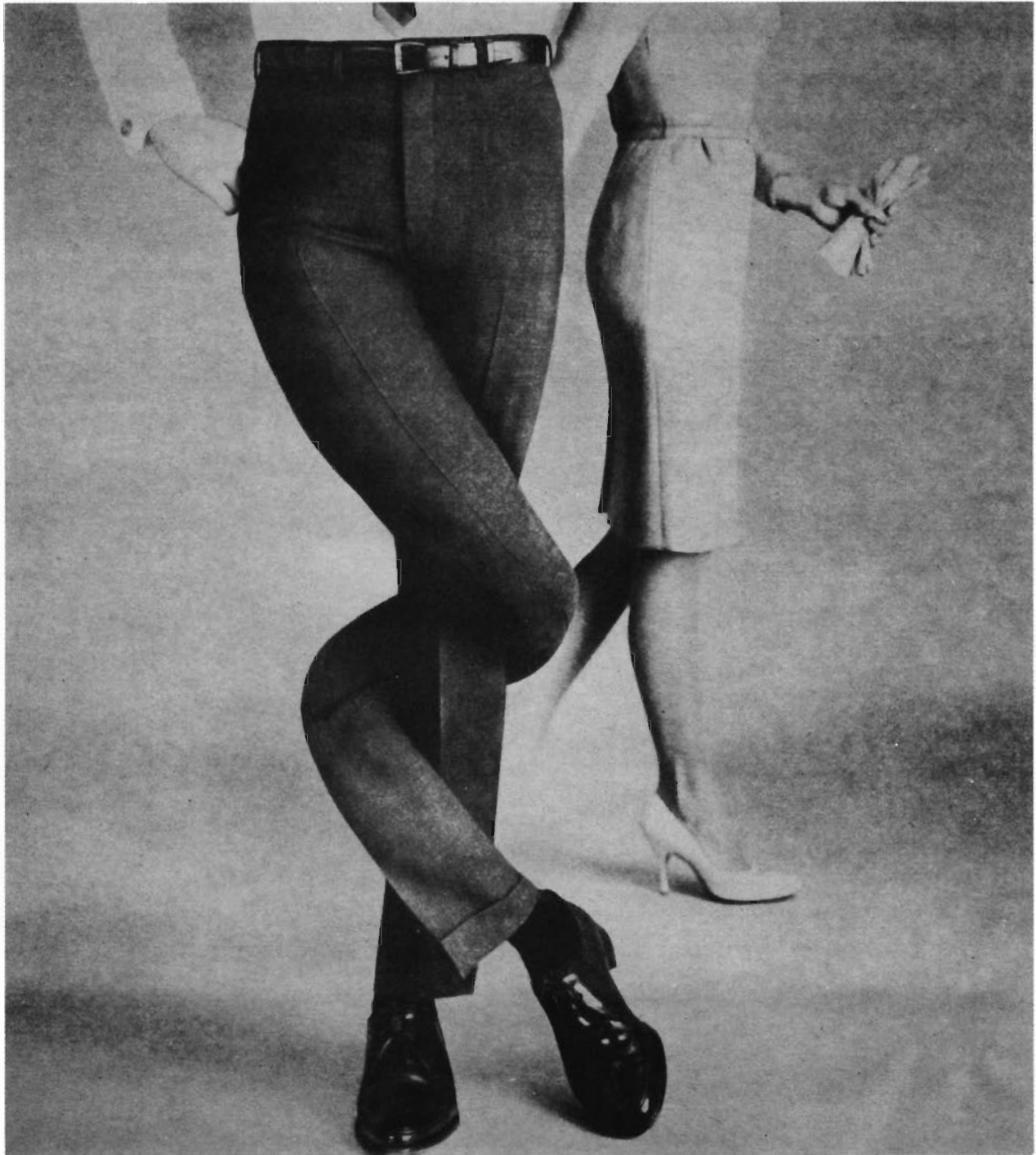


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Who said there's nothing new

It bothered Prexy PAT CIANGI that we have had to switch hotels for our August clambake. Our rejoinder - relax - a fellow has to be flexible these days - and hence the dedication of our cover to the theme. We were going to feature Jackie Kennedy on this cover of this issue, but we thought better of it. Now we lay claim to being the only magazine published which hasn't featured this lovely lady. But to get back to being flexible.

The Reef Hotel simply cannot accommodate all of our group. No one anticipated that the group would grow to the size that it has - and at such an early date, too. The Reef had reserved space for 3 other groups for the same time period, all naturally enough. Because its new wing has run into construction problems, it isn't definite that it will be ready by Aug. 7th. More importantly, because we want to be together we have switched to the WAIKIKI GRAND HOTEL. If that isn't stretching togetherness to the very limit, then we don't know the meaning of the word. As we size it up - really what difference does it make where we are billeted. We're going to have fun, not to hole up in a hotel room for 10 days.



