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VETERAN'S RIGHTS

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Veterans have many ambitions. The problems they face are numerous. The government, as well as private associations and organizations of all kinds, are keenly interested in these problems. They are doing a splendid job in helping the veteran readjust himself to civilian life.

The process of integrating all returning servicemen and women into the normal peacetime life of their communities, is, in many respects, a difficult one. As General Omar Bradley, Administrator of Veterans Affairs has repeatedly said, it is a problem that cannot be solved by the government alone. It is a problem for every community to share. It is a problem for every American, veterans and non-veterans.

The veteran doesn't ask any special favors. All he wants is an even break. Therefore, the privileges that the nation has provided for our veterans should be considered as tools with which to build an even greater America.

The Veterans Administration is the government agency responsible for administering and furnishing these tools to ex-servicemen and women and their dependents.

Regional Office

Here in the Territory all federal laws granting assistance to veterans are administered through the Veterans Administration's Regional office under the management of Colonel George W. Bicknell. VA headquarters here are located in the Little White House on the Iolani Palace Grounds and the Mitsukoshi Building at King and Bethel streets.

Not unlike the greater percentage of Veterans Administration personnel, from General Bradley on down the line, Colonel Bicknell himself is a veteran, having served in the Army in every rank from Private to Colonel during his participation in both World Wars. He knows the people of Hawaii, particularly its veterans and as Manager of Veterans Administration affairs in the Territory, he willingly assumes full responsibility for serving their needs.

The Veterans Administration's program is a vast one and space limitations will not permit a detailed picture of each phase. Briefly then, here is a list of those tools which the Veterans Administration, under the law, is in business to furnish the veterans.

Eligibility Requirements
A discharge other than dishonorable is a general eligibility requirement for any benefit. To qualify under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, commonly known as the GI Bill of

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DR. CARY PAYS TRIBUTE
TO 100th MEN

On the third anniversary of the day when the 100th Infantry battalion underwent its first baptism of battle in Italy—September 29, 1943—memorial services were held for approximately 300 deceased members of the battalion recently at the Central Union church under the auspices of the Oahu Chapter, Club 100.

High tribute to the men was paid in a memorial address by Dr. Miles E. Cary, principal of McKinley high school, who declared that the men "fought willingly and died in order to further our fundamental Christian-democratic ideals."

"If we are to honor truly the memory and heroic sacrifice of your comrades in the recent war are we not committed to the task of carrying on the struggle for which they died?," Dr. Cary said. "And does this not mean using every possible means at our command to achieve this end? To me, this is the only valid meaning of this third anniversary of your baptism by fire at Salerno."

"We know that the young men of Hawaii who volunteered for the 100th Infantry battalion held definite ideas as to why they were taking that momentous step," Dr. Cary pointed out. "In fact I make bold to state that, of all the men and women of our armed forces in the recent war, those who went forth to battle from Hawaii were, on the whole, clearer and surer of the values for which they fought."

With approximately 850 relatives and friends of the 100th Infantry war dead present, the program opened with an organ prelude, "Elegie" (Peters) by John Harvey, interim organist of the Central Union church.

This was followed by the call to worship and invocation and the Lord's Prayer led by the Rev. Allan Hackett, pastor of the Central Union church.

Next came the singing of the hymn, "America the Beautiful;" scripture lesson by Chaplain Earl D. Compton, AFMIDPAC; tenor solo, "Recession-al," by Melvin Wright; memorial prayer by the Rev. Hiro Higuchi, formerly chaplain with the 442nd combat team; hymn, "America;" memorial address by Dr. Cary; taps; and benediction by the Rev. Hackett.

Among those in attendance were many Gold star parents and next of kin of the deceased soldiers, as well as former comrades and friends of all racial ancestries of the men.

The Oahu Chapter, Club 100, plans to make the memorial services an annual affair.

