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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I pick up the gavel my first thoughts are of the awesomeness of the responsibilities that come with the office of president of this club. I am indebted to my predecessor, Edward Tamanaha, for his care and counsel in preparing me for this task. My hearty thanks, and congratulations for his leadership that had brought us successfully to this point.

This is the 'Year of the Dog,' and for many among us, a significant year, you'll be celebrating your 60th birthday. Altho it's not my intent to make a lot of changes during my year in office, I am of the feeling that this is the year when we, as a club may want to look at some new directions, new ways in which the club can be of service to you. For instance, as an increasing number of us join the ranks of the retired, are there ways in which the club and the clubhouse can better meet our needs, our interests? Perhaps we can make a start at redefining the mother club's purpose and its objectives. Let's, at least, talk about it.

Whatever lies in store for us in this coming year, be it maintaining the status quo, or venturing into new areas, it will be at the will of your club directors, each of whom represent your individual chapter. And any program we undertake, its successful outcome will require each member's help, support and prayers. Let's GO-FOR-BROKE!

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IN MEMORIAM
SEICHI HIRAI

Seichi "Shadow" Hirai a member of Cannon Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on January 11, 1982.

IN MEMORIAM
YUKIO YAMAMOTO

Yukio "Koppe" Yamamoto a member of Item Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on February 2, 1982.

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by Kaoru Watanabe

"Shadow" Seichi Hirai died January 11, 1982, after a short bout with cancer at Kuakini Hospital. He was stricken while on a trip to Japan in late November and was hospitalized until his death.

Cannoneers remember "Shadow" with great clarity even after the passage of time for he was never one to sit in the background. After the war he completed his law studies at the University of Hawaii and George Washington University.

He began his career in 1956 as a researcher in the office of then Delegate to Congress John A. Burns and became assistant to the Clerk of the Senate in 1958. Since 1963 he was the Senate Clerk. In his position, Shadow was an expert in the ways of the state Legislature and was a key inside figure in Senate politics.

When the State Legislature convened on January 20 for the 1982 session, Shadow's seat was empty and a huge red carnation lei was draped over the seat he had held for so many years. Both Houses of the Legislature dedicated the opening sessions to the memory of Shadow. Do not cry for Shadow - he would not have wished it. Even his funeral service was private on January 15 followed by burial at Punchbowl National Cemetery.

Shadow is survived by his wife, Beverly; daughter, Colleen who is an attorney; mother, Shizue Hirai; brother, Albert of Illinois; sisters Ayako and Mrs. Joe (Janet) Hirota.

REMINDER NOTICE

At the last Board of Directors meeting on December 1, 1981, the board has moved and passed a motion to increase the associate members dues from the present \$2 to \$3. Also, the publication dues for all active and associate members from the present \$2 to \$3.

All associate members yearly dues beginning Jan. 1, 1982, will be:

Membership	\$3
Publication	\$3
Total	\$6

The effective date of the increase in assessments will be from January 1, 1982.

All associate members who have already paid for multiple years, your records will be adjusted accordingly.

Because of the 1982 Reunion in Los Angeles August 5 through 8, the Annual Cannon Chapter Picnic normally held on the third Sunday in August will be rescheduled to an earlier Sunday June 27, or July 11. Dyke Kunishige will make the arrangements with Mrs. Klausmeyer.

The Ohara's have taken up ballroom dancing and claim it is the best thing to keep both mind and body healthful. For those with two left feet, here is your chance.

We hear that Chester Kainuma, despite his early retirement from the Weather Bureau, is back doing his same old - this time under contract. Sounds like "double dipping".

The application brochure for the 1982 Nisei Veterans Reunion has been released. A copy will be mailed to those who signed up at the 1981 Annual Picnic. If anyone else plans to attend, please call Charlie Oda at 533-4336 or Kaoru Watanabe at 239-7516.

June 21, 1982 is the deadline to register for the hotel accommodations at the Hyatt Regency including the registration fee, breakfasts, Welcome Dinner and the Farewell Dinner at the special rate of \$385 single, or \$250 each for a twin room. After June 21, the rates will increase, so register before that date.

There are several post-reunion options being made available by the official travel agent, Kokusai International Travel, ---to Las Vegas, San Juan and a Caribbean cruise not to mention entertainment options during the reunion - Disneyland Universal Studios and golfing. At the Hyatt special rates available when you come early or stay later.

Thanks to Charlie Oda, Cannon Chapter members will have an optional post reunion very special 3 nights at the Las Vegas Club Hotel including breakfasts and dinners for \$19.90. John Kashiki has invited members and their families to visit his place in Parlier so we will shortly have a schedule for both post reunion events. Charlie Oda will arrange the air transportation for members/families to Los Angeles and optionally to Las Vegas so the transportation portion of the Registration brochure need not be completed. All those registering for the Reunion, please be sure to contact Charlie Oda for the air transportation arrangements. The departure flight from Honolulu will be Pan Am Flight 812 departing at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 5, 1982.

Of course, Cannon Chapter members may sign up for any of the post reunion tours offered by Kokusai International Travel.

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442nd DANCE CLUB NEWS

The 442nd Dance Club had a wonderful time at the Wheeler's Officers Club on December 26, 1981. Everyone deserves a big "THANK YOU" for making the after Christmas Day Party a Huge Success!

JOE OBAYASHI came through with a flying color. . .for arranging the place, food, and services. The instructors again filled our champagne glasses and JOE also gave a beautiful toast.

The Social Committee members deserve a great big hand! There were JANET & HIICHI MATSUMOTO in charge of the "Silver, Gold and Red Garland Leis" presented to each member and guests! Elves also helped were: CHIC TANAKA, SALLY YOSHITAKE, HILDA KANESHIRO, SHIGE YOSHITAKE, and MARY SAKAI. Place name tags were donated to the club by CAROL SAKAI. TOM TANAKA patiently printed or scripted every name on the place card and did a beautiful job! STANLEY KANESHIRO, SHIGE YOSHITAKE, and EDDY SAKAI added the "kiss candies" plus the garlands on the cards. Great and patient work . . .well done! All this was accomplished at EDDY SAKAI'S home for the Christmas Social Committee Workshop.

CHIC TANAKA again came through with her artistic flower arrangements and a special lighting on the head table, plus placed a lovely plumeria arrangement in front of the warm fireplace.

RODNEY and NORA YAMASHIRO generously donated 24 cans of the Kathryn Beich candies for the Bingo Bell! SHIGE and ROSE HIGA assisted with much gusto!

EDDY SAKAI was the masterful M.C. and he quickly welcomed all and introduced GEORGE NAKA-SATO who asked everyone to say his own prayer.

Steak and King Crab legs were sensational! and with all the trimmings! KATS and GRACE NAKAMURA came through with the Door Prizes donated by our members.

Dance Masters MICH and SHINAKO TAKATA did a marvelous job of seeing that everyone danced and danced.

During intermission, the beginners rested. The experts performed and executed a beautiful exhibition. MICH and SHINAKO TAKATA performed a Argentine tango! JOE and PEGGY OBAYASHI executed a beautiful international rumba! BIGGIE and JESSIE NAKAKURA did a lively West Coast Swing! ELLEN and MITS KUNIHIO did a smooth rumba! MARY KOSASA and MICH TAKATA did an expert American waltz! EVAN and BARBARA YIM did the international foxtrot!

Exchanging "White Elephant" gifts were hilarious!

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by Kazu Tomasa

The annual Christmas Party of HQ2 was held on December 5, 1981, at Nuuanu Onsen in Nuuanu. The festive occasion was a complete success. The members and wives all looked eager and ready to enjoy this as the beginning of the oncoming busy holiday season.

The food was a Japanese nine course dinner. The writer found it was kind of difficult to count the different Japanese dish. Unlike the usual Chinese course, you can say, "Oh! we began with the soup, then came the roast duck, then the speared shrimp, etc." but, the difficulty was to be blamed on my ignorance of not knowing the correct names or descriptions of different dishes. This stupidity made it only thrice as difficult to count the 9. All in all, the food was "ono". Onolicious is only a dent of a gratitude to salute Jimmy Sakamoto with this selection.

Willie "Half not Japanese but Half only Haele" Thompson sure knows takusan-no-Nihon-noon-uta. He made us guys feel proud that those glorious songs of old are still remembered and sung. Also, many arigatos go to Morris. His style of music made us all feel happy and tano-shii. Everybody sang Christmas songs and sure got into the spirit of Christmas. Before the evening was over, everyone received a door prize.

As usual, like all traditional old years, Masa Yamamoto was too old and too useless. He was booted out to welcome a vigorous, vibrant, and victorious new aspiring young leader. It was a very difficult task (I heard) to come with one who was to take over the gavel for the year 1982. You know for yourself there are so many to choose from! Anyway, looking at the slate, it can't be any better. The committee finally came up with LARRY ISHIDA, President; TOSHI HAYAMA, Vice President; and T.T. YONEMORI, Secretary. This slate became unanimous.

The members and wives who were at Nuuanu Onsen were Willie Thompson, Edna and Masa Yamamoto, Violet and Larry Ishida, Joyce and Morris Masunaga, Lippy Higuchi, Eileen and T.T. Yonemori, Dan Saito, Stella and Toki Kaneshige, Grace and Toshi Hayama, Mitsue and Jimmy Sakamoto, Hisako Higuchi, Michelle and Kazu Tomasa and Jane and Takashi Okemura.

So, ano-toki-made-ki-wo-tsukete, sayonara and guru-ruck!

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by Joe Shimamura

THE YEAR 1982

With the traditional "akemashite" we usher in another 365 days to mark the beginning of this, "the year of the Bow-wow," as we accept the generous invitation of YASU & BETTY AMINE and will be meeting at their Liliha Casa on January 30th. With no takers as yet of that steak dinner offer made in the last edition, sorry to say you still have to put up with more monotonous bull until the big day when properly relieved which we hope is real soon.

Go straight to your calendar and make a note of the following big event for this new year: March 27, 39th Anniversary Banquet, Sheraton Waikiki and August 5 thru 8 Nisei Veterans Reunion in Los Angeles.

K-BITS

We may be soaking wet as we begin the new year but when we think about NOBU & MINNIE KIMURA in Minnesota, NOBI OKUBO in Michigan and HARRY & MASAKO HAMADA OF Idaho, but to mention a few, who are experiencing a bit of Siberian deep-freeze on this day of Super Bowl XVI, you can bet your life you lucky you live in Hawaii.

Congratulations are in order as we salute WAYNE OURA who successfully finished his basics with the Honolulu Police Department. As far as we know, WAYNE is #2 in this department with TOKU KAJIWARA'S son already on the force for a number of years.

The best from San Francisco, HARRY NAKABE reports that the K-men are planning to have a Hospitality room at the forthcoming Nisei Veterans Reunion in L.A. This will most "natrasly" depend on the attendance. A progress report will be forthcoming as the months roll by.

STANLEY SAKUMA who was here in the islands for a short one, called to extend his hello to all. No longer residing in Hayward, this transplant Hawaiian now calls El Cerrito his home. Where and how far we don't know except that it is still in California.

The K-s will be carrying on with the same irreplaceable staff of officers for this new year with Ichiban "Hancho" ROBERT C. NITAHARA as President; #2 Pusher JAMES OURA Vice President; efficiency plus HIROSHI SUYEOKA as Secretary and the keeper of Ft. Knox, Treasurer KENT K. KAJIWARA. Serving year after year, these are 4 reasons why the K-s keep rolling along, comes hell or high water.

Arigato time as we extend our sincerest thanks to the following for their generous hospitality in 1981: BOBBY & EVELYN HIRAYAMA, "SAITOU" and BARBARA SAWAI, KATS & NORA IBARA, YASU & BETTY AMINE, MILDRED SHIMAMURA and BOBBY & YUKI NITAHARA, who willingly offered their residence for the monthly meetings. Still in need of more monthly meeting sites, which is the life-line for the K-men to stay in existence, and we do hope that 1982 will find a few generous souls stepping forward and joining this steady bunch of unbeatable hosts whom we've depended on year after year. It's never too late so just give Prexy NITAHARA that call and I'm sure he'll never turn down your offer. Never believing in that twist arm policy, you'll have to step forward and be counted.

