the smooth running of the Relays itself—every event coming off on

## Election Returns

Colorado School Boards: In scores of communities the first week of May, school board elections were held. Hiroshi Tateyama of Ault, incumbent, in Eaton District 2 was unopposed. Floyd Kohio of Ft. Lupton was re-elected RE-8 school district treasurer.

## JACL tribute to Nisei GIs finalized

Special to the Pacific Citizen  
WASHINGTON. — The final program for the Commemorative Services to honor Japanese American military service in World War II, which is to be held this Sunday afternoon, at the Flagpole area adjacent to the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery, was announced today by the Special JACL Arrangements Committee.

Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL Representative who is also the chairman of the Special Arrangements Committee, will serve as chairman for the "Services in the Grove". As JACL's wartime representative in Washington, he was among those who urged the restoration of Selective Service opportunities to the Nisei after the outbreak of war and he was the first to volunteer for the now famous 442nd Regimental Combat Team when that unit was activated at Camp Shelby, Miss., in January 1943.

The United States Army Band, under direction of Lt. Col. Hugh Curry, will begin to play pre-

program music at 1:30. This will be the first time that this musical organization, one of the most famous in the world, will be playing for a Nisei event.

At 2 o'clock, Masaoka will call the Services to order. Invocation will be offered by Chaplain (Captain) Edward M. Mueller, Jr., post chaplain of Fort McNair, followed by the playing of "The National Anthem" by the U.S. Army Band.

### Gold Star Parents

Attending Gold Star parents, including Mrs. Nawa Munemori, mother of Private Sadao S. Munemori, only Nisei in World War II to be awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, will be introduced. Private Munemori was awarded posthumously the nation's highest decoration for his actions in smothering an unexploded hand grenade with his body and saving the lives of his comrades while with the 442nd in its final drive to victory in Italy in April 1945.

The honored guests will also be introduced. They will include General Charles A. Willoughby (USA,

Retired), General MacArthur's chief of staff for intelligence from 1941 to 1951, under whom many Nisei served in the Pacific against the Japanese enemy. United States senators and congressmen have indicated their intention to attend the Services and to join in paying tribute to the Japanese Americans who reside in their respective States.

K. Patrick Okura, National JACL President from Omaha, Neb., will pay respects of the National Organization to the Nisei who served in the armed forces in World War II.

### WRA Director Myer

The next tribute will be paid by Dillon S. Myer, wartime director of the War Relocation Authority, who was among the few in Government who urged the use of Japanese American troops in World War II.

Dr. Stanley Nagahashi, an active JACLer from Philadelphia, will sing "The JACL Hymn". He will be accompanied by the Army Band.

General Jacob L. Devers (USA, Retired), chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission, will pay tribute to the officers and men of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. General Devers, first as Deputy Supreme Allied Commander in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations and later as the Commanding General of the Sixth Army Group, commanded the 442nd during its first initial campaigns in Italy and later in France. He was also the principal Army officer 15 years ago at the Arlington Cemetery services committing the first Japanese American war heroes of the 442nd

## June hearings on immigration bill sought by Engle

WASHINGTON. — Sen. Clair Engle (D., Calif.) last week requested action be taken as soon as possible on his bill to amend the U.S. immigration quota system.

Engle is co-sponsor of a bipartisan bill with Sen. Philip Hart (D., Mich.) which would "remove provisions in the immigration and nationality act of 1952 which discriminate against certain races and countries." (See PC, Feb. 15).

In a letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee, Engle urged that the Attorney General and the Secretary of State report on the bill as soon as possible so that hearings can be held in June.

He said that present immigration policy badly needs reforming.

### Eliminate A-P Triangle

The amendment would authorize admitting 250,000 persons per year under quotas as opposed to the current authorization of 154,657; eliminate the national origins formula in computing the immigration quotas and the Asia-Pacific Triangle's double discrimination against Orientals.

## Scholarships given to many Sansei

SANTA ROSA. — Dennis Fujita, 19-year-old sophomore at Santa Rosa Junior College, has been awarded a regents scholarship to the Univ. of California at Davis for two years.

The scholarship carries a cash award of \$100 and \$1,350 for college tuition and expenses for each of two academic years.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry K. Fujita of 1650 Mt. View Ave., Petaluma, was awarded the National JACL supplementary scholarship of \$200 two years ago.

Grace Morikawa, Ontario High junior, was greeted by Governor Hatfield as winner of the 1963 essay contest sponsored by the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped. She then flew to Washington to meet with other state winners.

Four Year Award: Howard S. Ieniyu, son of Buddhist Bishop Taiyu Henjiyoo of Portland, Ore., has been awarded a National Science Foundation fellowship which carries an annual grant of \$2,500 for four years.

Graduating from Cleveland High as the student-body president over some 2,300 students, he plans to study either medicine or law at Harvard (first choice) or Stanford.

At the foreign language festival at Eugene, he won the top award in Russian.

His elder brother, Edward, is studying medicine at John Hopkins on a national scholarship also.

to the hallowed ground of the National Cemetery.

Judge John Aiso of the Los Angeles Superior Court will deliver a tribute to the Japanese Americans who served in the Military Intelligence Service in the Pacific. Now, a Reserve Colonel in the Judge Advocate General's Corps of the Army, he was the Chief Instructor and later the Head of Academic Training for the Military Intelligence Service Language Schools at the Presidio of San Francisco, Camp Savage, and Fort Snelling and one of those most responsible for training Nisei GIs for combat intelligence.

### Inouye and Matsunaga

Senator Daniel K. Inouye and Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga, both of

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JACL CHAPTER FLAG RECEIVED

Mrs. George Kanagai, West Los Angeles JACL president, receives a United States flag which has flown over the Capitol. Presentation was made by Los Angeles City Councilman Karl L. Rundberg, who obtained the flag through U.S. Senator Thomas H. Kuchel of California. The National JACL Board has recommended that wherever possible chapters obtain their American flag through their congressman.

## Senate group passes anti-bias bill on real estate agents

SACRAMENTO. — A bill aimed at prohibiting real estate agents from contributing to housing segregation was given a "do pass" recommendation last Monday by the Senate Business and Professions Committee. It was forwarded to the Senate Finance Committee.

The bill is being co-sponsored by George Miller (D., Martinez) in the Senate and Jesse Unruh (D., Los Angeles) in the Assembly.

The bill would permit the state real estate commissioner to set up regulations forbidding discriminatory practices by real estate brokers and salesmen.

Senator Miller accepted amendments proposed by the committee from revoking a license because of discriminatory practices. However, he would have authority to suspend a license for 90 days or a first offense and six months for each subsequent offense.

Sen. Stanley Pittman (R., Oroville) appeared to be the only committee member in opposition when the voice vote was asked. "I've never seen anything as broad as this," he declared.

Senator Miller said he would be willing to withdraw his bill if its provisions were contained in the administration's key civil rights bill pending before the Senate's Governmental Efficiency Committee. That measure, the so-called "fair housing bill," prohibits discriminatory practices in the sales and rental of private housing.

Iowa FEPC: The Iowa Legislature adjourned last week. It made it a criminal offense for employer or labor unions to discriminate in hiring or ancestry.

## Ex-442nd RCT commander Miller visits Seattle

SEATTLE. — Col. Virgil Miller, former 442nd RCT commanding officer, and his wife were visitors here on the last leg of their journey recently enroute to their home in Ann Arbor, Mich. They were honored guests of the Nisei Veterans Committee at a dinner.

After retiring from active service in 1954, he was on the Univ. of Michigan faculty until last January.

County club director

AMERICAN FORK, Utah. — Choppie Umemoto, longtime JACLer, was named to the Alpine Country Club board of directors recently. Club boasts several Nisei members.

