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Christmas Party on December 21st At American-Chinese Club

All cars in the One Puka Puka colony will head towards the American Chinese Club, 2333 Kapiolani Boulevard, on the evening of Friday, December 21, 1951, for the annual Club 100 Christmas party.

"Our committee considers this THE affair of the year for our members and their families. There will be nothing man-i-ous about this year's party", commented Chairman Andy Okamura of Headquarters Chapter.

Plans call for distribution of stockings filled with candies, nuts, toys, and fruits; Mickey Mouse head balloons; and party hats to the tots in attendance.

Singing of yuletide carols by a brightly illuminated tree with trimmings, entertaining movies for the children, awarding of practical door prizes, free bingo games, and the appearance of a roly-poly Santa Claus are part of the attractive program which is scheduled from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Light refreshments in the form of sandwiches, cold drinks and hot coffee will be dished out. In addition, elbow bending exercises over appropriate thirst quenchers will prevail.

Everyone attending the function is requested to bring along a gift parcel costing not more than 25¢ for the grab bag.

Company representatives assisting the chairman are: Yoshiharu Nishida (A), program; Bunichi Kimura (B), decoration; Masayoshi Nakano (C), refreshment; Raymond Harada (D), clean up; and Harold Tamashiro (Hq), gifts.

For a gala evening for the whole family count on attending the Christmas party on December 21st. It alone is worth your annual dues.

Pfc. Richard Ko Nishida Laid to Rest

Richard Ko Nishida, (Hq), age 42, who was killed in action on the Korean front on January 30, 1951, was laid to rest at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific on October 17, 1951.

Born in Pahala, Hawaii, he is survived by two brothers and two sisters.
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BUILDING COMMITTEE BUSY ON CLUBHOUSE PLANS

"Will you get your Building Committee together as we have the specifications for your clubhouse nearly ready." So ran the phone call conversation from the architects to our club headquarters.

On the evening of November 8th, Chairman James Lovell and members of his committee sat down with the architects to discuss and ponder over the details of our structure. The materials to be used in various parts of the building, the location of the building on two of the three available lots, the placement of a memorial plaque, trophy cases, flag pole, storage space, stage, etc., were presented at the meeting.

The architectural firm of Akagi, Hara, Nishida, Onodera, and Engineer Kunimoto have been requested to draw up the final specifications which will be presented to the general membership for approval at a later date.

It must be pointed out here that the approval of the National Production Authority must be secured before bids to contractors can be let out and actual building can commence.

It is hoped that the clubhouse can be completed by June, 1952, so that the official dedication of the building can be held during the 10th anniversary celebration of the organization of the 100th Infantry Battalion.

Members of the committee in addition to the chairman are: Tadashi Uhta (Hq), Mitsuyoshi Fukuda (A), Leslie Deacon (Honorary Member), George Izuta (Hq), Calvin Shimogaki (Hq), Herbert Yamamoto (D), William Uya (A), Chikami Hirayama (A), Bill Komoda (B), Fred Kurisu (B), Yoshimasa Kawamoto (C), Kunimitsu Hiramoto (C), Masato Kondo (D), Kisuke Arakaki (D), Ernest Watanabe (Med), Joe Nakayama (Med), and Tom Hirahara (Med).

WATARU HIGASHIDA (Medics) KOREAN CAMPAIGN CASUALTY

Word has been received to the effect that Wataru Higashida was killed in action on the Korean front on September 20, 1951.

The late Wataru was inducted into service on March 25, 1941 and later assigned to Company "B", 299th Infantry Regiment, before
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Editorial

Right through the ranks of our 100th Infantry Battalion organization the \$1004 question today is, "When is our clubhouse going to be erected?" As reported in other columns of this issue, steady progress is being made toward this objective by hard striving James Lovell's Building Committee.

The land has been paid for in full and \$50,000 is available for the structure from Capital fund payments made by Club 100 members residing on the Island of Oahu. That is all well and good. However, furnishings and other incidental expenses for the clubhouse commands a sizable cash outlay above and beyond our land and building costs. How to meet these disbursements is a topic of direct concern to all of us.

