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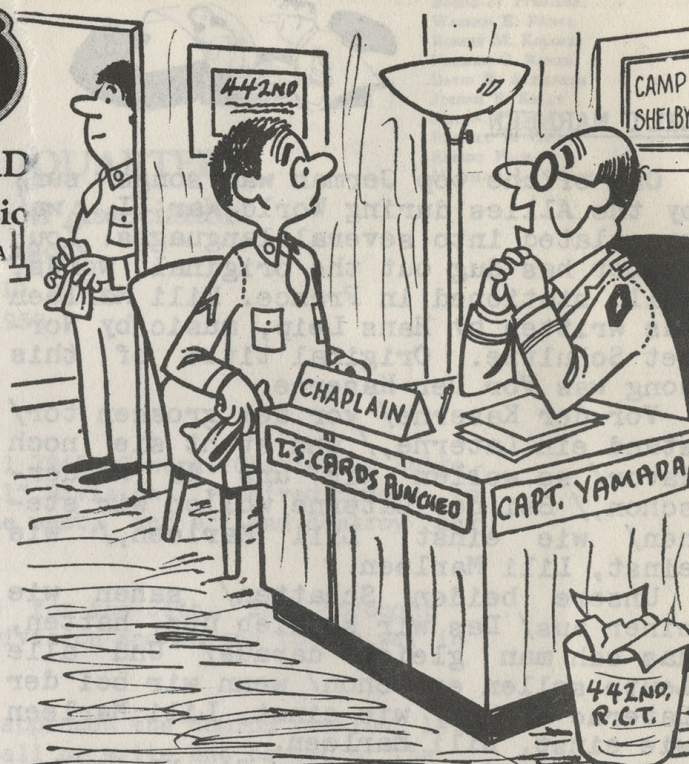
TO ALL "RED BULLERS"

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MR. FRED SCHATHAUER, head of C. Brewer's ranching enterprise spoke at our dinner meeting at the Jimmy's Drive Inn on June 5th. Mr. Schathauer's subject was "The Cattle Industry in Hawaii."



Pvt. Kimura, your story has touched my heart....never before have I met anyone with more troubles than you have..... please accept my sincere sympathy..... NEXT!"





By
Mrs. Lorraine
Yamada

The 442nd Ladies Auxiliary dinner meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. on June 19th at the Woodrose.

Mrs. Anastacio Luiz was guest speaker for the evening. She presented a most interesting program about her recent world tour.

The slides of the scenic and historic spots of various countries she visited, plus her most magnetic and personable charm left everyone eager to be on their way.

We were all impressed on how economically she had traveled. Being a social worker, her stopovers were generally confined at the Y.M.C.A. (Shall we take her advice Ladies? Leave the old man home with the Keikies?) She also showed beautiful handmade linens that she picked up in Portugal, Hong Kong and Belgium. One thing is for sure. She left us all with one thought in mind. That is travel...travel...travel; even if it kills you...Travel!

The annual auxiliary picnic was held on July the 18th at the beautiful beach estate of Dr. Pete Okumoto and Dr. Robert Miyamoto (formerly old Carlsmith's beach residence). The picnic started at 9:30 a.m. Fortunately the weather was in our favor. It was wonderful to see many members present with their families. There was an abundance of good food and refreshments. (enough to feed an army)

The highlight of the picnic was the fishing derby for the keikies. (I swear I saw some big ones, full grown, man sized ones, trying their luck for a rare species. I presume many of us had Gori for Miso soup that evening, especially the Hatada family. I hope they left some mullets and Goris for the Miyamotos and Okumotos!)

Prizes were given to the largest and the smallest catch. Various games were also played and enjoyed by all. We are all very grateful to Dr. Okumoto and Dr. Miyamoto who were kind enough to share their beautiful place with us.

Christmas Seal time will be here again. soon. As usual we wahines will do our share in this community project. This year however, we will do folding only-- at our usual meeting night to be held next month.

Time and place will be notified by your team captain. Hope to see more wahines at our next meeting....Leave the kids with the "old man"....Let him do some of the chores. ALOHA

TO WIVES of the 442nd men



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Auxiliary ladies wearing the real McCoy sacks.....despite their age they were right up there with the kiddies.....who says the "Ole Lady" is getting old.....



Auxiliary President Ellen Nakagawa giving out with a big smile for our photographer, the other two madams putting their two cents piece are Mrs. Mikie Taguchi and Mrs. Mae Kohashi. Seems like Mrs. Kohashi can't find the hole to thread her fish line thru.....