## Cal. fair housing bill in rough go in Senate committee

SACRAMENTO. — Senate President pro tempore Hugh M. Burns (D., Fresno) last week indicated Gov. Brown's fair housing bill either is in for drastic revisions or no action at all at this session of the Legislature.

The measure, by Assemblyman Byron Rumford (D., Berkeley), would make it unlawful for an owner to refuse to rent to sell housing to any person because of race, color, religion or national origin.

(JACL testified for passage of the bill when it was in the Assembly.)

It was given its initial screening by the Senate committee on governmental efficiency on May 22 but was taken under submission for a week while the committee works out some amendments.

Speaking at the weekly "leadership conference" with Assembly Speaker Jess M. Unruh (D., Inglewood), Burns reported the committee will be given three alternatives — kill the bill, drastically amend it or refer it to a blue ribbon commission for a two-year study.

Defeat in Wisconsin: The Wisconsin State Assembly last week defeated a fair housing bill that would have prohibited discrimination in the selling, leasing or renting of real estate because of race, creed or national origin.

## Nisei Week all set for Aug. 10 - 18

LOS ANGELES. — The 23rd annual Nisei Week Festival will be held during the week of Aug. 10-18, it was announced by Soichi Fukui, Downtown L.A. JACLer who is Festival general chairman this year.

Among the cultural and traditional events tending a broad introduction to the ancient heritage of Japan will be flower arrangement, tea ceremony, bankei (tray landscape), calligraphy, photo and art, judo, kendo and the ondo dance.

Local community groups, including several JACL chapters, are entering candidates for the Nisei Week queen contest. The queen will be crowned at the Coronation Ball slated for the Palladium on Aug. 11 with Les Brown's orchestra playing.

The Festival program will be finalized by mid-June, Fukui added.





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## Ye Editor's Desk

### JACL'S PUBLIC ROLE

An item in last week's paper reported of a plan to have the voters approve a measure to develop mass rapid transit systems by allowing counties to levy an additional 1/2 of 1 pct. tax on motor vehicles. Immediately, the Automobile Club of Southern California made known its protest of such a plan and urged motorists to help defeat the bill.

The Auto Club warned that the bill would raise auto license fees as much as \$11 on low-priced new cars.

Another approach to the transit financing problem, which was rejected as unacceptable to the Citizens Rapid Transit Action Committee, was the proposal to increase sales taxes 1/2 cent. This committee is comprised of city, county and Metropolitan Transit Authority (the quasi-public agency operating the busses in metropolitan Los Angeles) representatives to study methods of financing rapid transit.

This may appear as a purely local situation—but it helps to answer a question raised by a youth delegate to the recent Hi-Co Intercollegiate Forum: "What right does JACL have speaking for persons of Japanese ancestry?"

The Auto Club is ostensibly a voluntary organization, composed of dues-paying members who happen to drive automobiles. By banding together, it provides certain benefits—insurance, towing service, tour information, etc. It is motivated by the major principle of looking after the welfare of the motorists. It follows that if their own club members as motorists benefit, the entire fraternity of people with automobiles would likewise benefit.

The gains from implementation of a principle might be classified as benefits of a general class. Here, a private group acts in its noblest sense for the public welfare.

The Auto Club, from fees of its paying members, is also in a position of assisting the public in general by posting various road signs—those with arrows telling the driver how many miles it is to a town.

"What right does the Auto Club have speaking for the motoring public?" And looking into the Yellow Pages, we find several other auto clubs. Surely, the Auto Club did not poll its dues-paying members to protest the so-called Collier rapid transit bill.

One youth delegate believed JACL should poll its membership or obtain a consensus of Japanese community thought before taking a position. While this suggestion pursues the democratic ideal and theory, the enormity of such action would stultify all human endeavor. It simply ignores reality.

The Auto Club, like JACL, operates on the basis of representation in governing the affairs of its membership. The members elect from within their board of directors, who they feel represent the best interests of the organization. These elected officials then exercise their right of office.

The JACL—like the Auto Club—is a publicly recognized organization. Whenever proposals which are believed to be contrary to the interests of persons of Japanese ancestry appear, JACL through its elected officials or through application of its established policies makes its position known. At least, it attempts to speak for its dues-paying members, adopting a position which may also benefit the entire group of Japanese Americans.

Those who disagree, of course, are entitled to make them known to the proper people. This is a free country. This is their right and responsibility.

Out of the \$4 dues National JACL receives from its members specific benefits might be the year's subscription to this publication, credit union privileges, support of the Washington Office and local youth programs. Like the road signs the Auto Club posts at intersections, JACL's national program in public relations, legislative-legal, etc., is geared in the public interest. These might be the signposts attesting to the general acceptance of Japanese Americans today.

If this analogy fails to convince the youth, then examine JACL on its own record. It was organized in 1930 by a group of public-minded Nisei to promote and protect the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States (particularly, the Mainland); to promote good citizenship; and to let all Americans know there are also good Americans of Japanese ancestry. Committed to these public obligations, it has not claimed the right but has earned the privilege of speaking in the interests of persons of Japanese ancestry and is recognized as such by all levels of government.

This is the reality of JACL. The validity of this fact is attested by the increasing number and support over the years. Of course, all Japanese Americans are not members. No human organization could ever succeed in enlisting all of the people it claims to represent. The youth are aware of this reality from their own experience. Otherwise, the word "represents" has no meaning.

The youth can be expected to raise such questions. They're raised by anyone who does not understand. Also, we personally know adults who have asked the very same questions. Let this be our answer—unless there are some questions.

## Commemorative Services

Washington, D.C. (Continued from Front Page)  
The Commemorative Services, this coming Sunday afternoon, June 2, at Arlington National Cemetery promises to be an impressive tribute to the achievements of Nisei who served in the armed forces in World War II, thereby winning for their fellow Americans of Japanese ancestry the opportunity for acceptance and dignity that is being enjoyed today in almost every part of the Nation and in almost every sphere of human activity.

Nowadays, 20 years after the call for volunteers for combat duty that resulted in the activation of the now famous 442nd Central Postal Directory and two decades after the Selective Service System was reopened—without restriction—to Americans of Japanese ancestry, it becomes increasingly difficult to even recall the depressing and discouraging prospects of those times. To many, it seems as if it were only a part of a bad dream that on occasion may haunt our memory. To others, efforts to recreate that situation are only crude attempts to relive the past and to justify current endeavors that somehow to some seem pointless and out-of-date.

Nevertheless, it becomes increasingly apparent that, without the spirit of self-sacrifice and community good that prompted the then dedicated and inspired young men to volunteer to fight, and if necessary to die, for one's country and for one's ideals and hopes, Japanese Americans will have lost one of their greatest reasons for being.

Thus, Commemorative Services such as those to be observed this coming Sunday afternoon ought to be participated in by every person of Japanese ancestry in this land, that each may enjoy a new birth of understanding and love of fellow men and a deeper appreciation for the suffering and sacrifices of those who have gone before.

Unfortunately, this is not possible. But, it is hoped that through motion pictures to be taken by some members of the Washington, D.C. Chapter, film may be developed that can be shown to every JACL Chapter in the country, even though such film of necessity will have to be without

a sound track. It is also hoped that through newspaper, radio, and television coverage, members and others of Japanese ancestry will gain some appreciation of the Services to be held here in Washington.

TOO MUCH cannot be said for the Special Arrangements Committee that has been working on this project for more than half a year, trying to organize an observance within the budgetary limitations prescribed that would be both worthy of those who served in World War II and of JACL itself.

