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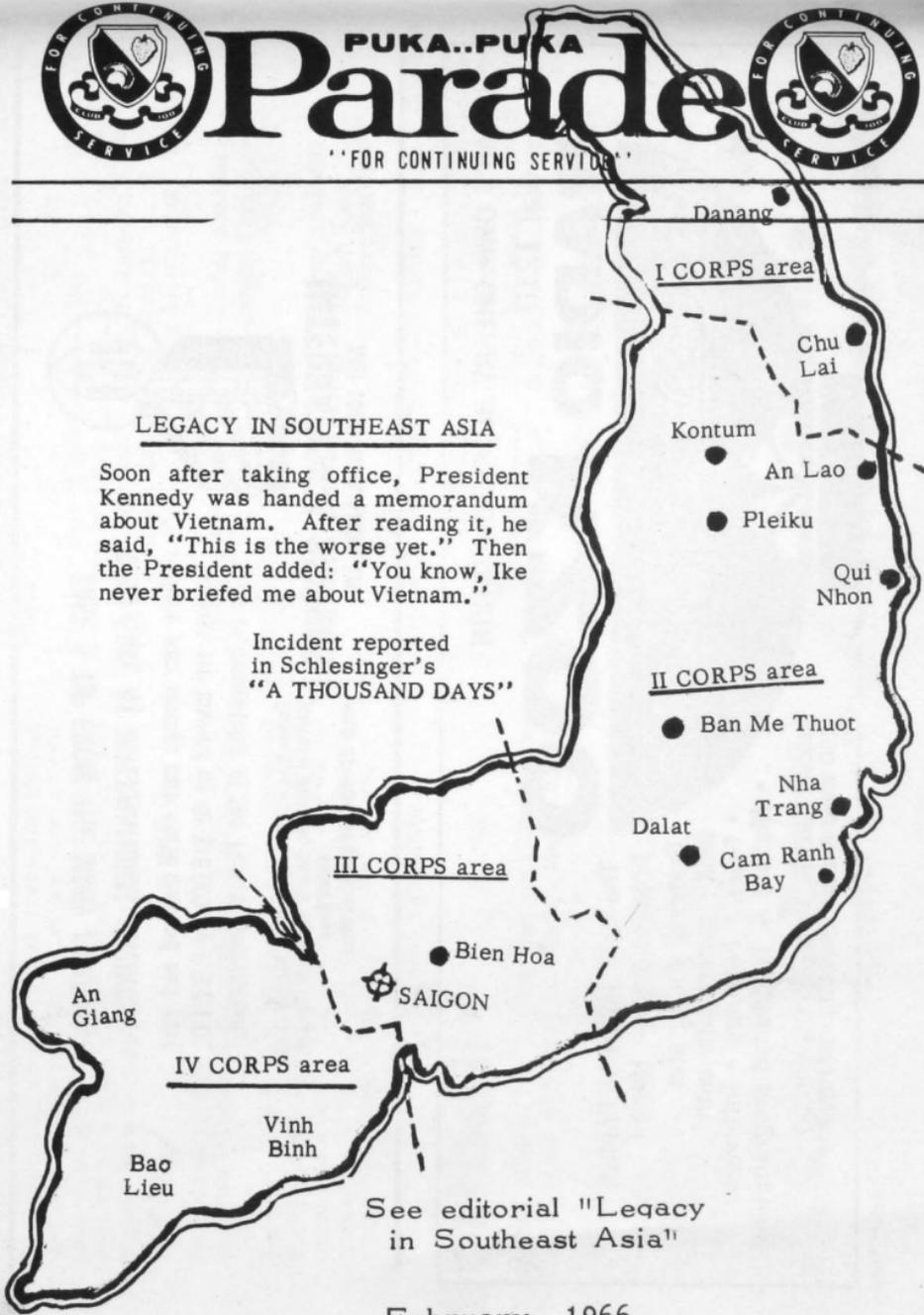


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Incident reported in Schlesinger's "A THOUSAND DAYS"



See editorial "Legacy in Southeast Asia"

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## Mail Bag

February 18, 1966

To the Editor,  
Puka Puka Parade  
Club 100  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Sir:

Please accept my belated thanks for your excellent Puka Square article in the January Puka Puka Parade; it refreshed my memory of a great period in the history of our State, a time in which many people acted greatly.

Among those who acted in the best American tradition, General C.D. Herron will always have a high place. I regret that the University of Hawaii never honored him for his services by giving him an honorary degree; it would have been most appropriate.

You pointed out very well the basic lesson to be learned from the actions and attitudes of men like General Herron and Chief Justice Tsukiyama that "come the next time men of their faith will prevail over those who generate unjustified hysteria."

Sincerely yours,  
/s/ Gregg M. Sinclair

P.S. Your "Uma Feathers!" was quite a tour de force. I enjoyed it. G. M. S.

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## PUKA SQUARES

INSTALLATION BANQUET. We said, in last month's issue, that the Year of the Horse should be a very lively year. True to form, we started off by getting fouled up in our installation banquet date. However, this should be of no particular detriment and it is heartening to see that the installation banquet committee headed by Eugene Kawakami is taking advantage of the situation by pushing the new date of March 12, at the Ala Moana Banquet Hall.

