



## IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE WAR DEAD

National JACL President K. Patrick Okura pays his tribute at the Tomb of the Unknowns, Arlington National Cemetery, while a bugler blows taps. Okura has just finished placing the National JACL wreath at the tomb to honor all Americans killed in World War II, and especially those of Japanese ancestry. At the Army standard honor wreath ceremony, behind Okura, left to right, are Senator Daniel Inouye, Mrs. Nawa Munemori, and National JACL Vice President William Marutani, holding umbrella; next row, Congressman Spark Matsunaga, General Jacob L. Devers; last row, Judge John Aiso.

## EDITORIAL OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

### Rain or Shine, the Nisei Come Through

The commemorative services honoring Japanese American military service in World War II were held, in part, in the shelter of a chapel in Fort Myers last Sunday because of an early summer rain Sunday washing out the outdoor program planned for the Flagpole Area adjacent to the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. The laying of wreaths at the Tomb, Battleship Maine Monument and gravesites of 21 Nisei who are interred at Arlington were conducted despite the downpour.

It was also a rainy day that July 15, 1946, when President Truman welcomed back the 442nd Regimental Combat Team at the White House.

It seems fair to say that the loyalty of Japanese Americans remains steadfast—rain or shine.

Enough cannot be said here of the gigantic task facing members of the Washington, D.C., JACL in arranging this national public tribute and the efficient dispatch of their responsibilities. The 442nd RCT earned seven Presidential Distinguished Unit Citations. Perhaps similar honors can be instituted in JACL and be conferred upon the D.C. chapter. The rest of the 87 chapters in the nation will surely agree with this.

## JACL CHAPTER ROLE IN STRUGGLE BY NEGROES FOR EQUALITY AIRED

Special to the Pacific Citizen  
WASHINGTON. — Though each JACL chapter charts its own course, according to the needs and particular climate of its community, National JACL President K. Patrick Okura Saturday declared a JACL policy statement will be prepared to define the role of chapters in the current Negro struggle for equal rights.

The question was a major subject of the Eastern District Council meeting here this past weekend at Burlington Hotel.

Washington Representative Mike Masaoka stated the NAACP and other groups were asking for JACL support which would, in some instances include active participation in public demonstrations.

These groups, Masaoka said, have become impatient with purely legislative and judicial activity, are now taking bolder measures, and therefore want more support from other minority groups besides general statements favoring equal rights.

### Advice: Join Them

If a JACL chapter were requested to participate in a picket or march with a civil rights group, such as the NAACP, Masaoka said he would advocate joining them. Okura revealed that he has been

## Five records set at S.F. JACL Olympics

SAN FRANCISCO. — Livingston-Mercer JACL claimed the NC-WNDC trophy symbolic of track supremacy in these parts at the San Francisco JACL Olympics at Kezar Stadium Sunday in a meet which saw five new records.

Livingston's John Kajiura lowered the B-600 record with his 1m 28.6s., shaving .23s. off the mark set by Jerry Kitahama of Long Beach in 1961. San Jose's John Kanaya bettered his own mark in the Open high jump at 6 ft. 4 in.

Some 120 athletes representing a near dozen chapters and organizations competed under ideal, sunny skies. Mike Nishida of Stockton and Bob Sakai of Eden Township were triple crown winners in the Open division.

Mike nabbed the high point trophy with 164 pts., with wins in the 100 (10.3s.), 220 (24.9s.), pole vault (11 ft.), and running in the 880 relay won by Stockton (1m.40s.) Best—the one-man Eden Township team—won the distance races: 440 (54.7s.), 880 (2m.11.6s.) and mile (4m.52.3s.).

Other three records were set in the junior and pee wee divisions. (Complete summaries will be published next week.)

## MOURN DEATH OF INFLUENTIAL REP. WALTER, 69,

Co-Author of 1952 Act Which Granted Issei Naturalization

WASHINGTON. — The Eastern District Council in session June 1-2 authorized Mike Masaoka to send a wreath to the funeral of Rep. Walter and a telegram to the Speaker of the House communicating the condolences of the four EDC chapters (New York, Seabrook, Philadelphia and Washington) and their appreciation of Walter's works.

WASHINGTON. — Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.), co-author of the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 which repealed the Japanese exclusion law and extended naturalization privileges to Issei residents, died of leukemia on May 31.

Walter, 69, had served in the House since 1933 and at his death ranked seventh in seniority among Democratic members.

One of the most powerful members of the House, he was chairman of the House un-American Activities Committee and chairman of the Democratic patronage committee.

Walter was considered an expert parliamentarian, and often was selected to preside when the House debated its most intricate bills.

### His Legislative Monument

Walter considered his legislative monument to be the Walter-McCarran Act of 1952, the first major revision of immigration laws in a generation.

It was passed over President Truman's veto and was assailed as too restrictive by both presidential candidates that year.

The act was assailed by liberals (Continued on Page 3)

## Tribute to Nisei GIs at Arlington dramatic

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WASHINGTON. — Reverent tribute to the memory of Japanese Americans who rose above racial mistreatment to achieve an outstanding military record in World War II was paid at commemorative services at Arlington National Cemetery on Sunday, June 2.

Approximately 300 persons, including members of Congress, assembled to recall the wartime gallantry of Americans of Japanese ancestry who served in Europe and the Pacific-Aisia theaters from Pearl Harbor till V-J Day. Steady downpours preceding the

## PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S MESSAGE READ AT RITES

Washington  
"It is with pleasure that I extend warm greetings to the Japanese American community and their guests. I am delighted to convey these words through Mr. Mike Masaoka.

"As Americans of Japanese descent, you may well be proud of your historic heritage and the many contributions made by your countrymen.

"This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the formation of an organization that history has recorded as one of the most decorated units ever to serve the cause of freedom and our country. Our nation has cause to be proud of the men who composed the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

"At the same time, we must also remember that Japanese Americans too served with equal honor and distinction in the Pacific.

"With every good wish for successful commemorative services and for continuing progress in the important work you are doing." JOHN F. KENNEDY



## MEDAL OF HONOR AWARDEE ASSISTS DEDICATION

Hershey H. Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for heroism during the Korean conflict and a veteran of the 442nd RCT during World War II, stands in front of the Rocky Mountain Nisei War Memorial dedicated May 30 in Denver. In the background are Mr. and Mrs. Pat Okura of Omaha.

