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#### THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's time for Au Revoir.

A five year tenure with the 442nd is coming to a close. When the Anti-Tank chapter "volunteered" my services to the club I came aboard with some hesitation but it all turned out to be a rare privilege and a broadening experience, enjoyable and educational.

There were:

Many meetings and banquets with various veterans organizations.

Attendance at several Memorial services and massing of colors -- all meaningful and thought-provoking.

Invitations from State and Military leaders to a variety of functions -- a Pearl Harbor visit where Senator Dan Inouye was the featured speaker at a dedication ceremony; a reception at Washington Place to honor Yokozunas Chiyonofuji and Hokutoumi; an opportunity at the Japanese Consulate to hob-nob with officers of the Maritime Self-Defense Forces of Japan; a unique Goodwill and Friendship ceremony at Punchbowl accented with an elaborate Shingon Buddhist ceremony and a concert by 500 members of the Kinjoryu Taisho-Koto Association of Japan. VP Charles Oda represented the Club at the ground-breaking for the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery and Treasurer Ernest Uno was present at the Arizona Memorial.

There was effective political persuasion on issues pertaining to the Medicare Catastrophic Insurance program and Reparations for those interned during World War II.

We gave monetary support to Hawaii Army Museum Society, the Hawaii Holocaust project (spear-headed by S. Don Shimazu, 522-B), 34th Division Monument Wreath Fund, and Hawaii High School Speech League.

We were extremely fortunate to be at the right place at the right time to thoroughly enjoy the 19th Japan-Hawaii High School Goodwill Baseball series in Japan. There will forever be fond memories of the visits to the five prefectures on the tour. When the Japan All-Stars visit Hawaii in '91, we will be first in line to serve as substitute parents again.

It was a year of REMEMBRANCE.

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#### PRES. MESSAGE/Continued

Mahalo Nui Loa to the leaders of our 19 chapters and Officers Charles Oda, Richard Ogata, Harold Fukunaga, Ernest Uno and Robert Sasaki.

The fall issue of "Kuakini Friends", a publication of Kuakini Health System, makes prominent mention of the annual "Aloha" that members of "L" chapter bring to residents of Kuakini Home.

For the 20th year, Love members got together to treat the folks at Kuakini with their one of a kind chicken hekka dinner.

"The men bring all the equipment and ingredients, prepare the food, serve the residents and provide entertainment", according to the bulletin.

A photo accompanying the article shows Kuro Tomasa and Kila Haraguchi tossing and blending the ingredients in two Woks while Yoshiji Aoki and Tommy Kakesako appear to be enjoying a huge joke as they hoist one for the "Lovers".

BRAVO LOVE!!

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Two years ago on the recommendation of the 442nd Long Range Planning committee, chaired by George M. Nakasato, the Club suspended negotiations with the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii. It was decided that the Club would not be able to make the Extra-Ordinary Contribution requested (donation of the Wiliwili property and other assets).

Recently the Club's executive committee suggested a significant pledge of \$100,000 to be contributed in annual \$10,000 increments. The committee felt the purpose and goals of the proposed Cultural Center are noteworthy and deserving of our support. Briefly, JOCH objectives are "to support and promote scholarship and research with respect to the arts, cultural, history, language and mores of America and Japan ... with the ultimate purpose of promoting better understanding ... working together for world peace and unity."

Following preliminary discussion on this proposal among the chapters a poll was taken at the December meeting of the Board of Directors. Eight chapters signified their approval -- six for the amount suggested and two for lesser amounts. However, ten stated that they were undecided for various reasons.

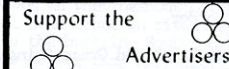
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#### IN MEMORIAM JOE MASAMI TAKATA

Joe Masami Takata, an active member of 522-B Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on October 13, 1989.

#### IN MEMORIAM MASATO MANABE

Masato Manabe, an active member of Item Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on November 22, 1989.



#### Editor's Note

#### REMINDER

This column is being inserted as a REMINDER to all Associate Members (mainland and neighbor islands).

This editor while screening the records of Associate membership, find that many are delinquent in their dues. If any member is not certain of his status, please notice your membership card, which reveals the expiration date.

Members in arrears when remitting checks, please make your monetary figures in multiples of \$6. (Example: 1 year \$6; 2 years \$12; 3 years \$18 and so on), as this will greatly simplify our record keeping.

To all Associate members, remit your payments so that you will continue to receive this Bulletin and keep in touch with the 442nd news. Make check payable to: 442nd Veterans Club.

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# SERVICE CHAPTER NEWS by Alex Oki

The November 18th Camp at Mokuleia turned out to be a success with plans for another camp as soon as possible. Thanks to Masami Tanabe for arranging for the use of the "clubhouse". It was in a secluded beach which provided privacy for the group. In addition to making arrangement for the camp, Tanabe was thoughtful enough to bring along an extension cord with floodlights to light up the beach while the youngsters went crabbing. He also provided the grill to barbeque the meat. The smell of the barbeque meat was out of this world. The youngsters also enjoyed the real fireplace. Tanabe brought a boxful of firewood to warm the hearts of all of us. Sam Yamada was in charge of planning the menu, obtaining the food and preparing the main dishes. He still has his golden touch. Whatever he prepares always taste good. Sam has been our perpetual chef for many years. Also thanks to Toshiko Kurozumi for the ono cone sushi. The huge tray of sushi was consumed in short order.

Then there was Ralph and Grace Chinaka who coordinated the supply side to make sure that we had plenty of plates, napkins, etc. Bobby Chinaka and his friends provided us with a special treat. They caught two large fish and prepared them for dinner. Bobby Chinaka, being a chef by profession really knew exactly how to prepare them. While Bobby gave us a lesson on how to prepare the fish, Chaplain President Kurozumi taught us how to eat the fish. "Shadow" claims that the best part of the fish is the head and graciously showed us how. He even had the head of the second fish all to himself since none in the group wanted the head. And here I have always thought that the tail end of any creature was the best part.

The evening entertainment of bingo games was arranged by the Takao Ito Clan. They provided the game cards and all the door prizes. Thanks to Cathy Ito Mochizuki for the boxes of door prizes. To her husband, Michael Mochizuki for the visors and frisbees from J.C. Penny. And to Tom and Jean Ito for the coupons for free service at the Ziffy Lube. Takao has given up his job as tour escort to Las Vegas since he has much more important things to do - like watching his grandchildren.

Tom and Chic Tanaka were at the camp with their two grandchildren. Tom's movement were limited due to a painful herniated disc or pinched nerve. Their son, Wayne wasn't able to join us at the camp since he was busy minding his store. Wayne owns and operates the art supply store called The Palette on 1164 Bishop Street. Drop in to say hello to him.

"Shadow" mentioned that the first Kurozumi grandchild, Dean, arrived four months ago. He proudly mentioned that he now has three grandchildren. Shadow's daughter, Joan Funamura is also in her own business. She is partner in the travel firm called High Point Travel at 1441 Kapiolani Blvd. Call her for your travel needs.

Response to the Kona reunion are still coming in. The tempo will surely pick up as June comes closer. The reunion coordinators are also planning for activities on Oahu after Kona.

Heard many good comments on the Go For Broke First Hawaiian Bank commercial on TV. Many of my relatives have asked why I wasn't in the commercial since my dad was associated with the bank for over forty years. I jokingly told them that I wanted to give the other guys the chance to appear on the commercial. Chapter President "Shadow" was good enough to contact me about the audition knowing about my family relation with the bank. I decided not to go because I felt that "ordinary goodlooking" guys didn't have a chance. And that those who will be selected were the "extra goodlooking" guys. After viewing the commercial, I noticed that many of the "extra goodlooking" guys were not selected. Most of those selected were the "Super goodlooking" guys. Oh well, some guys have it and ...

Did you notice that the commercial "comes to life" when the fellows appear with the "Go for Broke" insignia on the overseas cap and the colorful reunion banner in the background. Perhaps this is what we need to rejuvenate the club. We need to be more colorful. And by being more colorful we will attract more attention. And as we attract more attention, our children will take more interest in the club. On this matter of being colorful, my thoughts go back to October 1, 1987 during the opening ceremonies of the Smithsonian Institute Japanese American Exhibit at the Nations Capitol. I noticed that our comrades from Southern California had colorful red, white and blue overseas caps. They really looked like veterans and looked "American"; whereas, those of us from Hawaii looked like tourist from "beyond".

Once in a while, when I try to think of ideas to suggest to our long range committee, my thoughts go back to the 1974 Bruyeres trip. In Bruyeres, the wife of a town official asked me why the men from the 100-442 were not wearing their medals. European custom is for all veterans to wear their medals. They have their point and I'm afraid that we are missing the boat.

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By Ron Oba

The Vanishing Farm  
Gobo, Corn, Yama Imo  
Plows, Hoes, Lie Idle

## Seattle and Environs

On our recent trip to Seattle, Mat Mikami drove Michi and me through the width and length of Washington State. We learned about the lakes, its locks, Mount St. Helens, their one and only covered bridge in Naselle, The Bavarian village which illusioned us back to Europe, the Ferry ride to Victoria Island, Butchard Garden, the Empress Hotel where I asked management if they found my instamatic that I left in my room 11 years ago, and finally the salmon---smoked, broiled, teriyakied and live ones at the hatcheries.

Wanatchee, Snohomish, Tacoma, Tumwater, Wahkiakum Issaquah, Tukwila -- to name a few legendary Indian names gave me a sense of a great void. A void that was evidenced by a lack of American Indians in cities, towns and country side. Yet their names in Washington evoked a rich history of the Indian presence---but we didn't see a single Indian. Where are they now? The Indians are gone from their land and has now become the endangered species just like the American Flag.

The Seattle Fox members gave us an Aloha Chinese dinner and attending were: Rose and Joyce Ichihara, Matt Mikami, Markie Tanagi, Richard and Dorothy Narasaki, Bessie and Dorothy Suto, and Kikuye Kohashi who was there to help her daughter's post-partum care. Wataru was home-sick so he left early for Hilo. Thanks to everyone for the wonderful dinner.

## The Last Frontier

There he stooped, Masao Mikami, brother of Matt Mikami digging up the last of the Gobo and Yama Imo just four days before having to move out of their 1.7 acre farm of 70 years.

The Southcenter Shopping mall was encroaching on Matt's farm and home but he held on to the land because of Tamayo Mikami, 97 yrs., mother of Matt and 9 other children. Mrs. Mikami found solace in tilling and harvesting the farm ever since she and her husband, Matsusuke had moved into Seattle from Kauai. Matt says that his father moved from Kauai because he "Never worked so hard in his life on the plantations!"

Matsusuke and Tamayo first started as dairy farmers, made enough money, and bought the 20 acre farm. In those days, Aliens were not allowed to purchase any land. However, Matsusuke was promised that with the two houses on the land, he could rent the approximately two acres of land,

which he did. When Akiko, the eldest daughter attained the age of 21, she was able to purchase a total of 20 acres consisting of 2 acres of farmland and the balance in unimproved land.

Center Place, adjacent to Matt's farm is part of the 20-acres turned into a mini-mall composed of 14 assortment of businesses from a Medical Center to restaurants. The shops all have a 55 yr. lease from Matt's sisters and brothers. Six months ago, Matt's mother suffered a stroke and moved in with her daughter. Matt continued on the farm with his brother, Masao. With his mother no longer able to enjoy the farm, Matt decided to lease out his portion of the land. The developer will bulldoze the 70 yr. old house and land-fill the farm where no more corn or vegetables will be harvested. Matt says wistfully, "That's progress." Then quizzically, "That's Progress?"

Matt will move into his new home at 4507 S. 160th Street, Tukwila, WA. 98188 with his mother and Masao, about a mile from their present farm. He still reminisces about his early childhood when he used to skate over a pond, hunt for ducks, swim in the infamous Green River and fish for Steel Head trout in rivers and lakes now occupied by the bustling Southcenter Shopping mall oblivious of its rich heritage.

One of the harrowing tales that can now be told is that the Mikami's almost lost their land when the family was interned during WWII. The good news is that they returned just in time to prevent a default on the property taxes which they thought they were paying while interned. (a long story). The story concludes, "And they lived happily ever after on Center Place mini-mall through a 55 yr. lease and is now reaping another type of harvest which they so richly deserve.

## Dinner Meeting

Juicy Prime Rib or Pieces of Chicken cooked in wine were the gourmets' delight at the Fort Shafter NCO Club. Barney Miyaji arranged for the dinner meeting which was held on Oct. 20th with the following attending: Rose and Shige Higa, Barney and Phyllis Miyaji, Mineo Inuzuka, Roy Kubo, Mary Muranaka, Richard and Dorothy Murashige, George and Myrtle Nakasato, Michi and Ron Oba, Yoshio and Clara Shibuya, Chikako Shimada, Billie and Cupie Tanaka and Toshi Tsukayama.

The Kona Reunion was again discussed with the post-reunion on Oahu being the main menu. President Paul Yamashita, prior to touring New Zealand, appointed Ron Oba as the Gen. Chairperson with George in charge of tours; Bill, Golf; Shige, Banquets and Dinners; Goichi Suehiro and Mary Muranaka, Hospitality Room; Yoshio and Kats, entertainments at the various functions; Paul Yamashita, transportation. Helping the various chairpersons will be Toshi Tsukayama,

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Mich Takata, Tommy Tamagawa, Richard Murashige, Roy Kubo and spouses of members. Kats was able to reserve a hospitality room for us.

The agenda for the post-reunion was mailed to our mainland buddies for input as to who will be stopping over in Honolulu to participate in the various events such as: Sunday night Buffet at the Pagoda Iris Room, Chinese dinner on Monday night, Teahouse Banquet on Tuesday night and golf on Monday and Tuesday. Sightseeing trips to the Academy or Arts and the Bishop Museum as well as shopping tours are planned by George and his assistants.

A major resolution was passed at the last meeting to include widows of F Co. (active) members as full members with voting and dues paying privileges: Chikako Shimada, Mary Muranaka and Kimi Gusukuma. We're hoping that the ladies will cheer up the discussions and play strip poker after the meetings with the boys, -- Welcome to the club!!

We're happy to report that the recent obituary you read on Walter Kajiura was the wrong person. Anyway I called Walter to hear his voice. He laughingly said that people have called and friends have looked at him as if seeing a ghost. He is very much alive and healthy as can be although he's on the dialysis regime three times a week.

Semi-annual Golf

Hawaii Kai was the setting for the second half of the Fox annual golf tournament. The Iritani's came out in force and not only donated some golf balls but took top honors. David Iritani shot a spectacular net 62 (14) to run away from the rest of the field of 21. Second place was won by Yoshio Shibuya, 89-23-66; third, Ron Oba 82-15-67; fourth, Roy Iritani, Jr. 85-17-68; and fifth, Bill Tanaka, 79-10-69. Front nine ties, Tommy Tamagawa and Shibuya, 33.5; Back nine, B. Yamada, 30.5. Thanks to President Paul Yamashita and Doc Iritani who donated balls for everyone's pleasure.

Bits and Pieces from Kauai By Yuri Tasaka

Introducing the youngest F Trooper from Kauai Connections--Kyle Jeffrey Dean, born in May, 1989. Mother is Mari Kawakami and grandfather is Big George. It was the Grandpa who admitted that Kyle is as good looking as his Kauai Grandpa.

Grandpa George spent a week in Washington, D.C. working, he claims. He attended subcommittee hearings. On his return he called Roy Matsuda in Oakland about 3 days after the tremor.

His happy report is that Roy's home and business were not affected by the quake. In Washington he got to see the football game between Tampa Bay and the Washington Redskins. The weather was beautiful.

Other F Company guys were not to be outdone. Masa Agina and Suzanne were in Kona and Hilo in conjunction with the Gas Dealers meeting. Masa was impressed with the lobsters and abalone being raised in the O-Tech farm in Kona. End of November will find them in Vegas trying their luck. Mam and Bernice Hiranaka did their Christmas shopping in Bangkok, Hong Kong, Korea, and Ching Mai. Bernice said that the Thai silk was the best bargain. Hiro Iwamoto was in Vegas, too. George Teraoka claimed "out of circulation" and "incommunicado". Sandy and Alice Yoshimori and daughters including 16 month old grandson also spent a vacation in Las Vegas. Alicia and Dennis were the lucky ones. Kensei says "No new grandchildren", but he bragged that his oldest grandson graduated from high school! Kensei participated in his Koloa School's reunion in August. They had 34 out of 80 classmates and 4 teachers joining them.

Wally and Yuri have been staying put. The only trip they took was a trip to Kalaheo to attend the 442 Kauai's membership meeting. The Kauai group adopted a motion to include the children and grandchildren as full fledged members. The president of the Kauai Club, Clinton Shiraishi, offered two round trip inter island tickets as door prizes. Wally and Yuri were not lucky so we cannot personally greet you; so through the medium of the 442 Newsletter, THE SEASON'S BEST TO ALL FROM THE KAUAI GUYS AND GALS!

Maui News-----by Bob Matsushita

Things has been hectic with the Maui County Fair in October of this year with the Mother Chapter operating the Barbecue Chicken Booth. We had a wonderful turn-out of members, wives and sons and daughters, making all the preparation in advance. Our booth was situated along the Kaahumanu Highway and it was very visible and noticeable from the highway with the amount of barbecue smoke blowing into the highway. It also acted as an AJINOMOTO for the driving patrons along the highway for its fragrant and delicious aroma which traveled with the smoke. Since it was the first year it was held at the Maui Memorial Center and it did turn out O.K.