The largest number of members in years had planned to attend the January 29th affair. Now that the installation has been rescheduled for March 12, let's all turn out and give President Rinky Nakagawa and his officers a belated but rousing welcome.

For those of you who have not already done so, you can contact any one of the following committee members for reservations: Eugene Kawakami (A) 250-796, Stanley Nakamoto (B) 990-491, Chicken Miyashiro (C) 982-615, Denis Teraoka (D) 743-842, Masato Kodama (Hq) 855-364, Roy Hatakenaka (Med) 552-843, Susumu Ota (Rural) 624-755. Or call Herb Yamamoto or Bea Imada at the clubhouse.

NEW FORMAT. Looks like our new format got off the presses last month without a hitch. Hope you like the "new look" in your Parade. Reading is much easier.

HOME RULE. One of the biggest political battle in our local arena seem to be in the making, hinged on the question of whether or not there will be enough classrooms to take care of our rapidly expanding school population. Governor Burns has submitted a \$4.4 million budget request to construct 283 portable, wooden classrooms. Mayor Blaisdell's administration, with assistant managing director Victor Givan carrying the ball, charges that the city could build 220 permanent concrete classrooms for that sum of money.

Let's take a look at these figures. Assuming that a classroom is built to accommodate 35 pupils, the 283 portable classrooms would take care of 9,905 pupils. This would make the \$4.4 million building cost average out to \$444 per pupil. The city's claim of 220 buildings would take of 7,700 pupils, the building cost averaging \$571 per pupil. The big factor here is that permanent structures could be built for about a third more in cost per pupil. This appears to be a very telling point. And, of course, experience is on the side of the city.

However, we are not involved in this business of politics nor in building classrooms. All we know is what we read in the papers. And what we read makes us shudder to think that now that the main forces of the State and the City of Honolulu have been joined on this issue of classrooms, this kind of battle is a portent that whatever number of classrooms will be built between now and next fall will be inadequate.

We are picking figures, and extending them out, merely to stimulate discussion and to get a better "feel" for the problem. In other words, we are trying to come down to the lowest common denominator which in this case are dollar figures we can comprehend, rather than the millions which are being tossed about. →

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# Puka Squares

A STADIUM IN THE SKY? Which leads us to the \$38 million estimated cost for building a new stadium in Honolulu. Proposed to seat 50,000 spectators, the cost per seat would be \$760. We don't know whether there is any relativity between the cost per seat for building a classroom and cost per seat for building a stadium. Nevertheless, when looked at from the standpoint of the need for education, something seems to be cockeyed somewhere if we are willing to pay up to approximately two-thirds more per seat for the purpose of watching a sporting event. Our social values seem to be working backwards here.

At these prices, we may have a taker yet for our clubhouse at a million dollars for the whole works!

OUR WONDERFUL CORRESPONDENTS. Jim Maeda is our new correspondent from the Big Island. But before we go any further, we would like to thank Walter Kadota for the wonderful pieces he has been submitting to the Parade. Walter's sense of humor always added a warm touch to these pages.

In this issue, you will find articles by Dick Oguro for Baker Chapter, Richard Yamamoto for the Green Thumbs, Sat Nakamura all the way from Los Angeles, Fumi Taniyama for the golf bugs. And we're sure that Blue Nagasaki will check in before publication time with articles touching all bases. And we hope that all of our other regulars will check in also. A complete list of our correspondents is published elsewhere in this issue. To all of you, Mahalo!

HONOLULU NO KAI OI? But getting back to Jim Maeda. In addition to his initial piece which covers quite a bit of ground for the Big Islanders, he sends along this little note which is shot right from the hips. "I believe that people in the State of Hawaii should be thinking about the state as a whole. The people of Honolulu have a tendency of thinking of only Honolulu. The Governor of Hawaii has been criticized by the people in Honolulu for his action and thinking for the good of the entire State of Hawaii. I believe a paper like the Puka Puka Parade can help, especially with the thinking of those members who live in the neighbor islands."

Now Jim, we can understand the first part of your note perfectly. All of us here in Honolulu are guilty of thinking in terms of Honolulu only. Of course, you must understand, Jim, that this is a perfectly normal stand. However, as you say, we should be thinking in terms of the state as a whole. A point well taken.

Concerning your second point, we are not certain as to what you mean when you say that the Puka Puka Parade could help "especially with the thinking of those members who live in the neighbor islands."

We shall await your clarification by return mail. Also, we shall appreciate specific proposals for implementing your thoughts. We'll take it from there.