Oahu Chapter Xmas Party

There will be a Christmas party on Saturday, December 21, 1946 at the Ala Moana Pavilion for Club members, wives, and lady friends only. Sensational orchestra is promised. General Chairman is Minoru "Cherry" Kunieda. For the gala festival, a new Hideo Sato, Social chairman announced that each person attending should bring a simple gift costing not more than 25 cents. Refreshments will be served and plenty of cookies, sandwiches, and soft drink will be on hand.

Plans are being made for an attractive Christmas tree.

There will be no individual invitations sent to the members. Members are urged to pass the word down the line and to remind each other of the party. Bachelors are warned to date-up their lady friends early.

Speculations for a Santa Claus is fluctuating widely, and its still anybody's guess. Honestly, though, we need a Santa and a volunteer is requested. Bob Taira announces that he doesn't have to be a 250 pounder.

Clothing Relief Drive

The Club 100 will participate in the Japan Clothing Relief Drive, Oahu Chapter President Bob Taira announced. Mr. Taira attended a meeting on Monday evening October 14, 1946 at the YWCA where plans for plans are lacking but the Club will cooperate in some way.

Herbert Ishii Named Kauai
Vet Counselor

The Territorial Council on Veterans Affairs of Herbert Y. Ishii of Lihue has announced the appointment of veterans counselor on Kauai. For the present Mr. Ishii will make his headquarters in the United States Employment Service office in the basement of the territorial building in Lihue.

Mr. Ishii will be glad to assist veterans on all week days from 8:00 a.m. to noon, except Tuesday and Friday.

Formerly with Lihue Barbecue Inn, Mr. Ishii entered the army in December, 1940. He was a staff sergeant and served through the Italian campaigns with Company B of the original 100th Infantry.

Mr. Ishii is now manager of the American Legion clubhouse at Nawiliwili and is also associated with the Veterans Express.

Eighty Maui Club 100 members gathered at the Lahaina Banyan park to hold the first annual memorial for their fallen comrades on Sunday, September 29th. Mr. David T. Fleming, who had made a speech of farewell to the men at Lahaina before their departure for service, made a moving talk to the gathered veterans at the memorial exercises.

The program included: Opening Remarks (Pres. Arthur Shinyama); Chorus (Mrs. Norman Oda); Invocation, Rev. John M. Horton; Chorus; Principal Address, Mr. David T. Fleming's speech in Japanese, Paul Hirashima; Placing of Wreath, Shinichi Yamada; Taps (scouts) and Benediction, Rev. John M. Horton.

After the services the men had luncheon at the Pioneer Hotel Blue Room. Mr. Leslie Deacon, Honorary member, attended the services and the luncheon.

Toru Orisaka, Maui Shinbun business manager and former Company C chowhound, reported to work one day beaming with smiles for the previous night his darling wife blessed him with a lovely new baby at the Malulani hospital.

Toru was really excited that morning. We had difficulty finding out what the baby was to be named or how much she weighed or much less anything else. All we gathered was the fact that he really took a beating.

The proud papa worked all day at the Shinbun but we thought that he should have taken the day off.

Hq. & Service C. Picnic
21 October 1946

The oftentimes discussed and hoped for homecoming gathering of Hq. and Service Co. members was finally realized and enjoyed by all present which was held at Moana Park right after the ball game between the triumphant Hq. team and C Co. The victory added a lively spirit into the gathering.

The difficult refreshment problem was handled efficiently by energetic Arthur Komiya social chairman, and Times Grill's Teruya's generous beer contribution satisfied the more thirstier members present.

The benedicts showed up in force including juniors and junior-misses. The Shimogakis were all there. Mr. and Mrs. Hayashi of Waialua, Kasadate of Kaneohe, Kiyabu and Torikawa of Waipahu showed up early. Ken Suehiro's little one, Gary Uchida's little girl and Toshi Kunimura's baby are all out for another outing. Tom Nosse's tot slept through it all.

Itsuo Kajiwara, Hq. Co., is on the mainland at an electrical trade school. Friends can reach him by writing to 1205 East Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

Vacationist: Masayoshi Kawamoto, "top-kick" C Co. Castle and Cooke Terminals Ltd.

