

Vet Names 'Mom' For Heart After Attack by Cow

"I'd like to get a medal for my mother," said Sgt. Joseph H. Leitch, now being processed at Base R&R Center. "I'm going to get the Purple Heart and I want to have it presented to her instead. You see," he explained, "she was wounded much worse than I was. She was gored by a mean milk-cow."

WOUNDED AT IWO

It all started on Dec. 7, 1944. Sgt. Leitch was stationed in Hawaii, he received a cable stating that his mother had been wounded. Then in February, Mrs. Marie H. Leitch was notified that Joseph had been wounded on Iwo Jima.

"I think that if I am entitled to a Purple Heart for my wounds, so is mother," he continued. "She was doing her part here at home, just as much as I was."

MOTHER NOT ELIGIBLE

The regulations covering the award of the Purple Heart state that only members of the armed forces wounded in action against the enemy of the United States are eligible. Since Mrs. Leitch isn't a member of the armed forces, and mean milk-cows could hardly be classed as an enemy of the United States, she is not eligible. However, she is going to get her Purple Heart just the same.

"I'll soon be a civilian," said Leitch, "and then I can give mother my Purple Heart Medal as a personal award."

Former Base Chief Adds New Star

Promotion of Maj. Gen. Archie E. Howard, former commanding officer of MCB now on duty at Pearl Harbor, was announced this week at Marine Corps Headquarters, Washington.

Gen. Howard, then a brigadier, was assigned to overseas duty last June 15. He was replaced at MCB by Maj. Gen. Earl G. Long.

A veteran of the Solomons campaigns, 53-year-old Gen. Howard graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Corps. He was elevated to first lieutenant in 1917, held the temporary rank of major during the first World War.



(Official USMC Photo)

BREW-HOO. Tears drip from the eyes of PFC William Larson, but only peanuts dribble from the can he thought contained beer. A prisoner of the Japs for over three years, Larson's greatest longing was for beer.

No Beer, No Nuthin--'Nuts,' Sez Jap Prison Releasee

LUZON (Delayed)—It has been a long time between drinks for PFC William C. Larson who was captured with the fall of Wake Island.

When Larson arrived at this camp, the first thing he wanted was a can of beer.

Beer being plentiful for returned POWs, Larson lost no time in finding a No. 2 sized tin can. But the can had no label, and that's the cause of all the hilarity around this camp today.

Larson had walked a quarter of a mile for a small cake of ice, packed the can in the ice, and then sat for an hour while it cooled. When it was good and cold, he scrounged around, found a can-opener, pried the can.

But there was no fizz. It was a

can of salted peanuts!

Imprisoned in Osaka, Japan, so long he had ever forgotten that beer in cans doesn't rattle. He told Combat Correspondent William Martin Camp.

Real Buy

JAPAN (Delayed)—For two yen, about 20 cents American money, 2dSgt. Irwin H. Peyton became the owner of probably the first motorcycle privately owned by the American troops in Japan.

Peyton, a member of the 4th Marine Regiment, was among the first troops to land in Japan. He is a veteran of 38 months overseas duty.

Corps Points Slashed; Separation Swamped

Announcement of the slashing of Marine discharge qualifications to 60 points brought new headaches to Separation Co. this week. At first check-up it was revealed that 340 more Base personnel would be eligible for discharge under the new reduction.

Adoption of the Army's point scoring system with a minimum of 65 points for discharge was announced by the Corps on Aug. 15. The minimum was later reduced to 70 points on Sept. 12.

SEPARATION STRUGGLES

Working under tremendous pressure, Base Separation Co. has been discharging between 100 and 150 men per day. These discharges,

FLASH

Maj. Gen. P. A. DeValle, inspecting general of the Marine Corps, arrived at the Base from Washington this week on a tour of all Marine Corps separation units.

Speaking of separation companies in general, he said: "(Units) are still . . . learning how . . ." Of one company he said specifically: "Quintus had discharged all 70-point men by Sept. 27."

The early attainment of the predetermined goal set for Quintus discharged leaves the road open for the immediate release of 60-point men on the East Coast.

however, are not all Base personnel. Marine Air Station at El Toro, Miramar and El Centro have been sending "high-pointers" here for processing, with a large percentage of medical discharges coming in from the Naval Hospital.

Individual Base organizations started discharging 70-pointers through company offices for the first time this week. Most of these men were Base personnel who had been frozen to their jobs due to lack of replacement.

PENDLETON ARRIVALS

The frozen personnel situation was thawed slightly Monday by the arrival of 981 new men from Camp Pendleton. Distribution and assignment of these men to various Base organizations released 145

high-point reservists for immediate discharge; others with enough points but holding highly specialized positions will have to wait even longer until specialist replacements can be obtained.

Fourth Div. Remains Peacetime Unit

EXCLUSIVE—The 4th Mar. Div., originally scheduled to be inactivated last week, will be retained as a unit until further notice, it was learned authoritatively this week.

The 4th, which led the drive through the Marshalls and the Marianas and from there to Iwo Jima, is now stationed on Maui. A large percentage is now made up of replacements sent from the States as the division was building up before the proposed invasion of Japan proper.

Although plans for the inactivation of the 4th were delayed, it was learned that its demobilization would not be far off. Navy records at Pearl Harbor disclosed that ships are already being assigned preparing to return the Leathernecks Stateside.

Marines Feared By Chinese

CHUNGKING (Delayed) (A.P.)—Left-wing and middle-ground Chinese expressed fears this week that United States Marine landings in North China to maintain order until Chungking government troops arrive would touch off "complications." (Marines have landed only in the Tientsin area where they were greeted by thousands of cheering, flag-waving Chinese.)

Communist sources said their army in North China feared the Marine landings would turn the flanks of its position there.

They foresaw a "serious situation" if the Marines lead the way for Chungking's troops or the Navy lands Chungking forces at Weihaiwei or Chefoo, on the peninsula east of the Marine police zone at Tientsin, where the Communists have disarmed the Japanese.



(Photo by Tsgt. Jefferson H. Sutton)

WELCOME NEWCOMERS. Hundreds of new men brought here from Camp Pendleton to thaw the frozen Base personnel situation, spent practically all day Monday lounging and standing-by on the parade ground. As the day drew

to a close, the last seabag was shouldered and assigned to a billet. High-pointers on the Base heaved deep sighs of relief. Frozen to their jobs by lack of replacement, 183 70-pointers will be released immediately; others with

enough points but holding highly specialized jobs will have to wait even longer until specialist replacements can be screened out of the new arrivals.

Guide to Reconversion: Your G.I. Insurance—Should You Convert? When? Why?

First in a series of articles on the conversion of G.I. Insurance.

Men now in the service have been thinking and hearing a good deal about the privileges and rights they will enjoy as veterans when they return to civilian life. One of the most important privileges is that you can keep your National Service Life Insurance policy after you leave the Corps, and arrange to convert it to a permanent form of insurance when you are ready.

If you're staying in the Regulars, the same applies.

Anyone who has made a study of life insurance will tell you without hesitation that men in the service get a wonderful bargain in life insurance from the government. Briefly here are some of the reasons:

Low cost. The government pays all losses due to the extra hazards of service plus all of the expenses of administration. This reduces the cost to you.

No restrictions. Regardless of the job a veteran takes in civilian life—whether he takes up aviation or becomes a deep-sea diver—the extra hazards do not affect his National Service Life Insurance because it was issued without restrictions as to residence, travel or occupation.

Dividends. It is quite likely that NEI policyholders will receive dividends in the future, as declared by the Veterans Administration. Any dividends paid will of course reduce even further the actual cost of the insurer.

Your own needs. Everyone needs life insurance, just as everyone needs food, shelter, clothing, medical attention and other types of protection. But life insurance is like a life preserver—you can't delay getting it until the emergency occurs when you have to use it. This fact is particularly important to the man who may have acquired physical disabilities while in the service. These disabilities may prevent him from getting more insurance in the future and it is vitally important for him to keep the protection he already has.

YOUR PRESENT POLICY

Now, let's consider a few details about this insurance. First, your present policy (unless it has already been converted) is term insurance. If it was issued effective before 1 January 1946 it can be kept as term insurance for eight years from the date it was taken out. The fact that a man leaves the service during this eight-year period doesn't make any difference. He doesn't have to change his policy until the end of the term period whether he goes out or stays in.

While in service, you signed an allotment of pay which authorized the disbursing officer to deduct your premium each month from your pay, and the Navy Department then sent it to the Veterans Administration. In order to continue the protection in force after you leave the service, you must start sending in your premiums by direct remittance. Premiums may be paid by check, money order or bank draft, payable to the Treasurer of the United States and mailed to the Collections Sub-Division, Veterans Administration, Washington 25, D. C. The first payment should be made in the first month following your discharge. Failure to continue payments when due will result in lapsed insurance.

THE THREE PERMANENT PLANS

Of course, even though the policy can be continued with its low-premium rate on the term plan, most men will eventually want to make a change to a permanent plan. The three types of permanent insurance are: 1. Ordinary Life; 2. 20 Payment Life; 3. 20 Payment Life.