ADMIRAL NIMITZ, AND THE DAY THE 100TH (SEP) SAILED FROM HAWAII. The recent death of Admiral Nimitz recalls for us, among other things, the first naval battle in the Pacific after Pearl Harbor. This



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was the Battle of Midway, a do-or-die type action insofar as Hawaii was concerned because if we had lost the battle, the Japanese invaders would next be clamoring over Hawaii's beaches. But the Navy and the Marines fought off the invaders and on June 6 of 1962, as the 100th Infantry Battalion (Separate) left Honolulu Harbor for McCoy, the word was flashed that the forces of Admiral Nimitz had won the battle. Now, 24 years later, death takes away from the ranks one of the most towering individuals in the history of the Pacific theater. Despite all of his accomplishments, Admiral Nimitz was a man of great humility and he towers above all others because of this great personal attribute.

THE GREAT DEBATE. Our editorial in an attempt, in our modest way, to keep in touch with the Great Debate currently in progress concerning the question of "Why Vietnam." The heading "Legacy in Southeast Asia" is the title from Chapter XIII of Arthur A. Schlesinger's book on President Kennedy "A Thousand Days." In his opening to Chapter XIII, Schlesinger tells about Kennedy receiving briefings from outgoing President Eisenhower and that the briefings on Southeast Asia were mostly concerned about Laos. Subsequently, when Kennedy was handed a memorandum concerning the grave situation in Vietnam, he remarked to one of the presidential assistants, "You know, Ike never briefed me about Vietnam." So goes our inheritance.

- Editor

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10. Acknowledgments (M.C.).

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# Baker

AFTER 20 YEARS! A long 20 years, at that! "General" TAKESHI TESHIMA, self-styled "Urashima Taro", returned to his native Hawaii -- but alas, just for a visit; being that he now is a business tycoon -- President of AMERICO COMPANY LIMITED, with the head office in Osaka and a branch office in Tokyo -- but more so, being married to a Native Osaka girl who has endowed him with two bambino, thereby having him bury his roots deep in the soil from whence his father had migrated as an emigrant laborer to Hawaii, more than 70 years before! WHAT A PARADOX???

From Italian Cognac to Japanese sake -- fortunes of war?? And what a transition made by "general" Teshima as his old buddies of the 100th Infantry affectionately called him, because there was a General Teshima of the Japanese Imperial Army serving in Japan during this war time era too!

After coming back from the wars -- Africa, Italy, France -- in 1946, the "general" went to Japan as a Civil Service employee in the CIC (Counter-Intelligence Corps) because he was a Kibei -- a Hawaiian born Nisei educated in Japan, and therefore, who knew the language very well. When his "enlistment time" ran out, he did not "re-enlist" but chose to go out on his own.

And that is the success story of how he came to be the founder-president of AMERICO COMPANY LIMITED an import-export company with a branch in Tokyo but main operations in Osaka. Maybe that is one of the reasons he came back to Hawaii -- to expand out here, maybe, eh, "general" san???

All of this was "unearth" through the efforts of KENGO MIYANO who working against time managed to smoke out 35 members to the Shinonome Tei (Rainbow Teahouse) on Friday night, February 18, 1966.

Having come in late from another function, just met up with the "general" and his remnants, TAKEO DAIDO and HARUTO KURODA among the long-time-no-see elements. Bumped into Furusho on the way in! The remnants themselves were in the process of moving out to occupy another position -- Ken Kaneko's patio to indulge in a little game.

Since we were all invited to coffee, I went with past prexy Roy-san first to his house where we had a few while poor Missus had to make the tako; then over to Kaneko's, gossiping all the time -- men are just as bad, gals. They do gossip!

Towards 2 AM, decided to go home as I still had to pack for my Kauai trip. Roy-san did the same. So did Prexy Sonsei-san.

"General" Teshima was seated stoically in the chair just vacated by TA, observing and kibitzing the proceedings about him. Possibly pondering the future too.

Well, don't wait another 20 years for your next visit here. Many of us may not be here, you know, "urashima" Teshima-san! SARABA! AU REVOIR! AROHAI

## OUR CONDOLENCES TO:

ROY TOMIHAMA on the passing of his dad (85 years of age) recently, due to an automobile mishap. Rest in peace MR. SANRA TOMIHAMA.

SHADES OF THE CASSINO, these Baker boys think they are still fighting in Italy with their "yamato-damashi", which I call BULLHEADEDNESS today! Right on the heels of FRED KANEMURA's ulcer case, hidden in "deep secrecy" until disclosed dramatically at the "deep secrecy" until disclosed dramatically at the

January general meeting--because of one big mouth, KENGO MIYANO's recent hospitalization was also a case in parallel, excepting for the discovery angle. One night, in January, after this January general membership meeting night, circumstances or coincidence, whichever way you want to take it, brought PA and I TO Denver Grill. There was a dirge of Puka Puka-ites, for a Saturday night. We began making discreet, casual inquiries as to the who's who from the 1-0-0. Information was volunteered that KENGO MIYANO had been hospitalized for a slight case a ??? It was startling news to us, all the more so because we had it from an outside source! At the wake services for Roy's father, I chanced to talk about it with Prexy Sonsei. And our "great discovery" went out the window--because he informed me that he had been appraised of this fact already. Auwe! Nevertheless, we take this means to say: Health comes first Kengo--so TAKE IT EASY, and have a complete recovery before getting into the thick of things again.