As Chairman, the writer personally knows of the many hours put into the various aspects of Commemorative Services by Senator Daniel K. Inouye and Congressman Spark M. Matsunaga, honorary co-chairmen, and Mary Toda, secretary, Joe Ichijima, treasurer, Henry Goshio, Edwin Mitoma, Hisako Sakata, Suro Sakato, Gladys and Ira Shimazaki, Harry Takagi, Harry Takai, and John Yoshino. Ed doubles in brass as the Chairman of the Chapter Board and John doubles as the Chairman of the Eastern District Council.

Others in the Chapter, though not members of the Arrangements Committee, have been very cooperative and helpful. These include Jeanne Goshio, Tsugi Shirosaki and Chisato Ohara, typists; Larry Nakatsuka and Kaz Oshiki, public relations; Mr. and Mrs. Aiji Endo, Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Hoshida, Mrs. Kame Sakato, and Mrs. Akiko Iwata, hospitality; and Jack Matsumoto and James Kitahara, motion picture project.

Once again the soundness of the adage that busy people, given a purpose, work hard and produce results is proven.

Certain public information consequences of these Services should serve well into the coming years to remind not only those of our own nationality but also other Americans of the historic record compiled by Japanese Americans in World War II military services—in every branch of the armed forces, and in every major campaign of every Theater of Operations. It is an unprecedented record of loyalty and devotion of which every American can be proud and

especially those of Japanese ancestry who ought not to be unmindful of the circumstances of such service.

THERE WILL be melancholy reminders during the services of the passing of time.

Fifteen years ago, when Privates First Class Saburo Tananachi and Fumitake Nagato were given their last rites, the Congressmen who were officially on the program were Ed Gossett of Texas, Gordon McDonough of California, Joseph Farrington of Hawaii, and Walter Judd of Minnesota. Today, none of these Representatives are in the Congress.

Coincidentally, however, General Jacob L. Devers, then Chief of the Army Field Forces, gave the principal eulogy to the Nisei war heroes of the 442nd. This Sunday, he will again deliver the principal military tribute to the officers and men of the 442nd Regimental Central Postal Directory, which he commanded both in Italy and in France. In Italy, when the 442nd received its baptism of fire, he was the Deputy Supreme Allied Commander in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. In France, where the 442nd won its greatest fame by recuing the Lost Texas Battalion, he was the Commanding General of the Sixth Army Group, to which the 442nd belonged in the northward drive toward the German homeland in the fall of 1944.

One man who can take quiet pride in the vindication of his judgment will be Dillon S. Myer. As the wartime Director of the War Relocation Authority, he was among the first to understand the value of a combat infantry outfit of volunteer Japanese Americans and also among the more persuasive advocates of such an idea to the then Department of War and the then President of the United States.

Dillon Myer will be there on Sunday to pay his tribute to Japanese American military service in World War II. But, he may be sure that Nisei soldiers, living and dead, will salute him on this day when Commemorative Services mark the 20th anniversary of the call for Japanese American volunteers and of the reactivation of Selective Service to those of Japanese ancestry.

were American-born citizens, from the west coast of the United States and interned them in 10 relocation camps in interior wastelands.

While no similar mass evacuation and detention took place in the then Territory of Hawaii, some 3,000 miles closer to the Japanese enemy and an area that was actually attacked, persons of Japanese ancestry there too were viewed with suspicion and some hostility, though not nearly with the hate and hysteria that was directed against others of Japanese ancestry along the Pacific coast of the continental mainland.

### Right to Fight

Though the object of wartime prejudice, thousands of Americans of Japanese ancestry wrote to the President of the United States and the War Department, demanding the right to serve our country against our enemies.

Several organizations, notably the Japanese American Citizens League, joined in urging the President and the War Department to authorize such service, recognizing that questions of undivided loyalty to the United States would continue to be raised against those of Japanese ancestry in certain circles until and unless such loyalty was demonstrated beyond all doubt, on the battlefields, in mortal combat, against the enemies of the Nation.

Following exhaustive investigations and study, and as a consequence of the thousands of letters demanding to serve in the Armed Forces in spite of the unique burden imposed on them by their own Army, the War Department on January 28, 1943, announced its willingness to accept qualified Japanese Americans on a volunteer basis.

Loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry will compose a special unit in the U.S. Army. Plans have been completed for admission of a substantial number of Americans of Japanese ancestry to the Army of the United States. This action was taken following a request by the War Department of many earnest requests by loyal American citizens of Japanese ancestry for the organization of a special unit of the Army in which they could share in the fight against the Nation's enemies.

Then Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson explained the change in Army policy in these words: "It is the inherent right of every faithful citizen, regardless of ancestry, to bear arms in the Nation. Loyalty to country is a virtue that must be heard, and I am glad that I am now able to give active proof that this basic American belief is not a casualty of war."

### FDR Endorses 442nd

On February 1, 1943, then President Franklin D. Roosevelt addressed a White House letter to Secretary Stimson, endorsing the activation at Camp Shelby, Miss., of what has become known as the 442nd Regimental Central Postal Team.

The proposal of the War Department to organize a combat team consisting of loyal American citizens of Japanese descent has my full approval. The new combat team will add to the nearly 3,000 loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry who are already serving in the Armed Forces of our country. These included Japanese Americans then serving in service units in the 100th Battalion (Engineers) of the Hawaiian National Guard, and in the Military Intelligence Service in the



Don't Forget to try for a Feather in Your Hats, Too!!

By Elmer Ogawa

## Northwest Picture

'Issei Story' film project



Frank Yamasaki is art director of KIRO-TV, the Columbia affiliate in Seattle, and is every bit as enterprising and smart as his namesake of architectural fame. Our chance meetings with Frank have been diminishing in frequency during the past couple of years as he is so continually absorbed in some commercial art project or another, or the Buddhist church activities. With the occasions were not so infrequent, for they are always interesting task sessions.

The latest F. Yamasaki activity is in connection with the Issei Story and we use this term rather than the official title, Japanese History Project, because Frank's activity is something that he is doing strictly on his own, and without losing a moment when time is of the essence.

Utilizing his contacts with professional movie cameramen,

Pacific against the Japanese enemy.

"This is a natural and logical step toward the reintegration of the selective service procedures which were temporarily disrupted by the evacuation from the west coast."

"No loyal citizen of the United States should be denied the democratic right to exercise the responsibilities of his citizenship regardless of ancestry. The principle on which this country was founded and by which it has always been governed is that Americanism is a matter of the mind and the heart; Americanism is not, and never was, a matter of race or ancestry. A good American is one who is loyal to this country and to our creed of liberty and democracy. Every loyal American should be given the opportunity to serve this country wherever his skills will make the greatest contribution—whether it be in the ranks of our armed services, war production, agriculture, Government service, or other work essential to the war effort."

"I am glad to observe that the War Department, the Navy Department, the War Relocation Authority, the Department of Justice, and the War Relocation Authority are collaborating in a program which will assure the opportunity for all Americans, including Americans of Japanese ancestry, to serve their country at a time when the fullest and wisest use of our manpower is all-important to the war effort."

What followed is a matter of record.

According to the Selective Service System Special Monograph on Special Groups:

Altogether, 3,300 Nisei, more than half from the continental United States, served in World War II, almost equally divided between Europe and the Pacific. Of this group, the total number who served in the Army, even considering the size of the Japanese-American population group, these figures are impressive.

"Nor can statistics measure the quality of service rendered by Nisei citizens, only one generation removed from the rice paddies and temples of an Oriental island empire."

Returning to the commemorative services marking the 20th anniversary of Japanese American military service in World War II, on November 18, 1943, due largely to the heroic exploits in Italy of the 100th Infantry Battalion composed of former Hawaiian National Guardsmen of Japanese ancestry, to the invaluable activities of Japanese Americans in the Military Intelligence Language Service (GI-2) in the Pacific, and to the excellent training record of the 442nd, Selective Service—without restrictions—was reopened to qualified Americans of Japanese ancestry.

