

smoked a pack of good old cigarettes without food or water.

That night two of us slept in the foxhole with our rations and raincoats. Next morning, when I woke up and tried to put my steel helmet on, I noticed a shrapnel hole squarely on the front of my helmet. I sent back the helmet with hole for replacement. Somehow the Co. C.P. boys spread the rumor that I was killed once in Italy and again in France. There were rumors that I was killed in action.

The enemy tanks did not return the next day. For three days we held our positions and strengthened our defense position in the meantime. The Jerries certainly had enough ammunitions of all sizes. They kept pounding our defensive position. There were casualties, but no fatal ones. The enemy was determined to inflict as many casualties as possible. The F Co. boys dug in deeply to avoid unnecessary casualties.

On November 3rd we received orders to go down into the valley. Our entire platoon stayed in a farmhouse, mounting our 81MM mortars to fire towards St. Die, a strong defensive enemy position. But we had no forward observer for the Mortar Platoon. The front line infantry men were about 2,000 yards forward from the gun position. We had to stretch combat wire to furnish fire power to the isolated G Co. Platoon. The final 500 yards were open fields without cover and concealment. Pfc. JAMES GANEKO, carrying the combat wire, followed me to the forward slope of a tiny hill. As soon as we hit the reverse slope of the hill, the enemy started to fire their small arms weapons. I felt a little sting on my left toenail. I looked down and saw a wooden bullet which penetrated my rubber boot. A slight black and blue appeared, without any wound. I did not claim a Purple Heart for such a small scratch. On the way back to join the infantry soldiers there were two dead Germans left on the roadside.

When I got my combat wire well settled with our guns, I immediately called for fire on the enemies, who were hidden in forest confronting us. About 100 rounds were poured into the enemy position. Suddenly I could hear the enemy calling for "Medico." The more I heard the

Jerries calling for help, the more I threw 81MM shells into the enemy position. The radio operators of the 522 Field Artillery and the attached 4.2MM unit, plus the 36th Division Field Artillery, were by the afternoon well coordinated into the defensive setup. The combat wire was the top operating media for secrecy and accuracy.



by **JERRY ISHIMOTO**

21 Jun Chapter Mtg.

Only 10 present? Hmmmm. Others must be recuperating from whatever ailments and still others trying to recoup at Las Vegas. Unlike the City or State, Treas. BIGGIE NAKAKURA is still using black ink. No budget shortfall, no need to lay off any members. The Chapter coffer even received a boost when TAD TOKUDA, L. A. Reunion Committee Chrmn. returned the 2 G's which Baker Chapt. donated to support the 522nd reunion. TAD stated that there was ample funds to carry on their fabulous reunion activities. He also stated that their L.A. Baker and Charley Chapters had donated 3 G's toward the Japanese American Museum and suggested that this Chapt. do likewise. Donors of 3 G's and above will be given permanent 'Donor Wall' recognition when the Museum opens it's new Phase II bldg. in 1996. After some discussions, the members decided to discuss some more. If you had not received your refund of the 100.00 deposit for the LA reunion from Panda Travel, see STAN KANESHIRO before the statute of limitation runs out.

522 FA Bn along with MIS detailed to man telephones at the HVB to provide information re: Commemoration of the 50th anniversary of VJ Day. Most of the HQ Btry personnel are scheduled to be on duty on Wednesdays starting on 26 Jul. 95. The volunteers are: JOE OBAYASHI,

BIGGIE NAKAKURA, BOYAN HIGA, DON SHIMAZU, HIDE NAKAMINE, FRED HIRAYAMA, STAN SAKAI, EDICHIYAMA. Give them some 'atta boys' which the evening paper didn't. They printed a picture of ED, STAN, and DON but the caption listed some other names. A breach of a cardinal rule in the news business which says to 'print anything about a person but spell their names correctly' . . . something like that.

July 19, 1995

Chapter Family Luncheon/Meeting at Shogun Restaurant. 45 members, spouses and widows attended including guests TED and LOVETTE YANAGIHARA. They are no strangers to Baker Chapt. for they traveled to Europe with the 522nd and are members of the 442nd Hula and Ukulele Club. RICHARD KUBA is more of a stranger for he makes only rare appearance such as this. YUZURU MORITA and NOBUO TAKAMORI made the long trek from Pearl City and Wahiawa. Good to see SHOSO KAGAWA up and about...albeit slowly under the watchful eyes of KAY. KISE MIYAMOTO took time out from her busy schedule of caring for the elderly— to relieve her stress and to build her stamina. Those on authorized leave were: JANE UEOKA because of an operation on her eyeball. The better to see you, my dear. HAROLD UEOKA is also wearing shades after a cataract operation. ELLEN KUNIHIRO sidelined after having the steel rod removed from her leg which was injured three years ago. Now she won't set off the security alarm at the airport. MARTHA INOUE laid up due to a fracture of her spine. Up and about vertically now with a back support.