Inadvertently missed the last general membership meeting of February 11. (Had a \$3.00 ground floor seat to the Harlem Globetrotters game, that's why). Anyway, so was HK conspicuously absent for this meeting for the same reason, also.

And through my "INFORMER" Stool Pigeon, who had originally told KI that he couldn't make it because he was going to be late from work, PA, but, who did make it, simply because he HAD to pick up one of his brood at the conclusion of a basketball game at Iolani School anyway, the following stringy tidbits were gleaned.

Though minus two of the better bridge players, HK and DO, a foursome played. It consisted of: YASU TAKATA, ROY NAKAYAMA, HARRY KATAHARA, and BOB TAKASHIGE. Which proves once again that NO ONE IS INDISPENSABLE! Conrad Kurahara made his pitch about the formation of a Teen Club for Baker Chapter. Sounds like a good idea. Let's all pitch in, fellas.

That quite a few Bakerites were huhu about the Installation Banquet cancellation. (NC except to say it was really TOO BAD!)

With all the new faces being mentioned, seems like it was a NEWCOMERS NIGHT: OYABUN O, CONRAD KURAHARA, KI, PA, returning of the hibernators?

Which brings me to admonish Prexy Sonsei-san to let me know what transpires at the general meeting in case I am absent, immediately after such a meeting. Also to inform me of all other "juicy" or otherwise news-worthy items. Without news this column will not survive.

Got this in an indirect roundabout way--that the Board

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August	Cal Shimogaki
September	Ken Otagaki
October	Tama Tamashiro
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Just completed a family night on February 18, with T. Kunimura as chairman. A nice crowd was on hand with everyone getting the seconds on the food, mainly BBQ meat and curry stew, for which I thank C. Shimogaki and Rinky Nakagawa in preparing the stew; and many others, wives and members in making the evening a success.

Our next monthly meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held at the Ottagaki's residence. We hope many of you members can make. Also a reminder that your Club 100 and Hq dues are payable and for those who wish to send in their checks, please do so to Club 100, 520 Kamoku St.

Many members of the Club 100 Japan tour were busy entertaining Takeshi Teshima who is visiting Honolulu for a while. Welcome home, Teshima. Hope you go back all in one piece. After hearing Rinky, Kaneko and Miyano talk, it's a wonder you are all in one piece. Nevertheless, nice seeing you home and getting to see your "ole" buddies again.

Toshi Kunimura

BAKER (cont.)

acted to refer the matter of an Essay contest sponsored by one, Taira running an automatic transmission repair shop, back to each chapter for its reaction. Besides being a regular advertiser in the PPP, if a guy is willing to spend his dough giving out prize money by sponsoring an essay contest for Club 100 children, WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?????

Moreover, why take an action like that? It would have been more apropos to have left it up to all chapters to participate on a voluntary basis--because that's the way it will be operating anyway, IF it is finally approved. WE NEED SUCH ACTIVITIES TO KEEP THE TEENS FROM BREAKING AWAY FROM US. BESIDES, TIME HAS BEEN WASTED SO UNNECESSARILY!

WHITHER GOEST, CLUB 100???? ARE WE EVER GOING TO DEVELOP FORESIGHT?

Just keep your shirts on. Think it over INTELLIGENTLY, RATIONALLY, UNEMOTIONALLY. SLEEP ON IT GOOD! GOODNIGHT!

AND SAYONARA FOR NOW

DO

# Hawaii

Larry Hirokawa (Co. A) was installed as the president of the Hawaii Chapter Club 100th on January 15, 1966, at the annual installation banquet held at the Seven Seas Restaurant. Other officers installed to serve together with the new prexy were: Motoyoshi Tanaka, vice president; Kats Katsunai, secretary; Tatsumi Yamamoto, treasurer; Larry Tanimoto and Kazunobu Yamamoto, auditors; Hiroo Furuya and Susumu Hata, directors.

Susumu Hata is the out-going president. The club extends thanks to Sus for a job well done during the past year.

The installation banquet was chaired by Larry Tanimoto. George Inouye was the installing officer, and Tarush Yamamoto and Roger Kawasaki handled the fellowship hour.

The appointment of committees and their respective chairmen were announced by LARRY HIROKAWA, president, at the first organizational meeting of the executive committee recently held at the prexy's home. The chairmen of the various committees are: BUDGET, Kazuma Taguchi; MEMBERSHIP, Masao Miyake; PUBLIC RELATIONS, James S. Maeda & Harold Marques; PROGRAM & ENTERTAINMENT, Larry Tanimoto and Taku Okajima; MEMORIAL SERVICE, Motoyoshi Tanaka and Yasu Iwasaki; CHRISTMAS PARTY, Takao Miyao, Roger Kawasaki & Tarush Yamamoto; MUTUAL ASSISTANCE, Stanley Ushijima & Masao Koga; LEGISLATIVE, George Inouye & Larry Tanimoto; BOYS & GIRLS, Seitoku Akamine & Charley Brenaman; HISTORIAN, Shigeru Ushijima; REPRESENTATIVES TO AJA VET COUNCIL, Larry Hirokawa, George Taketa, Sus Hata, Larry Tanimoto, Tarush Yamamoto and Motoyoshi Tanaka.