Thanksgiving Dinner was served on November 17th, at the Kahului Community Center by the E & M Chapters. The turkey and trimmings as well as the other ogo-chiso prepared were fantastic. Much appreciation is extended to the above mentioned chapters. Do-mo arigato deshita.

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Veterans Day Dinner was held at the Maui Beach Hotel, Red Dragon Room on November 10th, Friday. It was well attended by our members. It comprised of all veterans of all wars and we were able to fill the establishment.

The New Year's party has been scheduled for December 30th, Saturday. 'K' Chapter is chairing this event and again we will be feasted with much on food. During this event we cordially invite guests from the outer island to attend. Last year we did have a lot of Honolulu members and wives present. We always toast for the New Year with the tune of "HOTARU NO HIKARI" and head for home since DUI is enforced extremely well on the Island of Maui.

To all the members of "F" Company, on behalf of the Maui Delegation may we extend the best of SEASON'S GREETINGS and may we meet in KONA 1990, for the NISEI VETERAN'S REUNION.

Hilo News-----by Sadao Nishida

Preoccupation with the sometime simple process of aging necessitate to make this quarter's report from the South brief, but 'meaty', I hope. We apologize.

The group here met at a potluck dinner at the Honda estate on the evening of October 29, to formally work out our preliminary details for the coming reunion in Kailua-Kona. Yasunori Deguchi and Kato Matsumura gave us encouraging reports of the plans for the reunion as they got it from the reunion committee. Yasunori was chosen as our general chairman. Kato and Yukio Okutsu will co-chair the hospitality committee and Wataru Kohashi will be in charge of the finances. Because of manpower shortage, we have solicited the help of the Honolulu Chapter to be responsible for the program at the chapter night activity. We have also learned that the toll-free telephone number listed in the registration brochure was unfortunately incorrectly numbered and we are told the current number to be 1-800-634-8818. We are also anticipating announcements from the committee on the registration format. You are again encouraged to register as early as possible to assist our general chairman to finalize plans.

Kikuye and Wataru Kohashi were recent visitors to Seattle to visit their new and handsome grandson, born to Lois and Mickey. While in Seattle they also got to see Matt Mikami's new home at Tukwila, a stone's throw from his old farm at South-center.

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This 9th month report finds the K-MEN still shuffling along as they take their monthly meeting in stride gathering at the Like Like Drive Inn for a dinner affair on September 16th. The turnout was a record breaker as roughly 38 individuals came rumbling in with long, long time no see SATORU & BARBARA SAWAI being applauded for showing up, after a long spell of being too busy. Aside from the SAWAI's the country crew were made up of CHARLIE & KAY IGARASHI, Waialua, BOBBY & EVELYN HIRAYAMA, Haleiwa, SANDY & MARY TAKESHITA, KATS & NORA IBARA, HELEN MAEDA, TED NAKATA, Pearl City, KENNY & STELLA SHIMABUKURO and MASAO OKASATO, Mililani, BILLY YAGI, Hala and the down-towners in the way of CLARENCE TAMAYORI, WALTER & SALLY HEIRAKUJI, KENT KAJIWARA, TSUNE & HATSUE KANEMORI, FUJIO & HELEN MIYAMOTO, MASA & DORIS NAGATA, JAMES & CHARLOTTE OURA, HIROSHI SUYEOKA, CURTIS NOBORIKAWA, YUKIO TOKUDA, KENSHI & JANE TOMIMITSU, and MASAO SASAKI & guest. Was just about ready to ask Bossman ROY to open up his mezzanine if anymore K-3 came staggering in. Word must have gotten out that the Mayor of Wahiawa, SATORU was going to be the guest speaker for the night???. Kona 1990 was the major order of business and many are finding that this 4 nighter, a 45 minutes flight from home base, is turning out to be a rather expensive affair, with many a details to be worked out as the Oahu crew, who will be hosting this extravaganza will be banging their heads to put on a good show. Our conscientious plus Prexy JIMMY must be losing many a nights sleep as questions and problems keep popping up and to think that this affair is still 10 months away as this September report is being banged out.

MAUI

Any news is good news as we hear from KEIKO OKADA as to what's cooking on the Valley Isle with the K-men. KAY busy, busy, with her senior citizens curriculum reports that a big shindig is in the making as a family affair is to be hosted by "LEFTY" & MARG NISHIMURA, the best that's existing in Lahaina. With so many planning to attend the cooking will be broken in 2 groups starting with the FUJIWARA's, HASEGAWA's, OKUDA's, MATSUMOTO's, YAMATO's, TAKASHIMA's, OJIO's, ABE's, KUBOTA's, KINA's, KAWAHARA's, SUZUKI's, WATANABE's, TAKAMATSU's, NISHIMURA's, NAKAMURA's, KISHABA's, ARIZUMI's and MRS. OKUMURA, MRS. OKADA, the HIRO-ZAWA's and ROGER KATSUTANI. They seem to meet about every quarter or when something important

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do come up and judging from the number that will make this affair, we can say that the K-MEN is still going strong on the Valley Isle. There's no question that a good time will be had by all with LEFTY & MARG hosting this affair. Thanks for keeping us posted KAY.

K-BITS

Thanks to our Northwest reporter, TOSHI OKAMOTO, of Seattle, we are able to bring you some up to date on what's happening in Big America. FRANK MATSUDA and LILY MATSUDAIRA both lost their mothers a couple of weeks ago. FRANK also having had a major back surgery with daughter, TERRY scheduled to get married on the 23rd of September. A most busy, busy year for YURI & FRANK. DICK & MARY NAITO, carrying on in good shape with their new address being 3913 S. 271 Place, Kent, Washington, 98032. With the T. OKAMOTO's expecting to put in a lot of mileage with their camper going to Canada and the east coast to visit relatives, with their many grandchildren keeping them hopping. Our heartfelt sympathy to FRANK & LILY and sincerest congratulations to TERRY on her forthcoming marriage.

The very best from Garden Grove GEORGE IWAMOTO sounding O.K. getting a lot of rest and trying to see if his chiropractor can be of any help to his stiffening neck.

In bringing to a close this October issue, we salute the passing of another great warrior as final taps were sounded for KIMIO WATANABE of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who passed away during the month of September. To his beloved wife, KIMIYE and surviving children, we extend our deepest sympathy. KIMIO served his time with the 2nd platoon as a bar-non foot soldier who was highly respected by all who served with him. Farewell KIMIO.

Despite a busy month of traveling for many, the K-s will be having their monthly meeting at their favorite rendezvous on October 21st, at the Likelike Drive Inn. Till then, keep 'em healthy and enjoy life to the fullest. Our special thanks to YURI MATSUDA for that call all the way from the northwest informing us on the passing of KIMIO. It's people such as you that helps to bring big America closer to our shores despite the endless miles that separate us. Thanks YURI.

VEGAS

At this stage of the game having traveled the world over, making the best of life and enjoying it to the fullest are the following who are turning out to be regulars at the gambling

mecca of Las Vegas: KA-CHAN & NORA IBARA, HELEN MAEDA, YOSHIO & IRENE HIGA, and MASA & DORIS NAGATA. The statesider who's earning the name of 'Minnesota Skinny' as he's a steady to Vegas is NOBU KIMURA who's got such a deal flying in from Minneapolis, he'll open his own casino one of these days. Haven't heard much lately from that Pasadena flash GEORGE ABE who's a known High roller who must have been a tiger during his young days. With the national accountant group meeting regularly in this gamblers paradise, KAZU KAJIWARA will tell you that life is just too short to worry over anything and you just can't take it with you so he's another one of the regulars who goes first class all the way. Still recall running across JIM TAZOE a few years back and I'm sure he wasn't there to take in those .99 cents breakfast??? Could be one of those unknown high rollers??. Yes, it's been a tough life as you go thru this 20th century so spread the wealth and smile your way thru these trying years.

MEETING

The K-s continue to meet regularly with a meeting at the Like Like Drive Inn in October and the November affair being held at Buzzy's in Pearl City. Long time no see but carrying on in good health and busy, busy baby sitting are the NITAHARA's, CHIKA & YUKI. Expects to be back once again when things do normalize with his family life. Here for a short one and all we got to say was hello on the phone was the Guamanians, ISAAC & BETTY Ikehara. Some medical business necessitated this trip and rush back they did, not being able to get together with anyone. Let's hope that the circumstances are better on their next one so we can at least have a Ikehara's are here get-together.

ECHOES

The aches and pains and itching trench feet tells you that the short days and long nites are approaching as winter rolls in. For many, the unforgettable months of October and November makes one grateful for just having a roof over our head. Sitting in that muddy hole just watching the water rise and wondering what the heck am I doing here?? Your teeth chattering every time you stop for a break in those sunless woods as the biting cold works its way down to the core, the incoming artillery and mortar shelling makes you wish that your steel helmet was way, way bigger, with the big question being when are we going to get relieved???, so, when you see an old timer standing in the liquid sunshine of this tropical atmosphere and smiling away, he could be one of those frontline infantryman who's just appreciating the small comforts of life. As the old saying goes, "Lucky you live in Hawaii".

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By Larry Ishida

Buffet Dinner at Queen Kapiolani for Chapter Members was hosted by KEN and VIVIAN SARUWATARI on September 10. Present for this gathering were Jimmy/Mitsue Sakamoto, Sweeney/Sue Sugai, Herbie/Sue Isonaga, Quanto/Doris Watanabe, Masa/Edna Yamamoto, Yoshi Sugi, Frances Sato, Katsuki Tanigawa, and Larry/Violet Ishida.

October meeting at the Clubhouse was attended by Bill Thompson, James Sakamoto, Takashi Okemura, Kazu Tomasa, Masa Yamamoto, S. Shimizu, Toshi Hayama, Herbie Isonaga, Moriso Teraoka, Quanto Watanabe, Katsuki Tanigawa, Yoshi Sugi, and Larry Ishida. BILL THOMPSON and KATOON Tanigawa hosted the group with Pupus and Refreshments.

November meeting at the Clubhouse hosted by MASA YAMAMOTO and SOJILLY SHIMIZU was attended by

H. Isonaga, K. Saruwatari, T. Okemura, M. Teraoka, T. Hayama, R. Nakamura, Y. Watanabe M. Sugai, and L. Ishida. LIPPY HIGUCHI made his first appearance after a long bout with surgery and hospitalization. Welcome back Lippy and we all wish you luck for a speedy and complete recovery. MAHALO to HERBIE ISONAGA for his thoughtful and compassionate feelings for all our less fortunate members. His help and encouragement to those not able to be present for chapter activities are most welcomed and appreciated by everyone concerned. Thank you again from all of us HERBIE and SUE ISONAGA for your untiring and unselfish devotion to our buddies.

Not long ago I wrote a short article on MORISO TERAOKA's accomplishments after his retirement. During the short expiration period of that article, Moriso strived and accomplished greater fame for his dedicated and voluntary performance in developing the Landscaped Gardens of Cactus and Succulents, with a variety of plants

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**SUCCULENT GIFT** — Moriso Teraoka and Bill Jones (with hat) are the principal volunteers who developed the new, large cactus and succulent garden at Kapiolani Community College. The space between the plants allows for the ultimate size they will grow to be.



By Stanley Kaneshiro

# Mele Kalikimaka and Makahiki Hou

Another year and another decade going by. The eighties were of revolutionary liberations, sexual, communism, cold war, etc., and the nineties may be another of prosperity and gaiety. So, here's wishing you all good health, good luck and happy days ahead. As we take stock and count our blessings, 1989 wasn't without some sad moments and losses. We lost Joe Takata, an active and more friendly and jovial Chapter member, in October (see below) and Shige Warashina earlier in the year. There were also a number of surgeries and hospitalizations. For most of us however, 1989 was comparatively a good year and as we look forward to 1990 and the decade ahead, we have much to be thankful for.

## Taps

Joe Masami Takata, 7/17/19 - 10/13/89, passed away on October 13, 1989 at the St Francis Medical Center after a short period of hospitalization. Joe was born on Molokai and at age 12 went to work at his uncle's store in Kohala, Hawaii. Later, after attending and graduating from McKinley High School in Honolulu, he returned to Molokai and from there volunteered for the 442nd and was assigned to the 522nd, Baker Battery. After the war, he returned to Molokai and made his mark in business and Molokai community affairs. In 1955, moving again to Honolulu, he worked in sales management and real estate. An avid sportsman, golfing and fishing, and a friend of many, his final rites at the Hosoi Garden Mortuary on October 20, 1989 was well attended, including many Chapter members who assisted in the services. Joe gave much love, to his family and friends, and will always be remembered. Our condolences go to his wife, Chieko, three sons and three daughters, and his mother.

Captain & Mrs. Billy Taylor Visit Hawaii - 9/28/89  
Thru 10/17/89

By Don Shimazu

Billy Taylor and his wife, Opal visited Hawaii recently to renew old acquaintances and to participate in the documentation of the involvements at Dachau by the 522 Field Artillery Battalion of the 442 Regimental Combat Team. His trip was partially subsidized by the Hawaii Holocaust Project which is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of history at Dachau for posterity.

Billy Taylor was a Captain and Battalion S-2 of the 522 Field Artillery Battalion and was personally there at the main gate of the particular

camp when the gate was blasted open by Sgt. Shozo Kajiooka (now deceased). It was very important to have his first-hand testimony because some people are saying that the 522 did not liberate Dachau, and that they were the ones who did it. Actually, as the map shows, there were many concentration camps all in the same general area near Munich which were collectively known as Dachau. The reader is also referred to the April-May-June 1989 issue of this publication for more on the 522 at Dachau. Another reference on Captain Taylor and Dachau is an article entitled "War Veterans recall the horror of Dachau" which appeared in the Honolulu Star-Bulletin of October 30, 1989.

On the "getting reacquainted" side, the people of 522 went all-out for Billy whom many have not seen since 1945. On the day of his arrival, 9/28/89, Thursday, at 2:55 PM, we had a good delegation of greeters with leis at the airport. Billy at 77 was no longer the young "Squeaky" we knew in Camp Shelby and overseas. He admits that he knew that was his "behind the back" name. Since Friday--during the day--was set aside for the Holocaust Project people, we left them alone to that night when we gathered at the Shimazu's for dinner and for refining jointly the rough outline of the sightseeing plans for Oahu.

The people who gathered were the drivers who had previously volunteered at our last Chapter meeting, and their wives. They were: Joe and Peggy Obayashi, Roy Okubo, Biggie and Jessie Nakamura, Mike and Mildred Hara, and Fred Hirayama. In addition, we also had VP Walter Linda Menton and Andy Mirikitani. Judy Weightman, President of The Hawaii Holocaust Project and Hideo Nakamine, Cmn. of our 522 Dachau Research Committee, were also invited but couldn't make it. The tours were divided into five small geographical packages at one per day and the volunteer tour drivers did as assigned and/or added extras like lunch and refreshments as they saw fit. Everyone of them did an outstanding job as personal driver and tour guide. In some cases, the drivers had assistants like Peggy for Joe, and Yoshio Shimabukuro for Fred.

Besides the guided tours, the Taylors together with the Shimazus were treated to a night at the Danny Kaleikini Dinner/Show at the Kahala Hilton by the Chapter on 10/3/89. Everything was pre-arranged with Danny and the Maitre D to give the Taylors special treatment, but Danny didn't let on to a thing. The first thing he said was: "Hey, those are Maunaloa leis; very pretty! Where are you from?" and Billy told him; and Danny says "hmm, Moore, Oklahoma; well,

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we're very happy to see you here." Danny was personally great as usual in his performance, and Billy probably got at least 30 years younger when the hula dancers began performing. He told Don excitedly; "Get that!" meaning, take the picture! He was asking Don to take a picture of the Tahitian hula dancers. Of course, Mrs. Taylor, Opal to us now, wasn't entirely left alone either. Danny got to her very early and gave her a big hug and a kiss, and a pink rose. He even posed cheek to cheek with her for a souvenir picture. And Billy, too, got his prayers answered because he was called on stage to have a picture taken with Danny and his singing partner, and the three hula dancers.

About the time when the show was almost over, Danny sidles up to Billy and addresses him: "Captain Taylor!" and you can imagine the look on Captain Taylor's face. He began to put "two and two together", so to speak; and gave Don some "knowing looks". Anyway, Danny capped the evening for Billy by presenting him with a tape of songs he had only recently recorded in Japan which were yet to be released. All in all it was a superb night; not only for the Taylors, but for the Shimazus too.

On Thursday, the 5th, Hideo Nakamine took them out to dinner at the Pacific Beach Hotel where they were able to see the oceanarium and the varieties of fish as they dined.

On Friday, the 6th, Stan Kaneshiro was able to rearrange his personal affairs and was nice enough to take Billy and Don out fishing in Kaneohe Bay on his boat. It was like the "icing on the cake" for Billy who experienced trolling for papio on light tackle for the first time in his life. "Papio" for the malihini is the young of "Jack Grevalle" or of that family. He caught about three of them and two "lai" which are mackerals. Had the weather and the ocean been better, the party might have gone out for the really big stuff.

That same night about fifty of us got together at The Flamingo Chuckwagon for a dinner in honor of the Taylors. There were lots of faces we hadn't seen in a long, long time, people like: Kaoru Sakima, Robert Yutaka, Yoshio Shimabukuro, Nobuo Takamori, and Yuzuru Morita. We also had Judy Weightman, Linda Menton, and Andrew Mirikitani from The Hawaii Holocaust Project. Incidentally, they had alerted the local TV stations about the affair so that the place was crawling with TV crews from Channels 2, 4, and 9. That night on the 10 PM TV news,

Channels 4 and 9 featured the gala which we all rushed home to see. Two nights later, Channel 2 featured the event on their 6 PM TV news.

