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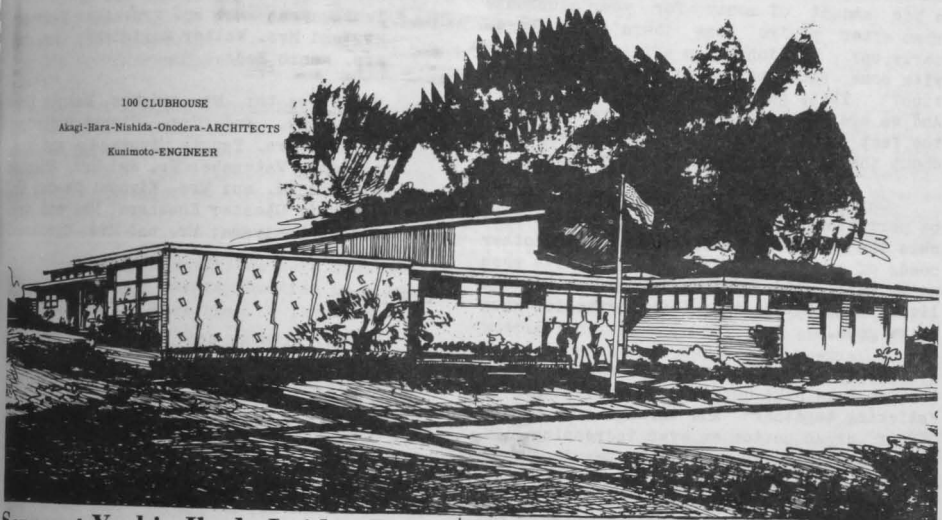
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100 CLUBHOUSE

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Sergeant Yoshio Ikeda Laid to Rest

Interment services for the late Sergeant Yoshio Ikeda were held on January 15, 1952, at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific with full military honors.

Sgt. Yoshio Ikeda, age 28, of Makawao, Maui, born January 14, 1922 at Kapaa, Kauai, died in combat in Korea on August 12, 1950. Beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Denjiro Ikeda; brother of Dora Sake, Ruth Misao, Hinayo and Hanayo Ikeda. Sgt. Ikeda was twice wounded in action while serving as a member of Company "C" of the 100th Bn. in Italy and France during World War II. (Continued on Page 4)

In Memoriam: Tokuji Shishido

Members of the 100th throughout the Islands were shocked to learn of the passing of Tokuji Shishido on January 10 at Tripler Army Hospital. Age 32, born Paia, Maui, the decedent was an "old timer" of Charlie Company of the 100th.

Services were held on January 12th from the residence in Lahaina, Maui followed by burial in the Makawao Veterans' Cemetery. The late Tokuji is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Kizo Shishido; brothers, Tokuiichi, Minoru, Nobuo; and one sister, Mrs. Matsu Andow.

Club 100 extends deepest sympathy to the Shishido family on their recent bereavement.

CLUBHOUSE BUILDING TO BE STARTED SOON May Be Completed In Time For 10th Anniversary

Our long-awaited clubhouse took a big stride forward toward completion on the evening of January 16, 1952, when architect Kenji Onodera presented the plans and specifications to the building committee.

After a careful review of the materials presented by the architect, the committee (1) prepared a list of contractors from whom bids will be requested for the job (2) established January 18 to February 4, 1952, as the period to accept all bids (3) worked on a list of alternates to follow should the bids far exceed our present means.

The time schedule calls for the building to be started in late February or early March with completion by the end of May in time for our 10th anniversary milestone in June.

However, at this point of the game approval from the National Production Authority in Washington, D. C., to commence building and our finances are two factors that need to be contended with before work can begin on the clubhouse.

Editorial

VITAL STATISTICS

The stage is being rapidly set to commence our building program.

With it, some of our good friends in our community have asked of us, "Why do you as a veterans club with your restrictive membership clause in your By-laws spend such a big amount of money for your clubhouse when after you're gone there's no one to carry on? Why don't you affiliate yourself with some other permanent civic organization?" These queries are timely and sound. And we are much pleased and appreciative of the fact that others are directly concerned about the welfare of our organization.

Our replies to the above questions can be partitioned into two. (1) We aim to take care the mutual assistance, social and other needs of our members and their families when we're still alive (2) We desire to leave a living memorial to the 100th Battalion when we're gone.

We find that the "esprit des corps" of the One Puka Puka outfit still prevails. By "sticking together" and through the medium of our organization an ever increasing number of our members are being serviced from day to day in an ever increasing number of ways and means. A further expansion of our program will no doubt radiate from the spokes of our proposed clubhouse to benefit more and more of our membership. We sincerely hope that those few who have strayed away from the warmth of our 100th Battalion fireplace will make an honest attempt to return into our fold thus making an even stronger organization when and even before the building becomes a reality.