**Cleo's
Corner**

The WAIKIKI GRAND is an equally fine hotel, offering all of the features of The Reef Hotel. Two years old, the WAIKIKI GRAND is 1st class in every way....Lowdown on JACK ANDERSON (A19th '40-'44), 819 Elm, Kannapolis, N.C. (pop. 34647), who has written that he's "on the road a good bit of the time". Jack is looking for Sgt. JOHN DOHANISH, A-19th between '41 and '44. Sorry, Jack, we don't have a record on him, but we'll put out the word.....The felicitades for the recent issues have been gratefully received. How about telling us what you don't like, so we can do better?.....About 1% of U.S. homes are heated by electricity.



Meet our latest Life Member JOHN E. KLUMP (E 34 1/45-4/46), RR 1, Guilford, Indiana. Johnnie and Hilda will be with us on the Hawaiian trip. Parents of 6, the oldest girl will hold the fort at home. Now there's an ideal daughter.



Discreetly Confidential: Out of Sturgis, Mich.(pop.8915) comes word from RICHARD D. EMERSON (B13thF.) Rt. 3, Sturgis, Mich. along with a picture of himself (on the right) in front of Emerson Cleaners, 301½ E. Chicago, in Sturgis. Dick gifted us with a clever advertising gimmick, a dummy pocket handkerchief for a man's suit pocket, for which we are exceedingly grateful.....A new motel opens every 90 minutes in the U.S.



Pats ✓
&
Pans ✗



A house physician is on call at all hours at the WAIKIKI GRAND....The Ticker Tape: Out of Frederick, Md., (pop. 21,744), at 504 Wilson Place, comes word from 1st Sgt. WILLIAM G. PRICE (G 5th 7/50-6/51). Bill, still in, and Eva have Terry (12), Bill Jr. (9), and Sandra (5). Writes Bill: "Sure 'nuff, there were the old memories, friends, dreams and comradeship of days gone by, but surely not forgotten. Certainly a shame that our medical profession don't come up with an anti-forgetfulness serum that troopers could use when things are still fresh and foremost in our minds. Assoc. records will show that I was a member from '51 until '54. During my tour at Kilmer, if memory serves, my request to you for extra "Taro Leafs" to encourage new members caused our Postmaster to enforce more vigorous measures against second class mail. This area is primarily a 29th Div. area, but I am sure there are some 24th men around, and I will look into it. Reading the "Taro Leaf" was like getting the "home-town" newspaper after so-many years. Excuse me please, if I sound like the "soap box extra", but each person has his own way of saying "I was aware of and was offered my chance to belong and I blew it!" However, I fully intend to reap the rewards in the future, and in addition, plan to make aware and encourage other qualified members in joining and rejoining our association. I am still on active duty, and have full intent on enjoying this status for some time. As a closing line, may I say "thanks for the reminder", a millionfold". Great report, Bill; we're grateful.



**Nero the
Newshound
Says . . .**

The WAIKIKI GRAND commands sweeping views of Kapiolani Park and Diamond Head, and the majestic Koolau Mts.....GEORGE CLOAK (C52 '42-'45), 7103 Radbourne, Upper Darby, Pa. (pop. 93158) says: "Actually, I missed last year's dues, so here's for two years".

11th Hour Report

NEWS BRIEFS AT PRESS TIME



As we went to press, we were unaware that any of our members were in serious troubles over the recent horrifying Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Ohio and Michigan storms. We spent two whole days in getting through - or trying to get through-to our members in the area. That we didn't reach every single one can be charged only to the fact that the telephone lines were down. And if, thereby, we missed a real casualty, our sincere regrets and apologies. We do trust that the mails will help to fill us in where the telephone service failed. So far, so good - and our fingers are crossed.



JULIAN MASON (Div.Hq. '42-'45), Bowling Green, Va. (pop. 28,338) recently answered an ED HENRY (Div.Hq. '42-'45) letter written in 1957. If Julian was out to set a record, we think he has made it.

Latrine rumors help - sometimes. ROBERT F. BOYLAN (24th MP '53-'54), at 429 Main, Apt. 4, Ft. Lee, N.J., has just heard of us through ANTHONY MAISANO, 58 Irving, Englewood Cliffs, N.J. Sez Bob: "As I am interested in becoming a member, would you send me an application form?" How long do you think it took to answer that letter?

When we read about CHARLES M. DEENIHAN (724 Ord) and his State Line Insurance agency, we have visions, not of Charley, but of that fat Don Wilson Jello fame. Would that it wasn't so. Charley, who dwells at 524 Broadway, Sonoma, Calif. (pop. 3023), with Jeanne and their 6 children, sez: "When I read about PAT CIANGI, ROSCOE CLAXON and their likes, it stirs up wonderful memories. I have daughter Jill in her junior year at the U. of Hawaii, and am sending my high school sophomore daughter Beth to France this summer, so I'm strapped. Besides, Jeanne and I visited Hawaii in January. I'd be content to move over there. Jeanne thinks everyone should go. Please give my regards to Pat, Roscoe, BOB SCORZA and JOE ROMANO". Thanks for the full message, Charley.

