



Since the 2nd quarter report of the 442nd newsletter was due for typing in April and that report constituted report of chapter activities from December 1, 1992 to April 30, 1993, this report is about Easy Chapter activities from May 1, 1993 through August, 1993. This consolidation of the 1st and 2nd quarter reports of chapter activities by the editorial staff of the newsletter was done because the demands of the 50th Anniversary events did not permit the staff to print the first quarter newsletter. In addition, it gave the chapters and the newsletter staff the opportunity to include reports on accounts of the 50th anniversary events in the one combined edition of the newsletter. Mahalo and kudos to the staff for the oversized newsletter.

For Easy Chapter it has been a lull of activities following the historic 50th anniversary celebrations. The Chapter has had two dinner meetings since the celebrations. Somehow dinner meetings bring out more than double the attendance at monthly meetings. This is because dinner meetings include spouses as well as widows of deceased chapter members. In this connection the chapter has officially welcomed widows of chapter members as dues-paying members of the chapter. We believe this is a proper thing to do as widows of chapter members have much to contribute to Chapter activities. We however have not had much luck with our children. This is an area where the chapter will have to be more aggressive in getting our children involved in the Sons and Daughters Chapter of the Mother Club. After all, our days are numbered and the next generation will have the responsibility to keep the tradition, accomplishments, and name of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team a matter of living history.

Coverage of the 50th anniversary events as well as of the books written of the 442nd story somehow gave scant mention of Easy Com-

pany contributions to the war except those of our senior U.S. Senator DANIEL K. INOUE. This is partly the fault of Easy Chapter members as we failed to volunteer our stories as well as failed to actively seek ways in which we could contribute to the total effort. This matter of the lack of visibility of Easy contributions to the war effort was brought up at one of our dinner meetings by a spouse who was reading THELMA CHANG'S book "I Can Never Forget: The Men of the 100th/442nd."

Chapter members are usually not anxious to discuss their WWII exploits except when in friendly company. Many of them wouldn't even know what to say or do when confronted by strangers. The spouse's contribution of that dinner meeting raised the the level of interest of spouses wanting to know more about what their spouses did during the war. This writer knows that we have many very brave men in the chapter who were awarded medals for valor in combat as well as many, many who were awarded purple hearts for wounds received in combat. The result of this this genuine interest has prompted the chapter to delegate this writer to make initial contact with author THELMA CHANG with the hope that the chapter can collectively and individually come up with a story of Easy Chapter's contribution to the war. With this in mind THELMA CHANG has been invited to speak to the chapter at the chapter's Christmas Dinner in December.

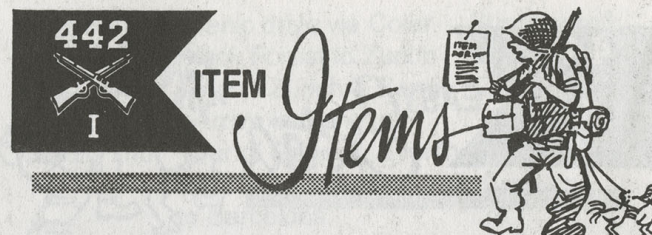
Now from some news about chapter members. Although this writer does not like to say too much about his family, he would like to announce that his son MICHAEL may be in a position to help chapter members with chronic back aches and the like because at age 41 he became a Dr. of Chiropractics in Los Angeles which was attended by his whole family. Another piece of information of interest to chapter members concerns spouse KUULEI, who is a crew member of the Hawaiian Canoe Group. Last spring she flew to Tahiti and sailed on the Hokulei between several of the Society Islands. When the recent hurricane approached the islands she was on alert status should the need

arise to get the canoes out to sea. As a crew member she is also in training to develop her upper body strength so that she could stay afloat if she falls overboard or the canoe capsizes. From this she swims regularly in the waters off Elks Club Waikiki as well as lifts weights.

Received a very nice letter from CATHY CROWLEY, widow of our Captain TOM CROWLEY of Chicago, Illinois. In the letter she says that she regrets not having attended the 50th anniversary celebrations this past spring and enclosed with her letter a check for \$200.00 to help Easy Chapter defray Hospitality Room expenses at our next reunion. She also had some kind words to the chapter and especially S.T. OOKA for sending her two coffee mugs. The Chapter at its regular meeting last week delegated this writer to write her a thank you note as well as send her the videotape and booklet of the 50th anniversary celebrations.