Get word that HELEN MAEDA'S Pearl City residence got a much needed paint job, thanks to 3 K-s good samaritans in the way of KATS IBARA, CHARLIE IGARASHI and SATORU SAWAI. With a Friday chosen as a work day, couldn't do much to get out that manpower. We'd sure appreciate it if any special project such as this can be scheduled for the week ends and sufficient notice be given in advance as I'm more than sure that many are the K-men that would be more than happy to pitch in and do their share in their humble lil' way. No big thing but we'd still like to try to keep up with that wonderful old tradition of one for all and all for one. Special project such as this can't help but make one recall the days that used to be as we helped each other moving house, digging up koa filled lot and what have you in the way of extending a helping hand whenever needed.

Latest member inducted into the "over the hill gang" is that Ichiban from the Garden Isle, that Kalaheo Mayor PAUL "POKI" OKAMURA who will be making a special trip to the big city with promises of joining us for the initial Kings gathering on January 30. With PAUL around, it's sure going to be a quiet night?? he'll be killing 2 birds with one stone as he takes care of some V.A. business on this trip. Looking forward to have you aboard for the first one Mr. PAUL.

With a reminder that the deadline for this initial report to be turned in is the night of our meeting, we have no choice but to save the news of the AMINE GATHERING for the next issue. Be seeing you there, "you all." Final score 49ers 26 and Bengals 21.

Till we meet again, keep 'em barking.

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MEDICS CHAPTER NEWS by Herbert Akamine

The special fund raising project for the Medics club was very successful according to Jerry Ogawa, the chairman. About \$900 was raised for the almost completely empty treasury.

Joe Saito and his wife of Oregon will be in Honolulu in early February to attend an onion growers' convention at the Sheraton Hotel. They indicated that they would like to host the Medics this time since they were feted twice before.

Howard Kozuma was treated and released from Saint Francis Hospital. He is now recuperating at home. Tom K. Nishikawa has visited him twice lately.

Hana Masuda wrote that Dick Nomura lost his mother in Seattle recently and met Dick and Masa at the funeral. Hana said that Masa and Dick have been of tremendous help before and after the loss of Min. They telephone her almost every week.

While in Seattle Dick met Shiro Kashino and his wife. Dick recalled some lively poker games while Kashino was a guest of Service Company in Nice. Mike Masaoka was also a participant in those sessions.

According to the 34th Division News for November 1981, Dick Nomura was elected a Division Trustee for 3 years. The Division's 35th National Reunion is scheduled in September 1982 at Omaha, Nebraska. The Association is also planning a tour to the 100th Battalion's 40th Anniversary in June 1982 in Honolulu. A "Role of Honor" for the Infantry Museum is being compiled and all infantrymen who hold the Combat Infantryman Badge with Two Stars are requested to send their names and grades in which they were retired.

Richard Nomura reported that Vic Izui and his wife Michi were just getting over a bad case of "Nasopharyngitis catarrhal, moderately severe." Michi also went through bone surgery for arthritic hands.

The death of Chaplain Higuchi was another loss to Dick. He said "Overseas we used to chew the fat at various times (even sometimes about religion but we both respected each other's beliefs.) Of course, mostly about mundane and at times of foolish subjects, but we enjoyed them. I shall miss him."

Nomura also sent a copy of the Chicago Nisei Post No. 1182 Bulletin. Among the many interesting articles was one that mentioned the very suc-

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NEW OFFICERS

by Harold Fukunaga

At the last chapter meeting of 1981, the chapter members elected a new group of officers. They are:

- President - James Komo
- Vice President - Michael Shiraishi
- Secretary-Treasurer - Bobby Ito (Holdover)

Coincidentally, Both Jimmy and Mike were absent at the meeting, so they were unable to defend themselves from being unanimously elected or "railroaded" to those positions. Needless to say, I'm sure they'll perform very well in 1982. All kidding aside, congratulations to all our 1982 officers. Also, we should not forget to thank Fred Ida for leading our chapter in 1981.

MILESTONE

Many of our chapter members are reaching the milestone of 60 years of age. I understand that Francis Ishii was honored by his wife, Grace and two daughters with their friends at the Hawaiian Regent Hotel. This recognition party included among other things, hundreds of paper cranes (sign of long life, I think).

ANNUAL SHINNEN KAI

Our annual Shinnen Kai was held on January 20th at the Clubhouse. This event usually 'smokes' out nearly all of the members and their spouses. This year, we had a splendid turnout of approximately 30 people. They were: Alfred & Helen Amii, Fred & Dolores Ida, Jimmy & Judy Komo, Taketo & Judy Kawabata, Speed & Edna Tama, Francis & Grace Ishii, Hitoshi & Leatrice Matsumoto, Bill & Margaret Yokochi, Seikatsu & Clara Kikuyama, Eddie & Grace Ochiai, Mike & Lillian Shiraishi, Harold & Jane Fukunaga, Bobby & Mrs. Ito, Guy Tokeshi & his daughter and Morris Masunaga.

It was too bad that the Yoshiwas, Inos and Tamanahas couldn't make it. For Bobby Ito, our industrious Treasurer, he had a field day collecting dues for 1982 and penalties for "no-shows" in 1981. Hope our treasury is "rich" once again. I guess Bill Yokochi or Speed Tama must have earned the title of the heaviest contributor, because of their no-shows in 1981.

"Guy" Tokeshi our No. 1 bartender had the bar working smoothly, with drinks being dispensed very expertly. He also made sure that we had delicious opihi, raw crab, spiced "ogo" and many other goodies.

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by Allen Nakamura

It's written that the Dog year people are loyal, honest and can keep secrets. Also, they make good leaders and inspire confidence. This being the Year of the Dog, our newly elected president, Isa Takiyama certainly falls into this group as attested by the very fine turnout for the first meeting of the year on January 15.

Greeting the new year was Hapa Fujimoto, who made a surprise appearance as we expected to see him only at NVR time in August. But like a true "Lover", he came to be with the boys even tho his return was short. We'll see him in August again. Then, there was Wally Isobe whom we don't get to see often because of conflict with his Lions Club meeting date. He also makes it a point to attend when he can. It was also a night to greet our buddy Cowboy Matsumura with a hearty welcome, back from his many months of absence due to his injured back. Altho' you may have lost your Hawaiian tan, we're still fond of you. Glad to see you in circulation again!

Some things never change like dependable & efficient Donkey Nakahara, conscientiously continuing his collections of cough-up fund and making report on individual up-to-date accumulations. You should have been a banker, ole' buddy? By the way, Donkey has a very responsible role in the financial operations of L Chapter. Remember that we did not have any fund raising drive for many years, and yet we always seem to have enough dollars in our treasury. Ever wonder how this financial formula was worked out? To make it short, the interest earned on the contributions from the members to the cough-up fund is carried onto the chapter treasury to meet chapter obligations. Think about it!

Others like Tad Sakai the new treasurer, methodically going about his business of collecting the chapter & bulletin dues. Akira Gerlach introducing his friend Pete Cabral and recently recruited Wally Higa, a big hunk of a man with a soft singing voice helped to make the meeting night a lively one together with the rest of the regulars as follows: Isa Takiyama, Mickey Kurokawa, Casey Kasadate, Hide Higa, Doc Miyamoto, Whitey Saito, Victor Yamashita, Yoshiji Aoki, Jacob Jichaku, Hide Nakayama, Tommy Kakesako, Harold Hashizume, Kazuma Ogata, Fumio Ohashi, John Naganuma, Dyna Matsuda, Henry Oshiro, Lawrence Fujii, Sueo Kuramoto, Bill Oshiro, Stanley Watanabe, Jiro Watanabe, Allen Nakamura, Ray Sumikawa & Norima Horimoto.

For this meeting night, besides the regular pupu's of Musubi with Ume, Aku no sashimi, char-

broiled meat, pupu link sausage, fried chicken, kim chee, & takuan, we had an added treat of whole jarfull of tender young opihi's, courtesy of Stanley Watanabe. He was given a huge ovation. Could be we may have a repeat treat? As Stanley says, "There's plenty more out in the ocean". ha!

This year's annual 442nd banquet will be held at the Sheraton Hotel on March 27. Be sure to note this important date on your calendar. Over the years, we have come to take great pride in the number of attendance. No doubt, we'll continue and carry on this fine tradition.

The Institute of Human Resources, more commonly known as the, "Peanut Butter Ministry and the Street People", are richer today in material things because of the overwhelming generosity and kindness of the LIKM & L chapter members for the donations at the Xmas party on December 11 (our monthly meeting date) at Terry & Jacob Jichaku's residence. The members are richer today for the spiritual values and compassion for mankind, to help them forget even for a short period of time, that poverty made him covetous of other's wealth.

It was a great night of rejoicing. The chapter members are to be congratulated for making it a very successful party for a worthy cause. The key member behind this great event is personable Kazuo Fink, who had pursued this idea for quite some time. Naturally, he was asked to be the chairman with strong support from his committee of, Yoshiji Aoki; Kila Haraguchi; Victor Yamashita; Jacob Jichaku; Allen Nakamura. His adorable wife Kazuko was a tremendous inspiration to Kazuo in this project. The meetings held at the Fink's were very constructive and rewarding, especially the genuine cheese, home made cookies and cake and beverages including BEER. The committeemen wives, Betty; Jane; Terry; & Emiko also participated in the planning. To Kazuo, KUDO'S for a job well done! Didn't we tell you, "no worry?". Ha!

To create proper atmosphere of holiday season, the afternoon started off by decorating the Jichaku's patio with Xmas ornaments and trimmings by Terry, Ann (Terry's sister), Jacob, Emi, Allen and with the borrowed tape cassette and taped Xmas songs & carols, everything was set for a joyous and cheerful party. There were some anxious moments however, with the ever worrying chairman Kazuo wearing out the sidewalk, pacing up & down outside Jichaku's home waiting for Ilma caterers to bring the food. The food was finally delivered about an hour late. Ah! the life of a chairman, no relaxation. Ha!

Even though the food came, we couldn't help ourselves to it as it was not blessed yet. The hon-

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ored guests, Rev & Mrs. Claude DuTeil haven't arrived yet. Phone call was made to the DuTeil's and were informed that they left about an hour ago. Surely, they must be lost. Meanwhile, this made for a longer cocktail hour without any complaints---from the guys I mean. ha!

When they finally came, introduction was made by our deacon Aoki, who was responsible for the contact. Remember the extended cocktail hour? Well, the introduction reflected this to lead to a relaxed, gaeity mood for the rest of the evening. The food was now blessed and everyone joined in for their share. Thanks to Donkey & Betty Nakahara for the large plate of Salmon Roe (Ikura), sent by her son in Alaska. To say the least, it is palatable, gourmet food at its best! Thanks to Chiyoko Fujii for the "oi shi" Manju and also to Mammo Isobe for the sweet pineapples.

Betty Nakahara besides the tasty Ikura, she made for each family a red, white, & green miniature knitted skate booty, using paper clip as the skate. Not only is Betty a wonderful & unselfish person, she's always concerned about what can she contribute to the group to make it a more pleasant and memorable event. We thank you Betty. You are indeed, one of a kind!!

Now that all present having taken part in gastronomy, setting aside all precaution of dietary habits (it was too late anyway, ha!), the entertainment portion of the evening was to begin. My wife Emi and I had put together a Xmas song & carols book, complete with index and page number for this occasion. You could hear the groan when I made the announcement that this song book is numbered and must be returned. Afterall, nothing is free with inflation so high. ha! It was explained that the book will be used next year and ever after, even if the pages should turn yellow from old age as my friend Jacob echoed. ha! Hopefully, we'll be adding new songs over the years so that we can all learn to sing them together. Maybe Casey can start off and give me the words for "Pineapple Pom Pom". Ha!

I don't ever recall of our chapter singing the Xmas songs & carols as a group. Age had not diminished the talent nor the spirit. The singing was beautifully done by the group. I'm sure it brought back the youth in us with fond memories of yesteryear.----So ended the joyous night of complete fulfillment for each of us in knowing that, "I CARE". So overwhelming was the contribution of clothes, canned goods, toiletries, etc., that the Rev. DuTeil's sedan was packed to the hilt. We were afraid that there'll be no room for Mrs. DuTeil.