Not only dues in from CHARLES DANIELS (21st), 48 N. Main, Sherburne, N.Y., but a hefty \$5.00 donation "for publishing and mailing the T.L." Thank you, Charley.

Mail Bag



Getting to Waikiki Beach is as easy as knocking off a bank in Connecticut (7 in less than 90 days as we go to press). It's only half a block away from the WAIKIKI GRAND.....Around The Cracker Barrel: "Hope we'll see you all in Hawaii!" write ERNEST and Ruth COMPTON (I-34 7/40-7/45), 35801 Mound, Warren, Mich. (pop. 89246), where they live with Jane 16, Erma 12 and Georgia 6. Ernie sez: "As Confucius say, he who bowls 300 has no time to spare". We do hope you'll have time to spare to be with us in August, Ernie and Ruth.....There are over 7500 men named Jones in the U.S. Army.



We Americans have prided ourselves on nobility of purpose as a part of our heritage - a dedication to tolerance and fair play - a conviction that this is "a nation under God". But, in the years since we wound things up on Mindanao, we 180 Million people seem to have lost sight of the ideals. Extremists of many persuasions breach the sickness of intolerance - and develop their own cults of worshippers - both on the Left and on the Right. And under the guise of that thing we hold high as our right - freedom of speech - these purveyors of hate speak as they please. The reckless abuse of a freedom can turn it into a ghostly mockery. If we aren't up against a self-defeating sort of thing, we've never seen one. The freedoms won so dearly in '76 - '12 - '64 - '98 - and '18 - and, yes, in '45 (we were there) - and throw in '50 to include Korea - were established, we thought, under the assumption that men of reason and goodwill could learn to accommodate themselves to the decisions of the majority. Hate leads to violence - and violence feeds on violence. A rifle, which spoke in Dallas, proves our point - it was a complete negation of the democratic ideal. And to add further shame, the suspected assassin is struck down by another lawless bullet before the eyes of millions. We've come so far that we can now televise our murders, "live" as the announcers say. What is happening here in this land that prides itself in justice - decency-reason-tolerance-opportunity-hope? We who are out to reform the rest of the world - or the major portion of it - had best consider reforming ourselves. It is a time to search our souls! It is a time for parents to grab the reins once more and start asserting their authority. It is a time for the churches to stop giving lip service to the building of moral fiber, to take over and start rebuilding those ideals which we have lost. It is a time for the schools to stop teaching vehicle driving and to start teaching Americanism. It is a time for politicians to stop their exercises in ambiguous talk and to act. It is a time for men of fair minds to speak out, with a great and persistent voice against the extremists of all flavors. It is a time for we, as individuals, to aright the disturbed balance of our uneasy truce with life, to discover anew who we are and wither we goest.

So intense is the effort of PAT CIANGI's convention committee to give us a full 10 day program that it's virtually impossible, with a publishing schedule like ours, to keep properly abreast of the plan.

Suffice for now, the following "latest" version:

First - the cost:

From Chicago:

\$435.00 per person - on basis of two persons to a room.

\$548.00.....for a single room.

\$256.00 for a child under 12 years of age.

From New York:

\$494.00 per person - on basis of two persons to a room.

\$517.00.....for a single room.

\$286.00 for a child under 12 years of age.

The cost for children over 12, or adults sharing a room with two other persons, is the same as the regular adult fare of \$435.00 from Chicago or \$494.00 from New York.

Second - the man to see:

Write or call our Prexy, PAT CIANGI, at 4746 W. Monroe, Chicago - telephone 312-378-2846 - to make your reservation and/or to obtain additional information.

Third - the money:

There should be a token payment now, with one half of the total amount on the line by May 15th - and the balance in full by June 15th. Pat is the exchequer.

Fourth - the plan:

We make a round trip jet flight from New York and Chicago to Honolulu and return departing Chicago Saturday August 7th and returning back to Chicago on Tuesday, August 17th. You catch us at New York, or Chicago, or San Francisco - whichever is most convenient for you.

Fifth - what the price includes:

Round trip TWA or United Air Lines JET flight from Chicago or New York to Honolulu and return.

A special greeting...flower lei...and arrival transfer to the Waikiki Grand.

Accommodations at the hotel - for 10 days and 9 nights.

Cocktail party and authentic Japanese Tea House Party.

Sightseeing trip around the island of Oahu.

Visits to Schofield and Pearl Harbor.

LUAU complete with all the fixings.