Congratulations go to Mr. Waichi Hiraoka of Kohala, formerly Co. "A" and George Taketa, Medics and their lovely brides over the ring and cigar counter of this chapter. The wife of our Executive Secretary and Yamagata Junior were both seen at the wedding of the Holy Cross in Hilo. Veterans ding of George Taketa at the Church are giving warning to attend some wedding so that there will be no misfire of not kissing the bride after being pronounced man and wife even with aid of the minister lifting the veil of the bride.

A familiar voice heard over radio station KHBC early in the mornings here on the Island of Hawaii is that of Mr. Harold Marques, formerly Hqrs. Co. So far we have not heard any 1, 2, 3, 4 for calisthenics at 6:00 in the morning therefore we don't mind the pleasant voice.

Some of the former One Puka Puka members seen in their smart CKC uniform for the National Guard drill night were: Capt. Francis Takemoto, Lt. Yoshio Yanagawa, Lt. Col. Jack Conlye and several others. Any veteran (those not receiving disability compensation) who is interested in joining the guards is asked to come down to the Hilo Armory or see any one of the above mentioned men.

According to the writers observation it seems that the former boys of the supporting company that Co. "D" are sending girls from the capital city who are coming on vacation to this Big Island to our good Tarush Yamamoto. Tarush at times have trouble receiving some beautiful ladies without any warning whatsoever from your city. Give the old boy a break!!

Honolulu's gain and Hilo's loss Angel Ogata was seen spreading ham-evening. Don't ask the writer what burger sands all over the street one happened.

Mitsuo Yamane (Co A) and Miss Miyano Onosaki were happily married at the Makiki church on September 22nd. The bride is a sister of William Onosaki also a former member of Company "A". The Club 100 offers its congratulations and best wishes to the newly weds.

Gordon Kadowaki of Hq. Co. was a visitor at the Club House recently. He was in the Islands for a short stay while taking time off from his duties in Chicago.

Our beloved Honorary member, Mr. Leslie Deacon is enjoying a well earned rest on Maui. Take it easy M. Deacon and good hunting to you.

By James S. Maeda

An impressive Memorial Service marking the third anniversary of the first day of combat of the 100th Infantry Battalion, attended by gold star parents, veterans and friends from the Hamakua Coast, Kau and Kona and as well as Hilo was held on Sunday, September 29th at the Church of the Holy Cross in Hilo. Speakers at the service were Mr. Joseph Farrington, Delegate to Congress and Honorary Member of the Club 100th; Rev. C. M. Imbrie of the First Foreign Church in Hilo and Rev. Masao Yamada, former Chaplain of the 422nd Infantry Regiment. Rev. Yamada delivered his eulogy in Japanese for the benefits of the parents who attended the service.

Colors of the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Infantry Regiment were present at the service.

Miss Yasuko Oshima and Miss Lilian Maeda helped the chapter pinning the orchid corsages on each and every gold star parent as they entered the church for the service.

The church was decorated with flowers generously donated by individuals and local florist for this occasion.

For the success of the affair credit goes to Shigeru Ushijima, who was in charge of the affair.

For the benefit of those of you on the other islands, who plan to come to the Big Island on your honeymoon or vacation the Hawaii Chapter takes you in locating some of the former members of the battalion on the other side of the island to the Coffee Land of Kona, where the air is clean and so romantic (so they tell the reporter during his recent trip). In locating your buddies in this part of the country, you always ask before attacking. Here are some of boys who can be found in Kona: Philip Matsuyama, Holualoa; Chas. T. Yoshida, Holualoa; Max Towata, Holualoa; Yasuichi Matsuo, Holualoa; Mitsuo Oura, Capt. Cook; Tamiyo Saito, Capt. Cook; Michael Hirata, Honaunau; Sunao Kadooka, Honaunau; Masami Iwashita, Kealakekua; George Ouye, Kealakekua; Takashi Harai, apt. Cook; Terumasa Igeta, Yoshiichi Okazawa, George Hagiwara and Pete Kawahara teaching aggie at the Konawaena High School.