MASAMI and MARILYN DOI took a vacation trip to Oakland, CA to visit their son and daughter-in-law, the DAVID DOIS. DAVID is a manufacturer's rep living in the Bay area in SHIG FUTAGAKI'S neighborhood. MASAMI says that SHIG is fast regaining his former good health. MASAMI played a round of golf with his son DAVID and SHIG while visiting there. The DOIS trip to Oakland resulted from need of the pair, especially MARILYN, to get away from Manoa to a different scenery. Since all is well with MARILYN, it can now be said that she had some health problems last year. HIROSHI OKADA is losing his sight because of glaucoma. HIROSHI is very alert, talkative, and very up-to-date and knowledgeable about what's happening in the Honolulu community.

This report will be brought to a close by exhorting all Easy Chapter members and their spouses to take advantage of every day, one day at a time and to give the Lord our blessing that HE continue to add HIS blessing to our daily living. Aloha, T.I.



Misfortune continues to plague Item Chapter. 2 of our members were lost in early June. KIYOTO "DUKE" ENDO, whose plight was first mentioned as recently as the prior Bulletin, passed away due to multiple illness. By his own choosing, the Ewa born never did join the club. In the end, sad to say, three quarters of our members couldn't remember who he was. Services for him were held privately. His obituary stated he left behind 4 sisters. He was 71 years of age. May his soul rest in peace.

RALPH YOSHIO KAWAWAKI, who had joined our ranks barely 3 years or so ago, by way of Regimental Headquarters, succumbed to cancer and died precisely on the same day as ENDO, above. (Their obituaries appeared a week apart.) Surviving RALPH is his wife, MARY, 1 son, and 3 daughters. Born in Honolulu, he was 70 years of age. Services were private. May his soul rest in peace. (Reluctantly, I interject here, fearing that I might sound mercenary-ish of the fact that our records show he had made a substantial donation to Co. I. during the recent 50th Reunion and was acknowledged in the prior Bulletin.)

While all this was happening here on Oahu, over on the island of Kauai, GEORGE OSHITA, the man who has had no vice (except making 4 sons), who neither smoked or consumed anything but potable water, suffered a heart attack! Don't know who was more shocked, MARGARET, or the rest of us! Had to be jetted into town for an angioplasty. Stayed on for a couple of weeks at his son's place afterwards but didn't want to be contacted. Fortunately, he's recovered now and is doing okay. Matter of fact, a November trip to Japan is being contemplated by the duo, I hear tell.

Come to think of it, FRANK SHIMADA, "Mr. San Jose" himself, was on his 3rd visit, just about that time, and the year wasn't even half

over. Now, now, FRANK, I'm not saying you had something to do with your close buddy GEORGE'S near disaster!

A Itemite is someone who will apply cool water to his perspiration laden face with both cupped hands filled with water. And only at the instant he release the water does he realize his eye-glasses are very much in place!

It was called to my attention that the hefty financial donation made by the San Jose golfers (30 plus strong..mostly ladies) through FRANK SHIMADA was missing from the list published in the prior issue. And I wish to apologize for the ommission. Am embarassed no end, since some of my very best friends are involved.

Also the 2nd "A" in C.B. SAKAMOTO'S last name was turned into an "E" instead. And KAZU was referred to as "TAKA". Of course, I deem those as minor when compared to the "Minotu" that appeared on my official ID name tag and I had to wear it throughout. For a while, felt as though I had been assigned to an African tribe. A sincere mahalo nui loa to you local buddhaheads and kotonks who were good enough to keep sending me pictures taken during the recently concluded Golden Anniversary Reunion. Will compile an "I" Co. souvenir scrapbook for your reviewing when we next meet again. SUS KISHABA (L.A.), VIC IZUI (IL), SUS SAKAIDA (Molokai), FRED MATSUMURA (L.A.), and FRED TAKENAKA (PA) are the guys who comes readily to mind.