Return transportation to the airport for flight to San Francisco, Chicago or New York.

Stop overs on your way home - at no increase in cost in your air fare.

Stay longer in Hawaii if they wish - at no extra cost in air fare.

Sixth - the program:

SATURDAY, Aug. 7th:

for those leaving from New York - you board your Jet at 12:00 NOON for your swift flight to San Francisco. Lunch on board.

for those leaving from Chicago - you depart on your Jet at 1:15 P.M. for your trip to San Francisco. Lunch on board.

Both groups will meet at the airport in San Francisco to board United Air Lines flight #187 leaving San Francisco at 5:00 P.M., arriving in Honolulu at 8:05 P.M. - Dinner served to you as you cross the Pacific. On arrival, an exciting welcome with traditional "Aloha" greetings, fresh leis, and all the rest, followed by transfer to the beautiful Waikiki Grand, a stone's throw from the shores of Waikiki Beach.

SUNDAY, Aug. 8th:

A free get-acquainted morning and afternoon - to get your feet on the ground...the evening - "In Japan" - a Japanese teahouse complete with Geishas, hot saki, samisens - be prepared for "Paper, scissors, stone" - be prepared for anything.

Make the day one for shopping, enjoying the beach or doing whatever you'd like. There are many complimentary attractions for Honolulu visitors. For instance: the colorful Kodak and Hula Show on the grounds of the Waikiki Natatorium (Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.); the Academy of Arts, with fine Oriental and Western collections; the Honolulu Zoo, with the largest tropical bird collection in the world; Flower Arrangement Classes; Hula Lessons; Fashion Shows. Just ten minutes from Waikiki you can see perfume made from Hawaiian flowers and every Saturday noon there's the famous "Hawaii Calls" broadcast...thrilling Hawaiian music broadcast throughout the world from the beach of one of the hotels along Waikiki. The admittance is free for "Hawaii Calls"; luncheon following is about \$3.50. In the evening, see the Hawaiian, Tahitan, Samoan and New Zealand dances in the International Marketplace. Programs begin about 7:00 p.m. and there is no charge.

MONDAY, Aug. 9th:

A tour around Oahu - 110 miles - 7½ hours - via Nuuanu Pali - today, or any other day of your choice. Perhaps you'd prefer a hop over to Hawaii. Transfer to the airport for early morning flight to Hilo on the island of Hawaii. Upon arrival, commence sightseeing of City of Hilo visiting Rainbow Falls, Anthurium and Orchid Nurseries and then proceed on to Hawaii National Park which houses the great volcano Kilauea, home of the Fire Goddess Pele. Tour the Park Museum the tree fern forest, the lava tubes, Halemaumau Firepit, sulphur banks and steam cracks. Late afternoon return to Hilo Airport for return flight to Honolulu. Upon return to Honolulu, transfer is provided to your hotel. Or you might go Hertz for a pleasant afternoon of sightseeing. Drive to Mt. Tantalus, with its breathtaking panoramic view of Honolulu. Enroute, visit the famous Punchbowl, an extinct volcanic crater transformed into a magnificent National Cemetery of the Pacific. You'll see the little grass hut of Robt. Louis Stevenson, the University of Hawaii and much, much more.

TUESDAY, August 10th:

Pearl Harbor tour - a thrilling 3 hours seeing Honolulu Harbor, Fort Kamehameha, Hickam Field, the Naval Base, the Arizona and the soul-stirring shrine. This may be your day to fly to Kauai. Transfer to the airport for your early morning flight to Lihue on the Garden Island of Kauai. Upon arrival, drive to the Wailua River for the boat excursion to the beautiful Fern Grotto. Next visit the Holo-Holo-Ku Heiau and Opaikaa Falls with a short stop for lunch at picturesque Coco Palms. In the afternoon, drive around the south and west sides of the Island. Along giner and hibiscus bordered highways, drive to Waimea Canyon (Grand Canyon of the Pacific) and on to 4,000 foot Kalalau Lookout. Return via Poipu Beach and Spouting Horn to Lihue Airport for your return flight to Honolulu. Upon arrival Honolulu, transfer is provided to your hotel.

WEDNESDAY, August 11th:

Schofield Barracks - need we say any more?