(To Be Continued)

### WIDE PRESS COVERAGE OF JUNE 2 RITES EXPECTED

WASHINGTON. — From the amount of interest and inquiries being made by the local press and national wire services, coverage of JACL's special commemorative service this Sunday at Arlington National Cemetery is expected to be "quite fair", according to John Yoshino, in charge of public relations.

It is hoped that radio and television coverage will be assured by the end of this week.

Frank is going ahead as rapidly as possible to shoot a pictorial record of the Issei, something that should have been done years ago. Like pros in the field, his lensmen are proceeding to get a documentary of daily life and activities with all thought of editing and trimming down the footage to come later. Research and the playing up of historical events can always be done later, Frank contends, and is at present doing the utmost to get on film, the faces and activities of those still with us.

### Negative Master Copy

The expense of shooting the extensive footage, a minor item with outfits professionally engaged, becomes a problem in this case however the average "angel" individual or organization that in terms of an amateur photographers budget.

Frank's policy is to shoot a negative master copy from which positive prints can be made, rather than use reversible film, and is expecting to break out even in approximating the TV cameraman's ratio of eventually using about one foot of forty shot in the field.

So, financing this courageous project while working on a shoestring is a problem, but Frank is optimistic, and we are right solidly on hand to wish him all the luck in the world.

We know of at least one Northwest District JACLer who personally goes along with Frank's ideas even to the extent of giving financial support, although at this stage of the game he cannot speak for the Citizens League.

### Seafair Time Approaches

Summertime and "Seafair" time are close at hand, and the Japanese Community Float Association, Inc. has been at work for several weeks now in the planning of the queen selection program, Coronation Ball, and the actual float construction. Roger Ford, designer of prize winning floats, who does such a dedicated from the bottom of the heart job on our floats, has submitted an inspired creation, and we can't help but feel that it will be another winner.

The theme of Seafair floats this year is "Golden Years", and the Japanese community offering will be titled, "The Golden Years of Gilbert and Sullivan." There, the reader will have an idea what to expect, and all we can add at this date is some daring structural design is involved, for a large portion of the float will be but one foot above pavement level. Jim Baba, the automatic transmission man, is furnishing another motor and transmission, figures the old veteran of three years and 24 parades in all parts of the city, has had it, and is taking no chances on breakdowns.

Phil Hayasaka, past chapter president, has offered his Jackson Street Community Council office and facilities for meetings and getting out the promotional and publicity mail.

So, herewith are described the two things that were uppermost in our befuddled mind this weekend, and we may add a comment that penetrated my tin ear while out on the town last night—someone said why not make the PC a representative paper for all persons of Asiatic ancestry—why be clannish? Well, anyhow, it is or was a thought.

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# U.S. SUPREME COURT STRIKES MAJOR BLOW AT RACE SEGREGATION AGAIN

WASHINGTON. — The United States Supreme Court struck another major blow Monday at racial segregation.

It upheld President Kennedy's employment because of race, religion, May 12 decision to order federal troops into Alabama as a precaution against violence. Alabama Governor Wallace had contended the Constitution was violated and state authority circumvented.

More significant was the court's ruling that Memphis, Tenn., must integrate its publicly owned and operated parks, libraries, museums and other recreational facilities immediately.

In this unanimous decision read by Justice Arthur J. Goldberg, the court went a step further and warned that its 1953 school inte-

gration ruling which established the "gradual desegregation theory" did not contemplate "indefinite delay in the elimination of racial barriers in schools."

The Goldberg decision pointed out that the 1953 decision pertained strictly to school integration and not to other facilities. It explained that desegregation of parks and other recreational facilities does not present the same difficulties as elimination of racial classification in schools, where attendance is compulsory, the adequacy of teachers and facilities crucial and questions of geographic assignments often of major significance.

The court declared "since the city has completely failed to demonstrate any compelling or convincing reason requiring further delay in implementing the constitutional proscription of segregation of publicly owned or operated recreational facilities, there is no cause whatever to depart from the generally operative and here clearly controlling principle that constitutional rights are to be promptly vindicated."

A group of Negroes in Memphis sought speedier integration in the 131 city-operated parks, pointing out only 25 were racially integrated when the trial began in May, 1960.

## Waseda hikers —

(Continued from Front Page)

Tabernacle and were interviewed for Voice of America in the morning and then attended the Central Farmers Assn. picnic at Davis High School, where three carp streamers in honor of Boys' Day were flown. These paper carps were sent to Tajima by air from his parents in Japan. The JACL and other organizations hosted the group at dinner.

On Monday, they made their round of official calls—the mayor, governor, LDS president and guests of the state at the Capitol Cafeteria for lunch. The afternoon included briefing by the chamber of commerce and dinner with Univ. of Utah officials and students.

They toured the Utah campus on Tuesday, spent a day at Westminster College on Wednesday, dipped in the Great Salt Lake and



COMMUNITY TO HONOR ISSEI OLD-TIMERS

San Jose area organizations are inviting area Issei, 75 years or older, to an appreciation dinner June 2 at the Buddhist Church Annex. Up to 500 persons are expected. Committee members shown are (from left): seated—Mrs. Shiro Masunaga, Wesley Methodist; Rosemary Kanazawa, Chama; Mrs. Dorothy Misota, VFW Aux'y; Mrs. Sam Kubo, Grace Tanabe, Kohko Kyokai; Mrs. Mits Kumamoto, VFW Aux'y; standing—Mrs. Joe Akahoshi, NBS; Dr. Tom Taketa, Phil Matsumura, JACL; Masumi Onishi, NBS; Al Uchiyama and Don Okumura, VFW.

## In Honor of Issei Pioneers

BY PHIL MATSUMURA

SAN JOSE. — A community Issei appreciation dinner this Sunday afternoon is expected to attract close to 500 persons, according to dinner chairman Dr. Tom Taketa, president of the San Jose JACL and one of the co-sponsoring organizations.

The festive Japanese dinner will be served at the San Jose Buddhist Church auditorium from 6 p.m. Issei guests 75 years or over will be specially recognized. Dr. Lee Watanabe will be toastmaster.

A short talk on the progress of the JACL Japanese History Project, which has been supported by many local community groups, will be presented. Masuo Akizuki, emcee, and Sam Kawachi, chairman, are in charge of the entertainment.

Kozo Ishimatsu will speak in honor of the Issei on behalf of the sponsoring organizations, Nisei and Sanele, Kunisaku Mineta will respond for the Issei guests. Sponsoring organizations include: Bellies and Charming Girls Clubs, Buddhist, Kono-Kyokai, and Methodist churches and its affiliated organizations, JACL, Nisei VFW and Auxiliary, San Jose Landscaper Gardeners Association.

On the various committees are: Mrs. Shiro Masunaga, Mrs. Joe Akahoshi, co-chairs; Mrs. Mits Kumamoto, co-chairs; Mrs. Mits Kumamoto, co-chairs.

visited the open-pit copper mine at Bingham Canyon. The dinner at Mikado was hosted by Mrs. Yoshiko Tsuyuki, who hails from Odawara, birthplace of hiking team leader Tajima.

On Friday morning, they resumed their trip, walking east-bound on U.S. 40.

## JACLer named for Junior College Woman of 1963

LOS ANGELES.—Mrs. Karie Alhara, active Orange County JACLer, was selected by Trade-Technical College in the Bank of America Junior College Man and Woman of the Year contest. Six other junior colleges in the city are competing.

A fashion design major, Mrs. Alhara last semester was Trade-Tech's first woman student-body president in 30 years.

