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## Morning Report

By - Sat Nakamura

This month, the Association Newsletter makes an exception and goes beyond its boundary to pay a return tribute to a non-442nd veteran, a ubiquitous personality. His name...William H. Parker, who died last month at the apex of his career.

The local 442nd Veterans Association members will recall the high praises sung of us, a year and a half ago, at the Court of Freedom, Forest Lawn Memorial Park, in Glendale, when the Military Order of World Wars, Pasadena Chapter, sponsored a program commemorating the 232nd birth anniversary of George Washington and honored the veterans of the 442nd. William H. Parker, then Chief of Police of the City of Los Angeles, delivered the keynote address.

On the evening of Sunday, July 17, an hour-long special program on the life of William H. Parker was telecast on KNXT Channel 2. I liked one part of the program, in particular, that I wrote Mr. Ralph Story, who is the greatest story teller of the places and people of Southern California, of the KNXT News, for a copy of his introduction of Police Chief Parker sometime ago before a certain banquet. Mr. Story responded promptly and gave

permission to reprint it. The TV program showed Mr. Dumphy introduce Mr. Story thus: "For thirty-seven years people have been throwing bouquets and brick bats at William H. Parker as a

public figure, a professional cop, and Chief of Police. Almost everyone is aware of what Chief Parker didn't like...because he sounded off about what he didn't like loudly and frequently. What



Outstanding Infantry Cadet Award is presented by the 442nd Veterans Association of Southern California by the President, Mr. Thomas Shimazu, to Cadet Col. Robert E. Lewis for Cadet Col. Richard B. Tanner, with Saber Peggy Fukasawa assisting at the 46th Annual Awards Review at U.C.L.A.



# BLOOD BANK NEWS

By - Art Yoshimura

Since the eight chapters banded together to form the Southern California 442nd Veterans Association, we have given time, energy and contributed money to create a useful community service-oriented organization. It was only a matter of time before we got around to giving our blood.

In 1965, then President Jim Yamashita and his cabinet began to study the feasibility and necessity of having a group blood bank. After all the chapters indicated a desire to establish this new program, a committee was formed to implement our new venture.

The committee is comprised of the following men: Tom Uyeda of A Battery, Lloyd Seki of the 100th, Jim Yamamoto of F Co., Jun Fukuzawa of G Co., Mike Tsuji of H Co., Jim Kawaminami of I Co., and Min Sumida of L Chapter. Of this group, the following men have volunteered to act as your contact men: Tom Uyeda, Jim Ya-

amoto, Jim Kawaminami, and Min Sumida. Their function will be to authorize the release of blood from the bank upon request by any member who resides in the Los Angeles or Orange County area. I urge all members who can contribute, do so at your earliest convenience. Rid yourself of some of that "tired blood!!"

Since the committee operates without a budget, we cannot offer the donor anything but a kind "thank you" and a solemn promise to spell your name correctly in the newsletter.

A tip of the old "bo-shi" to the following people who contributed one pint of blood as of August 1, 1966: Lloyd Seki (100th), Enro Okada (I Co.), Dick Shinto (I Co.), and George Seki, Dick Nakamura, Jim Kasai, Lillian and Joe Morizono, and Art Yoshimura, all of A Battery.

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## 100th-442nd Directory

Jim Yamashita, Directory Chairman, has announced that, due to circumstances beyond his Directory Committee's control, the printing of the directory will not commence until September. The woman who operates the varitype machine at the firm we're working with on the directory will be on vacation the entire month of August. So, perhaps, if we're lucky, we could have the directory ready for mailing towards the end of October.

## Dance Classes

The A Battery-100th advanced dance class will begin its fall session on Friday, September 23, at the 442nd Memorial Hall, from 9:00 to 11:00 p.m., announced Mr. Arthur Bergh, instructor. During this vacation break, Mr. Bergh has been busy as recreation director at Catalina Island. Mr. Bergh further announced that a new beginners' class will be held from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

## Month's News . . .

All Chapters are invited to have their membership and their friends take advantage of the wonderful instructions given by him. Let's not have the A Battery-100th Group monopolize the Memorial Hall and have all the fun. Those interested are asked to show up at the hall by 7:30 p.m., Friday, September 23.

