CLUB 100

Charter and By-Laws

A simplified outline of the "mechanics" of operating the Club as provided in the Charter and By-Laws.

- 1. The Club 100 will be incorporated, because
 - (a) This is desirable for protection of its members and officers, as individuals, against possible future litigation.
 - (b) As a corporation, administration of its affairs will conform to accepted business practice.
 - (c) There may be certain tax advantages.
- 2. There will be four branches of the Club 100; one each on the Islands of Hawaii, Maui (including Molokai and Lanai), Oahu and Kauai. The members of each branch will elect their own officers and directors, and in addition:
 - (a) Delegates (any number) to represent them at meetings of the parent corporation, each branch being entitled to one vote for each 25 members.
 - (b) Two Directors of the corporation.
 - (c) The President of each branch automatically will be a Vice President of the corporation.
- 3. The corporation will have a Board of Directors consisting of 15 Directors, of whom 8 will be elected directly by the members (2 from each of the four branches) and 7 will be elected by the Delegates from the membership at large. The Delegates will also elect an auditor. A majority of the Board of Directors shall always be members who were enlisted men.
- 4. The Board of Directors will appoint the Officers of the corporation (other than the four branch presidents who are automatically vice presidents of the corporation). The officers will be a President, 5 Vice Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

- 5. There are three classes of membership; Regular, Memorial, and Honorary. All persons who served with the 100th Infantry Battalion (Separate) or the 100th Battalion of the 442nd Infantry Regiment between June 1942 and May 12, 1945 are eligible for Regular Membership. All deceased persons who served with those units during that time are Memorial Members. Persons who have rendered especially valuable services to such units and to the members of the Club 100 may be elected Honorary Members by vote of Delegates representing not less than two thirds of the total membership of the Corporation. At present there are three Honorary Members -- Joseph R. Farrington, Charles R. Hemenway and Leslie F. Deacon -- who were elected at a convention held in Italy in August. 1944.
- 6. Only Regular Members will be entitled to vote or hold any office in the corporation or its branches.
- 7. Dues are \$2.00 per month for all members living in the Territory and, beginning November 1, 1945, 25 cents per month for civilian members living on the Mainland. To be a member in good standing, a member must have paid \$22.00 for the period to and including July 31, 1944 and \$2.00 per month up to the present time.
- 8. Annual Meetings of the corporation will be held in Honolulu within the months of June, July or August of each year, and will be attended by the Delegates from each of the four branches.
- 9. Annual Meetings of the members of each of the four branches should be held at least one month in advance of the Annual Meetings of the corporation, so that Delegates, Directors and Officers may be elected. At these meetings there are no quorum requirements, but all members of each branch must be given not less than ten days advance written notice by mail to their last known mail address so that all will have an equal opportunity to attend. Each member present at such a meeting is entitled to one vote, and the affirmative vote of a majority of those present is necessary for the validity of any official act.
- 10. The purposes and objects of the Club 100, a corporation, will be to promote mutual assistance among members and their families, to foster and encourage participation in progressive community and civic projects, to promote patricism and love

of country, and to provide opportunities for social and recreational activities among its members and their families and friends. In short, it is primarily a social club, designed to perpetuate the comradeship and traditions of the men who served and fought together in the same outfit and to provide mutual assistance among them. It is NOT a "veterans' organization" in the sense that applies to the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Veterans' Committee and others. It is strictly non-political and nonsectarian.

- 11. As soon as the Club 100 becomes incorporated and its officers and directors are duly elected and ready for action, one of the first items on the agenda is consideration of a division of dues as between the parent corporation and each of its branches on a fair and reasonable basis, and methods of financing and setting up the four branches.
- 12. A formal organizational meeting will be held in the near future to adopt a charter and By-Laws and formally incorporate under the laws of the Territory. The papers have been drawn up in tentative form and are now being put in final shape for filing by attorneys.