The purpose and intent of our Capital Fund dues is tailored to meet just a situation as this. As provided in our By Laws (Article II, Sec. 2), "Each Regular Member shall pay or shall have paid fees to the Corporation in the sum of \$56 for the period to and including June 30, 1949, and said amount of \$56 collected shall be credited to a separate Capital Fund which is to be used exclusively for capital expenditures."

Records indicate that the astounding sum of \$20,000 is outstanding and payable into the Capital Fund by Oahu members. This source of capital revenue holds the answer for a 100th Bn clubhouse constructed and furnished to an extent where we all can point with pride and say, "This is IT".

Some of us have failed to meet our Capital Fund obligation which accounts for the \$20,000 amount outstanding to date. Our attitude has been, "What benefits can I get from Club 100 without a clubhouse which I can utilize for me and my family?" Well, things are changing rapidly and barring the unforeseen, our "dream house of ten years" may be up and ready for use by our 10th anniversary observance. The time certainly has come for those of us who are behind in our dues to start unloosening the folds of our wallets and initiating payments to bring us up to date with our palsans of top standing. Fifty-six dollars is a sizable figure in any man's pocketbook. But, like a giant oak tree, it can be whittled down and converted to usefulness by persistency and the will to get things accomplished.

Eugene Kawakami, busy-body chairman of our membership and dues committee, when recently interviewed remarked, "No member is required to pay the \$56 in one lump sum. In fact, in the majority of the cases the amount owed is much less because payments (Cont'd on pg. 6)

VITAL STATISTICS

MARRIAGES:

Richard S. Takano and Miss Atsuko Sakamoto; Richard S. Miyashiro and Miss May M. Azama; Richard Y. Tanaka and Miss Toyo Watanabe; Kiyoshi Kami and Miss Alice Y. Tsukamoto; Yasuo Yasui and Miss Toshiko Matsuno; Paul M. Shirei and Miss Georgine Hattori; Harry Oku and Miss Kiyoko Takemoto; Donald Y. Kuwaye and Miss Janet K. Nakamura; Shiro Aoki and Miss Evelyn W. Michihara; Tadashi Umamoto and Miss Takako Nakamura; Warren Iwai and Miss Betty F. Saito; Larry T. Sekiguchi and Miss Alma H. Taniguchi.

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Daughters to: Mr. and Mrs. Mac Yazawa; Mr. and Mrs. Hajime Yamane; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Higa; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Amazaki; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ikawa; Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Daido; Mr. and Mrs. Tokujii Ono; Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Ueno; Mr. and Mrs. Satoshi Kashimoto; Mr. and Mrs. Sakae Tanigawa; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Takahashi; Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Yamamoto; Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Takenaka; Mr. and Mrs. Yoshito Morikawa; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yoneshige; Mr. and Mrs. Masaji Yamaguchi; Mr. and Mrs. Takeichi Miyashiro; Mr. and Mrs. Yukitsugu Nishimura; Mr. and Mrs. Mosaburo Nakamoto; Mr. and Mrs. Kunimitsu Tamai; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yonashiro; Mr. and Mrs. Tadao Ige; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nakasone; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tomihama; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yamashina; Mr. and Mrs. Isamu Tomita; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tamashiro; Mr. and Mrs. Makoto Honnaka; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kimata.



Scene as the 100th Inf. Bn.'s contribution to Memorial Park in Sparta, Wisconsin, was dedicated recently. The plaque calling to the contribution is overhead. Left to right, are Dr. Curtis H. Barlow and T. C. Radde, park board members; Kenneth Koji; daughter Sharon, 5; son Ronald, 3; Mrs. Koji; Franklin R. King, park board member; H. L. Sauerman, city parks and recreation director; and C. Dan Lehman, park board member. Koji is a former member of Company "D". He is currently residing in Sparta and being employed by the parks board.

100th Battalion's Contribution To Sparta's Memorial Park

Way back in '43 when the 100th Bn. was stationed in Camp Shelby, Mississippi, the old top kicks of each company relayed this urgent appeal to their men in the ranks, "The Honolulu Community Chest campaign needs our kokua".