The officers gathering at Larry's home enjoyed delicious pupus, pastries and refreshments prepared by Marjorie Hirokawa and her daughters.

It was announced by the executive committee that the MONTHLY MEETING of the club will be held on the 4th Thursday of each month at Cafe 100th from 6:30 P.M. A standing date for each month, therefore Puka Puka-ites from the neighbor islands are welcome to attend, when you are visiting in Hilo.

The next regular meeting for 1966 will be held on February 24, Cafe 100th, 6:30 P.M. The program chairman has an interesting film on "Tsunami".

Susumu Hata is the new president of the 100th Bn. Memorial Baseball League sponsored by Club 100th Hawaii Chapter. Other officers of the league are: vice-president, Masao Miyake; Secretary, Larry Hirokawa assisted by Seitoku Akamine; treasurer, Harry Oda; auditors, Takao Miyao and Masao Koga; directors, Hiroo Furuya, Stan Ushijima, George Inouye, Yasu Iwasaki, Kazuma Taguchi, Kazunobu Yamamoto.

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Meet Hawaii Chapter's President Larry

The writer is happy to report to you that Larry Hirokawa was a member of Company "A", first platoon. I personally got to know him on the cold and wet hills of Scapoli, Italy. He was a sergeant then with only half a squad remaining. Twenty-two years ago, about this time of the year he became a recipient of the Purple Heart. It was near the Monastery Hill, Casino, while we were attacking that Larry got wounded. He returned to the good old USA for medical treatment and rehabilitation.

Larry has an interesting vocation as parole officer with the State of Hawaii Department of Social Service. His wife Marjorie is a probation officer with the Circuit Court....what a combination for a family. Only until recently Larry was the moderator of the Church of the Holy Cross (United Church of Christ), a leading Protestant church in Hilo. He is also the president of the Waiakea Intermediate School PTA. There is no doubt that Larry believes in the saying, "A man should serve his community and make it a better place to live."

Our prexy was born and raised in Kealahou, Kona. He understands what it is to go out and pick coffee during the coffee berry season. He is a graduate of the University of Hawaii. His wife is the former Marjorie Fuji, of Kalihi, Honolulu, who came to work in Hilo, for two years, as a social worker after graduating from the University of Hawaii and has found herself liking Hilo and has taken up permanent residence. They are parents of three good-looking daughters, Avis, 15 years; Laurie, 12 years and Marla, 3 years. Their household at 420 Kehaulani Street, Hilo, also comprises of two active dogs Frankie and Connie. Most men would say "that there are lots of activities in the Hirokawa home with four girls and two dogs." Our thanks to you girls for making dad available to the community and club.

The 100th Bn. Memorial Baseball League participates in the annual State AJA Baseball Tournament.

Congratulations and thanks to REPRESENTATIVE BOB TAIRA for his leadership and ability in conducting a good hearing of the House Education Committee in Hilo, last month. A teacher was very proud to hear that you are a former teacher. As to your question regarding the conditions of teacher's cottage, they inform me that the bed and mattress that you slept on while you were teaching in Puna must still be there..... YASU IWASAKI, who has been ill since summer is feeling much better and is up and around..... Dennis Oshita, star basketball player for Kohala High School is the son of SHIGERU OSHITA....

Jim S. Maeda

## Editorial

# Legacy in Southeast Asia

"In meeting the present challenge, it is essential that our people seek understanding, and that our leaders speak with candor."

Recently, there has been a considerable step-up in the tempo of debate concerning the question of our commitments in Vietnam, sparked especially by the discussions in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee with respect to Presidential budgetary requests for the pursuit of the war in Vietnam. The picture of Chairman Fulbright, sun glasses et al (to offset the glare from floodlights set up for television purposes) is becoming almost as familiar as that of President Johnson striding around the Capitol followed by the ever-hounding pack of newsmen.

When you cut through the welter of words being spoken and the reams of copy being passed out, one cannot but come to the conclusion that essentially, all the debaters are covering the same ground over and over and over again. To what purpose?

It seems that the Johnson Administration, its supporters, its critics, and the people as a whole, are all trying to find a common meeting ground. (In the current vein of serious discussions, it is good to note that the Vietnik-types have all but disappeared, presumably because those groups cannot stand up to serious discussions. Nevertheless, their presence in the past has served a purpose).

What is this common ground? The question appears academic but finding an answer is like treading your way through an exercise in logic which is to say that you keep finding yourself at home plate waiting your turn at bat. Back in October of 1954, President Eisenhower wrote to President Diem with an offer of American aid, the purpose of which "is to assist the Government of Vietnam in developing and maintaining a strong, viable state, capable of resisting attempted subversion or aggression through military means".

Six years later, in October of 1960, President Eisenhower was to write President Diem again, this time to note that "Vietnam's very success as well as its potential wealth and its strategic location have led the Communists of Hanoi, goaded by the bitterness of their failure to enslave all Vietnam, to use increasing violence in their attempts to destroy your country's freedom."