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442 News HQ-3 by Charles Watanabe

This is the year of the dog, and what significance it has I don't know. My 'Pake' friend yu Bu Lia too busy making money to tell me anything. Which reminds me of a few of my friends I know. Anyway the first meeting of year 1982 held at the clubhouse with you know who presiding. Yes! it is the same Boss man as last year and the year before and before. Hope you know his name by now, surely it should be household, David said this or that. David Kaiura is the name. HQ3 should be thankful to have a retired dedicated man among us, and this goes for Hajime Matsuura our back up man for many years. Lucky you belong HQ3rd.

David Kaiura had many things to report about and of interest was the reunion in L.A. and approximately number of participants. Tentatively plans call for a Seattle and work our way down to L.A., Las Vegas, etc. Of course, everything is not up to date, time etc are to be arranged and Takeshi Nakamura will coordinate the plans.

Also, if plans are right the fishing gang want to go back to Wainapanapa, for more fishing and relaxing and just doing nothing. This is just down Bill and Max alley. Did you see the display or should I say the fish Bill mounted in aquarium. Well, it was the rock cod. he caught a year ago and finally he brings it around to show it. I thought we ate the fish at Takeshi home at the pot luck dinner. What is going on Bill, you must have hid the big rock cod. After seeing the fish David Kaiura decided he must go to Wainapanapa to try his luck.

What else did David report about, 'Don't drink if you drive,' I didn't say that, David did, just a word of caution he says. Also, donation to the Rhower Relocation Memorial are being accepted, call David if you are interested.

Meeting ended at the McCully Chop Suey, more won-ton and noodles or what ever you like. Compliments of Max Isara. With all the pupus at the club house you would think everyone had enough, not HQ3rd, enough is unheard of.

We had a full house for the first meeting of the year, and to make things easy for those who missed it, Takeshi Nakamura our treasurer says, no dues for this year. Too much da-kine and maybe next year you pay. He says maybe spend da-kine and worry later. What a financial wizard. What tomorrow brings, no big thing.

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Attending the meeting and enjoying all that won-ton-min and fellowship were according to where they were sitting, Harold Mikuni, Bill Kuwata, Eddy Tsubata, Max Isara, Takeshi Nakamura, Hajime Matsuura, Shigeru Goto, David Kaiura, Pappy Iwamoto and Charles Watanabe.

What else, all pau, only da-kine-news now. Received a telephone call from a Shig Matsu-fuji of Hanford, Ca, just wanted to talk. He wants to join the gang during the reunion and reminded me to be sure to include him. Also, he just wanted to talk to someone from HQ3rd. He reports he is doing fine and gives his regards to the gang. Looking forward to the reunion. It was a very long time he was last here. Promises to have his wife with him.

Bill Kuwata says he is going to make it a hobby to mount all the big fish he catches.

I like to tell you who went where and when but nobody says anything so no mo da kine.

Erni is the president for this year so he needs a little KOKUA or our support...Boy! hope he knows HQ3rd, they are a very radical group. They are a no, emphatically NO.

What happened to our travel agent Sam Sasai? No stop here maybe went bye bye again.

Just checking through my roster for 1982 and looking through the birthdays to see who and when and I don't think I will mention the time and date. Coming for and Dinosaur age are and surely forget the to be reminded are Bill Kuwata, February; Max Isara, March; Takeshi Nakamura, March; Hajime Matsuura, (no date); David Kaiura, October; Eddy Tsubata, July; Pappy Iwamoto, October; (hope he is keeping track.) The rest of us maybe rest in the space age.

Well, this all PAU. How is Mo and Shig, can't help but think about them whenever I write this news. They like to know everything.

MAHALO.

END

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by Eddie Sakai

Not much news for the Anti-Tank Chapter. It has been raining in Kaneohe but sometimes the sun comes out. When the sun comes out, the people are happy; but we need the rain sometimes!

These are all short news: KO HATA is back at work...working hard! The HONMAs have received several news from Bruyeres...I guess some persons are coming over here! JACK KAGUNI golfs quite often...he has retired; and life is a pleasant trip! AKIRA "FLASH" FUJIKI is still travelling... he plans to travel next month...I don't know where but he gives the itinerary at the last minute! ERNEST MARUYAMA is expecting his fourth grand children! RICHARD "RUGGED" MIYAKAWA is also expecting his fourth grandchildren!

LOUIS FERRIS sent a letter...they are planning to arrive in Honolulu on United Airlines on February 14, and will be staying at the Kahala Hilton until the 17th. Then they'll go to Maui. They plan to leave for the mainland on the 27th. Side trips and sightseeing are included in their plans and they will like to visit the "GO-FOR-BROKE CLUB."

VINCENT MAZZA would like to know about the different kinds of experiences that "Operation Dove", the invasion of Southern France. He would like to know how the glider invasion occurred. If you have any data, please send to me. I will forward to VINCENT MAZZA.

According to TORO HIROSE, NORMAN KURLAN testified on November 23, 1981, the the "Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians."

"My name is Norman Kurlan. I served as an officer with the Anti-Tank Company of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team since its inception in 1943. You have heard a great deal about the valor of the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. I can attest to the validity of every word...because I was with them from start to finish. ...Let me return to 1943. While the 442nd was training at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, I visited the Jerome "Relocation" Camp in Arkansas. There I saw Americans of Japanese ancestry incarcerated behind barbed wires. As an American of Jewish heritage, the experience was shattering...the bitter irony is that while the unit was fighting in Europe and suffering great casualties...(some 9,500 purple hearts)... the families of the Mainland Nisei were interned in American-Style concentration camps. In conclusion...to right the wrongs committed against

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the Japanese Americans, I strongly support the demands by Japanese Americans for redress and urge the commission to recommend the same to congress."

This is a report from Emmet L. O'Conner, Lt. Col. Infantry (retired).

"I had the distinct honor of being one of the early selection of officers to serve with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. At the time of selection I was assigned to the Office of Military Governor of the Territory of Hawaii with station at Iolani Palace in Honolulu."

"I was born and raised in the Territory of Hawaii and grew up among the people of Japanese ancestry as well as attending school with them. As far as I am concerned, we were all Americans.

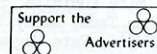
"...These were the people, citizens of these United States in most cases, who had been uprooted from their homes and herded like so many cattle to the so-called "Relocation Centers."

"...We were at war with Germany and Italy as well as Japan, yet only those of Japanese ancestry were imprisoned. Their people had committed no acts of sabotage nor were they, or had they been guilty of spying for the enemy. Questions for which I had no answers.

"...Of their parents, in many cases second and third generation removed from Japan. Of brothers and sisters who had been swept out of college and herded off to live as prisoners. The young soldiers were confused as to why their people were being treated as they were.

"...There is no way that the United States of America can fully and justly compensate the thousands of men, women and children who were so despicably treated by our government during World War II. The loss of personal property, homes and businesses as serious as they were, are nothing compared to loss of pride, the loss of faith in the country and the shame of being kept and treated as prisoners while their young men were going off to die for the country that was keeping the Nikkei imprisoned."

END



by Ron Oba

Grrrr... Auf, Auf. A dog is a dog is a dog. So once again it is a dog gone year and Pit Bulls are out and the Shar-Peis are in. If you do not know what a Shar-Pei looks like, just get up in the morning and put your best face forward before the mirror and frown and think of the saddest event in your life; you will then look like the Chinese Shar-Pei. This being the dog face year, the following are presumed to be born in 1922. This assumption is based on their droopy eyelids loss of hair, sagging chin, parched lips, crumpled rump, and pancake ears. So this is the way our doggies compare: Douglas - Collie; Shige - Shar-Pei; Warren - Fox Terrier; Tsugimi - Chihuahua; Kuwaye - German Shepard; Roy Kubo - Dachshund; Murashige - Doberman Pinscher; Bolo - Poi Dog; Joe - Bloodhound; Oscar - French Poodle; Barney - Great Dane; Ron - Pit Bull. If we missed anyone born in 1922, just bark. 1982 will be a mean dog year until the boar comes into the zodiacal cycle. But really, the dog is blessed by benevolence, good fortune, good health, and happiness. For sure the dogs will dominate but will also be protective and obedient so that we will experience a year of tranquility.

Since tranquility cannot be attained without good resolutions, we thing Mahatma Gandhi's seven sins can be translated into the seven commandments: Thou shalt not seek 1) Wealth without work, 2) Pleasure without conscience, 3) Knowledge without character, 4) Commerce without morality, 5) Science without humanity, 6) Worship without sacrifice, and 7) Politics without principle.

By now, you must be wondering when you will get to read about Chapter news -- the sad fact is that everyone is sitting on their fat hind legs and not doing anything worthy of news. Anyway, we had our annual Christmas party at the Clubhouse with four student guests from the East-West Center for cultural exchange. The Chairperson for the event was Ron Oba but Grace did all the calling and coordination. The 1982 officers were also introduced: President, Yoshi Shibuya; Vice President, Douglas Gusukuma; Secretary-Treasurer, Bolo Yorita. The outgoing officers, respectively, were Kats Nakamura, George Nakasato, and Bolo Yorita. They did a super job for 1981 -- Thanks. George will also become the 2nd Vice President for the Mother Club for 1982. It can be said that the highlight of the year was our trip to Presidio and the mini reunion in San Francisco. We are all looking forward to the reunion in Los Angeles. More on this later. For the Christmas party, George and Shige again did a great job in soliciting for the house plants, flowers, corn, dozens

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of eggs, daikon, pumpkins, and gobo. George also donated a bottle of scotch. Jr. and Ruth - bags of rice, case of oranges, case of aluminum foil, case of chicken soup, orchid plants. Jean Okamoto donated a door prize; Walter Kajiwara - 5 bottles of wine, 1 case of beer, and 20 sacks of mixed candies; Kimi Gusukuma - glasses, candies, and bread; Clara Shibuya - dolls and snowman for the children; Chikako Shimada - crocheted toilet paper containers; Rose Higa - Tako puu puus; Ron and Michi - a yellow floor lamp; and the ono desserts were baked by: Shinako Takata - jello cream cheese pie; Jean Okamoto - cheesecakes; Kimi Gusukuma - pumpkin cream cheese pie; May Tamagawa - Chrismas decorated chocolate cake. As usual Kats made sure that the East-West students from Siam, Indonesia, New Guinea, and Shanghai won the top door prizes.

LITTLE BITS

Myrtle and George took a quickie to Oakland to visit with their son and daughter-in-law.

Ron and Michi went to Kaloi Koi on Molokai to golf and nearly got swept to sea by the rain. Ron walked 18 holes while Michi could traverse only 9 holes each day. Guess who's the younger? But ooh, my aching back! Anyway, they watched the Forty-Niners win the Super Bowl which was worth all the \$1.50.

Our deepest sympathy to Florence Imai whose brother passed away in December.

The Nakamura's are inviting all interested parties including the 100th and other 442nd company members to a February 25, Thursday, meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the 442nd Clubhouse to go over three optional trips from Los Angeles to the East Coast of Canada and the U.S.A. Starting on August 4, one can extend his post-reunion trip to Las Vegas only and return on the 15th or take a leisurely but hurry up trip to East Canada, Atlantic Seaboard, Washington D.C., New York City, and return via Seattle or Las Vegas. The variations to these latter trips are the last stops before coming home. So, on your mark, get set, and be ready to go.

However, first things first! Bill, Mich, Joe, Tommy, Roy, and Ron are presently looking forward to the annual 442nd Golf Tournament on Kauai at the Waialua Country Club on February 13 and 14. Most of us will be there from the 12th to the 15th since it is a long Presidents' weekend. The usual matches will be waged and when the dust settles down, the man with the loudest voice will declare himself the winner. Incidentally, if I have to sleep with three other snorers and teeth grinders like last year, I might as well play for fun only.

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by Stanley Kaneshiro

UP FRONT

Battalion Golf Tournament: All golfers, pros and tyros, are being invited to participate in the First Official Annual 522 Battalion Golf tournament which will be held on February 26, 1982 at Barbers Point. Tee-off time is 9:30 AM and cost will be \$14.00 for fee, cart and cash prizes. There have been many informal golf tournaments in the past but this will be the first official annual tournament. It will be an annual affair hereafter to be held sometime in February or March when we have our Shinmenkai. Tournament co-chairmen will be selected at each year's tournament for the following year, one each from each 522 chapter making three co-chairmen. This year's chairmen are Kiyoshi Takasaki (C) phone 546-8333, Stanley Kaneshiro (B) 546-5699 and Harry Tokushige (A) 3731283. All rules and arrangements for the tournament including handicaps and prizes will be established by the co-chairmen. Mainlanders and outer islanders in Honolulu at this time are welcomed to participate in this tournament and should call any of the chairmen above.