We received an interesting letter from William F. Walter, Manager, Plant Protection Department for the Burns Security Systems, the group that supplied the guards during our recent fund raising activity.

In part it reads, "It has been my pleasure to be of service to your Association. I can also vividly recall my pleasant as well as amazing association with as fine a group of Combat Soldiers

as the 442nd Units I supported in Italy. I commended a multilingual heavy reconnaissance force which was attached to the 36th "T-Patch" Division from Paestum (Salerno Beach-Head) to Pisa. It

was also an experience to have been taken prisoner by men of the 442nd who didn't for one minute believe my story. They could not know that these cruddy characters dressed in German and Italian uniforms were actually Americans. Should we be able to be of service please do not hesitate to write or call."

## V. A. Hi Lites

By - Frank T. Fujino

All veterans who served in World War II, from 12/7/41 to 7/26/47, Korean Service, from 6/27/50 to 1/31/55 or peace time service, from 2/1/55, no out-of-date has been given by the Central Office in Washington, D.C. All veterans who were diagnosed clinically by the Medical Doctors, within one year following discharge or separation from the service, could be service-connected by filing claim with the Veterans Organization or the V.A.

One year presumption for chronic disease is listed below. Term of "chronic disease" includes: Anemia, primary; Arteriosclerosis; Hypertension; arthritis, other than traumatic; Atrophy, progressive muscular; Brain hemorrhage; Brain thrombosis; Bronchiectasis; Cardiovascular-renal disease; Cirrhosis of the liver (if it is due to chronic alcohol, it is considered misconduct); Coccidioidomycosis; Diabetic Mellitus; Encephalitis lethargica-residuals; Endocarditis; Endocrinopathies; Epilepsies; Hodgkin's disease; Leprosy; Leukemia; Myasthenia gravis; Myelitis; Myocarditis; Nephritis; Psychosis; Paget's disease; Osteomalacia; Palsy, bulbar; Paralysis agitans; Purpura idiopathic, hemorrhagic; Reynaud's disease; Sarcoidosis; Scleroderma; Sclerosis, amyotrophic lateral; Syringomyelia; Thromboangitis-obliterans; Malignant, and Malaria, and also duodenal and peptic ulcers.

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## V.A. Hi Lites . . .

disease, 3 years following discharge from the service; veterans must be clinically diagnosed by Medical Doctor.

**Warning to all veterans:** it would be advisable for veterans to go to their family doctors and have a physical check-up within one year separation from service.

## Around The Club House With . . .

By - Tom Shigaki

Well, it looks like the Mins have it! And "L" Co., too! Confused? Read on, reader, read on.

Min No. 1 -- Thanks to the alertness of Min Kaminishi (L) who spotted an advertisement in a Fishing Magazine, we now have another tenant on a permanent basis. The Southern California Rod & Reel Club was looking for a hall to rent and inserted the ad. Min called our office and we in turn contacted Mr. T. H. Simpson, Chairman of the Board of the Club.

After thinking over the situation, Mr. Simpson agreed to rent the Hall on the second Wednesday of every month since the first Wednesday was already taken. This broke a sixty year old tradition of the Southern California Rod & Reel Club who've always met on the first Wednesday of every month. So fellas, all the work you've put into fixing and remodeling the Hall is paying off. Thanks to all of you hard workers, thanks to Min Kaminishi and Welcome Rod and Reelers!

Min No. 2 -- Proceeds from Las Vegas Night ticket sales are still rolling in from the various chapters. It appears that Min Sumida (L) is cracking that whip something fierce. That Internal Revenue Service training and background might explain why he is able to relentlessly track down those delinquent chapters and make them "cough up the dough". Thanks, Min. Incidentally, Min, here's a list of chapters that haven't paid their rental bill in recent months. Now, how do you hold this whip? Do you flex your wrists? Or keep them rigid?

And.....

