



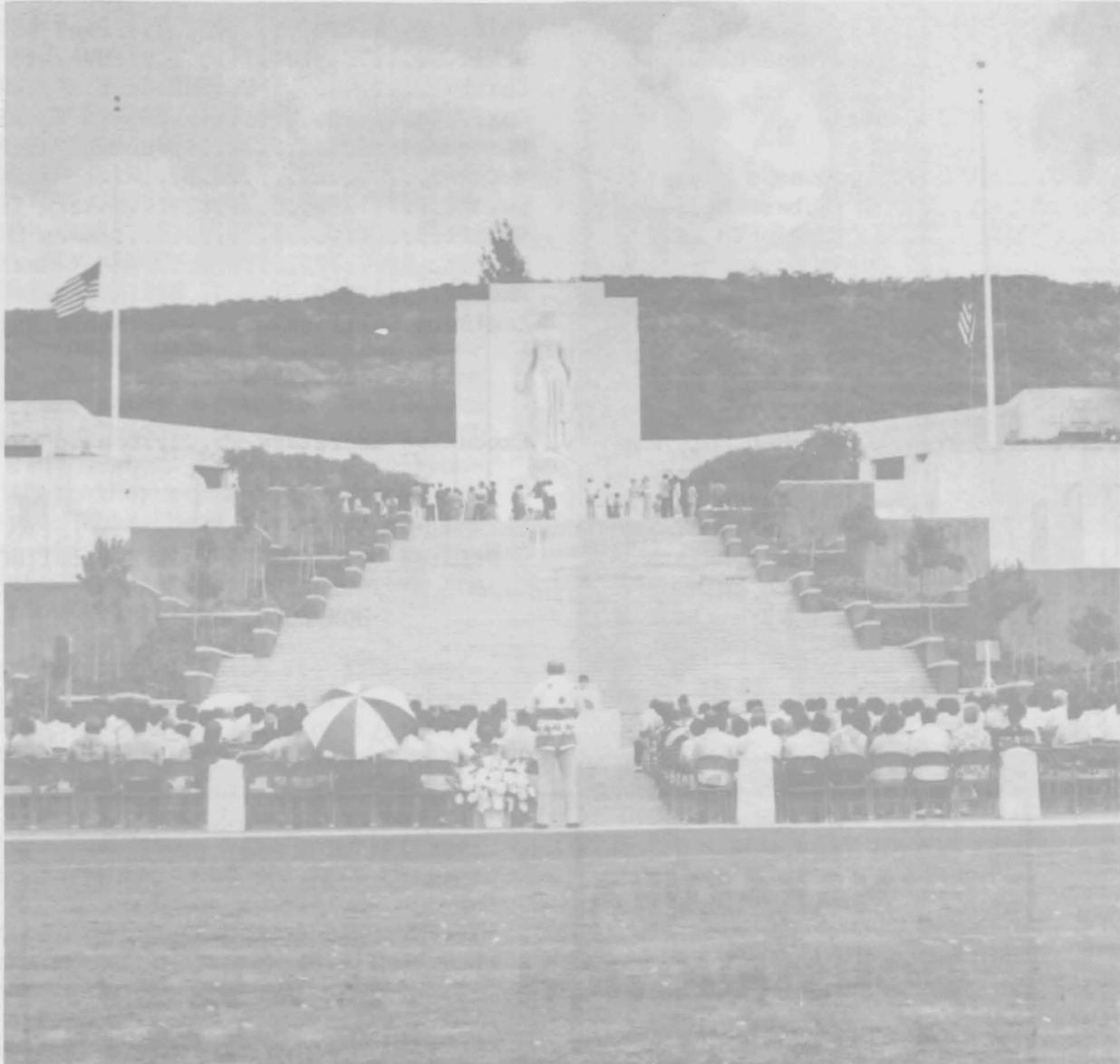
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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Yasuo Takata

Friends of Club 100, fellow club members and your wives. In behalf of Club 100, may I thank you for the all out spirit you have shown in making the 35th Anniversary Reunion an outstanding event. Many wonderful words have been spoken and written about our reunion. I have received many splendid thank you letters from our honored guests and friends. It gives me a very warm feeling. I hope that every member of Club 100 will share this glorious feeling of accomplishment, the feeling that you have made this 35th anniversary a memorable one. In his Honolulu Star Bulletin editorial, Mr. Smyser points out that you members know how to live a full life.

Not only have I heard fine comments from our friends, but from strangers about our radio broadcasts on Station KZOO. The interviews with the club members have proved so popular that they are being rebroadcast daily. This shows that many of the Issei still remember the One Puka Puka Infantry Battalion, its brave men and glorious history.

Again, may I thank the 35th Anniversary Committee, the various chapter nights, the Friendship Night Committee, the Anniversary Banquet Committee for the gala reunion banquet, the Transportation Committee, the Publicity Committee, the Memorial Service Committee, and the many members who served on those committees. May I again express with utmost gratitude my sincere appreciation to all of you members and friends who participated and helped make the anniversary reunion such a glorious celebration.

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35TH ANNIVERSARY NEWSMEMBERS CELEBRATE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF CLUB WITH FRIENDSHIP NIGHT AND BIG BANQUET

The club members, their wives, and special guests celebrated the 35th anniversary of Club 100 during June 10-12. Over 110 members and friends, came from Hawaii, Maui, Lanai, Kauai, and the mainland to join the Oahu members at the Friendship Night, the Anniversary Banquet, and the Memorial Service.

Island and mainland members were invited to the Baker Chapter reunion party at the DAV Hall on Thursday, June 9. On the same night, Able and Dog Chapter members enjoyed themselves at the Kanraku with plenty of food, refreshments and entertainment. The Able Chapter and Dog Chapter correspondents have written stories on the parties elsewhere in this issue.

Through the efforts of the decoration committee, the clubhouse was transformed into a festive spot, ready to welcome the members, wives and special friends. Friendship Night began at 5 p.m. with cocktails. Over 400 individuals were at the clubhouse, talking with old friends, meeting new ones, and enjoying the heavy puupuu dinner.

Through chairman Richard Ishimoto and his committee's efforts everything turned out fine. The mainland members donated grapes and cherries, and in turn, the local members donated mangoes and pineapples.

The formal part of the program was conducted by Martin Tohara. Martin requested club prexy Yasuo Takata to make his welcoming remarks. Neighbor island presidents James Maeda from Hawaii, Fred Yamashige from Maui, and Wallace Takemoto from Kauai were allowed two minutes to say a few words. Monte Fujita from the So. Cal. Chapter and Roy Honbo from Chicago also spoke. The guests from the 34th Infantry Division, 12 of them, were welcomed and their leader, Warren Fencil spoke on their behalf. Mr. Fencil presented each club officer with a special red 34th Div T-shirt.

The entertainment portion featured Mrs. Bessie Fukumoto doing a graceful hula, Mrs. Michiko Takashige sang a Japanese song, Mrs. Doris Kawano played the koto, and Miss Louise Morikawa presented 2 Japanese dances.

After the formal program ended at 9:00, the hall was made ready for ballroom dancing. The dance students were on the floor for every piece, swinging to their favorite music -- waltz, fox-trot, swing, cha cha, rumba, samba, mambo, and tango. The dancers were so intent on dancing that it was almost 11:30 when the last music was played.

The anniversary banquet on Saturday attracted 660 members, wives, and special friends. Through the efforts of the hard working Banquet Committee, especially chairman Hakaru Taoka and James Inafuku, person in charge of seating, the program started on time. All who had tickets were seated properly.

MC Ken Saruwatari did his usual masterful job in emceeding the program. He was helped by Miss Deborah Kodama, the Cherry Blossom Queen, who draped leis on each participant.

Club 2nd Vice-president Richard Ishimoto, who had chaired the Friendship Night, showed his versatility by speaking in Japanese to the Gold Star Parents who were seated in the most prominent spot, first row center, in front of the stage.

Brig. Gen. Kendall Fielder gave the keynote address. It is located elsewhere in the issue and should be read by those who were not able to attend the banquet, and by those who heard the message at the June 11 banquet.

The anniversary cake was cut by prexy Yasuo Takata. He gave the piece to 1st VP Conrad Tsukayama who at first hesitated to accept it because of the size. He bit half and returned the balance to Yasuo who enjoyed his share.

Social dancing began about 9:00 to the strains of Ray Tanaka's orchestra. The dance floor was full of eager dancers, ready to put to practice what they had learned in class. Many of them were doing well. These were the students who have been learning since May 1974.

The Dance 3 students also showed that they have mastered some of the steps. Very encouraging sight to see them trying out the various steps. Some told me later that there is a difference between the classroom and actual night club floor. Of course, this is true. Also, the orchestra music was far different from the record pieces the students have been accustomed to in the dance class. It was midnight when the last piece was played and the reluctant dancers had to leave for home and be up the next day for an important activity.

The memorial service was very well attended by about 400 members and wives. Our 34th Infantry Division friends were there also. We were happy to see them again.

The service was short, about 15 minutes, but it was impressive. Tokuji Ono, the chairman of the memorial service, was there early to see that everything was in order.

Prexy Yasuo Takata made the opening remarks. Then Chaplain Charles Whitten gave the memorial message. (The message is found elsewhere in this issue). The 10 a.m. service was just beautiful. There was no shower and the sun was hidden by some clouds. The breezes made it cool for every one.

The reunion officially ended with the memorial service. The members stayed for awhile and then went together to their next destination.

The success of the 35th Anniversary Reunion was due to the efforts of many committee members who spent many hours planning for the various activities. Without their hard work, it would not have been possible to put over the reunion. To general chairman Ralph Ikeda, coordinator and Friendship Night chairman Richard Ishimoto, banquet committee chairman Hakaru Taoka, transportation hancho Kenneth Kaneko, publicity head Mike Tokunaga, James Inafuku for finalizing the Banquet seating, and Dr. Katsumi Kometani for his invaluable advice and experience in developing the banquet program, go the members' appreciation for a job well done.

The work of the other committee men on the various committees is certainly appreciated. A well coordinated event is the result of someone's hard work. To all of you, thanks once again.

by Donald Kuwaye
Editor

P.S. Many thanks to the following expert photographers for the excellent pictorial coverage of the reunion: Max Imai, Sumio Ito, William Komoda, Sonsei Nakamura, and Richard Yamamoto. Some of their photos are in this issue.

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Club 100's Anniversary

A QUIET REUNION last weekend provided a footnote to history:

After 35 years at the front and center of the stage, the men of Hawaii's famous World War II Nisei fighting units are, collectively speaking, getting ready to move to the sidelines.

They changed Hawaii.

Nationally and locally they destroyed the racist World War II myth that Americans of Japanese ancestry would be loyal to Japan instead of America.

They paved the way for Statehood for Hawaii.

Then in the post-World War II years they turned politics in Hawaii upside down and spread the power to groups like their own that had been kept on the outside.