—Tom Masamori Photo

## Rocky Mountain Memorial Dedicated

BY MINORU YASUI

Special to the Pacific Citizen  
DENVER. — Almost a thousand persons gathered at Fairmount Cemetery here on May 30, for the Nisei War Dead Memorial monument, which bears the names of 75 Nisei soldiers from the Rocky Mountain region (including evacuees from WRA camps) who have died in the service of the United States during World War II and the Korean conflict.

Yoshiaki Arai and John T. Noguchi, both WW2 veterans and members of Cathay Post 185, American Legion, were co-chairmen of the region-wide project to erect this monument in memory of the Nisei war dead.

Hershey Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., Nisei's only living winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, was the guest of honor for the ceremonies.

National JACL, in the person of K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, national President, represented the 88 chapters and more than 10,000 members in these solemn rites.

Bill Hosokawa of the Denver Post, and 1956 winner of the Nisei of the Biennium award, authored the inscription chiseled in granite:

"Deeply aware the cloud of suspicion hanging over them in the early days of World War II could be dispersed only by a demonstration of loyalty, Americans of Japanese descent (Nisei) petitioned in 1942 for the right to serve their

country. America offered them the opportunity, and the Nisei served with distinction and valor in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team in Europe, in military intelligence units in the Pacific, and elsewhere. More than 30,000 Nisei bore arms in World War II and Korea, shedding their blood on such far-flung battlefields as the Arno and Bruyeres, Myitkyin and Porkchop Hill. It is to those who made the supreme sacrifice in demonstrating that Americanism is not a matter of race or ancestry that this monument is dedicated."

More than 15 of the Gold Star families were personally present for the dedication, including Mrs. Asao Tanamachi of San Benito, Tex., mother of Saburo Tanamachi, and Mrs. M. Akimoto of Upland, Calif., mother of John Akimoto and Victor Akimoto.

Other relatives and families of deceased Nisei war dead included: Mrs. Rose Fujikaki of Brighton, sister of Jimmie Tashio Kokubun; Mrs. and Mrs. Harvey K. Goto of Denver, parents of Mitsuru Goto; Mrs. M. Ito of Denver, Colo., mother of Takashi Ito; Mrs. M. Kawano of Denver, mother of George Y. Kawano; Mr. and Mrs. Ben B. Kitagawa of Denver, parents of Roy Joseph Kitagawa; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Matsuba of Denver, parents of Nichio Matsuba; Mrs. Chiyu Morishige of Denver, mother of Joseph H. Morishige; K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, brother of Susumu Okura; Mr. and Mrs. K. Shibata of Denver, parents of Kenneth Kenji Shibata; Mrs. Chizuko R. Shiramizu of Denver, wife of James Kiyoshi Shiramizu; Mrs. Asao Tanamachi of San Benito, Tex., mother of Saburo Tanamachi; Mrs. Tetsuo Tanaka of Denver, mother of

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## NINE JAPANESE AMERICANS CHAT WITH THE PRESIDENT

President Kennedy greets JACL delegation in cabinet room of White House, June 3. Incidentally, he is looking at history of 442nd book presented by Mrs.

Nawa Munemori. In picture, left to right, Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Mrs. Munemori, the President, Miss Kiku Munemori, Mrs. Thomas Munemori Tamura, Con-

gressman Spark Matsunaga, K. Patrick Okura, Mrs. Patrick Okura, Mike Masaoka, Judge John F. Aiso, —Vincent Finnigan Phot.

## 'It pays to live long,' says Mrs. Munemori after White House call

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WASHINGTON. — President John F. Kennedy welcomed a JACL delegation to the White House in a brief meeting Monday morning.

The President particularly singled out Mrs. Nawa Munemori, 76, mother of Pvt. Sadao S. Munemori, who won the Congressional Medal of Honor posthumously in World War II. He described the entire group as "distinguished Americans."

He described the 442nd RCT and Nisei military service in World War II as outstanding and one which won for all persons of Japanese ancestry a permanent place in American history and hearts of all Americans.

Sen. Daniel Inouye of Hawaii introduced members of the delegation to the President: Mrs. Munemori, her daughters Kiku and Mrs. Thomas Tamura, all of Los Angeles; National JACL President and Mrs. K. Patrick Okura, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge John Aiso; Washington JACL Repre-

sentative Mike Masaoka and Congressman Spark Matsunaga.

### Books on Nisei

Mrs. Munemori presented the President with a copy of "Americans: The Story of the 442nd." Judge Aiso presented a copy of "Military Intelligence Service Language School Album." Okura presented Allen Eaton's "Beauty Behind Barbed Wire."

President Kennedy told the group as photographers and reporters looked on:

"I want to welcome this distinguished family here with Senator Inouye and all the colleagues."

"I appreciate the gift of the story of the 442nd combat team which I think is an outstanding story of American courage, and we are glad to welcome to the White House particularly this outstanding American"—referring to Mrs. Munemori who looked down in shyness as the President spoke.

President Kennedy also invited Vice President Lyndon Johnson to meet the delegation members. The

meeting took place in the cabinet room. He also called on presidential assistant David Powers to take the party on a special White House tour.

At noon, in the House of Representatives dining room, Congressman Matsunaga hosted the party at a special luncheon. In addition to those who went to the White House were Gold Star parents Mr. and Mrs. B. Nagato and daughter Mrs. H. Miyata of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. S. Nakashima of Pocatello, Idaho; and Hisako Sakata and Mary Toda of the JACL committee.

Co-hosting the luncheon was Rep. Ralph Harding of Idaho.

Congressmen who called on the party during luncheon included James Roosevelt, Harlan Hagen, Arthur Younger and George Miller, all of California, and Glenn Cunningham of Nebraska. Thereafter, Congressman Matsunaga took the party on a special personal tour of the Capitol.

## Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka Commemorative Services

WASHINGTON. — Although an all-day rainstorm forced the solemn rites indoors at the last minute to Fort Myer chapel, an overflow audience participated in the commemorative services honoring Japanese American military service in World War II.

Aside from substituting an organist for the United States Army Band, the entire program went off as scheduled.

As one GI is supposed to have remarked to another in helping to arrange the shift necessitated by the unexpected weather, "After what these guys went through in Italy, France and the Pacific, a little rain will not stop these services today."

The whole program, timed to take an hour, took 75 minutes.

### Congressmen Attend

Congressmen who attended in spite of the heavy downpour included Sen. Frank E. Moss of Utah and Reps. Don Edwards, George M. Miller, Edward R. Roybal and Lionel Van Deerlin, all of California; Thomas P. Gill of Hawaii and Compton I. White of Idaho.