What the long range future holds for us remains to be seen. When the time comes and our children decide against carrying the banners of the 100th, the clubhouse can be turned over to some permanent local government or civic agency with a stipulation that the name of the structure be retained. In this manner we hope to leave a permanent living memorial to all those who served in the One Puka Puka unit.

In the mean time, everyone of us should take cognizance of the old adage, "In union there is strength", and resolve at this momentous period to work together toward a bigger and better Club 100 spouting a big volume of service to the membership and to our community at a fast pace.

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Daughters to: Mr. and Mrs. Makoto Honnaka; Mr. and Mrs. Hiromi Fujimura; Mr. and Mrs. Tsugio Mizota; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Watanabe; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kimura; Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Maeda; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kuwahara; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Komiyama; Mr. and Mrs. Hirotohi Yamamoto.

MARRIAGES:

Roy H. Kitaoka and Miss Ethel M. Yamamoto; Edward N. Morikami and Miss Bessie M. Tsukamoto.

HAWAII-MAUI CHAPTER NEWS

Greetings for the New Year 1952! This year is the year for the Olympic Games--marathon running, Leap Year--bachelors run.

This writer, having the good fortune to work on Maui during the month of January, 1952, substituting for Stanley Masumoto of Council on Veterans Affairs while he is enjoying his vacation, will bring you news from the Hawaii Chapter and Maui personalities.

About 200 members, wives, kiddies and friends attended the annual Hawaii Chapter Christmas party held on December 9th, at the Club 299th, from 10:00 a.m. to about 3:00 p.m. Lunch and refreshment were served. The menu consisted of roast pig, sukiyaki chicken, salad, rice ball, ice cream, soda and beer. Shigeru Ushijima, chairman, and his committee deserve credit for putting over a gala affair. Uncle Jimmy was Santa Claus again.

The new pavilion and improvements of the Veterans Cemetery, County of Hawaii, was dedicated on Sunday afternoon, December 2nd. Honorable Oren E. Long, Governor of Hawaii, was the principal speaker. Warren Iwai, president of Club 100, and Akira Fujiki, Executive Secretary, 442nd Club, attended the dedication ceremony from Honolulu. Construction of the new pavilion and completion of improvement were done by voluntary labor of the 442nd Veterans Club of Hilo, under "Operation Cemetery" for fourteen Sundays.

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One Puka Puka Pledge To Kuakini Hospital Building Fund \$4,000

In response to a call for K-O-K-U-A from the Kuakini Hospital Building Fund officials, Club 100 has pledged the sum of \$4,000 toward the medical institution in Honolulu.

James Tani of Baker Company, hustling chairman of our mutual assistance committee, has been appointed by President Warren Iwai to steer the campaign toward raising the four G's from our membership.

One Puka Puka's "Four Puka Puka Puka" (\$4,000) Kuakini Hospital Operation started with a BANG when members in attendance pledged a sum of approximately \$1,000 at the annual Club 100 Christmas party in December, 1951.

Chapter representatives have been soliciting from their company buddies on a house-to-house basis since then to insure a blanket coverage of all 100th Battalion contributors.

If successful in our attempt to attain

the \$4,000 goal, Club 100 will have the privilege of dedicating a room in Kuakini Hospital with a plaque appropriately dedicated to all members who served in the 100th Infantry Battalion. It is hoped that in this way a memorial to the One Puka Puka outfit may be established for a long period of years to come.

Commented a member, "We hate to be called an organization that only 'takes' from the community by staging benefit shows. We should also 'give' by participating in worthy community projects of this sort. Honolulu needs more and better hospital facilities to take care of our growing population. I know my parents are very pleased that Club 100 has undertaken to raise the 4 G's for Kuakini Hospital".

Modernization of Kuakini will offer better facilities to the sick and more beds. Kuakini needs you--you need Kuakini. For the future health of Hawaii give generously to the Kuakini Hospital Building Fund.



Santa Claus (Mr. Bob Boyd) had a workout at our Xmas party. He's shown above mingling with part of the 800 or so members and guests who attended the affair at the American Chinese Club. (House of Photography photo).

Hawaii - Maui Chapter News (Cont. from Page 2)

President Warren Iwai was able to get together with some of the Hawaii Chapter officers and members after the ceremony to discuss plans concerning the 10th anniversary celebration scheduled for this summer in the Capitol City.

Tatsumi (Tarush) Yamamoto's second dividend for NSLI was missent to the Philippine Islands. We are just wondering, when did Tarush serve with the Philippine guerillas?