The 100th Battalion Chapter donated \$100 towards the purchase of furniture for the 442nd lounge. Thank you very much, gentlemen, for your generosity.

The Memorial Hall front entrance key has been changed. This is a precautionary measure because a couple of chapter presidents have lost their keys and also because there is a key unaccounted for. New keys will be issued only in exchange for the old keys.

All chapter presidents, 442nd officers, special 442 committee chairmen, should have three keys marked "O", "OO", and "O3". The old "O" key which is for the front door must be exchanged for a new "O" key.

One Air Force C-5A aircraft can carry 28 station wagon automobiles or six large passenger buses. All vehicles can drive on and off the plane, entering from the rear and departing in front, like a ferry.



## HOW It's Done . . .

By - Mike Tsuji

The Tasman Inn at San Pedro opposite Peck Park was selected by Company H as the place for a going away brunch for the visiting Keegan family on Saturday morning, June 18, 1966, a few hours before sailing time on the S.S. Lurline, bound for Hawaii.

Those in attendance included Frank Saraye, Ted Chira, Slim Murakami, the Wally Nakashima family who later gathered again on board ship for the traditional state room party. All hands bound for shore safely got away before the big ship departed promptly at 4:00 p.m.

The group then retired to the Ted Chira residence in Norwalk for the monthly meeting which was moved up a week for June only due to the scheduled Bowling Banquet conflicting with the regular date. Others who joined the meeting included the Ken Yamakis, Al Kubas, Lloyd Todas, and Tom Tanaka.

In addition to the regular business, the meeting started with a barbecue of the Special Tom Tanaka Hamburgers left over from the Family Night party. Thanks mainly to Nancy Chira and her large freezer which also salvaged the buns, which by the way, were bargain Van de Kamp seconds!

(Now it can be told.) Now you know why there was such a variety of them.

Part of the meeting:

1. Association picnic to be on July 31, 1966.
2. Bowling Tournament on July 7, 1966.
3. CYC Schedule:

7/23/66 - 2 men, El Sereno Playground; 1 man, Hazard Playground

7/31/66 - 2 men, Rancho Playground

4. Next meeting for chapter: July 23, 1966 at the club house.
5. Treasury balance: \$646.15 (estimated).
6. Papoose Sadanaga due from Hawaii: August 24, 1966.
7. Next chapter function scheduled for Sept. 4, 1966, at the Elysian Park Lodge: a picnic. To be prepared by the men: Chicken Hekka per Tom Tanaka and crew.

Going back to the C. R. Keegans, former Company H Commander: A dinner was given in their honor at the Kyoto Restaurant in Gardena on the evening of Friday, June 17, 1966. Due to shipping and sailing schedules, etc., this was about all we could plan in addition to the brunch previously mentioned. It was very enjoyable reminiscing and talking about the years and other things. The Keegans, being stationed in Japan for a while (Hokkaido), were old hands with Japanese food and ohashi, etc.

The latest word from Honolulu is that the Keegan Family arrived safely but were surprised by an enthusiastic reception committee, the lead men of which arrived aboard ship off Diamond Head via the special greeting boat load with the press, etc. Our man Hedani had arranged to have Dr. Yoshida, Bob Kaichi and Chaplain Higuchi go out on this ship.

The group on the pier, in the meantime, had laid out a giant "Welcome Col. Keegan" banner on the rail. The Colonel was also interviewed and the story, complete with a photograph showing the banner was run in the local newspaper. There was even coverage by the Japanese language press. Frank Saraye has these clippings which will be put into our files.

Another visitor, whom we had missed a few times before, finally was cornered on Saturday, July 2, 1966, at the home of Tosh and Katie Shiotsu in Gardena -- our dear friend, Willie Kiyota, from Colorado, here on a short family business trip.

After 16 years, he still looks peppery as ever. He's in the carnation growing business now, he sez. Visiting him was our long-lost friend, Y. Sakata. Others who showed up: Ted Chira, Al Kuba and Uta, Slim Murakami, Frank Saraye, Tom Tanaka, all of whom partook of the Shiotsu beer and goodies until the wee hours.