Had a long phone chat with SHIG MATSUMOTO (our only "lifetime member") recovering from surgery, after his bout with prostate cancer. Incrediously, he spent most of the time talking about the rescue of the Lost Battalion of which he admitted he was an integral part of. Talked as though it had happened only yesterday! Amazing recall! He must be getting better.

Spurred on perhaps by the fact that a majority of us were coming down with failing eyesight, making night driving hazardous, and since most of the Itemites are now retired, Item Chapter has decided to hold its monthly sessions during

the daylight hours. (2nd Thursday, 9:30 a.m., 442 clubhouse, since the new year). After a slow start, attendance has stabilized and now is at a satisfactory level. Averaging 24 members per. Some of our "prodigal sons" who've turned over a new leaf: STAN YAMAMOTO, TAKEO SUMA, MITS YAKUMA, NORMAN YOKOYAMA, DAVID ITO. Incidentally, GUY KOGA, the late SMITTY KOGA's no. 1 son, having met all requirements set by the mother club, is now a bonafide member of our chapter.

A rehash of the 50th Anniversary Reunion's "Memorial Service." Members deserving recognition for amply supporting KAZU TAKEKAWA, by going the distance, walking up to every Itemite's gravesite that Wednesday, March 17 "dry-run" day were ANDY & MAE YAMASHIRO, TOGO NAKAGAWA, HAROLD WATASE, NORMAN YOKOYAMA, DANNY YAMASHITA, KAZU TAKEKAWA, TOMMY UMEDA, and yours truly. The better to serve the rest of Co. I. contingency, come that unforgettable "Memorial Day." And we have the photos to prove it.

Acknowledgement: Tying it in with the annual observation of her husband KIICHI's death, we have received another of MICHU KATO's substantial contributions. And as sure as the sun rises, she makes another one at the year's end. Been going for nigh on 5 years! Have delicately asked her to desist, but to no avail. A few years ago, I was told "I like Co. I.'s attitude. I'll never forget you people!" Remember, this comes from someone who is a kotonk...As an aside, but a startling coincidence, ENDO'S and KAWAWAKI's death fell on the same date as KIICHI's, June 6.

The "oamas" (baby wekes) are running and I for one miss the heaping deep-fried platterful that the late YUKIO "KOPPIE" YAMAMOTO use to supply us with at our meetings. Just reminiscing.

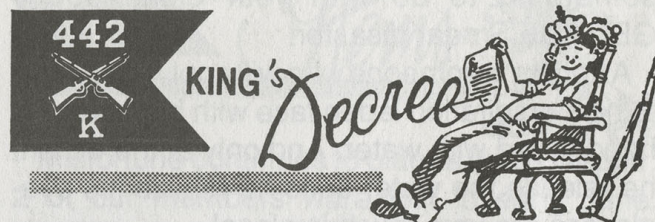
Wish to thank VIC IZUI, Northfield, IL, a suburb of Chicago, who sent some highly interesting news clippings based on the 442 50th Anniversary Reunion. And also, one on the 34th "Red Bull" Division. On an article written about the nisei combat veterans, he had scrawled the

words, "Darn good article.. by a Sansei!" over to one side so as not to mar the article itself, it seems, with a red marker pen. Titled "Reflections on a Legacy," it was credited to PATRICIA KINAGA, Rafu Contributor. I agree with the doctor 100%! She brings to light the hopeful linkage among the "nisei, sansei, yonsei, and beyond." I'd say it was a moving piece! Perhaps the best 4 columns of 2" x 8" I've read in a long, long time! Her parents, TOM & ROSE KINAGA, Palos Verdes Estates, CA (members of Co. I., S. Cal. by way of "M" Co.) must be awfully proud of their lawyer/correspondent daughter's achievements.

KENNETH KAWAMOTO, Pauoa valley, retired Oahu Country Club Comptroller and the brother of the late JACK KAWAMOTO, is one of those who has faithfully, through the years, kept up with his Co. I. dues. But seldom, maybe once or twice, has he attended any of our monthly meetings. For some reason, all his own, he makes the check (including a hefty donation) to me, to be passed on. It arrived extremely late this year. Just as this goes to press (mid-September) I gave him a call and learned that he had sent an earlier one but that check still remains "outstanding," so he had decided to send in another. Also and much more important, he was having post-colon cancer surgery problems. Loss of weight, no appetite, difficulty in his bowel movements, etc. Since we had things in common, it turned out to be a long conversation. Has been going through the "blues" now for a year and a half, he says. All of Co. I. wishes you a speedy and complete recovery, KENNETH. And after its all done, "hele on" to our meetings!

