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MKE COMMITTEE - We don't know if their culinary abilities had anything to do with their equiring their husbands, but these members' 'better halves' are planning the Food Sales. Seated to r: Mildred Hosaka, Doris Kawano, Chairman, Yae Kometani, Margaret Nosse, Gladys Kawami, and Fusano Yoshimasu.



ASHION SHOW COMMITTEE - No, these are not Queen candidates, though they look glamorous mough. They are Chairman Joy Teraoka's Fashion Show Committee. From 1 to r: Miss Ruth famuri of Ritz Dept. Store; Joy Teraoka, Juanita Miyake; Helene Shimizu, Carol Suehiro, Rene fando, Ruth Watanabe, Helen Kanda, and Frieda Hiroki. (Story in page 2)

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CLOTHING COMMITTEE REPORTS

by Kuulei Taira

Five hundred shirts, muumuus, poi pounders, one hundred pot-holders with a "built-in" magnetic feature, zabuton for Oriental comfort in your home, play togs and school dresses for your daughters, items for your toddlers, aloha shirts for your sons, laundry bags, pin bags, money bags (purses), beach bags, are nearing the halfway mark toward completion. How is this being accomplished? Many deft hands with needle and thread plus hundreds of hours of work plus a wonderful spirit of pitching in and helping is putting the project over! THANK YOU, one and all, for answering the call for kokual

Are you free Monday evenings? We'd love to have you join in the fun at the clubhouse where we gather at 7:15 to sew, cut, exchange ideas, and eat! Refreshments vary from coffee'n do-nuts to chook (Chinese rice soup-Mrs. Richard Mizuta's specialty), the expense-sharing of which goes round-robin amongst the girls in the sewing circle. It's not an exclusive circle; we'd love to have you come down to help sew on buttons, do some hemming by hand, and most of all-to get to know each

other! (We're taking a holiday on Monday evening, May 30th.)

News note from the Maui Chapter: Last week, we met Goro Kuwada, president of the Maui chapter. Goro reports the Maui wahines are busy sewing. Mahalol Maui no ka oji is

Joy Teraoka is working mighty hard with 100 her committee, setting up some wonderful entertainment for you and the kiddies -- demonstrations, movies, and a fashion show sponsored by the Ritz Department Store and St Manufacturer's Shoe Store, directed by the Kamuri Sisters. Features in fashions will be exciting, up-to-the-minute cottons, street and afternoon frocks for milady and the young miss, and outfits for the younger male set; os Models? Why, many of Honolulu's international Vi beauty queens, and you know, Club 100 has b some eye-catching matrons? Don't be sur! an prised if you are approached to take a whirl kin in the modeling game. Tickets for the fashion id show will be available before June 1 at 50¢1 id More details later from Stella Ikeda.

Our aching backs, and no fooling! Gladys of Yamamoto and I spent all of Saturday and Suns of day, squatting on the floor, twisting and turn-secting, laying and relaying patterns, cutting, cutting, cutting, with these results: squaw skirts, edgirls' play shorts, girls' dresses, fabric bags, had beach bags are ready for sewing. If you the can drop in Monday evenings at the clubhouse are can explain the sewing details to you otherwise give us a call--628932 or 57578

We haven't forgotten that the younger se' love to dress their favorite dolls. Alice Harada volunteered to work on doll wardrobes and I'm sure she could use some willing helpers. Would you give her a call at 740364? "Nothing but the best" is Fusano Yoshi-

"Nothing but the best" is Fusano Yoshimasu's motto, so she is using Magnex magnets (the best in the West at 10¢ each) in her cutty pot holders. Some are fancy, others are plain and all are practical. (Cond. on page 7)

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w Naoji Yamagata

"Margua" Toyama stepped foot on this "rock" for the first time in 13 long years when he recently spent a few weeks vacation in these islands. The former third and weapons platoon member made the rounds renewing acquaintances in all sections of the city. "Margua" is employed as a watch repair man m Milwaukee. He reports that paisans in the Badger State are all doing fine. Signor Toyama s still an eligible bachelor.

The kerosene stove donated by Mrs. Yoshi Ogomori in memory of her late son is a valuable addition to the club equipment pool. Mc. Yoshio Ogomori was the only battalion asualty in the Belvedere action. He was warded a posthumous Silver Star decoration for gallantry in the field of battle.