Although President Kennedy, in his first month in office, observed that "Ike never briefed me about Vietnam", by December of 1961, Kennedy was able to write President Diem these words: "The situation in your embattled country is well known to me and to the American people.... In accordance with that declaration (the Geneva Accords of 1954), and in response to your request, we are prepared to help the Republic of Vietnam to protect its people and to preserve its independence... The United States, like the Republic of Vietnam, remains devoted to the

cause of peace and orderly independence."

Which brings us to the present. A legacy which goes beyond the year. Certainly, no one today is debating the thing to do for Christmas, or next summer.

The quotation cited at the beginning by President Johnson is one of the criticisms of the Administration by Morse and Gruening, but it is being out with candor and with questions.

Why does our present debate exist? First is the practical fact that any new venture of this kind is a great big gamble. Second is the fact that the palace coterie living it up has left us. Thirdly, we are in Vietnam where the enemy is a better push of massed tanks and planes, and from that moment that Communism is in anytime he shows his hand.

Add to the above our present situation which are so miserably disrupt our affluent society goals which are so miserably sibly unravel.

So despite its irritating nature, much of the debate continues and discussions are a national resolve behind.

It is with this thought that debating the pros and cons, which, if handled right, could lead to a more

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primary purpose is to help your people maintain their administration and the legacy which it has inherited years. How many more years is anyone's guess. Attempting to make those predictions or statements several years ago, that we would be out of Vietnam by within the year, etc., etc.

beginning of this editorial piece is from a statement on August 20 of last year. It seems that all the beginning with Senator Fulbright and Senators the President at his word and are really speaking the type of questions which generate more

program, and our purposes there, elude definition? We have never fought in that part of the world, and we are not in this kind of situation has overtones of a war, the death of President Diem and Madame Nhu and the expense of the American aid program has never been accustomed to the kind of fighting taking place in the streets and jabs and boxes away; we understand much of the situation blanketing the sea and the land and the air with a blanket from a political standpoint, we are not in agreement with a dirty bastard who needs to be kicked in the pants and the streets.

we desire that there had better not be anything to our argument you have a conglomeration of facts and ideals and so only a long period of national debate could possibly

Administration, and despite the supposition that the current series of decisions across the land should ultimately help to establish a balance we can marshal all our varied viewpoints.

thought that we look with favor upon any group discussion of the legacy in Southeast Asia. Because it is a legacy that adds new luster to the American image. It is of a very nature, could give us the very opening which we need of friendship with our Asian neighbors.

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# Los Angeles

An open house and dedication ceremonies of our 442nd Memorial Hall was held on Sunday, January 23. The property, located on 1438 Oak Street, downtown Los Angeles, was acquired more than a year ago but this fact was not divulged to the readers of the Puka-Puka Parade for one, reconnoitering the inner sanctum at the time of our purchase, would have concluded that such an edifice wasn't habitable by anyone, save for the Munsters.

A long period of conversation followed, during which time the trusty veterans gave their time, sweat and effort. It is presentable now. This building isn't large, or too small, but is adequate for our current needs. It has a large front hall to accommodate 200 people, a rear social hall for 50 with kitchen facilities adjacent to it and an upstairs lounge for 50 people.

Turning out on the bright and cool afternoon to witness the ceremonies were about 200 people, among whom were these 100th members: Eric Y. Abe (D), Monte and May Fujita (A) with their son Wayne, Harry Fukasawa (B), Chick and Matsu Furuye (B), Speed Harada (B) of Corona, Joe Yoshio Hironaka (C), Jim Ishizawa (D), Sab Matsumoto (A), Sat Nakamura (B), Henry Y. Sakato (B), Lloyd Seki (D), Francis Shiroma (D), Douglas Tanaka (B) and Ken Yoshino (B). Mrs. Munemori, mother of Sadao Munemori (A), posthumous Congressional Medal of Honor winner, was among the Gold Star Mothers present. Former Chaplain, Reverend George Aki, of the Hollywood Independent Church, who replaced Chaplain Israel Yost in Lecco, Italy, was a participant in the afternoon's program.

The featured attraction last month was the 442nd Veterans Association of Southern California's Installation Dinner-Dance which was held at the Statler-Hilton, downtown Los Angeles, on January 29. Present were Eric and Irene Abe, Harry and Fuji Fukasawa, Chick and Matsu Furuye, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Harada (Hq.), Speed Harada, Joe and Kay Hironaka, Tom and Ruth Kasai (B), Don and Kimi Matsuda (A), Sab Matsumoto, Sat Nakamura, Henry Sakato, and Lloyd and Chuckie Seki.

Holding elective offices in the 1966 Association Cabinet from the 100th are Don Matsuda, Second Vice President, and Sat Nakamura, Secretary. Henry Sakato retains his position as House Committee Chairman.

Colonel George B. Morse (Cavalry, Retired), Association Life Member and of the Military Order of World Wars (Pasadena Chapter), introduced the featured speaker, Evelle J. Younger, District Attorney of Los Angeles County.

