



Leis Greet Masaokas in Hawaii



HONOLULU, T. H.—Mike Masaoka, former director of the JACL-ADC, and his wife, Etsu, were greeted with Hawaii's traditional leis of welcome upon their arrival here Sept. 12 for a ten-day vacation in the islands.

Among the party greeting the Masaokas were

Matsuo Takabuki, left, former president of the 442nd Veterans Club; Tokuyoshi Awamura, center, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Honolulu; and Peter H. Fukunaga, right, former president of the Chamber.

Photo courtesy of Don Nagano.

JACL Will Push Statehood For Hawaii, Says Masaoka

HONOLULU, T. H.—The Japanese American Citizens League will push statehood for Hawaii as one of its major objectives, now that citizenship for the Issei has been won.

So said Mike Masaoka, former director of the JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee, upon his arrival in this city Sept. 12.

Masaoka was accompanied by his wife, Etsu, and will spend 10 days on the islands as a guest of five Japanese organizations, who arranged the trip in appreciation for their efforts in winning Issei naturalization rights.

TEN NISEI WIN SCHOLARSHIPS AT COAST SCHOOL

LOS ANGELES—Ten Nisei were listed this week among 222 UCLA students who have been awarded scholarships for the 1952-53 academic year.

Among those receiving the awards were:

Beverly Nakashima, Long Beach; Harumi Befu, Robert Middo, Torrance; Ichiro Furuta, Tsutomu Morihiro, West Shinmachi, Los Angeles; Kazuko Fujita, Norwalk; Ruth Takekuma, Pomona; Chizuko Omori, San Luis Rey; and Susumu Uyeda, Santa Ana.

Salt Lake Girl Wins Utah Wool Fashion Award

Haruko Terasawa of Salt Lake City won one of two top spots in the heavily contested "Make It Yourself With Wool" fashion show on Sept. 17 at the Utah State Fair.

Miss Terasawa, 20, is a senior in home economics and education at the University of Utah and a daughter of Mrs. K. Terasawa. She took first place in the senior division of the contest with a tailored suit.

Nisei From Hawaii Will Be American Delegate to UN Conference of Youth Leaders

HONOLULU — America's sole representative to a United Nations conference of youth leaders next month will be a Nisei from Hawaii.

Governor Oren E. Long last week sent the State Department the names of three Honolulu men and one woman, one of whom will go to the youth conference.

The four, all Nisei, were chosen by a special committee in Hawaii at the request of the Interior and State Departments

which decided last August that they wanted the U. S. delegate to the conference to come from Hawaii.

The four are Makiko Ichiyasu, 40, group work supervisor at Palama Settlement; Masao Isobe, 33, boys' and young men's secretary at the Nuuanu YMCA; James S. Miyake, 31, counselor of the Bureau of Testing and Guidance and adviser to foreign students at the University of Hawaii, and Francis S. Okita, 40, executive secretary of the Community Youth Committee of Honolulu and the Oahu Youth Council.

Miss Ichiyasu, a graduate of Mills College, is a native of Oakland, Calif.

Mr. Isobe was born in San Francisco and is a graduate of the University of California.

Mr. Miyake, a native of Kauai, received his master's degree in education at Springfield College in Massachusetts and has been in youth work in Hawaii and on the mainland.

Mr. Okita, born in Honolulu, graduated from Lewis and Clark College in Portland.

No site has been selected for the UN youth conference, but it is to include a training course for youth leaders from 13 South Asia and South Pacific countries as well as the U. S., France, The Netherlands and Great Britain.

It will run from Oct. 7 through Oct. 28.

The committee which selected the four Nisei included local members of the Fulbright Committee, a UN-sponsored organization which selects exchange professors and scholars, plus five others named by Governor Long.

Killed in Accident

WEST LOS ANGELES—Hideharu Kawabata, 10, was killed on Sept. 11 when the bicycle he was riding collided with a truck on Centinela Blvd.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Yasujiro Kawabata.

ed to end his chances of regaining his birthright.

The American consul suggested that he come to the United States as a non-quota immigrant and institute naturalization procedure. The consul gave as his authority his interpretation of provision 317C of the Naturalization Act of 1940.

This provides that a dual citizen who has lost his American citizenship may regain it through the process of naturalization. Another section of this act declares that this may be done without discrimination because of race.

Nisei Veterans Win Support in Drive To Beautify Memorial

HONOLULU—The 442nd Veterans Club this week received the unanimous support of the Pacific War Memorial Commission in their drive to refurbish the World War II memorial in Honolulu.

The club members last week asked Governor Oren E. Long for a legislative appropriation large enough to cover the cost of painting the memorial and installing floodlights for night use.

They asked the support of the Pacific War Memorial Commission through George T. Miki, a 442nd club member and secretary of the commission.

The commission voted to support the 442nd club's request at its next meeting.

Los Angeles Nisei Attorney Named Court Commissioner

LOS ANGELES—John F. Aiso, 42, who attained the highest military rank among Nisei in the United States armed forces during World War II, last week was appointed a commissioner of the Superior Court in Los Angeles.

The appointment to the \$9,240-a-year post, equivalent to an assistant judgeship and considered a stepping stone to the Superior Court bench, was made by majority vote of the judges of the court and placed Aiso in the highest governmental post ever reached by a person of Japanese ancestry in California.

Born in Burbank, Calif., Aiso is a graduate of Hollywood High School, Brown University and the Harvard School of Law. He first practiced law in New York City and then worked in Tokyo and in Manchuria as general counsel for subsidiaries of the British-American Tobacco Co.

Returning to the United States in 1940, he took a refresher course at the University of Southern California School of Law and was

admitted to practice in California in 1941.

In April of that year he was drafted into the Army as a private. He used his legal training, however, to defend a fellow soldier in a court case.

Shortly before the attack on Pearl Harbor, Aiso helped organize the Army's first military intelligence training courses in the Japanese language at the Presidio in San Francisco.

He later became the head of the Military Intelligence Service Language School when it was moved to Camp Savage, Minn., and later to Fort Snelling.

In 1946 he was assigned to Gen. MacArthur's staff for military occupation duty and was a lieutenant-colonel when he returned to civilian life in 1947.

Aiso resides in Los Angeles with his wife, Sumi, and two children.

He is an elder and director of the Hollywood Beverly Christian Church and is active in veterans affairs. In recent months he has practiced law in partnership with Frank F. Chuman and David McKibben.

Anti-JACL Attacks Will Be Discussed at District Parley

LOS ANGELES — A quarterly meeting of the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council will be held on Sunday, Sept. 28, it was announced this week by Tut Yata, PSWDC chairman.

Hosting the meeting will be the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL, and Mas Narita, president. The meeting, to begin at 1 p.m., will be held at the Harbor District Community Center at 2391 Judson Street in Long Beach.

The meeting will be in the nature of an emergency meeting, Yata said, since a number of vital problems will be discussed.

Mike Masaoka, former ADC director, will attend.

Emergency problems to be dis-

cussed include methods of dealing with anti-JACL activities recently incited in Southern California, where fund drives and other JACL programs have been seriously hampered.

Also under discussion will be the future of the JACL regional office. A plan for converting the financial basis of the office will be proposed.

JACL finances, including JACL, ADC and endowment fund programs, will be taken under advisement.

The agenda also includes discussion of the National Testimonial banquet on Dec. 6, the Kika Orei drive, the JACL Reporter and moving of JACL national headquarters.

New Immigration Act Expands Statutory Definition of "Child"

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Definition of a "child," for immigration purposes, has been expanded under the new Immigration and Nationality Act to include a "step-child," declared the Washington Office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee on Sept. 9.

The term "child" is applied by the Act to any unmarried person, under 21 years of age, who is a "legitimate" child, a stepchild, or "legitimized" child. The act, however, expressly excludes an "adopted" child from this category.

The Congress, fearful that a "racket" may develop if "adopted" children are allowed too easily into the country, has reserved to itself the right to review every instance of an "adopted" child being brought into the United States. As in the past, an "adopted" child may be brought in only under a private bill.

The expansion of the term "child" to include both a "step-child" and a "legitimized" child is a liberalization over the old law, which contained no specific provisions for these two classes of children.

This liberalization follows the general intent of the new Immigration and Nationality Act to preserve the family unit, stated the Washington JACL ADC Office.

The children of an American citizen parent are permitted to enter the United States quota free under the new Act.

It is expected that much of the flow of Japanese nationals, who will be entering the United States as a result of the Immigration and Nationality Act, will be composed of children of American citizens.

Veteran of 100th Named to Honolulu City Legal Staff

HONOLULU — A former Army captain of the famous 100th Infantry Battalion was appointed assistant public prosecutor for the City and County of Honolulu recently.

He is 35-year old Spark M. Matsunaga, a Purple Heart veteran who is recalled for his fervent plea for Hawaiian statehood before a Senate Committee in 1950.

Matsunaga attended the University of Hawaii and received his

Central California Chapters to Hold Fall Conference

FOWLER, Calif. — The Central California JACL district council will sponsor a fall conference early in November under the chairmanship of Hiro Mayeda of Tulare County.

The conference will be a one-day affair this year.

Plans for the affair are in the hands of the following JACL chapters: Kingsburg, reception; Delano, registration; Fresno, general arrangements; Parlier, banquet; Sanger, bowling; Fowler, entertainment; Selma, program; Reedley, dance.

Ethel Otomo is in charge of invitations, while Thomas Toyama will handle publicity.

Two California Nisei to Attend Buddhist Meet

FRESNO, Calif. — Dr. Kikuo Taira of Fresno and Manabu Fukuda of Clovis have been chosen to attend the second World Buddhist Conference in Japan from Sept. 25 to Oct. 13.

The conference will open in Tokyo and will continue in Nagoya, Kyoto, Nara, Osaka, Kobe and Hiroshima.

Dr. Taira and Fukuda will represent the Buddhist Churches of America as official delegates and will leave San Francisco on Sept. 20 by plane. They will return during the first part of November.

Mrs. Taira will accompany her husband.

Dr. Taira is the vice-chairman of the Buddhist Churches of America and a leader in the Buddhist youth movement. Fukuda is a past president of the National Young Buddhist Coordinating Council and a member of the board of directors of the Buddhist Churches of America.

Representatives from 28 countries will attend the conference.

law degree from Harvard Law School.

Organize Northern California Committee for JACL Campaign

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — Representatives of the JACL, JACL-ADC, and the Kikaken Kisei Domei met on Sept. 16 at the JACL regional office to plan for the creation of a Northern California JACL Endowment Fund committee.

The following were elected to the Northern California JACL Endowment Fund cabinet: Keisaburo Koda and Masuji Fujii, co-chairmen; Shichisaburo Hideshima and Susumu Togasaki, treasurers; Haruo Ishimaru, secretary; and members at large: (Issei) Kihei Ikeda, Nobuta Akahoshi, Mosaburo Shinoda, Motoji Kitano and (Nisei) William Enomoto, Bob Takahashi, Giichi Yoshioka and George Nishita.

Board members (excluding those on cabinet) are: (Issei) I. Motoki, A. Sugawara—San Francisco; S. Hayashino, S. Ishimaru, S. Motoike—Stockton; K. Yamamoto, S. Mozaka—Berkeley; S. Onishi, K. Ogura, K. Mineta, S. Takeda, H. Inouye—San Jose; N. Akahoshi—Oakland; I. Rikimaru—Redwood City; A. Okado—Palo Alto; I. Takahama—San Mateo; E. Yamamoto—Petaluma; G. Aoki, M. Itano, T. Nakatani—Sacramento; M. Kotani, T. Kitagawa—Marysville; K. Nodohara, K. Sasaki—Placer County; Y. Nakagawa, J. Hiramoto—Lodi; T. Inouye, T. Otani—Flarin; C. Sakaguchi, T. Konno—Turlock, Livingston; M. Nakamoto, S. Nishida—San Benito; E. Fukuba, Dr. H. Ito, Fred Nitta—Watsonville; M. Abe, K. Yamashita, E. Ikeda—Salinas; T. Watanabe, Y. Manaka—Monterey; N. Mikami—Alameda; Y. Oshima, T. Nabeta—Richmond; T. Onishi—Cupertino; S. Kanagawa, B. Shintaku, S. Yoshiwara—Walnut Grove; T. Obata, K. Hirasaki—Gilroy; T. Furuichi—Mt. View; A. Tsugawa—Suisun; I. Oshima, H. Takeuchi—Reno.