Shinmenkai: The annual Shinmenkai will be held at the 442nd Clubhouse this year and on February 26, 1982 beginning at 6:30 PM. This will be another annual affair to reminisce and continue our friendship and association as former members of the 442nd Artillery Battalion. Charley and Able Chapter members have been invited or will join us in this joint affair. Cost should be minimal with lots of pupus and drinks. This event will also be right after the annual Battalion golf tournament so look for a fun-filled evening. If you haven't already, please contact Biggie, Rocky or Sanda and let them know you'll be there so we'll be able to feed you all.

442nd Annual Banquet: This annual big event will be at the Sheraton Hotel on March 27th. Please call your contact man ASSAP if you plan to attend.

LA Reunion Plans -- by Rocky Tanna

Tentative list of those planning to attend the LA Reunion August 5th thru the 8th, most with spouses, are as follows: Tad Nagasawa, Jeep Kobashigawa, Allen Mekaru, Shozo Kajioaka, Rick Ogata, Mike Hara, Toshi Nishizawa, Joe Takata, Larry Nakahara, Walter Inouye, Harold Ueoka, Shoso Kagawa, Henry Ishida, Mits Kunihiro, Stanley Kaneshiro, Hiromi Fujiwara, Dan Tada, Rocky Tanna, Kats Miho, Lester Kato, Roy Fujii, Pete Nagawa and Kiyoshi Okano. If you don't see your name above and have plans to attend this Reunion, please call Rocky

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Tanna at 737-5837. Post cards have been received from mainland members that following mainlanders are planning to be there: James Mizunos, Toru Mizunos, Tad Watanabes, Gashouse Ishihara, Tahei Niiro and Mrs. Joseph (Marge) James. Others still planning on making it are Yoshio Wadas, Hiyoshi Imotos, George Abes and Bill Ihashis.

New Officers Installed for 1982, Reunion Year: After much arm twisting, we have the following officers for 1982. George Rocky Tanna, President; Katsugo Miho, VP; Harold Ueoka, Secretary; Hiromi Fujiwara, Treasurer. Harold and Hiromi did their jobs so well last year that we let them serve another year. Congratulations and much thanks to these volunteers who have already assured us a full year of action and fun.

Meeting Notes: Nothing much to report for the holidays but the new 'dog' year started with a howl as twenty members attended the first January meeting. Major items taken up and decisions made were as follows: (1) 442nd Club sponsorship of a Fukuoka versus Hawaii high school baseball series, as presented by Kats Miho, was approved. (2) A number of Reunion activities and costs therefor were presented and discussed, including a proposal for a trip to Las Vegas before the Reunion by Shige Warashina and a trip to San Francisco after the Reunion by Rocky Tanna. (3) Committee of Messers Ueoka, Tanna, Miho and Kaneshiro were appointed to look into plans for omiyage. (4) Plans and schedules for Battalion golf tournament and Shinmenkai were announced.

A VISIT TO MIZUNO'S BY KATO'S by Rocky Tanna

As guests of Jim and Toshi Mizuno, Lester and Otaka Kato made a recent tour of the West Coast. From Los Angeles, where the Mizuno's live in a townhouse with all the recreational amenities, the Mizuno's drove the Kato's to San Francisco and back visiting numerous places enroute and also searching out former Baker Battery Boys. In their travels they met the Tsujimoto's in Hayward, Ca. Sgt. Tsujimoto was in the communications section, he was and still is on the quiet side. Jim and Lester learned from Tsujimoto that Sam Ikeda of Richmond, California, had passed away last year, only two weeks after his retirement. Sam was Sgt. of 2nd Section and later became the 1st Sgt. He was liked by all of us and news of his passing was received with much sadness.

Their tour included a visit to the 442nd Memorial Museum, where as usual the 4th gun section picture was on display. Lester and Otaka said they visited many places one normally would not see or visit and had a wonderful time.

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by Sam Yamao

HAPPY NEW YEAR

This is the year of the dog according to the Japanese (Chinese?) calendar. The previous years were 1910, 1922, 1934, 1946, 1958 and 1970, or every 12 years.

Among other things, all the fine traits of human nature are in the possession of people born in the year of the dog. They have a deep sense of duty and loyalty, are extremely honest and always do their best in their relationships with people.

We won't list the negative traits of the people born in the dog year for obvious reasons.

BOB KIKAWA 1982 PREXY

Bob has volunteered to serve as president of Charlie Chapter again. He did a good job last year and we sincerely hope he will consent to serve several more.

Guess you're stuck with your current Chapter reporter, unless someone else wants to do the writing. Any volunteers?

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Charlie Chapter's christmas party was held at the Suehiro restaurant on December 6, with the following in attendance: Mitsuo (Naka) & Mrs. Sakamoto; Florence & Raymond Kunimura; Peggy & Sada Higa; Masao Nakamura and guest Betty Nojima; Jane & Sam Yamao. Singletons were: Ed Ichiyama, Mike Akamine, Jensen Takasaki, Bob Kikawa, George Miyake, Kokomo Hokama. Pete Ogata and Tsune Yoshikawa.

Thanks to Jensen who made the arrangements, the food consisting of steak, lobster, nishime, namasu, grilled fish, sashimi, shrimp and vegetables tempura were superb--molto buono.

Donations for the event were dried mushrooms and mochi crunch from Bob Kikawa, a bottle of Cutty Sark from Ray Kunimura and champagne from Jane Yamao. Hope we didn't miss any others.

The grab bag supervised by Eddie Ichiyama provided varied gifts for everyone. The evening was enjoyed by all. The drinks undoubtedly helped in the merriment.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS FROM OLD FRIENDS

A card was received from Florence and Jack Andrews, including a check for \$50 to the mother club to insure continuance of his subscription to the 442nd Bulletin. He said it would be great to walk in on a Charlie Chapter meeting some night. Why don't you, Jack? Hope you contacted "GUS" Ratcliffe through the address we sent you Jack.

Sam Morikawa (the only Charlie member on Maui) said he and wife Marion went on a month's tour to Fiji, New Zealand, Australia, Bali, Bangkok, Singapore, Manila, Hong Kong and Japan. The trip must have cost a small fortune.

Morikawa heard from Mac Nishimoto, who is retired and plans to attend the L.A. reunion in August. Mac said that Spud Masuda was in Seattle so he, Teiji Takayoshi and Sam Kawamura took Spud out to dinner.

CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Charlie Chapter received a box of assorted dried fruits from Evelyn (Lyman) Domoto of Sanger, California through Yokichi Hokama. It was very nice and thoughtful of Eve to remember us way out here in the middle of the Pacific.

JANUARY CHAPTER MEETING

The attendance at the January 15 meeting was just horrible. Just 5 guys showed up, namely, Bob Kikawa, George Suenaga, "Hardrock" Nakamura, Kokomo Hokama and yours truly. Where are the rest of you--why don't you come out just once a month? We're sure envious of the other chapters where scores of people turn out. Did we have a poker game? Yes!

522 BATTALION SHINNEN-EN-KAI (NEW YEAR'S PARTY)

We have been informed by Stanley Kaneshiro (Baker Chapter) that the shindig is tentatively scheduled for February 27. The details of the party is forthcoming. Hope we have a good turn out at this gathering.

SAMMY AMALU GIVES CREDIT TO 442

For those of you who missed it, we would like to borrow a couple of paragraphs from the January 17 issue of the Honolulu Advertiser, written by Samuel Crowninburg Amalu.

"Honolulu Society (with a capital "S") for snobbish in the twenties and thirties was a closed door affair. It was just unaware that there was

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by Terry Ihara

Upwards to 54 Easy chapter members, wives and friends have indicated plans to attend the 1982 Nisei Veterans Reunion to be held in Los Angeles this coming August 5th through 8th. Of this number about 40 will continue on to Las Vegas and San Francisco. By the time the group reaches Seattle the size of the group will be further reduced to about 30. In addition to the 54 there is a strong possibility that an additional three couples will be making the trip to L.A. on their own or with other groups. Included in the 54 are the Hilo Easy members going on the tour who will be going to L.A. direct from Hilo. Those planning to make the reunion are: MASAMI & MARYLN DOI, TERUO & KUULEI IHARA and friend (Mrs. Lillian Lum), BOBBY MAEDA, NAOTOMO & HAZEL MATOI, GLENN & MIYO NAKASONE, KOZUN & MILDRED NAKATA, HIROSHI & ROSE OKADA, TOSHIO & HAZEL OKAMURA, SHIGERU THOMAS & JUNE OOKA, GEORGE & HARUKO OYAMA, RAYMOND & LAURA SHIGENAGA, RAYMOND SHIROMA, MASAO & KAY SUGIHARA, SABURO & TOKUE OUCHI, HIDEO & BETTY TAKAHASHI, GEORGE & DORIS TANDO, JOHN & BEA TSUKAMOTO, SHIGEO & ELLEN TAMASHIRO, WAICHI & CHIYONO TAKEMOTO, NOBORU & HIDEKO UESUGI, TOMO & MARY UYEDA, MICHIO & CHIYOKO YAMAUCHI, SHIGE & SALLY YOSHITAKE, TADAO & SAKAE YOSHIMOTO, and from the Big Island KAZUTOSHI FUJINO, TSUNE & YAE TAKEMOTO, HARRY TACHIBANA and relatives, Dennis & Karen Sakata and Nora Maeda. We have yet to hear from the islands of Maui and Kauai and their responses may swell Easy representation in Los Angeles to one of the largest at the reunion.

Easy Company veterans in L.A., San Francisco and Seattle are gearing their organizations to meet this invasion of budda-heads from Hawaii. The Los Angeles Chapter has already reserved a large Hospitality Room at the Convention Hotel and knowing the likes of Yamate and gang as well as all the rest of them, you can rest assured that they will be dealing with big numbers. The Frisco or Bay Area Easy Veterans are a group which only recently organized. When you consider the fact that some of their members travel over 200 miles rountrip for a dinner meeting, it's not too often that they can have dinner meetings. Nevertheless, the organization is there and they do meet and hold social get-togethers, especially when veteran friends visit them. In Seattle Easy Chapter as an organization does not exist. In its stead they have a Nisei Veterans group and they like to utilize the resources of that group to host large social gatherings. Contacts with Easy representatives in L. A., San Francisco and Seattle tell us that they'll be ready for us.

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January 25, 1982

1981 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP, 442ND VETS CLUB FCU

Your Board of Directors is once again very pleased to report another successful year with new highs in practically every phase of our operation:

1. The Credit Committee reported new record in loan activity and substantial improvement in delinquent loans.
2. The Treasurer's Report shows we are nearing the \$1 million size in assets; savings are at all-time high; our reserves and undivided profits stand at better than 14% of risk assets; and our income sources are well balanced with net earnings at the highest level ever.
3. Because of these excellent performances, your Board has declared a 12% dividend for the fourth quarter of 1981. This 12% is the maximum allowable by Federal credit union laws. Dividend for the first three quarters was at 7%--the maximum set by Federal regulations.
4. Although most of our loans on the books yield us only 9%, our investments in money market certificates and time deposits have earned in the range of 12 - 16%. Thus, this makes it possible to pay our savers better than average dividends.
5. In order to adequately "reward" our savers who have made possible the lowest loan rates anywhere available to our members, your Board increased all loan classes by an additional 1%. This means our rate schedule will show new ranges of 10 - 13% which still may be the lowest in the country among financial institutions.