Kenichi Suehiro, VA contact representative, while substituting at the Hilo VA office during the latter part really got his feet wet. VA should furnish Kenichi with a compass and map before he goes to Hilo again. He was trying to look for Kapaho, Puna, around the Volcano district.

Wallace Maeda, president of Maui Chapter, extends greetings for the year 1952 to members, families and friends of the Club 100 on behalf of the Maui Club.

Maui Chapter's annual Christmas party was held on December 23rd from the hours of 6:00 to 9:30 p.m., at the NASKA clubhouse. About 200 members, wives, kiddies and friends attended the affair with pot luck supper and refreshment going for the satisfaction of hungry stomachs. Program for the evening consisted of group singing and games. The largest opu contest was won by dark horse, Tani Hamasaki. Toru Orikasa came close in winning the opu contest. Success of the Christmas get together goes to Richard Iri-guchi and his committee.

Fred Yokoyama, territorial VFW com-

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SGT. IKEDA (Continued from Page 1)

Representatives from the Club 100 attended the rites and presented floral offerings and a memorial plaque to the next of kin.

mander, member of Council on Veterans Affairs and father of four children is still finding difficulty staying at home during the evening and assisting the kiddies with their homework.

Stanley Masumoto, staff member of the Territorial Council on Veterans Affairs of Maui is still the hustler. He is part owner of the newly opened 10-alley Maui Bowling Center and the Masumoto Service Station. The Masumotos reside on Wailuku Heights.

Goro Kuwada, formerly Co. C clerk and Masao Sato are both working hard in the Wailuku Post Office. Goro is still holding out as a bachelor and his hobby playing cribbage.

Toru Orikasa is busy working at the Bank of Hawaii, Wailuku Branch. Toru has Miss Fumi Matsuura, sister of Naoto Matsuura (Co. C), assisting him in compiling some annual report for year 1951.

Kiyoshi (Doc) Ikeda, (Co. D) of Puunene, works as a clerk in the construction department of Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Co., still regrets that he wasn't able to go to Hilo during the Labor Day holiday. He is looking forward to the next Hawaii and Maui Chapters affairs.

Tsukio Yamagata was enjoying a real Japanese New Year. Yamagata took a one month vacation from his employer, Maui County.

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CLUBHOUSE ROUNDUP

Fellows who used his black convertible to good advantage in and around Camp McCoy no doubt will recall Lt. Col. C. P. Shroeder very readily. He and Mrs. Shroeder are residents of 2726 North 72nd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They wish to be remembered to the gang.

Kenneth Mitsunaga has hit these shores after spending fourteen months on Okinawa as a civil service worker. Inside sources say he came home with bags full of the folding stuff and a new crop of fuzz on his upper extremity.

Our condolence go to Toshio Kunimura (Hq) and Fumio Hayashi (F & A) both of whom recently were saddened by the passing of their fathers.

Seiji Ifuku is the proprietor of the Kalakaua Drive Inn doing business at 1945 Kalakaua Avenue. The former Co. "C" mess sergeant has a trim establishment where members may renew acquaintances with him over cups of coffee or fountain concoctions.

It was a pleasure to see Sadamu Kata-

hara who resides on Maui at our Christmas party. The genial officer of Able and Baker Companies was a busy man looking up all his "boys". Most of his men had difficulty in recognizing their C.O. because of his general round shape.

Roy Nakamine (Med) is with the Hickam Field Special Service Branch after four years in Japan as a GI and coach of the Haneda Field boxing team. While in the lap of the cherry blossoms Roy tied the marital knot. The Nakamines are blessed with a son.

Toru Orikasa (F) spent a few days in town on personal business. "Casey", who handles greenbacks at the Wailuku branch of the Bank of Hawaii, looked fine and prosperous as ever. He returned to the Valley Island by promising to invade this island again with his Mrs. and two children during the 10th anniversary observance.

On the list of returnees from the Korean front we noticed the names of Sergeant Yoshio Tomatani (B) and Corporal Giyozo Uyehara (A). Their ranks have gone up since we last saw them and now that they're home we look forward to seeing the two non-coms at our functions.

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Salute to Major James Lovell

It was in the chill of one early evening at the hillside village of San Michele that the Major returned to the front after recovering from wounds. Morale was low when the men came down from the barren snow covered hills of Radicosa and Venafro, but the return of the Major had an electrifying boost to the morale of the men for they had suffered the cold, snow, and the loss of several of their comrades. The Major didn't have to speak; his return to the battalion now dwindled by casualties was enough to bring hope and new spirit among the haggard assortment of very tired men.

Most of the men didn't know that the Major was born in Hastings, Nebraska; that he attended the Nebraska State Teachers College and the university of Hawaii. Some of the men knew him well because they were taught by him at Washington Intermediate School.