(Nisei) Haruo Imura, Dr. Roland Kadonaga—Alameda; Tad Masakawa—Eastbay; Fred Hoshiyama—San Francisco; Harry Higaki, Hi

Inouye—Sequoia; Bob Sugishita, Shiro Mori—San Mateo; Akira Shimoguchi, Shig Masunaga—San Jose; Ed Matsuura, Tom Shimonish—San Benito; Tom Miyahara, Dr. Harry Kita—Salinas; Ken Sato, Kay Nobusada—Monterey; Bill Mine, Bill Fukuba—Watsonville; Tom Nakashima, Dave Kiriha—Livingston-Merced; George Yuge, Jack Noda—Cortez; Hiro Morita, Joe Omachi, Jack Matsumoto—Stockton; Hiro Shinmoto—French Camp; Sam Tsukamoto, Al Tsukamoto—Flarin; Ginji Mizutani, Bill Matsumoto, Henry Taketa—Sacramento; Tom Yego, Homer Takahashi—Placer County; Fred Aoyama, Oscar Fujii—Reno; Mas Oji, Frank Nakamura—Marysville; James Miyano, Min Matsuda—Sonoma County; Kiyoshi Kato, Katsumi Shikano—Southern Alameda County; Toichi Domoto, Dr. Keichi Shimizu—Eden Township.

Masuji Fujii, chairman of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council, stated that the purpose of the JACL Endowment Fund is to prepare a financial reservoir to continue the work of the JACL toward the goal of full equality for all Japanese Americans. Many states, including the state of California, still have discriminatory laws against persons of Japanese ancestry, it was pointed out. The money collected for the Endowment Fund will be placed in a trust fund through a reliable bank.

The primary goal of the fund at the present time is to solicit contributions from persons who have received evacuation claims awards. It was pointed out by Bill Enomoto, National JACL-ADC Treasurer, that the payment of evacuation claims can be credited directly to the efforts of the JACL and its work in Washington, D.C.

All contributions to the JACL Endowment Fund may be sent care of the Northern California JACL regional office, 2031 Bush Street, San Francisco.

Brief Case Burglar Admits Looting 80 Homes of Nisei

CHICAGO — The "brief case" burglar who broke into and looted the homes of more than 80 Japanese American families in Chicago was caught on Sept. 14 by police.

He is Morris B. Washington, Jr., 21, who spent more than \$60 a day to satisfy his craving for narcotics and became one of the most-sought criminals in Chicago.

Washington admitted breaking into the home of 80 families of Japanese ancestry as well as into scores of other homes.

The suspect was arrested by police officers who saw him cutting in and out of traffic in his automobile. In the back seat, the detectives found several radios and other loot which Washington said he was trying to sell to get money for his day's supply of heroin.

The detectives described Washington as one of the cleverest thieves ever to operate in Chicago.

They said Washington, who committed most of his burglaries in the Hyde Park district, always carried a brief case, in which he kept burglar tools, plus devices he used to allay suspicion when he was surprised breaking into a place.

Several times, neighbors of his victims found him at work jimmying doors. Realizing he was observed, Washington would take a card from his brief case and tack it to the door. The card read: "Television repairman, will return tomorrow."

He would then ask the person who discovered him to inform the neighbor he would be back the following day.

Police said Washington carried a tape measure in his pocket. If he was seen forcing a door, he might pose as a construction worker and use the tape to measure the door and nearby walls. His many ruses never failed to work, the detectives related.

Washington told police he served in the Pacific area in an army battalion including many soldiers of Japanese extraction. He said he became friendly with the Nisei and learned of their private lives. He said he even learned to speak Japanese.

He said he discovered that most Japanese American families kept their valuables and money in their homes instead of in banks. About a year ago, he said, he obtained a guide book listing the names and addresses of persons of Japanese ancestry living in Chicago. From the book, which police found in his room, he selected his victims.

Washington said he always parked his automobile several blocks from a home he intended to burglarize. After breaking into the home, he said, he would pile his loot on the back porch, would drive his car into the alley, and would load it with the larger items, such as radios and television sets.

Because he needed so much money for drugs, he said, he had to execute a burglary every day.

Atom-Blasted City Needs Help, Says Nisei from Hiroshima

PORTLAND, Ore.—Makoto Iwashita, a Nisei who served four years in Hiroshima as an employee of the U.S. Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission, returned home recently and reported that the city which the atom bomb made desolate in 1945 now would like to attract American and other industry to help restore its economy.

Hiroshima must restore economy, according to Makoto Iwashita, who has spent more than four years there as an atomic energy commission employee.

The city that was the target of the first A-bomb, has numerous attractions to offer. Among them are a good port, a "new" city of 350,000 to 400,000 people with modern buildings and wide streets, and a plentiful supply of cheap labor. Iwashita, a Portland visitor, said Thursday.

Iwashita, who since March of 1948 has been business manager at Hiroshima for the atomic bomb casualty commission, the field agent organization for the National Research council, is a native Portlander, home to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Yenzo Iwashita, 4611 N. Kirby avenue.

He was a student at the University of Oregon when Japan and the United States went to war, continued his education at Denver University after the relocation of Nisei and Japanese nationals, then went to New York University, where he was graduated in 1945.

"Hiroshima formerly was a general headquarters of the Japanese army. Most of its business and employment were supported by the army. Now, there is no large-scale industry and there is much unemployment.

"That is why we now need outside help at Hiroshima. The people there are very friendly and cooperative, and there is no resentment toward Americans," said Iwashita.

The city has an active chamber of commerce and junior chamber which are interested in attracting industry, he said. It is the center of needle manufacturing in Japan, which is one of its principle industries.

Hiroshima has been almost completely restored from the devastation of the A-bomb, and virtually all trace of the destruction has been removed. An exposition building has been preserved as a perpetual shrine to remind the world of the horrors of war and Hiroshima has assumed the role of the "city of peace." It stages a festival, with the slogan, "No More Hiroshima," each year on August 6, anniversary of the bomb, Iwashita related.

"We were told there would never again be any vegetation at Hiroshima, but it is quite green now.

It also was thought the effects of the bomb would make people sterile, but now we have so many babies we have a hard time keeping up with our examinations of them. The birth rate probably is equal, if not greater, than that of other Japanese cities," he said.

The medical research program of the atomic bomb casualty commission, which maintains a staff of 800 to 900 persons, mostly Japanese, at Hiroshima, and a smaller unit at Nagasaki, is financed by the atomic energy commission and is operated jointly with the Japanese national institute of health. It has been operating five years.

A census group has enumerated persons who were living in Hiroshima when the atomic bomb was dropped there. Records of a large number indicate how near they were to the center of the explosion. For comparison in research a "control" group of persons who were not in the city when it was bombed also is maintained.

The research program conducts thousands of examinations at outpatient clinics and is expected to continue for years to determine long-range effects of the bomb, Iwashita said.

He is back in Portland to visit for a month or so and plans to return to Hiroshima on expiration of his leave, he said.

Japanese War Brides Learn Basic English at Army Post

FORT LEWIS, Wash.—A number of Japanese war brides are among 43 students in a special course in basic English for foreign wives of American soldiers.

The war wives come from seven nations—Japan, China, Korea, Germany, Spain, Austria and Greece. The young brides are also learning to cook, American style, and to shop for foods to prepare these meals.

Typical of the students is Mrs. Yuriko Ishida Preskitt, Japanese-born wife of M/Sgt. James W. Preskitt.

Mrs. Preskitt speaks English with some fluency and reads it a little. She has learned to write a few words in English under her husband's guidance.

The Preskitts, both 31, met in Yokohama when he was assigned to the Counter Intelligence Corps and she was a housekeeper for the corps. They have two children, James Roger, 4, and Amy Elaine, 2. The family arrived in the United States last December.

Mrs. Preskitt says she likes the people and the country—"they're so nice," she says.

"Seattle is nice. Lots of Japa-

Ellis Center Plans Drive for Building Fund

CHICAGO — The Ellis Community Center will launch a \$20,000 drive for building and program funds on Oct. 1.

The center has been supported by its members and the National Missions office since its inception four and one-half years ago. The forthcoming drive will be the first appeal for funds from the general public.

In the purchase and remodeling of their new building at 4618 South Greenwood Avenue, which will be the new home of the Ellis Community Center, a budget of \$20,000 was presented by Ben Toba, finance chairman, and approved by the council. Harry Nakano will be general chairman of the drive.

The fund drive will continue through October. A special Open House will be held on Sunday, Oct. 19. Solicitation Chairman Chieko Sowa is planning a house-to-house canvass for the entire southside area, while Special Gifts Chairman Ed Jonokuchi will contact special donors. Other committee chairmen are Shiz Tashiro, public relations; Lewis Matsuoka, general arrangements; Lorraine Nickel, decoration, and Harold Arase, solicitation.

The center has carried on a three-fold program of activities. The Nursery School has an enrollment of 60 children in part-time and full-time attendance, with an active Mother's Club, and an educational program for children of all races 2 to 5 years of age. A qualified staff of 8 part-time and full-time teachers and assistants have been employed to carry on this non-profit school.

The weekday after-school recreation program for children, club activities for young people, and a full adult education program in the evenings make up the Community Center program. A full program is also being planned in the Kenwood Gymnasium by the recreation director for the fall term.

The spiritual needs of the community are served by the church and Sunday school, which serves as the sponsoring group for the other activities. The church is a Protestant group affiliated with the Evangelical and Reformed Church. A church choir, Youth Fellowship, Bible classes, and Vacation Church School are a regular part of the program of activities. Two ministers and a director of religious education administer the program.

The Ellis Community Center has outgrown its present building and plans to merge with the Kenwood Community Church, jointly using its large facilities. The two groups have been carrying on a trial year of joint activity since the beginning of this year.

The new building is located immediately south of the Kenwood Church property and will be an asset to both groups. It is the hope of the church council that the fund drive will enable it to initiate a full program of activities, and make available much needed equipment.

War Brides Plan New Organization in Manhattan Area

NEW YORK — Five Japanese war brides and their husbands who met at the Japanese Methodist Church on Sept. 14 said they had no problems and were happy but, since they received deep satisfaction in meeting with each other, have decided to form an organization in the New York area.

Those attending the Sunday meeting were Jerry and Tsuneko Hendry, Milton and Yukiko Threet, Steve and Sadie Koslowski, and Chiyo Twine and Asako Aldamuy and their husbands.

JACL Prexy Will Attend Testimonial

National President George Inagaki of the JACL will attend the Salt Lake JACL chapter's testimonial dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Larry Tajiri, editors of the Pacific Citizen, on Sept. 27 in the Bonneville room of the Hotel Newhouse.

Shigeki Ushio of the Mount Olympus JACL will be the toastmaster.

President Mas Yano of the Salt Lake Chapter will extend greetings.

Speakers will include Masao W. Satow, national director of the JACL, and Prof. Elmer R. Smith of the University of Utah.

Western Bussei Map Pans for Eleventh Confab

LOS ANGELES — "Today — Buddhism's Future" will be on the official theme of the 11th annual Western Young Buddhists League convention, which will be held March 6 to 8 next year in Los Angeles.

Mas Okino of Los Angeles and Ben Honda of San Diego will be co-chairmen, with the Rev. Jokai Kow, Rev. Kenryo M. Kumata, Dr. Ryo Munekata and Mrs. Michi Nakamoto as advisers.

Other officials will be Sats Yoshida, corresponding secretary, Clara Fukuda, recording secretary, and Frank Saita, treasurer.

In charge of committees and events will be Ben Jinkawa, general arrangements; Helen Sakurai, registration; Mary Yanokawa, Tsunji Sakata and Tayeko Isono, housing; George Nomi, posters; Yuki Toya, invitations and reception.

Ted Fujimoto, queen contest; Senshin YBA, oratorical contest; Masako Deguchi, religious chairman; Kiyoshi Fujiwara, discussion groups; Akira Murakami, banquet; Toshiye Nagata, coronation ball; Aki Fujimoto, talent show; Lefty Kiyohara, conference picture; Los Angeles YBA, program booklet; Gardena YBA, luncheon; Los Angeles YBA, information; Gardena YBA, transportation; George Kobayashi and Nob Takasaki, public system; San Diego YBA, mixer; Kiyo Teramaye, music; and Amy Nomi, publicity.

Rules and regulations governing the WYBL oratorical contest were drawn up by Dr. Ryo Munekata, while Ted Fujimoto and Mas Okino drew up plans for the queen contest. Their suggestions are expected to be approved by the convention.