Now when they get together they talk of retirement. Many are retired already. ***

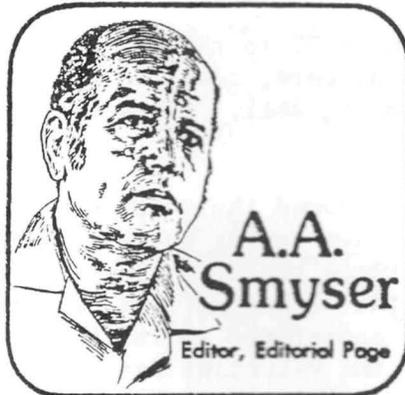
THE FIRST of the two all-Nisei fighting units was the 100th Infantry

The veterans of the 100th Infantry Battalion of World War II fame talk about retirement when they get together these days.

Battalion, formed in June, 1942, and hastily shipped out of Hawaii while the Battle of Midway was still in progress.

To some Army planners the exit was a relief. In case the Japanese fleet stormed on from Midway to invade Hawaii, there would not be racial confusion between the Japanese invaders and American soldiers of Japanese ancestry. Nor would the local AJA soldiers have a chance to be disloyal and aid the enemy.

But to others the formation of the



AJA unit was a relief for other reasons. They had a dream that a combat unit of soldiers of Japanese ancestry might acquit itself in such a way that never again could anyone justifiably question the loyalty of America's AJAs.

That dream came true.

The men of the 100th Infantry Battalion, 5,000 in all, fulfilled it with the most outstanding combat record of any American fighting unit — three presidential unit citations, more than 2,600 individual decorations, a low in AWOLs and disciplinary problems — but at the price of more than 300 deaths in combat in Italy and France and more than 1,700 Purple Hearts for wounds (these in addition to the other decorations).

Last weekend's reunion was a 35th anniversary gathering of Club 100, the fraternal group composed of veterans of the "One Puka Puka" fighting unit.

IN 35 YEARS the club members have gone on to such roles as the first two brigadier generals of Japanese ancestry in the U.S. Army, a U.S. senator (Spark Matsunaga), state legislators, members of the judiciary, successful businessmen and civil servants — roles that would

have been hard for AJAs to win before World War II.

Though some joined the Republican Party, many joined the late John A. Burns in his revitalization of the Democratic Party in the early 1950s and made possible the Democratic sweep to statewide dominance.

At the reunion banquet Saturday night at the Hilton Coral Ballroom, the main spoken tribute to the unit's World War II service was an unscheduled and spontaneous thanks delivered by former State Rep. Dorothy Devereux after the formal program had ended.

But if retirement was on their minds, the Club 100 members had examples of successful practitioners in their main speaker, Retired Brig. Gen. Kendall J. Fielder, 81, and his introducer, Hung Wai Ching, 71. In 1942, Ching, then a YMCA leader, and Fielder, then an Army intelligence officer, were two of the people to speak up on behalf of the loyalty of Hawaii's AJAs, resist the internment camp example of California, and persuade the Army to create the AJA fighting units — the other being the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

Club 100 members averaged 24 years old in 1942. They average 59 now — grayer, thicker around the waist in some cases, and thinner of hair.

BUT ASIDE from the war, few have died — which they know won't be true of the next 35 years — and retirement is seen as a beginning, not an end.

Club 100 offers popular courses in ballroom dancing and bonsai raising, also in golf.

When the speeches ended Saturday night, and the orchestra took over, the dance floor was alive — and rock music didn't thin it out.

Proclaimed one member: "We know how to live!"

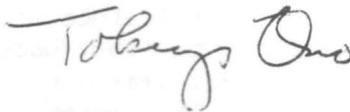
Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Memorial Service Committee I should like to thank you for contributing to the fine attendance at the 35th Anniversary Memorial Service held at Punch-bowl on June 12.

Despite the informality and the brevity of the ceremony, the committee received numerous compliments. Thanks. The thing that really put it over, however, was the very fine attendance. Superintendent Schanze had set up 600 chairs. I thought we did a pretty good job of filling up a sizeable proportion of the seats.

May we call on you again--members, wives and friends--for a still greater participation on September 25, 1977, the day of our 32nd Annual Memorial Service.

Sincerely,



TOKUJO ONO
Chairman
Memorial Service Committee



FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF THE HONORED DEAD, AT THE
DEDICATORY STONE

THE KEYNOTE MESSAGE AT THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET JUNE 11, 1977

by Brig. Gen. Kendall F. Fielder (US Army Ret)

When chairman Ralph Ikeda asked me to speak tonight, celebrating this 35th Anniversary Reunion I was flattered. But I was at a loss as to know what to talk about, since this is about the fourth time I have had this honor. What type of speech should it be I wondered? Should it be a serious review of all the past glories and honors or a frivolous one with a lot of corny jokes?

Therefore, an old bromide came to mind. Most of you have heard it I'm sure about what is the ideal speech. Well, it is one like a girl's bathing suit, "Short enough to be interesting but long enough to cover the essentials." Mine will be short and I hope cover some of the essentials.

It was suggested to me that since there are some here who do not know me I should reminisce a bit about my military background. So here goes. I came to Hawaii first in 1939 as a infantry major stationed at Schofield Barracks. Early in 1941 when my tour was about to end, Lt. General Walter Short, the commanding general of the Hawaiian Department, got my tour extended and made me his staff intelligence officer. This was in spite of the fact that I had had no experience in that capacity. But, I had graduated from the Command & General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, where they make you feel you know everything. You soon find you really don't know very much.

Anyway, when December 7 came and war broke out I had been in Hawaii long enough to learn quite a bit about the people. Particularly the young men, since by that time I was a brigade executive officer and directly involved with National Guard training. Many University of Hawaii boys and others were in the National Guard and they comprised a nucleus for what was to be the 100th Infantry Battalion I got to know some of them personally.

The point I want to make is that it was my privilege and duty to be serving in a position affecting the decision that permitted the 100th Inf Bn to come into being. In fact I was ordered back to Washington to convince General George Marshall that the formation of a unit of Americans of Japanese ancestry was a sound procedure.

As I have said many times and I repeat tonight, my belief in their loyalty and integrity was somewhat influenced by Hung Wai Ching, Charlie Loomis, John Burns and most of all by General Short who strongly believed they would be 100 percent patriotic. He really planted the seed.

Incidentally, when Gen. Short was relieved after Dec 7 his successor almost replaced me. He was convinced that any person with Japanese blood would be pro-Japanese. He argued that of the half million people in Hawaii with 160,000 or about 1/3 in that category, sabotage and espionage was inevitable. My argument was that although we had 40,000 aliens here, many had progressed to become prosperous tradesmen and businessmen under our democracy. They had been here a long time and their children and grandchildren were 100 percent Americans, and a lot of their sons were in our armed forces. He actually wanted to intern them all. All that was necessary was to ask him how and where it could be done, particularly since the country's war effort was then oriented toward Europe. A compromise resulted and the Consular Agents and a few well known pro-Japanese were interned.

When the war ended I was ordered to Washington for duty, after two years, was

sent right back here to supervise the Army's civilian components -- the National Guard, Organized Reserves and ROTC units. This was really great for it let me renew wartime contacts and friendships. Then as my last active duty assignment I was appointed Deputy Commander and Chief of Staff of US Army Pacific which lasted until I retired in 1953.

It all adds up to some 15 years service in Hawaii, probably some kind or record. So, after all that it was not a tough decision to forego Georgia and select Honolulu for my retirement.

It really does not seem like I have been retired 24 years, nor does it seem like 35 years since Club 100 was conceived. I remember well when in early June 1942 a ship sailed from Honolulu with some 1,400 men and about 30 officers aboard with Farrant Turner their revered Commanding Officer. This group was to become a provisional battalion and forerunner of the renowned 100th Battalion. I understand that while training in Wisconsin the idea was born to form a post war organization to perpetuate the bonds of friendship formed during war days, and what a wonderful organization it has turned out to be. I have had the pleasure of knowing many of the club presidents, particularly Doc Kometani, Mits Fukuda, Jim Lovell, and Sakae Takahashi.

I well remember how pleased I was to be elected an honorary member along with General Mark Clark. I also remember vividly when in 1944 I had the honor of presenting posthumous decorations to the parents of members of the battalion who were killed in action.

Thus my associations with Club 100 have been many and varied and I hope the future holds many more. I always look forward to the club functions for it is pleasant to renew old friendships and make new ones. I bump into club members often. I see Doc Kometani regularly at Waialae Country Club, and nearly everytime I go to the Navy Commissary I see Taro Suzuki. He's probably a chow hound and maybe, I am one also.

A few years ago we had golf matches between Club 100 and the 442nd Veterans. They were fun but we always seemed to be outgunned although we had a pretty fair country group of hustlers. In those days I thought I played good golf but I managed to get clobbered by the likes of Masato Doi and company. If these matches are ever renewed we should demand higher handicaps.

I have a lot of fond memories of bygone days. One of which I have told before but I still chuckle when I think of it. It had to do with how Doc Kometani got in the service. Kome came to me and wanted to get in the worst way. I explained that the table of organization did not call for a Dental Officer in a battalion and anyway, he was too old. I don't remember what title we gave him (probably Recreation Officer) but he was one happy guy and everything turned out okay.

Another of my fond memories I have never made public, but it is amusing so I thought I would tell it tonight. This has to do with the time President Harry Truman reviewed the 442nd upon their triumphant return from Europe. A directive filtered down from the Pentagon to prepare the President's remarks. You can guess who got the job -- not the Commanding General, not the Chief of Staff, but poor little me -- the G-2. I suffered long hours writing and rewriting the three minute speech. The opening sentence went something like this: "It is with the greatest pleasure and utmost pride that I greet you face to face today?" I felt flattered when the president read it verbatim until I realized he never saw it before it was handed to him

as he stepped on the platform.

I could stand here and ramble on for some time for my associations with this group have been many, pleasant and varied. But I promised my speech would not be long, so let me close with this request. Never, but never let the spirit that joins this group together pass into oblivion. Rather, let that spirit pass on to your children and grandchildren.



DR. KATSUMI KOMETANI, BRIG. GEN.
KENDALL FIELDER AND HARUO HAYA-
KAWA AT THE JUNE 11 BANQUET



YASUO TAKATA AND FELLOW CLUB OFFICERS CUT THE CAKE

A Memorial Address by Chaplain Charles K. Whitten, 1 LT, USAR 100th Bn, 442nd Inf
National Memorial of the Pacific, Honolulu, HI June 12, 1977

WE HAVE NOT BROKEN FAITH!

We are here today to honor the memories of those who lived and fought and died so bravely for our country. Some of the men died before I was born or when I was very young--I am thirty-three years old--and it is hard to know just what to say about them. But I have reflected on the question, "What if there had been no one willing to fight for what our country stands for?"