Due to the size of the island and the veterans being scattered all around the island members of this chapter, who are not receiving their Puka Puka Parade are asked to write or call the writer at P. O. Box 1940, Hilo or Telephone 2442.

The following contributions to the Club Trophy room were received: Luger from Hajime Yamane; a piece of marblestone from the Abbey of Monte Cassino from Kisuke Arakaki; Swastika from Robert Muronaka.

Company B Team No.1 Leads Bowling League

With five weeks of bowling at the Honolulu Bowling Center, the members of the CLUB 100 BOWLING TEAMS showed unusual competitions with individual high honors and consistent team averages.

T. Kanda of Co. D #2 team rolled a high single game of 254 which stands good in any league.

High three game series goes to E. Matsueda with a neat 609 which was bowled against Co. C #1 on October the 7th.

The team high single and high three games are honored by the HQ #1 team with 921 and 2579 respectively.

Reaching the half way mark of the 11week schedule the Co. B #1 team is still ahead in the league by one game. Close behind are the HQ #1 and the Officers led by Capt. H. Kawano and J. Lovell.

The remaining six weeks will show some keen competitions and many close matches with upsets now and then.

Companies D No. 2 and A No. 2 are not standing short from any team including the B-1.

After the first five weeks of bowling the team standings are as follows:

NOTE:

The postponed game on September 30 between HQ #2 and Co. C No. 1 will be scheduled to play at the end of the league.

Individual averages for the first 25 men, as follows:

Matsueda, E.....	HQ-1	185.9
Matsumoto	A-1	179.2
Honbo, R.....	HQ-1	171.12
Sumida, L.....	A-1	165.5
Kajikawa, H.....	BN HQ	162.2
Aoki, G.....	HQ-1	161.11
Iwai, W.....	C-1	161.1
Kondo, M.....	D12	158.5
Lovell, J.....	BN HQ	158.4
Hatori, J.....	B-1	157.7
Izuta, G.....	HQ-1	157.4
Ishiki, D.....	HQ-3	156.0
Okazaki, M.....	HQ-3	154.6
Nagasaki, D.....	A-2	153.3
Kanazawa,	C-2	153.3
Maeda, Y.....	C-1	152.1
Kanemura, F.....	B-1	150.7
Kunieda, M.....	D-1	150.5
Fijishige, W.....	HQ-2	150.1
Mizushima, J.....	C-2	150.0
Ikeda, G.....	BN HQ	148.5
Kanda, T.....	D-2	148.2
Kawano, H.....	BN HQ	147.6
Fujimoto, K.....	A-2	147.5
Takaezu, W.....	B-1	146.10

Hq. Co. Defeated For First Time

By Tokuji Ono

Headquarters Co. met its first defeat by a score of 7-2 at the hands of a smoothly functioning A Co. team on Oct. 6 in one of the regular Sunday morning doubleheaders at Ala Moana Park. A disastrous second inning in which A Co. ran up five runs was the downfall of Hq. Co., aspirations for an undefeated season. Moromiso of A Co. was nicked for five hits but managed to scatter them sufficiently so that no damage was done. A Co. was tied for five hits in that one inning and four more during the rest of the game. Fundi Shirai's flawless fielding at third base was a contributing factor in the score not being any worse.

In the second game of the morning B Co. suffered its worst defeat by a 6-0 score administered by D Co. Inspired by key reinforcements and by the fine pitching of Lefty Kimura D Co. scored all six runs in the second inning. Jimmy Kawashima, losing pitcher, was touched for five hits in that one inning and four more during the rest of the game. Fundi Shirai's flawless fielding at third base was a contributing factor in the score not being any worse.

On the previous Sunday B Co. trounced C Co. by a score of 8-3. Lefty Kimura, "Iron Man" pitcher of C Co. was charged with the loss while Raymond Furuta was credited with the victory.