Your 1993 Christmas party falls on Sunday, December 5 (the first Sunday). Same place, same time as previously - Victoria Inn, 2nd floor, 6:30 p.m. Will be needing the "9:30 a.m. crew" again. CHAMP, MASA, prexy TERRY, KENNETHOKUMA, TOMMY UMEDA, BERT KATO, son of the late KICHI KATO, TOMMY HARIMOTO have been the core of things. PETER, who lived nearby, have loan us a hand a couple of times. Other who are free, we could

use your kokua!



More Mahalo

Keeping it to himself but coming out with it now that it's all over, NOBU KIMURA our Minnesota hotshot was ailing with diabetes and a bad case of blood glucose during the recently closed 50th get-together, this being the reason why he was missing on many an occasion. Received a call all the way from Minnesota as NOBU apologized for his belatedness in writing but asked that the N. KIMURA'S sincerest thank you be extended to all hosting members of the Oahu Kingsmen. Had a nice long distance chat with NOBU and he's starting to sound like his old self although you can tell that he's not fully recovered at this present day. Belated as we may be we would like to extend our very best for a most speedy recovery to this consistently generous individual who has made it a practice to always leave a wad of green stuff for the hosting crew to use after every reunion we've had. Thanks NOBU.

NANCY UCHIMIYA came through as she usually does with her gifted style of expressing herself to extend sincerest thank you to all as we quote a good portion of her letter, so with your permission NANCY, here we go: "Dear J & M, You and your committee members really overwhelmed us with your warm hospitality during the Reunion. You folks really went "Go for Broke" to put on the best reunion any company ever had. We appreciate all the time, energy, effort and expense involved on everyone's part in keeping the hospitality room so fully stocked with all the delicious foods prepared by the ladies and an abundance of drinks day after day - all week long. Thank you, thank you, thank you. Our most enjoyable night was the Company K banquet (Chapter Night). The food was the best we ever had. It was a

great idea to have your families participate in the program. We were surprised to see so many talented people in the Co. K family. The program brought the house down. The entire program was so down-to-earth and relaxing, we all had a good time (Take a bow you talented ones). Thank you also for all the beautiful leis made by the ladies - the gold and red, ti leaf and floral leis, and also the beautiful corsages, what a lot of work this was. (Accolades to JANE TOMOMITSU and her "say it with flowers" crew.) We appreciate your thoughtful consideration of convenient accomodation and "special care" that you provided for the disabled. I know SLIM YEI, in spite of his two recent strokes and poor eyesight, was determined to attend the reunion and of course had a great time. It was good to see SANJI look so happy when you called on him to sing at the affair. Being in charge of the reunion was a tremendous task, and often a thankless job. You pulled it through successfully in every way. We have wonderful memories of this 50th reunion because of all your work. Thank you so much!" With this masterpiece of a manuscript came some snapshots and tapes, not to exclude the sincerely generous invitation to drop in and visit the G. UCHIMIYA'S anytime we're our Southern California way. Thank you GEORGE and NANCY. We'll surprise you by taking you up on this one of these nice, fine days. Thank you.

Appreciation

A supposed appreciation night turned out to be a blockbuster as close to 70 strong came out to celebrate this first class affair as even the cockroaches came out to take advantage of this "Thank you for your hard work" Halekulani affair. My special thanks goes to my first Sgt. for following through and seeing to it that all went well on this fantabulous night since I was incapacitated. Was this night of supreme elegance enjoyed to the fullest? If your answer is yes, you have yourself to thank knowing that you gave your all in helping to make this 50th the greatest ever. Belated as we may be, our missed the boat to send "aregato" to MASAO CURTIS NOBORIKAWA, our VP and co-chairman for

this affair as we somehow missed mentioning his sweat and toil being there from early morning pitching in wherever help was needed, being the biggest help to the boss of the hospitatlity room; HEIRAKUJU, who claims that he would have been lost without "POTOGEE" around. Thanks, MASAO. Hoping that they'd hurry up with that Alzheimer's cure so missing cues such as this will become a thing of the past.