Here's an illustration of the difference between term or temporary insurance and these permanent plans. Term insurance is like renting a house. You pay rent, you enjoy the comfort and protection of the home, just as if you owned it. But at the end of the lease when you move out the landlord doesn't give you back any of your rent payments.

Permanent insurance is like buying the house. At the end of 20 years on a 20 Payment Life policy you own your "life insurance" house. There are no more payments or "rent" to be made. This is also true after 20 years on a 20 Payment Life and on a somewhat different basis for Ordinary Life.

Premiums depend on the plan selected. The 20-payment plan has the highest premium because the purchase of the insurance is completed in the shortest period. Ordinary Life has the lowest premium of the three.

WHICH PLAN FOR YOU?

The big question facing most men on their insurance as they return to civilian life is "How much permanent life insurance do I want and need and what is the best plan for me to choose?"

The answer to this involves many factors and, except in certain instances, the question cannot be answered at the time a man leaves the service. The plan and amount selected depend on the kind of a job you will have in civilian life, your income, your dependency situation and how much money you can reasonably afford to invest in life insurance each year. You can keep the full \$20,000 or you can keep any part of it in even multiples of \$500, but not less than \$1000.

It's usually best to delay this important decision until you're back in civilian life and know what your job, income, etc., will be. However, if you already know this and decide to make the change immediately, you can make the arrangements through your Benefits and Insurance officer.

Here's a specific illustration of the monthly premium for \$20,000 on each of the three plans, based on age 25:

Plan	Monthly Premium for \$20,000
20 Payment Life.....	\$31.20
20 Payment Life.....	\$24.70
Ordinary Life.....	\$12.70

The term insurance premium a man of 25 would pay for the same amount of protection is \$4.70. Actually, however, over the long pull the permanent insurance will have a lower net cost because a part of every premium then goes into the cash value which is the personal property of the insured. (During the war, term insurance was more suitable since during an emergency period of unusual hazards combined with a loss of earning power it afforded the maximum protection for the minimum outlay.)

For a man on a restricted budget who needs as much insurance protection as he can possibly secure for his family, Ordinary Life is often considered a desirable plan to choose. While it is true that you have to pay premiums for life if the face amount of an Ordinary Life policy is kept in force on a premium-paying basis, it is possible to stop premium payments and take a paid-up policy for a lower amount whenever you feel that your need for the full amount has diminished.

For instance, a man aged 25 takes out \$20,000 Ordinary Life. He pays it at a time when his expenses are high and his income low... the very time when protection is most essential. By the time he reaches age 65, his children have grown up, he is ready to take it easy. At that age his \$20,000 Ordinary Life policy can be exchanged either for approximately \$6000 of fully paid-up life insurance with no more premiums due) or he can take the cash value of \$5700.

However, for the man who happens to be in a position where he can afford to invest more money in life insurance each year, then 20 Payment Life or 20 Payment Life will surely have the greater appeal. Each of these has the advantage of becoming fully paid-up for his full face amount after the designated number of years. You're paying premiums only during those years when you're actually at your peak earning capacity. Because the amount invested is higher, these plans also offer somewhat higher cash values than Ordinary Life.

Fortunately, a man leaving the service doesn't need to make up his mind at once. He has plenty of time to consider all of these facts—and should wait until he will know what financial obligations he can safely handle and still provide adequately for the support of himself and his dependents.

(Continued next week)



SAFETY VALVE

Letters of general interest to Marines will be published. Please be brief—sign your name, although it will be withheld if you wish.

Division Discrimination

Editor, The CheVron—I wish to know why pictures and information of the 4th Marine Cemetery on Iwo Jima do not appear in the CheVron and other newspapers? Pictures of the 5th Division cemetery have appeared frequently. Is there any special reason why this should be? Also, I would like to know where the Marines of the 4th Division got the name of "Elephant" for their pet duck.

Mrs. E. E. SMITH

Watkins Glen, N. Y.

Editor's note—Information for the pictures and the pictures were sent in from overseas. There is no way we can control the operations of combat photographers and correspondents. When pictures arrive they are chosen for their news value and not by the division they picture. We are probably sending out wrong dope but we guess the 4th Division got the "Elephant" from Mrs. Roosevelt, wife of the late president, who was often in danger of getting caught in the cross fire in our landings.

Jeeps for Sale

Editor, The CheVron There are a few of us fellows who want to know the straight dope on purchasing jeeps when we are released. We heard that they are not sold in lots of less than 20 and want to know if it is possible for an individual to purchase one for business purposes.

Corp. C. E. SPARMAN

Mission, San Diego, Cal.

Editor's note—So far as we are able to determine the jeeps will be placed on the government surplus sales lists and will be sold to individuals as well as in lots. As a matter of fact, there is a jeep for sale in Fleet San Diego right now.

Raise 'Ned' About It

Editor, The CheVron I am going to be discharged soon and from what I've been able to learn my former boss may not give my old job back to me. A member of his family now works in my old job. What can I do about it?

NAME WITHHELD

MCE, San Diego, Cal.

Editor's note—As long as you were a permanent employee when you came into the service, your former boss will probably be obliged to re-employ you at your old job or one of like status and pay. If any trouble develops after you apply for re-employment WITHIN 45 DAYS after discharge, go immediately to your local draft board and they will help you. They can refer your case to the United States District Attorney. However, be sure and try a friendly diplomatic approach with your old boss before calling for assistance.

Benefits for WRs

Editor, The CheVron—Are we WRs entitled to the same benefits after discharge as are the enlisted men?

NAME WITHHELD

MCE, San Diego, Cal.

Editor's note—Yes, the members of the Women's Reserve are eligible for all the benefits of the G.I. Bill, the Veterans' Rehabilitation program, the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act, etc. There are a few instances where the WR does not stand on equal footing. For example, a married man under the education feature of the G.I. Bill will receive a \$75 monthly allowance whereas the married WR will most likely receive only \$50, as her husband would not be a dependent under average conditions.

Eager Beaver, 1st Class

Editor, The CheVron I saw a 5th Marine, 1st Mar. Div., wearing a Navy Unit Citation, awarded for Peleliu. I wonder if you could enlighten me as to whether the entire 1st Division was awarded the decoration or merely the 5th Regiment. He was also wearing a ring.

Sgt. CHAS. GAUFFINO

Editor's note—Insofar as we are able to determine on the limited amount of information received here, there has been no Navy Unit Citation awarded for the 1st Division for Peleliu or for any of the individual regiments. The happy little Marine you saw was probably trying to get a free beer or snow the rest of the troops. The 1st Provisional Brigade is the only Marine outfit to receive the citation as a unit.

So Far, No Go

Editor, The CheVron I am seeking information on the citation that was awarded to the 1st Provisional Brigade for their operation on Guam. Two companies of the 1st Armored Amph. Bn. operated with them in the initial landing and as yet we haven't been informed whether or not these two companies have been included in this decoration.

Corp. THOMAS SPECK

FPO, San Francisco, Cal.

Editor's note—In our lists there is no information regarding the above mentioned battalion. So, there is no record here of their rating the citation.

Disappointed Texan

Editor, The CheVron—Could you settle our argument? We have a boy from Brooklyn who is constantly bragging that New York state has produced more Marines than any other. We say Texas. What do you say?

Editor's note—According to the official dope, New York is first, California is second, Sorry Tex.

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Dere Top!

This letter is being written en-route home to a short furlow, Top. A furlow, you will undoubtedly remember, is something the Core gives you in days of each year—whether you want it or not.

Truly I did not want this furlow as it separates me from the Wills, away from who I am afraid I shall wither an dye. Howsum-ever, this furlow was forced on me by someone who thought that merely because I of a custom sit each nite under the WR barrax windows an howl that I wuz becoming Asiatic.

I protestid so vigorously against taking this furlow that I wuz almost sent to go out an cancel my travel reservashuns that I made two months ago.

This trip is being made on a share-the-ride plan with a poor, displaced defense worker an his wife in a '42 convertibull. They had so many som cases loaded with \$100 bills that there wuz not room for me to take any luggage. I find the old GI knapsack rather uncomfortable for riding in a convertibull.

We hav bin making pritty good time except for a short stop for this man an his spouse to pick up their me playmint checks. They are going back to Iowa to open up a bank or sumthing.

We had not gone far when this spouse turns to me an sez: "What are you still doing in the Army—Whe whis over?"

As I sez: "I'm not in the Army."

An shd sez: "Well, what are you doing, dodging the draft?"

As I sez: "I am a member of the Core, AWOL, USMC."

As she sez: "You mean you're a deserter?"

As I sez: "No, AWOL. Awaiting Word of Liberashun—I am a regular in the penms with a few months to go. The USMC means Hecol Sud since Core in."

Things went along pritty nicely on the trip. Jist outside Salt Lake City the ex-defense work rs lay their weedy bodies in an hotel an I pitched my shellup-half on the front lawn.

They stopped the next day in Moengulch, Colorado, an who should I run into, Top, but out of one fren, Blotternose. He is doing quite well indeed in Moengulch. He told the citizens of the community that D. D. on his dishonorabill discharge papers meant "Drunken Driving," an as Moengulch considers anyone who goes aroun sober a sissy, Blotternose has become quite a hero indeed.