The following day the Taylors started their one week inter-island cruise on the Independence. They were supposed to dock overnight along the way at Kahului, Maui, and were to meet with Earl Tanaka, Walter Sakamoto, Kelly Nakamura, and others; but most unfortunately someone on the ship's staff forgot to deliver a phoned message, and the contact-in-the-flesh never came off. Too bad.

The Taylors spent three more days on Oahu's beaches and the various shopping centers after their cruise. Before leaving on the 17th after experiencing--we hope--a never-to-be-forgotten Hawaiian holiday and hospitality, they were hosted by the Obayashis to a steak and shrimp dinner at Hickam Officers Club. Most of the high points of their visit have been recorded with snapshots which were given to them, and no doubt others will follow so that they will be able to enjoy their trip over and over again.

To the Taylors, Billy and Opal, a fond ALOHA from all of us of the 522 Field Artillery Battalion in Hawaii.

Chapter Golf

By Rocky Tanna

Kaneohe Clipper 9/19/89. Twenty golfers turned out for this game and with good weather, six shot net par or better, twelve shot 73 to 79 and only two 80 and over. Walter Inouye, overall winner, had a fantastic score of 47-44=91-27 net 64 and Kon Kon Shiroma shot net 68 for second. Roy Fujii, who didn't golf since his accident some time ago at HCC, had a net 69. Don Yagami who took two par three holes and birdied them had a net 78 for all his efforts. The front nine was taken by Roy Fujii and the back by Larry Nakahara. Joe Obayashi and Flint Yonashiro took the other two par three holes.

HCC 9/25/89. This was for the semi-final round of match play and Rick Ogata defeated Don Yagami and Kats Miho beat Milton Uchigaki. For the consolation bracket, George Muramaru beat Flint Yonashiro and Rocky Tanna won over Ken Kawate. For the day's tournament, Stanley Kaneshiro was the overall winner with a net 67. Talking about gorillas, I was playing against Ken Kawate and on the first hole, Ken had hit his tee shot about 230 yards. Since he was waiting for the foursome ahead to put out, he waved Biggie Nakamura and Stan Kaneshiro behind to hit their tee shots.

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Stan hit his ball about 15 yards past Ken and then Biggie hit his ball past Ken's and Stan's. That's the kind of gorilla golfers we have in our Club. For the front nine, Kats was the winner and Larry took the back. Par threes were taken by Flint, Teiji Uehara and Rocky who missed his hole by inches for a hole-in-one. No one hit the green on the 13th hole.

HCC 10/16/89. This was for the match play championship and Rick Ogata defeated Kats Miho 2 up. Kats led up to the 16th hole, but the heat got him as he lost the last three holes. Consolation bracket winner was George Muramaru over Rocky Tanna. Congratulations to the winners but as the saying goes 'wait till next year'! Roy Okubo, 'home pro' at HCC, shot net 67 to win the days tournament and Walter Inouye took the front nine and Don Yagami the back. Par threes went to Larry, George, Roy Okubo and Don.

HCC 11/20/89, Turkey Shoot. With much more substantial prizes for the winners, many hours and days had been spent in practice preparing for this tournament, but from the results or scores all seem to have been for naught. The best was a 69 by Ted Tsukiyama who won the top prize and only two others shot less than net par. Other winners, besides Ted, and in descending order were Kats, Milton, Larry, Joe, Walter, Flint, George and Rick. Par three results were also exceptionally poor with no one hitting two par three holes for the first time. The other two holes, numbers 4 and 17, were taken by Joe and Rick.

Bits and Pieces

To provide for full coverage on Captain Taylor's visit, we're withholding some info such as on the holocaust project and the Kona Reunion until the next issue. For the Kona Reunion, don't forget to get your applications in 'toute de suite'! Post Reunion in Honolulu plans to date include a social at Club 100 on Sunday night July 1st, golfing on Monday and a dinner at Tripler Hospital Officer's Club on Monday night. Arrangements have been made also to secure hotel rooms for those who need them at the Driftwood Hotel in Waikiki at \$38 to \$54 double occupancy. Yuzuru Morita (B) became a new Chapter member and was welcomed at the October Chapter meeting. Tad Nagasawa spent some time in the hospital early October for treatment, hope he'll make the Xmas party. Neil Nagareda also in Kuakini Hospital for head operation in October and hope they'll be able to alleviate his pains. See you all at Victoria Inn on Friday, December 15th, for our Christmas party.

END



by Charles Watanabe

Due to my being away for a month travelling up the middle and southern coast of USA. I had to call Erni Uno to update me on the current affairs of HQ3rd. So he writes me a report, past and present. This is it.

3HQ Chapter Report -----by Erni Uno

Auwe! What confusion in September. Before our regular meeting Erni as chapter prexy started getting calls like, Assa matta? We not goin' to meet dis month, or wat? "How-cum we never get notice"? Yeah, nobody got any cards about our meeting but we told everyone by phone that for sure we were meeting on the third Friday. But Hajime never cared 'cause he went to Klum gym to see the Rainbow Wahines. Then wat? We all got cards in the mail stating that we were meeting on the 22nd so the phone calls started to come. "Hey, we gonna meet again?" "No way." To get to the bottom of all this we checked with the office and found that the clerk had missed in counting the Fridays on her calendar and that was the cause of this confusion. But Sam didn't get the word so when he got back from his trip he saw the card among his other mail and dutifully showed up at the clubhouse on the 22nd and whaddaya know? nobody stop.

Aside from going over matters that were discussed at the Board of Directors meeting we turned in to Erni our registrations for the Kona reunion then we got into the sharing of our summer travels such as the Scandinavian cruise that the Kuwatas, Gotos and the Nakamuras enjoyed. David's so-so trip to Vegas; Take and Irene's annual trip to Maryland to visit their grandchildren and a stop-off to visit with Sa Nakata on Bainbridge Island. Erni reported on the quick trip he and Gracie took to California to attend a Poston Relocation Center reunion with former high school classmates. By the way, to set the record straight, talk of Erni doing any renovations on his house was just that, only talk. The only thing that's been changed in his house has been a light bulb.

To confuse matters more we changed the date for our October meeting from the third Friday to the fourth, and the venue (da place) was changed from the clubhouse to the Sasai's up in Manoa. And as luck would have not everyone got the word, or by the time it was decided to change the date other plans were made so a few missed out. There were plenty oohs and aahs as we walked through the Sasai's newly remodeled kitchen which features a suspended showcase with lighting that was installed by Bob and Edna Kuniyuki's daughter's firm. Dramatic Garden Lighting. Those who attended this

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dinner party were: Hajime & Lani Matsuura, Janet Matsuda, Frances Tsubata, Shigeru & Janet Goto, David Kaiura, Bob & Edna Kuniyuki, Bill & Yaeko Kuwata, Grace & Erni Uno. Our hearty thanks to Sam and Michi Sasai who hosted the event.

Looking ahead, it was decided that the gals needed a break so our November meeting will be a dinner at the Swiss Inn in Niu Valley; and then, our Christmas get-together will be at the Uno's on the third Friday, the 15th.

Well that's it by Erni Uno, that is a load off my back not knowing the gossip. "Thanks Erni."

Back to me again, Charlie. Some few things did come up for the month of November which kept HQ3rd members busy. Remember Victor Moriyasu of Seattle? Well, he was here with his wife Ann for the dental convention. "So what happens?" Erni calls Victor and arranged for a luncheon date with his wife. "Where?" "Hold your horses," (that is what Victor does for a hobby) we'll tell you in a minute. It was at the Pagoda Hotel a very good turn out, being that most all are retired. "Who is still working?" Must be going into the 2nd million. Anyway, they were the Gotos, Nakamuras, Unos, Ishikawas, Iwamotos, Kuniyukis, Kawatas, Matsuuras, Watanabes, Furuyas, Kaiuras, Mikunis, Matsunaga, Ogai, Sugano and most important the guest and Longacres devotee Victor Moriyasu and wife Ann.

"Whats with Longacres," well if you don't know that is where Victor hangs out during the racing season. That is where Victor introduced horse racing to the HQ3rd likes of Erni, Irene, Hanayo, Yaeko, Clara and the rest of them. Betting on horses is fun, like cocaine, you can get addicted. Anyway Victor raises and runs race horses. "Winners", I don't know, he did not answer my question directly. Everybody loves a winner, ask Irene she knows. Victor says we'll know if he has a winner.

After the luncheon at the Pagoda, which lasted a couple hours, an all you can eat affair, it was decided the evening would be dinner at the Hee Hing restaurant, chinese food, then relax and have more conversation at the home of Take & Irene Nakamura. There the guest and members talked and the ladies learned craftsmanship from Janet Goto, on how to make leis from yarns of different colors. Very beautiful too. The evening lasted long into the nite, with more coffee and snacks. Evening well spent constructively and educationally. Of course I had my usual nap, otherwise be hard to keep awake and keep up with this young group. Hope my snoring didn't bother anyone.

At the Nakamura's were: Furuyas, Unos, Watanabes, Gotos, Kuwatas, and of course the Moriyasus. "Thanks to Janet Goto for making a very interesting nite. The things she knows are amazing. Hope the Moriyasus, Victor and Ann had a good time, we'll see them again at the AJA reunion, hope to.

Now for some da-kine news. Of course it is getting to that time of the year. Thought you just put away all the decorations, we better start bringing it out and start dusting, not for you and your honey, it's for your grandchildren. What are you going to do without them.

It is almost getting to the countdown time for the AJA Veterans Reunion in Kona. So far if nothing happens 99% sure to be here are Eddie Okazaki, Ted Iwate, Joe Takata and Horse Tadakuma.

Remember Joe Tabata, glad to hear he will be here. We need that voice of his to remind us that we once belonged to the U.S. Army, had training at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. Once you hear of it you are going to live with it. No mistaken identity.

Remember during the chapter night dinner calling "attention" to everyone, boy! That's some voice. It sure startled everyone, I thought I was back in the Army. Firm loud and clear. That is it.

If you have not made your plans yet, better shake the ukulele, no, I mean da okolele, "pronto", Yaeko in charge may get impatient, or call Erni. More names may be added to the list later on. Who's who coming. "Who's on 2nd."

What else da-kine stuff do I have. Oh! about my trip. You all want to know where I da-kine hele, besides Magic Island and Sand Island. You be surprised, to Tallahassee, Florida, drove to Georgia, S. Carolina, N. Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Washington D.C. Some drive, over 2000 miles. But very interesting, get to know familiar names and songs. like Georgia, it's Swanee river, Oke fenokee, Carolina has Carolina moon, it is beautiful on a clear nite, Virginia, take me back to old Virginia, Blue Ridge mountain. Virginia can keep you busy, many places to go, Mount Vernon, Williamsburg, Jamestown, Yorktown, Blue Ridge mountain and many historical places about the Revolution and Civil War. Florida is fun too. Fish at St. George Island, Wakulla National Park. Try it, it was fun.

The south gets in your blood if you stay there long enough. Ever tried Virginia ham, beef stew, cornbread, corn bisquit, blackeye peas, okra soup, southern fried chicken and the hamburgers? Enough said, I must be boring you all, "hear me."

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I thought I was all through but I still have the Swiss Inn dinner meeting event to report about with the wives included. The Swiss Inn is located in Niu Valley, past twenty five minutes drive as the crow fly, or forty from where Erni Uno lives. A very intimate place, family, and service oriented with a very good menu, with price to match. Mostly everyone had "Onaga" which I thought was excellent. The desserts are generous, and of course off-limits to Takeshi and me. For once this was not all you can eat event, and I enjoyed being served and able to ask for this and that once in a while. I did not have to stand up to get anything or see my plate loaded with this and that. I had a rather interesting nite sitting next to Shigeru Goto, Erni and Grace, Clara. Conversation is never ending with Shigeru around, you get to learn a little history, travel, and the good ole days of yesterday. He can relive Ewa plantation, Waikiki beach. Time goes by but Shigeru just goes with it, enjoying every minute of it. My hat off to Shigeru and Janet Goto. A very lovely evening I had. Especially with Goto-no-osan.

After dinner we all left yet to another place. "Guess where"? Sasais of course, for a little business meeting and more coffee and dessert. The wives in the kitchen were just adoring the uniqueness of everything Michi has decorated.

At the dinner were the Gotos, Furuyas, Janet Matsuda, Watanabes, Unos, Nakamuras, David Kiura, and Sasais..

I must tell you this. Saw Hajime take a wrong door to restroom (women) did he come flying out. Red-face and all with a sheepish grin. Erni asked, what happened? and Hajime answers stuttering, "wrong door".

This is about it for the year ending 1989, so you all pau till 1990. Yes, 1990--where were you all this time. "Wishing you all a Happy Holiday and New Year". "Bye now, hear me you all!"

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LIVORNO CHAPTER NEWS by Henry Kuniyuki

The families of the Livorno Chapter once again extend their SEASON'S GREETINGS to one and all with the traditional time-honored Hawaiian quotation: "MAU MAKI HIKI LO IHI LOA, MEKE ALOHA PUMEHANA!" (Many long years of health and happiness with our warmest regards!).

At the end of each year, with the advent of a New Year, our thoughts are focused on OSHOGATSU MOCHI. So, it is appropriate to feature the Master Mochi Maker, Harry Takeki Sekiya, and his fine family for this year-end issue of the "Go-for-Broke" Bulletin. The Livorno Chapter is proud to announce that Harry and Nancy Sekiya have retired from their family business of CHIKARAMOCHI, located at 1341 River Street, Honolulu. The family establishment has been sold to two younger entrepreneurs, LTC Richard Tsuchiya and Ross Miyamoto. Richard, who is a brother-in-law of Ross, retired from the Hawaii Air National Guard. He continues as a flight officer of Aloha Airlines. Ross, who is a certified public accountant, was formerly employed by Hawaiian Telephone. Ross will actively manage the Chikaramochi with both the Tsuchiya and Miyamoto families pitching in. Thus Harry and Nancy are pleased that Chikaramochi's goodwill and quality are in good hands. Although Chikaramochi, which was started by Harry's dad in 1927, has new owners, both Harry and Nancy will continue to serve as consultants.

If you recall, Chikaramochi was featured in a practically a full-page article in the Honolulu Advertiser on August 19, 1980 by its reporter, Vickie Ong. The June 1985 issue of the Aloha Magazine also covered the talents of Harry and Nancy in producing Kashiwa Mochi for Boy's Day. Modest Harry, at both story interviews, was very reluctant to have Chikaramochi and his family publicized at first. However, he relented and gave both reporters an excellent background as to Chikaramochi. His dad, Taki, served five years of mochi-making apprenticeship in Tokyo before being granted a license as a full-fledged mochi-maker. When Harry was asked by Vickie of Advertiser and Cheryl Chee Tsuchiya of Aloha Magazine as to why his family store was named Chikaramochi, he replied: "I guess mochi gives you strength! Lots of carbohydrate---gives you lots of gasoline!" Mochi, a favorite local treat like in Nippon, has been used traditionally for ceremonies as the main ingredient is rice, the mainstay of life in Japan.

Harry and Nancy, having maintained a ten-hour work day, seven days a week starting at the wee hour of 3:30 a.m., are well deserving of a life of ease, started with a quick trip to Las Vegas.

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They can relinquish ownership to the Tsuchiyas and Miyamotos, knowing well that Mrs. Armi Tsuchiya, a school teacher at Leilehua High School, and Mrs. Bobbie Miyamoto, a Pantry Office staff, will also be assisting in the day-to-day operations in their spare time.

Harry and Nancy Sekiya, now that they have "thrown-in-the towel", as so aptly put by him, will spend more time with their fine family of four daughters and five grandchildren. First daughter, Marilyn Kinjo, is with the Honolulu Police Department's Records Division. Second daughter, Harriet Iwamura, is a secretary at University of Hawaii's Manoa campus. Third daughter, Susan Inouye, is with the State Budget and Finance Office. Fourth daughter, Irene Chu, is a CPA residing in Clifton, Virginia. The Kinjos have a daughter, Tracee, age 21 and Mark who is 19. Second daughter Harriet, blessed the Sekiya family with two sons, Baron--age 14, and Landon--age 10. Susan's contribution to the Sekiya family is a son, Reid who is two years of age. Harry said that all his daughters and husbands have helped during the rush New Year season in preparing all the huge orders of Oshogatsu mochi. The peak season also had Harry's grand nieces and others assisting simply to keep up the demand of mochi.

Chikaramochi now sends lots of mochi to the mainland each week while supplying the needs of local super markets. Although Harry and Nancy are no longer the legal owners of Chikaramochi they would like to ask the continued patronage of all their friends and other customers. As they have more leisure time, Harry plans to be active with the Hawaii Ki-in Go Club while Nancy enjoys her gardening. Incidentally, Harry is the holder of Ni-dan (2nd grade) in the difficult Japanese chess game of Go.

The new owners of Chikaramochi, Richard and Ross, would be interested in employing senior citizens on a part-time basis. They also extend a cordial welcome to all 442nd Veterans Club members to visit their mochi shop, the Chikaramochi, where the fine products are continued to be made the old fashioned time-honored way! The Livorno Chapter members wish the Richard Tsuchiya and Ross Miyamoto families well on their new venture!