It was good to see him and to see him enjoying family life. He promised to bring the whole group next time, probably in September. I think we also talked him into the Reunion next year.

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## How It's Done . . .

One thing for sure, we talked him into Associate Membership dues which we promptly requested to extend for five years! See you soon.

For got-to-report Department: At the Family Night Party on May 30, 1966, one of the hit numbers on the Talent Show was none other than Wally Nakashima playing the harmonica for soloist and daughter Elaine singing "You are my sunshine." Mighty fine picture! Graduate in the family: Darryl Shimazu, Karen Murakami, Margaret Kub from High School. Congratulations!

See you at the next meeting: July 25, 1966.

General Lee's Man Jen Low restaurant was the location on Monday, July 25, 1966, at 8:30 in the evening, when the following met to welcome the Oyamas from Honolulu with daughter Donna and Army Reserve Major Hedani, on his way home from summer duty: Slim Murakami, Ted Ohiras, Tsujis, Uta Kuba, Hatsuye Saraye, (pinch-hitting for working husbands) Frank Saito, Tom Tanaka, and Wally Nakashima. All present enjoyed another festive spread, typical of General Lee. It was good to see one of our original Sergeants enjoying himself.

For the peripatetic Hedani, this trip was fairly routine, but he put on his usual act about missing his other half so much! The Butch Oyamas were visiting his brother in Rolling Hills. The latest was that he was able to arrange a return trip on Saturday, July 30, in spite of the airline strike.

Speaking of the strike, one family that could have gone thru to Hawaii even with the strike on was the Keegan clan who made it safely on board the S.S. Lurline on June 22nd, as reported above (if the good editor relents and prints my last month's report).

Our next visitor will probably be Papoose Sadanaga, due August 25, according to his latest letter. Some of the boys are planning a short trip when he

shows up.

## A little reporting from Hawaii

I was able to visit Honolulu for a week in July due to some job commitments and was able also to meet most of the Honolulu membership when they put on a bang-up party at Muts Nakagawa's big place in Manoa on Saturday evening, July 9.

The gathering was headed by the Colonel Keegan family, naturally, and included besides the Nakagawas, the Blake Mitani (he is chapter president this year), Chief Cook Jackson Morisawa and Allegra (he was in charge of the gigantic barbecued steaks), the Harry Kiyabus (he is the new tycoon of Hawaii) and son Dennis who was back from college, Doctor and Marge Yoshida (he is the leading surgeon there), Isamu and Betty Nojima (he is now a vice principal in the school system), Mack Nojima, Ronald Sakais (two more tycoons), Wong Yoshimotos (still the only family in the world with two last names), Papoose Sadanaga (he is the new president of the Government Employees' Union), prosperous Tets Kurozawas (they were in California last year for another vacation to make it twice in a row), Haruo Sumida from way back, the Bob Kaichis looking as happy as every and Tony Iwaki was showing all the kids how to play pool in Muts' family room. Also met the Tek Okuhara family at another dinner party on the 7th of July.

They are all expecting a healthy contingent from California at the Reunion next year. The group certainly looks impressive and it was very satisfying to see Colonel Keegan beaming at the gathering.

The Keegans were expecting momentarily to move into more comfortable quarters, but other than that everything seems to have been fine. The Colonel's duties are at Fort Shafter.

## 442 Picnic

The Association Picnic at Peck Park was attended by the Tom Shimazus, Wally Nakashimas,

Hank Kusunokis, Frank Sarayes, Ken Yamakis, Al Kubas, Francis Shiromas, and the Tsujis. A surprise visitor was Doc Saito who showed up late in the afternoon on his Honda bike. The group was a little lonely but all enjoyed the afternoon, which was only marred when G Company claimed they tied up the three-inning ball game!

With the ball-playing improving, maybe we turn the tide at our annual (it will be only annual until we win) ball game with you-know-who at the Elysian Park Lodge on Sunday, September 4, at our outing.

Next meeting: Saturday, August 26, 1966, at the Club House. New business: Picnic, Sunday, September 4, 1966. See you there.



