

## VISITING SERVICEMEN

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.-- Lt. Toshiyuki Takahashi, Lt. Hiroshi Saito, PFC Richard Sakai, PFC Yukio Yamamoto, PFC Mamoru Shiota.

Pvt. James Mukai, T/5 Shigeru Sugaya, T/5 K. Inouye, Pvt. Alan Nagawa, PFC Robert Takemura, Sgt. Suekichi Maneko.

Pvt. Kazuo Fujimoto, Pvt. Francis Ohta, PFC Satoshi Sakurai, Pvt. G. Sugai, Pvt. R. Yamada.

CAMP MAXEY, Tex.-- Cpl. Don Ishii, PFC Hitoshi Suminaga, PFC George Mitsuka.

CAMP ROBINSON, Ark.-- T/4 George K. Arase, T/4 Walter Miyao, Pvt. Noboru Tanihara.

## Victorettes

Hatsuyo Shiimori was elected president of the Victorettes at its recent meeting. Other officers are:

Shigeko Masuda, vice-president; Teruko Matsufuji, secretary; Miyoko Kunitake, treasurer; Takako Shiimori, athletic manager; and Kazuko Tsubouchi, historian-reporter.

Members of the Wildcats were guests

## TRANSFER IS APPLAUDED

Commenting on WRA's transfer to the Department of Interior, the Rockford (ILL.) Register-Republic in an editorial last week said:

"We should applaud the transfer as a move to integrate a special agency into a regular department of the federal government.

"The very nature of WRA's task puts it on a tough spot with the public. All persons of Japanese ancestry have been placed in an unfavorable light by the viciousness of our Japanese enemies. But we have among Japanese Americans, thousands of persons loyal to this country.

"WRA tries to find useful work for the loyal so that they may contribute to the American war effort, at the same time preserving their faith in democracy."

## RESETTLEMENT

ARKANSAS -- Little Rock: Patsy Nakamura (Fowler), 46-5-A, Mar. 5.

COLORADO -- Brighton: Mr. and Mrs. Gunzo Miyamoto (Fresno), 42-12-D, Mar. 2.

TERRITORY OF HAWAII -- Honolulu: Evelyn Taeko Nakamoto (Hawaii and National City, Calif.), 31-3-E, Mar. 2.

ILLINOIS -- Chicago: Masako Kumamoto (Long Beach), 6-2-C, Feb. 29; Toshi Okada (Fresno), 29-9-C, Mar. 1.

Sue Sumiko Seo (San Pedro), 20-3-A, Mar. 1; Kiku Yasumura (Loma), 20-9-F, Mar. 6.

Tom Takao Hayashi (Hollywood), 7-4-B, Mar. 2; Tamiko Mikami (San Pedro), 20-5-F, Mar. 6; Katsuko Yamamoto (Long Beach), 7-12-F, Mar. 6.

IOVA -- Des Moines: James Ichinaga (Tulare), 46-1-C, Feb. 28.

NEBRASKA -- Omaha: Tatsu Kai, 31-11-E, Mar. 1.

OHIO -- Cleveland: James Kiyotaka Murakami (Sacramento), 14-4-B, Mar. 1; Laurence Nobuo Shintaku (Florin), 2-9-A, Mar. 1.

PENNSYLVANIA -- Philadelphia: Mr. and Mrs. Saburo Inouye (Sacramento), 16-8-C, Feb. 29.

## "THE BEST HOPE OF MAN"

Extracts from Attorney General Francis Biddle's speech on "Democracy and Racial Minorities" follow:

What has rendered peculiarly acute any mistreatment of racial minorities--Japanese, Negro, Jewish--is our reiterated insistence on democratic equality of opportunity, irrespective of race, and the total nature of this war compared to the last.

Far more now than then, every man, white or black, Jew or Gentile, is enlisted to fight or to work for the common cause.....

I know that there are those who contend that any discussion of these tense and difficult relationships in the midst of a war is unwise.

Why stir up trouble--so the argument runs--and give ammunition for propaganda and the appearance of disunity to our enemies?

But when all is said and done, I am less concerned about how the United States looks to her enemies.

What I care about is what she looks like to her friends; to those who love and believe in her; to Americans in the field who fight and die for her; to Americans at home and abroad who want to be able to speak

with pride and without any mental reservation when they say with Thomas Jefferson "this government, the best hope of man."

Race intolerance is no longer a matter merely of domestic concern. For it undermines our moral authority as a nation which apparently can profess but cannot practice democracy.

We have talked much of democracy, of the American way of life, in these last few years. But surely it cannot grow into the fullness of realization, as long as we, through indifference or through fear, permit these bitter injustices to continue. DEMOCRACY IS A GREAT WORD

What we do today will write the history of the years to come. Do you remember what Walt Whitman said?

"We have frequently printed the word Democracy. Yet I cannot too often repeat that it is a word the real gist of which still sleeps, quite unawaken'd, notwithstanding the resonance and the many angry tempests out of which its syllables have come, from pen or tongue.

"It is a great word, whose history, I suppose, remains unwritten, because that history has yet to be enacted."

## ART COUNCIL'S ROSTER LISTED

NEW YORK, N. Y.-- Officers and executive board members of the newly organized Arts Council of Japanese Americans for Democracy whose main purpose is "to contribute full support to the United States and the United Nations and to take an active part in winning this anti-fascist war" follow:

OFFICERS OF COUNCIL  
Yasuo Kuniyoshi, painter, chairman; Isamu Noguchi, sculptor, vice-chairman; Minoru Yamasaki, architect, vice-chairman.

Eddie Shimano, writer, executive secretary; Asami Oyama, writer, recording secretary; Mitsu Iwamatsu, painter, treasurer.

EXECUTIVE BOARD  
Executive Board members--Leo Amino, sculptor; Tomi Kanazawa, musician; Teru Masumoto, painter; Sono Osato, dancer now appearing in "One Touch of Venus."  
Chuzo Tamotzu, painter; Joseph Oyama, writer; Taro Yashima, painter and author of "The New Sun."

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