Even though we have said it before, your Board again wants to give thanks and much appreciation to the following volunteers who run our credit union:

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We look forward to another great year. Thank you for your participation.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MANAGING TREASURER
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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET FOR VARIOUS YEARS

ASSETS OF CREDIT UNION:	1978	1979	1980	1981
	Loans to Members.....	442,940	466,997	551,454
(Less Allowance for Loan Losses).....	(3,762)	(3,762)	(3,762)	(983)
Cash in Bank.....	10,802	13,840	6,480	18,065
Savings & Time Deposits in Banks and S&L..	184,003	286,771	327,153	297,129
Common Trust Investments, ICU.....	187,817	68,398	8,914	912
Furniture/Equipment, Net.....	607	1,466	1,086	863
Other Receivables.....			7,270	4,275
TOTAL ASSETS OF CREDIT UNION.....	822,407	833,710	898,595	964,655
OBLIGATIONS & EQUITY OF MEMBERS:				
Accounts Payable.....	1,082			707
Savings Accounts of Members.....	772,693	769,229	819,230	873,111
General Reserves.....	22,672	22,672	35,000	35,000
Undivided Profits and Earnings.....	25,960	41,809	44,365	55,837
TOTAL OBLIGATIONS & EQUITY.....	822,407	833,710	898,595	964,655

COMPARATIVE PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENTS FOR VARIOUS YEARS

OPERATING INCOME FOR THE YEAR:	1978	1979	1980	1981
	Interest on Loans to Members.....	41,567	44,538	49,618
Interest on Savings & Time Deposits.....	12,002	21,863	29,144	34,210
Earnings on Common Trust Investments.....	14,071	10,581	5,516	998
Other Income.....	90	4	4	7
TOTAL INCOME FOR THE YEAR.....	67,730	76,986	84,282	96,330
OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR:				
Borrowers' & Savers' Life Insurance.....	4,019	5,795	4,737	4,920
NCUA Supervision/Examination Fees.....	195	942	1,509	1,170
NCUA Insurance on Savings Accounts.....	600	641	158	448
Officers/Directors Fidelity Bond Premium..	673	824	957	1,216
Provision for Loan Losses.....				
Data Processing Costs.....	1,068	1,099	1,071	1,188
Conference-Workshops: Directors/Officers..	1,048	745		324
Office Supplies and Expenses.....	1,258	1,599	1,931	2,886
Other Miscellaneous Expenses.....	2,644	3,940	5,408	5,140
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES FOR YEAR.....	11,505	15,585	15,771	17,292
NET EARNINGS BEFORE DIVIDENDS.....	56,225	61,401	68,511	79,038

Respectfully,

Clarence T. Taba

Clarence T. Taba
Managing Treasurer

January 25, 1982

REPORT OF THE 1981 CREDIT COMMITTEE
TO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP, 442ND VETS CLUB FCU

Your Credit Committee once again takes pleasure in presenting the following comparative summary of our loan activities for the past several years and for 1981:

PURPOSE OF LOAN	1978		1979		1980		1981	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
Auto Purchase/Repairs....	28	118,590	29	160,059	36	164,502	41	201,001
Vacation and Travel.....	30	56,780	26	38,013	41	70,794	37	68,812
Business & Investments...	9	23,500	4	16,500	20	54,700	12	52,700
Home Improv/Furn/Eqpt....	18	33,000	17	43,900	10	44,958	17	74,674
Medical/Dental Expenses..	2	2,628	3	4,900			1	1,000
Taxes & Insurance.....	3	9,000	2	12,500	1	1,034	11	29,467
School & Education.....	2	2,400	6	7,550	3	5,200	1	5,000
Anniversary/Weddings.....	3	5,500			1	3,000	3	9,000
Refinance & Miscel.....	10	15,032	10	12,136	7	11,714	5	11,570
TOTAL LOANS MADE.....	117	283,049	108	312,658	129	387,752	128	453,224

Average Per Loan..... \$ 2,419 \$ 2,895 \$ 3,006 \$ 3,541

As expected, the average size of loan made in 1981 increased to \$3,541 from last year's \$3,006. The total amount loaned last year represents a new high. While auto loans continue to be our major loan class, home improvements rank as our number two.

Five delinquent loans aggregating \$3,243 were written off against reserves previously established. However, these accounts have been turned over to an outside collection agency. We expect to make recoveries on these bad debts. On the other hand, we are pleased to report that as of December 1981, we only had two delinquents with balances totaling \$4,900 as compared to 17 and \$20,995 one year ago.

Respectfully,

Saburo Takayesu

SABURO TAKAYESU, CHAIRMAN
Yoshitaka Kuwaye, Member
Masao Sugihara, Member

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Another Easy Chapter member joined the ranks of the retired. He is none other than KOZUN NAKATA. Kozun called it quits at the end of the year. On the distaff side, SAKAE YOSHIMOTO, Tadao's better half also decided she has had enough.

The graves of all Easy KIA's and those who left us subsequently and laid to rest at the Punchbowl National Cemetery were adorned with floral baskets at Christmas. The project is the brain child of Welfare Committee Chairman Raymond Shigenaga and he was assisted by Maui Okamura and Bobby Maeda. Chairman Shigenaga reported also that two bronze submersible flower pots each were placed at the headstones of Giichi Chinen and Takeo Shintani. They were purchased with the \$100 left the Chapter by Mack and Aiko Shoji during their visit here.

The lauhala weaving classes resumed on the 14th of January. Larry Iwahashi collected a bunch of leaves and contributed them to the class. The weaving of the fans have come naturally to some and to others it has been a slow process. Fortunately we still have lots of time.

On a recent trip to the nation's capital the writer had the occasion to telephone our old Lt. Julian Wells. Wells retired from the U.S. Army as a colonel and now resides at 1320 Oaklawn Ct, Fort Meyers, Florida. He could use some well wishers as he is now tending to his ill wife Donna. Their son is in the Army at El Paso.

The Easy Christmas Party was held on the 19th of December at the Clubhouse. Catered food which included broiled ribs and teriyaki chicken as well as Chinese noodles was enjoyed by all. As is always the case individual members of the club donated or brought for that purpose articles which were distributed as door prizes. Nobu Yoneda donated about two dozen metal trays he fashioned or put together in his workshop. Stooka brought over some jewelry he was able to get from Tets Onouye of Community Jewelers and former 3rd platoon Sgt. Also, there were plants from the Sugi-hara nursery. There will be more to be reported next time when the news reaches this writer.

One more Kanreki on January 30th. Tadao Yoshimoto is being honored that night by his children and their spouses, Vincent and Kathleen Yoshimoto and Keith and Irene Lee. The event will be held at the Ala Moana Hotel.

Douglas Doi was a participant recently in an Art show which featured a number of local artists in the several art forms. Douglas is an instructor in Art at the University Laboratory School. Younger brother David attends Leeward Community

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SERVICE CHAPTER NEWS

by Alex Oka

A most joyous Christmas Party was held at the Flamingo Chuckwagon by 38 members and wives. SAM YAMADA, ROBERT & CYNTHIA OTANI handled all the arrangements. It was such a good party that Sam, Robert & Cynthia have earned the privilege of being lifetime chairpersons of the social committee. Having a good time with SAM & FRANCES YAMADA, ROBERT & CYNTHIA OTANI were CHARLES YOSHIMURA, TOM & CHIC TANAKA, A.J. & JEAN OKA, GEORGE & HISAKO MIYASHIRO, KIYOSHI MURAOKA, FRANCIS KURISU, BILL & BETTY TOMA, OTTO HORI, DIXON YAMASHITA, MIKE INOUYE, MASAJI KUROZUMI, RICHARD HASHI, TOSHI & CLARA NAKANISHI, NEAL TADASHI & MARTHA MORIMOTO, JAMES & MARIHA MIYAKE, TOKUO & FLORENCE FURUTO, YOSHIO YATAGAI, ICHIRO ARITA, HARRY & EMILY FUJIHARA, HIDEO & DOROTHY NIMORI, SUSUMU & KOZUE AWAYA, RALPH & GRACE CHINAKA.

There were so many door prizes donated by members that it looked like an exchange of gifts among the members. The door prize donated by Dixon Yamashita went to the Miyake's, Tom Tanaka's prize to Ichiro Arita, Shiro Nagasako's prize from Hotel-Ya to Yoshio Yatagai. Inturn, Yoshio Yatagai's donation to Otto Hori, the two prizes donated by Oscar & Hisako Miyashiro to Nakanishi and Oka, Sam Yamada's prize to the Chinaka's, Masaji Kurozumi's prize to Muraoka, Furuto's prize to Hideo Nimori and Service chapter prize to Dixon Yamashita. In addition, enough door prizes were donated by Robert & Cynthia Otani so that every family had at least one door prize and the Otani's made sure that each family had a generous package of cookies, manju and senbei from Fujiya company. Thanks again Sam, Robert & Cynthia.

The officers and committee chairpersons were all recognized during the party. Masaji Kurozumi for his many years of hard work representing the chapter on the 442nd Board of Directors, Sam Yamada for handling all the social affairs for so many years going back to the years when we had the annual camping trip to the North Shore, Secretary Otto Hori for keeping the minutes of all our chapter meetings and taking care of correspondences, Dixon Yamashita for taking good care of our chapter treasure. Ralph & Grace Chinaka for being such gracious hosts for the monthly chapter meetings, Neal Morimoto for the Welfare committee. And they even thanked me so that I keep writing nice things about all the others. Tadashi Morimoto requested that we sing happy birthday to all those who were born in December --Martha Miyake, Otto Hori and Richard Hashi. For Martha Miyake Christmas in a double celebration in that she is a Christmas baby. Martha mentioned that as a youngster there was a distinct disadvantage in being a Christmas baby. Tom Tanaka mentioned that he too was "poho" in that he is a leap year baby.

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Richard Hashi of Maui was on his way to Los Angeles to look over some machinery for his auto business and the timing was just right to join us at the party. Richard is successful because he adjusts to changing business conditions to keep ahead of his competitors. And as usual Richard left after making a generous contribution to the chapter and "Shadow" invited Hashi to next year's party.

On the sad side, Shiro Nagasako's mother at age 86 passed away. Our sympathy to Shiro and his family. At the service were several members who were't at the Christmas party. Masami Tanabe who had to cancel out of the party at the last minute because of his mother's injury on the day of the party, John Leonida because of other commitments. Shiro's mother like so many other parents were the pioneers who came to Hawaii to better themselves and the result is that their descendents have benefited.

One of the pioneers who worked hard and sacrificed much was my mother in law, Moto Saito, who passed away one week before Thanksgiving just a few weeks away from her 93rd birthday. She was brought up according to the old Japanese tradition and now her children and grandchildren are benefiting from her sacrifices.

Going back to the Christmas party, we were happy to see Kiyoshi Muraoka and Francis Kurisu at the party. The two of them, along with Yoshio Yatagai, Shadow Kurozumi, Tom Tanaka and me were the Service Chapter bowling team. Yoshio Yatagai after missing several meetings was back with the gang. This time he was on work assignment to Australia. Yatagai is one of the fortunate few who actually set foot on the continent of Antarctica.

On matters of chapter business, we had a spirited discussion on ideas to improve our communications with members who have not been attending meetings or who receive this bulletin. We know that all of them would answer our call whenever we ask that they participate in Service chapter reunion affairs but since time is going by so fast, we really wanted to see more of each other. It is at these meetings that we really get a chance to chew the fat about little incidents during the military years.

Jumping around from one subject to another, noticed that Brother Joe Shimamura of King Chapter has a standing offer of a steak dinner to any Kingman who will take over the chapter reporters job. If Joe is successful, he will be receiving phone calls from all the other reporters except Hichi of the Engineers. I sympathize with Joe, I

too would like to retire from this lifetime job and whenever the subject of the additional assessment of \$3 for the bulletin comes up, my suggestions is that if we don't have the money, to discontinue the bulletin. And everytime I suggest that we discontinue the bulletin chapter president Kurozumi would mention that our comrades on the mainland are looking forward to the news in the bulletin. He would then hoomali-mali me so that I'll continue to write. At one time I thought of writing something real stink about "Shadow" so that he'll fire me as the reporter but how can I write stink about someone like him when his only sin is that he's a friendly fellow.

On the subject of the \$3 assessment for the bulletin. Whenever this comes up a few of them would voice objection on the grounds that the lifetime dues entitles the member to the bulletin. These fellow are right, that arrangement was part of the agreement. And these guys will continue to fight for what is right. However, on the other side of the coin, while these guys are fighters, they are also extremely generous. So, instead of assessing them additional fee, as them to contribute. "Say fellows, the cost of running the club and printing the bulletin have gone up. How about a little kokua with contribution of at least \$3. And those of you who have been more fortunate in the business world, please share your good fortune with the club."