Speaking of other Livorno Chapter news we regret to report the untimely passing of another 442nd Replacement, Master Sergeant Yoshio "Cappy" Ozaki. Sick Call List for the past quarter included Morio Omori and Jerry Yamamoto. Among the travellers to various parts of the globe were Raymond and Mimi Tanaka, Paul and Betty Takeazu, Jerry and Ethel Doi, Takamori and Kikue Miyagi, Shizuo and Clara Oide, and Henry and Emi Kuniyuki. Chapter President Wilfred Watanabe

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By Allen M. Nakamura

Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday season as we "Ring out the Old" and "Ring in the New", in greeting the decade of the 90's. Could it be a good omen that we'll start the year with the first of the reunions in the 90's? Let us hope that it is, that we'll be able to enjoy the decade in good health.

As to the NVR reunion in Kona, my enlarged committee of Jacob & Terry Jichaku, Victor Yamashita, Isa Takiyama, Kila Haraguchi, Betty Nakahara, Jiro Watanabe, P.K. Matsumoto, Ray Sumikawa, Joe Oshiro and chapter president, Hide Nakayama are meeting more often now planning the program to entertain our friends from the mainland here in Honolulu and Kona. Every active member on our roster were mailed the reunion update if you were not present at the Nov. 10 chapter meeting, asking for your support and help especially in the area of transportation for the pre-reunion in Honolulu.

With food again prepared by Kuro Tomasa & Ralph Shishido (Kila Haraguchi was at his part-time job) of corned beef and cabbage, Kim Chee, Takuan, vegetables and salads, a good turnout came to listen to the reunion update. Members present: Yoshiji, Yasuo Forcier, Lawrence Fujii, Henry Ishida, Jacob, Tommy, Casey, Mickey Kurokawa, Wilfred Leong, George Matsumoto, Cowboy, Hajime Matsuura, Toshi Nakahara, John Nagamura, Allen, Kazuma, Fumio, Joe, Freckles, Bill Oshiro, Tad, Ralph, Kobe (no volleyball that night), Ray Sumikawa, Paul Takiguchi, Kuro, Yoshito Tome, Stanley Watanabe, Victor Yamashita. Some of the regulars missing that night for various reasons: Hapa?; Hagio?; Richard?; Kila, part-time work; Kazuo Fink, baby sitting; Dyna?; P.K., in mourning, mother-in-law died; Hide Nakayama, trip to Japan; Whitey?; Isa, bad cold; Jiro, shingles.

The latest list of friends from Northern California coming to Honolulu for the pre-reunion are: Hanamura, Howe/Mary; Ikeda, Frank/Helen; Kiyomura, Hide/Merri; Kizuka, Shigeru/Ruby; Nakaso, Jiro/Jean/Virginia; Miyake, Betty; Nihei, Ken/wife; Nobori, Ray/Ann; Nomura, Ray; Okubo, Tom/Sue; Orite, Ray; Ishihara, Joey; Oshita, Fumiko; Imai, Eiko; Tanaka, Helen; Sakanashi, Ken/Louise/daughter; Sato, Roy/Kiyo/Kenn; Takai, Larry/Barbara; Tanaka, Larry/Amy; Tera-moto, Tom; Tominaga, Henry/Inge/Joe; Tominaga, Mel/Kiyono; Tominaga, Tom/Fumi; Tomura, Bill/Miyo; Yokoi, Feb/Amy/Scott; Yokote, Shig/Rose; Aoki, Yorio/Mitsuko & Matsushita, George/Reiko, and Dab Nakatogawa. From L.A., June/Bev Yamamoto will be here on their way back from Japan trip. With the Bruyeres Tour Operation behind

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him now, Jun is busy working almost full time with the Go For Broke National Veterans Assn' helping to complete corporation filings to the state and federal agencies. This could be the reason of not much activity from our LA friends to date. Serge Carlesso of Bruyeres expressed to Jun that he wants to come to Honolulu. From Utah, Frank/Frances Nomura and their two granddaughters will be here also.

The Seattle group who'll be going directly to Kona are: Fujiwara, Roy/Sei/Son; Higashi, Ken/Aki; Kosugi, Shig/Mary; Koura, Art/Florence; Kozu, Pete/Miki; Sameshima, Jack/Lil/Son; Takahashi, Mits/June; Tanemura, Tosh/Peggy; Sakagami, Mas/Beulah.

Lawrence Fujii, one of our chief benefactor to our chapter social events who is always there when we need him recently passed the exam taken at the University of Hawaii, and is now a certified plant pathologist having completed the course. Congratulations, Lawrence! You can ask him now, how come the nongrowth or flowering of your plants? It goes to prove that age has nothing to do with seeking knowledge thru education. Lawrence will tell you that, perseverance and determination will get you thru it. Of course, sometimes it takes an exceptional person such as Lawrence to accomplish it.

Deepest sympathy and condolence to P.K. and Genny Matsumoto on the death of her mother, Mrs. Fuyu Horio, age 86. Also to Joe and Nancy Oshiro on the death of his brother, Kenneth Oshiro.

Sickcall department. It's hard to believe that a well conditioned body as Joe Oshiro went for a health check, of all things for a heart condition. But as Joe said, he took this precaution because of the history of his families tragedies. We should all take heed of this sage advice from Joe.

Gary Sekiguchi whom we haven't seen in many moons as reported by Jacob back in August, was in Straub Clinic for removal of tumor in the brain. It was by chance that he learned of this. Gary is out of the hospital and feeling fine.

The last quarter of the year in submitting news report are so difficult with our big year end event, the annual Xmas Fund Raiser being held on Dec. 10 and the report due on Nov. 30. So, I guess I'll just report of my bad accident and finding out how inconvenient it can be being on crutches, especially when you live in a split level home with stairs besides the daily household chores to take care of including the grandchildren. It all happened when I fell from a mango tree while cutting it down to size and landed heavily on my left foot fracturing my

ankle and a badly bruised foot. The fracture healed nicely, but the bruise took all of 3 months for the swelling to go down. So my sage advice to you (of course this is in aftermath, ha! unlike Joe's precautionary advice), don't climb a tree especially in our senior years. If you have any doubt on being a senior citizen, catch a crowded bus and you'll find out when a seat is offered, ha!

P.K. Matsumoto just like the Whiz Kid computer where it says when not the correct answer, "insert card, try again". He really did hit the jackpot on his latest venture to Las Vegas. Well, it wasn't the million dollar jackpot, but big enough to have to pay taxes on it. This all happened at his Farrington '43 class reunion at Las Vegas. But his winnings according to him was not on luck alone as he had the correct reading of his horoscope. Now where did we hear that before? Of yes, Nancy Reagan. Jacob & Terry Jichaku who seems to be going to Las Vegas quite often these days, accompanied by Cowboy & Marian Matsumura most of the times could well heed P.K.'s belief. Afterall, nothing to lose but money!

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The sense of the poll indicated that all chapters were in favor of participating, but there appeared to be a wide variation in the extent of support favored. The consensus was we should participate only within our means. More detailed information, especially the exact status of the treasury was requested. Under a new apartment management agreement, it was pointed out that an increase in income was anticipated.

So the JOCH matter will rest until these variants can be pin-pointed and the information conveyed to the chapters.

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Again, many thanks to all for helping to make 1989 one of our better years.

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Please let's Kokua the incoming leaders: Harold Fukunaga, President; Charles Oda, 1st VP; Richard Ogata, 2nd VP; Ronald Oba, 3rd VP; Ernest Uno, Treasurer; and Robert Sasaki, executive secretary.

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BY Terry Ihara

THE EASY COMPANY MINI-REUNION is now history. There were in all 127 EASY COMPANY veterans, spouses and guests in attendance in San Diego, from Washington, D.C. to Seattle, Washington, and in between, Denver, Colorado, Sandy City, Utah, Northern and Southern California and Hawaii. No question, this was one of the most enjoyable of reunions and from this experience EASY is getting to be more like one big happy family.

Headquarters for the Reunion was the TOWN & COUNTRY CLUB of San Diego, California and the Reunion Chair was NOBE TAKASHIMA. The amazing handful of San Diego native EASY COMPANY veterans with some help from other area 442nd veterans plus the L.A. EASY CHAPTER members hosted a Reunion which was most conducive to the development of wide ranging inter-personal relationships. As the group advances thru the autumn years of life there is less hang-up and concerns for the picayunish with greater overall concern for the general welfare. After all the relationship developed during the war are most important and when one thinks about the autumn years recognition that winter soon follows becomes almost scary with the knowledge that soon we will lose those relationships in addition the fact that most, if not all, are retired and therefore free of the concerns of raising a family, makes attendance at these reunions a must. With this in mind HONOLULU EASY hopes to smoke out as many as possible next year and the list of those coming from the mainland would really help EASY HONOLULU to do just that.

NOBE TAKASHIMA was kind enough to send me the list of EASY COMPANY veterans on five sheets compiled by the Southern California group with names circled in red to denote members who attended the Mini-reunion. He even has two names circled in blue to denote those who were unable to attend after paying the registration fees. In all there were 127 veterans, spouses and friends at the reunion and though the list may be long, it is being reproduced here. The Southern California group is reported first because the San Diego people are included in this list. Also they constituted almost 50 percent of the total gathering numbering 53 in all. Those who attended the reunion are BEN & YUKI AIHARA, KAY & ROSE AKIYAMA, MIN & FUKIO FUJITA, TATS & MARY HIROKAWA, BOB & CHRIS ICHIKAWA, ELAINE (KOO) ITO, KAY (HOPPY) KANESHINA, HARRY & UMEKO KAWAMOTO (San Diego), HIDE & SADIE KAWARATANI, SAM KITAGAWA (San Diego), SHIGE & YONE KIYOMURA, RUTH (Frank) KIZUKA, HARRY & MARI KOWASE (San Diego), MITS & MARJORIE KUNIHIRO, JOU & KAY OKITSU, TOK & CAROL SHIOMICHI, STERLING & KAY SUGA, MIKE & NANI TAKAMINE, NOBE & LILLY

TAKASHIMA (San Diego), FRANK & KIMIKO TAKEUCHI, HIDEO & SHIZ WACHI, FRANK & JEAN WADA (San Diego), BEN & HISA YAMANAKA, KIYO, MITZI & LYLE YAMATE, ROY & KATSUKO YANAI, GEORGE & RUTH YOSHIHARA, and Honorary Member, H. FUJIMOTO.

Now to the Northern California group: HIRO & HIDA ASAI, TOM HARA, TOSHIO & SUE HAMATAKA, VIOLA (Hiroshi) HORI, KENJI & BESS IKEGAKI, JOHN KASANO, TOM & MAE KATAOKA, TAD & SACHI MASAOKA, LAWSON & MINEKO SAKAI, TOM & ROSE TAKATA, MAS & ANN TSUDA and GEORGE & MIYOKO YAMADERA. From Arizona came GEORGE & MARGARET TESHIMA. From Colorado came BILL & MICHIE CHIKUMA, GEORGE & BESS SAKATO and TOM & LILLY MASAMORI. From Utah came ROY & UTA TSUYA. From the nation's capital, Washington, D.C. came KELLY KUWAYAMA and from the State of Washington came GEORGE & JUDY IWASAKI, GEORGE & TEDI KANDA, JOE NAKATSU, MAC NISHIMOTO, MACK & AIKO SHOJI, NOBORU TAKAHASHI, SABURO TSUBOI and BILL & RUBY YOKOBE.

Hawaii island was represented by HARRY TACHI-BANA & friend NORA MAEDA and TSUNE & YAE TAKEMOTO. Maui by CHARLEY ARAKAKI, MASANAO HASEGAWA, SHIGE IWAMASA, HIDEO MIZUKI and PAKALA & BETTY TAKAHASHI, and from Honolulu, TERUO IHARA, JUNO KANE-SHIGE, KOZUN & MILDRED NAKATA, HIROSHI & ROSE OKADA, MAUI & HAZEL OKAMURA, LEFTY & KAY SUGIHARA, WAICHI & CHUYONO & JOYCE TAKEMOTO, FLY TANASHIRO, NOBORU & HIDEO UESUGI, TOMO UYEDA, TADAO & SAKAE YOSHIMOTO and SHIGE & SALLY YOSHITAKE. The two couples who registered but had to cancel at the last minute were TOM & MASAKO OKAZAKI of Washington state and HAROLD & WINIFRED KISHABA of Maui.

As one who arranged the group tour to San Diego and Las Vegas, this writer was party to two "faux pas" which were it not for pure good fortune, this writer could have been in deep trouble. In the first instance, the Honolulu group arrived at the Los Angeles airport at 5:50 a.m. only to find out that we had arrived two hours before the ETA given KIYO YAMATE. As it turned out this writer failed to send KIYO the amended itinerary which called for a later arrival. In a way it turned out okay as the Honolulu group would really not have wanted to force the Los Angeles group to meet them at 5:50 in the morning. The second "faux pas" took place at L.A. airport on the way home. This writer had to attend another meeting in Colorado Springs following the Reunion and the itinerary was made accordingly. That was before he fractured his fibula which made it difficult to travel. In the process of canceling his trip beyond Las Vegas he failed to change his air reservations. About thirty minutes prior to boarding time at the L.A. airport, the writer checked his ticket only to find that he did not have a boarding pass stapled to his ticket like all the

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other Easy travelers. He immediately checked at the counter only to be told that he had a reservation but it was for October 3rd and that he will have to be put on a standby basis. Luckily, the lady at the counter must have had much empathy and as she played with her computer, she did come up with an open seat in the rear of the plane. There was another slight mishap that took place on the trip and it involved one of SHIGE YOSHITAKE'S baggages which went all the way to New York and back to San Diego.

Because the trip to San Diego was made as part of a Las Vegas package, plus the generosity of the L.A. EASY members who drove the group to and from L.A. to San Diego, the trip cost was minimal. The air accommodations were however a little more cramped than you would have wanted, though all of EASY had relatively good aisle or window seats. Reduced air fare also dictated departure times as the group had to leave for the airport very early in the mornings. One last point needs to be made here and that is to recognize ROY & UTA TSUYA of Sandy City, Utah for bottles of jelly he distributed to all those attending the reunion.

While in Vegas the group rented a van and with TOMO UYEDA doing the driving, so the group was able to go shopping as well as sightseeing. Biorhythms must have been right for TOMO as he could do no wrong for a while. SALLY YOSHITAKE did well only to have SHIGE dispense it. Yours truly got intrigued with KEENO and almost forgot to go to bed for an early morning wake-up. The biggest roller was JUNO and being his partner, this writer knows of what he speaks of. Should also mention here that FLY was not interested in sightseeing. He'd rather be at the tables. Other than that there were no really big hits by the EASY group, just donating to the school children of Nevada.

Now to next year's NVR Reunion in Kona and our Mini Reunion. TSUNE TAKEMOTO called to tell us that there have been some changes in the pricing structure of the reunion package. The hotel rate has been reduced to \$75.00 per night and the rate for Golf play has been reduced to \$55.00 per round. The Hospitality Room rate remains the same at \$250.00 per night. The rate does not include taxes. What this reduction will do is to get more of us from Honolulu and even from Maui going to Kona which is perfect because our mainland friends did not care to go to Kona if the Hawaii group was not going to be there.

As for the EASY Mini-reunion in Honolulu, it will immediately follow the end of the Kona affair. It will be a three night affair: 1st, 2nd and 3rd of July. The reunion hotel is Ala Moana Hotel at

\$75 per night, double occupancy. For the first night the plan is for everyone to bring old snapshots and photos to share at the gathering in the Hospitality Room. Food for that night will be provided by the Honolulu group ala pot-luck fashion plus a minimum charge to finance the drinks. The second night will be a Chinese dinner at China House (\$25 per) which is two blocks from the hotel. The final night, the 3rd of July, an Aloha Banquet will be hosted by the Honolulu Chapter at Zippy's Iwilei banquet hall.

For the golfers plans include two days of play: one round at Honolulu Country Club on the 2nd of July and Mililani Golf Course the next day. Play at Honolulu Country Club will be limited to men only while Mililani will be open to women play. Costs at these two courses will be about \$25 per round. LEFTY and MAUI are coordinating this aspect of the reunion. For the non-golfers plans are being made for shopping tours as well as visit to interesting places in and around Honolulu and possibly around the island trip. More information will be forthcoming on the program for non-golfers.

There was another EASY member at the San Diego reunion who like this writer was wearing splints to help his bodily movement. He is SHIGE KIYOMURA who earlier sprained his right leg falling from a ladder. Would like to report the passing of "DOC" YATABE of San Francisco. Doc, if you remember, was one of the oldest EASY riflemen. To his credit he was able to keep up with men who were much his junior. It must have been tough for him but you could see that he was determined to do his bit for the cause. Following the war Doc returned to San Francisco where he managed the California flower Market on Fifth Street just off Market Street downtown. Incidentally, Doc had two sisters living in Hilo, married to physician Dr. S. Kasamoto and businessman, a Mr. Takahashi.

Need to report that LARRY IWASHI had heart by-pass surgery a few months back and is rapidly on the mend. Hopefully, we will see him at the EASY Christmas Party on the 19th of December at Zippy's Banquet Hall in Iwilei. Not faring too well is LARRY NAGASAWA who is presently at Tripler General Hospital suffering from an internal ailment. EASY wishes for his speedy recovery. Not seen for a while is GEORGE OYAMA who has had trouble with his leg. Let's hope that he will be able to soon resume his activities with the Chapter. FINI.