Wow! So much food! Hog Heaven. Three tables laden with soup to nuts. All you can put away which is right down the alley for the ones who skipped breakfast or ones with hollow legs. The price is right and free parking is thrown in but limited to alas, only 3 hrs. That put a screeching halt to the socializing. But nenmine that. Everyone enjoyed this outing so much, thanks to BOYAN, Chrmn. of the Kau Kau Kommittee, a motion was made to have more of this.

Sooo- with a red, felt marker in hand, circle your calendar on this date- 18 Oct 95 - and since you will surely forget what the circle is for, put this notation that it is the date for the next Family Night. Encore by popular demand.

Etceteras, Plus

Welcome to the 'Order of The Knife'. TED TSUKIYAMA may now enter any discussions about their operations and show his scar after undergoing surgery to remove spurs from his back. Now he has no spurs that jingle, jangle, jingle. If that weren't enough. He also had an operation to correct his trigger finger.

MARTHA and SAM HIRONAKA are recent devotees of tripping the light fantastic. Having joined the Manoa Chapter of the Hawaii Ballroom Dance Association, you will find them doing the ONE two three or Two three fouuur— one, at the Manoa Rec. Ctr. or kicking their heels at the ballroom above the Ala Wai golf clubhouse. On the other hand or foot as in this case, MIKE HARA a longtime aficionado of this pastime must have retired from this pursuit for he has not been seen gliding smoothly on the dance floor lately.

Deepest condolences to the kins of CLARENCE MATSUMURA HQ Btry of L.A and TED KAWAHARA, Baker Btry of Maui who have left us to join the Big Formation up there.

HIDEO NAKAMINE who attended the Camp Shelby Monument dedication ceremony stated that placing of flowers in front of the monument was part of the ceremony. He carefully hand-carried the dendrobium orchid from home which was placed at the monument by ROBERT KATAYAMA in memory of the 100/442 members killed. He also says he met a Mr. R. TAGUE at the Hotel Monteleone in New Orleans. Mr. TAGUE stated that he served as a Lt. in 522nd HQ. Btry. but his name does not jog any memories. Ring any bells anyone? Too bad cause HIDE has an excellent snapshot of the hotel exterior but did not focus on Mr. TAGUE.

SCORECARD by Rocky

5 Jun 95 HCC

The booty for Low net goes to MITS with a net 62. Yes. A net 62 for 18 holes. Whatchutot? Only nine holes? Yeah, because some guys can't even shoot that on one nine. The TOKU /TOSHI combi was #1 for the two-man best ball. BOYAN who teamed up with MITS' low score pocketed a few bucks while MITS made ukumillions. What's leftover went to the combi's of STAN K./JOE S, TED/KON KON, TOKU/BIGGIE, DON/LARRY. TOKU donated his winnings back to the club. The Club thanks you and hopes you win all the time. Be nice to your wife and you others too will win.

CP's on the Par 3's: #4 DON, #8 KEN, #13 GEO, #15 TOM

9 Jun 95 HCC

LARRY is another low shooter with net 62. How you figgah? Check their handicaps! That 62 was good for the Monthly Ace and Low Net. In addition, his low score was good for first for the two-man combi with Y.T. Ukupila money. Make mine Miller Light. As stated before, if your game is junk, hope that you're teamed up with a winner. Heh! heh!. Combi's of ROCKY/HAROLD, GEO/MITS, STAN K/TOM, KEN/BIGGIE and BOYAN/JOE U enjoyed the payday. Others enjoyed the nice weather. Was it nice? I forget.

CP's on the Par 3's: #4 KEN, #8 Y.T., #13 BOYAN, #15 STAN K.

17 Jul. 95 HCC

A day to shoot all your might for it's for the Monthly Ace, Two-man combi and Club Match Play. Ace of the Month went to TOKU. He didn't shoot a 62 but nonetheless a respectable 66. The two-man combi of ROY F and AKABO slipped under the wire to nose out the other combi's of DON/BIGGIE, BOYAN/STANK, KEN /Y.T., TOKU/KON KON. The axiom about teaming up with a low scorer doesn't always work, KON KON. You have to help a little too. MITS/WALTER closed the payout window. In the Match Play, there were some hard-fought matches while some were duck soup. LARRY had a lark when JOE U went AWOL. BOYAN sank STAN S. 6 and 5 while ROCKY hammered HAROLD 7 and 5 with his footwork. That effort strained his back and is currently sidelined.