The citizens hav taken up a collectshun to set him up in the bootleggin business, an ol B. N. seems well on his way to becoming a bigger suckass than before the war. He likes bootleggin much better than stealing chickens.

I am writing this letter from Blotternose's girl fren's house where he is staying until the lumber stealing business picks up a bit so he can build his own place.

You should meet his feminyun companyun, Starbilly Grumpski, sum time, Top. She is a very re-find member of the opposit sack, coming from a ol pine-ear family. Her great-grandpop, Groundhog Grumpski, came by ox cart over the Continental Deevide with the first portabill fly-proof head ever seen in Sage Hen county.

I am seriously thinking of settling down here after my release from the Core. I can see where a man of my military back ground could really make out in a community like this. These peepull over here hav never heard of our branch of the servis, Top. Honest.

I was walking down the cow path in the center of the village when sum civilyun stops me an sez: "They're deckin' you theatur subers out pritty fancy now, ain't they?"

As I sez: "I am not a usher. I am a member of the Core. The green soot shows I am a Marine, a fighting man."

As he sez: "Don't kid me, bud. Marine is sumthing you put in your eyes to make them sparkle."

Oh, Top, what soft pickings this community would be for a operator like I. I hav often thanked the Core many times for the blessings they bestowed on me, the things I hav learned in the servis that will insull me to earn my rightful place in Human Newsighity."

Wait til these hilly-billys see Heinemann in ackshun, operating with Core prectshun. Wait til they cum up against me in cards (my guarnty sargent did not teach me to deal off the bottom in vain). Wait til their woodpiles an pantries start dwinnalng (our ol skipper knew what he wuz doing when he sent me to browse aroun the Army supply dumps). An wait til all those fathers with shotguns—Oh, well, Top, maybe I better stick to my apple bizness in the city after all.

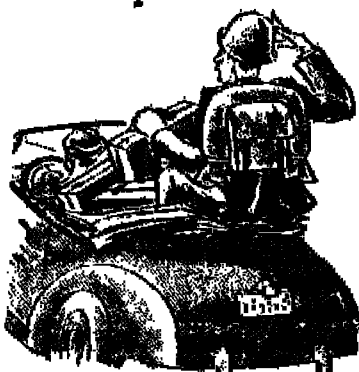
Think I will make out a iful better with the wimin on this furlow than on the one right after being oversize. You remember how it wuz. If a woman would even look at you the ol ticker would start quivering like a muscle dancer's stonick an the blood preshure would go up like living coots in Sandy Agn.

Now, howsumever, I think I am in condishun for a seryous hold with members of the opposit sacks, no holds barred an heavin help like the one who first yells "Uncle."

Will keep you posted on my progress.

A furlow Marine with a Miled Jack,
If my dough holds out I may never be back.

HAROLDT FINKENBACH



(Photos by PFC Marion E. Brown)

BASE HERO. Standing atop his bulldozer against the charred background of Lyon's Valley, Sgt. Fritz J. Jappe of Ser. Bn. relates how a few minutes before he saved the lives of 30 Camp Elliott firefighters who were trapped in the raging inferno.

Flame Eating NCO Rescues Sailors

Marine heroes are not always born amid the fire of battle. Sgt. F. J. Jappe, a Marine maintenance man, and one of over 100 Base Marines detailed from here to assist local firefighters battling raging brush fires sweeping across thousands of San Diego county acres, this week was hailed here of 30 thankful sailors.

The story goes like this:

Jappe was operating a bulldozer near 30 Camp Elliott sailors who, along with Base Marines, were battling the roaring conflagration near Lyon's Valley.

CAUGHT UNAWARE

The men, caught unaware, were encircled by the oncoming blaze. There was no escape. Three sides were towering walls of flame. The fourth was a narrow lane leading into an even greater blaze.

They could only wait . . . and pray.

ENTERS JAPPE

That was where Jappe, astride his bulldozer, came to the rescue of the besieged Navy men.



PFC CHARLES A. REITER
... he rescued a doggie

Marine Rescues Army Officer

Among the troop passengers to arrive at MCB from aboard the USS Grundy, first ship to arrive in the U.S. since the Jap surrender, was one young Marine hero who had been awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal for saving the life of an Army pilot.

The Marine, PFC Charles A. Reiter, swam 300 yards and returned to rescue a downed C-47 pilot who would otherwise have drowned.

Reiter was on Peleliu Island when he saw the plane crash into the ocean about 300 yards off shore. The pilot climbed from the wreckage and started to swim ashore, but before he had taken more than a few strokes he called for help and went down.

Reiter explained his feat by saying, "I just swam out and dragged him in to shore. That's all there was to it."

The youthful Marine joined the Marine Corps in February, 1942, and served overseas for 27 months as a machine gunner with the 24th AAA Bn.

Service Bn., Motor Transport Co., and is one of eight men sent from there to handle Marine Corps equipment in fighting the county blazes.

Dubious Devil Dog Finds War Won

GUAM (Delayed)—PFC Joseph M. Redington is a die-hard skeptic, but he knew when the war ended.

"I'll tell you," Redington told Sgt. F. X. McDonnell, combat correspondent. "I was not convinced when atomic bombs were dropped on the island of Honshu. I still contended the enemy would not quit. I was still dubious when the Soviets declared war on the Nips. Even when the first reports of the Japs' acceptance of the Potsdam terms came in I dismissed them as rumors."

"But," he continued, "when that tough top sergeant of ours came up to me this morning and said, 'rather sweetly, 'Redington, old buddy, how do you feel today?' Boys, I knew the war was over!"

Wake Is. Marine Arrives Here

WQ, John Hamas, one of the heroic defenders of Wake Island, arrived in San Diego from Hawaii recently in a Naval air transport plane after nearly four years in Japanese prison camps.

Hamas, a veteran of the first World War and a Marine for more than a quarter of a century, was quartermaster and ordnance officer on the staff of Maj. James P. S. Doolittle, commander of the Wake defense.

Hamas and the others were liberated Aug. 11 from a prison camp on Hokkaido, northernmost of the four major Japanese islands.

Sack of Souvenirs For Can of Beer

OKINAWA (Delayed)—For one can of beer, ration-issued, Sgt. Warren Stambro of Baltimore, Md., authorized Okinawa's most successful trade-of-the-month.

For the beer, a passing GI offered him a Japanese wrist compass.

For the compass, Stambro talked persuasively and began a series of trades that ended when he had accumulated an impressive three Japanese pistols, two Remington-Union, six rifle and bayonet, six wooden-skin katanas in perfect shape, three flags and one downy needle.

All for the original can of beer. —Sgt. Don Brown, combat correspondent.



"Did you enjoy the movie?"

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Official USMC Photo

HEADING HOME. During a brief stop-over at Honolulu these Marines were fêted by the city's citizenry. They are part of a group of 80 servicemen, liberated from Jap prisons, who stopped at Honolulu for a welcoming ceremony before continuing to the U.S. and home.

Honolulu Fetes Home-Bound POWs

WAS, HONOLULU (Delayed)—Six happy, if bewildered, Marines tumbled out of a big NATS transport at Honolulu Naval Air Station today, literally into the arms of some WRs and figuratively into the arms of the City of Honolulu and the armed forces.

They were repatriated Allied military prisoners, part of a group of 80, selected to receive a symbolic welcome for all prisoners from the people of the United States. Their plane also contained 35 recently liberated Navy men. Sixty freed soldiers had previously arrived in Honolulu.

KISSED BY WR

Kissed by a WR as he stepped out of the plane, WO Earl H. Erenkrantz, a Marine for 16 years, tenderly stroked his lips and smiled pathetically.

"Gosh, the Corps sure has

changed a lot, I never thought I'd live to see the day that I'd be kissed by a corporal—and like it."

ROYAL WELCOME

Hula dancers swung their hips, and the Royal Hawaiian Band gave its rousing rendition of "Aloha." Addresses of welcome were delivered by Marine Corps, Navy and high civil officials. The Marine Corps was represented by the commanding general of Garrison Station, 10th Naval Dist.

In addition to WO Erenkrantz, who was captured on Okinawa and

spent most of the war enduring in Jap defense plants at Osaka, the contingent included:

REPATRIATED MARINES

Corp. George W. Part of Hilo, Iulu. The corporal was captured in Peking, China, and spent the majority of his imprisonment in Shanghai.

Pfc. Daniel F. Gibson of Kansas City Mo., also captured at Corregidor.

Corp. David A. Timpany of Freeport, N.Y., captured at Tientsin and imprisoned for most of the war at Shanghai.

Capt. Mortimer A. Marks of Chicago, who was captured at Guam and spent nearly four years in camps in Japan principally at Zelanga, on Mikoto Island.

An elaborate program was planned for all of the men, including a luncheon at The Willows and a formal ceremony at Iolani Palace. The men left Monday by plane for San Francisco, which has another big round of celebrations in store for them.

U.S.S. Basilone Gets Solomons Hero's Name

Corp. George W. Basilone, brother of the late Cpl. John Basilone, Congressional Medal of Honor winner who died on the beaches of Iwo Jima, recently returned to the United States after taking part in three of the major Pacific campaigns—the Marshalls, Solomons, and Iwo Jima.