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INCOME & EXPENSE STATEMENT for the Period/Month Ended October 31, 1989

Cumulative 1/1-10/31/88	Cumulative 1/1-10/31/89	ACCOUNT TITLE	Month of Aug 1989	Month of Sep 1989	Month of Oct 1989
<b>OPERATING EARNINGS:</b>					
60,122.00	58,828.41	Interest on Loans.....	6,310.23	5,688.81	6,434.23
83,715.86	88,723.08	Income on Svcs. Accts.....	7,022.75	11,595.61	4,884.71
14,581.14	29,817.51	Income on Securities.....	4,132.79	3,811.32	3,187.58
2.00	1.75	Fees and Charges.....	.50		
8.89	6.58	Other Earnings.....	6.58		
<b>158,429.89</b>	<b>177,377.33</b>	<b>TOTAL EARNINGS.....</b>	<b>17,472.85</b>	<b>21,095.74</b>	<b>14,506.52</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>					
527.00	883.75	Conference/Travel Costs....	483.75		
1,436.58	588.82	Association Dues.....		177.00	
2,350.00	2,500.00	Office Utilities.....	250.00	250.00	250.00
866.51	1,269.00	Postage/Communication Costs	165.00		294.00
		Member Educ/Publicity.....			
567.00	760.04	Stationery & Supplies.....		101.00	103.07
1,952.36	1,001.42	Subscriptions.....		342.50	179.00
3,125.71	2,572.26	EDP Accounting Services....	60.00	478.43	60.00
78.32		Depreciation-Equipment.....			
2,670.68	1,818.00	Surety Bond Premium.....		456.00	
		Borrowers Insurance.....	390.59	388.78	387.31
3,954.94	3,841.62	Life Savings Insurance.....	237.81	236.65	233.34
2,483.69	2,382.39	NCUA Supv/Exam Fees.....		375.00	
1,104.48	1,120.73	Annual Meeting Expenses....			
767.13	750.26	Miscellaneous Expenses.....			
3,932.31	3,567.12	Cmtc/Ofcrs Expenses.....	300.00	300.00	300.00
2,735.18	4,717.45		852.36	94.24	754.24
<b>28,551.89</b>	<b>27,772.86</b>	<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES...</b>	<b>2,574.51</b>	<b>3,199.60</b>	<b>2,560.96</b>
<b>129,878.00</b>	<b>149,604.47</b>	<b>NET OPERATING PROFITS.....</b>	<b>14,898.34</b>	<b>17,896.14</b>	<b>11,945.56</b>
( 1,978.72)		Non-Oper. Gains/(Losses)...			
(103,908.75)	(104,307.36)	Less Dividends Pd/Credited.	(10,000.00)	(14,703.43)	(10,000.00)
<b>23,990.53</b>	<b>45,297.11</b>	<b>NET INCOME/(LOSS).....</b>	<b>4,898.34</b>	<b>3,192.71</b>	<b>1,945.56</b>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION as of October 31, 1989

Oct 1988	ASSETS	Aug 1989	Sep 1989	Oct 1989
268.90	Loans, Delinquent 2 - 6 Months....	1,228.49	486.32	486.32
-	Loans, Delinquent 6 - 12 Months....	1,120.73	1,120.73	1,120.73
-	Loans, Delinquent 12 Months or More..	-	-	-
268.90	Sub-total, Delinquent Loans.....	2,349.22	1,607.05	1,607.05
780,945.71	Loans, Current and Not Delinquent....	810,713.72	804,355.73	823,509.02
781,214.61	Total Loans Outstanding.....	813,062.94	805,962.78	825,116.07
	(Less Allowance for Loan Losses)...			
170,480.16	Cash in Bank.....	47,866.71	75,488.40	44,883.14
331,775.40	Investment Securities, at cost.....	438,948.76	439,282.13	489,212.65
1,064,072.61	Savings/Time Deposits in Banks/S&L...	950,232.09	961,283.00	912,202.24
100.00	Furniture & Equipment, net.....	100.00	100.00	4,397.00
48,413.00	Interest Receivable.....	52,614.00	48,095.00	52,215.00
7,708.35	Deferred Expenses.....	9,049.00	7,459.00	7,459.00
1,000.00	Unapplied EDP Disb. Exceptions.....		299.11	
64.80	Other Assets.....			
20,416.08	NCUSIF Deposit.....	21,394.51	21,394.51	21,394.51
<b>2,425,245.01</b>	<b>TOTAL ASSETS.....</b>	<b>2,333,268.01</b>	<b>2,359,363.93</b>	<b>2,356,879.61</b>
<b>LIABILITIES/EQUITY</b>				
10,500.00	Dividends Accrued/Payable.....	20,000.00	=	10,000.00
1,454.00	Unapplied EDP Credit Exceptions.....		300.00	
63,670.06	Accounts Payable.....	2,935.13	2,932.16	2,927.38
2,080,049.66	Members' Savings Shares.....	1,999,030.67	2,041,636.85	2,027,511.75
100,000.00	Regular Reserves.....	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
145,580.76	Undivided Earnings.....	171,143.37	171,143.37	171,143.37
23,990.53	Net Income/(Loss), Current.....	40,158.84	43,351.55	45,297.11
<b>2,425,245.01</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES/EQUITY.....</b>	<b>2,333,268.01</b>	<b>2,359,363.93</b>	<b>2,356,879.61</b>
<b>STATISTICAL DATA</b>				
1	No. Accts. Delinquent 3 - 6 Months.	2	1	1
-	No. Accts. Delinquent 6 - 12 Months.	1	1	1
-	No. Accts. Delinquent 12 Months + ...	-	-	-
176	No. Accts. Current, Not Delinquent...	158	155	154
516	No. Savings Accounts.....	512	512	509
539	No. Savings Potential Members.....	515	515	510
64	No. of Loans Made Year-to-Date.....	43	46	53
4,301	No. of Loans Made Since Organization.	4,354	5,357	5,364
369,239.	Amount Loaned Year-to-Date.....	365,337.	386,537.	444,369.
7,424,950.	Amount Loaned Since Organization.....	7,836,930.	7,858,130.	7,915,962.
10,254.	Amount Charged Off Since Organization	10,254.	10,254.	10,254.
3,811.	Amount Recovered on Charge-offs.....	3,811.	3,811.	3,811.



**MEDICS CHAPTER NEWS** by Herbert Akamine

We received a post-card from Nassau, Bahamas, sent by Masa Nomura. She wrote, "Friend needed a roommate for a 4 day cruise and 3 days in Epcot, etc., so it didn't take me too long to accept her invitation. Great place to shop in Nassau--no sales tax. Just returned from a 5 week motor trip across the USA so haven't been home too much."

Toyokichi Oguri passed away on October 10, 1989, in Saratoga Springs, New York. He was sent to the 442 Medics in Camp Shelby, Mississippi, although the Army had promised to enlist him in the 10th Mountain Division. He is survived by his widow Alicia and two sons and two daughters. His sisters and brother are Satoko Nishijima of Kyoto, Chiyo Miyabara and Teruko Kurashige of Honolulu. Isako Itokazu and Mikihiko Oguri of California, and Nanako Oguri of New York. Toyohiko was retired as a computer specialist at General Electric Corporation.

Nolan Inouye, son of Mitsuye and Masato Inouye, passed away in Honolulu, on October 9, 1989. He seemed well on the way to recovery before the fatal day. He had received bone marrow transplant from one of his three brothers while being treated on the mainland. Many of his friends, including those from the Medics, attended the funeral at Hosoi Mortuary.

Mitsuru Yoshimoto has moved to Lake Tahoe. His decision seems to be a sudden one, because he had made plans to build a new home in the Nuuanu area.

President Tom K. Nishikawa has been suffering respiratory problems. He was confined to Castle Hospital recently. His breathing is aided by an oxygen machine.

Lionel Ikebe and Ed Onaka have been in Kona seeking lodgings for the Medics during next year's reunion. Lionel has had some help from his Kona relatives.

Chiyo and Carl Miyabara have returned from an early autumn tour of Western Europe. The most memorable character they met on the trip was their tour guide nicknamed Frau Hitler, a domineering woman who kept telling her group to run, run, rush, rush and no stopping. She didn't give enough time for W.C. stops and led them to innumerable sucker traps. The Miyabaras found Amsterdam very dismal. Aids, muggings, and burglaries were rampant. While there they were attracted by life-like half-naked mannequins. Curiosity turned to amazement when the mannequins began to strip themselves naked. This area was the red light district across the diamond

factory where the Miyabaras had visited. They saw Rembrandt's "Night Watch" at the Rijksmuseum. They also saw Michelangelo's "David" in Rome. They went through the Vatican's Sistine Chapel and were told that the Japanese had donated \$5,000,000 toward restoration of the fading art treasures. At the Prado in Madrid they had the good fortune to view the renowned Spanish masters. During their trip to see the Leaning Tower in Pisa they noticed a huge crowd trying to get a glimpse of the Pope. Security for the religious leader seemed very tight. Even helicopters guarded him from above. On the ride on the Rhine to Heidelberg, another character, a Spaniard from Honduras, missed the boat and had to pay a taxi \$240 to catch up with the tour group. He threatened to sue the tour company. He also got lost at Versailles and paid \$50 taxi fare to rejoin the group in Paris. Chiyo and Carl had a pleasant stay in Nice. They enjoyed the excellent seafood dishes. They also rode up to the perfume country where Picasso spent his waning years. Many Japanese tourists seemed to be everywhere in Europe, especially in Spain. The Miyabara's tour was made up of 15 from Hawaii and 10 from the mainland U.S. A not too homogeneous group, they said.

Dr. Tenuo Ihara was one of the important speakers at Dr. Ralph Miwa's funeral service at Diamond Head Memorial Park. He spoke about Miwa's contributions during the beginning of Hawaii's Democratic Party era. Ihara's talk was enlightening as well as professorial.

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from all over the world (includes SUE ISONAGA's collection) at KAPIOLANI COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

MORISO, who received his Associate in Science in Food Service from Kapiolani CC made up his mind to do something to beautify the school grounds which is located in the back of Diamond Head. After consultations with landscape architect, he decided that the area was an ideal location for a Cactus Garden amongst the rocks. Moriso started the garden on a small scale; however, after the cactus flowered, the interest expressed by visitors and students prompted him to expand the garden area. Presently there are over 100 different varieties of plants in the garden.

For his unselfish efforts and hours of hard work, he was presented with a Service Award for his project by Provost John Morton.

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By Mino Suzumoto

Item Chapter's "Travelingest" many just has to be CLARENCE TABA. Spends 10 months of every year "being on the go" as lobbyist-representative of the Hawaii Bankers Ass'n. Itinerary for 1989 alone reads like so: Washington, D.C.; Albuquerque NM; New Orleans, LA; Washington, D.C.; Nashville, TN; Colorado Springs, CO; Washington, D.C.; Nashville, TN; Colorado Springs, CO; Washington, D.C.; Tucson, AZ; Blaine, WA. And as this goes to press at November's end, he is on his way to Boca Raton, FL, near Ft. Lauderdale. Have been doing the same thing from as far back as I can remember. Places like Bowling Green, KY and Vicksburg, MS were on his agenda, in prior years as I recall. And would you believe, he still manages to attend a majority of our monthly sessions?

Pressing him closely and in second place would be MITS "Battleship" YAKIMA. Lays claim to having set foot in every capital city in every state in the union! Plus Mexico and Japan. (A perfect example of why our 442 Federal Credit Union is in such a fine shape, Ha!). The latest on MITS is (according to KAZUMA OYAMA) he had a gall bladder operation only recently. I do know that our buddy had ballooned to over 200 pounds! I kid you not. KAZUMA added that "Battleship" confessed to have shed 20 of those pounds since. Me thinks he should keep trying for another 30 lbs. off, of his tummy. We should be seeing him at our Christmas Party in a couple of weeks.

Yours truly visited the Big Island in early October. Our stay at the Naniloa was part of the "perk" picked up upon my retirement (end of Jan. '89) from the Office of U.S. Senator DAN K. INOUE. The certificate said "a trip for 2, to any island of your choice." Now, with Kilauea acting up and a 50-50 chance of seeing a volcano in action, we decided it was time to go. Also, it gave me a good opportunity to scrounge some news on the upcoming 1990 AJA Veterans Reunion, from our Hilo counterparts. Was to learn later, much to my dismay and amazement that they were less informed than we were. The "reunion committee" whoever they may be, hadn't even acknowledged Co. I's open invitation to send a speaker to their meeting. Can you imagine that?

Wrote to SADA KUBOTA, of my desire for a brief session with him and possibly 2 or 3 other Itemites there. Much in the way, BRUNO and I would get together with him at the old Coco's (Kalakaua & Kapiolani) and more currently at the Like Like Drive Inn, when the Hilo.ite was in town. That scenario, however, got tossed out of the window because Mr. "K" was right smack in the

middle of his "Hilo High - Class of '39 Reunion." One classmate coming in from as far away as Japan! I know because I met the fellow.

So, now with MAKO FUJIOKA at the helm, DOT & I were invited to a dinner instead. To my utter surprise and embarrassment, a whole flock of Itemites and Itemites at heart showed up: HIROSHI ARUGA (Treasurer); RICHARD "CURLY" KANAYAMA with SETSUKE; YUKI & ASAYO NAGUWA (He'll be in charge of the Co. I Hospitality Room and act as their coordinator in Kona); TORANO "Chester" NAKANO; MASA MATSUBARA; (Presy) MAKO & ETSUKO FUJIOKA (TAD FUJISHIGE sends his best); AMY KUBOTA; TAKA ARAGAKI and purposely grouped here coming in from Naalehu, 60 miles away KENJI "Popeye" SEGAWA & HIROKO; KIICHI & NELLIE SONODA: HITOSHI "Hunter" KOHARA & IRENE (BARBARA SAKAMOTO, who works out of DK's office here, and originally from that area and probably too young to remember "our" war, sends her "regards" to all of the Naalehu.ites. Especially HIROKO. BARBARA had always taken pride of the fact that the late TOSHI KOKUBUN had been her close neighbor, once upon a time)...The steamed mullet, a specialty of the house, was so ono, it was out of sight. Ask for the chicken and mullet combo, if you're hungry. The mullet, I was told came straight out of their private pond. "Their" meaning SUSUMU NAKAGAWA and his son, affable proprietors of "The Seaside, Inc" restaurant. The senior NAKAGAWA turned out to be a World War II veteran himself. Reason enough for Co. I, Hilo, to patronize the place rather regularly, holding their meetings there.

I went to Hilo with 5 main purposes on my mind. 1). To visit TSUNE SHIIGI. (Burden with Parkinson's, he seemed worse off now than when I first saw him 2 years ago. Readily admits to having his up and down days. The latter, more frequently than the former). 2). Meet our Hilo counterparts to present an "official" Dept. of the Army poster depicting the 442 "Rescue of the Lost Battalion." An exact copy of the one found in our clubhouse. Wanted to do it ever since 1987, when I first realized their Hilo AJA Hall was bare of such things. The Los Angeles 442 Hall was accommodated with same, quite some years back through JIM YAMASHITA/FRED MATSUMURA. The Bishop Museum too, asked for a copy. Seattle's NVC Hall will now have one all their own, since SHIRO KASHINO, together with LOU, after spending a week or so here in Hawaii, took back the 20"x30" with them, in mid October. 3). Lunch at the world renown "Volcano House Restaurant." Also take in the volcano in action, in the Kalapana area, if we're lucky enough. Not only were we lucky. YUKI & ASAYO NAGUWA insisted we leave our rented car, back at the hotel parking lot and completely took over that day's itinerary. Two things I learned before sundown. First, never

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but never, take your diuretic pill when on a long driving trip. The 2nd, the one ASAYO taught me was ALWAYS say "excuse me", if you have to pee on Madam Pele's mantle. And I had to do it at least 4 times, before we even got to the bottom of that Chain of Crater road, where it meets Highway 130. And yes, ASAYO advised me of her lesson in etiquette, all 4 times. (Okey, HIRAM DOI. You can stop laughing now). Later on, somehow I felt exonerated when all four of us were able to approach within 20 feet of the fiery, molten lava as it kept pouring itself endlessly into the sea through a tubelike opening, located midway down a 15 feet high cliff. Truly, a "you're seeing it, but, still can't believe it's happening", thing. My 4th desire was taken care of when we stopped at the "Akatsuka Orchid Gardens", on the way back. 5). Walk and shop through the old Hilo business district, from Mamu St. to the Wailuku River. Always wanted to it and we did.

There's a place called "Nani Mau Gardens" in Hilo (south). 30 acres of it! Loosely translated, it means "beauty always" or "always beautiful" (The Hawaiian Dept., Library of Hawaii, being my source of information). If you're not familiar with it, you should take it in during your next trip there. Could very well be a "Buchart Garden of the Pacific", in the making. Sort of a botanical garden-arboretum setup. SADA took us in tow here and it's a good thing he did. The establishment was jammed pack with people, being an "open house" day. In sharp contrast to the arid volcano country, everything was growing lush and green with a zillion variety of flowers found in every hue imaginable. Its hardly a new enterprise, I've been told. Initially started by a Hiloite many years ago as part of a chicken farm. Now, has a "Japan owned" label attached to it. The new owner, SEIICHI SORIMACHI, 72, Tokyo, Japan, just increased its acreage and improved it. And it's the improvement being made that's eye catching. Truly impressive. On the planning stage: a man made volcano with a reflecting lake located at the very far end. Heaven knows Hilo could stand that added boost to their economy...Dot and I extend our sincerest appreciation to all of you who came out and showed us your Big Island brand of hospitality. AMY KUBOTA, ETSUKO FUJIOKA, MIDORI ARUGA, ASAYO NAGUWA and all the rest. Mahalo Nui Loa!