If no one had stood for what our country believes in, the powers of the Axis nations would have gone unchecked. The territorial ambitions of our enemies would have been quickly realized. The American way of life would have met with a serious attempt at its destruction.

But men did fight--some of them to the death--for what they believed in. The poet John McCrae penned these words about some who made the supreme sacrifice--of giving their lives for what they believed in:

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky,
The larks, still bravely singing, fly,
Scarce heard among the guns below.*

*We are the dead; short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe!
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high!
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.*

WE HAVE NOT BROKEN FAITH. Those who died in a war that protected and established our democracy DID NOT DIE IN VAIN. We have tried to make use of that democracy, to exercise our freedom responsibly, and not just enjoy it frivolously. A freedom that was bought at so dear a price deserves and has had the strong commitment of Americans who have lived in the wake of the war years. The poet Longfellow reminded us,

*Not enjoyment, and not sorrow,
Is our destined end or way;
But to act that each tomorrow
Finds us farther than today.*

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*Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time;--*

*Footprints, that perhaps another,
Sailing o'er life's solemm main,
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,
Seeing shall take heart again.*

*Let us, then, be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait.*

There have been remarkable accomplishments in the name of freedom in the years since the war, accomplishments that enhance democracy. Health care for all Americans, regardless of ability to pay, and research into the diseases that dog the steps of humankind have made life better for our citizenry. Retirement and income protection have been upgraded through social security, and life is better for the elderly, the widowed, the orphaned, the disabled. Great strides have been made in education, and now low-cost or free public education at elementary and secondary, community college and vocational, university and professional levels is within reach of many of our young people and adults. In the controversial area of human rights, our great country had made great strides since the war to end discrimination, to see that all Americans are assured the basic human rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness----in important areas like employment, housing, and education. We have developed a social system characterized by opportunity, for those who want to use it, where a plantation worker's son can still become governor, and where a farmer's offspring can become a president.

BUT WE HAVE MUCH FARTHER TO GO. Despite great steps in the right direction, our democracy has not yet arrived at its optimum point. While we stop and look back at the areas of freedom of which we can be rightly proud, we must not lose sight of the distance yet to be traversed!

In Hawaii, we have a university system severely underfunded, with program curtailments inevitable in its present and near future practically guaranteed. In a land where education has made accessible some of the freedoms that men and women have died for, it is a sad day when the diminution of quality of the educational system is allowed to take place. Because educational opportunity is such a key issue in our freedom---and in the freedom of those who come after us---we must see that educational opportunity is guarded as one of our most sacred institutions.

Furthermore, in Hawaii we have a state prison system with antiquated facilities and a shortage of programs and in some instances shortages in trained personnel. We are unable to do all that we should to reclaim lives that have gone astray, despite the best efforts of dedicated staff, whose contributions are bound by the absence of funds, facilities, and personnel.

Minorities are still crying out for their rights. They are not asking for anything but what is their due in a democracy, which should have been clearly established by now. I am speaking about rights of racial minorities, of women, of homosexuals, of the economically disadvantaged---rights to equal employment opportunities, to public housing, to guarantees of civil rights. These are some of the basic freedoms that our friends have died to provide, and we are slow to see that these basic freedoms are delivered.

Human rights are still abridged by countries over which the United States exer-

cises influence---countries that we call allies, which have been the recipients of massive military and economic aid programs originating in the United States. I am speaking about the Philippines, South Korea, Taiwan, to name a few. We should have done something by now to see that human rights are established and maintained. And in countries where we have perhaps less influence, but still some influence--like South Africa---we need to do something to take a stand for human rights. Our objections to curtailments of human freedoms in Russia, Cuba, Uganda, and other less-than-friendly nations need to be intensified. We are living in a world too long characterized by the abridgement of human rights, and our very democratic commitments should lead us to do something about the problems that we see.

"TO YOU FROM FAILING HANDS WE THROW THE TORCH." No, these were not failing hands, but hands who courageously conveyed it as far as they could, and made it ours, "to hold it high." This is what is left to us; we are the heirs of the torch that they bought and paid so dearly for. It is our birthright, our birth-privilege, our glad duty: TO MAKE THE BEST OF OUR CITIZENSHIP IN A DEMOCRACY, a citizenship that we received freely, but never cheaply. We are the beneficiaries of their victory, the heirs of their sacrifice!

*Let us, then, be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait.*

Jesus said, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." We are those friends for whom lives were laid down, the great receivers of their love. Our gratitude alone seems a small offering on this memorial occasion, so with it we give our resolve to live our lives in such a way that we will continue the struggle for the full realization of democracy---the democracy that these men paid so dearly to preserve.

*My country 'tis of thee
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing.
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrim's pride;
From every mountain side
Let freedom ring.*

Will you join me in prayer? Heavenly Father, Sustainer of life, Giver of liberties, Motivator of mankind, we ask your blessing on the memories of these who gave their lives that others---we who are gathered here and millions more---would have freedom. We pray that ours will not be melodramatic, hallow memorializing, but that we will take up the Torch, and hold it high---the Torch of Freedom, of Democracy---for all. Rather than bask too long in the enjoyment of our freedoms, we pray that we would become active supporters of the extension of our blessings, throughout our Republic, and throughout the world. Thank You, thank You, Heavenly Father, for the priceless gift of freedom, and for the challenges to use it in a highly responsible fashion in our world this day. We make our prayer in the Name of the Prince of Peace, the Giver of Freedom, the Lord of Lords, even Jesus Christ. Amen.

34th INFANTRY DIVISION ASSN.
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Aloha, Members of the One Puka Puka 34th Division:

We, the members of the Mainland 34th Division, give many Mahalos to you Hawaiian Islands 34th Division Brahs. Our trip to Hawaii for your 35th Anniversary will remain in our memories forever.

I have never received such warm friendly Alohas as we did from all of you. Special Mahalos to: Ralph "Sorry I was only one little Brown man to meet you" Ikeda and the Club 100 for their wonderful hospitality; to Mr. & Mrs. Wally Takemoto and the Kauai Chapter for the tour of the Island and box lunch and for the Kau Kau that evening at the Country Club with Chapter Members; to Mr. & Mrs. Fred Yamashige of the Maui Chapter for inviting us to their annual picnic.

The Friday night "Beer Bust" at the Main Clubhouse and the Saturday night banquet where I presented the plaques made me and the others feel proud to have all of you as "Brahs".

A personal "Mahalo" for giving me the honor of presenting the floral arrangement at the Sunday Morning Memorial Services.

I am sorry I could not meet and shake hands with everyone of you and say "thanks for a job well done" from the 34th Division Mainlanders. This was my second trip to Hawaii, the Club 100 and the Punchbowl Cemetery. I noticed when I stood in the Clubhouse looking at the names on the KIA plaque, at the Punchbowl looking at the names on the headstones and while visiting with all of you, I'd get tears in my eyes. (I guess it was caused by volcanic ash in the air.) You went for broke and won!

Mahalo and Aloha Oe

Warren E Fencl

WARREN E. FENCL
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POSE, FRIENDSHIP NIGHT

(Editor's note. This letter is from Chaplain Yost, now doing missionary work in Papua, New Guinea).

Dear Don and friends,

Since most of what I am able to do in the field of literacy is about finished here in the Enga Province, my wife and I have decided to return to the East Coast of the U.S.A. in October of this year--that's just four months from now. Since it takes almost four months for any but air mail to come from Hawaii, we want to ask you to begin sending the Puka Puka Parade to our eldest daughter's address:

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Of course air mail gets here within two weeks.

Our itinerary as we have it at present schedules us to leave Wabag on October 21 with only a short stop in Sydney. So we expect to arrive in Honolulu also on the same date, October 21 (Quantas 003 at 0950). We shall be staying at the home of friends (as yet undetermined) and on Sunday we hope to worship at Maluhia Lutheran Church in Makaha, the congregation we organized in the 1960's. We shall leave either Sunday night or Monday morning from Honolulu. We shall not be tarrying in Hawaii because we want to be in Pennsylvania by November 2 to celebrate the 90th birthday of my Mother, and we must stop off in California and Arizona to visit some of our children.

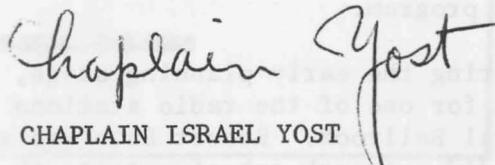
We shall drop in at Club 100 sometime to visit informally with whoever is around at the time. Please do not try to arrange anything special since the stay will be short and members have their own activities. If something happens to be going on at the time and we can participate in it as regular members, fine.

The bishop wants us to stay longer, but he understands our reasons for returning at this time. Right now since there is little interest in literacy (and since I've worked out all the details including a plan for a three-year campaign) I'm supervising the Book Store, the Print Shop, and the Book (Production) Office. I still get out into the bush occasionally since I have a few little literacy schools in operation. I've been using a motorbike lately since with it I can get closer to bush trails than I can by using my little Datsun car. The walking up and down mountains has been good for my health; I'm as trim as when I served with the 100th.

The work here has been interesting, but at heart I'm a parish pastor. I hope there will be a church in Pennsylvania or New Jersey or Maryland that will take on an old pastor like me.

Regards to all the fellows and their wives.

Yours sincerely,


CHAPLAIN ISRAEL YOST

18 June 1977

35TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET REPORT

by Hakaru Taoka

The Club 100 35th Anniversary celebration was held during the Kamehameha Day weekend with the main banquet scheduled on Saturday at the Coral Ballroom, Hilton Hawaiian Village.

The planning for the celebration started relatively late and the subcommittees finally got organized in late March. The irony of the whole celebration was that we were given instruction that this celebration was to be "low keyed." However, notwithstanding the instruction, once organized, the banquet subcommittee promptly proceeded with "full steam." I just don't see how else we could have done it.

As it turned out, the banquet turned out real well, MC was Kenneth Saruwatari who did a masterful job. The Reverend Hiro Higuchi, a Club 100 honorary member and a staunch friend, offered the invocation. This was followed by a 7-course Chinese dinner, topped off with a special dessert - decorative vanilla ice cream bombe with peaches flambe'. While we were enjoying the sumptuous dinner, the dinner music was furnished by the AJA Serenaders.

Then came the after-dinner speeches. President Yasuo Takata extended the welcome address followed by 2nd VP Richard Ishimoto who spoke in Japanese to especially welcome our Gold Star parents who joined us in the celebration.

The evening's principal speaker was Brigadier General Kendall Fielder (retired), another honorary member of Club 100.

After the speeches, the plaques and golf special awards presentations took place. This year a small group of former 34th Division men and their spouses from the mainland joined us in the celebration. Mr. Warren Fencl, representing the 34th Division, presented memorial plaques to both Club 100 and the 442nd Veterans Club. Robert Kadowaki, president of the Golf Club, made the special golf awards. Wataru Kaneshina, Maui Chapter, won the best golfer award.

