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RICHARD OGURO; Your letter maybe short but its great. I am not an writer PERIOD (not even to my own kids). Made an copy of the early group of MISLS Grad list out of MISLS Album. In the first group, Dick Hayashi is in the B1, Ranold Chigami was A1 and I was in B3 which I wrote in. (Hospital) June 42 class. This group was slightly nervious but but closer in relation. We were together with the instructors.

The next group was your gr Kenneth Harano came after I gave the letter to Capt Dowd in the MIS Hd Q as an Top Instructoer material. He is placed in Sec #1 Suike Murahata who graduated ^{WITH ME} the same High School became in charge of the radio shack. Sadao Munemori came in your group . Just before I became the 1st/Sgt I met him outside and had short talk about being out of the school. I finished he got out. Didn't want to be book-worm, wanted to do something physically, such as machanic he was good in. Than he was shipped out. Maybe the next one I should not mention, The big cry was that no oversea pay and the out-break **HAWAIIANS ONLY** of the (our) kids desease, the measles. Order was to sent them to class, wont hurt them. In the spring from my office, looked outside in front of the mess-hall. There was an platoon of mens marching up and down high stepping as Nippon soldiers. It surprised me thinking how the enemy got here so soon? **SPECIAL STUDENT CLASS** The follwing year at Ft Snelling, Co F 1st/sgt got all the front teeth knocked out yelling out to be quiet and go to sleep (didn't have his shirt on) They know it was the island boys from other company but never found him. Now, this is news. Back at Savage, In our mess, we had potatoes and beans. At one time we had four type of beans to choose and I tried them all. MIS called Chicago to trade beans and the potatoes for the rice. Commasary did send rice. We did have Bug-juice bottles on the table but they start to disappear. The boy were bringing food from town and eating on the barrack. Bakatale came to the of office and sked me to follow? Went straight to the barraks and started to search the personal belonging for the silver ware and the bottles. I got hot and Told him off. Inspection is only done in their presence , He got red hot but he backed out. But the good intesion is that they tried to find some radish for the tsukemono. Found one japanese farmer would raise some. He got the round type and they selected Co C b basement. That was excellant for all of us. Inspection was the biggest laugh because it got stinkier. The OD clothing picked it up and the boys couldn't get it ^{STINK} out before seeing thier girl friends. Stunked so bad that it was the last of that project.

Next is the SHIBUTANI that wrote the book on Co K. He was transfered from my Co to K, July 1945, F-1 class. That is all I know

NOW AD TURKEY FARM PAGE of Co K right here (news continue)

One evening, Island boys got little high, returning to thier Co K ,between Snelling and the Turkey Farm, Chased after the Haole student and knifed them. Co K had 1AM shake-down inspection for the blood and the knife. They did not find anything but fellows were real mad because of the lost of sleep. Than came the Kotonk that beat-up the 1st/sgt ~~Beato~~ (who wqas cocky in my company.) I had to go te defend this private at the courtmashal. Among the students, had grup of volunteers to the paratroop training, at Ft Benning. One big bully Island boy who use to push fellow around returned to my Co. We asked him what happened? He was the only one that got washed out because he frozed on the last jump. His Bullines was all gone and returned to class. I had a wino who is always drunk laying on the lawn with his pants wide open. Finally, they handcuf him to the bunk but we felt sorry so we all picht in for beer and the CO couldn't figure out how he is still drunk. Co E had a party and had ordered 15 keg of beer. I did not stick around. Had lot of beer left-over Sent one keg to each student Company mess hall. But one short. Had rolled one into this hut and he was feeling good. Few day later had the missing keg showed up Now, the Sgt/Major in the battalion HQ (who did not try to regain his commision officers rank had enough point

officers rank) had enough point for discharge, took this wine with him to the island for discharge. Hearsay, Sgt/Major got really beaten up. Almost killed him. When I got the furlough to get married. I went to the Minidoka Relocation camp. The guard (an private) asked me to report in. Various questions. I told him that I was in service before the evacuation and the belongings were thrown away and no home, never was in camps but the army. He won't believe me. I asked for the duty-officer than he let me thru. and report to the camp office. I did, there they asked me to pay for the meals as if service-mens were strangers to the sister and uncles. I told them that's a helleva way to treat the service-mans, Thanks goodness, the relocation furlough time was over. Now during your time at Savage, Misquitoes inside the barracks. No-one could sleep but to cover ourseve with the blanket ~~XXXX~~ complete except for the hole for our nose and the mouth to ~~bre~~ breathe. CQ complain that taking bed check was taking too long. I told him that no-one here will go AWOL. We did have few and had to cover them up unnoticeably.

Yes, who were these mens? Sunburnt brown peoples. All had yellow tummy at the s short-arm inspection. The boys in the relocation camps had two choice about the sercice. Signed "NO" would go to no-gang, but "YES" got the physical for the DRAFT clasification and went straight into service and never return. The Islander had homesand family but they came to take major parts, get assigned to a duty of no survival and many stayed on into occupational. They were all born and raised on U S soil. We & future should not forget and carry-on. Therefore, I shall give you the permission to print

PS, I tell my friends that the misquitoes and the weather was the training for the future theater. Sorry I tookes so long to think back with no helper.

OH I got an buyer for my business, again I have no replacement for my position.

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