Even though the recent visit by SHIRO & LOU KASHINO could hardly be called a "vacation trip," there's no denying that its always a pleasure catching up with the couple. KASH himself must of felt that he had the "duty" or the "obligation", if you will, to do a "follow up" on those who were involved that one night of horror, last

June 6, 1988, in Seattle, when KIICHI KATO lost his life. He really wanted to see and know for his self, how the rest of the survivors, MOTOMI SHINDO, MICHI KATO and EDDIE TANAKA of Kahului, Maui were getting along at this stage in time. To his credit, he visited everyone of them. And for him to be making this long journey to Hawaii to fulfill that desire, I'd say took a heck of a lot of guts. And I admire him all the more for it. And that includes LOU. But, then, you don't need my opinion on it. You all know it for yourself. Otherwise, why would you show up in such large numbers to both their "Aloha" (Suehiro's) and "Sayonara" (Hee Hing) dinners? A fitting tribute to him, in its self. Seen at those scenes: LARRY & MARIAN ISHIKAWA; TOMMY & MARIA UEDA; MASA & HELEN NAKAMURA; SMITTY & ELSTIE KOGA; MITS & YUKI YAKUMA; WALTER & JANE FURUKAWA; MINO & DOT SUZUMOTO with LAURA & ARNOLD; MARK NAKATSU (Seattle); HIDE & VIOLET MATSUMOTO; FRED & EVELYN OISHI; C.B. & GAY SAKAMOTO; DONALD & BARBARA KAMEDA; BOZO & LIZ NISHIOKA; SHIG & JOAN MATSUMOTO; KAZU & WINI TAKEKAWA; KENNETH & BETTY OKUMA; RALPH & JEANETTE ARASHIRO; MICH KATO with GARY & BURT; JOE OKUMOTO; JOE HANZAWA; HIRAM DOI; STAN & TERRY YAMAMOTO; MASA KOBASHIGAWA; PAUL NISHIMURA; SAB ITAKURA (Kauai); TERRY & ELSTIE ARATANI; CHAMP SUZUKI & BELLA NAGATOSHI; BRUNO & ELLEN YAMADA; TAD FUJISHIGE; MOTOMI SHINDO; ANDY & MAE YAMASHIRO and HAROLD WATASE. Credit CHAMP & BRUNO for coordinating the works.

Couple of bad news and a good one to follow. The bad news is ELSTIE KOGA passed away, almost exactly a month after the KASHINO's left town. Due mainly to an asthmatic condition, I believe, combined with other complications. The consensus among those in the know was "it's a good thing the popular Seattle couple were here while she was alive."

The other bad news is MASA MANABE, too, suddenly collapsed and died (Massive hemorrhaging of the aorta, according to wife, HARUKO) in his living room, late Thanksgiving eve. Originally from Koloa, Kauai, MASA was 77. Both of them will be missed. May their souls rest in peace. Our deepest condolences go out to the remaining next of kins of both families.

The good news, according to BRUNO is aimed primarily at those planning to attend the 1990 AJA Veterans Reunion in Kona. Prices on the rooms and the golf tournaments have dropped somewhat. You should be able to find the details of it somewhere else in this Bulletin. Possibly in the editor's column, up front. Those who have already made their deposit will be credited accordingly.

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by Henry Chagami

Wally Nunotani made my day when he sent, as requested, a report on his personal experience during the San Francisco earthquake, news on the Go-For-Broke National Veterans Organization November meeting held in Washington D.C. to plan for the 1993 Golden Anniversary and erection of a national monument, and a new article on a grant received by Katherine Nunotani.

Since the San Francisco earthquake, Wally has been to a planning meeting of the Go-For-Broke organization held Nov. 10-12 in Washington D.C. Major items on the agenda were the preliminary planning for the 1993 Golden Anniversary Commemoration of the activation of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, the historic combat exploits of the 100th Infantry Battalion at the Battle for Rome, and the beginning of the U.S. Military Intelligence Service Language School at Crissy Field, Presidio of San Francisco. Also discussed were erection of a monument to honor the Japanese American soldiers of World War II, appropriate memorial service at Arlington National cemetery and placing of historic markers at Crissy Field, Camp Savage, Fort Snelling for MIS, at Camp Shelby for the 442nd, and Camp McCoy for the 100th. Wally says that the meetings were productive. Several committees were created to look into the design of the monument as well as acquiring the land for the monument. This monument is not a self-aggrandizement of the 100/442, MIS, to glorify their exploits, but rather to glorify the "spirit of Go-For-Broke" says Wally.

The news article on Katherine Nunotani was provided very reluctantly by Wally. He felt that this Cannon Chapter news bulletin would be too overbearingly dominated by coverage on the Nunotanis. No need to "enryo", Wally! I encourage and welcome more mainland and Hawaii cannoners to submit news for the Bulletin.

Katherine Nunotani was selected as one of six honorees by the Asian Foundation for Community Development. On November 6, 1989, at the Foundation's annual "Visions" fundraising dinner at the Hotel Nikko in San Francisco, Kathy was presented a \$1,000 grant which was to be donated to a non-profit organization of her choice. The honorees were selected for their vision, creativity, and leadership in philanthropy and volunteerism in the Asian Pacific Community. Kathy's citation reads: "Active in church and community affairs, Mrs. Nunotani's untiring volunteerism has been transmitted to her own family, husband Wally, and three daughters, Karen, Pam and Marsha.

Her family has always been her first and final source of support. She has also instilled other Nisei and Sansei a sense of community service and has been an inspiration to many new volunteers. It was largely through her coordinating efforts that Kimochi's nutrition program has been fortunate to have daily volunteers at its lunch program from Pine United Methodist Church. This volunteer corp numbers over 60 Nisei a month.

Mrs. Nunotani's participation in various community service organizations include the National Coalition for Redress/Reparations, JCCNC Board of Directors, Veterans of Foreign Wars-Golden Gate Nisei Post 9879, National Japanese-American Historical Society, Pine United Methodist Church and the Japanese-American Citizens League. She is currently a volunteer coordinator of the nutrition program, serves on the hospital visitation team and food committee for special events for Kimochi, Inc. Additionally, she serves as Membership Secretary and Trustee for the JCCNC Board of Directors.

Known for her impressive sushi and culinary skills, Mrs. Nunotani's willingness to contribute her talents has led to an exhausting schedule of foods preparation for various community events. She has been able to pool together a group of dedicated Nisei volunteers to assist her in this regard.

A talented and highly regarded lady in the Japanese community, Mrs. Nunotani has exhibited philanthropy and volunteerism in a fashion that benefits many. The Asian Foundation for Community Development applauds Mrs. Nunotani's accomplishments and her efforts to pass on her legacy to future generations of Asian Americans.

Kathy was presented a crystal prism, a State Assembly resolution, a certificate of appreciation from the mayor of Oakland, and a certificate proclaiming Nov. 10, 1989, as "Visions '89 Day" by the mayor of Oakland. She gave her \$1,000 grant award to the S.F. JACL's Scholarship for Leadership Community Development.

Wally Nunotani's report on the San Francisco earthquake follows:

REPORT FROM SAN FRANCISCO November 18, 1989

Precisely at 5:04 p.m. on October 17, the day that the devastating 7.1 earthquake rocked the San Francisco Bay Area, Katherine and I and our grandson were in our car at a stop light six blocks from home, waiting for the light to turn green so that we could hurry home to watch the third game of the World Series. Our car rocked from side to side with such force that we feared

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it would bump the car next to us. At that same moment our daughter, Marsha, was in our home, waiting to pick up her son. She will not soon forget those terrifying fifteen seconds as she saw and heard many objects falling about her-----the TV and VCR in the breakfast room, the potted plants in the solarium, the upstairs TV, books and book cases. Water sloshed out of toilet bowls. Piano and beds moved five inches from their original positions. However, not everything fell from high places, so it's difficult to explain why some things fell and some didn't. Anyway, it was some mess to clean up! This experience must have echoed in practically every home in San Francisco.

We were fortunate in suffering only minimal losses through breakage, but many of our friends did not fare as well. They lost valuable crystal wares, vases, expensive dinnerware sets, clocks, lamps, TV and many other valuable goods.

We suffered only minimal damages to our buildings in our Richmond district. While a few homes and apartment buildings had to be vacated because of structural damages, most of our homes had only very minor cracks in the stucco or brick facade and just a few cracks in the interior plaster. The land-filled Marina district was hard hit with fires consuming a number of homes, and many buildings were damaged beyond repair.

The national and world TV coverages made it look like much of the Bay Area was destroyed. It wasn't so. I would venture a guess that 98% of all San Francisco buildings fared very well, possibly with only minimal cosmetic damages, if any, and many others with no damage at all.

Our governor has released some figures, the quake damage is estimated at \$5.6 billion, confirmed 61 deaths and 3,757 injuries.

The bay bridge opened for vehicular traffic yesterday, exactly one month from the day the quake knocked a 50-foot span onto the second level. The combined efforts of many made it possible to open it sooner than expected. 250,000 cars use it daily, so we cannot overstate the importance in getting it repaired quickly.

It is one month and one day since that "great quake of '89" shook us to our core. There are still many people who are hurting---people who have lost their loved ones or their real and personal properties, people who are displaced, and those who are deeply traumatized by the experience. For most of us, we were fortunate to survive it with minimal losses. We are most thankful for that. We are also deeply grateful to our many

friends and relatives across the country, even from Japan, who called to express their concern for us. We thank especially Cannoneers Kaoru and Mabel Watanabe, Tom and Barbara Okino, Curly and Ann Muraoka, and Henry and Natsuko Chagami, all of whom expressed the Cannoneers' concerns. We were also warmed by Tosh Suyematsu's call from Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Bits and Pieces

Tooru Taguchi, Chicago cannoneer, stopped in Honolulu on his way to Maui, long enough to call Curly Muraoka and talk briefly. Curly received the message that Kimi, Tooru's wife, has passed away due to cancer. Our heartfelt condolences to Tooru. Kimi regularly attended Nisei Veterans Reunions. We will miss her cheerfulness and presence.

Masami Ohara was hospitalized at Straub recently for observation and examination after an attack of chest pains. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Masami!

Again, my sincere thanks to Wally Nunotani for his contribution to this news bulletin.

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BRUNO also revealed that VIC IZUI's Chicago group will combine forces with JIM YAMASHITA's L.A. group. And will be traveling together through Kona, Maui and eventually to Oahu before returning to the continental U.S.A. The following names were made available by Mr. "B": VIC & MICHIE IZUI; FRANK & TOSHIKO SAKAMOTO; GANUI & GEORGE TANAKA; FRED TAKENAKA; RON & HELEN MATSUNAGA; TOM & ROSE KINAGA; TAK & MARY SENZAKI; BILL OKAZAKI; LARRY & AKIKO MORI; GEORGE & ESTHER BUTO; JAMES MIYAMOTO; BILL & SADA MORITA with MICHIE ANRAKU & MARGARET MORITA; NOBO & ROSE IKUTA with son-in-law JERRY & ELAINE TOMINAGA plus KIMBERLY KEVEN & KRIS; JIM & MARIAN YAMASHITA; FRANK & MELODI NAKASHIMA.

The Co. I Christmas Party (Dec 10, 1989) should be a thing of the past by the time this gets to you. But let me wish all of you a "Happy Holiday Season," now, just the same.

Item proxy TERRY ARATANI decreed that our chapter dues will be \$12, down from \$15, from here on in. So don't forget to pay up. Some of you should check with BILL. You have yet to pay this years (1989) dues. Don't be surprised when your name is not included in the Co. I ad, inside the upcoming Kona 1990 souvenir book.

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Reminisce

As the year comes to a close, we can look back to see that it was a good year for most of us, who are retired and enjoying the things which we couldn't do too much, when we were working. Traveling, golfing, fishing, meeting with friends without worrying about time have been enjoyed by many.

Let's hope that 1990 will bring us more memorable events, such as our Post Reunion in July with our mainland friends, along with the other enjoyable things mentioned above.

Mainland Visitors

The responses to our inquiries on the Post Reunion in Honolulu next July indicate a large contingent from the mainland is planning that reunion. Pagoda Hotel will be our headquarters for the reunion. The following have indicated that they are planning to attend: Richard Itanagas, Roy Greenes, Dewey Fukuis, Frank Kurodas, Minor Miyasakis, Noboru Morios, Sam Ogawas, Charles Furumatus, Mrs. Mary Kawabata, Mrs. Fudge Tashiro, Dick Miyoshis, John Unos, Shige Ozima, Stanley Senkaku, Jimmy Dois, Clement Miyayas, Tets Asatos, Jun Fukuzawas, Taki Handas, Roy Machidas, Mrs. Kay Sekino, Mrs. Aiko Yoshida, George Karatsus, Jim Makinos, George Nakatsus, Tom Nakamotos, James Abes, Kingo Kotakes, The Otos, Darryl Jacobs, Bones Fujimotos, Tom Kokkas, Mac Kakudos, Ray Sakaguchis, Arthur Nishimotos and Jack Kondos.

There might be additions or deletions, but we expect a heavy turnout.

Regrets

Jack Kondo sent a note that Laurence "Swanee" Tomita died Nov. 21, 1989 in Hilo. He also stated that "G" Co. guys and their wives in Hilo attended the graveside service at the Hawaii Veterans Cemetery in Hilo.

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Congratulations goes to Sadako Honda who recently won honors at a statewide Karaoke contest. Good work, Sadako and go for it!

Matt was recently hospitalized for surgery. He assures us that he is well and recuperating at home.

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Golden Wedding Anniversary

Konogoro the boys (232nd Engrs/Band), one by one have been attending their high school graduating class 50th Reunion. No big deal, kids (hi-yoko) stuff and minor leaguers in comparison to Walter & Hazel Matsumoto, who observed and celebrated, not their 50th class reunion but their 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary. Taishita mon. Dis kine omedetai occasion mettani nai. This most memorable and momentous (for them especially) event was held at the Queen Kapiolani Hotel's Akala Banquet Room. Maa, shiran uchini ayan natta kano. Osoroshii yohni, how time flies. Seems like only tatta kono aida they had their 10th with families from his and her side attending. Was only for the immediate shinruis but daibun atsumatotta. Our thinking then was boy, they had been married for some long time. Ima reflect sete miruto, they were only scratching the surface yet.

This had to wait for 50 years so can happen party was a happy anniversary gift to them from their oyakoko son, Bruce and just as oyakoko daughter-in-law, Ruby and since while we're at it may as well mention grandson, Todd (unspoiled and good kid), a St. Louis High School 10th grader (built just like six o'clock, straight up and down and hosonagai) and the heir apparent to the Matsumoto no zaisan. "Brucie" (our pet name for him) is with Park Engineering and Ruby is with the bank that says "Yes." The young Matsumotos, futari tomo are dedicated, conscientious, kan-shinna and hardworking people (no doubt, parents kara utsutta) and have been with their respective employers for a very long time. You can safely say, that's where they started working full time.

Walter's been retired now from the City's Engineering Dept., where he was the director for some 22 plus years. Being an established inkyosan, enjoys golf, yard work, see da mago (staunchest backer and fan) play baseball, not necessarily in the order mentioned. This is all done after taking care of No. 1 (Hazel) first, of course. His only monku (he has?) is something like, "g...d.... my (golf) handicap going up." He plays at least twice (Tues. & Thurs.) a week at Ft. Shafter, a nine hole military course and club play (232nd Engrs/Band & Carps Club) in between. Been at it since pre WWII days but not discouraged and gambatte still looking for his first hole-in-one, which is every golfers dream. More like a fixture at Shafter, he must know all the greens and hazards too, like the back of his hands. His present handicap is....gotta check if went up some more. Only kidding.

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We said it in the past and we'll say it again that our 232nd Engrs/Band Chapter is very fortunate in having a member like Walter. From the very outset and still yet, he is very much into everything, major or minor that concerns the chapter. Just giving you an idea how the way he is involved. We have no problems or headaches in dealing with delicate matters like omimai, senbetsu, koden or whatever (who to give and how much), because the policy chanto stay all down in black and white, which he served as the committee chairman. Believe, it saves a lot of pilikia and prevents any unnecessary hard feelings. In short, he's the man.

Hazel, an akamai woman, feeling not quite up to par lately, never pushes and yukkuri btsu btsu does things. Oh yes! she did her share and lots more since the formation of the chapter. Any gatherings, functions or whatever, she was/is in there in the thick of it, not only as part timer but going all out from the very beginning to the very end. There is a saying that goes something like: To every successful man, there's a woman back of him. To that we say, honna kotsu bai, or in plain English translates to, how true.

Was a very nice party and worth waiting 50 years, not only because was well planned and the time and effort put in by Bruce and Ruby and Kiyo Kimura as da emushi. After all, it took all of half a century in the making. Kiyo, da buga went shine up like always. No matter how good a person, they have their off days once in a while. Not dis Kiyo no yatsu, he only gets better and better. Jiro Watanabe's (L) Akogare Band, featuring you-know-who and Joe Sato was well received by the guests for their Japanese and Hawaiian numbers. Our "assignment" for the evening was only one, but a very important and responsible one, leading da banzais. No, not 50 times (bambai huli) but the traditional three. Gotta admit did a commendable job. Made damn sure that Walter could hear it loud and clear. Hazel, no shimpai.