Frank Basilone, who is now being processed at Basic R&R Center, will represent his family when a new ship, the USS John Basilone, named in honor of the Guadalcanal hero, is launched Nov. 1, at Galveston, Tex. The ship will be christened by Cpl. Lana Basilone, John's wife, who is a member of the WRs.

"I was very fortunate in being able to see my brother when our two units were in Honolulu just prior to the Iwo Jima operation," George related.

John, overseas a second time by his own request, was a member of the 5th Mar. Div., while George was awaiting his third campaign with a supply battalion attached to a regiment of the 5th Mar. Div.

'Nuts to Civvies' Says ETO Veteran; Joins Marine Corps with 110 Points

Silver Star winner Raymond J. Caplette, who last June was released from the Army with an accumulated 110 points, enlisted in the Corps recently to begin his career as a professional Marine.

Caplette, who is now receiving preliminary training at Basic boot camp, believes that for a person like himself service life is hard to beat.

"I already have four and a half years of Army service to go toward my retirement," he stated. "That means I can go out when I'm 36. And without a trade to return to I can make just as much in the Marine Corps as I would in civilian life."

"If you know," he exclaimed, "that while I was a civilian I could only earn \$26 a week? That's equal to about \$12 a week in ordinary times."

Caplette spent three months following his Army discharge working as a civilian. He found civilian life dissatisfying. Prospective employers could not see how having served in an Army tank outfit would benefit their business, he explained.

HAD 110 POINTS

Caplette accounted for his 110 points with a list of battles that cover almost all major campaigns in the German war after Normandy. For service with the Army he is credited with 84 points, and his overseas points total 21. Along with five bronze campaign stars totaling 25 more points he wears the Silver Star medal and the Purple Heart to total an \$100 in service credits.

The 23-year-old ex-Army platoon sergeant won his Silver Star for gallantry during the final days of fighting in Germany. His unit's advance was held up by snipers in a small village just 45 miles before Berlin. Caplette moved in alone, armed with a rocket launcher, and sent four rockets crashing into the sniper stronghold. His heroic action permitted his unit to continue the march to Berlin without delay.

SAW EUROPE
During Caplette's tour of duty with the Army he served in most of Europe. He was in England before moving to Normandy with invading units; fought in Belgium, Luxembourg and took part in the battle for the German Rhineland.

But for his greatest adventure Caplette claims a three-day pass in Paris. He remarked that Paris would be his first choice after the U. S. in selecting a place to live. "They are so much like Americans," he stated, "except they don't have very good plumbing. But these Parisian bistros! Ooo-o-lah!"

SEVEN FOR SEVEN
Corp. Caplette D. Merrill of Greenville, S. C., knocked out seven Jap tanks with seven 88-mm. rockets on Sept. 17, for which he received the Distinguished Service Cross.



(Photo by PFC Martin E. Bivens)

NUTS TO CIVVIES. After a three-month try at civilian life following his Army discharge, Raymond J. Caplette enlisted in the Corps. Caplette, who claims civilian life "is no go," is shown holding a photo of himself taken in Paris during the German war.

Stilwell Congratulates Marines

CHINA (Delayed)—The first action of Gen. Joseph Stilwell after accepting the formal surrender of the Ryukyu Island chain was to congratulate duck-face-placed representatives of the 1st Mar. Div. for their outstanding performances in the Pacific.

The 1st Army commander dismissed the Japanese envoys and walked from the surrender table as if to leave the field. But in a surprise move, he stopped before the two-platoon Marine Honor Guard and shook the hand of the officer in charge. The sun glistered on the "G.I. Medal" patches decorating the Marines' shoulders emphasized the fact to all present that the 1st Mar. Div. made the first offensive against the Japanese in the island in August, 1942, and were prominent at the beach on Okinawa.

After congratulating the Marines, Gen. Stilwell returned to receive the many handshakes of high-ranking American officers of all branches of the service.—By Staff Writer William H. Bennett, United Press Staff.



Official USMC Photo

WOMAN'S SAMURAI. A recently repatriated Marine POW, WO Earl Erenkrantz, grows two admiring WAFs. He wears the Samurai sword. Erenkrantz is one of a group of 80 homebound POWs fêted recently by Honolulu.

Former Base Marine Wins Medal of Honor

The nation's highest award, the Congressional Medal of Honor, this week went to Corp Richard E. Bush, former Base Marine, for heroic action during the Okinawa campaign. The medal was presented by President Truman in a White House ceremony.

Bush was a member of the famed 4th Marines, 6th Division, and won the honor for his efforts as a squad leader during the final assault against Mt. Yacatake last April 16.

SCALES PRECIPICE

His citation read in part: "Rallying his men forward with indomitable determination, Corp. Bush boldly defied the slashing fury of concentrated Japanese artillery fire... to lead his squad up the face of the rocky precipice,

sweep over the ridge and drive the defending troops from their deeply entrenched position.

GRASPED LIVE GRENADE

"... he fought relentlessly... until seriously wounded. Although prostrate under medical treatment when a Japanese hand grenade landed in the midst of the group, Corp. Bush... unhesitatingly pulled the deadly missile to himself and absorbed the shattering violence of the exploding charge in his own body, thereby saving his fellow Marines from severe injury or death despite the certain peril to his own life."

BASE BOOT

The 21-year-old corporal, a native of Glasgow, Ky., received his basic training at Base Recruit Depot, later was transferred to Camp Elliott for further training as an armorer.

In addition to the Medal of Honor, Corp. Bush was awarded the Purple Heart for the wounds suffered during the Okinawa campaign.



Company B, the "Hell for leather" company with the roaring, ranting rep, disbanded this week and was taken into Company A under the direction of Lt. Moyers... the dugaree crowd absorbed by the white collar workers. They are also bemoaning the loss of their 1st Sgt. Jean Himes, who is being discharged via the point system.

Don't be too concerned over the fact the WR chow hall was on the bottom of the rating list last week. Balance the overdone food and the possibility of getting a survey against the fact that no one has ever been seriously ill after eating there. If there is still doubt in your mind, hunk go out to the nearest hamburger stand with the rest of us, and don't blame the cooks!

The WR grapevine in action has this jet propulsion business beaten by miles. No sooner does a memo come to the front office than "The Word" is passed, magnified as it goes. Had my seabag packed and half my shirts given away today before finding out when someone said "20 points," they meant ration and not discharge points. Right now horrible visions are looming up of a journey to an east coast separation center for discharge. Bantlebutt has it that we will wind our cheery way across country in gas of those government-sponsored, air-conditioned, three-tiered cattle cars.

Did we hear someone say that they wanted to ship over?

MUSCLE NOTES

All you people who are allergic to arrows in any part of your anatomy had better clear the Base because the WR Battalion is starting to pursue the ancient sport of archery under the guidance of the Rec. Dept. A right handy thing to know, some Sadie Hawkins Day. Basketball hoops have been set up on our former drill ground and practice sessions for the coming season are being held where once was heard only the patter of our shoes. Kicks govtown brown shoes.

WINDLE OF THE WEEK

The Case of the Bulging Laundry Bag.

Why is it that so many girls from P. I., Quantico and Camp Lejeune wish they were back on that east coast duty when Saturday morning rolls around? It seems that the persons responsible for WR morale back there realized that the barracks are our only "home away from home" and didn't endorse the practice of hiding away soap flake boxes, stuffed animals, flowers and family photographs for Saturday morning inspections. It's murder!

FASHION NOTE

Take one set of WR dress greens, have them dyed black, remove the lapels and cut sleeves to three-fourths length. The results are far out of this world. See Marge Flanery for the pertinent details and the name of her tailor.



(Photo by Corp. Louie Parker)

CHEFS MEET. MTSgt. Raymond C. Morgan, who operates the Base Prison Mess, gives other Base mess sergeants the particulars of whipping up a fine salad. Sgt. Morgan's mess was recently selected best on the Base by the Base Director of Food Service. Morgan credits his fine record to a "cooperative clientele."

Base Boot Mess Hits Bottom

No surprise to the Boots who experienced it first hand was the report by SstSgt. Ruby M. Fisher, director of food service for MCH, that the Recruit Depot Mess ranked lowest in the entire list for the past week.

Cooking, cleanliness, palatability and service are among the factors considered in rating the various mess halls.

Still leading all others is Mess 110, the Base Prison Mess presided over by MTSgt. R. C. Morgan, of which Sgt. Fisher's report says "the chow is palatable and nutritious."

High also is Mess 1, the Permanent Personnel Mess, and, as usual, the Rifle Range Messes.

Mess 27, the Service Battalion Mess, which just two weeks ago was lowest on the inspection list, continues to show improvement, this time ranking sixth from the cellar.

Here is how they were rated this week:

- 1-Base prison, 99; 2-Mess 1, Permanent personnel, 99; 3-Rifle Range No. 4, 98.50; 4-Rifle Range No. 2, 98; 5-Mess O, R&R, 98; 6-Mess 2, 97.50; 7-Mess 26, 97.50; 8-Mess 27, Service Bn., 97; 9-Officers' Fld. Mess, 97; 10-La Playa, 96.50; 11-Sea School, 95; 12-Mess 342, 91.50; 31-Mess M, Recruit Depot, 87.50.