The evening's program was concluded with the Club 100 officers performing the anniversary cake cutting ceremony. Ken Suehiro assured us that the anniversary cake was delivered in good condition to the Kuakini Home for the Elderly. Thanks, Ken.

After the dinner program was over, the dance enthusiasts took over. It appears that many of the Club 100 members and their spouses are practicing ballroom dancing in preparation for evening such as this. A whole lot of people stayed till midnite, dancing to the music of Ray Tanaka and his group.

I might want to add here that with the opening remarks by MC Ken Saruwatari, Radio Station KZOO went on the air. It started off by interviewing some of the club members while dinner was in progress and continued with the live broadcasting of the banquet program.

During the early planning stage, the banquet subcommittee undertook the task to arrange for one of the radio stations to broadcast the banquet program direct from the Coral Ballroom. Robert Sato was asked to head this program. I must say that Robert did a superb job of getting the job done. We owe him much thanks for the herculean job he performed. Radio Station KZOO where our member Noboru Furuya is the President, was approached and asked if they would do it for us. They responded with

enthusiasm and the wide coverage we received is part of the anniversary history.

In the initial contact with the Radio KZ00 management, the radio coverage was supposed to be limited to the Saturday nite banquet; however, KZ00 extended the coverage immensely by starting on Memorial Day, May 30th, and I believe concluded the broadcast with our memorial service on Sunday, June 12th. The radio program included the roll calls of our KIAs, interviews of club members, congratulatory messages from various organizations, Robert Sato's "sensen nikki" and personal interviews. My understanding is the Radio KZ00 went on the air with a rebroadcast as of July 4th.

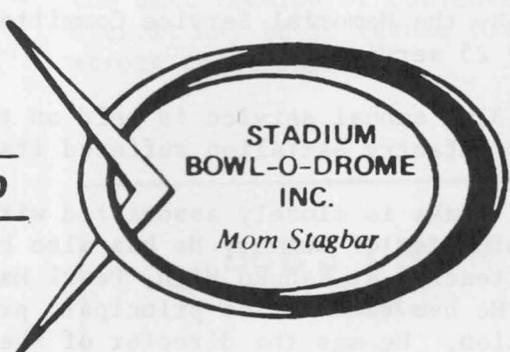
The Club wishes to thank Noboru Furuya and Radio Station KZ00 and the many sponsors for the extensive program put on the air to bring to the general public the deeds and heroics of the 100th Infantry Battalion during World War II. Most of the program was done in Japanese so I am not certain of the extent of coverage among the younger generations who are beneficiaries of the better times in part due to the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Infantry Regimental Combat Team's war efforts. Perhaps something of this nature could be done in English at some future date as a legacy of the 100th Infantry Battalion for our younger generations and as a reminder that they too must fight for and work hard to sustain the benefits they now enjoy and to further broaden life's horizon for the future generations.

My special thanks to the following members who served on the banquet committee who so sincerely dedicated their time and talents to get the assigned tasks done. They are Kenichi Suehiro (Hq), Kiyoshi Kami (A), Robert Sato (A), James Inafuku (B), Hideshi Niimi (C), Ronald Higashi (C), Richard Hosaka (D), and Shinobu Tofukuji (Medics) Special thanks are also extended to the many Baker Chapter members and their wives who worked so hard to take care of the seating arrangement.

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Rep. Daniel K. Akaka, Hawaii's Congressman from the Second District has been selected by the Memorial Service Committee to give the keynote message at the Sunday, September 25 service.

The 32nd annual service is held on the Sunday closest to September 29, the day the 100th Infantry Battalion suffered its first battlefield casualty.

Rep. Akaka is closely associated with the Kawaiahao Church where he is a trustee and the minister of music. He has also had varied experiences as an educator, starting as a teacher at Kahuku High, Pearl Harbor Intermediate, Aina Haina, and Kamehameha School. He has been a vice principal, principal, and a program specialist in the Dept of Education. He was the director of the Hawaii Office of Economic Opportunity in 1971-74, Special Assistant in Human Resources in 1975-76, and director of the Progressive Neighborhood Program in 1976.

The Memorial Service Committee cordially invites the club members, their wives and children to attend the Sept 25 memorial service. This is the day when we honor the 380 men whose final resting places are in Hawaii, but who died in far-away countries more than 30 years ago.

ABLE CHAPTER NEWS

by Don Nagasaki

"Our visit to Honolulu for the 35th Anniversary Reunion was the greatest. It was just fantastic. Really enjoyed every minute of it. We must say that the local Able members went all out to take care of their counter parts from the mainland and the neighbor islands and also invited the Dog Co. visitors too. We feel very fortunate for the special treatment and will remember the good times and the food during the 35th reunion because it will take us a few months to lose the extra pounds."

Who were the visitors? Coming here for the first time were Shiro and Sayoko Yamaguchi from Seattle. From Southern California area were Monte and Mae Fujita and son, Wayne, Sachi and Kaz Furuto, Yoshiko and Ken Muranaga, Bonnie and Kiyoshi Horino, Sam Yamashita, Mr. & Mrs. Eric Abe (D), Mr. & Mrs. Y. B. Mamiya (D), and Haru and Jimmy Ishizaki. From the Big Island were Larry Hirokawa, George Inouye and James Maeda.

Boy, it was a night of fun, music, food, and fellowship at the combined Able--Dog Chapter Night, the kick-off party for the 35th Anniversary at Kanraku Teahouse on June 9. With Richard Nakahara as the M.C. it was a riot. There wasn't a dull moment, especially with all the talents coming from Paul Shiari, Biffa Moriguchi, Japan Nakahara, Tom Nishioka, Evelyn Oshiro, and Buddy Mamiya. The room was filled with smooth music for singing and dancing which was enjoyed by 107 members, wives, visitors and guests. Music was provided by our talented musicians--Horace Awa and Frank Ikehara. Added attraction was selection of songs coming from the Japanese instrument, koto, and performed by Evelyn Oshiro and Richard Ishimoto's sister, Mrs. Kuranaka.

After attending the brief memorial

service at Punchbowl Cemetery on June 12, 48 members and visitors went to the China House for a light dinner luncheon. They had spent an hour or so resuming fellowship under the cool shade of the banyan tree at National Cemetery.

To climax the activities for the 68 members and wives from both Able & Dog chapters plus the visitors went to M's Ranch House to enjoy the delicious prime rib dinner.

It was due to the utmost cooperation from all the participating Able & Dog chapter members plus the leadership of the Aloha committee members, especially Biffa Moriguchi, Kiyoshi Kami, officers of the chapters and Dog Chapter members -- Kenji and Helen Nikaido, Ronald and Ruth Watanabe, Richard Hara, Max and Edith Imai, and Rhoda and Charles Kawamata that we were able to have the aloha mat out there for the visitors thru out the reunion and had a larger than expected turnout for all the activities.

It seems that after the reunion activities were over, it has brought much closer together among the chapter members here and on the mainland. The members are already looking forward to the next reunion or convention wherever it may be to resume further and strong relationships.

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BAKER CHAPTER NEWS

by Robert Kadowaki

In conjunction with the 35th Anniversary Reunion, Baker Chapter hosted two parties for the visiting members from the mainland and the neighbor islands on Thursday, 9 June and Sunday, 12 June 1977. Sixty nine people attended the Thursday affair held at the DAV Memorial Hall and 55 attended the Sunday afternoon social held at the Aiea residence of Yozo and Violet Yamamoto. Every one who participated enjoyed the evening's activities. The delicious food and refreshment provided for the events kept the participants moving for seconds and thirds. There was enough food to feed an entire rifle company. Raymond Nosaka led the group singing at the DAV Hall activity. Social dancing followed until closing.

The afternoon affair at the Yamamotos featured delicious pupus-chicken teriyaki, steaks, kalua pork, and many Japanese dishes. Robert and Janet Aoki, as usual donated their delicious tripe stew which was enjoyed by all. Takeshi (Lefty) Kimura donated dried fish and sashimi. Others who contributed to the party were Roy Nakatani, Richard Murakami, Asao Tanaka, Tony Oshita, James Miyano, and the visiting Californians brought peaches and cherries. Hiroshi Shimazu and Rikio Tsuda hauled the tables and chairs from Club 100 and returned them with help from Fred Kurisu. The mainlanders who attended the Sunday get-together included Bill and Aki Miyagi, Young O. Kim, Roy Honbo, Ben and Tomi Otsugi, Mrs. Ogata, Jim and Margaret Metcalf and Mr. & Mrs. Teranishi. There was more than enough food for those present.

A group of Bakerites and their wives and friends are scheduled to depart Honolulu on 7 October for a 33-day tour of Europe and Asia. Bob Takashige, the tour leader, has a deluxe type accommodations planned

for the group. The itinerary includes a stop in Japan overnight, then to England, France, Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Greece, Thailand, Philippines, Taiwan and Japan. Those who have signed up include Sakae and Stella Tanigawa, Stanley and Agnes Nakamoto, Seiji and Kay Tanigawa, Mrs. Evelyn Tsuda, Mrs. Alice Oki and Hiroshi Shimazu. Takashige said he will accept others.

Kenneth Kaneko and Yozo Yamamoto returned to Honolulu after a 25 day tour of England, Belgium, Germany, France, and Italy conducted by John Tsukano. They visited Cassino and Anzio, the one time combat cities of the 100th, and other famous cities of Europe. The highlight of their trip was their participation in a parade through the town of Bruyeres, the presentation of a wreath at the base of the Memorial Monument, located in the town square. They, later, visited the Epinal Cemetery where the Kailua Madrigal Singers sang the French National Anthem and favorite Hawaiian songs.

In another ceremony, Kenneth and Yozo laid a wreath at the base of 442nd Monument which is located in the forest where the 442nd fought during World War II. They traveled on Avenue 442 to reach the monument.

At Biffontaine, the mayor took the tour group to a monument built about six years ago for the 100th. It was the first time that this monument was seen by members from Hawaii. Despite the 10,000 miles separating Bruyeres from Honolulu, there was a real closeness and warmth displayed by the people of Bruyeres, Epinal and Biffontaine for the members of the 100th and 442nd. The occasion and the numerous ceremonies brought back sad and touching memories.

Two of the hardest working lei makers during the 35th Anniversary Reunion were Yozo and Violet Yamamoto. Both spent about four hours picking

plumeria flowers and stringing them. In all, Yoza and Violet were involved in preparing 32 plumeria leis. We thank you for your spirit of good will and dedication.



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CHARLIE CHAPTER NEWS

by Donald Kuwaye

The Charlie Chapter members and their wives turned out for the reunion activities with more than the expected numbers.

The decoration of the main hall for the Friendship Night (June 10) was done by chairman Warren Iwai and his committee. The blue and red crepe paper streamers were hung by Takeichi Miyashiro, Masayoshi Kawamoto, Richard Yamamoto, Jack Mizushima, and Roy Hakenaka. Roy is from Medics but was requested to help because of his experience in setting up decorations.