All of them were so impressed

to the "Nisei of G-2."

Although not as well known for their exploits because of the secret nature of their assignments, the Japanese Americans in combat intelligence served with courage and distinction as combat interpreters and translators in the war against Japan.

Judge Aiso recalled that "Nisei in G-2" work began on Pearl Harbor Day and at Bataan and Corregidor.

"The Nisei member of the beach patrol which captured the first Japanese prisoner of war—the submarine—participated in his interrogation on the evening of Dec. 7, 1941. And Sgt. Arthur S. Komori of Hawaii served as combat linguist for General Wainwright until evacuated to Australia on General MacArthur's personal order," Judge Aiso revealed.

"As fast as graduates could be poured out of the Military Intelligence Service Language School, their activities extended into every major theatre of operations," Judge Aiso said.

After the ceremony in the chapel, wreaths were placed at the Tomb of the Unknowns, at the Battleship Maine Monument and at the graves of the 21 Nisei WW2 veterans who are interred in Arlington.

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with the ceremony that they decided to read into the Congressional Record at an appropriate time all of the outstanding speeches that were presented last Sunday.

Even though six different speakers paid tribute to the Nisei who served in World War II, not one repeated what the others had to say.

Among distinguished guests present were the former Ambassador William J. Sebald, who was political adviser to General MacArthur after the surrender of Japan, and Maj. Gen. Charles A. Willoughby (ret.), General MacArthur's chief of staff for intelligence from the attack on the Philippines in December, 1941, through the Pacific war to the General's recall during the Korean conflict.

Gold Star parents included Mr. and Mrs. B. Nagato of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. S. Nakashima of Pocatello, Idaho, and Mrs. H. Nagato of Blackfoot, Idaho. Three Gold Star mothers came down with 35 others in a bus from Seabrook, N.J. They were Mrs. Ryo Mukai, Mune Minakata and Misa-ye Fujiki.

Among representatives of veterans organizations introduced were Togo Nakagawa of Honolulu, Jun Yamamoto of Los Angeles, Harry Takagi of Seattle, Joe Kawadoki and Mazy Tashima of Cleveland, and James Kono of New York. Frank Kelly represented the American Legion national headquarters and Norman Jones the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Although the rainstorm persisted, more than 250 observed National JACL President K. Patrick Okura present a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in the Army standard honor wreath ceremony, probably the first time that any Nisei organization has ever been granted this honor.

Subsequently, at the masthead of the Battleship Maine Monument, Mrs. Nawa Munemori presented another National JACL wreath in memory of the seven Japanese who were killed in the destruction of the USS Maine in Havana Harbor in April, 1898. They were the first persons of Japanese ancestry ever to give their lives for the United States in wartime.

Mrs. Munemori is probably the first naturalized citizen to make such a presentation at the monument.

### Gravesites Visited

Finally, wearing raincoats if they had some, others carrying umbrellas, more bareheaded, most of the 250 participants in the services slugged and slipped in the wet grass and mud of Arlington

visiting each of the 21 individual graves where Nisei war heroes lie in honored glory, beginning with those of Pvt. Nagato and Tanamachi, where 15 years ago almost to the day they were the first Japanese Americans to be interred in Arlington in impressive ceremonies. Principal eulogist then was Gen. Jacob L. Devers, then chief of the Army Field Forces.

The long afternoon was ended with an informal reception at Patton Hall at Fort Myer.

One would have been proud to be a Japanese American at Arlington last Sunday, and proud of Japanese Americans too that day for in spite of a record downpour they came out to pay homage to their fellow Nisei who served in World War II and made possible the promising destiny of Japanese Americans in the United States today.

### Special Acknowledgements

Special acknowledgements are due John C. Metzler, superintendent of Arlington National Cemetery, Maj. Robert Von Schlemmer of the Military District of Washington, and Chaplain James A. Connett for arranging the shifting of the services from the outdoor flagpole area to the main Fort Myer chapel.

Recognition is also due members of the Washington, D.C., JACL chapter who went all-out to make these commemorative services the outstanding and impressive success that they seem to have been.

Special thanks, too, go to Sen. Daniel Inouye for arranging a meeting with the President of the United States for a select delegation headed by Mrs. Nawa Munemori, and to Congressman Spark

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## Truman Recalls

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. — Former President Harry S. Truman, who greeted the 442nd Regimental Combat Team when it returned from Europe in 1946 at the White House, told the Pacific Citizen:

"I well remember the all-Nisei Regiment when they visited the White House and the great number of medals I was pleased to pin on them.

"I enjoyed that occasion very much. They were a fine looking body of men."

(The Pacific Citizen had asked for his comments in view of the tribute being paid last Sunday to the Nisei serving in World War II on the 20th anniversary of the activation of the 442nd RCT.)





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## President's Corner

### Nisei GIs Did Not Die in Vain

Following is the text of the brief remarks in tribute to the Nisei servicemen of World War II delivered Sunday at Arlington National Cemetery.

be raised unless our loyalty was demonstrated beyond all doubt and question on the battlefields against the enemies of our Nation even though the enemy might be of our own ancestry.

The decision of the War Department in January of 1943, to accept qualified Japanese Americans on a volunteer basis was followed by the organization of a special unit of the Army in which they could share in the fight against the enemy.

### 'Of the Mind and Heart'

The inherent right of every faithful citizen regardless of ancestry to bear arms was followed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt's statement which I quote, "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."

The War record of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, the 100th Infantry Battalion, Military Intelligence Service and those who served in Pacific Theater is a matter of record of which we are justly and extremely proud. It is a known fact that those who served, not only fought and won over the enemy, but also fought prejudice and bigotry and won.

It can be truly said that our Nisei war dead did not die in vain. The splendid respect and full acceptance of Americans of Japanese ancestry today can be credited without doubt to the unparalleled record of loyalty and gallantry of our Nisei War heroes. To those heroes who made the supreme sacrifice and to the thousands of Americans of Japanese ancestry who served so heroically in World War II we owe our humble thanks and gratitude. The Japanese American Citizens League takes this occasion to pay our tribute and homage by conducting this "Services in the Grove" here at Arlington National Cemetery.

We ask God's help in keeping alive the hope and belief that there was purpose and meaning in the cause for which our Japanese American soldiers died in World War II. If we truly believe this then their sacrifices were not then taken on a tour of the Capital in vain.