## Librarian moderates high school radio panel

DETROIT. — Ruth Itamura, local branch librarian, served as moderator of high school panel on radio WDET-FM this week, discussing the "Mother and Son", by Isoko and Ichiro Hatano.

The book was a best-seller in Japan upon its publication in 1950. It is a revealing collection of letters and notes exchanged between a mother, who was director of the education center at the Univ. of Tokyo during the war years, and the son who left Tokyo for the less war-blighted zones of Japan.

JoAnn Fujioka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fujioka, served as a member of the panel.

## Japanese Canadian History manuscript nears final chapter; 5 years in writing

TORONTO. — Except for a nine-month interruption during 1961-62, the history project of the Japanese Canadian Citizens Assn. has been progressing since it was conceived in early 1958. The JCCA revealed this past week.

The History of the Japanese Canadians, is a \$16,000 minimum budget operation. Public appeal for another \$8,000 for Japanese translation has been temporarily shelved until the manuscript is completed by the end of this year.

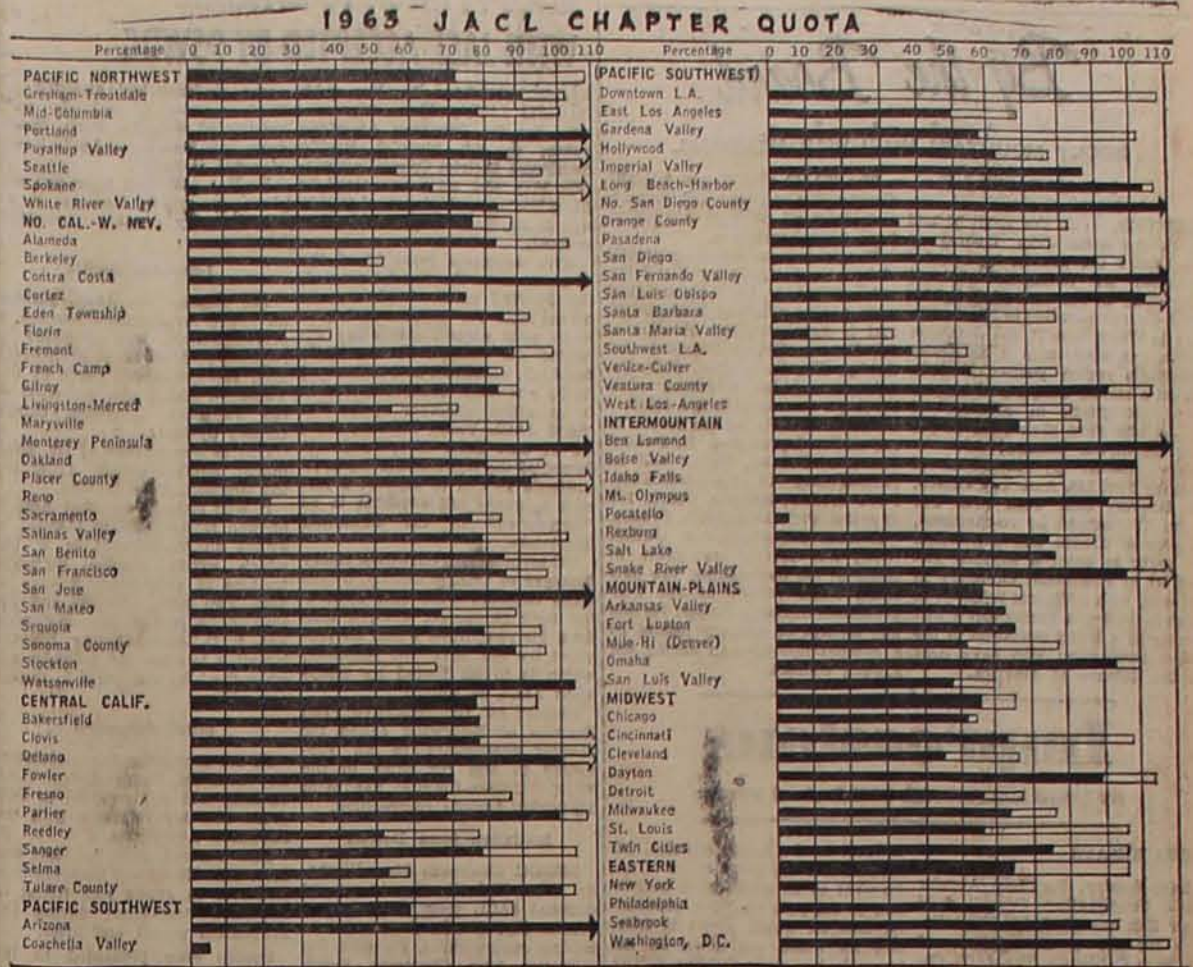
Crux of the history is the enforced evacuation of some 20,000 Japanese Canadians from the west coast in 1942 and the important issues revolving around this unparalleled government action, the JCCA History Committee revealed in its latest progress report. The history is being prepared in

three sections: I—1877-1941, beginnings of immigration, settlement, pre-WW2; II—1941-45, the war years, evacuation; III—1945-63, dispersal, relocation, repatriation and resettlement.

Adachi is currently working on part I, which are the sparsely documented years of early immigration. Research on this phase began in 1959. When completed, the book should contain some 120,000 words divided into 20 chapters.

The history will attempt to tell the entire story of the Japanese Canadian as comprehensively as possible, blended with analysis and commentary so that it would not be a straight-forward, chronological marshaling of events.

Adachi has written an 18,000-word history of the Japanese Canadians in British Columbia for the JCCA.



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SALT LAKE CITY GREET JAPANESE HIKERS

Bidding welcome to the five Waseda University hikers into Salt Lake City on May 4 at 21st South and State St. are (the trio at right) the Rev. S. Sanada of the Buddhist Church, Henry Kasai of the JACL and Tats Mianka, SLC JACL president. Caucasian is Kay Ribbens of Hwy. 40 Area, who has been a big help during the hikers' one-week stay. Hikers (from left) are leader Noboru Tajima, Katsuruki Takahashi, Hichiro Onishi, Takashi Yagi and Mitsuo Shida. —Terashima Studio Photo.

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## Nisei Relays —

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Old mark: 8:35 R. Muranaka (1962); 120 Lows—Ron Kuranaka (OC), Ed Fujioka (Hobos), Katsu 10 (H), 12:7. 6 participants only.

Pole Vault — Mits Yamashita (H), Katsu 10 (H), Michael N. Tonia (H), 12 ft.

High Jump — Aaron Alfano (un), John Matsuyama (WLA), Ted Yamamoto (OC), 5 ft. 7 1/2 in.

Broad Jump — Mel Matsukane (OC), Ed Fujioka (Hobos), Ted Yamamoto (OC), Fred Yamamoto (un), 22 ft. 8 1/2 in.

New Record (Old mark: 22 ft. 7 1/2 in. Tawa, 1959).

Shot Put — David Ito (H), Ron Sakahara (OC), Henry Saraya (LB), Mits Yamashita (H), 49 ft. 9 1/2 in.

440 Relay — O.C. Javs, Harbor Hawks, 43.6.

Team Scoring: Harbor Hawks, 66; O.C. Javs, 44; West L.A. JACL, 22; Port 41, 18; Hobos, 18; Long Beach JACL, 4; Unattached, 12.

Individuals: Ron Muranaka (OC), Ed Fujioka (Hobos); 13. (1 — Win points not allowed).

## JUNIOR DIVISION

50—Henry Yamamoto (M), Stanley Kido (Hobos), Ray Nagami (LB), Glen Asakawa (SD), 5:53. Ties record held by Cliff Yoshida, 1961.