On happy occasions like this, nantoka shiran but tsuzukete some other iikoto ga aru, like Hurricane Hugo "blew over" the Tom Masamori's of Denver, Colorado and "deposited" them in Queen Kapiolani Hotel, only a few doors away from the Akala Room, site of this party. What a pleasant surprise. Shigeru & Janet Goto's (3rd HQ) rendition (duet) of "Seto No Hanayome," doh yutara iika oh! subarashii and yokatta. They were the cream of numerous "volunteer" performers. But konban dake won't mind taking a back seat to the honoree's (Walter) "Donkey Serenade," his juhachi ban. Tom Masamori went geev'en with his version of "Danny Boy," but no count because him too good. Even professionals to compete setemp maken noni. And in between he was going for broke and giving his shobai dohgu (camera) a good workout.

Gilbert Kobatake, a long time friend of Walter & Hazel was keynote speaker of the evening and the topic of his State of the Party speech was naturally, the honoree's. The evening's guests were comprised of three distinct groups; relatives, school chums/closely associated while working and the 442 and 232nd Engrs/Band buddies and their wives.

Imagine, 50 years of marital bliss--deko ageta, to which were our parents still living would more apt to say---deko don agena, hatta bai.

#### Personality

Of all the names (all good of course, bambai get slap in the head, boy--jodan, jodan), Kosuke Imori was called while in the Army, the most popular was Sgt. Imori. You know for yourself, most of the local Buddhahead guys no wanna be called with their rank, just name dakede 'nuff. Even long after becoming a civilian again and when the boys wanted to have some good clean fun and get his "goat", that's what they called him. He was good natured, jolly a person there ever was, still is. Never was one to pull rank or throw his "weight" (daibun atta) around and good thing he didn't. And he had that winsome Pepsodent smile. Poho boy, he was born a little too soon, like half a century, to get a chance to capitalize on it. He could have cleaned up on a TV commercials. Today, like plenty of the boys toshide ailing lilibit here and sukoshi there and chitto slower a foot, otherwise genkina de tashikana. One noticeable thing is, he is not as rotund as he used to be while in the Army and until tatta konaida made. He was far from being the tallest and far from being the lightest.

Being a cadre from the old Schofield Barracks days, he already was a full-fledged "zebra" (Sgt. with three stripes) when he arrived at Camp Shelby. Now, fully retired, he travels extensively, tsuideni piling up mileage plus on the side. Having children and grandchildren here in Honolulu and over there in Seattle, Wash., keeps him busy at both ends. Spends time on both sides about half and half so he calls home where he is at that moment. Now, whenever he is on this/our side, is a regular on whatever chapter functions, hima sae areba, that is.

This is for real and honto demo, you more won't believe than believe, when we tell you that Kosuke as an athlete was more of a sprinter than a weight man (shot put/discus) in track during his intermediate and high school days. Reliable sources kara hanashi kikunoni, he more

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than held his own in his specialties, the dashes. He wasn't a gazelle nor a tortoise but more like something in-between. He was in the group that was timed with a stop watch and not with a sun dial or a calendar. We told you he was a sprinter. His working career was spent mostly in far away places like Okinawa, Guam and places just as tookuna. Reports that "Punjab" Shimabukuro (remember him?) is still down in Okinawa. Must be home for him now, maybe mayor?

Maybe some guys moo wasure toru but odon tachi, mada yoh oboetoras. We are referring to Kosuke Imori's Harbor House Cafe, which was located on da makai of Ala Moana Blvd and Waikiki side of the Ala Wai Canal Bridge. Remember? No? Anyway, some of you real old-timers (active since the inception of the club) should remember when chapter meetings were held there, anyway to get guys out. At times even at Nuuanu or was it Central "Y" or both. How can forget them early trying years when just the majority of the chapter officers (nobody else) showed up was a rarity and considered a hell of a good turnout. Not ibarung, but the chapter's come a long way. Today, ooiabaride sitting pretty (very healthy membership and the all important financial status, daijobu) but antoki koro kurumita. A perfect example of the old Japanese proverb that went, Raku wa ku no tane, ku wa raku no tane.

Good to have the boys, like Kosuke, come back home to "roost." Remember the age old kotowaza, Asani deru ushiwa yoru ni modoru... This must be one cow from Niigata, Fukushima or from other northern part of Honshu.

#### Chapter Meeting - September

Konya was a fast, no guzuguzu meeting, never forgetting or omitting anything either. Reported what transpired at the September BOD meeting, not too much and nothing worthy for any discussion. On the chapter level, 99.9% of the time was spent on the upcoming 1990 Reunion in Kona. Dis kine Reunion thing, in the past nambo and iigai yattenu, no can chandane take things for granted and rush, but yukkuri no awateru and go easy but slow. So, as things are finalized, the steering committee will pass it on to you.

After the business portion went pau, which never take too long, everybody was on their own with the diehard Rainbow fans surrounding the TV tuning on the Hawaiian Airlines Wahine Volleyball Classic which was in progress. Again (ho hum) the University of Hawaii Rainbow Wahines won it all finishing in grand style undefeated. Teams

that went huli and bite the dust were very formidable teams like last year's NCAA champions Texas Lady Longhorns and this year's pre-season polls' top dog, the UCLA Lady Bruins.

We had the usual, typical turnout but didn't look it due to our meeting night buddies (2HQ) a no show, so was on a lilibit lonesome side. Taking advantage of their absence, guys spread themselves all over the place and ankina datta. Certainly, the 2HQ boys were missed but on the other hand....just like uchino granddaughters, ottara yakamashii, oran nara sabi-shii. No can win.

Noticed or not, nobody mentioned of the neatly and beautifully done new paint job in both bathrooms and bar area by volunteers from the various chapters.

#### Chapter Meeting - October

It was a breeze, this meeting was. Why, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting by our most efficient secretary, Masa Yamasaki took longer. Nah, nah, exaggerated but not by too much. No fool around boy, our forever secretary is no slouch when come to taking minutes, motto kuwa shii. We told you before and we'll tell you again, alright to miss a meeting but you cannot afford to miss the reading of the minutes. Being already October, somebody asked when's the Xmas party. Everybody knows for sure in early December and the place but nobody knew the exact date so shogonashi, waza waza had to call Victoria Inn. The date, December 9, when US football team plays Air Force. Plenty guys (season ticket holders) huhu like hell boy, but no can help no, the place was reserved at last year's party. Next year, the date bang bang senyohni ochitsuite gotta check the schedule closer. You can go to the game, it starts at 2:30 pm and the party 6:30 pm. All you need to do is switch your tail-getting site to Victoria Inn.

#### Chapter Meeting - November

Election of Officers for 1990, or the year of the Kona Reunion. President-Joe Sato, Vice President-Eddie Kanaya, Secretary-Masao Yamasaki, and Treasurer-Monte Okamoto. Again, Nomination Committee Chairman, Walter Matsumoto and his committee came up with a super hard-to-beat slate. Like they say, no sweat and no problem when you have the personnel. Need we mention that there were no negative votes. And the beauty part of it all was, you no need to campaign and no need to hoomalimali anybody. President-elect Sato's acceptance speech was short

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and to the point and went something like, "We're all in this together, so please don't say no whenever kokua is solicited for whatever." Well said.

Pleasant surprise was Takeshi Hirata of Hilo (Big Island), bin katte dropped in to say "howzit" to the boys modorishina from Las Vegas. No need to ask him doh dattaka (made money or not) because from the gleam in his mentama was yokatta and mokatta. Him, wife, Violet and several of the Hilo boys and their wives will be taking an active part in the upcoming Reunion in Kona.

Besides Gary Kawate's fish tempura, the manjus by Tommy Hirao's Nisskodo Candy Store were the evening's main entree. Ended the year's last meeting (December is Xmas party) by watching on TV, Castle High School manhandle Leilehua High School in the semi-final OIA football game.

Special Meeting

A special meeting for the upcoming 1990 Reunion in Kona was held at the clubhouse. The sole purpose was to push the Reunion bound people. Like the old folks would say, teregure setara, shiran uchi ni kuru. A change for the better, it was held on a Sunday, day time to accommodate the no like to drive at night guys and the all important wives. Important things of this nature is a must for the other better half to be present, bambai all jam up. Get guys like us, what goes in the ear at meetings and what comes out from the mouth indara, funny kind but some things no jibe. That's usually how da fufu-genka starts.

Had box bento lunch so tabe nagara no need to isogu and yukkuri can go into the minutest details. Post Reunion Co-Chairmen Tommy Kiyosaki & Walter Matsumoto gave a progress report. Kona Reunion General Chairman, Fred Fujimoto was on hand to give moral support and in case for moshimo . . . . . wife, Midori tsuite kita. Our Secretary of Air Transportation, Lily (Monte) Okamoto made a report also.

"Absence makes the heart grow fonder." We are talking about Jimmy Nakamura. He was a no-show, so shikata nashi was forced to assume the beer "distributorship." Good old reliable Joe Sato was in charge of providing da bento. Some may think it's a minor thing but you try go do 'em.

Wedding Bells

Jeann Kimie, No. 2 daughter and otombo of Doc & Mary Kawamoto got married to William

Edward Boyd, Jr. The ceremony was at the Honpa Hongwanji Temple on Pali Highway and the reception followed at the Diamond Head Ballroom of the Hawaiian Regent Hotel in Waikiki. She went away to college and after graduating, worked and lived on the mainland and will go back and settle there.

The bride, good looking (mama ni niite) young lady. Her looks marukiri chigattoru from before Xmas party kiyotta days. The groom is a mainland haole from Hermosa Beach, California, that's why boo-coo shinrui came for da kekkon shiki. Relatives coming from all over the mainland like New York, Oklahoma, Texas, South Carolina and some other places.

We believe when they say clothes make a man. Man alive, Yuso Iwane and Calvin Yasuhara never hold back nothing and went doll-em up and went knob'em dead, dressing formally. The reason Calvin gave was, "we went church--to the ceremony--as why." Just like Japanese TV stars. They look for the better and shaka too because nani kitemo, they fill 'em but good. The tuxedo went help da yome-san's father too. Mary as always, johinna.

The proud (and much relieved) father says, korede owari and anshin seta. All the three kids are now married and supposed to be on their own, but tokidoki (like all parents) iirunara kokua sete yara gena. You know da oyaji eh, soft hearted that's why for da kodomo no tame nara nandemo kandemo sete ageru.

Reason why da furui Kawamoto's marriage is like the Waipahu Plantation caterpillar (formidable and intact) is they have a formula from which they do everything on the 50-50 basis, like Mary does all da shimpai and work and Danna san go toot da horn, which he is very good at and takes no back seat to nobody.

During the cocktail hour, Kiyo Kimura (MC for the evening), Joe Sato and Jiro Watanabe (L) leader of the "Akogare" entertained the guests with American, Hawaiian and Japanese music and songs. Dancing followed and the "star" on the floor was little Malia (Kawamoto no magojo), a mere 5 or 6 years old a wall flower she ain't and never sat one out. Unlike grandpa, only sukoshi dake "borot."

Happy Birthday

Adam Noritomo (named after grandpa) Kiyosaki, observed and celebrated his first tanjobi iwai. The happy birthday boy, Ken's son and

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and Tommy's grandson is on the pleasantly plump side with wavy/curly hair, oshii for one boy, boy. Only atarimae that the proud and happy father daki nagara go strut around and show him off.

Da kaukau wuz a winnah, fantastical, fabulous and endless flow with all da kine kasane-toru dishes, no more breathing room on the table. Any dish, miteta to omotara miteru maeni was replenished with another full one and was like that kyaku ga pau naru made. You can talk about what was what all day and night and still couldn't do justice. If guys made buta of themselves, no haji and not their fault. Just for beginners, the sushi, all kinds, not da kine catered but made just for you by the sushi specialist. All you needed to do was point 'em out, are, kore and nambo iro, that is after putting time in the waiting line. Ase don kaite, da sushi-bar man gaman dashite was going for broke, trying to keep up with the demand but was a losing battle and dame datta, the line only seemed to get longer.

Our heart goes out to the wives that went miss out, they chose to take in a fashion show (committed long before) and most likely dined on some "greasy spoon" stuffs. Us menfolks nara, food yutara first, last and always, especially at dakine haikara place, no think and just go. Da wahines rather see, the men rather eat.

This happy event was at the very exclusive Pacific Club. First time ever stepping foot there for us inakappes so went size 'em up and geev'em the once over. The only difference from our beloved clubhouse, more (totemo) fancy and more (like how many times more) spacious. No sour grapes on our part but for comfort and being ankina no more chance with our home away from home on Wiliwili St. Being the "landlord" at any time you can park your okole any place and okorare nashi go hirogeru yourself.

Grandpa Tommy was all smiles, so was Auntie Nori. The only thing that could have made this a better party was if Grandma Sue was there with them.

Yakudoshi

Happy 41st birthday to Richard, eldest of the family of Richard & Clara Urada of Pearl City. Talking about the kids making 41 years old, mama mia that's when hyokutto you realize you one old, furui and makule bugga. Father and son get similar haole first name but not Senior and Junior because da musuko Japanese name chigau. The happy birthday boy came home

to observe and celebrate the big happy occasion with the family (mom, dad, and three sisters, him hitori musuko), relatives and friends. He's been working and living on the mainland for a good many years. And if our nomiso still on da pololoi side, all the time was spent on the west coast and in California. Young Urada and family call home Torrance, tonari mura to Gardena, where urusai hodo etto local (Hawaii) guys have dropped anchor for life. Papa ni niite on the reserved side and possess that pleasing personality and very polite as well. You wouldn't call pop a small man but son is much bigger and towers over him. Richard (the son) is a good boy, well behaved/mannered, da kine that any mother with a marriageable daughter would like for a son-in-law.

50th Class Reunion

Herbert "Kimo" Kimoto, who's been living almost all of his adult life in L.A., came back konaida to take part in the 50th class reunion of Farrington High School's graduating class of 1939.

Da lousy bugga, he came and went with hardly anybody knowing about it. No ask us how we know, our job is to know everything. Not protesting vehemently but our lilibit monku is, up there iku tanbini mirani (the chapter boys & wives) yoh seta kureru. Eh, Kimo, we feel kinda kinodoku, boy. Wuz so dakine (secretive) dat we never get chance to "interview" him. That's okay, we'll catch him next year when he and his entourage come and "take over" the reunion in Kona. Him too, stay in the group that, yu kuma, yutemo kuru.

Heard from reliable sources he's not golfing anymore, not voluntarily but compelled to do so, nanika no tamede. Almost unheard of when a golfer no make it a duffer (not you, Kimo) quit on his own. Yeah, you always hear, "I quit" (when they're playing junk, which is almost always) only too often, mimiga itonaru made and until da hagali-ness wears off. It's no secret that golfers have the shortest memory.







Being on the yoka otoko side, was no strain for him to catch one peachy Kotonk girl for a wife. Fully retired, da Kimoto's (Herb & Marye) are living happily ever after in "Smog" City, U.S.A. (cough, cough).

Convalescing

Richard Murakami is really in the pink and doing super since having his stomach completely removed early this year. Visited as well as tochude ran into him on several occasions and mitara makoto ni mamede pin pin setoras. The first noticeable and standout thing about him is

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da irome doh yutara iika. But you do know what we are trying to convey to you, don't you. (Sound like one kotonk, huh). Making so much progress at such an amazing rate and feeling so good, is contemplating a trip to Japan as early as October of this year, wife, Lily tsurete, of course. To us (anyway) that has known, worked and been associated with him real close for nearly half a century knows that this man's forte is determination. Sheer determination brought about this fast recovery. What helped too was, he is not the type of person that has self pity but dekiru dake moves around and keeps busy. His immaculate lifestyle was a factor too. He must still remember one of the then popular poster sign during WWII that went, "Idle hands feed the axis." Da akamai author that coined the phrase, "The difficult we do right away, the impossible takes a little longer," must have had Richard in mind. A quitter, he is not. P.S. As planned, Japan ni itta.

#### Human Interest Story

Barbara Nogaki of Melbourne, Australia and a sister-in-law of our Mac Nogaki of Seattle, Wash. was in town (Honolulu) konaida to otogaini repay, if not felt kinodokuna for what the 232nd Engrs/Band Chapter boys did for her back in 1973 or thereabouts. Get people that you do good to them, they no forget. Anyway, Barbara and her late husband, Kenji were on their way home to Australia after visiting the States but the husband-hyokutto was stricken with nandatta kano, anyway was serious enough to be hospitalized and shikata nashi was forced to delay their trip home for several weeks.

Futari tomo being total strangers in a strange place didn't know what to do or which way to turn. For Kenji, no problem being a patient in the hospital. But Barbara yo, kawaii soona for her and for sure daibun meniotoa. The problem was sugoto solved when Mac got wind of their plight and asked the chapter for kokua. The boys responded beautifully and was smooth and clear sailing for them after that.

This fiction no yohna incident occurred during the administration of Morris Miyasato. This man "Mo" kashinna yutara. Being the chapter president, he no let it go to his head or take advantage and order guys around, do this, do that, but go do'em jibunde like go picking up Barbara where she stayed (duration of the hospitalization) and took her to visit her husband and back for five weeks or so. Walter Matsumoto and Joe Sato were just as much involved. Walter and Joe live nearby in town, but kono Mo, da bugga hitoride used to drive all the way from out Wahiawa and dem were were still working days. Who said good guys go

first. No need "broadcast" dis kine good deed because in due time will surface.

