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## CLUBHOUSE SITE PURCHASED

An agreement of sale of a parcel of land 21,600 square feet in area in the Kapiolani Blvd.-Date street vicinity was recently executed between Club 100 and Mr. Hung Wo Ching, realtor. Signing the document for the Club were President Sakae Takahashi and Treasurer Tom Nosse.

Provisions in the agreement include (1) that the seller will re-purchase one of the lots (7,200 sq. ft.) at \$1.05 per square feet, if the Club 100 decides to sell within a year's time, (2) that no second hand material or quonsets will be utilized for construction of the clubhouse.

Mitsuyoshi Fukuda's resignation as chairman of the Building Committee on the recommendation of his physician was accepted with regret by the Board of Directors. James Lovell has been appointed as Fukuda's successor. Tadashi Ohta will act as vice-chairman of the committee.

Plans for the building have been formulated and an architect will be retained soon.

Final floor plan of the structure no doubt will be presented to the general membership before actual construction takes place.

## Cassino Farmer Uncovers Remains

The remains of Pfc. Richard M. Honda, Company C, were uncovered recently by an Italian farmer in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy.

First news reaching here of the recovery of the remains was contained in a letter written in Italian by Potone Antonoccio, a native of Cassino, to Mrs. Nancy (Honda) Tamane, the deceased soldier's widow. The letter read as follows:

"Gentle Lady:

Eight days ago while walking up the mountain looking and digging vegetables I uncovered the body of your husband, Tag No. Richard M. Honda, No. 30100958, T-43. With all due course, I notified the American Command in Rome and they immediately took the body to the American Cemetery. I am sending you my condolence from an Italian, Potone Antonoccio."

## CLUB 100 TO SPONSOR CLUBHOUSE BENEFIT

Misora Hibari, the twelve-year-old darling of Japan's stage and screen, and Haruhisa Kawada, versatile entertainer from Nippon, are scheduled to appear throughout the islands in May and June under the auspices of Club 100.

Miss Hibari's popularity has assumed sensational proportions in Hawaii via her discs and screen characterizations.

Mr. Kawada is a star in his own right. His appearance is being eagerly awaited by the isseis.

A film, "Kanashiki Kuchi-bue", will be included as part of the program.

The Club 100 is sponsoring the benefit to raise much needed money to bolster our Building Fund.

Rinky Nakagawa has been retained on a full-time basis at \$400 per month plus expenses to act as coordinator for the benefit.

It is expected that disbursements in staging this money-raising undertaking will exceed \$10,000. However, brisk advance ticket sales and wholehearted backing extended by the community indicate that this benefit will be the most successful one to be held by Club 100.

During the troupe's month stay in the territory, performances are scheduled to be held on each of the major outside islands. Part of the proceed realized from these shows will be reverted to the island chapters to strengthen their financial position.

Herbert Yamamoto and Masao (Stew) Yoshioka are serving on the steering committee for the undertaking.

The remains of Pfc. Honda had been listed as Missing in Action since February 10, 1944. An intensive search for clues leading to the recovery of the veteran's remains had been instigated for many months through Club 100 headquarters in cooperation with the American Graves Registration Office, Pacific Zone. Maps of the Cassino area and affidavits by members had been submitted to the Quartermaster General in Washington.

Honda's father has expressed a desire to have his son's remains returned to Hawaii for final burial.

# Editorial

The By Laws of our association stipulates that nominations and election of officers for a new fiscal term shall be prepared by the Board of Directors before a date to be designated by that body. Nominations have been made and ballots will be mailed out later.

The coming term is a highly significant period in the existence of our organization. Our clubhouse construction is imminent. Social functions and mutual assistance work will increase with the advent of our structure. Keen interest in the Club 100 is prevalent whenever Puka Puka-ites congregate.

For this reason, a large number of votes cast intelligently for our election is important. Give each candidate your careful consideration. Remember, it's voting time in June!

## Know Your GI Benefits

There are many benefits available to veterans of America's wars, but only a handful of them know what these benefits are.

Perhaps one of the most familiar benefits as administered by the Veterans Administration is compensation payable for a service-connected disability.

Veterans of World War II who were discharged or separated from service under conditions other than dishonorable, regardless of length of service, who has a disability or disabilities incurred in or aggravated by service may be paid a compensation according to the degree of disability suffered.

What is meant by disabilities incurred in or aggravated by service? Of course, there is no need to elaborate on those obvious disabilities such as amputation of a leg or arm, loss of an eye, nerve injuries, gunshot wounds, tuberculosis, etc. However, many veterans, during their war service, suffered in line of duty such disabilities as ankle sprains, sinusitis, painful flat feet, back troubles, skin infection, trench feet and other mild ailments. If you suffer from one of the above mentioned disabilities or any other form of disability, or aggravation of the pre-existing disability, it is urged that you contact the local Veterans Administration and make a claim for these disabilities.