EARLY GRENADES

Hard grenades were used by Marines who served under John Paul Jones during the Revolution.

Rice Rare Treat With Tooth Paste

LUZON (Delayed)—Five American razor blades received in a Red Cross kit on Christmas Day, 1912, served PFC William C. Larson of Kansas City, Mo., (through two and a half years of Jap imprisonment.

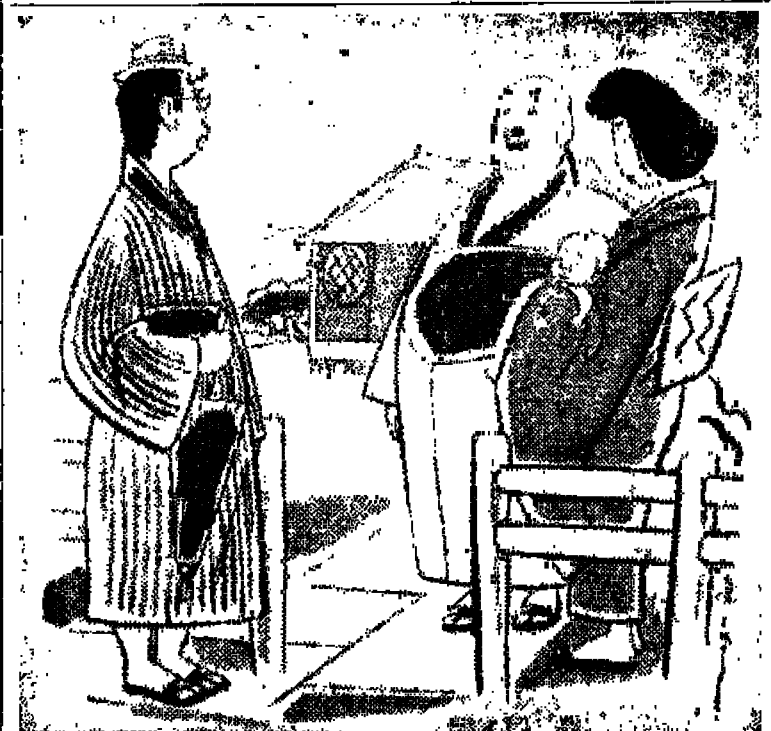
Shaving on an average of twice a week, Larson used the five blades 250 times. He eked out an average of 50 shaves from each blade.

"I really took care of those blades," Larson told Sgt. Robert V. McMenimen, combat correspondent. "When they began to get dull, I sharpened them on the edge of a broken bottle."

The blades weren't the only item in the toilet kit which served Larson in a manner beyond the wildest dreams of their manufacturer. There was also that tube of toothpaste.

"We got pretty hungry living under Jap rations in those prison camps," Larson said. "You wouldn't believe it, but I used to spread toothpaste on my rice. It gave it a sort of licorice flavor. Some of the men used to eat the toothpaste straight."

Larson was captured on Wake Island Dec. 23, 1941. He is now at a Luzon rehabilitation center for liberated prisoners awaiting transportation home.



(Reprint from "New Yorker" Magazine)

"We've decided to name him Douglas."



(Photo by PFC. Marion K. Brown)

WHERE NEXT? With his separation papers half filled out, movie actor Bill Lundigan puzzles over his next step on the route to civilian life. Bill will return to Hollywood.

Actor Lundigan Sheds 'Green Suit' For Career Tweeds and Hollywood

Corp. William P. Lundigan, USMCR, is again plain Bill Lundigan, movie actor of Hollywood.

Concluding two years and three months of service with the Marines, the former Hollywood star was discharged from the Corps this week after brief processing at Base 1st Separation Co.

Post-discharge plan for the veteran will be to "get my old job back," he stated. While in the Corps he had been on leave of absence from the MGM studio.

Lundigan explained, "My contract reads 'suspended and extended,' which can mean anything."

During his tour of duty overseas Bill Lundigan was a motion-picture photographer with the 1st Marine Div. He participated in both the Peleliu and Okinawa campaigns. At the conclusion of the latter operation he was returned to the U. S. for treatment of a recurrent spinal ailment.

As a Marine Corps motion-picture photographer he helped film the Peleliu and Okinawa battles. But for a peace-time job Lundigan much prefers the actor's end of the camera.

Although he will return to acting, he was unable to say whether he would continue as a romantic lead. "You can change somewhat in two years," he commented. "I know more definitely after I've had new tests made."

A former contract player for Universal and Warner Brothers Studios, Lundigan, who entered the movies in 1937 was under contract to MGM Studios when he entered the service in June, 1942.

Church Services

Sunday services, 11:00 A.M. Chapel: **PROTESTANT**, 6800 Holy Communion (10:00 A.M.), 10:15 Morning Worship, 11:00 Holy Communion (11:00 A.M.), 11:15 Morning Worship, 11:30 Morning Worship, 11:45 Morning Worship, 12:00 Noon Worship, 12:15 Noon Worship, 12:30 Noon Worship, 12:45 Noon Worship, 1:00 P.M. Worship, 1:15 P.M. Worship, 1:30 P.M. Worship, 1:45 P.M. Worship, 2:00 P.M. Worship, 2:15 P.M. Worship, 2:30 P.M. Worship, 2:45 P.M. Worship, 3:00 P.M. Worship, 3:15 P.M. Worship, 3:30 P.M. Worship, 3:45 P.M. Worship, 4:00 P.M. Worship, 4:15 P.M. Worship, 4:30 P.M. Worship, 4:45 P.M. Worship, 5:00 P.M. Worship, 5:15 P.M. Worship, 5:30 P.M. Worship, 5:45 P.M. Worship, 6:00 P.M. Worship, 6:15 P.M. Worship, 6:30 P.M. Worship, 6:45 P.M. Worship, 7:00 P.M. Worship, 7:15 P.M. Worship, 7:30 P.M. Worship, 7:45 P.M. Worship, 8:00 P.M. Worship, 8:15 P.M. Worship, 8:30 P.M. Worship, 8:45 P.M. Worship, 9:00 P.M. Worship, 9:15 P.M. Worship, 9:30 P.M. Worship, 9:45 P.M. Worship, 10:00 P.M. 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Jap Climate Not So Hot

SAN FRANCISCO (ACS)—The popular notion among Marines that Japan is a land of year-round sunshine and flowers is strictly Baka. The Nipponese thermometers and barometers dropped regularly even in the days when Japan was known as the Land of the Rising Sun. And nothing has happened to improve the climate lately.

When it's winter in the U. S. it's winter in Japan too, pre-war travel posters to the contrary. There's no typical weather but, ranging from south to north, it runs like this:

Osaka, at the southern tip, has a winter that's cooler than Miami, with the temperature varying from 50 to 60 degrees during a four-month period.

TOKYO COLD

Tokyo winters are similar to those in Ancken and Bologna, with plenty of cold and dampness and generally unhealthful.

Further north, in Hokkaido, the winters resemble those in Maine—slushy and damp, with the mercury below freezing during three of the five winter months.

CLIMATE HEATED

The Jap climate is generally humid or wet, with many areas featuring the kind of fog you see in movie versions of London. In winter the wet area is concentrated along the coast of the Sea of Japan, and the precipitation is chiefly in the form of snow, with an "accumulated maximum of 10 feet," the second highest in the world.

For months before the war ended, teams of Marines were testing "wet-cold" uniforms in the Pacific Islands and regions of the U. S. approximating Jap climates. They developed a gear which is put on in layers for greater flexibility, and adaptability to varying weather conditions.

SPECIAL CLOTHING

Hundreds of articles were tested to enable Americans to occupy Jap territory with a minimum of discomfort. They include snow parkas, shoe pads, woolen socks, hoods and goggles.

So if you're going to Japan, don't sneer when the long-handled drawers are passed around. The Corps isn't trying to fool anybody about this trip.

Bear a Hand

For Sale

32 WILLIS coupe, rumble seat, good transportation. Call CWO. R. W. Lucht, MCR, Ext. 513.

CAMERA. Volland, with Kodak rapid compur lens, 13.5, 1/500 sec., 1-27 film. \$54. See Corp. H. E. Boner, MCR, Ext. 513, Base RAB.

OFFICER'S uniform, like new. Size 42. For complete information, call Mrs. R. H. Mann at La Jolla, G-5-3941.

BLUE uniform, nearly new, tailor-made. Size 38. Also, new tailor-made suit of trousers. Size 36. See MTSgt. William R. Williams at PX.

Lost

LADY'S gold wrist watch. Royal brand name. White gold link band. Lost between Gate 4 and Theater. Reward. Finder call Lt. W. D. Cahill, Ext. 368.



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"He isn't only demobilized—he's immobilized!"

WEEKLY SCREEN GUIDE

BASE THEATER 1730 and 2000

SATURDAY—Swinging on a Rainbow, Brad Taylor-June France. Musical comedy built around a song-writing contest. Also, short subjects and news.