Everyone responded to the call by contributing \$1 from his pay to this worthy cause. The net result was a collection amounting to \$1350.

Then, around the same time the little, respective town of Sparta, Wisconsin, with its kindly inhabitants who extended the warmth of their fireplaces during the cold winter to the men of the One Puka Puka outfit, was struck by a ravaging flood. Immediately the sum of \$350 was diverted from the original collection and sent to Sparta toward the rehabilitation of our good Wisconsin friends. The balance of \$1000 was contributed to the Honolulu Community Chest.

The able officials of Sparta pondered over the expenditure of the money for nearly eight years before coming to a decision which we are confident meets with the hearty approval of all former members of the 100th Infantry Battalion.

As one approaches Sparta's spacious Memorial Park today, his or her attention is focused on an attractive memorial plaque hanging over the entrance with the following inscription, "Memorial - 100th U. S. Infantry Battalion - Members of the 100th Infantry gave money for the picnic tables in this park as an expression of appreciation to the people of Sparta for the many courtesies extended to the organization during its training period at Camp McCoy - 1942-43." A total of 12 picnic table-bench combinations have been installed in the park.

Sparky Matsunaga on his way back to the islands from Harvard University paid a call to the park. He reports that the benches are very practical and being widely used by picnic-goers of "on-the-ball" Sparta.

1951 BOWLING NEWS

The 1951 Club 100 bowling league ceased firing on November 27th at the Varsity Bowling Alleys after 22 weeks of play. Vets Termite Control (B-1), captained by James Kawashima and sponsored by Bill Komoda, landed on the top rung of the ladder. Keg-lers on the team who maintained a steady pace throughout the season for the Termite five were: Billy Takaazu, Larry Amasaki, Fred Kanemura, "Biggie" Yamada, Yasu Takata, and Lefty Tanigawa.

Koyei Arakaki of Company "C" displayed tremendous improvement over the past years to emerge as the outstanding bowler of the loop. His seasonal average of 178 was tops, and his H1-3 series of 651 withstood all challenges. However, because of the ruling which prohibits one man from garnering more than one trophy, others in contention for these two awards are: James Lovell (174) and Mahut Kondo (174), high average; James Lovell (625), Kenzo Endo (651), and Harold Tamashiro (651), H1-3.

"Biggie" Yamada's hot 269 was followed by Fred Kanemura's 228 plus 22 handicap in the single game department.

Officers who handled the management of the league were: Herbert Yamamoto (D), president; Mahut Kondo (D), vice president; June Enomoto (Med), secretary.

A banquet is scheduled to be held later at which time various team and individual awards will be presented.

The teams in the league finished in the following order: (Cont'd on pg. 8, col. 2)

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CLUBHOUSE ROUNDUP

Mitsukazu (Mike) Miyake, former Baker Company supply sergeant, returned to Honolulu in company with his charming Mrs. and young son. During his absence of nearly five years, Mike studied at the University of Illinois and came back as a C.P.A. and a law school graduate. He is currently employed by a C.P.A. firm in town.

1st Lt. Alvin Planas of Korean war fame is now connected with the training center in Schofield Barracks. The former Able Company field commissioned officer was twice wounded in the Far East. During his travel he met Giyozo (Dyke) Uyehara in Korea and Capt. Richard Hamasaki and Major Shigeru Tsubota in Japan. All of these paisans are doing okay according to Lt. Planas.

The weather experts must still be wondering about the cause of the recent Kona storm in the islands, but we're not. Whenever Fundi Shirai (B) starts washing, ironing, and cooking around his household anything is possible--a storm especially.

Masato Nakae, the Able Company DSC winner, completed his office machine repair study in St. Louis, Missouri, and returned to Hawaii a few weeks ago. "Curly" was accompanied on his return by Mrs. Nakae and their charming daughter. He is busy daily with his work in the Honolulu Paper Company repair shop.

Pfc. Nishida (Cont'd from pg. 1)

Presentation of a memorial plaque and an orchid wreath to the next of kin from the Club 100 followed the military interment rites.

