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SOFTBALL PARTY AT SMILE CAFE

BEN LAHAZU PHOTO

Oahu Chapter softballers celebrated the conclusion of the most successful season by dining at the Smile Cafe on Wednesday, April 7.

After the party of eighty had their dinner, Bob Taira, Oahu social committee chairman in-

roduced the team captains and the league officials.

League manager Fumi Taniyama was called on to present the following trophies to the respective winners: championship-

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*LEFT: YOZO YAMAMOTO (B) CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY - YEIKI KOBASHIGAWA, MOST VALUABLE & MOST HOME RUN TROPHIES - FUMIJI ICHIYAMA, LG. MGR. WALLACE ICHIYAMA, BATTING CHAMP TROPHY - MOICHI OKAZAKI, HQ. RUNNER UP TROPHY
Ben Kaezaki Photo*

Yozo Yamamoto (B); runner-up, Moichi Okazaki (Hq.); most valuable and most homers, Yeiki Kobashigawa (B) and batting champ, Wallace Ichiyama (A).

Howard Miyake, committee chairman of the Oahu Chapter benefit play, reported on the latest developments of the project.

Plans for a proposed Hawaii softball invasion for the Memorial Day week-end was laid out by Naaji Yamagata.

Everyone present at the dinner agreed that a gathering of this sort should be an annual affair.

Credit for the success of the softball party goes to Bob Taira, the league officials, team captains and company representatives.

CLUB 100 BOOSTS STATEHOOD BY WRITING LETTERS

In compliance with a territorial wide appeal from Delegate Farrington to solicit the aid of mainlanders for the Hawaiian statehood bill in the Senate, the

CLUB 100 WILL STAGE PLAY "OMOIDE" JULY 1ST AT U.H.

The "Omoide" a Japanese version of "The Defeated" which played to enthusiastic audiences under the sponsorship of the U.A. Theatre Guild will be staged by the CLUB 100, Oahu Chapter.

Opening night of the play, which is to be held at Farrington Hall on the University campus is scheduled for July 1, 7:30 p.m., with repeat performances for the nights of July 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, and 10 at the same time.

The plot of the "Omoide" revolves around a Japanese veteran returning to his homeland after the cessation of World War II and finding conditions as they are in present Japan.

Dr. Ernst, of the University of Hawaii, who worked on "The Defeated," will direct the "Omoide" also. Mr. Hisamatsu, well known local shibui artist, has consented to avail his services for the Oahu Chapter play.

While the primary purpose of the production will be to raise funds toward the purchase of a clubhouse, this undertaking will be a community project as the cast will be composed of not only members, but interested citizens from the community as well.

The Isséis, have not had an opportunity to take in an entertainment of this sort since 1941 and the "Omoide," no doubt, will serve as a source of enjoyment and be of educational value to them.

CLUB 100 dispatched telegrams to our honorary members, former officers of the Bn. now residing in the states, asking for their kokua in making Hawaii the 49th state in the Union.

COMMITTEE NAMED TO PLAN WELCOMING OF HAWAII'S WAR DEAD

Mr. Oron E. Long, Secretary of the Territory of Hawaii, has appointed a steering committee to formulate plans for the welcoming home of Hawaii's War dead.

Members who are serving on this body are: Colonel Kendall Fielder, Honorary member of the Club 100 and presently in command of the reserve program in Hawaii; Capt. Kampschorer, graves registration officer at Fort Shafter; Reverend Hiro Higuchi, former Chaplain of the 442 RTC; Mr. Chad Dunstan, American Legion and Moeji Yamagata, Club 100.

Although the exact date when a large concentration of Hawaii's war dead will be returned to Honolulu is not known at the present time, the committee hopes to match the San Francisco and New York tributes to our KIA's.

Tentative plans call for two unnamed deceased from the Pacific and European areas to lie in state at the Palace Grounds on the day of observance. A short memorial service will be held in the afternoon with Reverends of the major faiths participating. The whole territory will be asked to observe a minute of silence in conjunction with the service and all church bells will toll. Full cooperation has been assured from the army, navy, marines, the air forces, patriotic organizations and civic groups for the day.