This grateful lady, dekiru dake tried to make it much sooner to come and personally thank da kokua seta people, but losing her husband in 1983 and her long ailing older brother early this year, kept her from traveling at length, so was unable to do so until now. She'll be visiting the Nogaki clan (daibun aru), mostly in the Seattle area, other west coast cities like SF and LA. Also with relatives and close friends in NY, Boston, DC and other places along the eastern seaboard.

A native Australian (born and reared) but never been to the neighbor island, the New Zealand. How about that. This is something on da mezurashii side, this caucasian woman just loves sashimi and all kinds of tsukemono like takuan, konkon or what have you. Forgot to ask her, natto taberu ka. Prepares a good dish of nishime too. Even knows how to make makizushi and enjoys doing it. How many of our girls can. You could just imagine, damma san ni yoh sete yatta. Like they say, "Tkitoru aida kawai gatte yaran nara."

A nice/pleasant lady and easy to carry on a conversation with, that is until her "fancy-nation" kotoba no tsukae kata nareru made. Meeting her for the first time at Pagoda Hotel, us guys doshoka to omote, like when you kakeru da lei, you go kiss her or not---kiss seta. Was lilibit on da leery side at first, but after exchanging aisatsu, da haluluness went disappear and was a breeze there on in. Everything went good far better than omou yohni that's why all da dis'dat for da pre-whachama call it nebatta. We thought she spoke a little "funny." For sure we must have sounded more than a little funny, more like weird to her. The bottom line, maybe we didn't sound like it but we were both speaking the same language, English. May we add, this akamai woman poses a keen and sharp mind and very knowledgeable on current as well as past events. And shan shan too.

Her mission was "accomplished" when she hosted the could-make-it people and thanked them individually at a dinner at the Pagoda Floating Restaurant. Those in attendance, Doc Kawamoto, Kiyo Kimura, Hichi Matsumoto, Walter Matsumoto and Mo Miyasato. Joe Sato was there earlier in the evening to renew old acquaintances, but due to some other commitment had to leave early.

#### Shorts

Immediate Past president of the 442 Veterans Club Rodney Yamashiro, was seen with many from the 442 Uta No Kai, enjoying an afternoon of

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karaoke show at Sheraton Waikiki. We all know he is a macho guy so koreni tamageta. Like they say, Music hath charm to soothe the native beast.

Konaida ran head on into Art "Primo" Kikukawa, "Da Cockeyed Mayor" of Kaunakakai, at Straub Clinic & Hospital. Nothing to fret about, the visit was for a routine checkup. At this stage of life, the all important thing is, no matter what, no wait and go. Think afterward.

What a pleasant surprise seeing Alvin, Diana and Gail (Rodney & Nora Yamashiro) dining together at a popular local restaurant. Alvin and Diana just flew in from L.A. to spend some time with Mom and Dad for the Thanksgiving holiday. Not a sentimentalist but seeing them naka-yoku ni enjoying, laughing and talking, no can help but namida ga nagareta. Result of good upbringing. Alvin, who went to Iolani ('60) was the prep school premiere running back and sprinter. Today, he would be strong side offensive tackle and shotputter.

Suzanne made parents Joe & Jane Sato grandparents for the very first time. A bouncing baby boy.

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Perhaps it is too late for the Kona Reunion, but for the next reunion after that we should provide red, white and blue overseas caps rather than golf caps. And also appropriate "dress" shirt on which we can proudly wear our ribbons. Then after we get our comrades to wear their campaign ribbons for all special occasions, we can then design a jacket to wear on all "formal" occasions. At that point we can all proudly wear our medals. Perhaps if we act and conduct ourselves as winners, our children will follow and take more interest in carrying out the traditions of the organization.

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# Golf News

By Bruno Yamada

## AJA Tournament

Tom Tanaka has added another trophy to his huge collection by capturing the A-Flight championship in the 18th Annual AJA Veterans Council Golf Tournament held at the Honolulu Country Club on September 26.

Tom shot a 6/ net and tied Ted Tsukiyama (522-B) for the top honors and later nosed out Ted with a draw of a higher card. Ken Watanabe (MIS) was a close third with a 68 followed by another MIS player, George Ishida with a 69.

B-Flight was won handily by Iwao Fuzzy Fujimori of Club 100 with a very impressive net 70. Itsuo Tokunaga (1399) shot par golf to stay in second place.

Tom and Iwao were presented trophies donated by the Honorable Governor John Waihee and Yoshiharu Satoh of the Central Pacific Bank. Eighty eight golfers participated in this years tournament. Chairman for this years event was Ed Tamanaha.

## PRIZE WINNERS

### A-FLIGHT

1.	Tom Tanaka	442	67
2.	Ted Tsukiyama	442	67
3.	Ken Watanabe	MIS	68
4.	George Ishida	MIS	69
5.	Fred Ida	442	70
6.	Don Yagami	442	71
7.	Sam Isokane	MIS	71
8.	Richard Ogata	442	71
9.	Archie Uchida	1399	72
10.	Hal Fukunaga	442	72
11.	Al Arakaki	100	72

### B-FLIGHT

1.	Iwao Fujimori	100	70
2.	Itsuo Tokunaga	1399	72
3.	Eddie Uchihara	1399	73
4.	Wally Kawachi	1399	73
5.	Katsugo Miho	442	73
6.	Isao Mizuno	1399	74
7.	Dick Uyemura	442	75
8.	C. Igarashi	442	75
9.	Herb Isonaga	442	75
10.	Geo Takabayashi	MIS	75

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Friday, March 16 ..... Aloha Nite, Pupu Party  
6:00 p.m. Hanamaulu Cafe

Sat. & Sun., March 17 & 18 ..... Wailua G.C. Sat., March 17, 7:00 a.m. Tee Off Time  
Kiahuna G.C. Sun., March 18, 7:00 a.m. Tee Off Time

Sunday, March 18 ..... Awards Banquet (No host cocktail)  
6:00 p.m. (To Be Announced)

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Senator Dan Inouye's Trophy,  
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# KAUAI Tournament

March 17 and 18 will be the Silver Anniversary of the Kauai 442nd Invitational Golf Tournament. It all started back in 1965, a year after the course was expanded from a nine-hole to an eighteen hole course. Many of the people who were instrumental in forming this tournament have either passed away or are incapacitated. To them we are very thankful and perhaps we could dedicate this next tournament.

The 1990 tournament will be played again at the Wailua and Kiahuna golf courses. This 36 hole affair will be chaired by Yuki Arashiro. Defending champion Bill Tanaka who shot a 134 (67-67) in 1989 will be back to defend this title.

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# 442nd RETIREES GOLF CLUB by Ed Tamondho

On June 15, 1989, 28 members assembled at the Pali Golf Course. Yoshi Higa was hot this day as he turned in a net 62 to win top honors, (home course advantage??) Hichi Matsumoto came in with a respectable 66 for second and Stan Yamamoto was third with 68. But front nine was tied by Herb Isonaga and Maui Okamura with net 34. Back nine was Terry Ihara with 33½. Closest to the pin were: front par 3, #7, Speed Tanna and back #15 Teiji Chinna.

On June 29, 1989, at the Makalena Golf Course, 26 members were present. After the dust had cleared, Bobby Hirayama appeared as winner of first place with a net 64. One shot back was Bull Namba with a net 65 and another shot back for third with a net 66 was Neka Matoi. Masami Doi took the front nine with net 32 and Kats Ibara the back nine with net 30. Closest to the pin on #6 hole was Tom Mayeda and on the #17 was Neka Matoi.

July 10, 1989, at Ft. Shafter Golf Course, Smitty Koga turned in the best score, a net 66. Tadashi Kunishige and Lefty Sugihara were net 67 and with the tie-breaker, Tadashi was declared 2nd place, Lefty 3rd place. Very good front and back nine were turned in by Jiro Shimomura 29½ and Terry Ihara 28½ respectively. No one took closest to the pin on #5. Neka Matoi was the best on #17.

July 17, 1989, at the Pali Golf Course, we decided to eliminate the blind team prize and went to 5 individual places. We had three tied for first at net 70 but the tie-breaker declared Maui Okamura first, Rusty Honda and Milton Uchigaki

split the second and third prizes because they were still tied after the tie-breaker. Fourth place was Sho Miota net 72 and fifth were Lefty Sugihara and Tadashi Kunishige 73. Herb Isonaga was the front nine with 35. Closest to the pin were; Jiro Shimomura #7 hole and Steve Hirotsu #15.

August 22, 1989, at the Honolulu Country Club, Dick Uyemura came in with a net 66 to easily beat the field for top honors. Next were Sho Miota and Stanley Yamamoto with 70 for second and third respectively. Also, with 70's were Bull Namba and Kats Ibara to place fourth and fifth respectively. Best nines were Bobby Hirayama front net 34 and Charley Igarashi 35 back. Closest to the pin were Teru Nishiyama #4 hole and Maui Okamura #13.

August 31, 1989, at the Makalena Golf Course Mits Honda was hot as he turned in a net 64 to nose out three others with net 65. Teiji Chinna and Bull Namba were still tied for second even with our tie-breaker. Stan Yamamoto with the other net 65 came in fourth after the tie-breaker. Another shot back with net 66 were Lefty Sugihara and Steve Hirotsu who tied for fifth even with the tie-breaker. Best nines were turned in by Speed Tanna front 31½ and Masami Doi back 29½. Closest to the pin were Teiji Chinna #6 and Maui Okamura #17.

More news of our club activities at a later date. ALOHA for now.

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informed the members that he and Frances will be expecting another grandchild shortly. Raymond and Mimi completed another phase of Advance Japanese Communicative course given at Kaimuki High School's Adult Education Class.

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# FINALE

This will bring down the curtain for the year 1989. Our deepest sympathy to the KANE-MORI's on the passing of HATSUE's mother during the latter part of this year. May yours be a Happy, Healthful New Year. Another year to continue being that good boy as you continue to share your happiness with one and all. "Gooru rock" till the next one.

END

# GENERAL PENCE

6TH CORPS GENERAL WAS

STAR DEPAUW ATHLETE

By Tubby Toms (in his Indianapolis newspaper)

Camp Atterbury, Ind. Feb. 20 (1951)--When the brand new Stars of a brigadier general were being pinned on the shoulders of Charles Wilbur Pence here the other day, the ceremony probably brought back memories of days, years earlier, when honors and laurels were being heaped on the same pair of shoulders in the same general vicinity.

For it so happens that the present chief of staff of the 6th Corps nearly 40 years earlier was embarking on one of the most sensational athletic careers in the history of DePauw University. In his first year as a backfield man on the PePauw football eleven of 1914, Pence was named on several all-state college teams, despite the fact that he weighed only 140 pounds. Notwithstanding his light physical stature, the pug-nosed halfback came to be known variously as the "blond terror," "knock-kneed kid" and "Pugnacious Pence." ON THE DEPAUW CAMPUS, HE WAS MORE INFORMALLY CALLED "SIX PENCE," A NAME THAT BECAME SO WELL KNOWN THAT LOCAL SPORTS WRITERS OFTEN ATTRIBUTED HIS GAME-TIME HEROICS SIMPLY TO "SIX" IN THEIR PUBLISHED ACCOUNTS.

In both baseball and basketball it was the same story; he was the talk of the campus. IN BASKETBALL PENCE WAS A FORWARD WHOSE HIGH SCORING MADE HIM A MARKED MAN BY OPPOSING DEFENSES. HE WAS A BASEBALL CENTERFIELDER, NOTED AS A FINE DEFENSIVE PLAYER AND STRONG HITTER AND BASE-RUNNER. AS AN ATHLETE HE WAS NOTED FOR HIS TEAM PLAY, COOL-HEADEDNESS AND DETERMINATION. HAVING ENTERED DEPAUW AFTER ATTENDING PURDUE HIS FRESHMAN YEAR, PENCE'S TIME AT THE GREENCASTLE SCHOOL WAS FURTHER CURTAILED WHEN HE VOLUNTARILY ENTERED THE ARMY DURING HIS SENIOR YEAR. CONSEQUENTLY HIS DEPAUW ATHLETIC CAREER WAS LIMITED TO TWO FULL YEARS DURING WHICH HE LETTERED IN FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, AND BASEBALL IN BOTH YEARS.

In 1916 he was honored with election (unanimously by his teammates) as captain of the football team, but a war came along and with that the beginning of a military career that finally landed him at a top rung. BEFORE LEAVING DEPAUW HE HAD ALSO BEEN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE SENIOR CLASS. When Pence left school early in 1917 to enter the service, his scholastic standing was so high that the faculty awarded him his degree in advance. It was a highly-deserved gesture, too, in that all through his college career ... Pence had been obliged to wait tables, wash dishes, fire furnaces and engage in other outside work to finance his schooling. What little remained of his time was absorbed in laboratory work, activities of various scholastic and social groups, debating and work in the fraternity of which he was a member, Delta Kappa Epsilon. ...

After completing officer training at Ft. Benjamin Harrison in 1917 Pence was assigned to the 4th Division, was overseas in a matter of only a few weeks and was severely wounded in action in the Aisne-Marne offensive. Recovering, he decided to remain in the service. ... IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE WAR PENCE MARRIED KATHRYN STEDMAN, OF GARY, WHO REMAINED WITH HIM IN MANY CHANGES OF STATION, IN AND OUT OF THE COUNTRY, DURING THE INTERWAR PERIOD. AT THE OUTBREAK OF WORLD WAR II,

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GENERAL PENCE/continued

HE WAS AT CASTLE HEIGHTS MILITARY ACADEMY IN TENNESSEE AS PROFESSOR OF MILITARY SCIENCE.

In 1943 he assumed command of the 442nd (Regimental) Combat Team, made up of Japanese-Americans from Hawaii (and the West Coast). (Starting with raw volunteers, Pence trained this unit and led it into combat, where) it won high official commendations for bravery in the offensives in Italy and France while suffering heavy casualties. ... IT WAS RANKED AMONG THE BEST FIGHTING UNITS IN WORLD WAR II, BY ALLIED AND GERMAN COMMANDERS ALIKE. ITS FEATS WERE IMMORTALIZED IN THE 1949 MOVIE "GO FOR BROKE," NAMED AFTER THE UNIT'S SLOGAN.

FOLLOWING HIS 1951 ASSIGNMENT AT CAMP ATTERBURY, PENCE WENT THE SAME YEAR TO ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, WHERE HE SERVED AS CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ALASKA DEFENSE COMMAND IN HIS FINAL ASSIGNMENT BEFORE RETIREMENT FROM THE ARMY IN NOVEMBER 1952. HE AND MRS. PENCE SETTLED IN COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, NEAR FT. BENNING, WHERE HE'D SERVED TWICE. THERE, HE SOON BECAME INVOLVED IN ESTABLISHING AND ORGANIZING THE NATIONAL BANK OF FORT BENNING, AND HE BECAME PRESIDENT WHEN IT OPENED IN 1956, A POSITION WHICH HE HELD UNTIL HIS DEATH IN 1961. ALSO AFTER HIS ARMY RETIREMENT, PENCE REMAINED ACTIVE IN NUMEROUS CIVIC AND PATRIOTIC ORGANIZATIONS. LEARNING OF HIS DEATH, HUNDREDS OF VETERANS OF HIS 442ND COMBAT TEAM HELD MEMORIAL CEREMONIES IN HIS HONOR IN HAWAII AND ON THE WEST COAST. SIMILARLY, THE COLUMBUS, GEORGIA CHAPTER OF THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE WORLD WARS PASSED A RESOLUTION WHICH READS IN PART: "BRIGADIER GENERAL CHARLES WILBUR PENCE WAS CALLED BY OUR CREATOR ON OCTOBER 8, 1961, FOLLOWING A LIFETIME OF UNSELFISH SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE IDEAS AND IDEALS THAT PROPELLED OUR COUNTRY TO WORLD LEADERSHIP DURING THOSE YEARS HE SPENT AS A SOLDIER OF OUTSTANDING ABILITY IN EACH OF THE MANY PHASES OF MILITARY ACTIVITY HIS LONG EXPERIENCE PRESENTED. ..." AT A RECENT REUNION OF 442ND VETERANS IN HAWAII, U.S. SENATOR DANIEL INOUE--HIMSELF A HIGHLY DECORATED 442ND VETERAN--PAID TRIBUTE TO HIS FORMER COMMANDER IN A FINE STATEMENT AND AFTERWARDS BY REMOVING HIS LEI AND PLACING AROUND THE NECK OF PENCE'S GRANDDAUGHTER, A SPECIAL GUEST AT THE REUNION.

Among Gen. Pence's numerous decorations are the Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star, Purple Heart, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Commendation Ribbon, and French Croix de Guerre with one Palm.

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Department of Veterans Affairs

1989 VETERANS BENEFITS HANDBOOK AVAILABLE

Sam Tiano, Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs, Honolulu, announced that the 1989 edition of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs benefits handbook, "Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents," has been published with up-to-date descriptions of the department's programs and services.

Among the VA benefits outlined in the 92-page handbook are medical care, education, compensation, pension, insurance, home loan guaranty job training, and burial assistance. It also provides information on medical benefits for veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange and radiation, and for veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder.

Employment assistance and other Department of Labor benefits for veterans are described as well as benefits provided by the Department of Defense, Small Business Administration, and other federal agencies.

The handbook contains sections on eligibility, benefits for former prisoners of war, women veterans, merchant seamen, and information on the new U. S. Court of Veterans Appeals.

Addresses and local phone numbers of all VA offices, medical centers, national cemeteries, Vietnam veteran counseling centers, and other VA facilities are also listed.

Tiano stated that the handbook is available for \$2.75 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

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