District Attorney Younger spoke highly of the men of the 442nd. He recalls that out of the bleak period during and following World War II, there came about a complete transformation among persons of Japanese descent that produced men of high caliber as Congressmen, jurists and oth-

ers occupying high positions in their communities. Being interested in law enforcement, District Attorney Younger added that Americans of Japanese descent are blessed with strong family ties. He asked that we put our talent and tradition to good use at a time when crime is moving five times faster than the population--when 75% of the crimes are committed by those between 14 and 29. However, he reminded us that good people are better than ever; that the bad ones are getting worse. Ninety three percent of our children are fine people; it is the 3% of them that cause serious problems. Mr. Younger emphasized the need for continued parental control over and guidance for our children.

There were a number of celebrities present who added prestige to our gathering. His Honor, the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, Samuel Yorty, made his presence with TV Newscaster George Putnam; nationally-reknown entertainer Shelley Berman and Mrs. Berman were seated with the Fox Company group, Judge and Mrs. Stephen Tamura, of Santa Ana, were seated at the head table, and there were a good representation by the local press.

Besides breaking bread and talking with our buddies, one of the more enjoyable part of the evening was the dance. From the moment the orchestra started playing, the floor was never empty till the very end. There were good cha-chas, fox trot, swing and waltz. When the dance beat changed to samba, tango and Slauson, the A Battery-100th dance group monopolized the floor. You see, the A Battery and the 100th have dance practice at the Club House every Friday night and we keep in shape for any type of dances, marathon and all. We have, as our instructor, Mr. Arthur Bergh, past president of the Dance Masters of America.

It was a very enjoyable evening and we regret that others of the 100th couldn't join us.

Irene Abe, wife of Eric Abe, from my home town of Lihue, Kauai, is given special plaudit for contributing her artistic talent in flower arrangement. She showed the ladies of another chapter how to manipulate and transform those individual flowers into beautiful bouquets for table decorations. Tanto grazie, signora Abel!

We take off our hats to another signora from Kauai, Kimi Matsuda of Able Company, from the town of Makaweli, who was installed the 1966 President of the Wilshire-Uptown Chapter of the JAFL during ceremonies held at the Sheraton-West Hotel on Sunday, January 23. Hard workers come from Kauai, this scribe notwithstanding!

Edward Tanaka, son of Douglas and Jane Tanaka (B), was recently inducted into the military service. He is taking basic training at Ft. Bliss, Texas.

Earlier this evening, I had to go to Gardena to work on our own Newsletter. It is now 12:30 a.m. so must sign off. Ciao!

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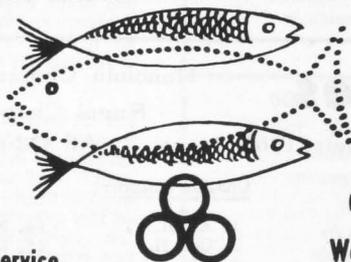
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# Able

Chairman Biffa Moriguchi is taking reservations for the annual Reunion (Stag) already - so please give him a ring or leave your name at the clubhouse. It will be another big bang-up affair at the Kanraku Teahouse on April 23, Saturday night.

Most of the paid-up and able-bodied members of Able have turned in their contracts for the 1966 baseball season but there still is opening for more players, according to General Manager Biffa Moriguchi. If you want exercise or to take part in physical fitness or try for your shirt size - come down to Ala Moana Park Sunday afternoon, February 27, and also see the opening ceremonies of the 1966 Farrant L. Turner Memorial Invitational Softball League.

Bowling will start pretty soon - Friday nite, April 1, to be exact, at the Stadium Bowl-O-Drome. There's still openings for bowlers so if you're interested, speak up.

Who comes first? Mother Chapter or Able Chapter? Well! According to Able Chapter members - it's Mother Chapter. This has been proven again and again. The Able Reunion (stag) party committee changed date of March 12 to April 23 because of the cancellation of the Club 100 Installation Banquet from January 29 to March 12.

It's not too late to put in your reservations for the banquet which will be held at the Ala Moana Banquet Hall. After all, there are 5 Ableites (1st Vice Pres. Walter Moriguchi, 2nd Vice Pres. Hideo Sato, Treasurer John Sakaki, Asst. Treasurer Richard Oki and Able Chapter President Hisashi Komori) who will be installed as officers of Club 100 for this year. So, Able Chapter members - give all your support and backing by attending this first, big, Club 100 affair by calling Eugene Kawakami (Installation Banquet Committee Chairman) for reservations.

Deepest sympathy to Tom Ibaraki. His father, the late Mr. Koyata Ibaraki, died at Maunalani Hospital on February 2.

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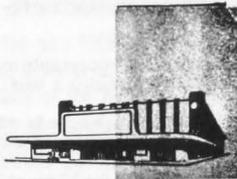
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# Green Thumbs

Thirty members were present at the February meeting which made President Robert Aoki very happy.