No separate ceremony is contemplated for each incoming vessel carrying Hawaii deceased, but this big observance as planned by the committee will be a token tribute to all of the Territorial war dead regardless of race, color, or creed.

SALE OF CLUB 100 PROPERTY COMPLETE

The Club 100 clubhouse property which was purchased by this organization from the Hawaii Memorial Veterans Fund in Dec., 1945 has been officially sold to the Kuomintang Society for \$70,000.

Our premises on 1444 Nuuanu Avenue had a land area of 24,363 square feet, together with all improvements thereon, free and clear of all encumbrances, plus 2 parcels of leasehold land from the J. Campbell Estate.

Club 100 officers who signed the deed and completed the deal were: James Lovell, president; Robert Taira, vice-president; Yoshiharu Nishida, secretary; Hideo Kajikawa, treasurer; and Fred Kanemura, auditor.

The Club office is now located at 1710 Fort Street, upstairs in the YBA building. Rental expense per month calls for \$40 which includes use of office, janitorial services, utilities, and storage space. The YBA auditorium will be used for our meetings when not in use by other organizations.

ARMY TRANSPORT NAMED IN HONOR OF SADAO MUNEMORI

Press releases coming out of Tokyo, Japan carried dispatches in Honolulu papers mentioning the fact that Captain Richard Hamasaki praised the renaming of the Army transport Wilson Victory the Sadao S. Munemori in honor of the 100th Bn. congressional medal of honor winner. According to the news article Captain Hamasaki is quoted as saying, "Munemori was a handy man to have around on patrol and quick to volunteer for dangerous assignments." The late "Spud" Munemori served as a member of second platoon of Co. A. for seven months when Captain Hamasaki was the platoon leader.

4 CLUB HOUSE ROUNDUP

Lt. Andrew Okamura flew to the states and back in attending a selective service conference held at the Sixth Army headquarters in San Francisco, California. Andy had a wonderful educational trip. He was quoted as saying, "Simpre umbreago, boy!"

Harold Tamashiro, the boisterous Headquarter-ite, has made two trips to Kwajalein as a refrigeration mechanic. We imagine the little island in the Pacific was a lively old place filled with laughter as long as "Tama" was there to tend to his duties.

Edward Matsueda, manager of the Club 100 Bowling League, departed for the mainland as a member of Hawaii's Bowling Ambassadors team. 'Tis regrettable that ABC's racial restrictions prevents him from participating in the Bowling Congress tournament, for we feel confident that Ed. will bowl them over with his ability, sportsmanship and courage, if permitted to perform as an "eligible."

Hisato Kawahara (B) was one of the passengers aboard the streamlined S. S. Lurline when she made her maiden voyage toward her home port in San Francisco. "Oswald" headed for the Bay region for possible employment opportunities in South America and other areas.

An anonymous classmate of Major John A. Johnson at the University of Hawaii who also served with him as a fellow officer in the 100th has established a John Johnson Memorial Award. This award will be presented to a sophomore, who is outstanding scholastically and prominent in the University ROTC. We wonder who the anonymous donor could be--Your guess is good as ours.

A tip to the wise: Whenever you're out of your office, and

your secretary informs you that "Liquid sunshine from Hilo" called, don't go searching through your rogues gallery or ponder over the matter too long because that's the alias that James S. Maeda, our genial Hawaii Chapter secretary, uses when he is in town.

John Y. Ko, former officer with Company F, was one of 64 graduates to receive degrees from Creighton University of Omaha, Nebraska. John is the son of Mr. Bong C. Kong of 919 9th Ave., Honolulu. He is a graduate of St. Louis College and has received his bachelor of science degree from Creighton.

Jack Mizuha who has opened his law practice in Lihue, Kauai was admitted recently to practice in Federal courts. The former Dog Company C. O. passed his Territorial Bar exams in the latter part of '47.

Abe Alapai is residing in Warren, Wisconsin. The former NCO of Companies F and A is still engaged in the roofing business and doing O.K. Bambino production: uno.