SUNDAY—River Gang, Gloria Jean-John Qualen. A pretty little girl who sings and believes in fairies solves a police-baffling mystery.

MONDAY—Man Alive, Pat O'Brien-Ellen Drew. Domestic comedy with a handful of specks thrown in for full measure.

TUESDAY—Double Indemnity, Barbara Stanwyck-Fred MacMurray. A clever who-does-it.

WEDNESDAY—Week-End at the Waldorf, Ginger Rogers-Van Johnson-Lana Turner. "Vanny Boy" trips through another Grand Hotel type movie.

THURSDAY—Why Girls Leave Home, Pamela Blake-Sheldon Leonard. That's what we've been asking one-another lately.

FRIDAY—South of the Rio Grande, Duncan Renaldo-Armida. Also, short subjects and news.

(Camp Matthews films will follow the above schedule by one day.)

Casualties

Safe

Alabama

PFC William D. Cornley, Atmore.
PFC Joe G. Redmond, Montgomery.

Arizona

PFC Kenneth L. Hallmark, Naco.
Corp. Thomas E. Collins, Oazark.
PFC Marion Guyan, Pittsburgh.

Arkansas

PFC Mark N. Gentry, Little Rock.
Corp. Arthur J. Cross, Monticello.

California

Corp. Willis W. Anderson, Wilmington.
PFC Gerald R. Buchanan, Fairfield.
PFC Albert Gähler Jr., El Monte.
1st Lt. Sidney P. Jenkins, Pittsburg.
TSgt. Ellis J. Johnson, San Diego.
Corp. Frederick G. Paulsen, San Diego.

Maj. Paul A. Pula, Coronado.
WO Joseph J. Reardon, San Diego.
Sgt. Robert E. Ryan, Baff.
Sgt. Eugene R. Shimmel, Martinez.
1st Sgt. Charles Smith, Los Angeles.
1st Sgt. George Smith, San Diego.
Pvt. Warren H. Smith, San Diego.
Corp. William H. Adams, Fullerton.
Corp. Frank E. Brown, Ocean Park.
PFC Arthur J. Calanchini, Bakersfield.

PFC Melvin H. Castor, Los Angeles.
Sgt. Russell P. Clark, San Francisco.
PFC Charles W. Dickell, Nipomo.
PFC Bernard A. Dodge, Los Angeles.
Corp. Michael N. Egan, Los Angeles.

Corp. Willie Edwards, San Diego.
Wt. Harold M. Ferrell, San Bernardino.

Corp. George Francis, Los Angeles.
Pvt. Charles D. Hestley Jr., Compton.

Corp. Earl O. Hedemark, Walnut Creek.

Pvt. Wendell M. Herron, Glendale.
Pvt. Jay M. Howard, Hollywood.
Sgt. Edward R. Hughes, Los Angeles.
Sgt. Wesley C. Little, Del Paso Heights.

Sgt. Alvin J. Mack, Long Beach.
Sgt. Donald H. Mellick, San Diego.
PFC Raymond L. Matthews, San Dimas.

Corp. Sherman D. Maynard, Baldwin Park.

Corp. Glenn D. Morgan, Los Angeles.
Sgt. Anthony Polinsky, Long Beach.

PFC Mack Smith, Tampa.
Corp. Joe N. Tice, San Diego.

Pvt. John W. Whipple, Palo Alto.
1st Col. Charles T. DeLoach, Sacramento.

PFC Louis S. Hertz, Sacramento.
Sgt. Ray E. Cohen, Los Angeles.
PFC Jean A. Guitard, San Francisco.

Pvt. Pedro R. Hernandez, East Highlands.

Sgt. John F. Kang, Cambria.
Corp. William A. Kerr, Oakland.
PFC Clarence A. Lottin, Napa.

1st Col. William K. McNulty, Berkeley.

Corp. Lee J. Masoli, San Jose.
Corp. Frank W. Masolski, Pasadena.

PFC Paul J. Meleis, San Francisco.
PFC Jack E. Miller, Pasadena.

Corp. Jess LeRoy Poligo, Venice.
PFC Donald B. Reyes, Hollywood.
1st Col. Donald Shiner, Coronado.

Sgt. Marvin P. Starr, Carmel.
Sgt. Rick Strohman, Long Beach.
PFC George R. Summers, Arcadia.

PFC Stanley A. Weger, San Diego.

Colorado

Corp. Howard J. Edgerford, Colorado Springs.

PFC Robert L. Gray, Leadville.

Corp. Arthur J. Hixon, Denver.

PFC R. E. Logan, Grand Junction.

1st Sgt. Joseph Andrews, Bridgeport.

PFC Joseph M. Duro, New Britain.

PFC Jesse R. Christian, Denver.

Corp. J. H. Dillon, Aurora.

Corp. Shirk G. Jansen, Colorado Springs.

PFC James B. McGee, Portland.

Florida

1st Lt. James W. Keane, Pensacola.

PFC Sullivan V. Gwynn, Starke.

PFC Michael Spera, Tampa.

PFC Lantier A. Bryan, Marianna.

Georgia

PFC William A. Cox, Americus.

Corp. Max C. O'Neil, Rockledge.

ACK. Vernon G. Dixon, Tallahassee.

WO. Kenneth L. Shaw, Atlanta.

Idaho

Corp. Maurice P. Girard, Pocatello.

Illinois

PFC Clarence P. Gustafson, Chicago.

Corp. Mortimer A. Marks, Chicago.

Sgt. Joseph E. Thompson, Evanston.

Pvt. Peter Tomson, Chicago.

PFC Arthur D. Andrews, Mount Carmel.

1st Sgt. John Cernigoi, Chicago.

PFC Harry G. Feldmann, Alton.

PFC Joseph J. Frehr, Chicago.

Corp. Robert F. Haudinger, Chicago.

PFC Richard T. Hall, Chicago.

Corp. Otto C. Hayden, Chicago.

Corp. Robert V. Keith, Chicago.

PFC Albert J. Prochanka, Des Plaines.

Corp. Stanley J. Rozyski, Chicago.

PFC Richard R. Schneider, Chicago.

PFC Adolph Simon, Chicago.

Pvt. Edward W. Sturgeon, Harvard.

PFC Basinda A. Turtill, Chicago.

Sgt. John W. Waring Jr., St. Louis.

Pvt. Carl E. Williams, Libertyville.

PFC Philip Albert, Chicago.

Corp. Walter D. Tatchell, Peru.

PFC Joseph H. Boudenski, Chicago.

PFC Kenneth Blusey, Chicago.

Sgt. Harold S. Dennis, Ashmore.

PFC John C. Ellison, Chicago.

Corp. John H. Peazler, Chicago.

Corp. Willis A. Johnson, Piffingham.

Corp. Arthur P. Mates, East Galena.

Pvt. Frank Nichols Jr., Centerville.

PFC Edward R. Quinn, Marshall.

Indiana

Corp. Gus J. Gammus, Gary.

Corp. Howard A. Jordan, Wyatt.

Corp. Max S. Galt, Fort Wayne.

Corp. Walter J. Kruczek, East Chicago.

PFC Dick L. Reed, South Whittier.

Corp. Rae H. Soled, Plymouth.

Iowa

PFC Harland R. Johnson, New Sharon.

PFC George L. McShane, Storm Lake.

PFC Clare W. Nielsen, Holland.

PFC Donald B. Armstrong, Mantoloking.

PFC Frank Cardamon, Des Moines.

Sgt. George D. Moyley, Marble Rock.

Kansas

PFC Howard R. Charles, Hatcher.

PFC Franklin R. Parsons, Wichita.

1st Sgt. Ralph W. Cherry, Lucas.

Corp. Bernard T. Hall, Olathe.

Corp. Raymond C. McQuinn, Hutchinson.

PFC Frank P. Riedel, Norland.

Corp. Charles T. Spencer, Kansas City.

Corp. Robert S. Wright, Hegan.

Kentucky

Corp. Oliver S. Melton, Louisville.

Louisiana

PFC Joseph R. Borne, New Orleans.

PFC Oliver C. Gilbert, New Orleans.

PFC Walter L. Gries, Kentwood.

Corp. James M. Heard, Converse.

PFC Walter Kidd, New Orleans.

PFC Dick R. Smith, Converse.

Sgt. Mabry A. Terry, Vivian.

Pvt. John H. Wiseman, New Orleans.

Corp. Louis R. Ballard, Walker.

PFC Matthew J. Ryan, Amite.

Maine

PFC John J. Mergenthaler, Portland.

Maryland

Maj. George R. Potter Jr., Annapolis.

Massachusetts

Corp. Leon A. Graves, Lowell.

Corp. Robert A. Jareau, Springfield.

Sgt. Raymond J. Provencher, Salem.

Michigan

Pvt. William B. Buckle, Royal Oak.

PFC Albert A. Thompson, Detroit.

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Corp. Fredrick M. Hobbs, Silverton.

Sgt. James H. Karna, Portland.

PFC Ernest T. Larson Jr., Portland.

PFC Thomas V. Lusk, Hammond.

PFC Herbert C. Nixon, Glendale.