Just heard from May Mabe of Westminster, (Denver). She had several more attacks during the holidays and had a close call. She is looking forward to her first grandchild sometime in April and to the reunion in August. All our prayers are with you so please take good care of yourself.

By the time this article comes to press, Service Chapter should have a better idea on its pre-reunion or post-reunion tours.

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cessful Issei Appreciation Day at the Midwest Buddhist Temple which the post sponsored. Japanese dancers, singers, and musicians entertained the old folks. After the dinner the Issei were presented with many gifts.

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by Mino Suzumoto

Let's start the year off with an "Akemashite Onedeto Gozaimasu!" which somehow sounds most appropriate because of it's better connotation. Then follow that closely with a "Happy New Year! Everyone!"

No sooner had you been informed that TERRY ARATANI'S name was appearing more often in the Honolulu Star Bulletin's "Kokua Line" than any other individual and he switches media allegiance. This time he's on Channel 2 TV, being interviewed about his role as Oahu District Engineer. I hear tell only a short segment of a fairly long session was released. But his positive attitude tied in with his concise, informative answers sure create a lasting impression. Fellow Itemites felt compelled to accord this perennial President of ours a standing ovation at our initial meeting of the year. Thursday, January 7, 1982. Which, as fate will have it, fell on the following night.

And as if he had taken the cue from the preceding, ex-school principal, ex-chapter Prexy and a past President of the 442nd V.C., KENNETH OKUMA too, showed his mettle making HIS TV debut exactly 6 evenings after TERRY'S surprise showing on the same net work. Speaking before an audience (HGEA, UPW, Teacher's Ass'n, Fire Dept., etc.) at the State Capitol Auditorium, his impassioned plea for support on increased benefits for retired teachers were clearly caught on camera...

YUKIO "Koppe" YAMAMOTO lie seriously ill in Kuakini Medical Center as this goes to press at January's end. Was recuperating at home after major surgery in early Nov., last. Complications must have set in somehow even though he was receiving chemo-therapy treatments. Itemites are being urged to visit him, if at all possible. BOZO NISHIOKA is acting as Item Chapter's liaison with the family. That we're more than anxiously hoping for his complete and rapid recovery, I need not tell you.

One of my most dependable source informs yours truly that MONYI MURAKAMI, long time resident of Palo Alto, Ca., has retired (postal system?) and is home for good in Mountain View, Hawaii, (zip 96771)...P.O. Box 75. If you have a hankering to write to this prodigal son, I'm sure he won't mind. By the way this tid-bit emanated out of Kauai and my "Thanks!" goes to MARGARET OSHITA, who I shall be revisiting (but she doesn't know it) together with BRUNO and the Item golfers about the time this appears in print. Which should come about in mid-February.

The annual 442nd Anniversary Banquet will be held on Saturday, March 27, 1982, at the Waikiki

Sheraton. Better mark that down on your calendar.

If you're one of the guys, like me, who's already pre-paid for a copy of the "Go-For-Broke" pictorial book in February 1981, or earlier, the new advisory date is now March, 1982. My advice: Don't hold your breath!...Meanwhile the 442nd shirt which also have been paid for since last year, becomes available in that same time slot. Maybe uttering "Promises! Promises!" to all this jazz just might be of some help. Now, all together!

ROSALIE (KAMAI) LOPES wasn't a member of Co. I, per se. But she was one of the most beautiful "Itemite-at-heart" person we could have possibly known. (Another was the late CLARENCE "Hot Dog" YOUNG.) When yours truly first coined that phrase way back then, it was with someone exactly like her in mind; although admittedly we first met ROSALIE only 5 short summers ago. That was when as guest of Treas. TAD FUJISHIGE, she, her husband ED (TAD'S schoolmate) and grandson RUSSELL joined us on that never to be forgotten "1976 Chicago NVR" and all points east tour. This "Hawaiian lady" and she was that in every sense of the term, really took it to heart upon witnessing the camaraderie shared between "us Hawaii budda-heads and the mainland kotonks." She vowed then and there she would invite everyone, kotonks included, to an authentic Hawaiian luau, come "Hawaii NVR, 1979," at their Waianae valley home. And that she did! And may I refresh your memory here: Over 200 Itemites, including our mainland guests transported in 5 buses set her place to overflowing! And the happiest person there was ROSALIE herself...Now with a heavy heart I regretably inform you that the same ROSALIE JULIE LOPES passed away on the 14th of January at Queens Medical Center, succumbing to cancer. She was 58. Funeral services were held at Hawaiian Memorial Park, in Kaneohe on a rain-swept, cold, windy day. The heavens opened and "Akua" must have wept. Representatives of Co. I were warmly received by ED LOPES himself, who came all the way to the back area from up front, as soon as he spotted the Item group entering the chapel. May her soul rest in peace...Those who were there: TAD FUJISHIGE of course, serving in a 'family' capacity; KAZU TAKEKAWA; CHAMP SUZUKI; MASA NAKAMURA; BRUNO YAMADA; BOZO NISHIOKA, and yours truly.

An equally sad news out of Maui; that of fellow Itemite WILLIAM "Chocolate" SAKUGAWA of Puunene who passed away on Christmas eve., (noted in both local dailies.) Our deepest condolence to his wife NORA, the remaining next of kins and to all those whom he held dear.

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And no less tragically, words reached us only recently (mid-Jan) that LOU KASHINO'S dad Mr. FRANK TSUBOI had passed away, late last year also, in Seattle, Wa. Item Chapter members may recall we once had the pleasure of hosting him and Mrs. TSUBOI to a dinner at the Kaimana Beach Hotel (now the New Ohtani) some years back. The couple had stopped over on their way home, after a trip to the Far East. As I remember it, he was able to converse in almost flawless English as we stood and gazed out towards the Royal Hawaiian Hotel from an upper floor. "And how is Mr. DAN INOUE?" was his opener, catching me completely off guard. Our sincerest sympathy to the TSUBOI family and to all those whom he loved. May his soul rest in peace.

Also out of Seattle and on "deadline" day, Sunday, January 31, was I able to learn that JUNE KAZUMURA, devoted wife of fellow Itemite and local-boy LARRY KAZUMURA had died of a heart attack in August, 1981. A much, much belated message of condolence to LARRY and the remaining next of kins. May her soul, too, rest in peace. I'm indebted to TERUMI KATO for being the bearer of this shocking news.

Our "Thanks!" to MOTOSHI TOKUNAGA, Wailuku, Maui, "substituting for SUGURU" he said, for sending us our first ever listing of all Co. I members located on the "No-ka-oi" Isle, BILL SAKU-GAWA included.) KAZU TAKEKAWA, visiting there recently conveyed the fact that we'd like to have such a directory (wife's name, phone, zip code and all) on hand. And why did our "Mr. Maui" pass the buck over to MOTOSHI? Well, it seems he just had surgery done to a most delicate part of his anatomy (JOE OKUMOTO will understand without my drawing a picture.) We hope it's healing nicely, SUGURU.

We gratefully acknowledge the following monetary gifts sent to Co. I over the Holiday Season. One, from "ISHUP" & SEIS TANDO, Chicago, IL and another from KAZ & YO MJTO, Suisun, CA. To both folks: "Your most generous gesture, for the umpteenth time really, is greatly appreciated and we do mean 'Mahalo nui loa!'"

MASAMI ISO, San Jose, CA., comes in for his quota of our "Mahalo!" too. We enjoyed, immensely the "Hickory Farm" beef stick and 7 variety of cheeses sent over the Christmas season. I saw the postage and it was so high it practically made my nose bleed!

Roll Call, Dec., 1981: CLARENCE TABA; TAD FUJISHIGE; JAMES OKIMOTO; MOTOMI SHINDO; RALPH ARASHIRO; WALTER FURUKAWA; BRUNO YAMADA; MINO SUZUMOTO; DANNY YAMASHITA; TOMMY UMEDA; BOZO NISHIOKA; BILL NAGANUMA; JOE OKUMOTO; MITS OSHIRO;

MASA NAKAMURA; CHAMP SUZUKI; HIRAM DOI; C.B. SAKAMOTO; SHIG MAISUMOTO (not bad showing up 2 months in a row); KIICHI KATO; MAMO SHIROTA. In the absence of Prexy TERRY ARATANI, yours truly was asked to take over... "Pupu and Beer" chatter. RALPH and his large bottle of "Kiku-Masamune" forever going hand in hand... Credit DANNY with the "tako poki"; BOZO with the "beef stick", through CAPPY UTSUNOMIYA, Santa Clara; HIRAM DOI with the "boil peanuts."

Roll Call, Jan., 1982: RALPH ARASHIRO; BILL NAGANUMA; ERNIE UNO (incoming 442 President, ex-Item kotonk now attached to 3rd HQ, "paying his respects"); TERRY ARATANI; TOMMY UMEDA; MOTOMI SHINDO; HIRAM DOI; STAN YAMAMOTO; MITS OSHIRO; JAMES OKIMOTO; KAZU TAKEKAWA; TAD FUJISHIGE; MINO SUZUMOTO; CAL LUM; BOZO NISHIOKA; BRUNO YAMADA; JOE HANZAWA; MASA NAKAMURA; KENNETH OKUMA; SMITTY KOGA; CHAMP SUZUKI; TOGO NAKAGAWA... "Pupu & Beer" chatter. Beer donors: HIRAM DOI, "Oly"; Yours truly, "Miller Lite"; a third party with his "Bud" and slabs of "cured steaks" shall remain anonymous by his own choice and don't ask me why. RALPH with his new bottle of "Kiku-Masamune." Also, STAN and a 2nd case of "Bud", which we decided to hang on to for another day; KAZU with a plateful of semi-dried aku. MASAMI ISO'S beef stick and cheeses were consumed at this session.

MITS "Battleship" YAKUMA reputedly recuperating at home after a bout with the "Montezuma's you-know-what" following a trip through South America. Vomiting, fever, diarrhea, the whole works! He suffered right through Christmas and New Year's. Says, "Everybody got sick in Acapulco!" Like someone keep saying, "Drink the Beer. But don't drink the water!" Now, where did I hear that one before?

WILSON MAKABE is here presently (late Jan. early Feb., 1982) with his close buddy YOSH NAKAMURA, also from Reno, NV. Emerging from the McCully Chop Suey house the other evening, he was told we would be walking to the 442 clubhouse. "Is it far?" he asks, "2 blocks," someone answered. "That's far!" he retorts. Whereupon a wag offered "Not any farther than from 'Mapes to Harrah'." "Oh, I can manage that!" smiles WILSON; he with the-artificial-leg.

Seen at the scene: BRUNO YAMADA; TOMMY UMEDA; HIRAM DOI; TAD FUJISHIGE; STAN YAMAMOTO; RALPH ARASHIRO; CHAMP SUZUKI; JAMES OKIMOTO; C.B. & GAY SAKAMOTO; MINO & DOT SUZUMOTO; KENNETH & BETTY OKUMA; TERUMI KATO; MASA MANABE; BOZO & LIZ NISHIOKA; TOGO NAKAGAWA; MASA NAKAMURA; FRANCIS SUGAI; JOE HANZAWA; BILL NAGANUMA and of course both honored guests... In all fairness, JOE OKUMOTO, Prexy TERRY ARATANI and KAZUMA OYAMA had all expressed regrets for their inability to attend.

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by Hichi Matsumoto

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

To all dem guys dat went go change da address or telephone numbers. Notify your telephone captains or the president. No fool around and do 'em now. Mattara bambai you going forget again. Da roster stay lilibit kapakahi and must be brought up-to-date. Dis is for you tonari island guys and out-of-staters, too.

CHRISTMAS PARTY (1981)

Dis de how many years anyway that the 232nd Engrs/Band Chapter have been going to Victoria Inn for the Christmas party. The food, atmosphere, company or whatever must be some super good because this year's turnout was bigger than last year's record crowd that went surpass the previous year's overflowed crowd. Anyway, knowing a good thing when they see or hear of one, the Tom Masamoris of Denver mata kita. Or was it just an excuse to get away even for a few days from the okole freezing weather. And kuru tambini teni nanika sagete kuru. Kona was bolo ties with the 442 emblem. This time the whole group picture taken in front of the Fred Fujimoto's home in Kona during the recent mini-reunion. Somebody overheard somebody telling Tom, "Eh, why you no come more often." From Maui, Hiroshi & Edna Arisumi came. And our Mini-reunion hosts from Kona: Fred & Midori Fujimoto and George & Janet Mukai no kita. Irene Yasuda (Kazu's widow) yoh kite kureta. That's why was one good and nigiyakana affair.