Mikio Tamane joined the increasing ranks of proud Able Chapter daddies who can point with pride to three sons in their household. The "across the La Crosse" man had quite a mugh time within a span of a few days as he was also confined in a local hospital for an appendectomy operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Mizuno have been appointed co-chairman of our first Halloween arty slated for late October. To them goes he distinction of being the first husband and life team to plan and execute a club affair.

John Sakaki was one of the lucky (?) winners of a real live bunny at the Easter party. Reports have it that our genial life insurance agent had to turn into a carpenter to hammer and saw a hutch out of a wooden crate. We sympathize with other paisans who found themselves in the same boots with him.

Harry Moromisato of first platoon is a genuine poultry farmer in Waimanalo Valley. We understand his egg production is on the upgrade. "Moro" enjoys life out in the wide

open spaces.

A visit to Shigeru Nakata's home in Manoa Valley is like taking a field trip to an experiment station. Fruit trees of all kinds, beautiful flowers and green vegetables cover the entire 10,000 square feet area.

We offer our deepest sympathy to our past chapter president, Hiro Yamamoto, on the passing of his beloved mother.



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With Otomatsu Aoki of Hq Co. as general chairman, the plans for the annual anniversary party are shaping up. Different committees are rolling up their sleeves again to pitch in and make this annual affair a success.

All reservations should be made before May 25, 1955.

This year, we are inviting the next-of-kin of our KIAs to the party. In order to properly care for their seating arrangements, they are asked to respond to our invitation questionnaires.

This affair is a must in the club members' calendar. Remember, the date, June 4, 1955.

Tickets have been mailed to Oahu members. If you have not received yours, or, if you need more tickets, call the clubhouse.

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We regret very much on hearing that Robert Keiji Adachi passed away on April 3(" at the Tripler General Hospital after a pro-longed illness. "Akim", as he was popularly of called, was inducted on December 9, 1940 and Co was subsequently assigned to Co. G and D ir the 299th. He served with F Co. and later transferred to A Co. of the 100th.

He was a Hospital bus driver at the Hakalau Plantation.

The former F Co. boys who have beer gathering together monthly at the Harbor Lite remembered "Akim" while he was confined at the hospital, visiting him and sending flowers to him.

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RUZZING WITH THE BEES

by Ray Nosaka

"Be the best or be the worst" -- so goes the old saying. Baker Co. was a perfect example of that statement in the softball league.

Captain James Kawashima's B-1 team sponsored by James Tani of the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance annexed the championship. They licked Hdq. Co. 7 to 5 in the championship play-off game.

The Kalihi Grocery (B-2) led by Captain Bob Takashige, bowed to the Rurals 15 to 14 to become undisputed cellar champs.

The champs were feted to a chopsuey dinner at the New Asia on Friday, April 22.

The following members and wives of Company B came to assit in coloring the eggs for the Easter Party. "Lefty Tanigawa, Fred Kanemura, Raymond Nosaka, Mrs. Raymond Nosaka, "Old Man" Morimoto, James Miyano, "Old Man" Tanaka, Saijiro Higa, Toshikatsu Nakahara.

Suggestion: How about taking the census from 1945 to the present on how many children members have. What company and individual have the most children, etc. You'd be surprised! Probably B Company will lead with most females and A Company with most males -What's your guess?

Yasu Takata is taking things easy at home after undergoing a major operation for a stomach ailment. The Baker Chapter member, who is an employee of the local VA, is rapidly making fine progress toward full recovery.

A special commendation goes to Lefty Mizusawa of our Rural Chapter. As the representative to the Board of Directors from the rurals, he is always on time to make his contribution toward the operation of our organization. Thank you Lefty, for your continuing servicel

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SCOUTING THRU THE KEYHOLE RECONNAISANCE

The fireworks food concession manned by various chapter personnel netted \$300 for a few hours of labor. The spirit with which members vended hot dogs and cold drinks contributed to the success of the undertaking. Everyone had fun while raising revenue toward purchasing a multilith machine.

Speaking of the multilith reminds us of the fact that the printing equipment is already delivered and being used quite advantageously by our office staff. That it will be utilized to secure maximum benefit from it is contem-

plated by all.

Masa Awakuni, the one man TD of Charlie Company, is a busy man these days. He has moved over the Pali into his new home on the Kaneohe sea coast. We hear he has his hands full in landscaping his new surroundings.

Did you know that Mr. Matsumori, our conscientious custodian, has donated a bag of fertilizer for our lawn? His contribution has added a lot of oomph to the grass in the premises.

We are also indebted to Mr. Shiro Maehara of Air Flo Express for the new refrigeration motor unit he contributed to us recently. The donor's brother, Lt. Saburo Maehara of Company C, was a combat casualty in the Po Valley campaign.