## LOVE Notes . .

Bv - Checkie Sumida

## Meeting

A special meeting was called on Saturday, July 8, at the Mina-mide home to discuss final plans for the Crenshaw Carnival to be held on the 16th and 17th. Tee Kiyono, who was in charge of the carnival, presided at the meeting. This year it was decided that we try pizza pie. Attending the meeting were Mino & Mary Kaminishi, Aiko and Tee Kiyono, Tacky and Aki Minamide, M. Miyoshi, Hiro Nishikubo and the Sumidas. After the meeting, Aki showed movies taken at Las Vegas, Kawafuku Cafe and the "L" Company barbecue when the Kawamuras and Sasakis of Hawaii were here. For the most outstanding performance by an actress, the Oscar went to Aiko Kiyono for her dramatic (?) acting at the barbecue. When the film reaches Hawaii, I know it will be an unanimous vote there, too.



## EASY Does It . . .

By - Robert Ichikawa

## Crenshaw Fun Festival

Saturday and Sunday, on the 16th and 17th of July, the E Co. Club was fortunate in obtaining a booth at the annual Crenshaw Square Fun Festival. Thanks a million to the following able-bodied men for really putting on a good show: K. Akiyama, T. Furuya, E. Goya, S. Iwanasa, H. Kaneshina, S. Kitagawa, S. Kiyomura, J. Nakama, J. Okitsu, M. Takamine, and Rusty Urasaki. Thanks also to our visitors from Hawaii who were lending a hand and their moral support, Stocka Ooka, Glen Nakasone and kids. We certainly appreciated the fresh cut pineapples prepared by Kay Kaneshina. The pineapples were shipped from the Islands by Glen for the E Co. gang. Thanks a lot, Mr. Nakasone, the pineapples were really good! Thanks also to Lil Urasaki for obtaining the okane. As chairman of the funfest booth, I certainly appreciated all the hands that participated in bringing to a close another highly successful endeavor which enabled us to again clear our kozukai.

## CYC Baseball Program

Thanks to the following men for donating their valuable time to assist in the CYC baseball program: H. Kaneshina, S. Kitagawa, S. Kiyomura, F. Kizuka and Rusty Urasaki. Thanks to men like these, the CYC will continue to be the highly successful program that it is.

## Did You Know That

Mr. Bob Doran, a Y Camp Director, and school teacher, who is a friend of my better half, Chris, was a good friend of Bob Kodama and George Zaima? We hear from Mr. Doran that the Orange County

Japanese YMCA has built a memorial cabin in memory of the late Mr. Kodama. He hear also that our fellow E companyite, George Zaima, has spent many hours in behalf of the Little Green Valley Y Camp. It certainly is enlightening to know that there are men like these who donate unselfishly of themselves for the benefit of the community.

## You're In The Army

Chris Zaima is now stationed at Ft. Ord completing his basic training. Chris hopes to continue at the administrative level.

Alan Kizuka is also at Ft. Ord in a reserve unit. Good luck, men, don't volunteer for anything.

Don't Forget Nisei Week August 20 and 21.



## ABLE'S Fables . .

By - Hiro Ukita

## Jaunt to San Diego

As we found out a couple of years ago, San Diego is a pretty nice place to visit, providing you're with the Koji Konishis. Koji has some relatives there who must practically run that town, and they have a way of making a person feel so welcome and so much at home that it's hard to leave. At any rate, on July 3, the George Miyas and our family, plus the Frank Matsuharas (friends of ours from Pasadena) joined the Konishis and headed for San Diego. We spent a short time at Koji's brother's home and then went on to Caliente, where Club House seats had been reserved for us. At least we can say this much, we lost our money in style! That evening we enjoyed an extremely delicious dinner at the Miyako Restaurant and then returned to the world famous Hotel Del Coronado for our one nite's stay. We had no other alternative since all the motels were booked solid. (There wasn't any-

thing cheaper -- or more expensive!). It was quite a place, though, and we really enjoyed it, but one nite's stay was about all our pocketbooks could take.