Guest Richard Fujio was asked by the president to comment on the flowers brought by the members. His description and comments were appreciated by the members. Mr. Fujio suggested that during the wet season, fungicide should be applied weekly.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Mr. Wallace Nakamoto, manager of the Star Garden Supply, who demonstrated how to pack and ship orchid flowers and plants to the mainland and foreign areas. For foreign areas, be sure to get a permit to ship.

Flower stems should be cut under water and dendrobium flowers may be soaked overnight. For cattleyas, soak only the stem as the petals become waterlogged. Flowers must be packed dry. Moisture will create heat and damage the flowers. Stems should be placed in tubes available for the purpose and completely filled with water to prevent air space. Dendrobium flowers should be cut when three-fourths in bloom and cattleyas at least in bloom for three days. Orchid plants must be removed from the pot, dried out and tightly wrapped individually. A wet plant will tend to rot.

For shipment to cold weather areas, line the box with two layers of newspaper and use a lot of shredded paper for cushioning. Pack tight to prevent flowers from moving about. Cattleyas and Vandas must be tied to the box to prevent movement.

Remember to ship flowers that are acceptable to you. Material and postage adds up to quite a sum.

Program chairman Roy Nakayama has scheduled for the March meeting "How to Grow Greens for Show Purposes". The plant club has two shows annually and we are always looking for "Greens" to landscape and build up our orchid shows.

Richard Yamamoto

# Softball

Club 100 Farrant L. Turner Memorial Invitational Softball League will start on Sunday, March 6, 1966.

The following teams are entered:

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All ball players should be out at Ala Moana Park by 12:30 p.m. for the opening ceremonies.

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# Golf

The annual Award Banquet for Club 100 Golf Club held at Kanraku Tea House on Saturday, January 15, 1966, was a big success. A turnout of 45 members and guests sat and ate and drank to their hearts content. A good time was had by all.

The formal portion of the program included introducing of guests, presentation of awards and introducing of the 1965-1966 officers. Officers for 1965: James Tani - President; James Oshiro - Tournament Chairman; Roy Miyashiro - Secretary; Al Arakaki - Treasurer; Hideshi Niimi - Handicap Chairman, all did a tremendous job. We would especially like to salute our hard working Tournament Chairman, James Oshiro for handling the toughest job of all -- always with a smile, nice-going Jimmy.

The officers for 1966 who will try to match the grand job this group did are: Mitsuuro Omori - President; Richard Hamada - Tournament Chairman; Yasuto Furusho - Treasurer; Fumi Taniyama - Secretary; Hideshi Niimi - Handicap Chairman. Hideshi did a bang up job, so he got the job again for 1966.

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3rd Place Seiji Tanigawa	91-15-76
Tie 4th Place Naoto Matsuura	93-16-77
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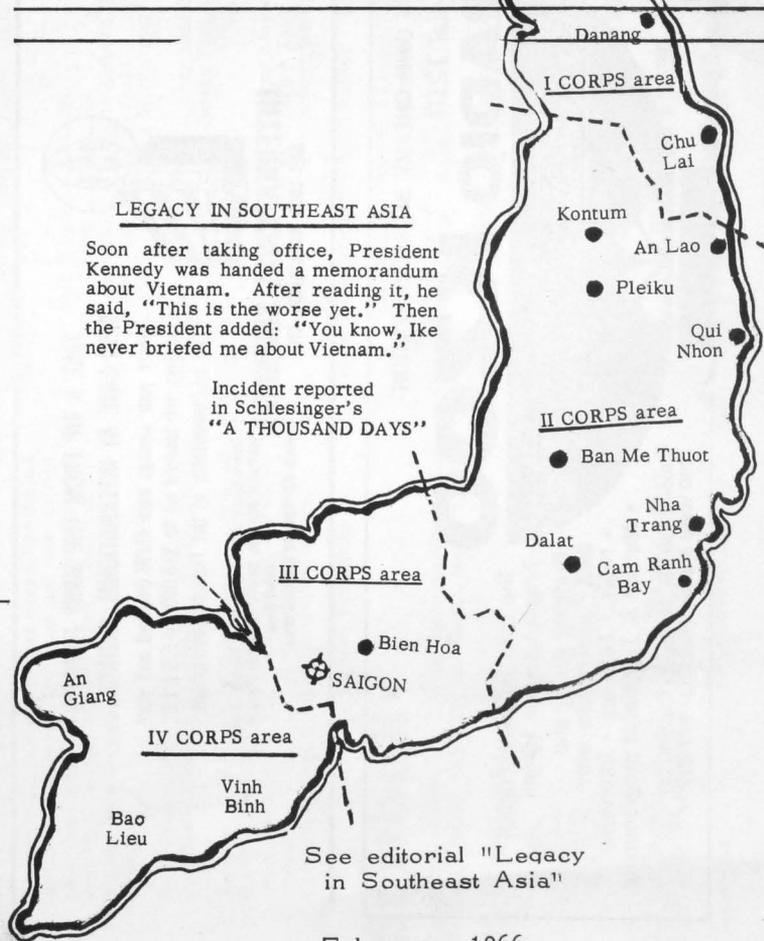
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