The same old bunch, at it again, so early in the morning....I guess these gentlemen can't read the sign behind them...the booze boys are left tonight; Etchan, Rusty, Stanley and Takeshi.



MOLTO, MANGIARE, a la Pot Luck Style... It seems every time we take a picture of the Veterans and their families during an outing, there are more papooses.

NEWS FOR VETERANS

Hang on to family documents such as birth and marriage certificates and keep them where they can be readily found, Mr. Pat O'Conner, of the local VA office advised veterans and their dependents.

Mr. O'Conner said documents of this sort may be needed to support claims for veteran benefits, and for other purposes.

These include military discharge or separation papers, death certificates, divorce decrees, and guardianship or child custody evidence, he said.

"Preserve these valuable papers carefully and make sure your family knows where they are at all times," Mr. O'Conner said.

He said types of veterans claims in which the documents may be needed include disability or death compensation for pension and burial benefits.

So all you good people of the "Go For Broke" club, gather and place your valuable papers where each and everyone of your family can find them. You know we can't wake you up after you've answered Gabriel's call, so do it now.

YOURS.....FOR VETERANS

More than 280,000 veterans whose claims for compensation or pension had previously been denied by the Veterans Administration will now have their claims reviewed according to Mr. Sumner G. Whittier, Administrator of Veterans Affairs.

These veterans are those whose claims were disallowed by VA after World War 2 and prior to 1955 for the reason that their claimed disabilities were not shown at the time of their last examination.

The VA for the past several years has been conducting a review for errors in compensation and pension claims allowed after World War 2, and veteran organizations had requested a similar review of disallowed cases.

Consequently, a pilot study was ordered in March, 1958, by Mr. Whittier to determine whether a broadened review of disallowed claims was in order. The pilot study was carried on in seven regional offices in widely-separated sections of the nation.

By far the largest source of the comparatively few errors discovered was the category "disability not shown at time of last examination." A full review is being ordered of the more than 280,000 disallowed claims in this category.

"Although I was most gratified to learn from the pilot study that the overwhelming majority of cases had been properly adjudicated," Mr. Whittier said, "I feel that a broadened review is in order as a matter of equity and complete fairness to the veterans involved."

Projecting the findings of the pilot study to the disallowed claims involved in the broadened review indicates as many as 2,000 veteran-claimants might be found eligible for monetary awards.

The new review, Mr. Whittier said, will soon be underway in several VA regional offices on a "time available" basis, and will be extended to all regional offices as soon as the current workload permits.

LOST DISCHARGE CERTIFICATES

Veterans who have lost or destroyed discharge certificates from the armed forces cannot receive a new discharge. Instead, according to Defense Department officials, they are issued a Certificate in Lieu of Discharge to take the place of one lost or destroyed. It serves all the same purposes. Each branch has its own form for applying for a certificate, and its own requirements of proof or affidavit that the original is lost or destroyed. Here is the address to apply to if you were a member of the armed forces and your discharge is missing. THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, Department Of The Army, Washington 25, D.C. This includes National Guard and Army Reserve members.

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EDITOR'S PREVIEW OF PORK CHOP HILL

In the current Hollywood production of Korea's bloodiest battle, Pork Chop Hill, Gregory Peck plays the part of an American Army Lieutenant, and George Shibata, California Nisei and Lawyer who learned all about the army at West Point, plays the part of Lieutenant Eddie Ohashi, Hawaii Nisei executive officer. Eddie who is a native of Kauai, is now a school teacher in Aiea, Oahu.

Combat whether during World War II or during the Korean Conflict is always the same, with lots of decisions to make, aching backs, guts, and a bitter sense of humor. It was during the bleak Korean winter morning that found the American officer leading his two platoons of 60 men across the rough and hilly Korean terrain, which reminded us of the Pohakuloa area on this Island. Their objective was Pork Chop Hill which loomed in the distance. Watching them depart was Lieutenant Ohashi and his 40 odd men who were ordered to advance as reinforcements as soon as the attack commences. The advance unit disappeared out of sight and the crack of artillery fire zoomed overhead. The opposition was strong, the heavy arms fire resoundingly testified to this. Lieutenant Ohashi and his men waited for their signal that did not arrive. Whereupon the young exec decided to take the situation in hand and ordered his platoon to advance.