Patricia Iwai helped her dad to make the artistic centerpiece for the crepe paper decoration. The family affair was aided by Betty Iwai who made several leis, especially the big one for the memorial plaque.

Saw many Charleites enjoying themselves on Friendship Night. The most welcome guests were those from the Maui Chapter (Co. C), and Kiyoshi Sagawa who came from Lanai to renew acquaintances with his old buddies. Kiyoshi's wife, Hanayo and daughter, Francine, joined him in the Friday night party.

More than 65 Charlie members, wives, and special friends enjoyed themselves at the big banquet on Saturday. Many of the members expressed themselves: We should have a party like this every year. The atmosphere, the food, the music, and the program are so much better at a hotel. The luau that we hold at Fort Ruger is too much work for only a few members. Why work so hard for a luau for three days, and on top of that pay \$7.50 for a luau ticket?

All of these comments definitely indicate that the members prefer to have their anniversary parties at a hotel. The chapter representative on

the anniversary committee should voice the consensus of the Charlie members at future meetings.

Many thanks to Florence Matsumura for writing about the Bonsai Club doings. Now the others are beginning to learn what the bonsai enthusiasts are learning and doing. The average member knows nothing about bonsai culture. The nucleus of the bonsai group is made up of Charlie members, and from what Florence has written all of them are enjoying the demonstrations and outings.

The Stag Night has been rescheduled to Saturday, Aug 6 from July 30. Mike Tokunaga has sent a memo to all the members, requesting that reservations be made by July 29.

One of the pleasures of life is joining good friends at a well-planned dinner and talking about many subjects. Sign up for the Aug 6 dinner.

Many photos of the recent reunion activities were taken by five expert photographers in the club. Sumio Ito and Richard Yamamoto took many good shots of the Friendship Night and the banquet activities.

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DOG CHAPTER NEWS

By Helen Nikaido

Out congratulations to George Kurisu, Jr. and Jocelyn Ebisu who were united in holy matrimony on June 11, and followed by a reception at the Sheraton Waikiki. We wish you both happiness and hope to see you at our family nights. George is the son of George and Mitsuko Kurisu.

The much awaited 35th anniversary has come and gone and is but a memory. It was really a pleasure to see friends from the mainland and outer islands. Fellow doggies from the mainland were Irene & Eric Abe, Lily & Buddy Mamiya, and Haru & Jimmy Ishizawa. From Hilo, Irene & "Porky" Furuya and Takao Miyao; Maui, Fred Yamashige; Kauai, Kazuo Senda, Lillian & "Mako" Takiguchi and Chizu & Kiyoko Teshima. Was happy to see Sachi & "Kaz" Furuto, Mae, Monte & Wayne Fujita, and Mei & George Teranish of Tracy.

Thursday night we joined the Able Chapter to entertain the early arrivals at the Kanraku Teahouse. Delicious food and terrific entertainment. Music was furnished by Horace Awa at the organ, Frank Ikehara at the guitar, vocalist was I don't know his name but he works at the Hosoi Mortuary. M.C. was the incomparable "Japan" Nakahara who had everyone in stitches. Able Chapter singers were "Biffa," Paul, "Japan," Tommy and "Blue." Members and wives attending this party were Irene & Eric, Lily & Buddy, Haru & Jimmy, Kazuo, Richard Hara, "Jits" Yoshida, Edith & Max Imai, Ronald & Ruth Watanabe, and Kenji & Helen Nikaido.

Friday night more Dog Chapter members and wives were at the clubhouse get-together. Saturday night Dog Chapter had a pretty good turnout at the banquet at Coral Ballroom filling 5 tables. Everyone enjoyed the good food and dancing. Did you see Irene &

Eric cut the rug? Boy, they are smooth dancers. I thought they were just terrific, sure made us beginners drool.

On Sunday, the following members and wives enjoyed the luncheon at the Wisteria with Lily, Buddy, Irene Abe, Eric, Haru, Jimmy, Kazuo, Irene Furuya, "Porky," Fred, Chizu, Kiyoko, Grace & Ben Morimoto: Stella & "Ka" Nakayama, Dorothy & Martin Tohara, "Doc" Hosaka, Mildred & "Jits" Yoshida, Jane & Sadashi Matsunami, Edit & Max Imai, tsuto Okamoto, Conrad Tsukayama, Etsu Sekiya, Yoshiichi Okazawa, "Fuzzy" Fujimori, Ruth & Ronald Watanabe, Florence & Ken Mitsunaga, Kay & Eddie Harada, Robert Yoshioka, Charlie Kawamata, Gloria & Ben Tamashiro and daughter, and Kenji & Helen Nikaido.

Sunday night a few of us again joined the Able Chapter to enjoy the Prime Rib buffet dinner at the Ranchhouse. They were Haru & Jimmy Ishizawa, Irene & Eric Abe, Lily & Buddy Mamiya, Richard Hara, Ruth & Ronald Watanabe, Edith & Max Imai, Rhoda & Charlie Kawamata and Kenji & Helen Nikaido.

To the members and wives from L.A. thank you so much for the delicious fruits and fresh abalone. We certainly appreciate your generosity.

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Able Chapter men, especially "Blue" Nagasaki who kept me on board, for letting us join you at the Thursday night and Sunday night shindig. We had so much fun, the other doggies who were there didn't know you fellas had so much talent. Well Sachi, Irene, Lily and Mae, are you practicing your songs "Three Coins In the Fountain" and "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes" for the next reunion? We might give you competition you know.

May we extend our deepest sympathy to Sidney Oshiro and family whose beloved mother passed away recently.

The following recipe was the request of the Southern California gals. Lily, hope you bought the right kind daikon.

PICKLED RADISH

To make 1 gallon sliced pickled radish.

7 lbs. daikon (Chinese)
1/2 cup Hawaiian salt
1/2 cup vinegar (Heinz)
2-1/2 cups sugar
Chili pepper (optional)

Slice daikon into ready for eating size and place in a gallon jar.

Leave it out for one day, then refrigerate. Ready to eat in three days.

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- (1) 1st layer, crust
2 cups flour
2 blocks butter or margarine
1/2 cup nuts

Press in greased 9x13" pan and bake in 350° oven about 25 min. Cool.

- (2) 2nd layer
8 oz. cream cheese
1/2 cup powdered sugar
1 9 oz. cool whip

Mix to-gether & spread over crust. Chill in refrigerator.

- (3) 3rd layer
2 box instant Lemon pudding
3 cups skim milk

Mix to-gether & spread over second layer. Chill for few minutes.

- (4) 4th layer
Spread 1-4½ oz. Cool whip on top. Chill in refrigerator.

Submitted by Violet Yamamoto

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HEADQUARTERS CHAPTER NEWS

by WILFRED SHOBU

Fiesta mood prevailed through the May 29 "Family Night" among the members, their families and guests.

The following guests were introduced: Mrs. MAY ODANI from Seattle; Mr. SEAN ODA; Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM HASEGAWA; Mrs. TANE KITAMURA; Mr. & Mrs. ELTO DIAS from Mexico; Mr. ROMEO AKINO and vacationing Islanders who are working in Guam, Ms. ROSITA TERHUNE, MILLIE TASATO, SHINAYO SAKAMOTO & DORA PIAMONTE.

An interesting program centered around KENNETH SARUWATARI's Italian, French & Japanese songs and TONY OSHITA's Ryokyoku, American, Filipino & Japanese songs which TONY sang in an exhilarating tempo and manner. The entertainment highlights unveiled the talent and showmanship of the ROBERT (BESSIE) FUKUMOTOS and the beautifully cultured voice of Mrs. GRACE HONDA WESTFALL. The FUKUMOTOS scintillated with ROBERT's ukulele playing and BESSIE's expertise in dancing the hula. GRACE enthralled the audience with her captivating, melodious singing of doyo and an aria from the "King and I." Not to be outdone, BRUCE responded by la-la-ing and humming shoji. Dancing music sort of permeated the building and enthusiasts converged to the dance floor to execute their acquired rhythms.

Personnel who aided Chairman CALVIN SHIMOGAKI, in preparing the Hawaiian foods, setting-up the hall and other duties were: Mr. & Mrs. YOSHITO (DORIS) AIMOTO, AKIRA AKIMOTO, KISUKE ARAKAKI (D), Mr. & Mrs. ROBERT (BESSIE) FUKUMOTO, CHARLES MIYASHIRO, RICHARD OKI (A), ELMO OKIDO, KENICHI SUEHIRO, ARTHUR TAMASHIRO, DOROTHY TAMASHIRO, HIDEO UENO & HARRY YAMASHITA.

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It appeared that all enjoyed a most satisfying and pleasant evening. We thank everyone who contributed his talent in making the family night a success.

Wishes for a fast and healthy recovery from a recent illness are extended to Mrs. DOLORES YAMASHITA. DOLORES was confined in Bellmore Hospital, San Diego. Attending school in the area, daughter, CYNTHIA, was the immediate comfort to her mother. HARRY appeared to be visibly shaken from the thought of what DOLORES had experienced.

Proficient produce grower, KENICHI SUEHIRO has once again distributed his succulent lettuce to members attending the June meeting. Thank you very much, KEN. It was proposed that KENNETH OTAGAKI purchase some seeds from the University of Hawaii to replenish KENICHI's supply of seeds. KENICHI provided heavy, heavy pupus that were prepared by Mrs. EDNA SUEHIRO and daughters CAROL and FAY. Ladies, thank you very much for the delicious food consisting of teppo sushi, okowa, macaroni-potato salad, poki, ogo, gau gee, deviled eggs, fried chicken and chip with dip.

I had asked Ken Suehiro to write about the chapter members and the reunion. His report is:

Hqs Chapter accounted for 5 tables at the 35th anniversary banquet. Excellent showing, considering the many weddings, graduations and birthday parties held during the early summer.

It was wonderful to chat with Roy Honbo (Chicago), Peter Kawahara (Kona), Kungo Iwai (Kauai), and Hiram "Skinny" Hagiwara (Hilo).

The biggest surprise was seeing Peter on the wagon! Good for you, Pete, but never thought you'd be able to quit.

Skinny and Kungo look trim and are in WW II shape. Clean living, I guess.

The 40th anniversary is way off, but if we are around, I hope more Hqs members will attend. It is sure nice to meet someone after these many years. (End of K. Suehiro's report).

The chapter members' condolences go to the following Hqs members upon their recent bereavement. Mrs. Wallace (Ethel) Teruya whose father, Mr. Sanra Uyehara, passed away on May 14; Jack Y. Hirano whose father, Mr. Chuji Hirano, died on June 3; and Archie Kamisato whose father, Mr. Tetsugoro Kamisato, passed away on June 18.