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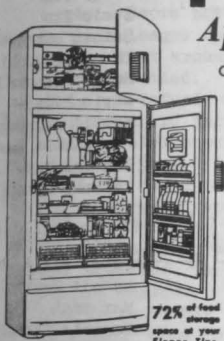
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made overseas are credited to and deducted from the \$56 total. Whatever his Capital Fund balance may be, each member should make payments in regular installments toward settling his account in full. The response and effort made by a member on his Capital Fund dues, especially at this stage where the building is ready to be started, will be a good indication of a member's interest in Club 100. After all, all monies collected will be expended for a bigger and better clubhouse for our members."

Lest there be some misunderstanding among outside island members, we reiterate that all expenditures for the clubhouse is being made solely from the Oahu Capital Fund. Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai Chapter funds are not affected in any way.

Wot say fellas? How about ponying up on our Capital Fund so that our clubhouse can be furnished as nearly as possible to the proverbial "T"?

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to each one in your household from the Puka Puka Parade Staff!

Wataru Higashida (Cont'd from pg. 1) his transfer to Company "C" of the 100th Bn. While at Camp McCoy, he became attached to the Bn Medical Section and saw duty in Europe as a Medic.

After his re-enlistment and completion of basic training he headed for Far Eastern duty.

Wataru's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Yonezo Higashida of Puunene, Maui.

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A 1951 RE-CAP

- Jan. 1 - A Happy New Year! "Hope our clubhouse comes up this year."
- 20 - Bowling league banquet. Herbert Yamamoto new loop manager.
- 28 - Puka Puka mashie wielders nipped 442nd golfers to gain second leg on huge 24 Hours Service Station trophy. Score now: 2-all.
- Feb. 18 - Softball league opening. Many new faces cavort around the bases.
- Mar. 15 - Quiet prevailed. Income tax payments and refunds occupy attention.
- Apr. 9 - Last one-third installment of \$7560 made on clubhouse property. Legislature passed law to exempt all property owned and used by Club 100 from real property tax.
- May 12 - Company "B" stag shindig. Newly elected Baker prey Bill Komoda, who operates the Vet's Termite Control business, beamed all evening long at big turnout of members and even bigger turnout of termites.
- 19 - Gala softball banquet. Headquarters Chapter retired the Club 100 perpetual trophy by winning pennant for third time.
- 25 - Masaichi Goto assumed presidency of Medics Chapter.
- June 4 - Board of Directors tallied ballots cast by members. Warren Iwai emerged Club 100 president for 1951-52.
- 7 - Saburo Ishitani swept into Charlie Chapter presidency. Mike Tokunaga left office after being drafted for two terms by "C" paisans.
- 9 - Some 650 attend annual banquet. Colorful attires, wonderful decoration, fine program prevailed, but not enough kau kau. (We'll do better next year.)
- 10 - Annual convention convened at YBA.
- 26 - Bowlers polished their "radar" balls and whacked the pins as bowling league started.
- July 26 - Harold Tamashiro assumed leadership of Headquarters Chapter from Gary Uchida.
- Aug. 3 - Club 100 co-sponsored Bon festival at Ala Moana Park with 442nd Vets Club for War Orphan Scholarship Fund.
- Sept 30 - Impressive annual memorial services held at National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific.
- Oct. 30 - "Old Man" Turner and Sakae Takahashi attended the Mayors' Convention in Tokyo as representatives from the islands.
- Nov. 9 - Building plans neared completion.
- Dec. 21 - Christmas party for members and children at Chinese American Clubhouse.
- Dec. 25 - A Merry Christmas to all!

SALUTE TO COLONEL TURNER

This month's salute goes to our Colonel F. L. Turner.

Almost a decade has elapsed since the formation of the 100th Infantry Battalion. Our beloved "Father" and Commander is still our grand "Old Man" and friend. His prominence in civic and social functions has not affected his loyalty to the boys.

Colonel Turner, who was born on the Big Island in 1895, received his education in Hilo public schools, Punahou, and at Wesleyan University where he earned his B.A. degree.