The following morning the fellas did some early fishing while the gals slept late and had a leisurely breakfast. Towards noon we joined Koji's relatives at a big annual JACL and Gardeners' combined picnic. I think the wives really appreciated going to a picnic of this kind without having to do a bit of cooking the nite before. The Konishis stayed on but the rest of us headed back for L.A. around 4 o'clock. It was a full, busy, fun-packed weekend. If and when we do this again, maybe more of you can join us!

## Annual 442 Picnic

A Battery's favorite pastime must be eating and playing cards, according to what I observed at the 442 picnic on July 31. There was enough food to feed two armies. As for variety, you name it, we had it! Amazingly enough, though, by late afternoon most of the food was pretty well cleaned up. In fact, the 100 weiners we barbecued around 5 o'clock went like nothing. Real chow hounds, wouldn't you say?

The afternoon's activities included the usual socializing, races for young and old, hiking, poker, and baseball between the chapters. For those who attended the picnic, I'm sure it turned out to be a very satisfying day.

## Reminder

To A Battery members who are going on the albacore charter at San Diego, a bus will be departing from the 442 Memorial Hall, at 8:00 p.m., September 3. The phone number there is 746-9640.

All-steel bodies for automobiles became universal in 1935.



# 100th

## Puka's Huddle...

By - Sat Nakamura

Walter Kadota (Medics, 100th), of Hilo, Hawaii, accompanied by his charming wife Kay and their children Sandra, 15, and Riley, 12, arrived in Los Angeles on July 23 for a week of business and pleasure. He was met at the air port by this scribe and taken to the Surf Rider Inn in Santa Monica.

Walter's reason for coming here was to attend a two-day government-sponsored seminar on urban redevelopment and to show his family the recreational facilities of Southern California.

The day after their arrival, the Kadotas were taken to Disneyland by this scribe and all enjoyed taking in the major attractions as riding the Santa Fe and Disneyland Railroad which covered the entire grounds, including the Grand Canyon and an added new attraction, the Primeval World; the jungle boat ride; steamboat; skyway through Mt. Matterhorn; submarine cruise; monorail and a cruise through Walt Disney's new and happiest voyage into the land of make believe, "It's a Small World."

Late in the afternoon they were taken to Hollywood to see the foot and hand prints of movie stars imbedded in concrete in front of the Grauman-Chinese Theatre, then to dinner.

The following day, Eric Abe took the Kadotas to Marineland and Redondo Beach. That night, Walter and his son were escorted to the Dodger Stadium by Sat Nakamura and watched the Dodgers beat the Phillies 6-2. It was young Riley's greatest wish to see his first major-league baseball and he saw a dandy.

Tuesday, July 26, marked the 19th wedding anniversary of the Kadotas, so a dinner at Man Jen Low was arranged by Eric Abe. An appropriate cake, with 19 candles

and the greetings "Happy 19th Anniversary to Walt and Kay," was donated by Chick H. Furuya. With mama and papa Kadotas were their cubs Sandy and Riley and a guest from Honolulu and these local well-wishers, representing the 100th: Eric and Irene Abe (D), Chick and Matsu Furuya (B) with guest Kay Nishihara, Sat Nakamura (B), Lloyd and Chuckie Seki (D) and Ken and Aileen Yoshino (B).

On Saturday, July 30, Ken Yoshino took the Kadotas to San Marino to see the Huntington Library and Art Museum and also the Japanese Garden. The Kadotas left our city that night to go to San Francisco where they hoped to fare better in their frustrating attempts at securing air passage to Washington, D.C. They were scheduled to visit numerous cities in the east and mid-west, but, because of the strike, had to revise their itinerary to include only Washington, D.C., Philadelphia and New York City.

It was a pleasure to be with the Kadotas and we thank Walter and Skinny Hagivara (Hq.), also of Hilo, for the beautiful luncheon.

I extend my apology to Henry Y. Sakato (B) for failing to inform him of the place of our dinner held for Walter. On another matter, I thank him for substituting for me at the CYC ball game at El Sereno Playground, permitting me to be with the Kadotas on the latter's last night in Los Angeles.