Pvt. Robert E. Winslow, Eugene.

PFC William P. Bostick, The Dalles.

Sgt. Paul E. Davis, Klamath Falls.

1st Lt. David D. Kilewar, Albany.

Pennsylvania

Corp. Milton F. Huling, Reservoir.

1st Sgt. Elwood M. Smith, Philadelphia.

PFC Thomas S. Humphrey, Glen Lyon.

PFC James E. Kropavich, Factoryville.

PFC Alvin J. Wamker, Philadelphia.

1st Sgt. Oscar C. Dunn, Greeland.

1st Lt. Robert F. Jenkins Jr., Philadelphia.

Sgt. Edward M. McCormick, Harrisburg.

South Carolina

Corp. John H. Jellison, Ninety Six.

South Dakota

Sgt. Tony Casper, Britton.

Tennessee

PFC Johnson P. Hall, Nashville.

Sgt. Joseph P. Jamerson, Jackson.

PFC Harvey E. McCage, Sardinia.

Texas

PFC S. L. Baker, Rockport.

PFC Johnnie M. Pruitt, Austin.

1st Sgt. Leslie D. Walker, El Paso.

PFC Stephen S. Tynes, Texarkana.

Wt. Raymond T. Sparks, Eden.

PFC Wade H. Armstrong, San Antonio.

Pvt. Charles G. Cross, Brady.

PFC Albert C. Curtis, Skellytown.

PFC William A. Davis, Denton.

Corp. Martin L. Gray, Fort Worth.

PFC Edward Harbinger, Groesbeck.

PFC Jack O. Holmes, Lubbock.

PFC Sammie C. Jackson, Hillboro.

Pvt. Paul C. Jayner, Dallas.

PFC Edgar N. Lambley, Texas.

Utah

Corp. Howard N. Wallace, Duchesne.

Virginia

Corp. Irving N. Akers, Rural Retreat.

Maj. Reginald H. Ridgely Jr., Fredericksburg.

Sgt. Charles W. Keeton, Lawrenceville.

Washington

Corp. Harold P. Brown, Kirkland.

PFC Edward Bender, Yakima.

Sgt. Edward D. Dennis, Sedro Woolley.

Sgt. Morris C. Brown, Vancouver.

PFC Clarence G. Duncamp, Washoult.

West Virginia

Corp. Ralph F. Mayo, Fairmont.

Wisconsin

PFC Edward M. Nagdonovich, Waukegan.

Wyoming

Pvt. Joseph F. Kider, West Albia.

Corp. Alfred T. Kahlin, Medford.

PFC John P. Janssen, Waukesha.

PFC Walter T. Schroeder, Milwaukee.

PFC Edward L. Stone, Paraboo.

Corp. James T. Taylor, Marshall.

Dead

California

PFC Robert F. Connell, Redflower.

1st Lt. George D. Hamilton, Los Angeles.

Indiana

PFC Loren E. Grimm, Montezuma.

Kansas

1st Lt. Tyler R. Frahm, Detroit.

Louisiana

PFC Sam J. Hyatt, New Orleans.

Minnesota

Sgt. Alton J. Dertels, Isle.

Missouri

PFC Francis M. Rose, St. Louis.

Corp. Ray M. Vothorn, Kansas City.

PFC Jack M. Smith, Kansas City.

North Carolina

PFC Cornelius B. Hendrick Jr., Norlina.

Tennessee

Corp. Kenneth H. Owens, Maryville.

Texas

R & R Keglers Cop Base League Championship

R&R Center defeated Hq. Co., Hq. Bn. "D," for the Base Bowling League championship this week. The battle was in doubt until the last of the third game when R&R sent their bulls down the alley for a successful game. The champions

met the pace for the first month of the league, having the two high average bowlers in Cushman and Barnica.

Trophies were awarded to WO. Cushman, Corp. Barnica, Corp. Clare, Sgt. Caliva, Sgt. McCauley, 1st Lt. Weiss and to 1st Lt. Joe McJannet. The team trophy will remain in R&R's trophy case until the 1944 winner is proclaimed.

Two weeks before the end, Rifle Range "A" dropped R&R Center into a tie with Range "A" for third place by taking all four points in their match. This upset put Rifle Range "B" on top, with Hq. "D" in second spot.

In the next session, Rifle Range "A" took their own "B" team out of the lead and Hq. Bn. "D" was in as the only remaining match

was with their own Hq. "E" team, which had never since since the point. Overconfidence told "D" low as "E" took two of the four points.

The league's competition found R&R Center and Hq. "E" tied with 80 wins and 28 losses, requiring a playoff. Hq. "D" won the first game with 700 pins to the R&R Center's 740. R&R then accepted the challenge, and in the second game Barnica's 280 and Cushman's 184 gave the Center their last gasp of the evening 804 to 704.

Steady bowling by R&R brought a win in the final game, 776 to 704. Barnica's 176 and Clara's 280 were best for the R&R Center, while Bonnetum's 184 was the only high score for Hq. "D".

Recruit Depot Battlers Hit Canvas Often During Ten Fast Bouts

For a second time spectators at the RD boxing smoker watched the aggressive speed shown by Eugene Steve, a 136-pounder from Fallon, Nev. In his last appearance as a boot boxer, Steve clinched the main event by outpointing Tommy Ball (130) of St. Mary's, Idaho. Ball is a game little fighter with plenty of terrific lefts and rights in reserve, but Steve kept him unable to connect any effective punches, though he tagged Tommy at every opening.

A straight left jab by Ernest Duran of Los Angeles started the semi-final, and also started Marvin Brown's nosebleed. Brown kept coming in and trying hard, even though he was outclassed by Duran, who walked off with the decision. Brown is from Spokane, Wash.; both boys weighed in at 124 pounds.

Robert Hiett's speed won the plaudits of the crowd, but Bill Bench's very effective "one-two" pleased the judges, and he was awarded the decision for the fast moving hard-hitting three rounds which ended the preliminaries. Hiett (137) is from Idaho Falls

Idaho; Benoh (136) from Chickasha, Okla.

PRELIMINARY RESULTS

The opener ended in a technical draw between Don Naud (158) of Yakima, Wash., and Blaney Cudlip (157) of Oakland, Cal. Naud held the edge over Cudlip until 1 minute 30 seconds of the second when Cudlip connected with a straight right that cut Naud's eye and caused the referee to halt the bout.

Bill Nivens (137) of Amarillo, Tex., had Clarence Boyd (136) of Sacramento on the canvas four times in the initial bout, but had to carry the fight into the second before he could do enough damage to score a TKO.

Ray Rigby (139), Turlock, Cal., and Ralph Friede (138), Chinook, Mont., slugged their way through three rounds to a draw.

Bill Brantley (158), Marysville, Cal., repeated last week's performance by putting his opponent down for the 10-count in the second round, this time the loser being Johnny Rice (155) of Galveston, Tex.

William Truett's straight left couldn't keep Kenneth Connell from coming in fast and landing a KO punch in the second. Connell now claims two wins in the RD arena; he is from Amarillo, Tex., and weighs 125 pounds. Truett (136) is from Poplar Bluff, Mo.

Bill Cope (141) Shawnee, Okla., was unable to cope with terrific right cross thrown by Robert Belts (140) of Ranger, Tex., and took the count when the match was half way through the second round.

Dick Savage (147), Ft. Dodge, Ia., and Gordon Foster (145), Baroda, Mich., took their turns on the canvas during the first two rounds, but Foster made the necessary points



Baseball Diamonds Built on Sites Of Okinawa's Fiercest Battles

OKINAWA (Delayed) — Marines, soldiers and Seabees are playing baseball in areas which a short time ago were "No Man's Land."

Scores of baseball diamonds today stand Okinawan fields on which were fought some of the fiercest battles of the Pacific war, reports Staff Sgt. Walter Wood, combat correspondent.

When victory was certain, combat troops started to play ball and ball diamonds appeared almost overnight.

Although the season didn't get under way in earnest until organized Jap resistance ceased on June 21, many rear area troops were playing on diamonds bulldozed out of landscapes in the north as early as May, while fighting raged in southern Okinawa.

Three weeks after the fall of Shuri Castle, some formidable headquarters of the Jap command general, the crack of a bat against a hard-pitched ball sounded in Wana Draw-Moody barter below the castle.

"Death Valley," "Hell's Pocket," Naha, Shuri and the island's airports all have their diamonds.

Games are played daily within sight of the bitterly contested

hills — "Conical," "Carbunkle," "Chocolate," "Beehive" and "Sugar Loaf." Fans at several of the ball fields are Okinawan men and women.

The players on a diamond at Yontan airport made their backstop from a Jap camouflage net.

Basketball

Twelve teams are already signed for the inter-base basketball league. Although the schedule has not been officially announced, Recruit Depot Bn. "C" and Gd. Bn. battled it out in a warm-up game, the Recruit Depot team winning 21-11.



By Corp. MAX M. McQUELLAN

Let's hope some of the many new replacements who arrived at the Base Monday will show an interest in something other than wearing out the elbows of their "green snits" on the rails of the neighborhood gin mills.