In the first game of the Sept. 29 doubleheader Hq Co. and D Co. battled to a one-all standstill until the sixth inning when the Hq Co. boys rolled in four runs to cinch the game. They scored five more in the seventh to win the game 10-5. Don Ishiki, playing shortstop, was the standout of the game with his smooth fielding and fast and accurate arm.

As of Oct. 6th Hq Co. and A Co. are tied with five victories and one loss apiece, while B and D Co. share second place with three won and four lost apiece. Charlie Co. brings up the rear with six games lost and none won.

Oahu Chapter Golf Set for Nov. 10

Plans have been completed for the first golf tournament for Oahu Chapter members interested in this ancient Scotch pastime. Officially it will be known as the Turkey Tournament, and it will be run off at the Ala Wai Course on Sunday afternoon, November 10, 1946.

Full handicaps up to 30 will be allowed, and each player will have the privilege of setting his own handicap. The 18th hole medal affair will be a blind bogey tournament with the bogey score to be picked out between the net scores of 70 and 80.

Eddie Morikami is in charge of this tournament. Members interested should leave their names with Naoji Yamagata, Club Secretary.

Team No.	Games	G.W.	G.L.	Hi-1	Hi-3	TPF	Ave.	Pct.
B #1.....	18	15	3	879	2579	14224	790.4	.833
HQ #1.....	18	15	3	921	2486	13381	743.7	.833
Bn-Hq.....	18	15	3	868	2305	13352	741.14	.833
D #2.....	18	10	8	854	2288	12398	688.14	.566
Hq #3.....	18	9	9	782	2121	12229	689.7	.500
A #2.....	18	8	10	827	2237	12213	678.9	.444
Hq #2.....	15	8	7	742	2122	11261	750.11	.533
C #1.....	15	7	8	741	2155	9962	664.2	.467
A #1.....	18	7	11	828	2279	12727	707.1	.389
D #1.....	18	7	11	745	2148	12091	670.13	.389
B #2.....	18	3	15	734	2102	11654	647.8	.167
C #2.....	18	1	17	741	2055	11132	618.8	.066

Club House Roundup

By Naoji Yamagata

Tony Kinoshita and Miss Chiyoko Migita were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, September 28.

Mr. and Mrs. James Oki welcomed a daughter.

Yoshito Sugawara and Hisashi Kuwabe Kauai Chapter Club members spent their vacations in Honolulu and returned to their homes on September 30.

Yoshimi Yamamoto formerly of "A" Co. and now a service station attendant in Kohala spent his vacation in Honolulu.

Yukio Nakamoto of Co. "B" was recently married in Chicago to Miss Agnes Kurisu of Kauai. The newly weds are making their home at 1039 N. La Salle, Chicago, Ill.

Captain Taro Suzuki of Co. "B" is now a civilian and connected with the VA.

Captain Shigeru Tsubota of "D" Co. enjoyed a furlough in Honolulu recently while on his way to his new army duties in Japan.

Captain Mizuta of "C" Co. returned from the mainland and was seen at the Oahu Memorial Service.

Kiyoshi "Lefty" Morioka "A" Co. weapons platoon Sgt. will be one of the proprietors of the "Oahu Orchid Center." The flower shop which is located near the Varsity Theatre on University Ave. was opened on October 15.

Newcomers to the clubhouse dormitory: Richard Chinen, Henry Oshiro, Kiisuke Arakaki, and Kelly Fujimoto. Old Timers: George Yasso, "Jesus" Matsuda, Shigeo Sora.

Veteran's Rights

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Rights, the veteran must have been in active service for at least 90 days, part of which must be after September 16, 1940. However, he is eligible if he was discharge in less than that time by reason of a disability incurred in service.

The Big Five of the Veterans Administration's program follows:

(1) If the veteran is to function as a prime force in building the community, his health has to be maintained at a high level. With the help and cooperation of the Territorial medical profession, the Veterans Administration is confident of reaching its goal of providing the best medical service that can be had.