JACL Joins National Drive To Urge Voting in Elections

NEW YORK CITY—Organizations of all American nationality groups throughout the country are being invited to take part in the 1952 Register and Vote Campaign, a nationwide effort to get more people to the polls this November than have ever voted before.

Through the Common Council for American Unity, the coordinating headquarters for nationality groups in this campaign, a sponsoring committee of more than 25 nationality organizations has been formed for the Register and Vote drive.

Groups on this committee include the American Hungarian Federation, American Latvian Association, Armenian Revolutionary Federation, Armenian Youth Federation of America, Austrian Institute, Inc., Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, Croatian Fraternal Union of America, Czechoslovak National Council, Danish American Women's Association, Danish Brotherhood in America, Estonian-American Citizen Association, Filipino Federation of America, General Netherlands Association, Inc., Japanese American Citizens League, Knights of Kaleva, Lithuanian Alliance of America, National Slovak Society of the U.S. of America, Sons of Italy in America, Polish Legion of American Veterans, Polish National Alliance of the U.S. of North America, Polish Women's Alliance of America, Slovak Gymnastic Union Sokol, Ukrainian National Association, Ukrainian National Women's League of America, Inc., Ukrainian Workingmen's Association, Union and League of Rumanian Societies of America, Inc., and Verhovay Fraternal Insurance Association.

Read Lewis, executive director of the Common Council for American Unity, has invited all similarly oriented organizations to join with

Honolulu Report: Hawaiians Spread Welcome Mat for Visiting Masaokas

Honolulu, T. H.

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

Mike and Etsu Masaoka are the most entertained, most publicized Nisei couple in Hawaii this week. The Masaokas arrived last Friday night (Sept. 12) from San Francisco on an expense-paid trip sponsored by grateful Japanese organizations which want to thank Mr. Masaoka for his successful lobbying activities on behalf of legislation for Japanese and Japanese Americans.

More than 100 persons, among them World War II buddies, greeted the Masaokas with leis, in the traditional Hawaiian

Regional Office Will be Closed Sept. 25-Oct. 3

SAN FRANCISCO—The Northern California JACL regional office will be closed Sept. 25 through Oct. 3, it was announced this week by Haruo Ishimaru, regional director, who will leave for Seattle, Wash., on vacation. He requested that any items of emergency nature be reported to the Southern California regional office or to Masuji Fujii, Northern California-Western Nevada District Council chairman, or Fred Hoshiyama, president of the San Francisco JACL chapter.

Ishimaru plans to be in Seattle for the Pacific Northwest Victory and Testimonial banquet at which time Mike Masaoka will be the guest of honor.

Both Ishimaru and his wife (formerly Yoshiko Yano) are originally from Seattle.

Student Wins Floral Award

LOS ANGELES — Tadashi William Horimoto of Santa Monica is one of 23 UCLA students who have won prize awards this year.

Horimoto received the Burpee Award in Floriculture for a third-year student.

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hundreds of other leading American groups in this coordinated effort to have at least 63,000,000 votes cast in November.

The campaign, which is non-partisan and non-political, has been organized by the American Heritage Foundation, which operated the Freedom Train, and is being sponsored on an overall basis by more than 50 national, non-partisan organizations.

Each has undertaken a specific assignment in the campaign so that there will be no overlapping or duplication of effort. The American Legion, will be responsible for providing transportation to the polls on Election Day. The Girl Scouts will provide baby sitters, if needed. The American Library Association has set up information centers on registration and voting in all public libraries. The Common Council for American Unity, one of the over-all sponsoring organizations, is helping all nationality organizations in setting up campaigns among their members.

The theme of the campaign is "Vote as you please—but vote!" The purpose of the campaign is to stimulate wider interest in active citizenship, to emphasize the importance of each individual vote, and to answer critics who say that democracy is a failure and that Americans do not value their right to vote.

The sponsors of the campaign are reminding all eligible citizens that, in order to vote on Election Day, they first must register. Registration dates differ from state to state, but in most cases they fall during September and October. Consequently, the major effort in the campaign at this time is directed toward urging every prospective voter to find out the local requirements for registering and then to be sure to register so that he may vote in November.

fashion, at Honolulu Airport. The couple stayed overnight at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, then flew to the island of Hawaii on the first leg of a tour that will cover all major islands.

On each island the Masaokas will be honored at testimonial dinners, meetings and other functions for his work as former national legislative director of the Anti-Discrimination Committee of the Japanese American Citizens League.

The sponsoring organizations wish to thank Mr. Masaoka particularly for his active part in promoting passage in Congress of the Walter-McCarran immigration and naturalization law.

The largest reception will be a tea house dinner, open to the public, to be given Sept. 21 under auspices of the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce. The 442nd Veterans Club will have Mr. Masaoka, a 442nd veteran himself, as a guest at a dinner and membership meeting Friday night (Sept. 19).

Although the Masaokas have been invited for a "pleasure trip—no business," their itinerary and schedule of social functions are so crowded, the couple will have hardly any time for themselves. Many individuals who had hoped to invite the Masaokas to private parties are being disappointed because the couple's schedule will not permit these functions during their stay in Hawaii until Sept. 23 when they return to the West Coast.

New 442nd President

Masato Doi, Honolulu attorney, is the new president of the 442nd Veterans Club, succeeding another attorney, Matsuo Takabuki, who resigned Sept. 5 to become a Democratic candidate for the Honolulu Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Doi stepped up from his position as first vice president.

Mr. Takabuki insisted on resigning, "for the best interests of the club," although he was advised by the board of directors that there was no conflict of interest in his serving as president of the club and at the same time seeking public office.

Chrysanthemum Time

Chrysanthemums in Japan are beckoning Hawaii tourists. Five tour groups were among the 305 Hawaii residents who boarded the American President liner Cleveland in Honolulu en route to Yokohama Sept. 7.

This was the largest passenger load in many months on a Japan-bound ship.

Tsukiyamas to Japan

Senate President Wilfred C. Tsukiyama and his wife left Sept. 13 by plane to visit the Yamaguchi prefecture cemetery where his parents are buried. There the Honolulu attorney will repair his parents' tombstones which were damaged by a typhoon, before he and his wife return to Honolulu in about a month. Senator Tsukiyama is a holdover legislator and therefore need not campaign for reelection this fall.

Ex-Communist Demo

Ichiro Izuka, self-confessed former Communist, is conducting an independent campaign of his own as a Democratic candidate for the Territorial House of Representatives. Democratic party leaders, he charges, are blocking his attempt to rejoin his party precinct club so he can stump for the same rally platform as other Democratic office seekers on the island of Kauai. Election laws, however, assure his name being printed on the election ballot as a Democrat.

Gov. Stevenson Expresses Concern Over Job Problems In Meeting With L. A. Nisei

Nisei Escapes Serious Hurts as Two Die in Crash

LIVERMORE, Calif. — A Nisei truck driver, Ben Okasaki of Sacramento, received minor injuries in a collision in which two Stockton, Calif., residents were killed on Sept. 11.

Aerial Roberts Norris, 29, and his wife, Mary Alice, 33, were killed instantly when their car skidded on a rain-slicked highway and smashed against the oncoming truck and trailer driven by Okasaki.

A ticket for speeding, issued earlier in the day by Oakland police, was found in Norris' pocket. Highway patrolmen said Norris apparently was traveling at a high speed when his car rammed into Okasaki's truck which was loaded with 25 tons of sheet steel en route to a can company in San Jose.

Chuman Heads Nisei Committee For Stevenson

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Frank F. Chuman, prominent Nisei attorney will head a Nisei committee for the election of Governor Stevenson, it was announced by Edmund W. Cooke, Southern California coordinator for the Stevenson-Sparkman campaign.

"It is my personal conviction that Governor Stevenson's past record in the interest of the welfare of the people, his integrity and honest administration, definitely qualifies him as the best candidate for the office of President of the United States. I urge all Nisei to rally to Governor Stevenson's support and put him in office on November 4," Chuman said in announcing the acceptance of his appointment.

San Mateo JACL Starts Reserve At Blood Bank

SAN MATEO, Calif.—The San Mateo JACL chapter has started a blood reserve with the San Mateo Blood Bank and is now soliciting donors.

The purpose of the reserve is to build a credit for the JACL so that there will be sufficient blood for any JACL member or a member of his or her family in the event of an emergency.

Objections of Nisei Close Interracial Play in New York

NEW YORK — Following protests by some Japanese Americans who declared the play gave a false picture of persons of Japanese ancestry, the New Playwrights withdrew their production of Ted Pollock's "Wedding in Japan," an off-Broadway vehicle which featured Eileen Nakamura and Mihoko Okamura.

The Hokubei Shimpō reported the play was closed as a result of objections raised during discussions held at two forums, the last of which took place on Sept. 3, the night before the play was closed down.

The newspaper indicated that the interracial drama was received with "divided feeling" by Nisei who attended the performances.

The Hokubei Shimpō reported: "The story deals with the love of a Negro soldier and a Japanese girl (in Japan). A rejected white officer, whose intentions are other than honorable, then frames the Negro, with a court martial as the climax."

"Pollack's intention was to rap injustice and discrimination. This aspect found acceptance among Japanese Americans as well as white theatergoers, who found nothing objectionable in the play. Several Nisei have said that a story is a story, and that what was presented could happen."

"Those who found the play offensive, many of them members of the Nisei Progressives and other

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Concern in the employment problems of Japanese Americans was voiced Sept. 12 by Governor Adlai Stevenson, Democratic candidate for the nation's highest office, at a conference held at the Ambassador Hotel with community leaders in the field of civil rights.

Nisei representatives who met with the presidential candidate were attorney Frank Chuman and JACL Regional Director Tats Kishida.

When informed by representatives of race relations organizations of existing racial discrimination in the field of employment in the Los Angeles area, Governor Stevenson indicated surprise that Japanese Americans had been included. Upon direct inquiry of the Nisei representatives, he was reassured that the employment picture here concerning Japanese Americans "is not as dismal," that there is general acceptance of Nisei in practically all fields with employment discrimination almost negligible.

When questioned about his position on Hawaii statehood, Governor Stevenson assured the two Nisei that he was definitely "for it."

The Illinois governor recalled meeting with the JACL official in 1949 in Springfield, Illinois, when he was urged to support the passage of federal legislation to grant equality in naturalization and immigration (ENI). Governor Stevenson was always sympathetic to the problems of Japanese Americans in his state and was helpful in the adoption of a resolution favoring the ENI legislation at the annual Governors' Conference that year, it was disclosed.

Many Nisei were seen scattered throughout the huge audience that crammed the Shrine Auditorium Thursday night when the presidential aspirant gave his main public address in Southern California. Chuman was seated on the stage with representatives of various organizations and community groups.

Colorado Attorney Takes New Post

DENVER, Colo.—George Koshi, Colorado attorney who recently returned home after a 10-year absence, will leave soon for Japan on a three-year contract in the judge-advocate division of the U.S. Air Force in Japan.

Koshi, who graduated from Denver University Law School in 1942, served in the U.S. Army after passing the Colorado bar. Following his Army discharge, he was employed as a civilian with the occupation forces in Japan.

liberal groups, felt that the play propagated the stereotype of the Japanese. The objectionable harakiri ending which portrays the Oriental as holding life cheaply was revised soon after the first forum. But other features that the objectors felt were insulting remained.

"The three and only Japanese characters are: one, a brothel keeper, and two submissive, defenseless women. The objection voiced to the former is similar to that raised by the Jewish people against the character of Fagan in Charles Dickens' 'Oliver Twist.'"

"Found objectionable too was the concept of white and male supremacy inherent in the play, which was pointed out at the second forum."

"In general, those attending the forums felt that the play gave a distorted, one-sided and untrue picture of modern Japan, and by reflection on Oriental peoples as a whole."

It was reported that "Wedding in Japan" had been well-received by fair-sized audiences during its six-weeks run since it opened on July 18.

"Wedding in Japan" originally was presented for seven performances at the President Theater in New York City in 1949. At that time Michiko Okamoto, stage and TV actress, played the leading role which was taken in the New Playwrights' presentation by Eileen Nakamura.

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EDITORIALS:

The New Truman Commission

Pres. Truman's new seven-man commission to study this country's immigration and naturalization laws faces a formidable problem.

The commission has been asked to formulate legislative and administrative policies which might be instituted to make these laws more useful and workable in the light of current world problems.

The President's major concerns are for:

1. Wiping out of inequities in the national origins quota system.

2. Emergency legislation to permit the United States to act in such crises as the current refugee problem in eastern Europe.