"See one, and you've seen them all", you say? O.K. - how about an all-islands - in-one-day tour? Here's a real opportunity to see all 8 islands in one full day. Early in the morning, 5:45 a.m., a limousine calls at your hotel to transfer you to Honolulu International Airport. You Flight Captain will greet you. You are on your way. Coffee is served shortly after takeoff to "wake you". Rising up into blue skies and dawn's early light from Honolulu, you fly to the Island of Lanai. Here we enjoy complete views of the pineapple Island, then continue on for viewing of the "Island of Death", Kahoolawe. Approaching the coast of Hawaii on the Kona side, the Captain descends enroute until you are at your altitude for the viewing to follow. The plane then lands at Kona Airport where a limousine is waiting to take you to a buffet breakfast at the famous Kona Inn. After a hearty meal, you're set for scenes that can't possibly be seen in its entirety by land - coffee plantations, Captain Cook's monument, the City of Refuge, Black Sands Beach, Mauna Loa Volcano, the Lava Desert, Kilauea Volcano with its awesome fire pit. Halemaumau, and many other points of interest. You now land at Hilo on the Island of Hawaii. Having been met at the airport by your native Hawaiian guide, you drive to Rainbow Falls by way of Hilo town on through to the Orchid Gardens and other points of interest in Hilo. You depart Hilo via the Hamakua Coast for the Island of Maui. Around Maui, you will see Hotel Hana Maui, waterfall coastlines, Haleakala Volcano, the central valley with its miles of Sugar Cane and other features. Continuing on, you arrive at the Island of Molokai. Large valleys completely inaccessible, waterfalls tumbling from sheer cliffs, Kalaupapa Leper Settlement and other exclusive subjects for both camera and eye greet you as you continue on to the Garden Island of Kauai. Kauai is a tour stop, and your first stop is the Kauai Surf Hotel for lunch. After lunch, you continue along the Eastern Coast by limousine to the Coco Palms Hotel and the Wailua River. At the Wailua River you will board a motorboat for a River Boat Cruise to the Fern Grotto or Evergreen Cave. Leaving Kauai Airport, you will fly through the Valley of Rainbows into Hanalei Valley for a viewing of the rice and taro fields. Lumahai Beach, the site of the movie South Pacific, then skirt along the Na Pali Coast to view the Valley of Lepers and the Valley of Lost Tribes. Next comes Waimea with its famous canyon. You continue south from Kauai to the island no one sees, Niihau, the Forbidden Island. Here lives the only remaining group of pure Hawaiians who are not exposed to the world. You will have exclusive and private views of this island and see the old way of life. After viewing the villages of Niihau, you sweep across the Pacific returning to Oahu. At the Airport, your limousine is waiting to return you to your Waikiki Hotel.

THURSDAY, August 12th:

Free day to do whatever your heart desires. At noon, why not have lunch at La Ronde, Honolulu's revolving restaurant high in the sky over the gigantic Ala Moana Shopping Center - or ride the glass elevator to the top of the new Ilikai Hotel for a superb view and delicious food? In the evening, we're sure you'd enjoy the Colonel's Plantation in the International Marketplace or Pete Canlis' Charcoal Broiler. How about a sightseeing drive to Mt. Tantalus, which includes, en route, the historic Civic Center; Iolani Palace (the only Royal Palace on American soil; Punchbowl (extinct volcanic crater now the site of the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific); University of Hawaii and Robert Louis Stevenson's Grass Shack. If you're looking for delightful places to eat, don't overlook The Willows, a famous garden restaurant; an evening in Japan in a real Japanese Teahouse; the Hala Terrace of the Maile Lanai Dining Room at the beautiful new Kahola Hilton Hotel; or Michel's-by-the-Sea at the Colony Surf for really gourmet cuisine. Beach lovers - the surf, sand and sun are yours today. Shoppers - Kalakaua Avenue is waiting with treasures not only from Hawaii, but also from the Orient, the Middle East, Around the World. Sightseers - there is much to see. And if your schedule is open, don't miss Na Kupuna Night at the Moana Hotel, under the gigantic Banyan Tree. The tree illuminated by old fashioned gaslight chandeliers is surrounded with buffet tables draped with red velvet. Swinging above the heads of the guests is the "girl in the red velvet swing". Costumed in a red and black can can dress and wearing long, black net stockings, she sets the Gay Nineties theme for the evening. The buffet is bountiful and the entertainment brings to the stage Hawaii's top performers. This is one of the outstanding shows in Honolulu.

FRIDAY, August 13th:

Put superstition aside. This is Hawaii - you'll likely never see it again - so enjoy yourself. Today, let's hop over to Maui. Early morning transfer to Honolulu Airport to board flight to the Valley Island of Maui. Upon arrival at Kahului Airport, your tour commences with a drive through Puunene - the largest sugar plantation in the United States. Continue to 10,000 foot Haleakala, the world's largest extinct volcano. Return to Kahului for lunch at Maui Palms Hotel. After lunch, drive through Wailuku to historic Iao Valley and view the strange "Needle", a volcanic freak. Late afternoon return to Kahului Airport to board return flight to Honolulu. Upon arrival Honolulu, transfer is provided to your hotel. Back home, this evening, a LUAU!