## Masaoka —

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M. Matsunaga for hosting a luncheon in the House of Representatives dining room on Monday. Not only the White House party but all of the Gold Star parents attending the services dined and were then taken on a tour of the Capital in vain.

## Sen. Fong Inserts Nisei WW2 Review in Congressional Record

(This is the second of a three-part installment of the "Fact Sheet" that was printed in the Congressional Record by Sen. M. M. Fong, who paid warm tribute to the Nisei military record of World War II. He is the first American of Asian descent to be elected to the U.S. Senate. The "Fact Sheet" was prepared by the JACL in connection with the special services held last Sunday at Arlington National Cemetery.—Editor.)

### 442nd RCT, 100th Bn. . .

The best known of Japanese American troops in World War II were the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, and the 100th Infantry Battalion, which was later integrated into the 442nd as its 1st Battalion, June 10, 1944, though retaining its identification as the 100th Battalion of the 442nd Infantry Regiment.

The 100th Infantry Battalion was organized as the Hawaiian Provisional Infantry Battalion on May 28, 1942, on orders of Gen. George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff. Its enlisted men and most of its officers were former members of Hawaiian National Guard units, which were inactivated after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

Immediately after the American victory at Midway, June 5, 1942, the Provisional Battalion left Hawaii for Camp McCoy, Wis. There it was redesignated as the 100th Infantry Battalion (Separate), or the One Puka Puka, and trained for infantry combat duties.

In early January 1943, the 100th was transferred to Camp Shelby, Miss., for further training. It left Camp Shelby on August 11, 1943, and on September 2 debarked at Oran, North Africa. There it was attached to the 34th Infantry Division.

### 100th Starts at Salerno

The 100th saw action in Italy beginning September 25, 1943, at Salerno, at Volturno, at the Rapido River, at Cassino, at Anzio beachhead, and on the breakthrough to Rome, prior to its integration into the 442nd.

In its rugged fighting through some of the more difficult battles of the early Italian campaign, the 100th earned its place in the military annals of our country, being given the identification of the "Purple Heart Battalion" because of its battle casualties.

Indeed, it suffered so many casualties that most of the 1st Battalion of the 442nd were used as replacements, so that when the 442nd was sent overseas in May 1944, it sailed minus its 1st Battalion.

Without detracting in any way from the unprecedented record of the 100th Battalion which was the first all-Nisei unit in American history, this is more the story of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, which was composed only of volunteers and was activated with special Presidential blessing.

### 'Go For Broke'

It is probably the only World War II outfit whose motto, "Go For Broke," meaning to "shoot the works" or "go all out," has become an accepted part of the English language.

It is said to be the only American unit of less than division strength to be cited by Winston Churchill on the floor of Britain's House of Commons and the only unit of regimental strength to be mentioned in General Marshall's war summation and to be honored with a special Presidential parade in Washington, where it received

personally from then President Harry S. Truman its seventh Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation, more than any other regiment in U.S. history.

It was featured in MGM's motion picture tribute "Go For Broke," which was released in 1951.

In testimony on numerous occasions before congressional committees, it has been described as "the most decorated unit in American military history for its size and length of service."

After the War Department and the President invited volunteers from among the Japanese Americans to enlist for combat duty early in 1943, within a week more than 10,000 eager Nisei in Hawaii volunteered.

### Volunteers from Camps

Though the response from the mainland was not nearly as enthusiastic, it was in some respects even more heartwarming, for most of these Japanese Americans had to volunteer from behind barbed wire fences of what might be referred to now as concentration camps, American style.

These volunteers—some 2,500 in number though only 1,300 qualified for the 442nd—had the courage and the vision to see beyond the watchtowers of the camps, into which the Army for which they were volunteering had sent their fathers, and mothers, and families, to the kind of country America had to be if it were to lead the world toward peace and freedom after the end of hostilities in World War II.

Because of Hawaii's response, its quota was doubled and on April 23, 1943, 2,888 volunteers from the Pacific Territory were received at Camp Shelby, where many of them had reunions with brothers, relatives, and friends in the 100th Battalion, then in final training there.

The 1,500 mainland volunteers struggled in until late summer in ones and twos from such relocation camps as Manzanar and Tule Lake in California, Poston and Gila River in Arizona, Topaz in Utah, Minidoka in Idaho, Heart Mountain in Wyoming, Granada in Colorado, and Rowher and Jerome in Arkansas.

### Units of 442d

The 442nd Regimental Combat Team was composed of the 442nd Infantry Regiment, the 322d Field Artillery Battalion, the 232d Combat Engineer Company, and the 266th Army Ground Forces Band. Most of the officers of the 442nd, especially in the beginning, were not of Japanese ancestry, though all of its enlisted personnel were. As might be expected, many of the enlisted volunteers won combat promotions in the field as commissioned officers, including now Senator Daniel Inouye.

It may be of incidental interest that the average military IQ of the 442nd was 119 per man, which was some 9 points higher than that required for office candidate school. But these Nisei had volunteered for combat, not for OCS.

Also of interest may be that five of the Masaoka boys volunteered for combat, more than any other known American family. One was killed, another is 100 per cent disabled. Four of the Sakura boys volunteered.

Altogether, nine of the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ginzo Nakada, now of Pasadena, have served in the War II, when two were in the Armed Forces—five during World War II, when two were in the 442nd, two in Military Intelligence, and one with the Office of Strategic Services.

On June 2, 1944, the 442nd landed in Italy. Eight days later, as previously noted, the 100th Infantry Battalion became its First Battalion, though retaining its special 100th Battalion identification in tribute to its own war record.

At dawn, June 26, 1943, north of Rome near the town of Suvereto, the 442nd was first committed to the attack. A few days later, it was involved in the fighting for Hill 140, the main German line of resistance before the Arno River.

The 442nd participated thereafter in battles for Belvedere, Lucina, Leghorn, the crossing of the Arno, the southern France invasion and northward thrust, Bruyeres, the rescue of the Lost Texas Battalion, the holding action in the Maritime Alps, and back to Italy for the final drive to victory—La Spezia, Massa, Carrara, and Genoa.

Incidentally, in the final 5th Army push, what started out as a diversionary attack became a full breakthrough when the 442nd smashed the anchor of the Gothic Line that had held up the Allied advance for 5 months in less than 5 days and hurried Victory in Italy.

