

Kawai's speech last Sunday at Buddhist Church  
Mar. 12

### MEANING OF DEMOCRACY

1. Duty of the nisei citizen in the role of soldier--that is, in respect to selective service.
2. Difference of opinion: to bargain to the government contingent to rights and privileges.
3. The only true democracy is of one mind: the rule of the majority.
  - a. If the minority raises the ire of the majority, the majority can rule.
  - b. The majority can change the laws of the country--they can change the constitution itself.
  - c. The rights and privileges of the minority can be held up--cannot fight against democracy.
4. I believe today that the Japanese are the minority and behind the eightball. We have to use public relations rather than appeasement--public relations to secure our future.
5. We have to remember that today all over the U. S. the only three states against us are the Pacific coast states and possibly Arizona.
  - a. A few western states cannot change the constitution but the western block can.
  - b. If the western block turns against us, this group can bring legislation.
  - c. Let us remember that the majority can change the constitution and make this a dictatorship if they so desire.
6. As far as I am concerned our rights today are entirely derived from referring to the selective service.
7. Let us remember that there is probably no law that forces a person to report for induction.
  - a. The U. S. Attorney's office has names of those who have refused to report for induction. They have been turned over to the U. S. District Attorney.
  - b. Investigations of records in California are being made. As soon as they have completed the investigations, they will issue an immediate order of induction precluding their physical: placed directly in the army.
  - c. Violating the law of selective service--liable to punishment

and imprisonment--serious consequences to beat the army.

8. Let us remember our duties as American citizens--respect the dictates of the army and the government in times of war.
9. I am trying to put the right type of thinking into the minds of those persons.