### 442nd Picnic

At the 442nd picnic at Peck Park on July 31 were Eric and Irene Abe with their daughter Julie and Irene's two nieces; Richard and Pat Aseka (D); Chick and Matsu Furuya with Kay Nishihara and latter's sister with three children; Kazuo and Tatsuka Sato (B) with their three children (their newest member is a boy, now nine months old); Lloyd and Chuckie Seki and their two children and Ken and Aileen Yoshino with their two children and Dad. It was a beautiful day and the

many delectable bento made it a most enjoyable day.

### Personals

Most people have to wait until 62 to collect on social security, but Yoko Sakato, 12-year-old daughter of Henry and Fumi Sakato, recently collected \$50 in the Herald-Examiner social security game. A nice picture of Yoko appeared in the July 27 issue of the paper. Congratulations, Yoko!

Sumisu "Smitty" Matsuzaki (B), formerly of Lihue, Kauai, has been recently seen in the West L.A. area by Hank Sakato. Smitty has just retired from the Army after completing 20 years of service. We should get together sometime.

Nobuo Okinaka (Hq.), original 100th Infantryman, formerly of Kilauea, Kauai, and now of Pahala, Hawaii, may visit L.A. in September.

Ken Yoshino's dad, who lives in Chicago, has been taken ill recently and is resting in a hospital. Ken is flying out on August 7. We wish Ken's dad a speedy recovery.



### FOX Hole News...

By - Mas Miyamoto

Saturday afternoon, July 16, 1966, found more than 200 enthusiastic swimmers enjoying the annual Fox Company-Kazuo Masuda VFW Swim Party. This year's was far the most enjoyable and swingingest, according to those in attendance.

The food was out of this hungry world! What with beef teriyaki, barbecue ohashi, wonton, chili and beans, sushi, the variety of rice and salad dishes, jello molds, pickles and takuan, plus many other interesting dishes, the gang kept coming back for refills throughout the evening.

Because the Orange County group anticipated a large turnout from their gang, they donated the soft drinks and ice cream.

### Fox Hole News...

It was real thoughtful and kind of them...we appreciate their fine gesture.

We couldn't help but remember the sentiment expressed by "Shank" Ikemi of Orange County, when he remarked..."This is the best chili and beans I have ever tasted." Needless to add, he "chowed" the chili like it was going out of style!

Short words of welcome was expressed by our President, George Higa, and a response was made by the Masuda Post Commander, Hide Kawarutani. The Masuda VFW Post have invited Fox Company to their annual Picnic to be held on August 27, in Santa Ana.

We would like to thank all of the Fox Company members who worked hard to prepare such a spread.... to President Jean Chomori of the Auxiliary, in coordinating the food preparations....to Frank Fukuzawa for making all the reservations and preparing the information sheets....to Martha Sotelo for preparing the fine barbecue sauce....and to the following per-

sons for preparing the teriyaki sticks the night before: Mas Chomori, Tak Fujiwara, Frank Fukuzawa, Mas Miyamoto, Jun Morita, Mas Tamayei, and Hiroshi Takusagawa. Thanks to Frank and Nami Fukuzawa for opening their home in preparing the meat and to Nami for baking those delicious sour-cream apple pies.

Those Fox members in attendance included....the Chomori family, the Fujino family, the Fujiwara family, the Fukuzawa family, the Higa family, Yuke Iguchi, the Imai family, Yas Kawashima, Jun Morita, the Mitsueda family, the Miyamoto family, the Nakazawa family, Ken Nakahara (Oakland), Matsie and Richie Okada, the Sotelo family, the Tamayei family, the Wakamatsu family, and the Yamada family.

### 442nd Picnic

On Sunday, July 31, 1966, many of the Fox members enjoyed the 442nd outing at Peck Park in San Pedro. Our detail included the organization and the actual running of the children's games. The prizes were handed out to each participating person. We want to thank hustling Jim Yamashita of I Company for setting up the PA system and also thank H for securing the prizes.