This golden anniversary observance was a reminder for many as they underwent 50 years of turmoil, frustration, an unprecedented misery of prejudice that continues to haunt us to this day. Till the next one, keep 'em smiling and keep 'em walking tall. Stop acting tough and continue to get your flu shots or whatever on the menu for you. "MANA" TOMOMITSU & BETTY AMINE, better hurry up and get well as "the city that never sleeps" awaits your presence. Meanwhile, keep staking it up so you can go for the big one and none of that nickle and dime stuff. A recent visitor to the big city in late September was MILDRED OKUDA, who being that good daughter she is, comes out regularly to check on her mother. Looking fit as a fiddle, TADASHI and MILLIE must be still reeling in those big ones on those moonlit nights. Sayonara you all.



Kauai Golf Tournament

TSUKASA MURAKAMI and his committee of the Association for Retarded Citizens on the island of Kauai invites all 442 members and their friends to the 9th Annual Golf Tournament on Sunday, October 31, 1993 at the Wailua Golf Course.

Two fun days of golf will precede the tournament at the Lagoon (Westin) and Princeville Golf Courses.

Registration forms are available at the clubhouse. Pre-registration forms for room only or

room/car are also available.

9th ANNUAL ARC OF KAUAI GOLF TOURNAMENT

Tournament Format: Two-man teams. Best ball with 75% of handicap.

Maximum Handicap:

Men - 36 before handicap reduction.

Women - 40 before handicap reduction.

YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS, the more the merrier (wahines included), are cordially invited to participate in the ARC Golf Tournament, which will be held at the Wailua Golf Course on Sunday, October 31, 1993. Tee off time will begin at 6:45 a.m.

In addition, we will also be having two fun days of exciting golfing prior to the ARC of Kauai Tournament. Format will be determined by the committee.

Friday, October 29th

Kauai Lagoons Golf Course (Westin) - tee-time begins at 12:00 p.m. Enjoy Westin's fine facilities: steam room, sauna, Jacuzzi at no charge after golf. Dinner to follow after golf game at the Westin's Terrace Restaurant. No host cocktails. Be sure to be at the golf course by 11:15 a.m. for pairings and instructions.

Saturday, October 30th

Ocean, Wood, and Lake Course (27 holes at Princeville) - tee-time begins at 9:00 a.m. Snack Shop available for lunch. Shower facilities available at the New Prince Clubhouse - no charge but bring your own towel. Dinner, no-host cocktails, to begin at 6:30 p.m. at Kauai Resort Hotels' Alii Room. See all of you at the golf course by 8:15 a.m.

ENTRY FEE:

\$250.00 which included the following:

1. Three days of golf (includes green fees and carts and Kauai Lagoons, Princeville, and Wailua Golf Courses; Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
2. Entry fee for ARC of Kauai Tournament.
3. Jackpot for three days at Kauai Lagoons, Princeville, and Wailua Golf Courses (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday).
4. Mulligans (one per day) at Kauai Lagoons and Princeville Golf Courses, (Friday and Sat-

urday).

5. Closest to the pin at Kauai Lagoons and Princeville and Wailua Golf Courses, (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday).

6. Friday night's dinner at Westin's Terrace Restaurant. No-host cocktails. Locker, showers, Jacuzzi, and steam room facilities free to all golfers. (Bring along your change of clothing.

7. Dinner (no-host cocktails) on Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Kauai Resort Hotel's Alii Room.

OTHER News

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Archival Committee

by Ted Tsukiyama

"Loyalty Screening for 442nd"

Did you know that all of you 442nd inductees in March, 1943 were subjected to a loyalty screening before being accepted?

While the War Department magnanimously announced it would open up military service to Japanese-Americans in an all AJA combat unit, it was subject to the secret condition that all volunteers pass a litmus test for loyalty. This astounding fact came to light in papers submitted by TOM KAWAGUCHI (Co. F) to LYN CROST STERN for her book about the Nisei soldiers (100/442/MIS) titled Honor by Fire. *Analysis of Chart of Special Questionnaire Relating to Citizens of Japanese Ancestry Who Make Application for Voluntary Induction into the Army of the United States for Service with the Combat Team.*

Question 1: Name (If first name is anglicized and Japanese given name is no longer used, 1 point in favor. If Japanese given name is used, 1 point against.)