100—Henry Yamamoto (M), Stanley Kido (Hobos), Richard Mito (V-C), Norm Hirata (SD), 1:06. New Record (Old mark: 1:02, Jerry Kibahara, 1962).

200—Akira Shimabukuro (V-C), Timmie Okuma (SD), Keith Radomija (M), Ron Otsuji (V-C), 1:34.7.

400—Lows—Gary Harada (LB), Pat Nakatani (M), Terry Kuwahara (un), Randy Otsuji (V-C), 1:35. Ties record held by Dick Fukunaga, 1962.

800—Lows—Tony Hamaguchi (M), Ronald Miyakawa (M), Kuno Miyoshi (V-C), 12 ft. Ties record held by Yamamoto, 1961.

1600—Lows—Kuno Miyoshi (V-C), Don Yoshikawa (un), Ricky Hojo (V-C), Terry Kuwahara (un), 3 ft. 8 in.

3200—Lows—Henry Hoshino (M), Steve Ito (LB), tie for 3rd Kent Shinohira (SF) and Norman Obayashi (SD), 20 ft. 7 in.

Shot Put—Hideo Oada (LB), Thomas Takeuchi (M), Dennis Matsumura (M), Bobby Orai (H), 34 ft. 10 in. New Record (Old mark: 30 ft. 10 1/4 in. Jerry Osumi, 1956).

40 Relay—Long Beach JACL, San Diego JACL, Maryknoll Striders, 45-9.

Team Scoring: Maryknoll Striders, 70; Long Beach JACL, 40; Venice-Culver JACL, 34; San Diego JACL, 23; unattached, 14; Hobos, 12; San Diego JACL, 11.

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## Nisei coxswain about to call last for U.C.

LINDSAY. — Past OCCC Chairman Tom Shimazaki's son, Bob, who served as coxswain for the Univ. of California crew since freshman days will complete his career this semester. Now on the No. 1 boat, the rowing team is entered in the national intercollegiate championship to be held in June in Syracuse, N.Y.

In the fall, Bob will enter dental school.

## Sequoia JACL entries in local Pony Leagues noted

REDWOOD CITY. — Sequoia JACL, by entering a senior baseball team in the local Pony League, appropriated \$156 for purchase of bases, balls, payment of insurance coverage and league umpire fees.

The chapter's team in the Junior Pony League is being coached by George Yamamoto and Masao Kuwano and managed by Fred Doi. It had won its first four games. Another team in the Pee Wee League, coached by Leonard Chew and Hiroji Kariya and managed by Norman Taniguchi, had a 2-and-2 record.

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## ROCKY MOUNTAIN NISEI WAR MEMORIAL

BY MIN YASU  
MPDC Chairman

DENVER. — In the spirit of and with the same deep feeling as motivates the solemn ceremonies planned at Arlington National Cemetery by National JACL as the 20th Commemoration of Nisei service in World War II, the Japanese American community in the Rocky Mountain region yesterday dedicated a starkly simple and impressive monument in memory of AJAs who gave their lives in the service of our country.

Spearheaded by members of Cathy Post 185, American Legion, in Denver, with Yosh Arai and John T. Noguchi as co-chairmen, a goal of \$20,000 was envisioned, in order to erect a suitable memorial at Fairmount Cemetery in Denver, with sufficient reserves in cash to endow a permanent scholarship as a living memorial to the Nisei servicemen who have died in the defense of America.

The \$20,000 goal is now in sight. Community response and cooperation, from all parts of this region, have been heartening.

The monument featuring granite slabs was designed by Floyd Tanaka of Denver. He is an architect with a city planning background, and is now assistant director of the Denver Urban Renewal Authority. Floyd's brother, John Tanaka, was killed in action, while serving overseas with the 442nd.

National JACL, in the person of our national president, K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, Neb., will be participating in the dedication. Pat's brother, Susumu Okura, fell in action with the 442nd in France. Harshy Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., was invited as guest of honor at the ceremonies. The only living Nisei winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, he won this highest of military honors as a combat infantryman during the Korean conflict.

# Impressions

BY ISAAC MATSUSHIGE, PSW Regional Director

## NISEI RELAYS

Last Sunday, the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council held their 12th annual JACL Nisei Relays for the youth athletes of Southern California. The JACL Coordinating Council chairman, George Fujita, and our Nisei Relays 1963 chairman, Sam Hirasawa, both deserve a big hand of applause for the success of this community sponsored sports event for the youth.

On the opening page of the 12th annual JACL Nisei Relays booklet distributed by the Hi-Co youth organization last Sunday, both George Fujita and Sam Hirasawa, in extending their greetings to the participants and spectators said in part, "Our reward lies in the interest shown, support given and enjoyment derived from your wholehearted participation. . . the enjoyment is not solely in winning, but also in how you play the game."

These few words taken from the Nisei Relays 1963 booklet set the pace for the entire sports event of the day; namely, interest, support and enjoyment to each youth participating, to each adult assisting on the field and track and to each parent and spectator present.

I wished I could list the names of so many who have each contributed to the interest, support and enjoyment of the youth in this Nisei Relays, from the lovely Nisei 1963 Relays Queen Stephanie Fujino of WLA, to as equally lovely members of her court, Arlee Morishita of San Fernando, Diane Morakami of SWLA, Carol Itai of ELA, and to Evelyn Hashimoto of Long Beach-Harbor JACL, but as space will not permit, may I in all fairness to everyone, make mention with these few words about our Nisei Relays 1963 Honorary Chairman, C.K. Yang of UCLA.

I was impressed not only with his physical height, as he stood above all people around the field and track, but with his intense

interest in the young athletes, his support and his great sense of enjoyment as he would give instruction to the pole vaulters, especially, how he would get down on his knees in his clean Sunday clothes to tape the ankles of another young athlete. . .

Here we saw C.K. Yang, world record holder in the death and greatest of world athletes, giving to the youth participants of the 12th annual Nisei Relays . . . the meaningfulness and the significance of why we look forward to as great a JACL Nisei Relays in 1964.

## June 2 rites —

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Hawaii, will also deliver tributes to Japanese American military service in World War II. Senator Inouye was a volunteer for the 442nd who received a battlefield commission. He earned the Distinguished Service Cross, while losing an arm, with the Combat Team in Italy. Congressman Matsunaga, also a Purple Heart veteran, was an officer both with the original 100th Infantry Battalion and with the Military Intelligence Service.

William Marutani, National JACL Vice President and a veteran of military intelligence, from Philadelphia, will read "The Japanese American Creed", after which Rev. Shoji Honda, of the Washington Buddhist Fellowship, will deliver the Benediction.

The Army Band will play post-program music while the group moves over to the Tomb of the Unknowns, where the Army Standard Honor Wreath Ceremony will be conducted. National JACL President will present a wreath to the "American Soldier known but to God" of World War II. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Munemori, Senator Inouye, General Devers, Representative Matsunaga, Judge Also, and National JACL Vice President Marutani.

## Battleship Maine

At the Wreath Ceremony at the Masthead of the Battleship Maine, Mrs. Munemori will lay the wreath to honor the officers and men, including seven Japanese, who died in the sinking of the USS Maine in Havana Harbor, Cuba, in April 1898. In her honor party will be National JACL President Okura, Senator Inouye, General Devers, Representative Matsunaga, Judge Also, and Mr. Meyer.

From 4 to 5 o'clock, the graves of the 21 Nisei war heroes interred at Arlington will be visited and decorated with flowers. National JACL President Okura is expected to visit all of the graves, together with the next of kin then visiting in Washington. His honor party will start at the gravesites of Private First Class Saburo Tanamachi and Fumitake Nagato, in Section 12, the first Nisei to be interred at Arlington. Mr. and Mrs. B. Nagato, now of Los Angeles, are reported to be returning to pay homage at their son's grave.