Pres. Truman's veto of the Walter-McCarran Omnibus bill on immigration and naturalization was based upon his concern in the two matters above. In his veto message he asked for repeal of the national origins principle.

The basic assumption of the national origins principle is that persons of certain countries, primarily those from the British Isles and Northern Europe, are more compatible with the population of the United States than persons from Southern European countries, and additionally, that persons from Africa and the Asian countries are so incompatible as to be undesirable. More bluntly put, the national origins policy makes a sliding scale of desirability based upon race and color. Thus, Great Britain, with a population one-tenth that of China's, has an immigration quota many times that of China's token quota of 100 persons annually.

In respect to the matter of refugee immigration, Pres. Truman recognizes the need for authority to act in times of need without resorting to emergency legislation for each refugee problem.

Japanese Americans, whose long fight to win citizenship by naturalization for resident Japanese aliens has finally ended in victory, must recognize that their own problems of naturalization and immigration rights are only a small part of the total immigration and naturalization picture. The winning of recognition for Asians has been a major victory in the liberalization of these laws. Continual assessment and revision of these laws is required in these days of changing political and social thought.

Aloha, Mike Masaoka!

This afternoon at the Honolulu airport, representatives of Hawaii's Japanese community will greet an invited guest whom we are eager to honor—Mike Masaoka, former national legislative director of the Anti-Discrimination Committee of the Japanese American Citizens League. Mike and "Mrs. Mike" are here as guests of the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce, who invited them as a gesture of appreciation for Mike's magnificent work in pushing for the passage of an immigration bill which finally removes discriminative restrictions against people of Japanese blood.

It is fitting that we should honor Mike for his achievements. For decades we have chafed under the galling restrictions which implied that we of Japanese ancestry were somehow or other inferior, since those of us who happened not to be born in America were barred from citizenship, regardless of our devotion and loyalty to our adopted land. And for several years now, Mike has spearheaded the drive to remove these unjust and insulting restrictions—a drive finally crowned with success when the McCarran-Walter bill was passed by the 82nd Congress.

Mike would be the first to admit that he didn't do the job single-handed. The strength of the Japanese American Citizens League was behind him—but, then, that strength itself was in part due to the continued interest which Mike kept stirred up by his activities as legislative director of the Anti-Discrimination Committee of the JACL.

But Mike would want us to point out that the removal of immigration and naturalization restrictions was not solely, and probably not even chiefly, the result of the unrelenting JACL campaign. Many separate forces of liberal opinion throughout the country combined to bring about the erasure of an insult to the Japanese people which was a blot on the record of America. Editors, clergymen, educators, statesmen, columnists all joined their voices in the rising chorus of protest against a situation which all of us knew must not be allowed to endure. Even the

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AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Publication of the Pacific Citizen in Salt Lake City will cease with the Sept. 27 issue. Shortly thereafter publication will be resumed in Los Angeles.

All mail postmarked Sept. 26 or later should be addressed to the Pacific Citizen, c/o JACL, Miyako Hotel, 258 East 1st St., Los Angeles 12.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

Notes for Unwritten Columns

A columnist, as Bill Hosokawa or Roku Sugahara might affirm, will husband ideas for future columns against the night when his pen runs dry as the hour of deadline tolls.

This being the next to last issue of the PC in Salt Lake City, we find ourselves with a number of notes for columns yet unwritten, ideas typed hurriedly on scratch paper or written across the backs of old gas bills.

There was the piece we had intended to do on the Nisei press and its role in the integration of an American minority into the majority culture. The Nisei editors, long before Pearl Harbor, cut the Gordian knot which too often binds second generation Americans to the country of their ancestral heritage. This role of the Nisei-edited English sections reflected the far-seeing attitude of the Issei owners and operators of the bilingual publications (there were some nine Japanese American dailies in the continental United States in 1941) who encouraged the growth of the English sections despite the fact that these English sections represented a financial loss in terms of incoming revenue.

This column, and the PC as well, has been written with the view that its readers have access to the daily papers and the magazines and an effort has been made to present material and information of special pertinence to the Nisei which is not covered by these other publications. The Nisei angle has been stressed.

The Japanese stereotype, in novels, plays and in motion pictures, has been discussed at some length in these pages in the past ten years. Wallace Irwin's Hashimura Togo, the word-sucking, sentence-mangling schoolboy, set a pattern for a generation of literary prototypes which gave the American public a distorted view of persons of Japanese ancestry in general. In journalism, the Hearst and other sections of the yellow press of pre-World War II days presented an entirely different stereotype, the Japanese spy who was masquerading as a farmer, a gardener or a fisherman. The schoolboy and the Japanese spy had little in common with persons of Japanese ancestry who lived on the West Coast but these distortions quieted the public conscience toward acceptance of discriminatory legislation against residents of Japanese descent and the later punitive measures, culminating in racial mass evacuation, which were taken against the group as an aftermath to Pearl Harbor.

Since World War II and the well-publicized record of the Nisei at war, another stereotype has developed, albeit a favorable one. This is the literary presentation of the Nisei as a one-dimensional character, a hero who is often as much a cardboard figure as Irwin's Togo or Hearst's yellow demons. The only trouble with this representation of it is that it lacks the blood and sinew of reality and the Nisei character becomes more a type than a human being. An exception is Ralph G. Martin's biography, "The Boy from Nebraska," which, because it is a true story, presents Ben Kuroki as a human being and not merely as a hero with a chestful of medals.

There was method in Arch Oboler's presentation of the 442nd veteran in "The Family Nagashi" since this network radio drama was written definitely as an instrument of propaganda against the hoodlums and hate-mongers who perpetrated arson and violence against evacuees returning to the Pacific Coast in 1946. In some recent TV plays, another exception is Robert Alan Aurthur's "Basket Weaver" in which Yasuo Matsuoka's opposition to the callous sealing of a cave in which enemy Japanese soldiers are trapped is well drawn, and in such characters as Kato in Pat Frank's novel of Marines in Korea, "Hold Back the Night," Nisei are presently simply as heroic figures.

Although this stereotype is a welcome one, it does not tell the whole story. No racial group has a monopoly on heroism. The story behind Nisei heroism in World War II was not the emotionalism of

the Banzai charge but, rather, a desire to affirm loyalty to country in order that the future would be free of discrimination and racial mass evacuation for themselves and members of their families.

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One of these days the social scientists will get around to it but the racial mores of the American people have been knocked cockeyed by the intermarriages between U.S. servicemen and girls in Japan. It is less than a generation since the Yellow Peril campaigns in which white supremacists in California campaigned widely against such alliances but the thousands of Japanese war brides who have arrived in the United States in the past three years have been well received in their local communities. Hollywood, which long has taken a dim view of miscegenation, produced "Japanese War Bride" which indicated that a white soldier and his Japanese bride could live happily if prejudiced neighbors would let them alone. It is indicative of the change in public attitudes that a picture like "Japanese War Bride" could not have been made ten years ago.

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There are the "lost ones." We've often wondered what has happened to those few Nisei who were unable to withstand the impact of Pearl Harbor and mass evacuation and who solved their own personal dilemma by complete disassociation with the Japanese American group. Some changed their names, although not all who Anglicized or otherwise changed their names did so because they wanted to hide their racial identity. Some singers and dancers, for example, were forced by booking agents to use Chinese names in order to obtain work.

At least one Nisei did not leave the West Coast evacuated area at all in 1942. He merely changed his name and went about his business.

On the other hand there were others, Isamu Noguchi and Sono Osato are two notable examples, who were well established in their careers and had nothing to gain by identifying themselves with the Nisei. Both Noguchi and Miss Osato did so, however. Noguchi voluntarily entered a war relocation center as a resident in order to assist the evacuees, while Miss Osato lent her name and personality to help Nisei evacuees relocate in the east.

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There is the mystery of the list which the War Department obtained, reportedly via a neutral power in 1942, on which were the names of some 1,000 Nisei who were acceptable to the Japanese government if they desired to go to Japan on the exchange ship Gripsholm. The list included the names of Nisei who were active in the arts, business and the professions and obviously was prepared by someone with considerable knowledge of the Nisei population. Most of the persons on the list were living in war relocation camps at the time but there is no record of any single Nisei taking up the offer of a trip to Japan.

It always seemed to us that the United States government had no business even asking a citizen if he wanted to go to an enemy country, even if the purpose of the questioning were a loyalty test.

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One of the stories we intended to write was the saga of a Sacramento newspaperman who found the grave of the 17-year old Miss Okei, the first woman of Japanese ancestry to come to the United States. The story was told once in the Pacific Citizen some 14 years ago by Tosuke Yamasaki but it's still a good one. Miss Okei's grave, in the Sierras near Coloma in the Bret Harte country, was tended by the Placer County JACL before the war.

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There are other notes here, but perhaps we'll save them for some future time when the night is late and the deadline is upon us.

MINORITY WEEK

Fire Water

One of the sillier restrictions instituted against American Indians is the ban on liquor, on grounds that Indians just go wild when they get a little alcohol in their systems.

Dr. Oskar Diethelm, a New York psychiatrist, recently told the International Congress Against Alcoholism, meeting in Paris, that this belief was just another bit of American folklore, and that studies have shown that Indians can hold their liquor as well as anybody.

Anyway, considering the herds of pink elephants the rest of the country contends with every weekend, who are we to decide who can and can't hold his liquor?

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School's Open

The hiring of a new school teacher is big news in small towns. So people in Cassville, Wis., (pop. 956) were interested in the new high school commercial teacher.

But Mrs. Rebessa Wyatt, hired from Paris, Tenn., turned out to be something of a surprise to the people in town. Mrs. Wyatt, a Negro, was hired sight unseen by a teachers' agency.

But Cassville wasn't interested in Mrs. Wyatt's color—just in whether she was a good teacher. And the town made her feel at home right away. She was installed with the family of a local dentist and the sophomore class elected her its adviser.

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Blacklist

The American Psychological Association isn't going to hold any more meetings in Washington, D.C. The 10,000 member organization held its 60th annual convention there last week, but decided it would not tolerate further discrimination against its members, such as was shown during the meeting.

Among places guilty of discrimination, the psychologists said, was the YMCA, which refused to lend its facilities for an interracial meeting of graduate students.

Asked how many of its members were Negroes, Dr. J. McV. Hunt, president, said, "It doesn't make any difference."

"We are all one color or another," he said. "Socially, we are not an organization of colors, but of people, and professionally we happen to be psychologists."

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"Prime Minister Malan (of South Africa) is telling a big lie when he says his natives are treated better than Negroes in the American South. He is deceived by the complaints of American Negroes. We do complain and we do fight for better treatment, but our complaints are that we must have equality according to the American standard, not the standard of some other country. We don't love Mississippi, but no Negro who lives there would trade it for the life of a native in South Africa under Malan."—Roy Wilkins' in The Watch Tower, the California Eagle.

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A Christian Science Monitor writer, casting about for an apt name for the "new race" that emerging from the multi-racial Hawaiian population, comes up with "Ameri-wians."

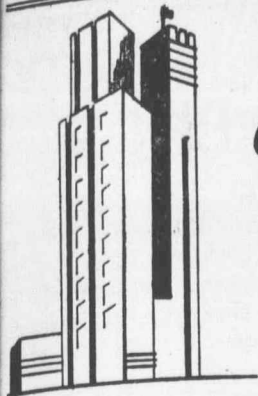
Well, perhaps it's as good as any to describe the vigorous new breed that's the result of Filipino, Chinese, Japanese, Caucasian and Puerto Rican mixtures.

The new race was made possible, says the Monitor writer, by the concept of American democracy and by isolation. With thousands of miles of waters surrounding the islands, Hawaii went ahead on its own little melting pot program.

And produced the American Hawaiian look—in the Ameri-wians.

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"Everybody admits now that baseball is a better game for having hired Jackie Robinson, Larry Doby, Roy Campanella and Orestes Minoso—to name only a few. None of the fans would want to go back to the benighted days when men of their stripes were barred because of color. The sooner all industry adopts the rule followed in organized baseball and stops wasting the abilities of Americans who are Negroes, the better off the whole country will be."—The California Eagle.



A Nisei in Manhattan

by Roku Sugahara

New Frontiers for Nisei?

More than a few Nisei have complained that the era of golden opportunities is over. The frontiers have vanished and disappeared. There is only the job to do: driving a truck, pushing a lawnmower, keeping a set of books, selling groceries over a counter, picking peaches in an orchard, or the usual dull routine of a monotonous job.