A 5 lb. 10 oz. boy was welcomed by The Naoto Matsuuras of Charley Co. recently. This is the Matsuuras' second son.

George Kiefer sends us a clipping from La Crosse that should interest club members. The item reports that five baby timber wolves have been born at the zoo. Total timber wolf population at the zoo now is seven; two adults and five babies.

Maybe we should try to get a pair for our local zoo.

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"F" CO. HAS "DIM OUT" AT HARBOR LITE

by Kent Y. Nakamura

Responses for Royal and Schlitz amounted to a half-case each round at F's March roll call taken at Shige Hokama's ristorante, "The Harbor Lite." Shigeru Inouye, (Medics) who deals in investments, covered the business end of the meeting as guest speaker. He enlightened the gathering on financial investments, like premium stocks and preferred stock dividends -- despite the difficulty of his wondering who was asking what question. Try looking down a fifteen-foot table of faces and upraised glasses, bottles, and chopsticks, and trying to politely listen to inquiring voices hoarse and indistinct through oft-repeated swallows of Pilsner. Besides, a smoke screen laid by Toscani-like smoke from stogies passed around by "Macky" Masaki, a beaming father again, made the haze even hazier.

Remember when the insurance drive was so slow at Camp McCoy? Capt. Jack Mizuha boosted the drive by telling how the outfit "would attack and attack and attack" at the front. Result was the company resounded with cries for more insurance. So, come next meeting night, hit for the beacon on Kakaako St. like you dashed to headquarters for insurance!

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DIGGING THE DIRT WITH THE GREEN THUMB CLUB

by Arthur Komiyama

The Green Thumb Club had another successful evening potting vanda seedlings at the last meeting on February 14th at the clubhouse.

It seems there's beaucoup interest in this club; already four new members have been greeted this year. They are Tad Ohta, Ralph Ikeda, Kengo Otagaki and Leighton Sumida. We certainly need all these rugged individuals to tender delicate orchids. They showed much interest as they fired away with plenty of questions at Pres. Bill "Ole Man" Oya.

Speaking of our president, he advised the members "Always carry a pocket knife when visiting friends with plants....you can never tell." We wondered where he got all his plant collections!

We are proud to announce that Kazuo Kamemoto's Dendrobium, "Ethel Kawamoto" was awarded an Award of Merit at the last Honolulu Orchid Society meeting held March 8th. "Congratulations"....Kazuo.

Our next meeting will be held the second Monday of June. We welcome any new members who wish to join us, including wives and girl friends of members.

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Children and adults with crossed fingers anxiously awaited the drawing of lucky numbers at our initial Easter Party which was held on April 3rd at the clubhouse. The young ones hoping to win a live rabbit and the grown ups dreading the thought of having to build a hutch, represented an interesting contrast. This same condition prevailed as live baby chicks were later dished out as prizes.

The affair, which attracted a good turnout, was well planned and executed under the able chairmanship of Mrs. Frances Okazaki. Lawn games, an egg hunt, door prizes and refreshments kept things rolling at a merry pace from start to finish.

Each child attending was given a basket filled with uova and candies.

Chairman of respective committees included: games, Tom Nishioka; baskets, Calvin Shimogaki and George Zakimi, Medics; decorak tion, Jits Yoshida; refreshments, Haruto Soma; and clean-up, Baker Company.

The favorable manner in which the event was accepted was gratifying. Club officials no doubt will exert even greater effort and emphasis on an Easter Party as a solid part of our social program in years to come.

CLOTHING COMMITTEE REPORTS (Cond. from page 2)

Gladys Takemoto is still in the rummage business! It's not too late to clear out and reorganize those closets and dresser drawers! Anything too snug around the hips, too short, outgrown by the youngsters, Gladys will be glad to receive for our rummage section.

We received some fine donations from our local firms and have acknowledged their contributions: The Liberty House (Mr. Cavanaugh), Wong's Drapery Shop, Oahu Furniture, Ewa Store (Dan Yonemori), and Diane's (Mrs. Charles Uchimura).

The slipper-making class is in session under the direction of Frances. She informs us there is room for further enrollment in the class meeting each Monday night and she would welcome new members. Phone 64916 or 737151.

With the carnival dates moved forward to August 5th and 6th, our committee would like to have all articles completed and turned in by July 15th, thus allowing us three weeks in which to price, label, press and ready for sales the many items you are preparing. Would you circle this date on your calendar-Friday, July 15th?

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