Suffering from lack of permanent athletic talent, Base teams have been forced to drop out of most 11th Naval Dist. competition. Now that we have some personnel who will be with us awhile, we can only hope that MCB will be turning out some more of those championship combinations that are now only a fond memory.

Our "Flying Marine" squad from El Toro took a trimming at the hands of the Fleet City Bluejackets to the tune of 21 to 7 before 26,000 fans at San Francisco's Kezar Stadium last week. A 41-yard pass from Walt Clay to "Crazy Legs" Hirsch in the first six minutes of play accounted for the only Marine score.

The Marine who tossed the silver baton while the Miramar Band marched between halves at the Fleet City "Flying Marines" game created somewhat of a sensation with his atmospheric baton throws. The stands roundly applauded him and the thrill-hardened boys in the press box gulped with amazement.

Good news for sportsmen with a taste for feathered fricasse came this week in the form of a letter of instruction from headquarters. The Corps will furnish shotgun shells for recreational use. See Letter of Instruction 1131 and your Recreation Officer.

'Old Timer' CWO Wins Kegling Trophy

The hotly-contested Base Singles Bowling tournament wound up last week — a raging battle between CWO, Joe M. Ward and GySgt. Goucher, with Ward walking off with the coveted trophy.

Now at the age of 33, CWO Ward has been an outstanding Corps athlete during his many years of service. His bowling career, however, didn't start until 1933, when upon returning from a tour of duty in Nicaragua, he became a member of the championship MCB team from '33 through '39.



CHAMP. Winner of Base Singles Bowling League, CWO Ward boasts a lengthy career in Corps Athletics. He has been a leading member of Base teams from 1933 through 1939.



BASE CHAMPS. Holding trophies won this week for high team in the Base Bowling League, the R&R Center team stands: front row (left to right), WO. Cushman and Corp. Barnica; back row, Sgt. Weiss, Sgt. Caliva, Corp. Clare and Sgt. McCauley.



HIGH MAN. WO. "Freddy" Cushman, anchor-man on the championship R&R team, has had high average throughout the Base league. His 179 helped his team into high spot.

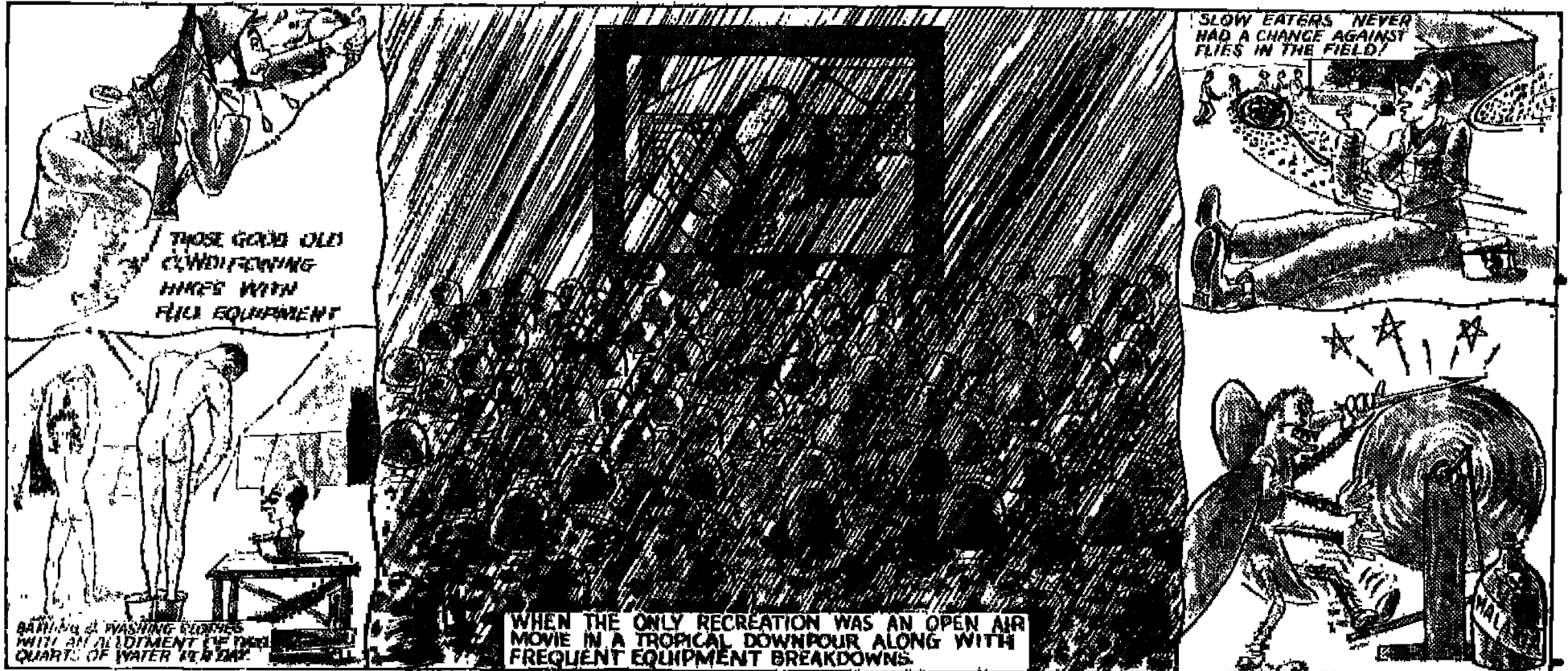
Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

Whew Co.



Lest We Forget



by Stiggt. E. L. Warner

THIS WEEK

NEWS FOR MARINES OVERSEAS

Monday—JAP BANKING SEIZED . . . U.S. STRIKES CONTINUE
Tuesday—MARINES BATTLE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BRUSH FIRES
Wednesday—WAREHOUSES ROBBED IN NORTH JAPAN RICE RIOTS
Thursday—RUSSIA DEMANDS ALLIED COUNCIL RULE FOR JAPS
Friday—GOVERNMENT TO SEIZE STRIKE-BOUND OIL INDUSTRY

McKEESPORT, Pa.—Golfer Harry Pfaff tied up on No. 13, made a hole-in-one on No. 12.

NEW YORK—Three well-worn police patrol wagons—known in the trade as "pie wagons"—were sold for pie wagons.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—Firemen responding to an alarm at the Washburn railway station had to wait ten minutes for the fire to arrive in a baggage car.

PITTSBURGH—Charles Williams paid for a cup of coffee with a Japanese 10-peso bill. The cashier's wife was grabbed as he scurried with \$9.95 in change.

BRIGHAM CITY, Utah—Joseph Miller exchanged his first set of artificial limbs for a latest pair when he met a tall blonde, brought a wheel for better balance when riding.

SEATTLE—A sailor was fished out of the water by a large patrolman; a woman passerby had started to rescue him but let him sink and told the sailor when she saw that he had no pulse.

SAN FRANCISCO—Ed Robert V. Krenge sued a fellow agent for \$10,000, charged a murder in his newly finished bottle of "coke" and subsequently spoiled his appetite for soft drinks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. (SEA)—The "slaying" "bullet" and subsequent personal appearance of Mrs. John McMillan, 33, has police puzzled. Mrs. McMillan showed up in time for the trial of Lee E. Webb who had come of slaying and burying four other people who had died, too.

BOSTON—A blind war veteran, guided by a paralyzed companion, drove a rented automobile three miles through heavy traffic before crashing into a tree.

DIMON, Ill. (SEA)—A pile of 1938 unopened letters bearing postmarks of 20 years ago was found on a river bank. Postal authorities are attempting to solve the mystery.

NEWARK—An alarmed inmate of the Ivy Hills Asylum summoned four fire engines, a rescue squad, and two hook-and-ladder trucks to a sunny field blazing with ripe, red tomatoes.

HAMILTON, Ontario—Frustrated Fisherman Murray Henry shipped his oars to have a smoke, promptly had the cigarette knocked out of his mouth by a 4½-pound black bass which jumped into the boat.

WELLES, Wis. (SEA)—Louis McIntyre landed a 32-pound muskie after a half-hour battle. When the fish was cut open by a taxidermist an eight-ounce bottle of beer popped out of the fish's stomach.

CHICAGO—Mrs. Wilson Smith decided that it would save time to be frank about her vacant apartment, advertised: "Dark, dirty, four-room apartment . . . Shabby furniture."

CINCINNATI (SEA)—Americans are slowly going crazy, according to Ralph Borsodi, founder of the School of Living Institute, New York. He blamed crowded cities as partly responsible. "The machine age necessitates large cities and we try to adjust the human being to them. That's making the cat before the horse," he said.

Cherish Chick



THINKS RIGHT. As gains go these aren't too bad, but why has she got such a firm grip on that thigh? Looks like she is just so weary that it won't stay up by itself. Wish they'd snap these cheese-cake shots in the morning instead of waiting until the gals are all worn out from a hard day of side-stepping assistant directors. The thigh belongs to Lynn Baggett of Warner Bros. Don't let the illusion that she is sitting on this air fool you. After examining the original photo closely we discovered that a prop man is behind the curtain holding a box . . . wonder if he had a hard time finding the right spot? No, they don't need any more prop men in Hollywood, you lechers.