Going off track lilibit but like we said many many times in the past to the no-come-out guys, come out. No say bambai I come, because everybody amari nago nai. Let's be realistic and not kid ourselves. Us guys not in the Over-the-Hill gang, we graduated from that group and very much so in the Down-the-Hill (way down) gang.

Anyhow coming back to thee party. Of all the night long doings, these three, not necessarily in order were the hi-lites. 1. The cocktail hour like always drew top rating...with the men-folks. (The ladies they must have gotten used to it by now.) We never get one junk one yet, that will be the day. 2. The Choir under the direction of Maestro Eddie Kanaya performed very nobly, considering the number of practice sessions. The songs were: Arirang, Koko Ni Sachi Ari, Silent Night & Hark the Herald Angels Sing. The applause was more than the singers anticipated. 3. And last but not third, incoming President Gilbert Kobatake's acceptance speech. The old folks would say of his speech, "futsu yorimo nago

katta." But was meaty and very informative too. Heaping all kinds of praises to the chapter and having kind words for everybody.

Winnie (Bull) Namba's donation of the beautiful opal ring was again put up as the grand prize and the lucky winner was Nikki (George) Kurio. With everybody donating something had ukupaila prizes which made it a project for the prizes committee chairman and his assistants to pass 'em out. That's why kaeri shina ni you got to take home just as much or more omiyage you brought to the party if you were lucky. Maru mohke, Brah.

Carrying on with the chapter's tradition of introducing next year's officers at the Christmas party, nominating committee chairman Walter Matsumoto called on the following to take a bow. President Gilbert Kobatake, VP Calvin Yasuhara, Secretary Masao Yamasaki and Treasurer Monte Okamoto. Our new president will announce the various committee chairmen at the January meeting.

The food was the usual dis and dat kind stuff. But was tasty because everybody had their fill besides had enough for tsumami throughout the evening for the sugu hara heru guys. No problem with the nokoris because the wives wakete went take 'em home. No need be shame, nothing wrong. After all, it's all paid for.

Party General Chairman was Barney Zenigami (he being chapter VP automatically inherits the job). At first he was saying, "Dis kind job I no like," but once he got the taste of it (being the honcho) and kokua coming from all angles, he put on a typical Engrs/Band party---outstanding. For M.C. he had Doc Kawamoto. Like we said, tie his hands behind his back and he all jam up. Calvin Yasuhara and crew were busy all night handing out the presents and prizes. Hide Nakashige was in charge of games. Joe Sato and his transistor took care of the dancing. The Bar boys, Gary Kawate, Jimmy Nakamura and Tomo Mitsuka worked hard too, even though receiving nary a tippu.

The only hagai-ness thing of the evening was the ladies singing as a group without any practice sounded almost as good (some said better) as the Choir boys who magimeni have been practicing for months. The ladies last sang at last year's Xmas party. The author of, "All men at created equal," sure don't know the Engrs. Poor Maestro, what he goes through for the sake of the club, giving his daijina time unselfishly. You just got to feel for a person like him.

Tried to talk to Midori Fujimoto and Janet Mukai to thank them for all the concern and good times showed us while in Kona but dame-datta. They

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busy with the ladies and us no busy with the men-folks. Then Akamai and wakattoru people so they'll understand.

Paul Watanabe made his first public appearance since his recent hospitalization. Mits Honda was stricken with something the last minute so had to beg off.

Outgoing president Walter "Juu" Nakasone was happy up. He never tell but everybody know, was his last official duty. Henry Nakama was the Bonsan for the evening, saying grace.

CHAPTER OFFICERS- 1982

"We never seem to run out of quality people and this year is no different." That was election committee chairman Walter Matsumoto prior to introducing the new officers. Also added, "Everybody never get to serve yet."

The following are the officers:

President-Gilbert Kobatake

Come on now, you tell us shojikini, what can anybody write anything new about a man everybody knows. Anyhow, some may wonder how come a man of his stature and prominence never became president sooner. Simple. He had a contracting business

that demanded much of his time. And if you know anything about this business, you cannot hotto-kasu and leave 'em in hired hands. You just got to grab the bull by the horns and geev'em. In other words you yourself got to be on top of the action and stay with it all the time.

And now one of his three sons took over the business permitting him to join our ranks, da inkysans. For sure the chapter goma have another super year or better because if you know Gilbert, second best is not good enough.

232nd Engrs/Band Chapter's First Lady's name is, you can call her Kay or Katchan. Mrs. Kobatake too, but she prefers informality. A very nice person and easy to talk to.

Vice President - Calvin Yasuhara

Another excellent choice. Calvin is a person that gives 100% all the time and goes all out whatever he does. Why you theenk get so much prizes at every Christmas party, heem. Him one guy, he no scared go ask for any kind donations from Chapter members and wives because he himself hustles da most. In fact nobody even come close. Talent, he get too. Maybe he golfs twice a month at the most but he can hold his own playing guys his handicap that play way more than him. You

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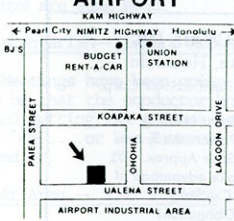
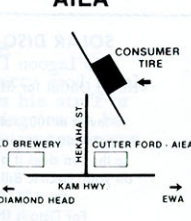

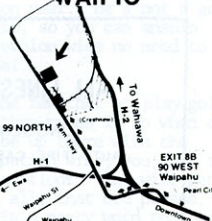



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say he gets a little loud after having a few? Being beeg, he's loud all the time, as his nature. You try sit close to him at choir practice and if you no block him out completely and really concentrate on your part, no can help but you get to follow him. Why you think Gary Kawate and Paul Watanabe (they all in second base) sound good. They follow him.

This we gotta share with you if not we feel suman. Anyway, at the November chapter meeting when Election Committee Chairman Walter Matsumoto announced that Calvin was to be our next VP he was as they say caught with his pants down. He was making big noise but when hearing his name, he went clam up just like one thunder went hit him. But he never went monku nothing, realizing that his time has come. The simplest and best way to describe our likeable VP is, he is the "put your money by your mouth or shut up" type of person and we might add, all heart too.

Secretary -- Masao Yamasaki

Him, again.

Treasurer -- Monte Okamoto

Him, sempre.

The M & M boys (Masao & Monte) have been at their post for a long time and as for their tenure pau, nowhere in sight. Probably get some dark horses in the chapter can do an adequate job but like they say, when things going good, maybe shake the boat lilibit but no rock 'em too much. And another thing, we don't go for making any kind unnecessary changes just for the sake of changing. About these two mada plenty good stuff kakitai but we have exhausted our vocabulary and completely ran out of hybolic words describing da kind fantastical work they been doing year in and year out. So we are going back to basics and say, the two guys are some good.

Parliamentarian--Richard Murakami

Meetings have been going pretty good lately. Could be that the conductor knows his stuff or Richard getting lax and not calling 'em as he hears 'em....or Doc Kawamoto not protesting as he used to.

Sgt. At Arms -- S.T. Fujioka

This guy is doing one helluva job, always under trying and hectic conditions. We sincerely think that the time has come to give him a well-earned second stripe. Only one sukoshi sabishii.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Aloha & Welfare -- Walter Matsumoto & Joe Sato

Nambo high and low sagashitemo, no can find dedicated club members like dis two. Honest, trustworthy....you know, like the Boy Scouts oath

Social--(Xmas Party) Calvin Yasuhara

Right man for the right job. And for the all important getting donations, him ni katen, he can even outhustle a hustler.

Stag Night -- Richard Murakami & Masao Yamasaki

Dis two guys stay kapu dis job for life. You know why? Dem da only committee kick back money to da treasury. How come? Yarikata, man.

Fishing -- Ben Ono

Da Beeg Fisherman been holding dis position ever since. Not because he is da biggest but because he's da glue that holds da group together

Golf -- Paul Watanabe

Him, too, just like da above but onit "da biggest."

Reporter -- Hichi Matsumoto

Lilibit moloha at times but always manages to meet da dreaded deadline.

442nd Mother Club 3rd VP

1985, mark that year because that's the year a 232nd Engrs/Band Chapter member will become the main boy of the 442 Veterans Club. Like our elders used to say, three years matsuno nagonai. Being 3rd VP this year and moving up a notch every year, the timing is perfect. For in that time he'll be Daitoryo. With things going according to Hoyle, it'll be reunion year. He's not a good man but more like terrific, so you can anshin shite rest assure that reunion wise no need to make any kine iran shinpai.

Dis guy is one of the few that no play golf or go fishing, but more than makes it up when come to dancing. He may not be up there with the stylists YET but participation wise, you just try and keep him off the dance floor. The wife get itchy feet too. 'As not all, that old phrase, "sitting this one out," is a nasty word to them. She says that if you going sit down and be a kazarimon for the wall, more better stay home and rusuban the house. To both of them, "Idol hands (or feet) only helps the Axis."

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Our new 3rd VP thrives on work, any kine. Although retired from working for the federal government (Army) he's busier than ever assisting his son in wholesale candy business. Aredake janai, he is also president of the 442 Dance Group... a more congenial group, doko sagashitemo no can find. Oh, his name Rodney Yamashiro and the wife name is Nora.

CHAPTER MEETING - JANUARY

Had all kinds of doings, this being the first meeting of the year. Busy were President Gilbert Kobatake and Treasurer Monte Okamoto. One was conducting the meeting and the other, collecting the kala. Busier were Refreshment Chairman Gary Kawate and First Deputy Jimmy Nakamura. The first two mentioned, work was so much and pau for the night. Whereas the latter two were busy all night until go home time or the well went dry, whichever came first.

The business portion of the meeting started somewhat later than usual and what took up a little more time was members greeting one another with handshakes and slap on the back, usually ending with, "Eh, this year mata tanomudo."

Refreshment committeeman Tomo Mitsuka go needle Juju Nakasone (1981 president), "How come when you was president only about 30 guys use to show up. Look now, we get new president, we get 43 guys tonight." Witty Ben Ono joining in, "Guys like take picture, that's why." The 232nd Engrs/Band Chapter is buying a 1/2 page ad in the 1982 Reunion program and going smear 'em with the group picture taken this night.

We could be wrong but we strongly think that this meeting was the first time Walter Matsumoto, Francis Fujita and Gilbert Kobatake (all officers) attended together. Looks like they had a reunion of their own.

Sam Sakumoto, the guy that shows up when least expected, brought with him the 232nd Engrs guide-on, given to him by Robert Kitaji, a kotonk from Salinas, California. Sam ga yunoni, Robert, who joined the company in France was the supply sergeant, that is after most of the boys left Italy for home. He spotted the guide-on in the supply room among all the junks and sutetara no pololoi-to-onote, kept it. And voila, when he came for a Hawaiian vacation in December of 1981, he looked up Sam and you know the rest. Mervyn Takano was assigned to make a frame for the guide-on but where to keep 'em, arega mondai.

The hot item of the evening was Mother Club 3rd VP, Rodney Yamashiro's report on the upcoming Annual 442 Banquet. Being the main boy and need-

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by Bruno Yamada

The 442nd Veterans "Retirees" Golf Club is getting organized. The call is out to all interested golfers both retirees and those working who can get off once a month. We plan to golf at military courses on weekdays. The first is scheduled at Barbers Point Golf Course on Thursday, February 25, 1982, at 11:30 a.m. Those interested in joining the golf club and plan to golf at Barbers Point should contact Bob Sasaki at the clubhouse or Ed Tamanaha (phone 455-2832) in order to receive a gate pass, tee time, and other details.

To date, those who have declared interest in joining the golf club are: Rocky Tanna, Tad Nagasawa, Teiji Uehara, Maui Okamura, Masami Doi, Terry Ihara, Neka Matoi, Lefty Sugihara, Kenneth Okuma, Bolo Yorita, Speed Tanna and Ed Tamanaha.