You punch a time-clock, draw your pay check, and anxiously look at the calendar counting the days until your next vacation. The sparkle, the zest, and the challenge are not there.

So it was with our parents. Most of them worked for the Southern Pacific or Great Northern railways. They cleared the forests, laid the ties, and fashioned the roadbeds. They collected their one-dollar-a-day salary and looked forward to the day when they had enough saved to send for their picture brides.

But, only a generation ago, some of the most handsome businesses and fortunes were established on the West Coast. While our elders worked for the railroad, other immigrants and pioneers were laying the basis for the huge Bank of America, the influential American Fruit Growers, the prosperous Ralph Groceries, the Van DeKamp bakeries and dozens of other successful ventures.

Farmwise, the Issei immigrant did a marvelous job transforming arid deserts and sterile valleys into blooming gardens of vegetation. However, they never realized the financial success as other competitors like the DiGeorgio, Sunkist, Pacific Fruit and other groups which became powerful syndicates in their field.

They had lucrative economic frontiers to develop and cultivate, but somehow the Issei did not make the best of the situation. Most of them wound up as aging elders who are now dependent upon their sons and daughters for sustenance.

What Is Left?

I have heard many a Nisei say that "if I only had the chance the Issei had."

Well, I maintain those avenues of opportunities are still open. Here are a few samples to look over.

In the first place, it is agreed that this is the atomic age. There is a tremendous demand for uranium. Prospecting for that mineral is a fine possibility. Adventurers and miners can search the far reaches of Alaska or Colorado for uranium, just like the rough and ready sour-doughs of '49 who searched for gold. And if you uncover a rich vein or deposit of uranium, there is a capital opportunity to retire wealthy.

Then There is Farming

Sure, I know that there are thousands of Nisei working on the farms on the West Coast. They are in areas which have been worked over and out for many decades. These are the old reliable stamping grounds. I say there are new lands to cultivate and plow. They are in certain fringe areas of Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Here, the land costs are cheaper and the competition less. Yield and productivity have to be proven but there are thousands of acres of untilled soil in those states which offer a distinct challenge to the adventurous and ambitious. I think there are the same opportunities as faced our parents when they first went into Imperial Valley and the San Joaquin.

For the creative person, the Nisei with an aptitude toward writing, I think there is a demand for a story which tells of the great evacuation and relocation from a personal viewpoint. It can become a best seller as the elements of drama and human emotion are clearly set. A person who has suffered and experienced all of those trying hours can relate a powerful story, one that will have the human appeal to all readers.

Nor will the demand for such a story end with the American reading public, it can be translated into Japanese and have wide circulation in other lands.

For the business-minded Nisei, there are fine opportunities both here and abroad.

They had lucrative economic frontiers to develop and cultivate. Especially on a retail level, there is an exceptional chance for a store selling Japanese goods. Only in a few cities are there such establishments today. In the larger cities, retail stores specializing in Oriental art goods and antiques should thrive. The places that specialize in European goods are doing a land-office business and there is ample room for oriental goods as well. Many of the huge Japanese trading firms do not have the money to establish retail outlets as in the pre-war days, so the field is wide open.

On the Japan side, Nisei with American merchandising methods can start successful shops. Especially if they specialize in typical American commodities, like the drug store, snack shops, ready-made dress shops, shoe stores and home appliances. A few clever Nisei have already opened some stores in Tokyo and are doing well.

TV Holds Promise

I cannot overemphasize the importance of TV. It is here to stay and grow increasingly important. There is now and will continue to be a heavy demand for TV technicians, especially in the field of TV repairs. The pay will be good and the training not too difficult. Soon every town and hamlet will need the services of an expert TV repairman. The time to prepare for this bonanza is now.

Then there is the opportunity that sub-contracting work offers. This is usual an assembly job. A firm in San Francisco assembles parts for a cigarette lighter while another company in Chicago puts together parts for a toy. Nisei workers are especially adept with their fingers and their special talent can be channeled into productive results. Japan, of course, is one of the oldest countries using that sub-contractual system of manufacturing. This theory, adapted to the American scene and economic life, can definitely be placed into good advantage.

Behind all business ventures is a need for finance capital. Some Nisei investors should get together to form the nucleus for a large financing organization. Through mutual cooperation, a large joint venture can be undertaken. Many deals are open only to groups or people who have enough capital to handle the transaction. To prepare for such an eventuality, some measure of financial organization is imperative. Only through the proper organization and utilization of such a finance group can the Nisei themselves go into the major ventures and become nation-wide in scope.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Catching Up on the Family

Denver, Colo.

I think it's about time to get caught up with the family. Our Pete, now 4½, hasn't learned to count beyond two yet. He knows what one is, and he knows what two is. But any number greater than two throws him out into deep water over his head. He has no more idea how many ten is than how many miles it is to the moon.

This state of affairs exists, I believe, because Pete is lazy. He isn't particularly dense, just lazy. With things that matter, like finding out where the cookies are hidden, he's whip-smart. But since it makes no difference to him what three means, he hasn't bothered to find out.

Secretly, I've been just a bit concerned about Pete's lack of interest in numbers. It seems our two older kids knew how to count up to ten by the time they were three years old, and I figured Pete shouldn't be any more backward than they were.

Well, the other day we happened to go out for dinner and I told the man at the entrance that we were a party of five. Pete puzzled over that for a while. Finally he asked me: "Are there five of us today because Mike stayed home?" Mike had indeed stayed home, and that precisely was the reason there were only five of us. I felt elation rising in my breast; Pette had at long last grasped the meaning of the number five.

But knowing Pete as well as I do, I didn't quite go overboard on the elation business. I had to make sure. So I said to Pete: "That's right, Pete, Mike stayed home so there are only five of us. Now, if Mike had come along, how many would there be?"

Pete studied the question for a long moment. Then in supreme confidence he gave the answer:

Vagaries

Hawaii Film . . .

"Big Jim McLain," the Warners feature about Communists and anti-Communists in Hawaii, revolves around John Wayne (playing the role of an investigator for the House un-American Activities Committee) and his search for Willie Namaka, described as a Communist party functionary of Japanese ancestry who is trying to break away from the party. Soo Yung plays Namaka's Nisei wife, an ex-Communist who has become a nurse at the leper colony on Molokai. . . . Testimony before the House un-American activities subcommittee by three ex-Communists, Ichiro Izuka, Richard Kageyama and Jack Kawano, reportedly inspired some of the situations pictured in the Warners film. . . . "Namaka" himself is shown only briefly in the picture, while "Mrs. Namaka" gets one telling scene. No other Nisei are pictured in the film. . . . Among Honolulu Nisei who appeared briefly in the picture were Akira (Sunshine) Fuku-naga of "Go for Broke!" fame and Ralph C. Honda, a prominent businessman.

Muteki . . .

Anson Bond, who produced Shirley Yamaguchi's first U.S. film, "Japanese War Bride," hasn't made much progress on her projected second film, "The Second Star." Meanwhile, Miss Yamaguchi is busy making films in Tokyo, one of her latest being "Muteki" ("Port of Shadow"), a story of a love triangle, involving an interracial theme, which is set in the Japan of the 1870s. She is co-starred with Toshiro Mifune, the bandit of "Rashomon," and Bob Booth who plays Miss Yamaguchi's Caucasian lover. A featured player in this Toho film, which was made as a Japanese entry for international film laurels but reportedly fell short of the mark, is Sojin Kamiyama, one-time Hollywood screen player who is best known for his part with Douglas Fairbanks in "The Thief of Baghdad," back around 1924, and as Hollywood's first Charlie Chan in the silent movie, "The Chinese Parrot."

Fulbright . . .

One of the first Nisei to receive a Fulbright fellowship was Bumpai Akaji, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, who studied sculpture, fresco painting and did research in mosaic work in Milan, Italy. Akaji graduated from the Milan Academy of Fine Arts in 1949 and has been at work in recent months doing a 7 by 12 foot mosaic at the University of Hawaii. His theme symbolizes the school as the center of culture.

Anahatan . . .

Minoru Nishida, a veteran of the New York stage and a resident of the U.S. for 32 years, has been

A Nisei in Europe:

VISIT TO BRUYERES

By WILSON MAKABE

BRUYERES, France, Aug. 27.—On my return trip to Paris from Munich, I took the mountain route through the Vosges Forest, arriving in this peaceful little town at noon.

About ten kilometers from Bruyeres, at the highest point along the road, at Haut Jacques, I saw a group of men working on a monument. While talking with them in my broken French, the forest ranger in charge wrote me the following description:

"Le Haut Jacques—Alt. 606 m.—a ete delivre par les troupes U.S.A. le 30 Octobre, 1944. Les

picked by Director Josef von Sternberg for a leading role in "Anahatan," the story of 19 men and a woman on a Pacific Island during and after World War II. Nishida appeared in Director von Sternberg's great Hollywood film, "Shanghai Express."

Butterfly . . .

Mutsu Homma is staging the dances for the Seattle Civic Opera's presentation of "Madame Butterfly" this weekend. . . . Twenty-six Nisei were employed at the Far East International Trade Fair in Seattle's Civic Auditorium. Biggest night for the Nisei was the visit of Gov. Adlai Stevenson who was introduced to Queen Sumi Mitsui and her three attendants. . . . Ruth Ishiguro of Greeley, Colo., who attended the Encampment for Citizenship in New York recently under the sponsorship of the Mountain Plains JACL, appeared on a nationwide telecast recently on the "Mike and Buff" show over CBS. Miss Ishiguro was one of four Nisei at the encampment. The others were from Hawaii.

Sen. Wilfred C. Tsukiyama, president of the Hawaii Territorial Senate, is now touring Japan as a member of a group of 25 Hawaiian golf enthusiasts and their wives who are planning team matches with Japanese teams. . . . Butch Watanabe, Canadian trombonist who was signed by Lionel Hampton to join the latter's band, has been unable to fulfill the contract because his Japanese ancestry prevents him from obtaining a visa from U.S. authorities permitting him to work across the border. Watanabe will join the Hampton outfit later this fall for a tour of Europe. The Canadian musician hopes that he will be able to enter the U.S. once the new McCarran-Walter Act goes into effect Christmas eve. Watanabe, who has done some arranging for the Stan Kenton orchestra, recently talked with Canadian Broadcasting Corporation officials regarding the appearance of his 12-piece combo on a test TV show this fall.

"If Mike came with us, that'd be twelve."

As I said before, I don't think he's particularly dense, just lazy.

Mike is very much concerned with the customs of junior high school students. It seems certain things are acceptable and other things are taboo. Take the matter of his bicycle. It used to have a perfectly good wire basket over the front fender for carrying groceries, gym shoes, books or whatever.

Well, it seems wire baskets are on the unacceptable list. Junior high guys just don't have baskets on their bikes. Then how's he going to carry his books to and from school? In a canvas sack. That's what everybody does.

But where do you get canvas sacks? They got 'em. They cost money, don't they? Sure, but the difference—you gotta have 'em. So he took the basket off and strapped on a canvas sack.

The sack brings home these evenings a little red arithmetic book that is filled with all manner of puzzling and diabolical questions. Mike spends a large part of his time wrestling with these questions. Fortunately, they're simple so that his parents, from their lofty perch of age and education, can cope with them without too much sweat.

But we're more than a little fearful about the years ahead. What are we going to do when Mike starts asking for help with square root? And algebra. And geometry. We tremble.

Susan asked the other day what the word sarcastic means. I know what it means. It means, well it means...ah, it means like when...gosh, you know what it means.

I never did get her straightened out.

troupes faisaient partie de la 36 D. I., U.S.A.

Un groupe de partisans s'était constitué au mois de septembre, 1944, et a été en partie détruit par les Allemands. Pour commémorer et perpétuer le souvenir des partisans Vosgiens mort pour la liberté, un monument a été élevé en cet endroit." (— CUNY, Maurice, Forestier, St. Die, Vosges).

Loosely translated, it means:—"Haut Jacques, altitude 606 meters, was liberated Oct. 30, 1944, by American troops, part of the 36th Inf. Div. A group of partisans (or participants) were surrounded in September, 1944, and were partly destroyed by the Germans. To commemorate and perpetuate the memory of the Vosgien defenders who died for the liberation, a monument has been erected on this spot."

Here in Bruyeres, I met another Forestier, Mr. Deschaseaux, who was able to speak some English. He located the mayor, Mr. Rene Drahon, and his assistant, Mr. Robert Valentine, and together they took me into the forest several kilometers to the site of the 442nd Memorial.