SATURDAY, August 14th:

Perhaps today will be the day to hop to Hilo, where you'll visit the Orchid Nurseries, Rainbow Falls and the gigantic Kilauea Crater in Hawaii National Park. Luncheon at Volcano House, right on the edge of the Crater, then on we go across the Big Island, past the Black Sand Beach, across Lava flows and through the Giant Tree Forest and Coffee Farms to the village of Kailua, Kona, to see the charming Kona Inn Complex, which includes Waiaka Lodge and the new Mauna Loa Wing. Back at the base in the evening, we'll have our annual Banquet and Memorial Service.

SUNDAY, August 15th:

Breakfast together - then perhaps we can all fly over to Kauai to see the beautiful Kauai Surf, where every room has a lanai view of Kalapaki Bay and the ocean beyond, where its Surf Lanai Dining Room is open to the beach, the Bay and the Sea. Acquire that "take-home" tan by the pool or on the crescent shaped beach. Magnificent breakers provide thrills for surfing. The many fine shops in the lobby make shopping a real adventure. Mid-morning, a sightseeing drive takes us to Nawiliwili Harbor and the Menehune Gardens - then along the beaches and bays on the east side of the island - past the Sleeping Giant, the Hole-in-the-Mountain and through Hanalei Valley. Our destination is the charming Hanalei Plantation, and you may have lunch right here in this beautiful setting where "South Pacific" was filmed. The return trip will be highlighted by a boat trip on the Wailua River, climaxed by a stop in the eerie loveliness of the famous Fern Grotto.

MONDAY, August 16th:

The last full day - come what may.

Remember, you don't have to leave today. We'll warn you now - you'll want to stay at least through Christmas.

Departure Day. Farewells to new-found friends - the drive to the airport and soon your giant jet wings its way across the Pacific to the mainland and home - so quickly, the flowers brought from Hawaii will be as fresh as your memories of these magnificent islands.

We depart on United Airlines flight #100 leaving at 11:15 P.M. for Los Angeles. On arrival in Los Angeles the following morning, you will change planes for your flights to Chicago and New York - arriving in these cities at 2:27 P.M. (Chicago) and 4:10 P.M. (New York). Lunch en route.

you're **IN**

The Editor's phone was ringing so we did the perfectly normal thing - we picked up the head set and gave out with our best "Mushy, Mushy". It was the local Police Dept. Immediately we started pouring out a complete and unequivocal denial when Officer MAURICE M. MULCAHY, JR. (F-5th RCT 9/49-10/51) identified himself. It seems he had been referred to us by D/A as a possible source of information on histories of olde Division. We were only too happy to oblige. It gives us an idea. Why not publish a bibliography? O.K., we will. And we'll solicit your support to make additions or corrections when we do. Now to get back to our "pinch". We told Maurice that we were going to put the bite on him. We didn't have to. In the next mail came a membership application, a bit of the green stuff, and the data on Maurice that he and Patricia have 4: Kevin 9, Timothy 7, Maureen 6, and Daniel 5. Maurice is a police officer, or are we repeating ourselves? The family lives at 105 Francis St., Springfield, Mass. Maurice would like to hear from anyone, esp. Fox Company men, who served in the 5th between '49 and '51.

Nice words in from LEROY BINION JR. (21st 4/51-3/52) who, with Eloise and the children - Marolyn 14, Aurelea 12, Roy 10, Ronald 10, Bob 5, Mary 4 and Arthur 3 - that's 7 in case you lost count - resides at Rt. 4, Madison, Ga. We're pleased to have you in our group, Leroy.

New address for JOHN and Toyoko EADIE (19th '40-'45) and the kids, Sayuri, Grace, John and Dorothy. It's now 1116 Namdac Ave., West Islip, L.I., New York. Johnnie is a TWA agent.

THE VISITOR

RAYMOND MARTEL (I-34th '44-'45) RFD High St., Sanford, Maine, wants to hear from Lt. KENNETH YEOMAN of Worcester (severely wounded at Corregidor), JOHN OVERSTEAD of Seattle, Wash., "my assistant gunner" (sounds like another SPIKE O'DONNELL - JUNIOR HARRIS team), SEYMOUR SCHORR and Capt. KANE, the Co. C.O. from Texas. O.K. men, let Ray have it.....Just read an FDR story. Seems that in '36, his speech writers tried to play a trick on him. In a certain campaign speech before a group of men, he was to urge the voters not to be intimidated by threats from their employers. Following a sentence reading: "In the polling booth, we are all equals", the boys sneaked in another reading: "In the polling place, as in the men's room, all men are peers". FDR fortunately caught it before the delivery hour. He delighted, however, in teasing his crew into thinking that he was actually going to read it as they wrote it.