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BONSAI CLUB NEWS by Florence Matsumura

Slides of our recent Hawaii trip and previous bonsai show were shown by Bill Komoda at our May meeting. Bill did a remarkable job in capturing the various places and sceneries and narration by just about everyone present added to a lively evening.

At our June meeting, Mr. Haruo Kaneshiro, assisted by Mike Uyeno, gave us a few tips on rock bonsai. Using a rock he had picked up in the Koko Head area, he explained the importance of studying the rock formation and selecting a plant that would be most compatible to that particular rock and creating an illusion of naturalness. In this demonstration he used the Procumbens nana.

Under Mr. Kaneshiro's deft hands, the rock was chipped somewhat to the desired shape, holes were drilled at several places into which were inserted wires to secure the planting material and the plant itself. After placing a mixture of peat moss, fine screened soil and water on the rock, the plant was covered with sphagnum moss and secured by wire so that it would adhere to the rock. In no time the work was completed and the rock, with the healthy tree growing out of it, was placed in a shallow dish emerging as a beautiful garden. It was presented to Louise Kimura who promised to take good care of it.

Members were thoroughly inspired by this demonstration and many will no doubt derive much pleasure in experimenting with this type of planting.

Anyone for rock hunting?

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F COMPANY NEWS

by KENNETH M. HIGA

Friday evening, June 10, was surely "Friendship Night" for all who attended the opening kickoff of the 35th Anniversary festivities. It was a joy to exchange hearty greetings with long-time-no-see friends from the mainland, the neighbor islands, and even from this island.

We were especially pleased to meet the F Company gang from the neighbor islands. From the Big Isle came Mr. and Mrs. Seitoku Akamine and daughter, Alison, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Enomoto, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nishimura, and Kazunobu "Sally" Yamamoto.

From the Garden Isle came Mr. and Mrs. Isami Aoki, Mr. and Mrs. Hisa Shimatsu, and Ken Yoshimoto. Ken's missus joined us for the F Company get-together on Sunday.

And from the Valley Isle came Mr. and Mrs. Wataru Kaneshina. Rudy Yoshida, who recently moved to Maui, and his wife joined us for the Saturday night banquet.

With Chapter Prexy and dance master Yasuto Furusho and his equally smooth dancing mate, Helen, leading the way, the "Fox Trotters" of Fox Company were certainly having a ball tripping the light fantastic on Friday and Saturday nights.

Keeping rhythm to the beat of slow, quick, quick, one, two, three, and other tempos with the Furushos were the "Joik" Higas, the Mike Higas, the Kapuniaais, the Nishimuras, the Seos, the Shimatsus, and the Yozas.

We never dreamed the day would ever come when "Joik" would be seen dancing with a partner. He is no shy violet. On the contrary, he is the comedian of F Troop. We were flabbergasted to see him on the dance floor because he has been strictly a pri-

vate solo performer and an excellent one at that with his intricate steps accentuated with plenty of "body english" whenever we needed entertainment at our annual teahouse stag party. I later learned from his personable wife that they have been taking dancing lessons.

On Saturday night, the sixty plus F Company contingent at the banquet beamed with great pride when Wataru Kaneshina was called front and center by golf club president Robert Kadowaki to receive the huge trophy for being the first place winner of the golf tournament. Congratulations from all of us, Comrade Wataru.

We also extend congratulations to F Troop number one honcho, Hakaru Taoka, who was the chairman for the Banquet Committee and the committee members for a job well done.

The Sunday F Company get-together party was held at Taoka's residence in Wahiawa. The drive to Wahiawa town via the newly opened freeway was a breeze. However, driving up California Avenue to 1337-C Loko Drive can drive a person loco if it was his first attempt to find Taoka's place. It was a good thing the shindig started early afternoon instead of after sundown otherwise the head count would have been a few less than the forty-three present and all accounted for.

The pot luck dinner prepared by our wives was superb. On the main menu were maki sushi, tamago maki sushi, sekihan, kobu maki, nishime, Chinese pork hash, ham, shoyu pork, sesame fried chicken, noodles, roast pork, char siu, sashimi, Kentucky fried chicken, ogo namasu, fish tempura, macaroni potato salad, and five varieties of tsukemono.

For dessert, there were passion fruit jello, multicolor jello, kinako mochi, coconut, apple and custard pies and plenty of Danish type pastries.

Beverages were plentiful. Beer, hard liquor, soft drinks, coffee and tea.

A million thanks to the following members' wives for a feast fit for a king: G. Fujikawa, Y. Furusho, J. Higa, M. Higa, K. Jinnohara, S. Kamishita, R. Kapuniaia, H. Niimi, M. Omori, T. Seo, H. Taoka, Y. Takenouchi, E. Umeda, and M. Yoza.

Fox Company, unofficially has been called such names as the Fighting Company, the Frightening Group, the Foul Up Gang and there is one I dare not mention for it is X rated. On this Sunday, the most appropriate name had to be "Friendship and Fellowship Company."

The air was just bubbling and overflowing with warm camaraderie spirit. This pleasant togetherness feeling simply permeated the entire group from the beginning and to the end of the party.

One of the reasons why Seitoku Akamine brought along his teenage daughter, Alison, to the Anniversary functions was so she could more fully understand why and how the 100th members are so imbued with a deep sense of pride of their Japanese heritage and with a warm everlasting feeling of togetherness.

One of highlights of the impromptu program held after dinner was the celebration of Tatsuo Iwanaga's 60th birthday. Tatsuosan is none other than Robert Kapuniaia.

When the ladies had to improvise something in a jiffy they came through with flying colors with their creative talents. There was no birthday cake so they quickly made one by placing one big candle on a special round shaped milk bread brought all the way from the Big Isle by Mrs. Seitoku Akamine. Yasuo Takenouchi led the gang

in singing, "Happy Birthday to you, Robert."

Robert was so touched by the surprise celebration that his voice quivered a little at times when he made his thank you speech which he ended by saying, "I am proud to be a member of the 100th and I have never for a moment regretted the day I told my top kick that I wanted to ship out with the Buddha heads."

When Robert voluntarily made his request to go with us, the top kick said, "You can't go with them because you're a pure Hawaiian." Robert replied, "I am one half Japanese. Go check my record." The top kick was so surprised to find out that the Robert he knew so well turned out to be Japanese-Hawaiian. His father, 100% Japanese, (surname--Iwanaga) was adopted by the Kapuniaias. That is the story how Tatsuosan left Company I, 299th Infantry, and sailed with the Buddha heads for destination unknown.

We were delighted to have two special guests from the neighbor islands. Kiyoshi Sagawa of Charlie Company and Lanai's one and only representative to the Anniversary celebration. And the other guest introduced himself saying, "I am Kazuo Senda, DOG Company, of Kauai. I heard you needed a yard DOG so here I am." This witty introduction indicates CPAs are humorous individuals and are not "squares" as stereotyped by some people.

Hideshi Niimi took advantage of his turn for introduction time to make a plug for his bonsai class. Anyone interested? Call "Horace Clay" Niimi.

Rumor? Michael Hamamoto, kendo roku dan, contemplating having these words inscribed on his calling card. "Have sword, will travel. No job too tough to handle. Call "Ken Do" Hamamoto." Anyone need a "yojinbo?" Michael and his kendo partner were the last ones to say goodnight to the Taokas.

The Sunday affair was a jovial and successful one and we thank Hakaru and Sally Taoka for the use of their home. And neighbor islanders, it was wonderful to have you all with us. Start making plans to attend our annual get-together in November. You'll be hearing from me soon.

Post Anniversary incident. At the Saturday night banquet, George Inouye of Hilo told me if he had not checked out from the hotel by Sunday noon that I pick him up around 1:30 - 2:00 pm for F Company's party. I called the hotel around 12:30 pm and was told that George had not checked out so I left a message for him to call me. I called again at 1:30 pm since I did not hear from him and this time the clerk said George had checked out early in the morning so I chalked it up as another common hotel "boo-boo."

On Tuesday evening, June 14, the telephone rang around 11:00 pm. Fortunately for me, my wife knew about the message I left for George but unfortunately for me she answered the telephone. Can you imagine who called? A wahine guest from the hotel saying she received a message from Kenneth Higa to call him. George, you're causing me many sleepless nights because you didn't stay over another night to attend our function. Now I lie awake at night wondering if she was a blonde, brunette or a redhead.



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RURAL CHAPTER NEWS

by Hakaru Taoka

Rural Chapter members responded generously to the special request from the 35th Anniversary Committee for Hawaiian fruits.

There was plenty of pineapples for the Friday Friendship Night. Robert Kapuniai, Mitsuo Nagaki, Edward Saito, Hakaru Taoka and Fred Wada had a great deal to do for the abundance of "da kine ono apples" that don't grow on trees, from way out Wahiawa way.

Harry Nishimura contributed "da other kine apples" that grow on trees, so it makes me wonder why people call them mountain apples.

And Nobuichi Masatsugu, Lefty Mizusawa and Hakaru Taoka donated delicious lichees.

Rudy Yoshida, our former secretary and correspondent, was back here during the Anniversary weekend to help his missus pack some household goods, as well as to attend the Saturday night banquet. It certainly was nice to see both of them enjoying the evening.

When Rudy moved to Maui in early May to accept a position at Kula Sanitarium we were minus a secretary for our May meeting. Fortunately, Edward Saito volunteered for the secretary post and he will also be out correspondent from the next issue of the Puka Puka Parade.

Edward has only been in Hawaii about a year after being away for quite awhile. His last job station was in Alaska. It was mighty wonderful of him to "jump in" and take an active part in our chapter.

Congratulations are in order for Tsukasa Muramoto and Michael Hamamoto. In May, they traveled all the way to Kyoto to compete in the Kendo

tournament to vie for higher tankings. Both of them passed all three required phases -- contact, form, and written test -- with flying colors. Tsukasa is now a nana (7) dan and Michael a roku (6) dan. Between the two, they have over three quarters of a century of background in the martial art of Kendo.

Isaichi Fujikawa was recently hospitalized in Wahiawa General Hospital and is now recuperating at home. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Our next bimonthly meeting will be held on the fourth Friday of July instead of the usual third Friday. The change in schedule was made to accommodate the guest speaker for the night, Mr. Vincent Cui, DAV National Service Officer. I am sure his message will be interesting and informative to all of us so be sure to attend this important meeting. Some of you may have questions so it will be opportune time to get the answers from the expert.



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HAWAII CHAPTER NEWS

by James Maeda

35TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION OBSERVATIONS

The words of compliments from those who attended the recent 35th anniversary reunion of the Club 100 in Honolulu, from the 19 Big Island members and guests were as follows... "the food was excellent, the drinks were plentiful, the fellowship was good, the golf tournament was good, and the dancing was superb. To those who were unable to participate..." "You should have been there, you missed a good celebration."