Veterans Administration's own hospital facilities here in the Territory are limited at this time, but through the excellent cooperation and assistance of the Army and Navy Queen's Hospital, an ex-servicemen or woman may receive treatment for any ailment resulting from service. First consideration of course, is given to those veterans who suffered injuries or contracted diseases while in service. Medical care is also provided for those who may need hospitalization and have disabilities which did not result from service. In additions, contracts are now pending with Territorial medical groups to provide treatment on an out-patient basis for service connected disabilities only.

In addition to hospital care for the disabled veteran, the government has made additional special provisions. Those with permanent disabilities of varying degrees will receive pensions from the government.

Educational Rights

(2) Under the GI Bill, veterans have the widest educational opportunities ever offered by our country. A total of 252,257 veterans entered schools, colleges or on-the-job training during the month of April, increasing the total number to 695,574. Here in the Territory the number in

training is rapidly approaching the one thousand mark. While in training the government pays a living allowance of \$65 a month if single, \$90 a month if married, plus the cost of tuition, fees and books up to \$500 per year which is paid directly to the institution by the government.

(3) To assist veterans to buy or build homes, or to start a business, the Veterans Administration will insure or guarantee loans for all eligible veterans to the full extent permitted by law. Loans to veterans are guaranteed up to \$4000 on real estate and \$2000 on business, not to exceed 50 per cent of the total amount of the loan.

Territorial business associations, banks, building trusts and social agencies coming into contact with veterans can assist the Veterans Administration by offering sound advice and counseling to veterans seeking assistance under this program.

Financial Security

(4) The nation has also provided for the financial security of veterans and their families through its safe and cheap National Service Life Insurance. It is the responsibility of every veteran to keep this protection in force. Here again, the community, including social workers, can assist by encouraging the veterans to reinstate their policies if they have let them lapse.

(5) In order to help the veteran over the period when he is struggling to find his proper place in the community, readjustment allowances are provided under the GI Bill. Payments up to \$20 a week are provided for as long as 52 weeks. There is however, no substitute for a real job—where a veteran can earn money for real work—and here again the community and the social workers can provide a helping hand.

In summary, it must be pointed out that all these privileges and advantages are not by any means, charity. They are an investment—tools with which to build a greater America.

Col. Adna Clarke, Punahou ROTC Staf member, has contributed numerous clippings on the Puka Puka Battalion and copies of the Hawaii Times and Hawaii Herald of the war years. This invaluable material will soon be pasted in our Club scrapbook. Many thanks to you, Col. Clarke.

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Col. Turner recently spent a two weeks vacation from his duties at Lewers and Cooke Ltd. Our "Old Man" has brought to the Clubhouse news-reels showing our training days in Wisconsin, the photos of all companies taken at Camp McCoy and the first to the Christmas (1943) edition of the "Real McCoy."

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"Tak Tak" Takahashi now employed at Pearl Harbor as a clerk was confined to quarter from his job because of a chest injury. Tak was seen flashing his "quarter" slip of paper to his friends.

Vacationists: Frank Kimata, Hq. Co. now connected with the Honolulu City and County Road Dept. as an accountant. Chikami Hirayama, Honolulu Planning Mill; Seitoku Hanashiro—employed by the US Army as a mechanic at Kapalama; Kungo Iwai, Hq. Co. US Internal Revenue, utilized his vacation to tend to his fatherly duties.

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Oahu Executive Committee Members were all duked up and acted as ushers at the Memorial Service. Comment Overheard: "For once, they look like gentlemen!"

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Takao Miyao of Hilo, Hawaii and formerly "D" Co. Top kick is now in Honolulu and attending the Honolulu Business College where Molto Signorinas prevail.

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'Tis reported Jiro Matsui, Oahu Chapter Secretary is sweeping the U.H. Coeds off their feet with his tan, slick jeep. Other jeep-ites running round town: Shinya Namiki (blue) and Tad Ohta (green)

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