Among the major infantry divisions to which the 442nd was attached in Italy and in France were the 34th "Red Bull" Infantry Division, the 36th Texas Infantry Division, and the 92d "Buffalo" Infantry Division. It was attached to the 5th Army in Italy and to the 7th Army in France.

### Rescue of 'Lost Battalion'

Probably the best known single action of the 442nd was its rescue of the Lost Texas Battalion, the First Battalion of the 141st "Alamo" Infantry Regiment of the 36th Texas Infantry Division, in the forests of the Vosges Mountains in northeastern France, near Bliffontaine and Bruyeres, on October 30, 1944.

According to the official history of the 36th Texas Division, "the Fighting 36th."

"The beleaguered force (1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment) held on. It was completely surrounded and heavily bombed by enemy artillery. Of a combat patrol of 40 men sent out to get through to our lines, only 5 returned. Lieutenant Blonder, to conserve his radio batteries, communicated with regiment only twice a day. For 3 more long days, the 100th and 3rd Battalions, 442nd, struggled along the trail. The Germans had to be dug out by bayonet."

"The crisis came on the 29th day when a furious counterattack by the Germans was beaten off by the 3rd Battalion, 442nd. Early next day, the Nisei broke through. The 211 survivors brave men, who had withstood a 7-day siege without food or water or little ammunition, had been rescued by their courageous comrades of the 442nd whose companies in many cases had shrunk to 40 or 50 men out of 200 men that started the rescue. No greater example of fortitude and courage was shown in the war."

In gratitude, the men of the 36th Division began a drive to have all members of the 442nd declared "Honorary Texans."

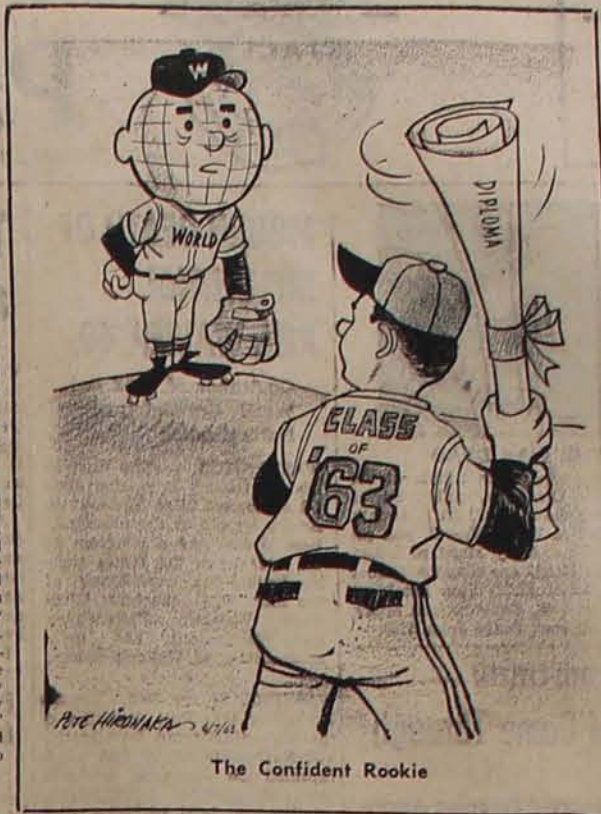
Also, in another unprecedented gesture, the 211 survivors purchased out of their own pockets a silver plaque and presented it to the 442nd. The inscription simply reads:

"To the 442nd Infantry Regiment: With deep appreciation and utmost (sic) appreciation for the gallant fight to effect our rescue after we had been isolated for 7 days: 1st Bn. 141st Infantry Regiment, Bliffontaine, France, from 29th to 30th, October 1944."

### Casualties Mount

Altogether, the records of the Selective Service System reveal that the 442nd Regimental Combat Team was involved in seven major campaigns—in Italy, in France, and in Italy again.

In these campaigns, it suffered 9,486 casualties, or more than 300 per cent of its original infantry strength, including more than 600



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killed in action. In terms of Purple Hearts, this means almost 9,500, including oak leaf clusters. Some men had Purple Hearts with three oak leaf clusters.

Among the 18,143 individual decorations for bravery were:

- 1—Congressional Medal of Honor
- 3—Distinguished Service Crosses
- 1—Distinguished Service Medal
- 28—Oak Leaf clusters to the Silver Star
- 56—Silver Stars
- 32—Legions of Merit
- 15—Soldiers' Medals
- 1,200—Oak Leaf clusters to the Bronze Star Medal (approx.)
- 4,000—Bronze Star Medals (approx.)
- 12—French Croix de Guerre
- 2—Palmes to the Croix de Guerre
- 2—Italian Medals for Military Valor

Among its unit honors were 7 Presidential Distinguished Unit Citations, 2 Meritorious Service Unit Plaques, 13 Army commendations, and 43 division commendations. But reserved most of all by the officers and men is the silver plaque presented by the survivors of the rescued Lost Texas Battalion.

### What Ernie Pyle Noted

Several correspondents, including Ernie Pyle, wrote that, though the men of the 442nd killed more than their share of Germans, it was particularly noteworthy that many of their personal bravery decorations were awarded for saving the lives of their comrades.

Typical of these awards is the Congressional Medal of Honor awarded posthumously to Pfc. Sadao S. Munemori, whose mother, Mrs. Nawa Munemori, now of Los Angeles and a naturalized American citizen, will be one of the guests of honor at the commemorative services. Incidentally, on October 31, 1947, the U.S. Army renamed its cargo ship, Wilson Victory, the U.S.S. Private Sadao S. Munemori, and converted it into a troop transport, the first and only U.S. vessel to be named after a Japanese American.

During the final Po Valley campaign in northern Italy in April 1945, this young Los Angeles native who had volunteered from the assistant squad leader in Company A, 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry

Regiment, took over command of his squad when his squad leader was wounded. Though his unit was pinned down by heavy machinegun fire and grenades from an enemy emplacement on a solid rock peak ahead, through direct fire and knocked out two machinegun nests with his own grenades. While withdrawing under murderous machinegun fire and grenade fire from other enemy emplacements, and at a time when he was near a protective shell crater, he dived on an unexploded grenade that had bounced off his helmet and smothered the blast with his own body. By making the supreme sacrifice, he saved at least the lives of two of his nearest comrades.