DON bashed BIGGIE 2 and 1. FRANCIS stomped STAN K 1 up. WALTER—his Samurai clubs proved more lethal than MITS' to win 1 up. KEN won his match 1 up when his opponent's #@*!! stupid ball decided to take a bath on the 18th hole. ROY F and AKABO ended up in a dead heat and had to resort to the 'tie-breaker method.' The envelope please—and the winner is ROY F.

CP's on the Par 3's; #4 TOKU, #8 ROY F, #13 TONY, #15 LARRY.

7 Aug. 95 HCC.

Take a break from Match Play and play for Low Net and Two-man Best Ball. GEO. M emerged as king of the fairways with his net 65. BIGGIE teamed with GEO to tie the combi of LARRY/KON KON for first and split the loot 4-ways. The teams that followed in the diminishing money prize are LARRY/KON KON, DON/ROY F, BOYAN/JOE O., TONY/TOKU, STAN K / AKABO, TONY/STAN S.

CP's on the Par 3's; #4 LARRY, #8 Club, *13 DON, #15 Club. Hey, Club make money.

21 Aug. 95 HCC

Ace of the Month with a sizzling net 58 is ROY FUJII whose trip to the pay window has been quite frequent lately. Being on a roll, he whacked WALTER 6 and 5 in match play although WALTER's net 67 wasn't too shabby. Oh, well—he got to share the wealth in the Two-Man Best Ball combi. DON Y clouted KEN 2 up while BOYAN lassoed LARRY to a loss with the same score. ROCKY got rocked by FRANCIS' five pars in a row from the first hole and was roundly roused 7 and 5. 15 strokes behind ROY F/WALTER came FRANCIS/ROCKY, closely followed by JOE O./ROY O., TEIJI/KON KON, and BOYAN/LARRY.

CP's on the Par 3's: #4 JOE S, #8 ROY F, #13 STAN K, #17 TONY.



Rural Chapter NEWS

by ED IMAMURA

The dedication ceremony for the renovated Wahiawa District Park Swimming Pool located in the FRED WRIGHT Park complex was held on Saturday, July 15, 1995. The original Wahiawa War Memorial Swimming Pool was built by the City in July 1949, in memory of the Servicemen from Wahiawa who were killed in action during World War II.

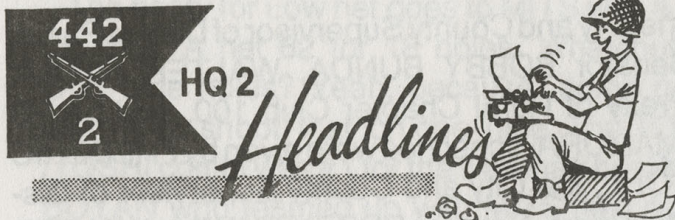
The dedication ceremony, which was attended by about 60 people, was sponsored by the Wahiawa Lions Club. MR. HIRAM DIAMOND served as the Emcee for the program. The Reverend GESTON of the Wahiawa St. Stephens Episcopal Church opened the program by blessing the new swimming pool. Short speeches were given by FREDERIC SOHL,

the City and County Supervisor of District Parks, Senator BOBBY BUNDA, WALTER IWASA, Prexy of Rural Chapter Club 100, and by ED IMAMURA. speeches were given by FREDERIC SOHL, the City and County Supervisor of District Parks, Senator BOBBY BUNDA, WALTER IWASA, Prexy of Rural Chapter Club 100, and by ED IMAMURA. The names of the nine 442nd soldiers out of 21

Wahiawans who were killed in the conflict are inscribed in the stone plaque. They include: MASAHARU ENDO, HARRY HAYAKAWA (later with 100th Bn.), KIKUCHIRO IKEHARA, KUMAO IWAHIRO, MITSU HARU KUBOYAMA, RICHARD SUWA (later with 100th Bn.), YOSHIO TAGAMI, MITSUO TANJI, and JERRY YAMAUCHI.

442nd Rural Chapter members and wives who attended the service were: Prexy GARY YAMAGUCHI, JOHN CHINEN, RAYMOND KATAOKA, KENICHI SAKUMOTO, NOBUO TAKAMORI, ED & AMY IMAMURA with their grandson KYLE, BETSY YAMAMOTO, and ROSALINE YANO.





by K. TANIGAWA

This meeting on June 9 was hosted by President QUANTO WATANABE and RICHARD NAKAMURA. They provided all kinds of munchies, crunchies, and bonies, all goodies.