Marion F. Felt has re-enlisted in the army and is stationed presently in Korea as a Captain. The Co. A third platoon leader points with pride to the fact that he is way ahead of play boys T. Kusunoki and H. Nakasone when it comes to having off-springs. Incidentally, the Captain informs us that Myles Sakamoto is working in Korea as a civil service employee. Drop a line to: Captain Marion F. Felt, 042810, Hq. XXIV Corps, G-4 Section, A.P.O. 235, c/o P.M., San Francisco, California. We are sure he'll be happy to hear from you.

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MARRIAGES

On March 6, Henry Yoshiki Nakasone and Miss Bessie Sumiye Uchima.

On March 20, Seizen Matsudo and Miss Dorothy Mitsuko Hamada.

On March 20, Tsugio Tsukano and Miss Janet Tatsuko Hoshijo.

On April 10, Paul Satoru Azuma and Miss Miyoko Okahata.

On April 17, Richard Shinichi Yoneshige and Miss Marie Funaki.

On April 17, Milton Kotoku Nakata and Miss Sally Shizue Kobashigawa.

On April 18, Harry Kiyoji Nakao and Miss Ellen Takako Ishibashi.

BIRTHS

On February 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Wataru Anzai, 943 Hala dr., daughter.

On February 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Masao Tanaka, 2236-A S. King Street, son.

On March 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mizuta, 841 Paani St., daughter.

On March 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shigeo Oguro, 2324 Star Road, daughter.

On March 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Yoshitaka Uchimura, 730 Piikoi Street, daughter--Joanne Takiko.

On March 24, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tsutomu Nosse, 2850 Waa-hila Street, son.

On March 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Shoichi Shobu, 1222 - A Artesian Street, son.

On April 3, to Mr. and Mrs. Sueyoshi Yamakawa, 3114 Hinano Street, son.

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JERRY SAKODA OF THE VA OFFICE TO MAKE MONTHLY TRIPS TO KAUAI

Jerry H. Sakoda, former member of Company B, 100th Infantry Battalion, will make monthly visits to Kauai to serve veterans there since the Veterans Administration office in Lihue closed on March 26, 1948. Sakoda is a Contact Representative with the Veterans Administration and he will spend one week on Kauai each month.

Sakoda will make his headquarters in the County Recreation Hall in Hanapepe for two days to serve veterans living in West Kauai and in the Territorial Employment Office in Lihue for another two days to serve East Kauai veterans. One additional day will be spent in visiting veterans in hospitals and those veterans who are unable to come and see him on the days he is on Kauai. Sakoda will keep his office open until 6 p.m. as an added convenience. However, the office hours may be changed later, depending upon the need.

In the event veterans have problems or need special assistance when Sakoda is not on Kauai, they should get in touch with Herbert Y. Ishii of the Territorial Council on Veterans Affairs at the Unemployment Office in Lihue. Ishii will help them or will make appointments for the days Jerry Sakoda is scheduled to visit Kauai.

Kauai veterans are urged to utilize this itinerant contact service to the fullest extent.

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CLUB 100 ROTC PLAQUES PRESENTED TO SCHOOLS

ROTC plaques from the Club 100 have been presented to the University of Hawaii, St. Louis College, McKinley, Punahou, Roosevelt, Farrington and Kamehameha High Schools.

The Plaques are to be awarded to the best ROTC Companies in these institutions in memory of the deceased from the 100th Inf. Bn.

The Punahou plaque is very appropriately called "The Major John Johnson Memorial Award."

Samuel Sakamoto was originally appointed to work as a committee of one in preparing the design and securing of the ROTC awards. Hirotoshi Yamamoto replaced him with a change in administration and carried the ball through on the project.

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CLUB-HOUSE ROLLNDUP-CONT.

Eddie Yoshimasu may be heard every Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays over KGMB on the HSPA program from 7-7:30 p.m. We understand that our Oahu Chapter prexy is rapidly surging to the fore as Hawaii's leading western music disc jockey.

Peter Kuramoto (F) is the gent who has our nomination for being the most enterprising vegetable gardener among all of the so-called Puka Puka "farmers" residing in the Manoa Housing project. Pete's backyard is replete with all assortments of vigorous leafy vegetables for the table.