While there were hundreds of individual heroes in the 442nd, and the 100th for that matter too, their story is essentially one of dramatizing the group heroics and group loyalty of one nationality group in the United States—the Japanese Americans who, because of their "racial affinity," as the U.S. Supreme Court described it, were subjected to misjudgment and mistreatment such as has been visited on no other American minority in our history.

When then-President Truman affixed the 7th Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation to the colors of the 442nd, following a special Washington parade and Presidential review at the White House grounds, July 15, 1946, he declared: "It is a very great pleasure for me today to be able to put on the seventh Regimental Citation on your banner. You are to be congratulated on what you have done for this great country of ours. I think it was my predecessor who said that Americanism is not a matter of race or creed, it is a matter of the heart."

"You fought for the free nations of the world along with the rest of us. I congratulate you on that, and I can't tell you how much I appreciate the privilege of being able to show you just how much the United States of America thinks of what you have done."

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"Gratitude is the Memory of  
the Heart . . ."

Such inspirational phrases are  
handed during the free-wheeling  
carnal sessions of the bimonthly  
Detroit National JACL Convention  
Board meetings of late. And tempers  
flare, too, though joshingly.  
The tall for order rings loud and  
clear at these intimate meetings.

On the verge of being ludicrous  
on occasion, the maelstrom of  
rapid-fire interchange of ideas  
mixed with profound cogitating  
often reveals a real gem.

And these gems will be on dis-  
play at the 18th Biennial at the  
Sheraton-Cadillac on July 1-4, 1964.

Convention committees have  
been meeting as well on their own.  
There are subcommittees wrangle-  
ing, too. One connected with the

## 1000 Club Report

Last Half of May: There were  
57 new and renewal memberships  
in the 1000 Club for the last half  
of May. A grim situation is noted  
in the current standings of 1,541  
for May 31 as compared with  
1,610 as of April 30.

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da  
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Kato  
Seattle — Fujitaro Kubota  
Dayton — Mrs. Matilde Taguchi

## Calendar

June 7-9 — Scholarship Fund  
benefit movies, Kinnon Hall.  
June 8 (Saturday)  
Detroit — Japanese movies, Interna-  
tional Institute.  
West Los Angeles — Queen's Ball, Elks  
Club, Santa Monica.  
Puyallup Valley — Graduates banquet,  
The Farm, 6:30 p.m.  
Salt Lake City — Nat'l JACL Youth  
Commission.  
Dayton — Men's Night, Dr. M. Naka-  
uchi's res.  
June 9 (Sunday)  
Idaho Falls — JACL Picnic, Shelley  
HS grounds.  
June 11 (Tuesday)  
Santa Barbara — Chapter meeting.  
June 12 (Thursday)  
Fowler — Dinner meeting, Bruce Lodge  
7 p.m.; Dr. Emma Hatayama, spkr.,  
"Heart Disease and Strokes."  
June 13 (Friday)  
Mid-Columbia — Graduates dinner,  
WyEast High School.  
D.C. — Scholarship Fund talent show,  
Leland Jr. High, 4th and Elm Sts.,  
Chevy Chase, Md., 8 p.m.  
Sonoma County — Graduates dinner-  
dance, Emmerich Memorial Hall, 8:30  
p.m.  
Southwest L.A. — Queen's Ball,  
Hollywood Women's Club, 1747 N.  
LaBrea.  
Mile-Hi — Graduates dinner-dance,  
Premiere Motel.  
Detroit — Spring Dance, Veterans  
Memorial Bldg.  
Boise Valley — Graduates dinner-dance,  
Eagle Hall.  
Contra Costa — Japan Night, Richmond  
Memorial Youth Center, 8 p.m.  
June 14 (Saturday)  
Pocatello — JACL picnic, Blackfoot  
Fairgrounds, 10 a.m.  
San Mateo — Community picnic, Co-  
yolet Pt. Campus, 10:30 a.m.  
June 22 (Saturday)  
Chicago — Graduates dinner-dance, No.  
Park Hotel.  
San Francisco — NC-WNDYC Bowling  
tournament, coronation ball, Down-  
town Bowl, 11 a.m.; The Village,  
8 p.m.  
Seattle — 1000 Club whirling d'ne, Ed-  
gewater Inn, Pier 37, 7 p.m.  
June 23 (Sunday)  
San Francisco — Community picnic,  
Sawdust Meadows, Golden Gate  
Park.  
Detroit — Community picnic.  
June 29-30  
Chicago — JACL Talent Show,  
Olivet Institute.  
June 30 (Sunday)  
Chicago — 1000 Club golf tournament.  
Santa Barbara — JACL picnic.  
Eden Township — Picnic, Lake Tem-  
escal.  
Resburg — JACL picnic, Resburg  
Park.  
July 3-4  
San Jose — Benefit movies, Okita  
Hall.  
July 4 (Saturday)  
Detroit — Japanese movies, Interna-  
tional Institute.  
July 7 (Sunday)  
Pasadena — Benefit movie.  
Oakland — NC-WNDYC executive bd.  
meeting.

## Mile-Hi, Ft. Lupton welcome Miyamura

DENVER—Hershey Miyamura of  
Gallup, N.M. and Mr. and Mrs.  
K. Patrick Okura of Omaha were  
special guests on May 30 at a  
joint meeting of the Ft. Lupton  
JACL and Mile-Hi JACL at the  
Akebono.

William Hosokawa served as  
toastmaster, and president Tom  
Koshio of the Ft. Lupton JACL  
and Hill Kuroki of the Mile-Hi  
JACL extended greetings on behalf  
of their respective chapters.

Medal of Honor winner Miyamu-  
ra spoke briefly, recalling that it  
was nine years since he and his  
wife, Terry, were guests of the  
Mountain-Plains JACL district con-  
vention here in 1954. This year,  
he was guest of Cathay Post 185.

Okura, as National JACL Presi-  
dent, spoke briefly concerning the  
national JACL programs and the  
Jesse H. Rousey project. In addition  
to annual efforts to keep up mem-  
berships, finances and 1000 Club,  
Okura urged chapters to carry on  
an active program of local activi-  
ties, in order to make JACL mean-  
ingful on the chapter level.

Fifty JACLers, including 10 from  
Ft. Lupton JACL, attended the din-  
ner meeting.

## To form Jr. JACL at Santa Barbara

SANTA BARBARA — It appears  
the Pacific Southwest District  
Council has a Jr. JACL in the  
making with the appointment of  
Amy Hirata and Barbara Fuku-  
zawa as co-chairmen for Santa  
Barbara JACL president George  
Ohashi recently.