During World War I, Farrant Turner served nine months with the American doughboys on the battlefields of France. Then in 1924, he joined the Hawaiian National Guard from which in 1940 the Japanese-Americans of the 298th and 299th Inf. Reg. was organized into the famed 100th Infantry Battalion. It was then that the Colonel proved his great faith in the boys of Japanese ancestry. At the risk of being referred to as a "Jap lover", Colonel Turner stood behind the boys all the way--Oahu, Wisconsin, Mississippi, Africa and Italy. Much of the wise advice and counseling that the Colonel gave to the boys is not forgotten today.

Among the many awards that Colonel Turner received are the Legion of Merit and Italian Cross; but as far as the boys are concerned, no award would sufficiently express the deep devotion and appreciation that the grand "old man" deserves.

In spite of active participation in innumerable clubs and organizations (American Legion, Honolulu Symphony Society, Hawaii Vets War Memorial Fund and Club 100 to name a few), the president of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce manages to squeeze in a little gardening and golfing now and then. Also active in the Turner household is Mrs. Turner who is co-chairman of the 1951 Red Cross Drive. Son, Lt. Albert Farrant Turner returned recently from the Korean battlefront.

Today, as in the past years, the Colonel extends his hand of friendship. As busy as he is, he still welcomes the boys to drop in and chat with him--to give advice and recommendations.

As long as this world is gifted with men like our Farrant L. Turner, people can continue to have faith in mankind. If given the privilege to do so, we know that every man of the 100th Infantry would shake your hand and salute you, Colonel Farrant L. Turner!

Raymond Nosaka

Dec. 31 - "I hope our clubhouse comes up next year."

FROM THE MAILBAG

Dear Mr. Spark M. Matsunaga:

Enclosed you will find pictures of the way the Memorial Plaque for the 100th Infantry was finally set up in our Memorial Park. You will notice that it was not installed in the location we discussed when you were here last summer, but after surveying the situation it was felt that it would be a much more fitting location to put it where we did.

As it is set up now the arch supporting the plaque will serve as a semi-formal entrance to the picnic area proper in the park and anyone using the tables is going to pass either through or in the vicinity of the plaque and as I have taken pains to observe practically everyone who comes in to the park for a picnic stops to read the inscription on the plaque.

I do not know of a thing we could have done with the funds provided so generously by your organization for a memorial which would have given as much pleasure to so many people and still have carried out the wishes of the donors as effectively as this plan has made possible.

The reason for the apparent delay in getting this information to you was the fact that there is only one man in this area whom I thought could do the plaque in the way I wanted it done and he was out of the city for almost two months due to illness in his family. I hope you will agree with me that it was worth waiting to get him because the feeling locally is that he did an outstanding job on the plaque.

Will you kindly convey to all of the members of the 100th the most sincere thanks of this entire community for their contribution and I sincerely hope that the way in

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Tenth Anniversary Progress Report

The make-up of our 10th Anniversary observance committee has been completed and announced as follows: Dr. Katsumi Kometani, chairman; Bill Komoda (B), Ted Hirayama (B), Wasato Harada (A), Taro Suzuki (B), Kenji Nobori (C), Spark Matsunaga (D), and Roy Ikawa (Hq).

At press time the committee was scheduled to meet at a dinner meeting on December 3rd to start the ball rolling for the observance. Other smaller working groups most likely will be appointed later to carry out the details.

Suggestions to make our 10th anniversary function a grand success are being accepted by the committee. Chapters and members are encouraged to submit ideas.

Bowling (Cont'd from pg. 4)

Team	Won	Lost
1. Vets Termite Control (B-1).....	48	18
2. Taxi Meter Service (C-1).....	41	25
3. Times Super Market (Hq).....	36	30
4. Ala Wai Boat Rental (C-2).....	34	32
5. Naka's Auto Paint Shop (A-1).....	34	32
6. Gregory Ikeda Insurance (A-3).....	34	32
7. Kalih-i-uka Market (B-2).....	32	34
8. Times Grill (A-2).....	31	35
9. Walton School of Commerce (Bn Hq).....	30	36
10. Liberty Dry Goods (D-1).....	27	39
11. Garden Flower Shop (D-2).....	26	40
12. Kapiolani Drugs (Med).....	21	45

which this fund has been expended will meet with their approval.

With kindest personal regards, I am

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