5th Inf. Regt. Assoc. sent us an invite to their April meeting (Portland, Me.), at the Two Pee Yem. "Yew kin cum too", BOB WESTON (5th RCT) added. Bob never fails to throw kudos our way in his monthly newsletter. Thanks, Bob. Hawaii? Be sure to wear that beret; it'll knock those hula wigglers silly.....C.L. HARRIS (F5th RCT & 24 Sig. '51), 101 58th Place, Clarendon Hills, Ill., 50514, sends Aloha's on some "stolen" VFW stationery. Larry gives us a lead on EUGENE BOHAN, (A19th '51 1228 Navajo Drive, Carpentersville, Ill. Larry is having a little lung trouble and is being treated by VA. He says: "they even made me a metal plate so they can stamp my name instead of writing it - how do you like that - a GI charge account". Larry, between pills (100 a month), is a credit man with Oversey Corp., a sanitary chemical house in Chicago. He reports that "a Catholic service officer, colored doctor and a Jewish VA adjudication officer put their heads together on a claim of a Protestant mason"; his sense of humor is as acute as ever.

Thanks to the American Battle Monuments Commission, of which Maj. Gen. Thomas North is Secretary, we are able to reproduce this one of the WWII and Korea Memorial at Honolulu where are buried 13,507 of the Dead of WWII and 308 of the Dead of Korea.



Unless we have the money on the line, our plane may not take off for Hawaii. We've got to know now if we're going over the top. Please let Pat know your plans in the next few days....JOHN S. WHITLEY (21st, 9/41-5/45), 400 May, Bryan, Tex., now a member. He and Gladys have no children. Johnnie got a BS for Pinamopao, Leyte on 11-8-44. Two enemy machine guns and a knee mortar were firing into his company position holding a ridge. Several were wounded and lay exposed to further enemy fire. John crawled under enemy fire to where one of the wounded men lay and helped pull him to a spot where he could receive medical attention. You're a real guy, Johnnie....John tells about the dog running through the park. He saw a sign on a bench reading "Wet Paint". And so he did.

Hawaii will see Life Member MIKE MOCHAK (D 19th) and his wife of 1143 Walnut, Springdale, Pa.; they were among the first to sign up....D/A never stands still. Now they've gone and included a new rank, "lance corporal" - one step above a Pfc. rating, below which there isn't much. Changes, too, in the sergeant major's insignia - now he adds a wreath around the star between the upper and lower rockers. The master sergeant retains the star but misses out as they pass around the wreaths. We've long felt that American soldiers were way over decorated and over dressed with all of their identifying attachments. We still think so. Give a close look at the next one you meet and see if he isn't weighted down with metal and felt accessories. How can a fellow make love with all of that stuff getting in his way?

Of course we want you to go to Hawaii. Of course you are invited....WARREN McNAMARA (D 21st) brought Shirley over from 7 Elmwood, Wellesley, Mass. for our '64 convention festival in Beantown.Wonderful the way Mrs. JAMES (Mildred) PURCELL (24th Sig.) remembers us from Norway, Lapland, Portugal, Morocco) or wherever else she happens to be. What about Hawaii next August, Mildred?

Wonderful message in from MILTON SKELLY (Div. Hq. '45-'48), 713 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y. who flatters us with "continuing knowledge and appreciation that moneys transmitted to the Assoc. are put to extraordinarily good use".

Hawaii it'll be for SAM SNYDER (34th) and his wife. These wonderful folks have signalled in. They're at 1356 Walton, Bronx 52, N.Y.

MATTHEW W. SLOWIK (19th '42-'44) of 3906 W. Belmont, Chicago, Ill., is in real estate and investments at 100 N. LaSalle, Chicago.

Plane leaves Aug. 7th for Hawaii; it's a Saturday....Contact finally made with MARVIN BENEDUM (724 Ord) who, with Mary, lives at 549 E. Nevada, St. Paul, Minn. Benny asks if we're married yet. Join the Assoc., Benny, and we'll give you the answer....Likewise are we in touch with PETER P. CRESCENZO (724 Ord) of 14 Spring, Southbridge, Mass.

Boston Conventioneers included Life Member ANTHONY and Evelyn SCATCHELL (E19th) who brought Gail and Anthony, Jr. all the way from 5520 W. Monroe, Chicago, Ill.

Life Member ROSS W. PURSIFULL (34th) has been appointed Production Coordinator by the engineering firm of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls in Detroit. Ross was with Ero Saarinen until he died in '61. He's had charge of several projects for the Smith people including the General Motors technical Center, the Martin Titan Missile Facility in Denver, and the National Health Institute's new Laboratory in Bethesda, Md. More recently, he's been conducting the tests for the proposed curtain wall in connection with the expansion of Miami's Metro Airport. You're doing big things, Ross; the itch for new horizons is ever yours.

C.G. SHOOPMAN (C 34th '41-'45) of 1000 S. 20th, New Castle, Ind. brought Edna and daughter, Donna, to our Boston party.