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the general chairman, chairmen of the various activities and their committee members for their hard work in putting on a very successful reunion. It was a job well done.

We extend our thanks to the members of ABLE and BAKER Chapters for their very successful chapter nights. It was very gracious of the Ableites to have members of the neighbor islands and the Southern California gang at the Kanraku Teahouse. They even had the heavy weapons chapter boys join them in the celebration.

We were very happy to see so many members and spouses from the Southern chapter at the reunion. We thank our kotonk friends for the many omiyage: the cherries, the grapes, the abalone sashimi and the pistachio nuts. In spite of the pilikia before the reunion things really turned out alright. Monte, Bill, & Chick, the next time try another approach...telegraph, telephone and telewomen, and you might find better results. I presume you needed another week to recuperate after your Hawaiian holiday....that's perhaps contributed to your old age.

Some other observations the writer made during the reunion. The Dog Chap-

ter males were good in passing the responsibility of entertaining their Southern California friends to their wives while they went elsewhere with their neighbor island buddies. The staff of RADIO STATION KZOO should be commended for their hard work at the reunion doing the broadcast. We realize that some of you who were interviewed did murder the Japanese language, however, the spirit of participation was important. We thank you for your guts...To some of the HAWAII CHAPTER members who participated in both the DAV convention and the Club 100 Reunion, we thank you for your interest. I believe the graceful dancing of the Honolulu Puka Puka-ites and their wives on the dance floor of the clubhouse and Coral Ballroom will bring about dance classes on the neighbor islands.

DOGGIES TO MEET IN HILO, AUGUST 5-7

Former Dog Company members and their wives will be gathering in Hilo, August 5-7 for their reunion. They will be coming from Kauai, Maui, and Oahu for fellowship and fun. Their schedule of activities are: eat, drink, play golf, dance, fellowship, sightseeing and visiting. Takao Miyao, Hiroo Furuya, Tom Inomoto, Sus Hata and others are on the planning and working committee. The weather should be good around that time of the year.

AUGUST HAWAII CHAPTER MEETING

The next meeting of Hawaii Chapter is scheduled for August 25, Thursday night, at the Cafe 100th will be the European tour send-off night. We'll have some wine or vino in the spirit of Aloha.

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MAUI CHAPTER NEWS

by Tom Nagata

DSC winner Kaoru Moto represented Club 100 at the Memorial Day ceremony held at the Makawao Veteran's Cemetery on May 30th. We participated in the presentation of the floral bouquets. Masao Sato as the Maui Commander of the DAV was MC for the program.

Maui Chapter members with their families observed "Anniversary Day" with a picnic at the Waiehu Beach Pavilion on Sunday, June 5th. Guests included Gold Star parents, 34th. Div. veterans from the Chicago area, and our Little League sponsored team Pirates. Masao Sato and Akira Ishikawa were the hardworking co-chairmen.

Maui president Fred Yamashige presented engraved pens to recent high school graduates Brian Moto, Kay Michioka and Charlene Mizoguchi.

The bingo games were run after a delicious kalua pig lunch by Masao Sato, Akira Ishikawa, and vice-president Butch Arisumi.

Jack Gushiken, Johnny Miyagawa, Wataru Kaneshina and Charles Mizoguchi with their wives reported having a good time at the recent 35th Anniversary Reunion held in Honolulu.

Maui Chapter hosted the visiting California Club 100 golfers and their families to a sumptuous Chinese dinner at the Golden Dragon restaurant on the evening of June 15th. Jack Gushiken was the general chairman for the event.

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KAUAI CHAPTER NEWS

by Ben Morimoto

Wednesday, June 15 was the parting day for our Mainland friends who were leaving for Maui. All the events took place during weekdays but all went well as to transportation and sight-seeing. The weather was perfect for the sightseers to take their pictures. Members of the 34th Div. were treated to a dinner at the Fairway Restaurant. The evening was a joint affair with the 442nd Veterans Club and it was very pleasant. Our mainland friends spent an evening with us at the Lydgate Park relishing the chicken hekka prepared by Mitsuru Doi.

For the 35th Anniversary Reunion in Honolulu, Kauai was well represented in numbers and officially. Dividing the group into drinkers and non drinkers, golfers and non-golfers all I can say from personal observations everyone was making the best and enjoying his time.

It might be premature to say or write about it, but overheard that the next coming "D" Co. reunion after Hilo in August this year might be in Los Angeles. At this report the following: Aokis, Sakais, Sakodas, Miyazakis, Teshimas, Shimatsus, and Morimotos most assuredly will be making the trip. The chapter will be holding the next meeting on June 30 and may be more names will be added. One of the subjects to be discussed I am sure will be the combination of the delayed Fathers Day and Summer Night affair.

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

by Y.B. Mamiya

VISITOR FROM HAWAII - On the evening of May 28th, 10 of us met with Dick Oguro of Honolulu. Dick was in town with the PTA sponsored Little Leaguers. They were staying at the Cosmic Age Lodge in Anaheim. We drove to Prime Rib Inn located at 328 N. Stanton Ave in Anaheim. Would you believe we had daikon tsukemono and steam rice with prime rib. Ken Muranaga had teriyaki prime rib. Yes, the place is run by a transplanted Hawaiian Tom Kitano. Nice place with uku paila ono kau kau and the price is right.

MEMORIAL SERVICE - Nisei Veteran Coordinating Council's annual Memorial Day Service was held on May 30 at the Evergreen Cemetery. It started at 11:00 a.m. Chick Furuye was the program chairman, and Eric Abe did a masterful job as the MC. Monte Fujita was seen huffing and puffing posting the 442nd Regimental Color. Col Young O. Kim, president of the 442nd Veterans Association presented the floral tribute in behalf of the association. The ladies of the 100th - Nora Kim, May Fujita, Sachi Furuto and Lily Mamiya presented the corsages, flowers, and tea to the Gold Star Mothers and the honored guests. Assemblyman Paul Bannai was the speaker. True to form, Paul gave a good speech. The following from the 100th were there: Eric Abe, Allen Dongs, Harry Fukusawas, Monte Fujitas, Kaz Furutos, Kiyoshi Horino, Jim Ishizawas, Tom Kasai, Col. Y. O. Kims, Y.B. Mamiyas, Mike Miyake, Mas Odoi, Ray Sugimoto, Lloyd Toda, and Douglas Tanaka. It is always nice to see so many attending to honor our fallen comrades.

LOYALA R.O.T.C. - I attended the graduation ceremony at the Loyala Marymount University on May 17. This year the 442nd Award was won by Cadet Lloyd S. Higa, a Sansei lad from Honolulu. After the ceremonies I visited with Cadet Higa and his parents

who flew in from Honolulu. Lloyd is planning to make the Air Force his career. Upon graduating he will become a flying cadet.

HONOLULU REUNION - 45 of us left LAX on June 9. That evening we were invited to Kanraku Teahouse by the Dog Co. and Able Co. members. The Baker Chapter entertained our Baker members. The night of the 10th we all met at the Clubhouse. The drink and food was out of sight. Had a nice evening renewing old friendships and making new friends. Sure was nice to see so many Doggies present. The banquet on the 11th at the Hilton was an A-1 affair. After the Memorial Service ceremony on Sunday the Dog Co. gang took us to Wisteria for lunch. We left on Monday. Those of our group who visited the neighbor islands reported they had a good time and were entertained royally. We all had a good time and say MAHALO to our Island Friends.

LAS VEGAS SAFARI - Approximately 250 persons made this trip which took place on June 17th and 18th. I know I lost \$\$, which is par for the course.

OUR CONDOLENCES - To Scotty Mizukami and his family. Scotty's wife, Mae, passed away on June 10th. The funeral was held June 14 at the Green Hill Memorial Park Chapel. Chick Furuye, Ben Otsuji, my wife Lily, and I attended from the Southern California Chapter. Jimmy Inafuku from Honolulu attended the funeral.

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DANCE CLUB NEWS

by Evelyn Tsuda

I know every reporter will have something to say about the 35th anniversary activities so I might as well join in and delve awhile on how the dance club members enjoyed the various get-togethers.

Just about every member turned out for the banquet at the Coral Ballroom, even those from the other vets organizations. The emcee was so right when he surmised, towards the conclusion of the formal program, that the dancers were "getting itchy feet." The music provided by Ray Tanaka's orchestra suited the group to a T and the large dance floor was packed for almost every dance; so much so that some of them took to dancing on the carpet away from the crowd. A good many of them remained until the band members put away their instruments at midnight. I bet the dancers could have danced some more.

The dancing which culminated Friday's "Friendship Night" at the Clubhouse was rather informal and everyone had a ball. Our visitors from the mainland and neighbor islands enjoyed the broom dances and the other non-ballroom type of dances which Ken Kaneko led the group in; and these really broke the ice. Everyone was having so much fun that it was with much difficulty that the dancing had to be called off at nearly 11 o'clock - way past our curfew.

Two nights of dancing apparently was not enough for the dance club members from Baker Chapter. On Thursday night, the Baker Chapter gathering was held at the DAV Hall and Roy Nakatani came well equipped with his record player and beautiful dance music. And after the informal speeches, introduction of guests, and fun games were over, the group moved right into dancing.

Then on Sunday night, the chapter members got together at Yozo Yamamoto's beautiful Halawa hacienda. Apparently, most of them did not expect to dance - they wore zoris, slip-ons, and other types of footwear inappropriate for dancing. But as soon as the feasting was over and while the ladies were still enjoying a leisurely after--dinner cup of coffee, Bob Sakoki practically forced them to stand up so they could clear the patio for dancing. Bob and Stu Yoshioka were about the only localities who came well prepared with their dancing shoes on and with their taped dance music. Everyone had fun struggling to keep their footwear on while keeping time with the music, and you should have seen Robert Aoki dancing--in his Bermuda shorts and his rubber zoris flying all over the place. All in all, it was a fun way to end the 35th anniversary reunion.

The June Caper was held on Friday, June 24, with chairmen Kenneth Higa and Torao Ichimura and their hard-working wives from Class II in charge of refreshments. Unfortunately, quite a few regulars had to miss the event in favor of bowling; but from all reports received, there was a pretty good crowd, refreshments were plentiful, and everyone had a nice time.

By the time this report is published, we will have had our election of officers for the new year beginning August 1. Congratulations and lots of luck to the new officers!

Our 3rd anniversary ball will be a little late this year. Ralph Ikeda the chairman of the event, reports that it will be held on September 25 at the U Of H Campus Center Ballroom. It will be a cocktail-dinner-dance affair with Ray Tanaka's orchestra providing the music. Real fancy for a change. Details will be furnished later to the dance students.

CLUB 100 BOWLING LEAGUE
by Donald Nagasaki

The games played on June 24 showed the following results: Shiseido retarded the progress of league leading Harry Asato Painting and also advanced to the second place position by scoring a 3-1 victory over the leaders. For the winners, the high scores were Wilfred Shobu's 209-539, Geni Matsumotoya's 164+37=203 and Calvin Endo's 176+28=204. The big games for the painters were Masa Kotani's 178+23=201 and Don Nagasaki's 201-515.