Raymond Nosaka, our genial chapter secretary, has been instrumental in arranging amateur boxing shows on Fridays in the Manoa Housing Bowl. These smokers are staged for the worthwhile purpose of reducing juvenile delinquency. Ritchie Chinen served as guest referee on the cards while he was in Honolulu for the A.A.U. finals.

Kengo Otagaki has resigned his post as junior animal husbandman with the Hawaii Agricultural experiment station. Ken intends to depart for the states for higher learning.

"Fund" Shirai, popular Baker-ite, conquered a new field when he won the Club 100 Golf Club's April tournament at the Ala Wai course for the Stanley Moriyama trophy. He had a 97-30-67.

Tied for second place were "Shadow" Morikami, 78-7-71, H. Kanemura, 81-10-71, and F. Shinohara, 90-19-71.

R. Yamada came in with a 97-23-74. E. Kawakami's 86 was low gross.

In semifinal matches for President Ed. Morikami's trophy, Kanemura topped T. Oshita, 5 and 3, and Shinohara defeated Dr. I. Kawasaki, 3 and 2.

Takashi Kitaoka has been appointed assistant city and county public prosecutor of Honolulu effective May 1. He was a former top kick for Baker Company and saw action in Italy and France. "Kit" is a graduate of Mid-Pacific Institute, the University of Hawaii, and the Baylor University law school in Waco, Texas. He has been connected with the Veterans Administration legal staff in Honolulu.

Satoshi Kaya and Shichiro Ishii, graduates of Manoa School, who as members of the 100th Inf. Battalion, lost their lives in World War II were honored with a Memorial service at the Manoa elementary school PTA Community Day.

Yasutaka Fukushima, assistant City-County prosecutor, resigned his position to resume his private law practice in partnership with James H. Morita. The former Able Co. officer is a graduate of University of Hawaii and the Harvard law school.





The Mail Bag

Gentlemen:

Fellows:

I have previously written to our own Senators and Congressmen from Wisconsin, who have assured me that they will do everything possible to accomplish Statehood for Hawaii.

I often think of you fellows and wonder how everyone is getting along. I hope that everyone is enjoying the very best of health and success.

With very best wishes I am,

Sincerely,

/S/ Fred M. Evans
/T/ Fred M. Evans, Judge
Madison, Wisconsin

(Editor's note: The above letter was accompanied by a strongly favorable statement on Hawaii-an statehood from Judge Evans to the Senate Congressional Committee. A copy of it may be seen at the Clubhouse.)

Gentlemen:

I wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation for your cooperation and contribution of pictures, which added tremendously to the success of our Army Day display.

If at any time we can be of service to you, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely,

/S/ Kendall J. Fielder
/T/ Kendall J. Fielder
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

The ROTC Unit of the University of Hawaii desires to express its great appreciation for the beautiful plaque made available by the Club 100.

This plaque will be presented annually to the Best Company (Battery) of the University ROTC Unit and will be a constant reminder of your interest in ROTC and of the fine record of achievement of the members of the Club 100

Sincerely,

/s/ E. J. Bond
/t/ E. J. Bond
Colonel, Infantry
PMS&T

Dear Sirs:

Your November 1947 copy of "Puka Puka Parade" brings back sweet memories of those days in the One Hundredth Battalion.

In the Spring of 1944, the opportunity to join the then formative "Club 100" was offered me and I gladly accepted it. Having seen many familiar names in the swing of things, news from Hawaii interests me very much. Please send me particulars for subscription to your periodical.

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1948 PUKA PUKA BOWLING PLANS DRAWN

A meeting of all interested Puka Puka bowlers was held on April 14 to lay the ground work for the 1948 Oahu Chapter league.

According to plans drawn up, the loop will commence activities at 6:30 p.m. on May 11 at the Honolulu Bowling Center alleys with matches slated on subsequent Tuesdays for approximately 20 weeks.

Each participant in the 1947 league has been classified into four brackets according to the averages compiled last year. Top scorers of the brackets will be awarded trophies. In addition, a large galaxy of awards will be presented to team and individual winners.