From 5:30 to 7:30 that evening, an informal reception by invitation only will be held at Patton Hall, in the Main Officers' Club of the Main Post of Fort Meyer. The participants in the Services, the Gold Star parents, and the honored guests will be among those invited to the reception.

**Alameda bowling results**  
ALAMEDA. — Results of the Alameda JACL bowling tournament held April 13 were reported this past week. Five event champions were:

Men's Singles: George Yoshimura  
Men's Doubles: Grace Okamoto  
Men's Triples: Grace Okamoto  
Mixed Doubles: Grace Okamoto-Ken Okamoto 1154

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## HI-CO PETITION TO AFFILIATE WITH JACL ACCEPTED BY PSWDC

EL SEGUNDO. — In line with National JACL's increasing concern for the Japanese American youth, the 8th biennial Pacific Southwest District Council convention May 18-9 went on record to back Hi-Co, the high school-college age group, financially and in other respects.

With delegates from 16 of the 21 chapters in the district present, the PSWDC voted chapters were accountable for current and previous year assessments only; accepted the petition of the Hi-Co for JACL affiliation and authorized Hi-Co chairman Alan Kumamoto to be official observer at the National JACL Youth meeting June 8-9 at Salt Lake City; and referred to the legal-legislative committee a motion to support a foreign language bill expected to be "introduced" in the California legislature.

DC membership chairman Henry Kanegae of Orange County, aware some chapters were still continuing their campaign, assured help from his committee would be provided by the next DC meeting, which is to be hosted by Hollywood JACL in August.

District PC representative Fred Taomae of Hollywood called for chapter newsletters to be submitted to him for entry in the Pacific Citizen-Jimmie Sakamoto Memorial Awards competition.

## Invitation from Detroit

PSWDC Chairman Mas Hironaka also called attention to current national JACL programs, such as scholarship, chapter flag, and contacting congressmen. He read the invitation from Chairman Frank Watanabe of the Detroit National JACL Convention to be held July 14, 1964.

The Hi-Co petition for JACL affiliation was presented by Alan Kumamoto, chairman of the recent 1963 Hi-Co Conference. The petition was quickly adopted after preliminary details were discussed. The district youth committee headed by Orange County's Clarence Nishizu was given the task to close the affiliation details and to work with the group.

Since the youths were at fever pitch to become affiliated with JACL, any rejection of their petition was seen as a blow to the youths that might never be overcome.

Under the proposed tie-up, Hi-Co will be incorporated, run by its own board with several JACL council members as advisers. Dr. Roy Nishikawa, Akira Ohno, Clarence Nishizu and DC legal counsel Mark Kiguchi were appointed to the special committee to study the Hi-Co JACL affiliation petition. Kumamoto reported the current Hi-Co committee is seeking state incorporation. Nishizu also presented the DC youth committee report, noting that by drawing the youth into JACL, it could be an answer to the PSW membership problem.

Kumamoto also reported on the recent Hi-Co Conference, pointing out expenditures surpassed income. Though PSWDC had underwritten the conference with \$100, another \$175 was immediately appropriated to meet the deficit with chapters asked to contribute to the PSW treasury in support of the youth program.

Kumamoto was lauded from the floor by delegates from whose

## 'Showcase '63' slated June 29-30

CHICAGO. — "Showcase, '63" is the title of the fifth annual Chicago Jr. JACL talent show to be staged June 29-30 at Olivet Institute. Robert Hamano and Steve Hamada, co-ordinators, promised a wide variety of entertainment from jazz dances to folk singers, from Japanese arts to comedy skits.

Two performances are planned: 8 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday. Proceeds will be used for Jr. JACL projects including a \$200 scholarship. On the arrangements committee are:

Fred Fukumoto, stage mgr.; Gil Furukawa, Jr. JACL; Hasegawa, tickets; Frances Hashiguchi, director; Martha Higashide, pub.; Dennis Torii, stage props; Sharon Wakasa, costumes; Bob Yamada, stagehands.

**Arkansas Valley bowlers**  
SWINK, Colo. — The Arkansas Valley JACL bowling league concluded its 1962-63 season with an awards banquet at the Swink Hall on May 6. On the winning team were:

Team: Hattie Nakayama, Peggy Suto, and Harrison Schfield, Rocky Ford; and John Maruyama and Bob Klein, La Junta. Doubles: Amy Konishi and Ugi Harada, Rocky Ford; Singles: Mille Boyer, La Junta; All Events: Elmo Sakai, Las Animas.

**DR. MIMURA CLINIC**  
DETROIT. — Dr. T. Mimura has opened a clinic in Birmingham, Mich., the Detroit JACL Newsletter reported. He is a co-represent of the first Pvt. Ben Frank Masaka Memorial scholarship in 1946.

areas students had attended the Hi-Co conference, and who were acquainted with his work. Kumamoto was seen as a JACL leader of great potential.

Besides attending their own sessions, the youth also sat in on the Saturday evening convention banquet.

## Language Credits

The proposal for JACL backing for credit for Japanese learned in private schools was presented by regional director Isaac Matsushige after representations made by Dr. Yaemitsu Sugimachi, principal of the Japanese Language School Unified System.

Due to the absence of Dr. Sugimachi, explicit details regarding the proposal were lacking. It was brought out that Assemblyman Edward Elliott planned to attach an amendment to a bill which would require language training in elementary schools in 1965. Two bills, AB 1099 and AB 1876, have passed the Assembly and it is Assemblyman Elliott's intention to offer the amendments when the bills are heard in Senate committee.

## Scroll Presented

At the convention banquet Saturday evening, Congressman Cecil R. King told of his career in Congress and his relations with the Japanese Americans.

Also honored were the Rev. and Mrs. H.V. Nicholson, longtime missionaries to Japan and friend of Japanese Americans during the evacuation period and after.

Scrolls were presented to the Nicholsons and Isaac Matsushige, the latter from Hi-Co, which group the JACL director aided in its recent conference. Mrs. Pearl Mugi-shima, regional office secretary, was presented a gift from Hi-Co. Enomoto presented a scroll to Hi-Co, which was accepted by Alan Kumamoto.

A gift to the Nicholsons was presented by Ujio Niwa, an Issei member of the WLA JACL, on behalf of the chapter.

Also honored with scrolls were Issei who had been singled out for honors by the chapters. A cake in honor of the pioneers was donated by George Izumi, local bakery chain operator.

The pioneers honored were: Downtown: Katsuma Mukaeda, Mrs. Saku Shirakawa, Mrs. Takaya Kato; East Los Angeles: Dr. James H. Hara, Mrs. Tsuya Hori, Santa Monica: Mrs. Tamaye Ando, Ichijiro Sakata; Santa Barbara: Kameki Fukumura, Yasushi Ishihara; San Fernando: Seigo Morakami, Haruki Nitta, Setsuji Oda.

Ventura: Wakamatsu Takasugi, Shingoro Takesugi, Junzoku Kanamori, Hanzo Kurihara, Mrs. Shotoro Fujita, Mrs. Tamisuke Tokuyama; Venice-Culver: Elzo Maruyama, Seizo Terakura; Gardena: Kameichi Kuida, Frank Junzo Ishida, Paul Koga, Frank Yonemura, Mrs. Tsune Yamauchi.

Orange County: Shosuke Nitta, Kyutaro Ishii, Asajiro Kanegae, Seikichi Aihara; Southwest Los Angeles: Matsunosuke Oi, Kotaro Sakakura; West Los Angeles: Jentaro Jeniye, Miyoshi Tashima; Glendale, Ariz.: Tsunonori Okabayashi, Mrs. Katsuko Okabayashi, Sugeto Yamamoto, Mrs. Tomiko Yamamoto.