The monument looked somewhat lonely in the clearing. The flagpole beside it held no flag today. Yet it was an impressive sight, with the bronze plaque, presented by the JACL, clearly legible from the road below. Someone had recently placed some purple wild flowers on the stone around the plaque.

They showed me some pictures taken during a simple ceremony held not long ago, a memorial service for our boys. The area itself will be more dressed up soon because they are planning an elaborate program for the weekend of October 18. They extend an open invitation for any 442nd veterans to visit anytime and especially during the October ceremonies.

A heavy blue haze hung over the forest as I looked around. As we walked among the trees nearby, we could still see the slit trenches or holes dug by our men, well preserved, covered only by a light leaf mantle resembling camouflage like we had used.

Later in the evening, Mr. Deschaseaux took me to the U.S. Military Cemetery near Epinal, about 25 kilometers away. I walked slowly over the green well-kept lawn and between many rows of white crosses glittering in the evening sun, accompanied by Mr. Deschaseaux and Mr. Keathley, the superintendent. A magnificent memorial chapel is now under construction near the center. We can appreciate how well our government is caring for our fallen comrades. Here, as in Normandy, in big cities and in the smallest villages, people have built impressive memorials that those who gave their all shall not be forgotten.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

ABC Now Has Large Nisei Membership

In the two years since membership in the American Bowling Congress was opened to Nisei it's estimated approximately 5,000 bowlers of Japanese ancestry now are members of the ABC. Greatest Nisei participation in the ABC's annual national tournament is expected in 1954 when the country's biggest sporting event, from the standpoint of individual entries, will be held in Seattle... **Kiyo Nakayu**, back from Army service in Germany, blistered the alleys with a hot 638 series to top individual scoring in the Salt Lake JACL league Tuesday at Pal-D-Mar. Nakayu's series and **Ich Okumura's** 244 game for Star Billiards were the standout performances. The Townshop Cleaners and Standard Produce are tied for the lead in the 16-team circuit... **George Gee** got the San Francisco Nisei Majors to a rousing start with a 630 series, including a 250 game, for Team Four... **Nancy Sakuda's** 527 series got the Diamondcrafters off on the right foot in the San Francisco Nisei women's league last week at Downtown Bowl... **Miye Ishikawa's** 539 series and **Fudge Sakanishi's** 211 game were highlights in Seattle Nisei Girls bowling play last week... **Jimmy Omura** took high series and high game laurels with 601 and 245 in the Denver Nisei Men's bowling league on Sept. 10. Fort Lupton is in first place in the 12-team league... **Rosa Mayeda's** 512 was tops in Denver Nisei women's play.

Nippon Bleacherites Ride Nisei Players

Nisei baseball players in Japan are still taking a certain amount of vocal punishment from Japanese fans who consider them as "foreigners," according to **Jobo Nakamura** who attended a game recently in Hiroshima between the local Carps and the league-leading Tokyo Yomiuri Giants. Here is a portion of Nakamura's report to the Hokubei Mainichi of San Francisco on the game:

"The first man up for the Giants was none other than **Wally Yonamine**, Nisei from Hawaii. The last time I saw Yonamine was when he was carting the pigskin for the San Francisco Forty-Niners at Soldiers Field in Chicago.

"Yonamine is hitting .336 for the Giants and he is the second leading hitter in the league. The Japanese fans seem to have a healthy respect for his hitting and running prowess and for this reason he was singled out to be jeered by the Hiroshima crowd. His being a Nisei was an excuse for ridicule. My neighbor yelled using pidgin Japanese, 'Oi, Yonamine, Nippon-go wakaranai ka?'

"As the game proceeded, in favor of the Giants, **Wally Yonamine** pounded the ball all over the park and stole bases with ease. 'Yoku hashiru no!' 'Yoko utsu na' were some of their reluctant praise for the Nisei player.

"They are beating us with a combined Japanese-American force. It's not fair,' one fan muttered. My brother-in-law explained there were three Nisei on the Tokyo squad. **Bill Nishita**, who pitched for the University of California team, and a fellow named (**Jyun**) **Hirota** from Hawaii, the catcher, were on the Giants' roster.

"In uniform, it was not easy to identify Nisei from the Japanese players as it was for the vociferous rooter who sat next to me and taunted Yonamine as a foreigner to suspect that I, too, was a Nisei."

Matsukawa Named Hawaii's Co-Captain

Hawaiian headlines: Quarterback **Sadao (Joe) Matsukawa** will co-captain the University of Hawaii's Rainbows with **End Ellsworth Bush** this season. The UH eleven opens a three-game mainland schedule on Sept. 20 at Tuscon against the University of Arizona. At the present time the first string includes six Nisei. They are Left Guard **Walt Nozoe**, a transfer from Los Angeles City College; Center **Ed Toma**, Right Guard **Eric Watanabe**, **Matsukawa**, Right Half **Walt Kato** and Fullback **George Fujiwara**. After Arizona, the 'Bows take on Lewis & Clark in Portland and Texas Western in El Paso... The Hawaii Red Sox, managed by **Larry Kunihi** and winners of the Hawaii Baseball League championship this season, defeated America's non-professional champions, the Fort Myer, Va., Colonials in two straight games last week in Honolulu. The Fort Myer team, winners of the National Baseball Congress tourney in Wichita, Kans., were en route to Japan to meet the All-Kanebo, non-pro champs of Nippon. An inside-the-park home run by **Kaoru Nekomoto** and timely hitting by Third Baseman **Dick Kashiwaeda** and First Baseman **Larry Kamishima**, borrowed from the Honolulu Asahis, helped the Red Sox to a 2 to 1 verdict over the visitors. The Red Sox won the first game, 8 to 5, giving the Nisei squad some sort of claim to a world's semi-pro baseball crown if Fort Myer defeats the All-Kanebos in Japan. ... Honolulu Boxing Promoter **Ralph Yempuku**, the promoter of record in the Shirai-Marino world's championship flyweight bout in Tokyo last May, is seeking to revive professional boxing in Hawaii and is importing two boxers from Japan. One is **Shigeki Kaneko**, a featherweight, while the other has not yet been selected.

Kim's Managers Turn Down Aragon Bout

Glory alley: It's reported that Managers **Eshio Toyama** and **Ben Marcus** turned down a guarantee of \$6,000 for their tiger, **Philip Kim**, to meet **Art (Golden Boy) Aragon**. Kim, with six KO victories in a row since he came to the mainland from Hawaii, will next meet **Bob Torrance** at Hollywood Legion Stadium on Sept. 27. One or two more victories and Kim will be in line for some top TV money in the east. ... Sixteen-year-old **Gene Matsuo** lost his third-round match to **W. Coats** in the junior boys singles division of the annual Pacific South-west tennis championships in Los Angeles. The scores were 6-1, 5-7, 6-4... **Hakumasa Hamamoto** of Honolulu will promote the Sept. 27 non-title embroglio in Tokyo between World's Flyweight Champion **Yoshio Shirai** and the Nisei slugger, **Roy Higa** of Honolulu. Both fighters will come in over the 112-pound flyweight limit but under 114½ pounds. Higa, normally a bantamweight, is on a diet and the "main worry," according to Manager **Reggie Ichinose**, is to bring him in under the 114½ pound maximum for the bout. Shirai, it is reported, refused to meet Higa at a heavier weight.

Taketa Looks Good to Golden Raiders

Hash Taketa, the former San Jose, Calif., High lineman, is one of Coach **Bob Bronzan's** top guards for the 1952 San Jose State season. **Taketa**, Tackle **Jim Kajioka** and Center **Tom Yagi** are expected to make the trip with the Golden Raiders to Boulder, Colo., for the team's opener against the University of Colorado. **Kajioka** at 250 and **Yagi** at 214 pounds are two of the hottest Nisei college gridmen to come along in years... Guard **Walt Takeda** has been sparkling in recent workouts for the Sacramento JC Panthers... **Akio Iwanaga** from Yuba College may open the season at guard for

JACL Award Given Konno In Honolulu

HONOLULU—The National Japanese American Citizens League's distinguished achievement medal and citation was presented to **Ford Hiroshi Konno** at a testimonial dinner on Sept. 11.

The dinner, sponsored by the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce, honored Hawaiian athletes who have brought glory to Hawaii through their achievements in national and international competition.

Besides Konno, other Olympic swimmers who were honored were **Yoshinobu Oyakawa**, winner of the 100-meter backstroke at Helsinki, and **Evelyn Kawamoto**. The dinner also honored **Weightlifters Richard Tom** and **Richard Tomita**, **Mrs. Jackie Liwai Pung**, national women's amateur golf champion, swimming coaches **Soichi Sakamoto** and **Yoshito Sagawa** and **Dr. Richard You**, physician for the U.S. Olympic team.

The JACL presentation to Konno was one of many awards made during the evening. The JACL medallion, announced at the National JACL convention in San Francisco on July 1, was presented by **Masayuki Tokioka**, vice president of the Japanese chamber.

Wedding Held

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Miss **Jane Tashiro**, active member of the Washington, D.C. JACL, became the bride of **Ken Yasuda** of New York City on Sept. 6 at the Elbrook Methodist Church in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Yasuda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Shigezo Tashiro** of Miami Beach, Florida, was attended by Mrs. T. Kobayashi, D.C., and the Misses **Mitsu** and **Sada Yasuda**, N.Y.C. Mr. **Frank Mukai**, Oakridge, Tennessee, served as best man and **Tetsu Yasuda**, Don Kapp of N.Y.C., and **Herbert Tashiro** of Miami Beach were ushers. The couple will make their home in New York City.

A Short Story:

THE LAPEL PIN

By DEN MOREY

Hideko never looked as lovely as she did today, and I was very proud of my sister-in-law, not only because of her loveliness, but, behind those big brown eyes and broad forehead, she had what many lovely girls lacked—brains. However, as a woman, I couldn't help feel a little disappointed when I knew how my kid brother had first won her friendship.

"She bit the first bait I threw at her," he had boasted.

Now as Hideko dressed for her first wedding anniversary, it was difficult for me to believe that a year had passed since she married **Sadao**. Why, it seemed only a few months ago that my brother had been pestering me for big-sisterly advice on how to get acquainted with the girl.

"If I could only get to know her," **Sadao** had pleaded to me, "but is it a reason enough to start a conversation with a girl just because she happens to wait for a bus at the same stop?"

And I tried my best, but none of my advice had satisfied him. Days had turned into weeks. I had become more nervous and **Sadao** more miserable. Then one day, a month after he had first seen her, **Sadao** dashed into the house with a grin that covered his oval face.

"Boy, am I in luck," he yelled. "Not only did I get to talk to her, I also wrangled myself a date."

He had no time to eat his dinner until he had unfolded his story to me.

It seemed that **Hideko** had owned a heart-shaped lapel pin which she wore on occasion. With that fact in mind, **Sadao** had worked his imagination over - time and concocted a novel, if not original, plan.

After two days of footing his way through the downtown jewelers, he had found a lapel pin that was identical to the one **Hideko** wore.

Now, with this pin in his pocket, **Sadao** had waited for the day when the two were alone at the bus stop. Then ingeniously, he had flung the pin a short distance from where the girl was standing. After a pause, he had walked noisily to the girl's side and had picked the

pin from under her.

"And it was so easy after that," **Sadao** had reflected. "So easy."

"But didn't she suspect anything?"

"Suspect!" **Sadao** hooted at me as if I had underestimated his ingenuity. "Don't be silly. Why—why, I made sure that her attention was someplace else, and at the moment, her eyes were on a new car that had stopped for the light."

That had been the time when my womanly curiosity had begun working double-time. "But what about the other pin. Suppose she goes home and find—"

Sadao had been blunt. "Do you want me to tell you or don't you? Then, shut up!"

As I had been sitting on the edge of the chair, I giggled back. **Sadao** continued. "Let's see, where was I—oh, yes. So I went up and picked up the pin. And as such occasion warrants, I naturally asked her if the pin was hers. Now, you know and I know, whose pin that was. But she didn't. Therefore, I asked her to keep it unless she found that it wasn't hers. Well, luck was with me. She told me, today, that she couldn't find hers at home. And being grateful for finding the pin, she wanted to do something for me. So you see why I'm taking her to the dance tonight."

"Keep this under your hat," he cautioned me.

"Oh, brother," I had yelled, not only as an elated expression but because I wanted to applaud my brother.

"Do you think I would impress **Sadao**," **Hideko** asked from her seat before the dresser. "It means so much to me!"