Discussions are continuing on the upcoming observation of the 50th anniversary of VJ Day. It seems that all the previous talk about President CLINTON "tiptoeing" around this issue of fear that he might ruffle the feathers of the Japanese people has subsided. After all, the Japanese people were the prime beneficiaries of that victory.

Also belatedly, we heard of the passing of MICHELLE, wife of KAZU TOMASA, after a brief illness. Another passing is that of HISAKO HIGUCHI, the wife of the late Chaplain HIRO HIGUCHI. More on this in the next issue.

Present for this meeting were: Hosts QUANTO WATANABE and RICHARD NAKAMURA, KAZU TOMASA, SCULLY SHIMIZU, LIPPY HIGUCHI, HERB ISONAGA, MASA YAMAMOTO, MORISO TERAOKA, MIKE SUGAI, TOSHIO HAYAMA, BILL THOMPSON, BOTCHAN OKEMURA, LARRY ISHIDA, KATOON TANIGAWA, and BOB UYEDA.

July 9 saw 20 hungry individuals at the Pagoda Restaurant Buffet and what food! An ample salad bar which included sashimi, teriyaki mahi, and every salad green imaginable. Also, fried noodles, tempura (all kinds), roast beef done to a turn, etc., etc. We are sure that no one went away hungry, or even thinking about food at the end of the feeding frenzy.

The Pagoda restaurant publishes a paper called "Pagoda Fish Facts" which states that there is a 15-year old ulua in the pond that weighs 80 pounds - now that is what I think is

prime sashimi. It also states that the oldest koi in the pond is 80 years old! And that the oldest koi in Japan lived to be 214 years old.

Partaking of all the good food in the piscatory emporium were: MASA YAMAMOTO, QUANTO WATANABE, BILL THOMPSON, BOB UYEDA, BOTCHAN OKEMURA. TOSHI & GRACE HAYAMA, JANE & RICHARD NAKAMURA, LARRY & VIOLET ISHIDA, JIMMY & MITSUE SAKAMOTO, TOKU & STELLA KANESHIGE, KATOON & TOSHI TANIGAWA, and HERB & SUE ISONAGA.

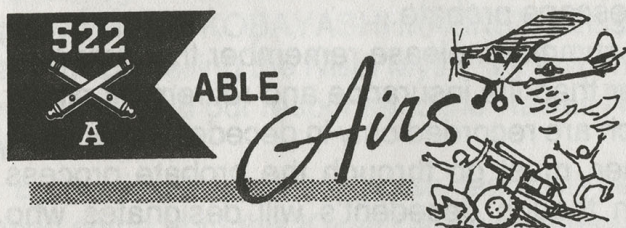
News from SUS YAMAMOTO, via BILL THOMPSON, on the Camp Shelby gathering informs us that the attendance included MR. & MRS. NOBORU TOGIOKA of California, MR. & MRS. ED SASAKI of Texas, MR. & MRS. TOM HAGA of Colorado, MR. & MRS. TOM ICHIKAWA of Owego, NY, MR. & MRS. MACKAY of Texas, JACK TAGAWA, and of course, SUS and MRS. YAMAMOTO of Maryland.

SUS also says that the November convention in LA for the 50th anniversary of the end of WWII will have Department of Veterans' Affairs honcho JESSE BROWN present. The tab will be \$50 a head for a table of 10, but \$75 on an individual basis.

August 11 saw the final meeting for the quarter, with attendance by KAZU TOMASA, TAKASHI OKEMURA, QUANTO WATANABE (Boss), MASA YAMAMOTO, RICHARD NAKAMURA, SCULLY SHIMIZU, HERB ISONAGA, KATOON TANIGAWA, LARRY ISHIDA, TOSHI HAYAMA, and hosts BOB UYEDA and MORISO TERAOKA, who put out a spread that is hard to beat. But then, I don't think that anyone would even dare to rival Chef MORISO.

Again, VJ Day was the topic discussed, with TED MATSUO, a former Medic attached to 2BN explaining the March Order of the Parade, with all the intricacies inherent in such projects. The silver lining of the whole affair is OUR contribution to the endeavor, as HERB ISONAGA, MORISO TERAOKA, RICHARD NAKAMURA, KAZU TOMASA, and LARRY HASHIMOTO will

be carrying the banner for HQ2BN. Bravo!
The rest of us will remain at home and cheer.
Pau...



by Harry Tokushige

Recently Judge LANCE ITO told his jurors, "I have some good news and bad news" - pause - "Let me give you the good news first." Well this issue has some "happy and sad news." Like the judge, let's start with the happy news first.