Their long and treacherous climb was halted by a barrage of cross fire, the same trap that had befallen the advance party. Instead of being camped on the far side as was believed the enemy was massed on the ledge with a perfect viewpoint of the area below them. To complicate things more, the enemy outnumbered

the Americans six to one. But this did not alter the young Nisei exec's position. Upon reaching the commanding officer, he requested permission to attempt a flanking movement with his available men, who by this time was well aware of the combat leadership of this young officer from Hawaii. After making a steady retreat, they crept silently around the base of the hill and began to climb up the precipitous slope behind the enemy, which was still intent on what it believed to be the full opposition. The rear attack worked out perfectly considering the outnumbered Americans. The Communists were caught in a relentlessly hopeless situation, and was forced to surrender.

The ordeal on Pork Chop Hill was far from over as the men learned that relief was not available and that they had to hold the hill alone against counter-attacks. About this time the Communist motor platoon had zeroed in on them and made the hill a living hell for nine long hours, which seemed like days to these battle weary men. They were finally relieved, out of the 100 men that held the hill, only 16 were left. One of these was the young Hawaii Nisei executive officer. But while the transfer was taking place a grenade bounced nearby and exploded, ripping a gaping wound on his shoulder. This ended Lieutenant Eddie Ohashi's brilliant army career. He was transferred back to Army Hospital and eventually discharge. Lieutenant Ohashi was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart for his heroism.

To those who did not see this movie, I certainly recommend it. It was well written and George Shibata played his part magnificently.

"Gosh, Willie," said the young husband. "I'm worried about my wife. Last night she talked in her sleep and kept saying, 'No, Gordon, No, Gordon.'"

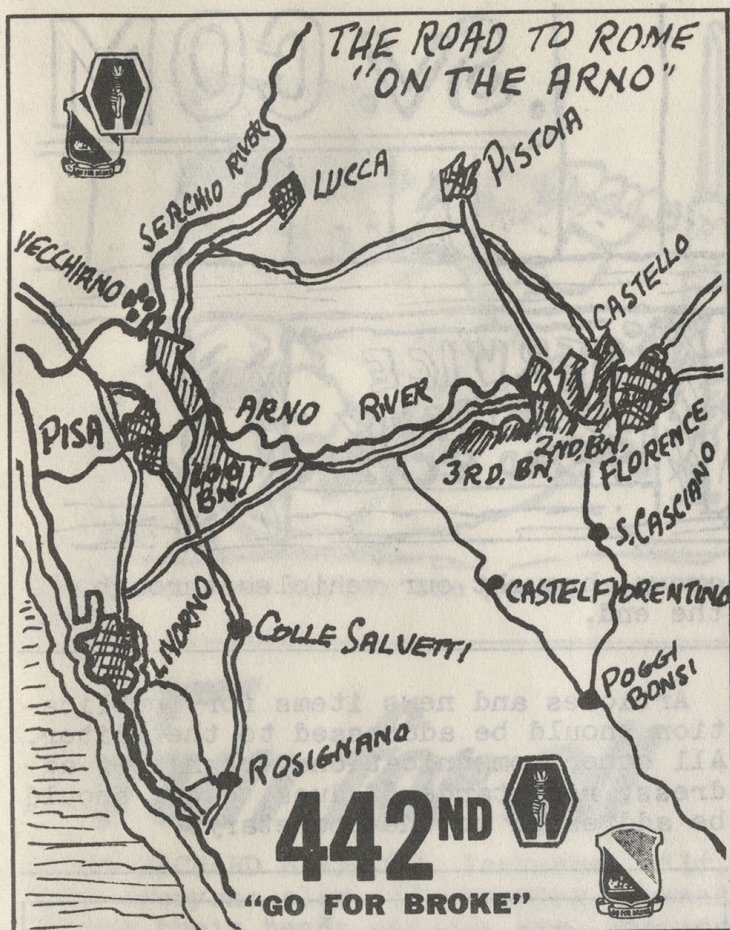
"Well, what are you worrying about? She said no, didn't she?"

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When the time comes to prepare an edition of the Newsletter, "Ye Editor" opens up his steel file, clutters his desk and spreads all letters and information he has at hand on the floor near him. He starts off by reading letters addressed to the club, the minutes of the last meeting, before he gets anything done. He has allowed his mind to wander back to the years past and think of the many events of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Since this being written during the summer month, we will refreshen our minds with the events of summer on the Road to Rome and the Arno.

Several days after the 100th Battalion had been attached to the 442nd Combat Team, the two merged in a bivouac area a few miles from the port of Civitavecchia. The Red Bull Division had been pulled up short for a rest in this area while the 36th "Texas" Division took up chase of the retreating enemy. On June 21st, we entrucked and moved to another bivouac area near Grosseto. It was here that we sent out our first reconnaissance while preparation was made to take the unit into action. On the 26th, the regiment was committed to action in the vicinity of Suvereto.