Membership is being limited to only members of the 442nd Veterans Club on a first-come, first-served basis up to the golf club membership limitation. Thereafter, a waiting list will be established. So, don't delay, sign up now!

ANNIVERSARY TOURNAMENT

The plush Hickam Air Force par-72 golf course will be the site of the 442nd 39th Anniversary golf tournament. Our thanks to Colonel Edmund Yee, Vice Commander of the Hickam Air Force Base and Alfred Amii of George Company for making it possible for us to play on this fabulous military layout.

The tournament is scheduled for Friday, March 26, with a possible shot gun start if enough members sign up. Pairing will be made one week prior to the tournament. Included in the golf package will be a special luncheon treat.

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How can one sleepy-eyed partner line up a putt for another who falls asleep over his putter? Tommy's the only guy who is going to sleep at 8 p.m. sharp because he won't disrupt his daily routine. My bet's on Tommy as long as he can concentrate and keep his voice down.

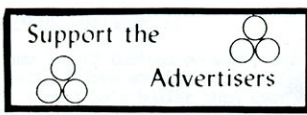
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Following is a Sample Tour Package by Kats Nakamura

NISEI VETERANS REUNION, EAST CANADA, ATLANTIC SEABOARD, WASHINGTON D.C., NEW YORK CITY

- Aug 4 (Wed) HNL/LAX Evening Flight
- Aug 5 (Thur) HNL/LAX Morning Flight
- Aug 5,6,7,8 NISEI VETERANS REUNION...HYATT REGENCY
- Aug 9 (Mon) LAX/TORONTO (A.M. Departure)
- Aug 10 (Tue) TORONTO (NIAGARA Sightseeing)
- Aug 11 (Wed) TORONTO/OTTAWA (A.M. Departure by Air)
- Aug 11 (Wed) OTTAWA (City tour, Sightseeing, Shopping)
- Aug 12 (Thur) OTTAWA/MONTREAL (A.M. Departure via bus)
- Aug 12 (Thur) MONTREAL (City tour, other sightseeing) or rest. Night (Ballet shows)
- Aug 13 (Fri) MONTREAL/QUEBEC (A.M. Departure by bus)
- Aug 13 (Fri) QUEBEC/MONTON (A.M. Departure by air)
- Aug 13 (Fri) MONCTON (Sightseeing)
- Aug 14 (Sat) MONCTON/HALIFAX (A.M. Departure by bus)
- Aug 15 (Sun) HALIFAX (Sightseeing)
- Aug 16 (Mon) HALIFAX/NEW YORK (P.M. Departure by air)
- Aug 17 (Tue) NEW YORK CITY (All day sightseeing) STATUE OF LIBERTY, EMPIRE STATE BLDG., UN BLDG., WORLD TRADE CENTER, etc, etc. Night (Stage shows, musical shows etc.)
- Aug 17 (Tue) Leisure Day (Shopping etc, etc.) Night (Stage shows, musical shows etc.)
- Aug 18 (Wed) NEW YORK CITY/WASHINGTON D. C. (A.M. Departure by air) WASHINGTON D. C. All day sightseeing. Night--free.
- Aug 19 (Thur) WASHINGTON D. C. A.M. WHITE HOUSE, meet CONGRESSMEN etc.
- Aug 20 (Fri) WASHINGTON D. C./LAX (A.M. Departure by air) Overnight accommodation in LAX OR Return to HONOLULU in the evening.
- Aug 21 (Sat) LAX/HNL Early afternoon departure. Arrive HNL late P.M.



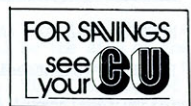
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The following was present for the Xmas party: Yoshiji/Betty Aoki, Kazuo/Kazuko Fink, Lawrence/Chiyoko Fujii, Akira/Akiko Gerlach, Bill/Harumi Hagio, Hide/Mary Higa, Kila Haraguchi, Norima Horimoto, Mamo Isobe, Jacob/Terry Jichaku, Casey Kasadate, Sueso/Edna Kuramoto, George Matsumoto, P.K./Genny Matsumoto, Donkey/Betty Nakahara, Allen/Emiko Nakamura, Hide Nakayama, Kazuma Ogata, Fumio/Michiko Ohashi, Bill/Lily Oshiro, Henry/Ruth Oshiro, (Henry prepared the sashimi), Whitey Saito, Kobe/Chiz Shoji, Ray/Yasuko Sumikawa, Isa Takiyama, Jiro Watanabe, Victor/Timmy Yamashita, Wm. Yamamoto, & guests Rev. & Mrs. DuTiel, Walter Kajiware. Genro Kashiwa had a cold & Joe/Nancy Oshiro had guests from Maui so had to cancel from joining the group.

Congratulations to the Shoji's, Kelvin and Lynn on their new born son Kelly, weighing a whopping 8 lb 5 oz on Dec. 1, 1981, and to grandma Chiz & grandpa Kobe on their having a second grandchild.

Tad Sakai with son Tracy, home for the winter break from Cal-Poly University at Pomona, had a pretty house guest over the Xmas holidays. Tracey Seki, daughter of Sumi & Don Seki of Long Beach, California was here for a short vacation.

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College and works part-time as counselor with the Department of Education.

Ben and Daisy Takayesu are the parents of three sons. Their youngest Jimmy got himself married during the weekend of January 22 on Maui. The older two are still single.

The name of Mitsugi & Rose Yamada was inadvertently left out of the list of those planning to attend the Nisei Veterans Reunion in August.

"Cabby" Fujino the genial ex-postmaster from Honokaa was in town for the Rose Bowl. Like the Cabby of old, always doing things for others, he brought with him two cartons of raw lauhala for the weaving class. Lefty Sugihara brought 2 large cartons of already cleaned and pressed lauhala leaves for distribution to the weavers. The leaves are imports from Fiji and are extremely long, making possible any number of new creations.

Finally, missed this news earlier but just as good here. Prexy Shige Yoshitake closed his working days with the State Labor Dept. on December 31. What is he doing now? --- nothing.

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- A - No. The VA does not provide business loans for veterans. Such loans may be available through the Small Business Administration. Check the "U.S. Government" section of your local telephone directory for the address of the nearest SBA office.
- Q - I am a World War Veterans who let my GI insurance lapse years ago. I recently read that a new bill passed Congress giving veterans like me a dividend on this lapsed insurance. How do I apply?
- A - Any story you hear about insurance dividends for lapsed Veterans Administration insurance is only a false rumor that occasionally spreads in different parts of the country. The only insurance dividends currently being paid by the VA are to veterans who were issued participating policies in World War I, World War II and the Korean Conflict, who have maintained the policies in premium paying status.
- Q - Is there any time limit for using my certificate of eligibility for a Veterans Administration guaranteed home loan?
- A - No. There is no time limit for using your certificate of eligibility for the purchase of a home.
- Q - Are Veterans Administration benefits subject to taxation?
- A - Almost all veterans benefits are non-taxable. However, there are two exceptions. One is interest paid on accrued GI insurance dividends left on deposit. The other is death settlement proceeds.
- Q - I am a widow of a Korean War veteran who died as a result of a service connected disability before using his GI home loan entitlement. Am I eligible for this benefit?
- A - Yes. If not currently married, widows of veterans of World War II and later periods who died of service connected causes are eligible for this benefit.
- Q - If I encounter legal difficulties while purchasing a home using the GI Bill, will the Veterans Administration pay or provide for any legal assistance I may need?
- A - No. The VA does not pay or provide for any legal assistance a veteran may need to deal with troubles encountered in the purchase or construction of a home.
- Q - My husband wants to be buried in Arlington National Cemetery. What should he do?
- A - This cemetery is under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Army, and burial is limited to specific categories of military personnel and veterans, except in the case of cremated remains to be placed in the columbarium. For details, write to the Superintendent, Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va. 22211.

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After returning back to L.A. the Kato's were treated to a dinner by the Mizuno's, Hirano's and Gas-House. Lester also informed that Battalion members on the West Coast are working hard and planning many specials to make our visit there next year a memorable one. Those planning to attend the Reunion should contact Chapter representatives or attend the regular Chapter meetings on the 4th Friday of each month for more information on schedules, activities, costs etc.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS RECEIVED

From Florence and Jack Andrews, 'Enjoy the bulletin as it is my only source of info for most of the men--Hope to make the LA Reunion, Best Always!' Thanks Jack and hope to see you in LA.

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Well, time is running out on me once again it seems. The list of people who sent us "Seasons Greetings" will have to keep until the next issue. I can tell you though that FRED & BEA MATSUMURA broke the ice for us this time. To ISAMU TANDO, in snow covered Chicago: "Take good care of yourself, buddy!"...To local Item-ites: "Go see KOPPE, if you can"..."Have a good year, everybody! Because if you don't somebody else will!" ...That you had a "Merry Christmas!" I have no doubt!

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ing all the kokua he can muster, asked Tommy Kiyosaki, Walter Matsumoto and Ben Ono to volunteer their services and to take an active part.

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March 27, 1982, is the 39th Installation Banquet. Call Charlie Oda or Kaoru Watanabe for reservations.

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GEORGE/cont from page 4

Al Amii, our general chairman, made sure that the food was delivered on time. There was no delay--in fact, the food was delivered by Suehiro's ahead of time, so everyone was eating without a hitch. Talking about food, we have to thank some of our members' wives for bringing along delicious dessert and "pupus." I'm sure we all enjoyed them.

The rest of the evening was spent playing bingo and socializing. After all, some of the women folks have had to catch up with the whole year's news - from last year's "Shinnen Kai."

Some of the men folks were busy playing cards while some watched the U.H. Rainbow vs. B.Y.U. basketball game on the T.V. All I can say is that the club should have the T.V. fixed. The picture is very hazy and poor. It would be a good investment to have it repaired.

HOSPITALIZATION

Emily Tamanaha and Helen Amii were recently hospitalized and both are at home recuperating nicely. Hope to see you both in our get-togethers soon.

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anyone else in the world. Everything depended on who your parents were, what they owned and where you were schooled.

And for that matter, this sort of thing also held true for the mainland. You were either "in or out"--and that was it.

That lasted in Honolulu for nearly 60 years until a combination of statehood, the 44th and Jack Burns (the late governor) put an end to all that kind of social nonsense. Then all of a sudden, people became just people.

OBITUARY

We don't want to remind Peggy & Sada Higa of the tragic accident of their number 3 son, but mainly for the benefit of you mainlanders, we want to report that Micheal Higa died in a traffic accident on December 25, 1981. Services were held at the Mililani Memorial Park on December 30. Again, we extend our sincere sympathy to the Higa family.

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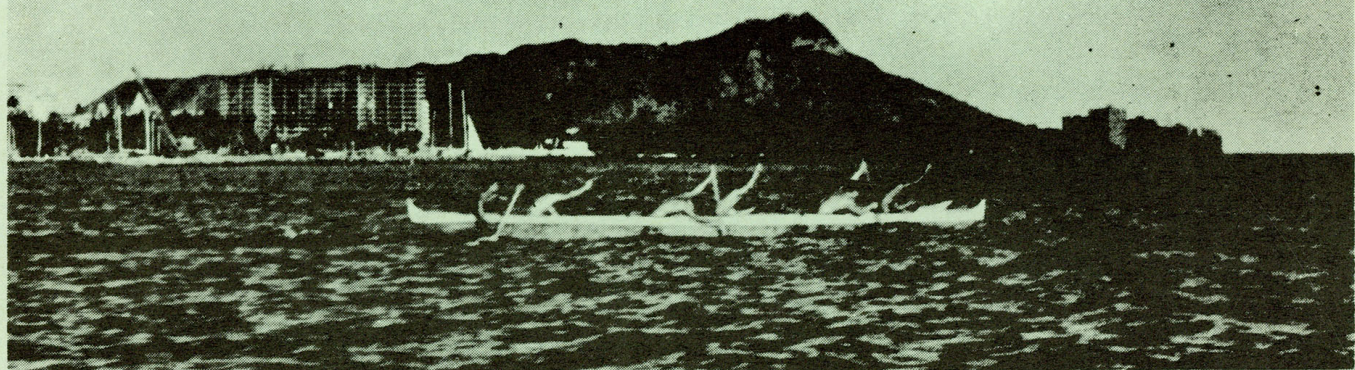
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