SPLASH THAT ADDS THE DASH

Memo from our Girl Thursday: Things to drive an Editor to ***** Hennessy. In upstate N.Y., there are these towns: Oswego, Otego, Owego, Otsego, Otisco, Otsdawa, Oso, Orain, Omro, Owasco, Occanum, Oquago, and Ouquaga. Speaking of post offices, ever hear of Twodot, Mont., Three Notch, Ala., Five Points, Tenn., Ten Sleep, Wyo., Twelve Mile, Ind., Fiftysix, Ark., or Eightyfour, Pa?....Hear about the rabbit with a toothache? He went to the dentist who told him he'd have to give him novocain. "Oh no", said the bunny, "you can't do that; I'm the ether bunny".

Joined: GENE PRZYBYSZEWSKI (pronounced like in "PRZYBRSEWSKI"), (A 52FA '39-'43), who with Mary, makes his home at 24 Barwick, Floral Park,



L.I., N.Y. Together they have Susan 20, Paul 18, Margaret 16, Sally 14, Peter 12, Mary Lou 10, Teresa 8 and the twins, John and Joseph, 3 each. If Gene decides Yes on Hawaii, we're going out to charter another plane. Gene, a utility repairman

tells us that the family consumes 12 quarts of milk a day. He wants to say "Hi" to ART HORNBECK. O.K. "Hi, Art". Art, as Gene's former Top Kick, did you ever think he'd raise a family of this size?

CANDID CAPERS

WALT PETERS (Sv.19th), thoughtfully writes that 90 year old Julian Proctor, patriarch of bourbon makers as the president of Louisville's Stitzel Weller Distillery, has died. '63 Conventioneers will remember his scorn for scientific distilling techniques; he was a 100-proof nonconformist. Remember the sign over the entrance: No Chemists Allowed. Walt is planning on Hawaii.

Next time somebody tells you, "Sure, go ahead and blow your top. It's good for you," you'd better think it over. Today's medicos say getting angry can bring on or aggravate heart disease, high blood pressure, colitis, ulcers, head colds, asthma, indigestion, headaches, dizziness, jaundice, skin disorders, poor vision, Raynaud's disease, Vincent's infection, gingivitis, epizootics and fainting spells.

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Here and there: 'S funny, but no word yet in from any member on the famous grapefruit diet "plus unlimited amounts of eggs, meat, fish and vegetables (green, yellow or red)". We tried it, falling for the claim that the grapefruit acts as a catalyst that starts the fat burning process. We have 3 bonfires going right now and are fanning for a 4th. Progress report in next issue..... Harvard man's definition of a failure: a Yale man driving an Edsel with a Barry Goldwater sticker on it.

Faithful BOB WESTON (5th Inf.), Editor of the "5th US Inf.Regt.Assoc.News" plugs us neatly in every issue, for which our thanks, Bob. And we don't mind it a bit when you appropriate some of our stories. Let's face it: how do you think we come by them? If you like mother-in-law stories, Bob, how about these? #1 "My mother-in-law is a dear, and I can't wait for the season to open". #2 "The other day, I bought my mother-in-law a jaguar - a live one - and she ate it". #3 "My mother-in-law has really come under the influence of Jackie Kennedy. She wears a Jackie hair-do, a pillbox hat, and French dresses. And she's gone to Mass 7 Sundays in a row - and she's Jewish".

Here Comes a Chopper

More potpourri: Just returned from a visit with the DICK LAWSONs in their lovely new home in Williamsburg, Va., are the BILL DAVIDSON's of Swedeshoro, N.J. Bill and Lorna stopped by in Arlington and called on the FRED IRVING's.... Excellent drink for a hangover is called "Tiger's Milk". Take 1 teaspoonful sugar syrup, 2 ozs. brandy or applejack, 1 egg white, one drop each of vanilla, orange, clove and cinnamon extracts. Beat the egg white into the sugar syrup and extracts. Shake with ice and brandy. Strain into a glass. Fill the glass with milk. Dust with nutmeg. Then put the tiger in your tank.

ED HENRY frightened us a week or so before we went to press by being taken out "feet first in a meat wagon" one 3 a.m. The initial scare of a heart problem turned out - thankfully - to be a NOT SO thing - now it's called a diaphragmatic hernia. Run for those medical dictionaries, men.

TED TOBEN (Hq & Hq Co., Div.), of 391 Sharrott, Staten I., N.Y., post cards us with: "As a charter member of the Division, can you send me particulars on the August reunion?" Did Ted get an April shower of goodies - visual and cerebral-but fast....No word of late from l'il LOU SMITH (Div.Hq.) down Louisiana way. How's bayou, Lou?

See where Gen. Taylor has asked Washington to reduce the number of Great Society VIPs junketing to South Viet Nam. We know what pests these feather merchants can be, don't we? Goodie for you, Max Taylor.

Nat'l. debt now \$319 billion. That's a lot of I.O.U.'s.