The following Fox members were present....the Mas Chomori family; the Frank Fujino family; the Tak Fujiwara family; the Frank Fukuzawa family; the George Higa family; the Mino Imai family; the Mits Mitsueda family; Sadao Okuhara; the Frank Sotelo family; the Mas Tamayei family; the Roy Yamada family; and the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Sotelo.

### MORNING REPORT...

Chief Parker really liked, is less well-known, but we have a perfect example in our next report. Ralph Story introduced Parker at the annual banquet of the Los Angeles Realty Board last year, and Parker liked Story's introduction so much he asked for, and received, an engraved and framed copy. Here's Ralph Story.

Story: "We live in a strange age. This is an age when punks get more sympathy than princes, when politicians frequently receive more applause than statesmen, and when characters seem to get more admiration than character. In our day and age, individual salvation has apparently given way to group ther-

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apy. The other day I heard a man of the cloth regret the fact that a redemption center is no longer a church...it's a place to cash in trading stamps. Perhaps because of these things, our honored guest tonight is not the most popular man in town. Let me hasten to add, with a large segment of the population, he is very definitely the most popular man in town.

But it's the very essence of this man that he doesn't care either way. No fawning or flattery has turned his head or turned him from his purpose. Nor has the most violent opposition been able to demean or defeat him. He is his own man, owes nothing to anyone, and you're welcome to cheer him or curse him.

Last year at that banquet I jumped at an assumption and guessed that the honored guest might agree when I said we have too many laws. We have thousands and thousands of laws and we get a couple thousand more each year. Most of these laws are attempts to legislate ethics and morals into our society. This attempt has failed in previous civilizations and, at the moment, it seems to be failing in ours.

But just imagine, then, the special pressures on a man of very high personal morals, a man of strong personal ethics, who is ordered to enforce all these laws. It would be forgivable if he didn't season justice with mercy, or endow law enforcement with compassion. But he has... not just in our town, but all over the world. Just before last year's banquet, he was developing a sound police administration for the turbulent nation of India. Before that, he was participating in a White House conference on narcotics and drug

abuse. Before that, he was attending an assembly of the International Criminal Police Organization. And before that, he was honored by the Republic of Korea. And before that he was honored by Italy.

And before that, he received the Croix de Guerre with Silver Star from France, which he added to his Purple Heart, received in the invasion of Normandy, for which he organized the entire Police and Prisons Plan. His career goes back for thirty-seven years and that's a long time for any cop to stay on any beat.

I jumped at another assumption at that banquet last year and guessed that about now he was wondering if those thirty-seven years were worth it. Things had not been going his way lately, he was tired and wan, and in his view it was getting easier to be a bad guy and getting harder and harder to be a good guy. But let me relate a strange fact about all of us here tonight.

Practically none of us are worried at this moment about the safety of our car, or the safety of our house, or the safety of our children. A very few in the audience may be a trifle loaded, but practically none of us is armed. And because of that, if nothing else, those thirty-seven years on the beat were worth it...both for him and for us. For all that time he stood up for

what he thought was right. For all that time, he stood up against what he thought was wrong. For all that time, he believed that God created individuals, not majorities or minorities. Whether you hated his guts or worshipped his badge, it was a great career.

At that point, I just said Chief William H. Parker, and the crowd gave him a standing ovation, and he lashed out at all the people who disagreed with him. He worked himself into quite a fervor...and if he did the same at that banquet last night, I'm not surprised his heart failed. But when that other banquet was over, I went up to him, because we had never met, and told him what an honor it was to introduce him, that I meant every word I said, and that I was one of those who frequently disagreed with him. He smiled...and I remember thinking that I must be one of the few who had seen William H. Parker smile. He asked for a copy of what you've heard tonight, and gently patted me on the shoulder as he left."

Chief Parker's last appearance was before a reunion of 1500 veterans of the Second Marine Division. He had just received an award from the veterans for his "services to the men of our armed forces" and a standing ovation as he returned to his seat and died.

Chief Parker's passing is our great loss.



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