"Of course." I went up to her and gave her bare shoulders a tight grasp. "And that blue gown. It makes you so lovely."

I bent down and kissed her soft raven hair. That's when I saw the heart-shaped pin shining at me from the mirror. It was pinned on her lapel. As she noticed my eyes staring at the pin, **Hideko** touched it lightly and smiled into the mirror.

"This is the pin that brought your brother and me together," she said.

Then my eyes fell upon another pin; an identical one! It lay in the box on the dresser.

I gasped staring. "Why that pin—" I fished it out.

Hideko was laughing when she stood up and faced me. "No, you are not seeing double. That pin was given to me by my mother when I graduated from high school."

She took the pin from me and pointed at the inscription on the back. I read: "My dearest **Hideko**—Love, Mother."

"But, I thought you lost it." I was dazed.

Hideko chuckled. "So you've heard!"

"That's what you told my brother, didn't you? I don't get you."

Hideko's eyes brightened wisely. "As a woman, wouldn't you have done the same—that is, become an easy prey for a man? Providing, of course, that you wanted to meet him and knew what he was up to; especially, when you knew that you didn't have to show your own claws."

"Are you trying to say that you knew all about **Sadao** and his pin?"

Hideko laughed. "Of course. I saw everything; how he skidded the pin under me, how he came up and picked it up. Everything!"

"But how?"

"By looking at the reflection on the body of a new car that had stopped for the light. Why, it was no different than if I was looking into a mirror."

After we had a good laugh, **Hideko** said, "Please keep this under your hat."

"Oh, brother!" I yelled, but believe me, I wasn't trying to applaud my brother.

Hawaiian Nisei Boxer Signs For Tokyo Bout With Shirai

TOKYO — **Roy Higa**, a Nisei Army veteran from Honolulu who has been impressive in his first two bouts in Japan, will meet World's Flyweight Champion **Yoshio Shirai** in a 10-round non-title match at Korakuen Stadium in Tokyo on Sept. 27.

Higa, through his trainer, **Reginald Ichinose** of Hawaii, challenged **Shirai** recently after he TKO'd Japan's top bantamweight, **Hiroshi Horiguchi**, and decisioned Featherweight **Akiyoshi Akanuma** in recent matches.

Weight limit for the **Higa-Shirai** bout was set at 114½ pounds. **Higa**, who has been campaigning as a bantamweight, will have to shed several pounds for the bout.

Ichinose said the 27-year old

Higa already is in training and should have no difficulty making the weight.

"**Higa** is on a diet now and the main worry will be bringing down his weight to 114 pounds," said **Ichinose**, but added that he was confident **Higa** could make the limit.

Shirai, as champion, is expected to enter the ring the favorite but **Ichinose** contends that the Nisei slugger has a good chance of winning.

Higa is rated a better hitter than the champion while **Shirai** is given the edge in boxing ability.

Shirai won the world's title last May from **Dado Marino** of Honolulu. **Higa** came to Japan with **Marino** to help the latter train.

Montreal Wins U.S.-Canadian Nisei Softball Tournament

TORONTO, Ont.—The Montreal Nisei team defeated Cleveland, 8 to 5, to win the 2nd International Nisei Softball Tournament sponsored by the Toronto Japanese Canadian Citizens Association over the Labor Day weekend.

The Montreal victory was a replay of the championship finals which ended in an 8 to 8 deadlock when time was called in the top of the eleventh because of the Sunday curfew law.

Cleveland had banged out four consecutive hits to score three runs but the tallies were nullified by the 6 o'clock deadline.

On the following day the game was replayed and Montreal won.

In Sunday's tussle Montreal held an 8 to 5 lead in the ninth. With two men on base and two out, Pitcher **Jim Hosaka** of Cleveland

hit a home run to tie up the game.

Shortstop **Hiro Uchida** and Outfielder **Larry Nakatsuka** supplied the batting punch for the Montreal victory.

In contrast to last year's tourney, which was swept by American Nisei teams, the Toronto Nittas won the consolation round award by defeating the New York Nisei, 5 to 4. Pitcher **Inky Sawahata** of New York, star of last year's tourney, was off form.

Cleveland defeated New York, 5 to 3, in the first round, while Montreal was edging Toronto, 6 to 4.

All pitchers went the route for the four teams in the tourney. They were **Hosaka**, Cleveland; **Sawahata**, New York; **Squat Ono**, Montreal, and **Roy Tanaka**, Toronto.

the California Aggies of Davis... **Shiro Maeda** and **Koji Watanabe** appear to have cinched the halfback posts on the Placer Union High varsity of Auburn, Calif. ... **Glen Muramoto**, 200-pound guard, opens the grid year for the Sacramento High Dragons while **Al Sanjo**, a speedster, will be at a halfback spot... **George Nii** has cinched a defensive halfback position on the College of Sequoias squad.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaru Akugawa a girl, Jerilynne Misao, on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Chester F. Roberts, Jr. (nee Yoshiko Tajiri) a girl, Chiari Elaine, on Sept. 10 in Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Haruko Iki a girl on Sept. 13 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. John T. Nakata a boy on Sept. 2 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Sakaye Kaida, Cupertino, Calif., a girl, Colleen Kay, on Sept. 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. M. Mitsui a boy on Sept. 11 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Uchiyama a girl on Sept. 10 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Hiramatsu a girl on Sept. 12 in Salt Lake City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bill K. Endo a girl on Aug. 31 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Yonote a boy on Aug. 13 in Oakland, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tadashi Yamaguchi, Santa Clara, Calif., a girl Candice Reiko, on Aug. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tadashi Todd Tomihiro a girl, Jane Naomi, on Aug. 27 in San Jose.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Dobashi a boy, Mark Haruo, on Aug. 31 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Fukuyama a girl, Irene Chio, on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Paul Hayashi a girl, Laura Ann, on Aug. 27 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshikazu Harashi a boy, Michael Guy, on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Kobayashi, Compton, Calif., a boy, Danny Brian, on Aug. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Seiji Yamashiro a boy, Ken, on Sept. 1 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Susumu Sakamoto, Sun Valley, Calif., a boy, Ronald Fumio, on Sept. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Osamu Manaka a boy, Randall Craig, on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tokiyoshi Nakatsu a girl, Nancy Chiyoko, on Sept. 6 in Gardena, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Toshiaki Okumoto a girl, Mariko Mari, on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masahiro Ishihashi a boy, Gerald Masato, on Aug. 31 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Saburo Sawasaki a girl on Aug. 29 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bunichi Oba a boy, Thomas Fred, on Aug. 24 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Susumu Nishikawa a boy on Aug. 29 in Stockton, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Sato, Lathrop, Calif., a girl on Aug. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Howell Sonoda, Lindsay, Calif., a boy on Aug. 15.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sakazaki, Fowler, Calif., a girl on Aug. 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murata a girl on Aug. 31 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Sakata a boy, George David, on Aug. 31 in Watsonville, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masao Akiyoshi a girl, Aileen Masako, on Sept. 7 in Watsonville.

To Mr. and Mrs. Elton K. Nakamoto, Fort Lupton, Colo., a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Miyoji Kawasaki, Long Beach, Calif., a boy on Aug. 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Mitsumori, La Crescenta, Calif., a boy on Aug. 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mac Inouye a boy in Denver, Colo.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kanae Akiyama a girl, Yoneko, on Aug. 26 in New York City.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hisashi Kanazawa a girl on Aug. 30 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Namio Kawaoka a boy, Christopher Yoji, on Aug. 24 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shiro Shiraishi a girl, Sandra Midori, on Aug. 18 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Masayoshi Eshita, Venice, Calif., a girl, Diane Akiko, on Aug. 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Yogi Ezaki a boy, Ramsey Alan, on Aug. 29 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tanashi Hanemoto a boy, Tadao Chris, on Aug. 26 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tsutomu Hamamoto, Culver City, Calif., a boy, Masaru Joe, on Sept. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Seichi Kojima a boy, Mark Go, on Aug. 28 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Katsumi Mano a boy, Ronald Tadashi, on Sept. 2 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Larry Taichi Nishihara a girl, Aline Rose, on Sept. 3 in Los Angeles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masato Tamano, Venice, Calif., a girl, Joyce Kaori, on Sept. 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Kagohara, Greeley, Colo., a boy on Sept. 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Tazawa, Brighton, Colo., a girl.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Momii a girl in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shoji Shimamoto a girl on Aug. 29 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Yoroza a girl on Sept. 15 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Dan Yamada a boy on Sept. 15 in Seattle.

To Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka J. Habu a girl on Sept. 15 in Seattle.

Attorney Asks Aid for Nisei Accident Victim

LOS ANGELES — Attorney Frank F. Chuman of the law firm of Aiso, Chuman & McKibbin departed for Washington, D.C., on Sept. 15 for oral argument September 18 before the Employees' Compensation Appeals Board in the matter of Sadami Arifuku, 35-year-old Hawaiian Nisei of Los Angeles.

Arifuku, while employed by the War Department, U.S. Engineers' Office at the Kahuku Army Airfield, Sept. 13, 1942, sustained serious brain injuries when a P-40 airplane smashed into the front end of his truck. Famous neurosurgeons in both Hawaii and United States had diagnosed Arifuku's condition as permanent injuries of post-traumatic epilepsy.

Chuman's appearance in Washington, D.C. is to obtain permanent disability payments and surgical treatments to remedy Arifuku's condition whose application was rejected by the Bureau of Employees Compensation.

DEATHS

Sentaro Oki, 64, on Sept. 13 in Boise, Ida.

Juichi Yokota, 65, on Sept. 12 in Gardena, Calif.

Mrs. Kikuye Sakaguchi on Sept. 10 in San Jose, Calif.

Mrs. Kiye Iyoya, San Mateo, Calif., on Sept. 9.

Mrs. Chisa Kikuda, Fresno, Calif., on Sept. 9 in Carmel, Calif.

Kichisaburo Nakamoto, 80, on Sept. 10 in San Diego.

Hideharu Kawabata, 10, on Sept. 11 in West Los Angeles.

Shizuka Ohara, 71, on Sept. 5 in San Pedro, Calif.

Kitaro Endo, San Francisco, on Sept. 2 in Japan.

Yasukichi Nakashima, 69, on Sept. 17 in Salt Lake City.

Torakichi Ikuta, 67, on Sept. 13 in Cleveland, O.

MARRIAGES

Kimi Ishizaki to George Tanaka on Sept. 15 in San Francisco.

Dee Hosino and Steve Niino, Richmond, Calif., on Sept. 5.

Mary Kasai, Fresno, Calif., to John Akira Hanamura on Sept. 7 in Los Angeles.

Hiroko Tanigawa to George Tanaka on Aug. 23 in Chicago.

June Tashiro to Ken Yasuda on Sept. 6 in Washington, D.C.

Sumiko Watanabe to Akira Roy Endo, Santa Barbara, on Sept. 7 in Los Angeles.

Reiko Mayeda to Harry Nagata on Sept. 6 in Los Angeles.

Mary Shinmoto to Mike Uchida on Sept. 7 in Pasadena, Calif.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Florence Schedler, Hamburg, Wis., and Masami Hayakawa, Chicago.

Erino Asazawa, Newcastle, Calif., and Dick Rokuo Mizokami, Berkeley, Calif.

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Nisei Sprint Star Shoots Prowler

LOS ANGELES—Bob Watanabe, the "world's fastest Nisei," took a shot at a nocturnal prowler on Sept. 13.

Shortly afterwards a man, James Russau, walked into Georgia Street receiving hospital for treatment a bullet wound in his chest. Russau was held for questioning as a burglar suspect.

Dr. James Goto, whose office has been looted three times within the past two months recently employed Watanabe, a UCLA medical student, to "sleep in the office during weekends."

Watanabe told detectives, including Officer Stanley Uno, that about 2 a.m. he took a shot at a prowler who had entered Dr. Goto's office by way of a skylight window. The prowler forced open three doors.

Watanabe won the "fastest Nisei" title when he won the 100 yard dash in the Army's Far Eastern championships in Tokyo in 1947 in the time of 9.7s, the speediest ever recorded by a Nisei sprinter.

Political Forum Will Feature Denver Supper

DENVER—A political information forum will be a feature of the Denver JACL's Halloween pot-luck on Oct. 30 at the YWCA.

The forum was arranged because of heightened interest in the Nov. 4 elections and speakers from both the Republican and Democratic parties are being invited.

A short business meeting also will be held, according to President Roy Mayeda, and a report will be presented by Ruth Ishiguro of Greeley, Mountain Plains JACL representative to the National Encampment for Citizenship.