The daring assault for formidable Cassino began. The men crept down into the Liri Valley from San Michele led by the Major. In waist-deep mud generously sprinkled with deadly mines, along rocky trails, defilades, and ledges the men attacked. In the tumult of battle the Major was hit, this time seriously. The War Department had awarded him the Silver Star and a cluster to his Purple Heart. The men never saw the Major again after Cassino.

Perhaps during the dreary, drizzling night when the battalion still fresh slushed along to seize the high hills overlooking Benevento, the Major must have thought deeply about his wife Genevieve, and his two children Malle Jean and James, Jr., but in the excitement of men scrambling for cover he never showed his concern. The men forded the Colore and through his leadership and the divine guidance of Providence the shells never struck home and some never exploded. The men were all safe and dug in by the next morning and the Major, pipe in his mouth, puffed away tired but calm.

The battle over, the men came home to be demobilized. The Major was home too, he had survived his wounds. Together they organized a club, a union of men borne in combat to bind their memories, hopes, and comradeship. The men elected him president to serve the 1947-48 term. Later they charged him with the responsibilities of having their history written, and a building erected.

It is with deep respect and admiration that the Puka Puka Parade and the men of the 100th in this issue salute the Major, James Lovell, now Assistant Lumber Department Manager at Lewers & Cooke, Ltd.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE OFF TO A GOOD START

A brief opening ceremony m.c.'d by Rinky Nakagawa got the seventh annual Club 100 softball league off to a flying start on February 3rd at Ala Moana park. After observing a minute of silence in memory of all 100th Bn Deceased, Honorary Member Senator Wilfred Tsukiyama slapped President Warren Iwai's offering into left field for a clean single to signify the commencement of ACTION. Representative Yasutaka Fukushima (A) did the backstopping for the ceremony.

FIRST WEEK OF PLAY: The defending Hq-1 squad blanked the compatriot Hq-2 team, 3-0, as Don Ishiki tossed whitewash ball all the way home. Jim Oki of the winners and Marshall Higa of the vanquished each posted two safeties.

C-1 pushed across a tally in the bottom of the 7th to nip C-2, 9-8. Lefty Kimura and Masa Awakuni emerged as the leading stickers for the fray with two bingles. Mike Tokunaga of the winners blasted a Ruthian clout.

Don Nagasaki's flossy 5-hitter and Blackie Nishimura's timely batting enabled A-2 to down A-1, 9-1.

B-2 upset B-1 by a 8-6 margin as Kengo Miyano and Sticks Furusho bombarded homers in the upper half of an extra inning tilt.

The Rurals dropped a 17-14 verdict to Company D when a seven run rally in the last canto fell short.

B-3 eked out a wild and wooly 20-19 decision over A-3. Tak Tamane (A) was the big gun of the game with four hits.

SECOND WEEK OF PLAY: Headquarters team suffered defeats as A-2 copped a 7-2 duke over Hq-1. Al Arakaki flashed brilliant fielding and Blackie Nishimura supplied the artillery. B-2 squashed Hq-2, 18-7, as Yozo Yamamoto whacked out four safeties. Isao Nadamoto socked a four baser.

Dog Company rampaged over A-3, 15-6 as Sada Matsunami poled two homers and Herbert Yamamoto chucked up a perfect 4 for 4. All told, Dog men racked up five homeruns in the game.

Isaichi Fujikawa singled home the winning run in the bottom of the last canto as C-1 edged B-3, 16-15.

Paced by Paul Shirai's homer and two singles A-1 nipped a fighting C-2 nine, 5-4.

A highly favored B-1 team had to pull out all stoppers in gaining a 9-6 win over the Rurals.

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Mr. Hirotooshi Yamamoto, Editor
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Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Mr. Yamamoto:

I have just read Volume V, No. 9 of your publication, Puka Puka Parade.

It is well edited and chuck full of interesting information and news items.

Aloha and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,
Oren E. Long
Governor of Hawaii

(Merci Beaucoup, Governor Long.)

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1952 NSLI DIVIDEND INFORMATION

The first "regular dividend", the 1952 dividend, will be payable on the day preceding the anniversary date of a policy according to information released by the local VA office.

Public Law 36 which became effective on May 18, 1951, provides that the dividend for 1952, and subsequent regular dividends, will be held as credits and applied to premiums becoming due and unpaid after the dividend becomes payable. These actions will be taken automatically and policyholders need not inform the VA if they favor this method.

On the other hand, a policyholder may choose to receive his dividends in cash. The veteran may do this by completing and submitting VA Form 9-432, "Request for Disposition of Dividends". These forms are being mailed to policyholders by the office maintaining their insurance accounts.

VA officials stated that veterans should contact the nearest VA office or the Contact Representative who visits their island for further information and assistance in making a proper election.

Dear Sir:

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