Others serving on the committee  
to organize a Jr. JACL (for youth  
under 21 years of age) include:  
Florence Tsunoda, Akira Yamada,  
Ethel Sumida, Mary Nishimoto, Tokio  
Yoneda, Harumi Yamada, Jean Mori,  
Frank Mori, Heiko Uyeasaka, Ken Ku-  
romori, Bernice Ohashi and Jean Uye-  
asaka.

Other appointments are:  
Ray Kikimoto, memb.; Tom Hira-  
shima, 1000 Club; Mike Hide, pub.

The board also approved the fol-  
lowing calendar of events:

June 30—JACL picnic, Richard To-  
kumaru, chmn.; Sept. 1—Fishing  
derby, John Suzuki, chmn.; Oct. 26—Last  
recognition dinner, Harold Sumida,  
chmn.; Nov. 4—Elections, Jerry Ka-  
wano, chmn.; Dec. 28—Installation din-  
ner-dance, JACL and Jr. JACL, Miy-  
ota, chmn. Dates pending: golf  
tournament, Dr. Yoshio Nakaji, chmn.;  
bowling tournament.

## June 2 rites —

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Among the 300 who attended was  
Mrs. Nawa Munemori of Los An-  
geles, mother of Pvt. Sadao S.  
Munemori, posthumous winner of  
the Congressional Medal of Honor  
for gallantry in action during the  
Italian campaign of 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Nakashima, who  
journeyed from their farm in  
Pocatello, stood in the driving rain  
before the graves of their two  
sons, Raito and Wataru, who are  
buried side by side. Raito was  
killed in action in Italy; his  
brother, a veteran of the Italian  
campaign, died later in Switzer-  
land.

Mrs. Ira Shimazaki of Bethesda,  
Md., visited the site where her  
brother, Lloyd Onoye, lies buried.  
She remembered him when Lloyd  
joined up from the Poston (Ariz.)  
Relocation Camp in 1943 when the  
all-Nisei combat team idea was  
given the go-ahead by President  
Roosevelt.

## Tajiri —

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Others from the cast of the three  
shows, along with the others which  
played Broadway during the same  
period five seasons ago, have been  
appearing on television, both in  
New York and from Hollywood.  
Much of the credit for the open-  
ing of show business doors to so  
many Japanese Americans must  
go to the late Oscar Hammerstein  
and to Richard Rodgers for their  
insistence on casting the major  
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players of Oriental descent.

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## Chapter Call Board

### Mid-Columbia JACL

To Honor Grad: Mid-Columbia  
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at a prime-rib dinner catered from  
H & V Cafe, operated by Harlan  
Shank, a 1000er, according to Har-  
ry Inukai and Taylor Tomita,  
chapter social chairmen. WyEast  
vice principal Charles Bowe, Jr.,  
will be guest speaker.

Graduates this year being hon-  
ored include:

Tom Yasui, the astronaut calling  
president of the WyEast Student  
Body; Gary Morioka, student body  
president of The Dallas High School;  
Carol Takahashi, Washington State  
College; Nancy Hirata, Nancy Koba-  
yashi, Shirley Edow, all WyEast,  
and Karen Teubota of Rufus.

Admission will be \$2.50 and chil-  
dren of members and the high  
school set will be admitted for  
\$1.25. Entertainment and dancing  
will follow.

### Fowler JACL

Heart Disease: Dr. Emma Y.  
Hatayama of Del Rey and Fresno  
will be guest speaker at the  
Fowler JACL dinner meeting June  
13, 7 p.m., at Bruce's Lodge. She  
will speak on "Heart Disease and  
Strokes". Reservations are being  
accepted by Haruo Yoshimoto.

Youth Baseball: The chapter is  
organizing two baseball teams for  
boys, 13 to 18 years of age, with  
Thomas Toyama and Bill Hashi-  
moto as managers. Fifty dollars  
has been appropriated for pur-  
chase of equipment. At least 21  
players have reported.

### San Mateo JACL

Community Picnic: Local mer-  
chants are contributing prizes to  
be given away at the San Mateo  
JACL community picnic on June  
16 at the Coyote Point campus of  
the College of San Mateo. The San  
Mateo Buddhist Church, Sturge  
Presbyterian Church and the Gar-  
deners are co-sponsors.

Ted Imura and Roy Kato, co-  
chairmen, are being assisted by:  
Kaz Kunitani, games; Roy Kato, tic-  
kets; Art Shoji, donations; George  
Sutow, fin.; Ralph Lewis, spkr.;  
Ky Yamaguchi, ref.; Shige Mori, Tom  
Takayama, sound; Fred Inouye, clean-  
up.

## Memorial—

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John Y. Tanaka; Mrs. Haru Futama-  
da of Pueblo, mother of George Futama-  
da; Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Watada of Ft.  
Lupton, Colo., parents of Ryuchi Wa-  
tada; and Mrs. Helen Yamamoto of  
Denver, sister of Jero Kanetomi.

Three Japanese churches of Den-  
ver cooperated in the religious  
dedication of the monument, in-  
cluding:

Rev. Yoshitaka Tamai and Rev. No-  
boru Tsunoda, Tri-State Buddhist  
Church; Rev. Jonathan Fujita, Simp-  
son Methodist Church; and Elder Al-  
fred Okohira, Japanese Seventh Day  
Adventist Church.

Major General Joseph C. Mof-  
fitt, Adjutant General of Colorado,  
delivered the principal address.

Greetings were extended by  
Thomas K. Hikida as the new  
Cathay Post commander, and  
George Y. Inai represented the  
Colorado Japanese Assn.

Alfred Miyagishima, retiring  
commander of Cathay Post, under  
whose administration the project  
was successfully concluded, made  
acknowledgments on behalf of  
Cathay Post. Steve Ando and Alan  
Nitta sounded "Taps".

Floyd Tanaka, a combat vet-  
eran, and an architect, designed  
the simple but impressive Nisei  
War Memorial.

In addition to the costs of  
construction, the Cathay Post War  
Memorial committee reported that  
the goal of \$20,000 was surpassed  
so that there is now a permanent  
scholarship fund for AJAs of this  
region to grant 200 annual schol-  
arships as a living memorial in  
memory of the Nisei War Dead.

Arai and Noguchi thanked the  
thousands of individuals and or-  
ganizations, including the JACL,  
for their whole-hearted support  
and cooperation in making the  
Rocky Mountain Nisei War Dead  
Memorial a reality.