If service connection is established by the Veterans Administration for disabilities incurred in or aggravated by service, the veteran will be eligible for the following:

# Five Years Ago

- 3- 1- 45. Held position and maintained contact with unit on left in Menton area.
- 3-15- 45. Relieved by French troops.
- 3-16- 45. Bivouacked in Antibes.
- 3-19- 45. Train ride to Marseille.
- 3-24- 45. On the high seas. Morale high. Strongest rumor: headed back for Italy.
- 3-25- 45. Reached Livorno. Entrucked for staging area in vicinity of Pisa.
- 4- 3- 45. General Mark Clark gave a five minute talk praising and welcoming the 100th back. Morale good.
- 4- 5- 45. Moved into lines north of Ripa. Attack commenced at 0507. Co. "A" reached first objective Hill 411 at 0532. Stiff enemy resistance from other objectives.
- 4-6-19-45 Tremendous task of climbing over mountains and down steep gulleys in face of stubborn enemy action.
- 4-23- 45. Fukuda Task Force goes out.
- 4-29- 45. Royal welcome for Lt Plourde and his men in Alessandria.
- 4-30- 45. Men cleaning equipment & resting near Isola del Cantone.

## Marriages and Births

### MARRIAGES:

Miss Toshie Kujubu and Joichi Muramatsu; Miss Lorraine H. Shiroma and Takeichi Miyashiro; Miss Nobuko Kisaka and Manabu Soranaka; Miss Kiyomi Hagawa and Halo Hirose; Miss Tokie Yokota and Naoki Takamura.

### BIRTHS:

#### Daughters to:

Mr. and Mrs. Mataka Takeshita; Mr. and Mrs. John Tsukamoto; Mr. and Mrs. Tadayoshi Hirai; Mr. and Mrs. Asao Tanaka; Mr. and Mrs. Toshimi Tayama; Mr. and Mrs. Seiji Kimura.

#### Son to: Seiso Kamishita.

1. If the veteran's service-connected disabilities are shown to be 10% or more disabled, he can receive monetary benefits in the amount of \$15.00 for a 10% disability to \$150.00 for a disability rating of 100% regardless of any outside income. These awards are made on a basis of percent from 10 to 100 in multiples of 10. Furthermore, if any veteran is rated 50% or more, he may be entitled to draw additional compensation for his wife and children, and dependent parents. Also, these compensations are tax free. (Cont. on Page 3)

## GI BENEFITS (Cont. from Page 2)

2. Free outpatient medical, surgical and dental treatments are given for only service-connected disabilities or for a non-service connected disability which is aggravating a service-connected disability.

3. Vocational rehabilitation in form of education or training under Public Law 16 is available only to veterans with service-incurred or aggravated disabilities. The Vocational Rehabilitation Act, Public Law 16 gives the Veterans Administration a high degree of responsibility for the guidance and welfare of the disabled veteran; whereas, the GI Bill, Public Law 346, holds Veterans Administration supervising responsibility to a minimum.

4. Service-connection will grant Civil Service Preference to veterans, and under certain conditions, to the wife, widow and widowed mother.

5. If a veteran whose death is a result of a service-incurred or aggravated disability, compensation may be paid to the unmarried widow, minor children, and dependent parent. Rates payable to a widow is \$75.00 per month; widow and child, \$105.00 per month with \$15.00 for each additional child; dependent parent, \$35.00 each.

6. If a World War II veteran dies from a non-service disability, one of the basic requirements is that the unmarried widow or minor children must show a service-connected disability retable to at least 1% disabled before an award of \$43.00 per month for the widow, or \$54.00 per month for the widow and child (with \$6.00 for each additional child) can be made by the Veterans Administration.

These mentioned benefits associated with service-connection are one of the many made available to you by a grateful nation.  
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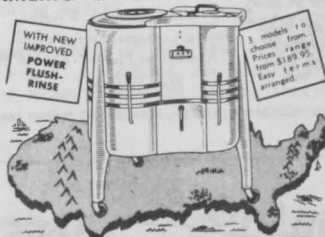
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# HAWAII CHAPTER NEWS

Ladies of Club 100 held their first picnic at Onekahakaha Beach on Easter Sunday from 10 a.m. Husbands, kiddies, and especially unmarried members of Club 100 were cordially invited to the picnic. "Bring your own lunch and Easter eggs" was the general order for the day.

Mrs. George Inouye served as general chairman of the affair.

Through the cooperation of Mr. Sanji Abe of Honolulu, the Hawaii Chapter held a Japanese benefit show on March 24th, 25th and 26th at Mocheau Theater. Proceed from the benefit was divided between the club and the 100th Bn. Memorial Baseball League.

Tatsumi "Tarush" Yamamoto is commended by officers and members of the club for his effort in making the project a success.

Hawaii Chapter bowling league started April 7th at the Bowling Palace. Stanley Ushijima announced that six teams are entered in the league, and that all others interested are urged to report to the Bowling Palace on Friday nights.

Trophies have been donated by: Hideo Murashima, honorary member of the club, Richard Miyashiro's Cafe 100th, and Yamamoto Credit Jewelers.