Nakatani Farm scored the only shutout by smashing Windward Furniture 4-0. For the farmers, Roy Nakatani's 214-530, James Inafuku's 211 and Sonsei Nakamura's 195+28=223 were the high games. For the losers, Takeichi Miyashiro's 175+30=205 was the best.

Fast improving Trophy Center polished Kanraku Teahouse 3-1. George Endo's 162+38=200 was the big one for the center. For the vanquished, Kiyoshi Kami's 188+17=205, Kunio Fujimoto's 179+27=207 and Sam Hanashiro's 175+35=210 were not enough to win the games.

Holo Holo Apparel (wahines) finally moved out from the cellar position by wearing out Vet's Termite 3-1. For the "Holo's," Elsie Tokunaga's 158+43=201 and Mildred Kainuma's 159+43=203 were the best. Todd Takashige bowled 198+13=211 for the "Vets."

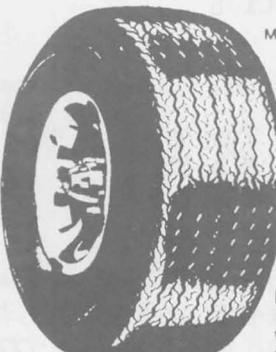
Hideo Doi's 175+30=205, Hideshi Niimi's 175+28=203, and Joe Maeda's 178+36=214 helped Gred Ikeda Insurance shove Team #6 into the last position by a 3-1 victory. Harry Hirata's 193+12=205 was the best for the losers.

LEAGUE STANDING
(as of June 24)

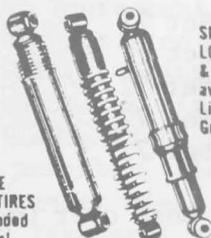
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GOLF CLUB NEWS

by Everett Odo

KANESHINA WINS 35TH ANNIVERSARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Wataru Kaneshina, who lives within a stone's throw of the Waiehu Municipal Golf Course on Maui, won the Club 100 Championship Trophy with a net 144 for the two-day tournament. Wataru, a 10-handicapper, finished in a three-way tie with Mitsuru Omori and Chikami Hirayama. However, he won the coin toss over the two other golfers. Omori nosed out Hirayama for second place via the same coin toss procedure. Seventy-four Club 100 members and four guests participated in the 36-hole tournament, which was held at Pearl Country Club on Friday, 10 June, and at Hawaii Kai Golf Course on Saturday, 11 June.

Eight golfers from California and seven golfers from the neighbor islands joined the Oahu members at two of the most picturesque courses in Hawaii. The Pearl Country Club, with thousands of palm trees growing throughout the course, is located on the hills overlooking Pearl Harbor, Ford Island, the Arizona Memorial, Aloha Stadium, and the surrounding areas of Honolulu and the rural plantation fields. Hawaii Kai Golf Course is located near Koko Head and the Blow Hole adjacent to Sandy Beach where the beautiful blue Pacific Ocean waves can be readily seen churning along the shores. On both days the weather was perfect for golfing.

Listed below are the results of the tournament:

a. Thirty-Six Hole Event (Low Net)

1st	Wataru Kaneshina	Net 144	Club 100 Championship Trophy	*
2nd	Mitsuru Omori	Net 144	Putter	**
3rd	Chikami Hirayama	Net 144	12 balls	
4th	Tom Nakamura	Net 145	9 balls	
5th	Francis Shiroma	Net 147	6 balls	

Remarks: * Tie breaker decided by coin toss

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b. Low Gross, 36 Holes

1st	Tom Nakamura	163	2 balls
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c. Mainland Chapter Winner, 36 Holes

1st	Francis Shiroma	Net 147	Trophy
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d. Tournament results, Friday, 10 June at Pearl Country Club

A Flight

1st	George Taketa	Net 71	Trophy	*See Remarks
2nd	Mitsuru Omori	Net 71	9 balls	
3rd (tie)	Al Arakaki	Net 72	2 balls	
3rd (tie)	Larry Amazaki	Net 72	2 balls	
3rd (tie)	James Kawashima	Net 72	2 balls	

*Remarks: Taketa won coin toss over Omori

B Flight

1st	Joe Takenouchi	Net 67	Trophy
2nd	Tom Ibaraki	Net 70	9 balls
3rd (tie)	Jack Mizushima	Net 73	3 balls
3rd (tie)	Eugene Kawakami	Net 73	3 balls
3rd (tie)	Kanichi Nishi	Net 73	3 balls

Guests and Calloway Flight

1st	Willie Hahn	Net 73	9 balls	*See Remarks
2nd	Naoto Matsuura	Net 73	6 balls	
3rd (tie)	Akira Akimoto	Net 75	2 balls	
3rd (tie)	Hisao Higashi	Net 75	2 balls	
3rd (tie)	Rose Yamada	Net 75	2 balls	
3rd (tie)	Katsu Nakamura	Net 75	2 balls	

*Remarks: Hahn won coin toss over Matsuura

e. Tournament Results, Saturday, 11 June at Hawaii Kai Golf Course

A Flight

1st	Francis Shiroma	Net 69	Trophy
2nd (tie)	Tom Nakamura	Net 70	8 balls
2nd (tie)	Wataru Kaneshina	Net 70	8 balls
4th (tie)	Marshall Higa	Net 72	3 balls
4th (tie)	Ken Muroshige	Net 72	3 balls

B Flight

1st	Chikami Hirayama	Net 70	Trophy
2nd	Bill Miyagi	Net 72	9 balls
3rd (tie)	Muggsy Morikawa	Net 75	5 balls
3rd (tie)	Seiji Tanigawa	Net 75	5 balls

Guests and Calloway Flight

1st	Willie Hahn	Net 74	9 balls
2nd	Katsu Nakamura	Net 74	6 balls
3rd (tie)	Arthur Tamashiro	Net 77	2 balls
3rd (tie)	Akira Akimoto	Net 77	2 balls
3rd (tie)	Ken Maeshiro	Net 77	2 balls

A congenial attitude and spirit of sportsmanship prevailed throughout the tournament. Stanley T. Takahashi, the Tournament Chairman, conducted the tournament in a commendable manner. He was ably assisted by Larry Amazaki, Edward Ikuma, Iwao Fujimori, Marshall Higa in the initial planning. Fred Kanemura, the Golf Club Treasurer, once again took charge of the financial records. James Kawashima, Eugene Kawakami, Bob Takashige, Ralph Ikeda, Frank Fujiwara and Joe Takenouchi provided transportation for mainland and neighbor island golfers from the hotels to the golf course and the return trips. Margaret Higa, Rose Yamada, Akira Akimoto, Arthur Tamashiro, Larry Amazaki and Stanley Takahashi edited and posted the scores after the

tournament. Thanks to all of these individuals whose assistance was invaluable during the tournament.

The memorable two days of golfing was culminated at the Ranch House, where the golfers enjoyed a terrific buffet luncheon and refreshments followed by an informal awards ceremony. Trophies, balls, and a putter were awarded to to the Flight winners and others who placed. However, Wataru Kaneshina, the overall champion, received his trophy on Saturday at the Coral Ballroom banquet. The tournament was a tremendous success and for those who took part in it will remember these days for a long time. Everything was just molto buono.



WATARU KANESHINA RECEIVES CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF TROPHY FROM BOB KADOWAKI

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NEWS RELEASE

VA GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR DISABLED VETERANS HOUSING - A grant of up to \$25,000 is available for seriously disabled veterans interested in "wheelchair homes."

This word came from Administrator of Veterans Affairs Max Cleland, who lost both legs and an arm during the Vietnam War.

He reminded eligible veterans the grant can be applied to a new home, used to remodel an existing dwelling or to pay off the balance owing on a home the veteran has modified at his own expense.

William Oshiro, Director of the Veterans Administration's Honolulu Regional Office, further explained that under the law, eligible veterans may obtain a VA grant of up to half the cost of a specially adapted home to a maximum of \$25,000.

Basically, eligible veterans are those who have suffered permanent and total military service-connected disability due to the loss (or loss of use) of both legs; blindness, plus loss of use of one leg; or other injury which prevents them from moving from place to place without the aid of a wheelchair, braces, crutches or canes.

Oshiro urged disabled veterans to consult their nearest Veterans Administration office for detailed eligibility requirements.

He pointed out other eligibility requirements include a provision that the veteran must be able to afford purchase of the "wheelchair home" with the assistance of the grant and that it must be medically feasible for the veteran to live there.

To qualify for a VA grant a new housing unit must have at least two entry ramps located to avoid fire hazards, doorways at least 36 inches wide, hallways at least 48 inches wide, specially equipped bathrooms, specially located electric switches and outlets, an automatic smoke detector, and other features.

Oshiro said VA field specialists will help eligible veterans in choosing a suitable lot for the housing unit, in obtaining the services of an architect, securing construction bids and arranging financing.

Director Oshiro also reminded veterans that some states provide special tax relief for owners of "wheelchair homes" and up to \$40,000 mortgage life insurance is available to most veterans who receive the housing grant.

NEW TOLL-FREE ENTERPRISE TELEPHONE SERVICE BEGINS JULY 12, 1977 - "Aloha" plus information and assistance from a trained Veterans Benefits Counselor at the Veterans Administration Regional Office in Honolulu is now as near as the telephone and as economical as a local call for 16,000 veterans in the neighbor islands of Hawaii, Kauai, Maui, Molokai, and Lanai, Administrator of Veterans Affairs Max Cleland announced today.

He said that beginning July 12, 1977 a new toll-free Enterprise Telephone Service will link these veterans to the VA's Honolulu Regional Office where their records are filed. More than 78,000 veterans in Oahu are already in the local dialing area of the Regional Office. The Administrator explained that veterans in the neighbor islands now need only dial their local telephone operator and ask to be connected to the Enterprise number.

(In Hawaii the number is EP 5308; in Maui, Molokai and Lanai - EP 5309; in Kauai - EP 5310).

The Administrator noted that Enterprise calls will be received by the Honolulu VA Regional Office from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.



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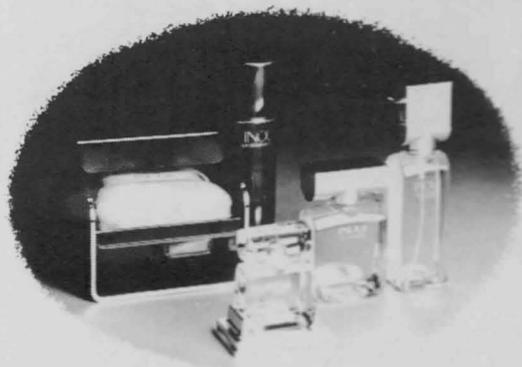
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