Immediate past national president Frank Chuman was banquet emcee and Hideko Kawashima was banquet queen.

## Chapter Clinic Scheduled

Venice-Culver will host the November DC quarterly meeting, which will be in the nature of a chapter clinic. By advancing the clinic to late fall from the first quarterly in February, it was hoped chapters would have elected their 1964 officers prior to the November clinic.

Arizona will host the first quarterly in February.

## Jr. JACL —

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day morning session. The Hi-Co movement in the Pacific Southwest district will be explained by Alan Kumamoto in the final session.

Those invited are: Jerry Enomoto, nat'l 1st v.p. and youth comm.; Abe Hagiwara, MDC youth comm.; Mrs. Sue Kaneko, IDC comm.; Marie Kurihara, NC-WNDC youth comm.; Ben Kawakami, Margaret Kai, Roy Ikeda, Robert Akagi, Gil Furukawa, Roger Nikaide, Ann Kanomata, Nancy Morimoto, Alan Kumamoto, youth delegates; Bob Endo, Ronnie Yokota, Bob Muiak, Tatsi Muiak, Rupert Hachiyu, Clarence Nishizu, and Jack Mayeda.

## PARADE ENTRY

PARLIER. — The Parlier JACL participated in the 19th annual Veterans Roundup parade here May 19, entering a decorated car.

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**BEAUTIES ALL**—West Los Angeles JACL candidates for the Nisei Week queen contest are (left to right) Margaret Hayashi, Terry Araki, Shirley Takahashi, and Jayne Tanimura. One will be named queen at the WLA JACL Auxiliary tea on Sunday, June 2 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Sonoda in Brentwood. Photo by Kei Kato.

## Chapter Call Board

### West Los Angeles JACL

"Miss West L.A.": With four candidates announced for the Miss West L.A. title and representing the area in the 1963 Nisei Week queen contest, West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary's "Queen's Ball" committee assures its June 8 dance at the Santa Monica Elks Club will attract the youth in the college-age bracket.

Manny Harmon's band under direction of Maury Diamond will play for the dance starting at 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$2 per person. Many door prizes are also being offered. On the committee are: Dances, posters: Steve Yagi, trophies: Dick Okinaga, Jr., Mrs. Frank Kishi, ref.: Helen Ishikawa, guests: George Kiketsu, door prizes: Shiz Takeshita, Kiketsu, Frank Kishi, m.c.

### Detroit JACL

Spring Dance: Detroit JACL's Spring Dance will be held on June 15 at the Veterans Memorial Bldg. Mary Kamidori, social chairman, is in charge.

Speakers Club: Designed after Toastmasters International, Detroit JACL is organizing a speakers club under chairmanship of Charles Campbell, chapter education chairman.

Chapter president Min Togasaki hopes the various toastmasters and masters of ceremonies required for the 1964 National JACL Convention can be furnished by this club.

### Downtown L.A. JACL

For Baseball Buffs: Downtown L.A. JACL will have Dick Walsh, vice-president of the L.A. Dodgers, who is in charge of local operations, as guest speaker at the next chapter noon luncheon meeting on Wednesday, June 5, at the New Ginza. Meeting is open to the public.

### Kokusai Travel offers five tours for '64 Games

LOS ANGELES. — Five separate Kokusai International Travel tours for the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo were announced this week by Jim Higashi. All are timed to arrive in Tokyo on Oct. 9, a day prior to the official opening day of the Games. Departure dates are from Los Angeles:

(A) Friday, Sept. 25, JAL; (B) Saturday, Sept. 26, JAL; (C) Thursday, Oct. 1, BOAC; (D) Friday, Oct. 2, JAL; and (E) Saturday, Oct. 2, Pan-Am-JAL.

Advance reservations require a \$10 per day deposit and are being accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Higashi said applications will then be processed and have non-transferable hotel reservation certificates issued, which are needed to purchase Olympic Games tickets. Further information is available at Kokusai Travel, 240 E. 1st St., MA 6-5284.

"Hinomaru" Change: The national flag of Japan undergoes its first change in 94 years and will be hoisted for the first time during the Olympic Games. The red circle will be larger than that of the present flag.

### College toastmaster

DAVENPORT, Iowa. — David S. Asahara was elected president of the Toastmasters International Club 1817 of Palmer College of Chiropractic here recently. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Teru Asahara of Sacramento, are Florin JACLers.

### Mile-Hi JACL

Graduates Dinner-Dance: The Mile-Hi JACL dinner-dance honoring local June graduates will be held at Premiere Motel, 4757 Vasquez Blvd., Denver, on Saturday, June 15, according to Jean Salo, scholarship committee chairman. Chapter scholarship winners will be announced.

Robert Horiuchi is chairman of the scholarship selection committee.

### Contra Costa JACL

"Japan Night": Contra Costa JACL's "Japan Night" program for the purpose of expressing the chapter's appreciation to their many non-Japanese friends who have helped in various ways to make life in America meaningful and happy will be held on Saturday, June 15, at the Richmond Memorial Youth Center.

James Kimoto, chairman, said the program would include flower arrangement, Japanese dances, koto selections, a Japanese movie, amateur talent and Japanese food.

Community Picnic: The annual community picnic has been scheduled for July 21 at Wildwood Acres, Lafayette.

### Southwest L.A. JACL

Date Change: The Southwest L.A. JACL's Quentime Ball (set for June 8) has been postponed to June 15 at the Hollywood Women's Club, 1749 N. LaBrea, it was announced by social chairman Art Mayeda. The chapter's Nisei Week queen candidate is to be announced.

### Chicago JACL treats membership campaigners

CHICAGO.—Those who canvassed for JACL membership door-to-door for the Chicago chapter in March were treated to thank-you dinner at the New Wilson Village on April 26, with Chiye Tomihiro and Tak Tomiyama given special recognition for signing up the most members on one day.

Tomiyama, incidentally, was membership campaign chairman. It was the hope of chapter membership chairman Hank Tanabe to regain national recognition as the chapter with the largest membership. The chapter fees are:

Jr. JACL: \$2; Regular: \$5; Couples: \$8.50; Supporting: \$10 & up; 1000 Club: \$25.

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## Fudenna brothers offer land for site of civic center, now being asked for more

FREMONT. — The city of Fremont is now considering plans for a 65-acre civic center near the former community of Irvington and will seek to acquire 20 more acres needed for the project from the Fudenna family.

The Fudenna brothers James, Takeo and Taro—local growers and shippers have already donated land to the civic center project.

The city was incorporated seven years ago and the city hall is still located in a condemned school that was refurbished at that time. The Fudenna and Williams families last year donated 10 acres to the city with the proviso that a new city hall be built on the property within five years.

The Kaiser Corporation has also donated five acres.

### Bond Issue Voted Down

The voters of the city approved acceptance of the gift of the land, but they turned down a bond issue to finance the project.

This past week at the Fremont City Council meeting an unusual proposal to finance a city hall was presented and plans made to carry it out.

The plan calls for a 65-acre civic center. The City Council authorized the city manager to commence negotiations with the Fudenna family for 20 additional acres to round out the proposed site.

The city would rent the building until the loan is paid off and then take title. The corporation then would be dissolved.

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Sam Sato, for many years a fixture of the San Francisco JACL board and 1000 Club, has joined the Bank of Tokyo of California head office as public relations officer. He was formerly employed for 16 years by Simmons Co.

Swede Furukawa, Florin JACL president, has opened his own real estate office at 2100-16th St., Sacramento. He was sales manager for Walter Hanson & Associates.

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