A Healthy 80th for GILBERT TAKAMORI

A surprise 80th birthday party was arranged for GILBERT by his family on August 19, 1995 at Honolulu Country Club. The following Able Battery members and their spouses were able to participate in this surprise birthday party. They were: AYAME & TOSHIO TANIGUCHI, BETSY & TOM MAYEDA, GLORIA & YOSHIO TAGUMA, HARRIET & TADASHI TOJO, TOSHIKO (HENRY) MATSUOKA, ROYCE HIGA, ROY KAWAFUCHI, ROBERT MIKAMI, and HARRY TOKUSHIGE.

At 128 pounds and a full head of hair, GILBERT looked very good! Just like in the Army. I often wonder how he keeps himself in such excellent shape. I believe the answer lies in the following two words which mean the same thing but have two different meanings depending on who uses it. The words are "gold brick" and "assertive leadership." Both words mean "you don't want to do the work personally." When a Private shirks it, he is a gold brick, however when a Sgt. doesn't want to do the work personally, he orders the Private to do the work and this is called "assertive leadership."

Taps

The 3rd quarter took a toll on the First Gun

Section. We lost our super truck driver, SABURO FUJII and our diligent crew member, JOE HATTORI.

SABURO FUJII retired from the FAA and lived his retirement years with his wife JANE. He passed away on June 15, 1995. Services were held at Borthwick Mortuary, Honolulu, and were attended by TOKIO "JACKMAN" TANIGUCHI while the inurnment was held at Punchbowl National Cemetery and the chapter was represented by your corresponding secretary.

JOE HATTORI retired from Lucky Stores and lived his retirement years at Walnut, CA with his wife FLORENCE and granddaughter MIDORI. He passed away on August 14 after battling cancer for 4 years. He was the inspirational leader to all Californians attending reunions and a diligent worker in providing all the fresh fruits during our reunions.

Probate

Now that there is a rush to the "Pearly Gates" by our members and spouses, I am taking the liberty of presenting to you my non-legal version of "Probate: What it is, Advantages, Disadvantages, and How to Avoid Probate." Hopefully, this will help you intelligently discuss this subject with your legal advisors.

When the decedent's assets are recorded only in his/her name as "single owner" (with or without a will), the decedent's assets and debts must go through the probate process.

"Probate" is a court-supervised collection of the decedent's assets, payment of his taxes, other debts, and the distribution of the remaining decedent's assets to beneficiaries and heirs.

The advantage of this process is to provide for a "clear title" to the "new owner" for assets such as real property, stocks, bonds, and bank accounts. It will also resolve competing claims to the decedent's property.

There are three major disadvantages of the probate process:

- 1) Cost
- 2) Delay
- 3) Publicity

The cost of going through probate is approxi-

mately 5% of the gross probate estate. Assuming you own a home and some stocks and bonds worth \$300,000 at the time of your death, your cost will be an estimated \$15,000. In addition to this cost, the average process time to clear probate is one to two years. While the court is processing the probate, all papers related to the probate are "public record" and anyone can get access to them. Also public notices will be printed in two separate newspaper notices for 3 weeks each.

Can we avoid probate? Yes!!! The key is how you own assets. Life insurance and retirement

plans naming a beneficiary are exempt from probate. Assets held in joint ownership, either as a joint tenancy or tenancy by entirety (JTWSR) will pass on to the surviving joint owner without probate. Finally, property held in Living Trusts will escape probate.

In summary, please remember that property, other than life insurance and retirement plans, which are recorded only in decedent's name as owner, must go through the probate process even though decedent's will designates who shall receive the property.



522 Reunion - L.A. Kats Miho, Peter Fukusawa, Joe Hattori, Jim Kurata, Henry Hamataka, & George Ozaki

Kauai Club News

by MARGARET OSHITA

First, giving credit where credit is due, apparently through a mix up that was not our doing, in the last Go For Broke Bulletin under the Kauai

Club News, the first four paragraphs from page 35 to page 36 were written by YURIKO TASAKA. Thank you YURI and Go For Broke Bulletin staff, for making MARGARET look good.

One thing our Club is good about is never missing our quarterly meetings with some kind of dinner affair. For our second on July 19 (nowadays, with everyone retired from their careers, if doesn't matter that the day is a weekday, for we can sleep in the next morning), we again went to the new Veterans Center and again it was a pot-luck dinner. Don't for a minute