The pot-luck will be a family affair and George Masunaga and Sam Matsumoto are arranging for movies.

The evening affair is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and all JACL members and their friends are invited.

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Resettlers Set Annual Meet In Chicago

CHICAGO — The Annual Meeting of the Chicago Resettlers Committee will take place on Sept. 29th at the Resettlers building, 1110 North La Salle, Richard Yamada, chairman of the annual meeting committee, announced this week. Election of officers and Board Members will be the main item of business with a report from the agency executive director, Jack Yasutake.

Slated to begin at 8 p.m., the meeting will feature a new film, "Angry Boy," endorsed by the National Institute of Mental Health. This film is a presentation of modern psychiatry in action, of a troubled child who is helped by the love, understanding and respect that parents and teachers can provide in everyday situations. Pictures of the Chicago Community Picnic of July 27th, 1952 will also be shown for the first time.

The following slate of officers and board members was nominated by a committee headed by the Rev. Andrew Oyama and including Noboru Honda, Ichikuro Kondo, Tahei Matsunaga, Harry Mayeda, Kohachiro Sugimoto, Jun Toguri, Richard Yamada, and Jack Yasutake:

President—Noboru Honda; Vice-Presidents — Tahei Matsunaga, Thomas Masuda; Secretary—Mary Sonoda; Treasurer — Richard H. Yamada; Auditors—Ichikuro Kondo; Frank Y. Takahashi; Ex Officio—Harry K. Mayeda.

Executive Board members nominated are: Dr. Ben T. Chikaraishi, Hiroshi Anzai, Ryoichi Fujii, Jisei Fukuda, Abe Hagiwara, Eizo Hanaki, Mary Hata, Miyeki Hayano, Torao Hidaka, Dr. Thomas Hiura, Kiyoshi Joichi, Tom Kanno, Corky Kawasaki, Rev. Joe Kitagawa, Kameichi Kittaka, Rev. Gyomei Kubose, Mrs. Koki Kumamoto, Tom Maruyama, Shigeru Nagata, Yoriaki Nakagawa, Eizo Nishi, Tadaichi Okuhara, Rev. Andrew Oyama, Shozo Sekiguchi, Tomejiro Shigetome, Mannosuke Shiraishi, Ralph Smeltzer, Kohachiro Sugimoto, Mrs. Naoye Suzuki, Taisuke Takahashi, Bunji Takano, George Teraoka, June Toguri, Rev. Alva Tompkins, Enjiro Watanabe, John H. Weddell, Jiro Yamaguchi, George K. Yamamoto.

Refreshments will be served at the meeting, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Ayako Kumamoto and Mrs. Thomas Masuda.

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Ann Nisei's Kitchen: Cookbooks Via Shibata

Our friend Welly Shibata, who's just now completing a round-the-world trip for his paper in Japan, sends along a couple of Oriental cookbooks, one of which turns out to be a Chinese cookbook.

This latter item is packed with recipes, advice and proverbs on eating and cooking in Chinese. (Did you know, for instance, that it's bad luck to drop a chopstick during a meal?)

We'll start off with a few old-time favorites, steering clear of such exotic specialties as bird's nest soup.

Fried Duck

1 young duck
salt, pepper
6 tablespoons soy sauce
½ cup water
1 piece ginger, shredded
4 tablespoons wine
green onions
peanut oil

Clean and disjoint duck. Sprinkle with salt and pepper.

Pour peanut oil into frying pan to depth of one-half inch. When oil is hot, add duck and fry slowly to delicate brown, turning pieces occasionally.

Mix soy sauce, water, ginger, wine and several green onion sprouts. Pour over duck, cover and cook over very slow flame for 20 minutes.

As far as most Americans are concerned, the only authentic Chinese dish is chop suey. But the kind of chop suey served in most restaurants across the country is a gooeey, unappetizing blob that no self-respecting cook would serve.

But a skillfully cooked chop suey, with the vegetables crisply tender and with each ingredient still distinguishable in color and texture, is a delight to behold and a joy to eat.

Here are a couple of recipes for chop suey which are easy to follow and will, if carefully followed, give dividends in good eating:

Mandarin Chop Suey

1 lb. pork
1 green pepper
½ can pimientos
½ cup celery
12 water chestnuts
12 almonds
½ cup bamboo shoots
12 white mushrooms

3 tablespoons soy sauce
1 tablespoon cornstarch

Cut green pepper, celery, water chestnuts, mushrooms and bamboo into fine slices. Chop pimientos and almonds.

Have skillet well-greased and hot. Add meat and fry till brown. Add celery, water chestnuts and bamboo shoots. Cook for 10 minutes. Add green pepper and mushrooms and let simmer until green peppers are just tender. Add chopped pimiento, soy sauce and salt and pepper to taste.

Mix cornstarch in small amount of cold water and add to chop suey. Sprinkle chopped almonds on top.

Hongkong Chop Suey

1 lb. lean beef or pork
1 tablespoon soy sauce
2 cups celery, finely sliced
1 cup onions, finely sliced
½ lb. bean sprouts
meat stock

Cut meat into small pieces. Fry with soy sauce in hot, greased skillet until brown, stirring constantly. Add celery, onions, and small amount of meat stock. Cover and cook quickly until vegetables are just tender. Add bean sprouts and heat thoroughly. Pour Chinese Brown Gravy on top.

Chinese Brown Gravy

2 tablespoons soy sauce
1 teaspoon Chinese molasses
1 teaspoon cornstarch
½ cup soup stock or juice from meat roast

Mix soy sauce, molasses and cornstarch until smooth. Stir into boiling juice of roast or soup stock.

QUICK AND EASY

Here's a simple but unusual meat dish that you'll enjoy trying on your family:

Steamed Chicken

Clean a chicken, cover with water and boil until tender.

Remove from pot, cut into small serving pieces. Heap onto deep platter and garnish with slices of ham, black mushrooms cooked in stock, and green parsley.

Kurahara Heads 442nd Group In New York City

NEW YORK—Conrad Kurahara, director of the Nisei Service organization and young people's counsellor, was elected president of the 442nd Association of New York, it was announced on Sept. 12 at the installation dinner at the 77th Division Headquarters.

The new vice-president is Walter McKay, owner of a dental supply business in Orange, N.J.

Dick Itanaga, assistant circulation promotion manager at Ziff-Davis Publishing Co., is the new secretary, while Rod Matheson, employe of a textile firm, is treasurer.

The 442nd Association will sponsor a semi-formal dance on Nov. 1.

Shonien Drive Wins Support, Says Chairman

LOS ANGELES — Continuous support of the Shonien Building Fund Drive by individuals and organizations was reported by chairman of the drive, Chester Yamachi.

The Windsors of West Los Angeles, through their president Midori Nishi, have sent a check for fifty dollars as their contribution to the fund.

The Pasadena Gardener's Association one of the most active groups in their area has also joined in with the many organizations by donating one hundred dollars at their last meeting.

The Centinela Valley Women's Circle, from a Shonien benefit, was able to raise a total of one hundred fifty dollars in behalf of this community sponsored program to benefit children.

The Denebs, lead by club president Kazue Tsuchimori, is sponsoring a Shonien benefit "sembei sale." This active girls club that has worked closely with the Shonien asks the support of the community behind this project.

The teenage Adonis and the Estelles are organizing to sponsor a joint program to aid in this drive, it was announced by their presidents, Pat Onishi, and Margaret Fukuda. Also planning benefits are the Constituents, under Ted Kawata, and the newly formed Talismen presided over by Ben Minamide.

It was reported by chairman of the business house committee, Fred Tayama, that three hundred dollars has been contributed to the Shonien by the board of directors of the Southern California Flower Market. Area No. 1 of this committee is being led by Satoru Koshigashi. Area No. 2, which covers the Hollywood business houses is being handled by Arthur Ito, president of the newly formed Hollywood Chapter of the JACL. The Ninth and Seventh Street Wholesale markets are lead by Beach Morita, of Morita Produce and Buster Suzuki, President of the Pioneer Club respectively. Soliciting the Japanese American business houses will be Joseph Ito, owner of a local haberdashery.

The house-to-house solicitation committee, chaired by Mrs. John Ando, has reported that all the organizational work is nearing completion. Brochures have been sent to all residents of metropolitan Los Angeles. Teams are now going throughout the community soliciting funds. These volunteer groups have asked for strong community support behind the Shonien. Mrs. Ando has also requested for more volunteers in order to make this drive a real success.

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Hundreds of Nisei Veterans Plan to Attend 442nd Reunion

LOS ANGELES — Hundreds of Nisei veterans of the famous 442nd Combat Team in the Southern California area are planning to attend the 10th anniversary reunion of the Japanese American regiment in Honolulu next summer and the Los Angeles Nisei Veterans Association last week appointed Steve Sakai and Frank Okada to head a committee which will make local arrangements for the reunion.

The committee will coordinate plans of local veterans with the 442nd Veterans Club in Hawaii which is sponsoring the reunion.

Sakai and Okada will meet on Oct. 15 with Akira Fujiki, executive secretary of the 442nd club in Honolulu and general chairman of the reunion, which will visit Nisei veterans groups in 20 U.S. communities shortly.

The reunion will mark the tenth year since the formation of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team in Jan., 1943, at Camp Shelby, Miss.

Chapter Hears Japan Official

LOS ANGELES—Consul General Kenichiro Yoshida of Japan was scheduled as the guest speaker for the Downtown JACL's monthly luncheon meeting on Sept. 18, according to Harry Fujita, president.

Yoshida is a graduate of Tokyo Imperial University and was a graduate student at North Carolina State University. He was chief of liaison bureau of the foreign office in working with Allied Occupation officials. He was assigned to the Los Angeles office of the Japanese Government Overseas Agency early this year and was named consul general on April 29.

tors, Nobu T. Kawai, announced that the outlying districts committee has already contacted areas such as San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria, Guadalupe and areas further south such as Indio, Coachella, and Thermal. The response has been very favorable and leading citizens of the various areas have been quoted as being solidly behind the Shonien program. These districts have rallied behind the drive by setting up branch headquarters to solicit funds in their vicinity.

Washington JACL Makes Plans for Remainder of Year

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Washington, D.C. JACL announced its program for the remainder of 1952 at a cabinet meeting at the home of President Rikio Kumagai.

The first meeting after the summer recess will be held on Sept. 27 at 8 p.m. at the YWCA. Social dancing will follow the business session. Those arriving at the meeting before 8:00 will have a chance at the door prize.

A square dance chaired by Ruth Kuroishi is slated for Oct. 25. National Arlington Cemetery chairman Ira Shimasaki announced plans for annual Nisei Memorial Day services on Oct. 26 are being made.

The Nov. 22 meeting will feature a speaker to be arranged by Jack Hirose. Officers for 1953 will be elected at that time.

"Kunisada Chugi," a Japanese movie, will be sponsored jointly by the D.C. chapter and the local Nikejinkai on December 7th. A semi-formal installation dance is scheduled for December 27th.

The chapter acknowledged receipt of a \$100 donation from Mr. Shigezo Tashiro of Miami Beach, Florida.

San Mateo Dance

SAN MATEO, Calif.—The local JACL is joining with the Avalons and Ryuseis in sponsoring the first fall social of the season, a sports dance on Sept. 20 at the Masonic Temple.

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mythical "man in the street" was becoming aware of — and ashamed of—the anomalous position our government had taken.

Eventually the repeal of the old injustice would probably have come about even if there had been no JACL, even if there had been no Mike Masaoka. But undoubtedly it would have required a great deal more time than it did require. Mike's skill in coordinating and orchestrating the demand that ordinary decent justice be done, his indefatigability in seeing that every single instance of protest received the greatest possible publicity, his determination that there should be no excuse for failure to act because people didn't know there was a problem calling for action—all these speeded up the process, and brought the happy day of realization many years earlier than it might otherwise have come.

We must, in justice to Mike and the JACL, point out that the unfavorable aspects of the McCarran-Walter law which make it unacceptable to President Truman and other liberals, are none of Mike's doing, and have nothing whatever to do with the removal of the former anti-Japanese discriminations in the immigration and naturalization laws.

The Japanese community of Hawaii is happy and proud to welcome the Masaokas, and to have the opportunity to offer them face-to-face thanks for the yeoman service that Mike has rendered both to us who stem from Japanese stock, and to our country, which he helped urge into abandonment of an unjust and unworthy policy toward us. — An editorial in the Hawaii Hochi, Honolulu, of Sept. 12.

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