An appropriate gathering of all bowlers will be held within two weeks after the 1948 league is concluded.

Officers of the bowlers for the current year are: Warren Iwai, president; Cherry Kunieda, secretary and Arthur Komiya, treasurer.

TANAKA AND KIMATA IN BADMINTON CIRCLE

Tokiwo Tanaka and Frank Kimata were participants in a Nuuanu YMCA novice badminton tournament. Both of the boys although eliminated in the earlier rounds of play, nevertheless flashed great potentialities and may be heard in local badminton circles within a few years.

GORO MORIGUCHI AWARDED MOST VALUABLE HONORS

Our congratulations to Goro Moriguchi who was awarded the most valuable honors of the Senior AJA Baseball League. The former Co. "A" staff sergeant compiled an impressive 9-1 record in leading his McCully nine to the league title.

OSCAR MIYASHIRO-MARCH MONTHLY MEDAL WINNER

Oscar Miyashiro toured the Ala Wai links with a 82-14-68 to win the March monthly medal tournament of the Oahu Chapter Golf Club.

Francis Shinohara was second with 89-20-69, followed by Tony Oshita with 85-14-71 and Dr. I. Kawasaki with 95-22-73. H. Kanemura was low gross with an 85.

Qualifying round for President Ed. Morikami's trophy was also held. Qualifiers for match play were:

O. Miyashiro, E. Kawakami, F. Shinohara, W. Iwai, T. Oshita, B. Kondo, Dr. I. Kawasaki, E. Morikami, H. Kanemura, S. Ochiaie, B. Taira, R. Hamada, Dr. R. Kainuma, J. Lovell, T. Shirai, and M. Takahashi.

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SOFTBALL PARTY

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BAKER AND HEADQUARTERS CHAMPIONSHIP GAME PROVED A HOT AND EXCITING ONE

Baker Company snatched the second series title and the 1948 Oahu Chapter Championship by squeezing past Headquarters 1-0. Lefty Kobashigawa and Don Ishiki engaged in a red hot pitching duel with the former tossing a no-hit no-run game and the latter yielding only one hit.

"Sticks" Furusho, only man to get a hit in the game, bingled in

the fourth stanza and loosefielding by the Headquarters boys enabled Baker to push across a run which was sufficient to crown the "B" fellows as champs.

Sasaki and Yamamoto of Baker and Hiroki of Headquarters stood out with sterling defensive performances.

The Baker victory necessitated a play-off between Dog and Headquarters for runner-up honors.

FUMI SHIMATSU OUT - STANDING IN INTER-ISLAND ATA TOURNAMENT OF 1948

Fumi Shimatsu, Kauai Chapter member, cavorted the shortstop position for the Garden Island team in the Inter-island 1948 ATA tournament. He proved to be the local fans of the favorite national past time that he is one of the most outstanding ball players in the Territory of Hawaii in the 2 day series.

Fumi copped third place in the batting championship with a nifty .417 average and drove in the winning run with a double in the 11th stanza to break up a deadlock existing between Oahu and Kauai nines.

He also was the leader in the most Runs Batted In (3), Most hits (5), most Total Bases (7), and most Doubles (2), department in the tournament.

Fumi held down the hot third sack corner for the 100th Bn. team on the mainland. His brothers are all widely noted for their baseball prowess. One of them, Lisa, a former lieutenant of "C" Company, was a powerful and most feared slugger before he retired to the luxury of watching the games from the side lines.

HQ. AND CHARLIE SPILLED BLOOD FOR RUNNERUP TROPHY

Baker Co. Having won the league title, Hq. Co. and D Co. fought it out for the runner-up trophy to end a hectic and hard fought Oahu Chapter Softball league.

The game was a nick and tuck affair for the participants were out for "blood" as evidenced by the fact that three players suffered injuries during the fray.

Hq. Co. on the strength of "Monzook" Okazaki's resounding triple with the bases loaded, rallied for five runs in the last inning to trounce Dog Co. 9 to 4.

Final standings of the teams in the league were in the following order: 1- Baker, 2 - Hq; 3-Dog; 4-Able; 5-Charlie.

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