*Question 3: If place of birth is Japan, rejection made since only citizens are eligible.

Question 7: If a registered voter, 1 point in favor. If registered in first national election subsequent in his coming of age (here see date of birth), 1 point in favor. If registered in the Communist Party, rejection must be made.

Question 8: If married and wife is American

citizen, 1 point in favor. If citizen of Japan, 1 point against.

Question 9: If father born in Japan, no score. If father born in United States, 1 point in favor. If mother born in Japan, no score. If mother born in United States, 1 point in favor.

Question 11: If a relative is in US military service and a volunteer, 2 points in favor. If in the US military service and a selectee, 1 point in favor. If father has been interned, refer case to officer.

Question 12: If parents are in Japan, 3 points against. If brothers and sisters are in Japan, 2 points against. Brother are of more influence than sisters. Collateral relatives in Japan, 1 point against. If collateral relatives are in Japanese military service, 2 points against.

Question 13: If subject attended Japanese kindergarten, 1 point against. If subject attended American grade school, no score. If subject attended Japanese language school, 1 point against. Length of time is very important here. If he continued language school while in high school, it shows less Americanization than if he told parents he now didn't have enough time to go. Also in the higher grade he gets more Shinto-Yamato race instruction. If subject attended American high school, 1 point in favor. If subject attended American University or College, 1 point in favor. If subject had ROTC, 2 points in favor. If subject has had Gunji Kyoren, reject him. If subject has had post-graduate work in Japan, 1 point against. However, if subject has had all his grade school, high school, and college work in the United States and has had but one year's post graduate work in Japan, 1 point in favor. He should be sufficiently educated to be disgusted with Japan and normally is. If applicant has resided in Japan for six months of more over the age of 12, refer him to an officer. If he resided in Japan while of military age (between 16 and over) and denies military training or Gunji Kyoren, refer him to an officer (Note by CCP: He's a d—m liar. Gunji Kyoren starts in middle school - age 15 or 16 and over - compulsory military service starts at 20 and is for 2 years).

Question 14: If subject has traveled to Japan once, 1 point against. If subject has traveled to Japan twice, 2 points against. If subject has traveled to Japan three or more times, reject him. If subject has traveled extensively to Japan or elsewhere for semi-official firms (such as Mitsubishi or a Mitsui firm, reject him. If subject traveled by Japanese naval tanker, reject him. If subject traveled by Japanese ship, 1 point against. If subject traveled by Allied ship, 1 point in favor.

Question 15. If subject worked for a semi-official firm such as Mitsubishi or Mitsui organizations, 2 points against. Fisherman, 1 point against. Licensed amateur radio operator - 2 points against him. If a sea-going radio operator, reject him. Hotel owner or operator, 1 point against. Taxi driver, 1 point against. Importing and exporting businesses, 1 point against. Merchant marine, 1 point against. Agriculture (includes truck farms), 1 point for him. Mine, no score. Steel foundry, automobile, heavy machinery worker, 1 point for. Steamship line, 1 point against. Newspaper man for American-Japanese newspaper or periodical, 2 points against. If for Japanese newspaper or periodical published in Japan, 3 points against. Employed by Japanese governmental agency, reject him. Japanese language school instructor, 3 points against.

Question 16. Christian, 2 points in favor. Buddhist, 1 point against. Shintoist, 2 or 3 points against. Worships regularly at Shintoist shrine, reject him.

Question 17. Membership in Japanese-American Citizenship League, 2 points in favor. Membership in any of the attached list of Japanese organizations (he shouldn't belong to these if he's a Nisei), reject him, especially Heimusha Kai and Dai Nippon Butoku Kai. If a member of a Kudo, Judo, or Kendo club, 1 point against. If a member of two such clubs, 3 points against. If a member of a Japanese correspondents association, 2 points against. If a member of the CIO, 1 point against.

Question 18. Facility in reading Japanese, 2 points against. Speaking Japanese, no score.