### San Francisco JACL

Scholarship Fund: Two Dai-  
color films, "Katal no Jijyo" and  
"Kiri" (chambara), are being  
shown this weekend at Kinnon  
Hall for the fifth annual San Fran-  
cisco JACL scholarship fund. There  
are single runs at 6:30 tonight and  
tomorrow, three runs on Sunday  
at 2, 5 and 8 p.m.

### Idaho Falls JACL

Picnic Date: The annual Idaho  
Falls JACL picnic will be held  
this Sunday at the Shelley High  
School grounds from 10 a.m. Pro-  
ceeds of the special picnic benefit  
will go toward the chapter's quota  
for the History Project. On the  
committee are:

Joe Inouye, grounds; Frank Ueda,  
Martha Sakaguchi, program; Ausi-  
lary prizes; JAYs, concessions; George  
Nakaya, George Tokita, property; Sam  
Yamamoto, Bud Sakaguchi, Tucker Mo-  
rinishi, Irene Sato, May Ogawa, tic-  
kets; George Kobayashi, Sam Tanaka,  
Ky Nii, Jun Nakaya, Shige Nii, starters;  
Lee Date, Todd Ogawa, Katsuo Hon-  
da, Tom Haga, Rick Tokita, Bonnie  
Harada, Shigeichi Sato, Frank Iwata,  
Taka Watanabe, Frank Nagashima, Jun  
Nakaya, judges; Sam Sakaguchi, Fred  
Ochi, Joe Nishimoto, Danny Ki-  
shiyama, Peggy Haga, Kent Watanabe,  
Ronnie Morishita, and Larry Glanet-  
ter. Fifth graders: Jeanette Harada;  
Bonneville High—Kathy Iwata, Sarah  
Nakaya, Aki Tokita, Aloye Haga,  
donations.

### Washington, D.C. JACL

Talent Show: To raise funds for  
the Washington, D.C., JACL schol-  
arship, the chapter is presenting  
a talent show at Leland Jr. High  
School, 44th and Elm Sts., Chevy  
Chase, Md., from 8 p.m. Mrs.  
Mary Lou Yoshino, chairman,  
promised an enjoyable evening.  
Among the performers will be  
Mrs. Yukiko Takashima, vocalist  
who sang two Japanese numbers  
at the EDC banquet here last  
Saturday. Judge John Alo of Los  
Angeles, who was main speaker  
at the banquet, paid high compli-  
ments to this Japanese soprano.

### Sacramento JACL

Community Picnic: Local  
church, civic and youth groups are  
assisting Sacramento JACL stage  
its community picnic this Sunday  
at Elk Grove Park. Opening flag  
ceremonies at 10 a.m. will com-  
memorate the 20th anniversary of  
the founding of the 442nd RCT,  
according to Frank Hiyma, gen-  
eral chairman.

## JACL CREDIT UNION'S THRIFT-SHARE POPULAR

SALT LAKE CITY. — Since the  
inception of the "thrift-share  
savings" program by the Na-  
tional JACL Credit Union, a total  
of \$111,504 has been deposited as  
of May 27, according to credit  
union treasurer Hito Okada.

Popularity of this program  
must be credited to the U.S.  
savings bonds being offered, the  
winners of which are to be se-  
lected at the June 27 meeting.

The board of directors, at its  
May meeting, declared that if  
any of the bonds are not claimed  
by July 20, another drawing will  
be made for the unclaimed bond  
or bonds. It was also decided  
that there will be allowed only  
one bond to a family.

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## State senator gives advice to graduates

IDAHO FALLS. — State Sen. Tony  
Naegle (R., Bonneville County)  
urged the graduates being honored  
at the Idaho Falls JACL dinner  
last week "to accept responsi-  
bility" and "be humble enough to  
start at the bottom".

The chapter honored 15 high  
school graduates at a dinner May  
29 at Ada's Cafe.

Sen. Naegle said, "Things we  
call our own cannot be acquired  
without working for it or paying  
the price: make it your own by  
earning it through hard work,  
study and diligence."

"Do not lose sight of the real  
values; take your moral values  
highly; hold simple virtues."

"Do not take your great heritage  
for granted—it came to you be-  
cause your parents established their  
integrity through honesty, hard  
work and good character. Follow  
their example," Naegle advised.

The 15 graduates honored were:  
Idaho Falls High—Kay Kobayashi,  
Sue Sakaguchi, Janie Kuwana, Mi-  
chelle Fook, Jan Honda, Danny Ki-  
shiyama, Peggy Haga, Kent Watanabe,  
Ronnie Morishita, and Larry Glanet-  
ter. Fifth graders: Jeanette Harada;  
Bonneville High—Kathy Iwata, Sarah  
Nakaya, Ben Furukawa, and Gary Na-  
gashima.

Dinner opened with greetings  
from Sach Mikami, chapter pres-  
ident. Mrs. Fred Ochi, member of  
the Idaho Advisory Committee to  
the U.S. Civil Rights Commission,  
cautioned youth to watch their ac-  
tions at all times. "We will all  
share in your triumphs and trials,"  
she said.

Fred Ochi served as master of  
ceremonies. There were 75 mem-  
bers attending. Each graduate was  
given a gift from the chapter.

**Sacramento JACL:** Ace Tsutomi,  
Fuji, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony  
Fuji, was named 1963 Sacramento  
JACL scholarship winner. He  
ranked second in a class of 685  
at McClatchy High.

The chapter, which administers  
the Roy Kurosawa Memorial schol-  
arship and the Sacramento Gar-  
deners Assn. award, named Setuo  
Masuda of Hiram Johnson High  
and Gilbert Yamamoto of Sacra-  
mento High, respectively, as re-  
cipients.

On the chapter scholarship com-  
mittee were:  
Dr. and Mrs. George Takahashi, Hen-  
ry Taketa, Mrs. May Shirai, Mr. and  
Mrs. Frank Hiyma and Dick Uno  
(asst. supt. West Sacramento school  
district and principal, Arlington Oak  
school).

**Tri-Chapter Fete:** Salt Lake and  
Mt. Olympus JACL chapters an-  
nounced their scholarship winners  
at the tri-utah JACL graduates  
dance held May 25 at the Terrace  
Ballroom.

Gary Nakao, son of Mrs. Dorcas  
Nakao, of Bountiful High received  
the \$200 Salt Lake scholarship.

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