The 2nd Battalion relieved the 142nd Infantry and the 3rd Battalion relieved the 517th Parachute Infantry. The 100th Battalion was held in reserve. The Combat Team's objective was a key road junction just past the town of Sassetta. The 2nd and 3rd Battalions were slowed down by murderous artillery fire at this point around 1200 hours. The 100th was committed into action, driving through a gap between the two battalions to seize the height near Belvedere.

From this vantage point they observed the enemy's defensive positions and artillery positions that had been shelling the 2nd and 3rd Battalion. Company A launched an attack on Belvedere and Company B swung back to cut the road south of the town. This assault completely demoralized the enemy and the defenders were quickly chopped up or annihilated.

For the Belvedere action, the 100th was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation. Following the break-through in the Suvereto-Sassetta sector, the Combat Team, less the 3rd Battalion, went into division reserve near Bibbona to rest for a couple of days. On July 1, the Combat Team crossed the Cecina River and pushed to the east-west road from Castellina to the sea. On July 4, the 2nd and the 3rd Battalion went on to grind out a costly yard by yard advance against Hill 140 and the ridge running west to the coastal plain. The hill was seized before dawn of July 6th. By the evening of the 7th, Castellina was cleared of the enemy. On the 10th of July, the 2nd Battalion and the 100th jumped abreast to clear the hilltop town of Pieve di San Luce, a few miles from adjoining town of Pastina. After a two day battle both towns fell.

Here the 3rd Battalion and the 2nd Battalion drove abreast as far as Lorenzano, along the Orciano-Leghorn road. The 3rd Battalion relieved the 2nd Battalion and drove to the little hilltop town of Luciano which controlled the roadnet around Leghorn. Luciano fell on the night of the 17th. The following day the 3rd Battalion liberated Colle Salvetti and occupied the high ground south of the Arno River. Here the Observation Posts could see the Leaning Tower of Pisa in the distance. The Combat Team was moved to the division rest center around Vada. It was here that the 100th Battalion was redesignated as the 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry Regiment.

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Service Company and their maintenance crews, brought our vehicles through all the tough spots from beginning to the end.

THE ROAD TO ROME (continued)

After a long and pleasant rest, with some training around Vada, the Combat Team was detached from the 34th Infantry Division and assigned to 4th Corps. The 100th Battalion was sent to take up positions along the Arno River, four kilometers east of Pisa, while the remainder of the regiment was moved along the Arno near Scandicci, just west of Florence. After an intensive patrolling assignment the Combat Team was assembled in Rosignano. Later the regiment was embarked at Piombino for Naples to begin the first leg of the journey to France.



442ND REPLACEMENTS...

Articles and news items for publication should be addressed to the Editor. All other communications, change of address, remittance of dues, etc., should be addressed to the Secretary.



"Would you care to challenge me at something else, Private?"



Shall we ever forget the going over that we received from the "MEDICS" before we left.

Fun for all

JUDGE RICHARD MIYAMOTO lectures, "If, when everyone else is running around losing their heads and you are keeping yours, you just don't understand the situation."

HIDEO SUGIHARA, local Firestone man, says, "Your criticism of my product reveals an unsound technical background."

MRS. JEAN JITCHAKU to TOMMY, "For heaven's sake, do it tomorrow, you've made enough mistakes today."

WILLIE THOMPSON'S new motto is; "If you can't convince 'em, confuse 'em."

Club preacher DOC MIYAMOTO'S wise saying for the day is; "Blessed are they who run around in circles, for they shall be known as wheels."

ETSUO KOHASHI to JOHN USHIJIMA, "If there's an easier way to do this job, don't tell me, I enjoy suffering."

Boss man TOSHI NARIMATSU to his men, "If at first, you don't succeed.....you're fired."

Postmaster to YUKIO TAKEYA, "Working here gives you something money can't buyPoverty."

ROBERT FUJII of First Trust Company says, "Don't borrow trouble, borrow money....then trouble will follow you."

Quotes SHINSEI HIGA, "Time, is the stuff that's between paydays."

SADAO NISHIDA of the probation office says, "Alimony is the money a woman gets for making a mistake, or the screwing you get for the screwing you got."

RUSTY KAMIMURA, remarking to AKIRA FUJIMOTO after fifteen bottles of beer, "Try spitting on the ceiling. Any jerk can spit on the floor."



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