Members of the Hawaii Chapter assisted the Hawaiian AJA Baseball Association during the 3rd annual inter-island AJA Baseball series in Hilo on April 15th and 16th. Champion teams from Maui, Kauai, Oahu and Hawaii participated in the tournament. Yoshio Yanagawa is the president of the association and James S. Maeda, secretary.

James S. Maeda, secretary of the Hawaii Chapter was appointed to serve on the Island of Hawaii, Employment Service Advisory Council.

George Izuta hurdled the stiff structural engineering test and is now a structural engineer by profession. "Keoki" is employed by the U. S. Coast Guard.

Mitsukazu Miyake, former supply sergeant of Baker, successfully passed his Certified Public Accountant's examination in Chicago. "Mike" is attending Northwestern University and continuing his studies by taking up law. Marital status: married niente bambino. He is currently residing at: 851 West Addison Street, Chicago 13, Illinois.

# SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

## Fourth Week

Don Ishiki fashioned a neat 3-hitter as Headquarters trounced A-3 by a 6-1 count to remain unbeaten in the softball league. Sada Hikida of the losers gave out seven bingles and led all hitters.

B-1 kept pace with Headquarters by spanking A-2's 19-15 in a fracas featured by heavy hitting on both sides. Ken Kaneko continued his sensational swatting with a homer and three singles.

Charlie also maintained its unblemished record by nipping B-3 in an extra inning wild-and-wooly affair. Chicken Miyashiro aided Co. C's cause with a homer and a single.

Big Boy Watanabe posted a perfect 3 for 3 as Dog nosed out the Rurals 10-8.

B-2 finally went down 17-16 after nearly upsetting A-1. Kengo Miyano of the Baker nine slammed two homers.

## Fifth Week

B-1 beat A-3 as Kaneko and Ozumi poled two hits to clinch a 8-1 verdict.

Headquarters toppled Charlie from the undefeated ranks by a 16-6 margin in a spirited affair. Kajikawa of the winners led all batters with four hits.

Don Nagasaki hurled a nifty 4-hitter as A-2 bumped B-3, 9-2.

Heavy hitting featured the A-1 vs. Co. D tilt which was won by the Able-men 17-10. Mah Jong Yoshimura of "A" and Tony Kinoshita of Dog had perfect days at bat. Miki Kamei was the winning hurler.

In a game played at Wahiawa, B-2 boomed a 17-hit barrage to subdue the Rurals 12-4. Mizusawa and Nagaki of the losers homered. F. Nakamura of Baker also hit a circuit clout.

## Sixth Week

B-1 and Headquarters remained tied for the league leadership after six weeks of play with identical six won and no loss records.

The Baker-men whitewashed Charlie by a 14-0 count as Lefty Kobashigawa was afforded fine support afield and batting punch by S. Tanigawa and K. Kaneko.

Headquarters maintained their fine record.  
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## From The Mail Bag

Dear Mr. Takahashi:

We wish to acknowledge with many kind thanks your generous contribution of \$75 which will go toward the purchase of a lovely koa pew in memory of the boys who made the supreme sacrifice.

The new edifice is now almost complete except for a few "last minute" touchups to be done before Dedication Day. We extend to members, families, and friends of your wonderful organization our cordial invitation to worship with us not only at dedication time but all times.

The officers and members of the Church also wish to thank you and your boys for the many kindness showered our pastor, the Rev. Hiro Higuchi.

Again, our heartfelt thanks from the Waipahu Community Church:

Gratefully yours,

/s/ Horace Taba  
Horace Taba, Chairman  
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WAIPAHU COMMUNITY CHURCH

Dear Mickey: (Mickey Nakahara of Baker)

I wish to make my donation to Red Cross through your organization, the wonderful 100th Infantry who fought so bravely in Italy.

Gene and I have valued your friendship greatly the past fifteen years and look forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Eula I. Hammond

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## SOFTBALL (Cont. from Page 5)

ord by nosing out A-2 in a thriller-dille 11-10 contest. S. Namiki of the loser slammed a circuit clout and two singles to sticking honors.

A-3 finally struck the win column b upsetting B-2 on the strength of Chick Hirayama's grand-slam homer.

In a well played game, A-1 took th measure of Rurals 7-1 behind the fine pitching of Miki Kamei and stick work of Ko Yukuda.

Dog Company racked up 16 runs in two innings to romp over B-3's 16-6. Hirata and Urabe of the victors homered.

### Seventh Week

Headquarters garnered a suprisingly easy 13-6 verdict over A-1 by posting 11 runs in two innings and a 15-hit barrage. Rinky Nakagawa and Kiyoshi Kami banged out three hits each.

Yasu Furusho handcuffed the Rurals with a 5-hitter as his B-1 mates walloped 24 hits to romp over the Rurals with 29-2. Harold Oda of Baker poled out three homers in the game.

On one of the best games played, B-2 nosed out A-3 by a 8-7 count in a torrid 10 inning affair. Toku Ono singled to drive in Moses So over the plate with the winning run.

A-2 blanked Charlie on the strength of Don Nagasaki's superb four-hit chucking.

Dog Co. trounced B-2 10-6. Tony Kinoshita led all stickers with 3 bingles.

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