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BASES
We must secure
adequate bases
close to Japan.—
Adm. Nimitz.

DEAD
The dead Germans
can be counted by
the thousands.—
Russian Press.

"Get the hell in there and fight!"

By George Jones
WITH UNITED STATES MARINES, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND, Nov. 8 (Delayed) (I.P.)—Sandy palm-studded Cape Torokina became for four critical hours the bloodiest beachhead of the entire Solomons campaign.

Here Japanese defenders and invading Marines were locked in swift mortal combat the morning of Nov. 1 and our initial foothold on Bougainville was secure only when it ended. Miniature in numbers, arm and time, this battle will live as the nearly ultimate of brutal decisive fighting.

Not more than 75 Marines attacked an estimated 300 enemy troops entrenched in pillboxes and radiating trenches within an area of not more than 200 by 250 yards.

In hand-to-hand combat they wiped out 16 pillboxes on the cape and broke the backbone of enemy resistance to this invasion.

The Marines were so confident of the outcome they messaged the ships an hour after landing: "Old Glory waves on Torokina Cape. Situation well in hand." It was the fiercest beachhead resistance thus far encountered by Allied troops in the South Pacific but the ensuing assault resulted in the quickest seizure of prepared Japanese defenses of any Solomons battle front. The enemy was literally rushed off his feet.

Lying in a sandy washline some 75 yards distant, I obtained fleeting glimpses of this action.

Mistaken aid adversaries preceded the battle. Two companies were supposed to storm this beachhead, their path eased by hours of naval and aerial bombardment. Actually only half of a headquarters company—many of whom were specialists instead of assault troops and the combat platoon reached the focal point of our three-mile landing beach.

The bombardment destroyed

only three of 26 pillboxes along the entire cape apex and left untouched a Japanese 77-mm. gun just behind the beachhead.

Maj. Charles J. Bailey, operations officer, first dispatched a demolition squad which blew up the enemy's 77-mm. gun. Then he sent Capt. Gordon Warner on a reconnaissance mission across the neck of the cape.

He took 20 riflemen, 4 Brownie automatic gunners and 2 Scouts, 1 of whom carried only

by giving away the position of the pillbox entrance.

The reconnaissance completed, Warner's party returned through machine-gun and rifle fire to Battalion Commander Maj. Leonard (Spike) Mason.

While the group conferred under the blazing sun, a burst of machine-gun fire and grenades injured Mason, not seriously. Instead of waiting for naval gunfire or reinforcements, Mason told Warner, "Get the hell in

Wounded Marine Major Directs Bloody Attack On Torokina Stronghold

mortars, machine guns and grenades. Bodies both yellow and white lay exposed to the sun as the fight continued.

Corp. James Gurley killed 13 Japanese. Assigned to a beach working party, he was called into combat and jumped into a



there and fight."

Small parties of Marines began to advance through the tall, dry grass and shattered coconut palms. Behind them a thin line of machine guns and rifles poured a continuous stream of fire into the pillboxes.

The Marines jumped into the slit trenches, killing Japanese outposts, then ran to the pillbox entrances, heaving grenades inside and finally jumping in to finish off any survivors.

The Japanese—as many as 30 to each pillbox—were firing wildly and screaming. "Marines withdraw!"

But the Marines worked coolly. There were no cases of hysteria despite the uproar of Japanese

slit trench near a pillbox, shooting an enemy rifleman. Then he hurled his grenades through the pillbox entrance.

"Those were my last grenades," Gurley said later, as I yelled, "Boy!"

A high balling Gurley threw him three more grenades and with these he finished off 11 Japanese in the pillbox. A 12th dying Japanese feebly hurled a grenade at Gurley but it exploded harmlessly.

Lt. Elmer Moskowitz entered a shattered pillbox with full-blooded Pfc. Indian Pvt. William Nelson and killed the Japanese survivors with knives.

Warner's patrols alone accounted for eight pillboxes and Warner helped atop the structures to plant the American flag under fire.

Tanks Rout Jap Force

Marines Defeat Barge-Borne Reinforcements

THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Nov. 12 (A.P.)—American Marines have won the first round of the vital battle for Bougainville, finally securing a six-mile-long beachhead at Empress Augusta bay.

Army troop reinforcements have arrived, said Gen. Douglas MacArthur's spokesman. Meanwhile Tokyo is making wild claims of many Allied war ships sunk in the operation, all of which were described by headquarters as "without any basis whatsoever."

Marines battling on Bougainville island, last big stronghold of the Japs in the Solomons area, this week decisively defeated enemy troops put ashore from 21 barges, according to Associated Press reports from Allied Headquarters in the South Pacific.

The Marines killed an estimated half of the Japanese who landed from barges north of their beachhead reports said.

It was announced Thursday that U. S. Army troops have put ashore without loss to reinforce the thirteen Solomons positions.

TANKS IN ACTION

Japanese forces put ashore Saturday night from barges were estimated to number possibly 3000 men, the United Press reported. Marines threw tanks and planes into the battle against these reinforcements and succeeded in crossing the Lapuna river, along which the Japs had formed their battle lines. The Marine medium tanks had been held in reserve during the first week of fighting.

Fighting against the Jap reinforcements began before dawn Sunday.

BATTLE STORY

Turn to page 3 for day-by-day accounts of Marine offensive on Bougainville.

Big Fires Controlled

Marines Battle Raging Flames Near Hospital

Raging brush fires which started Sunday and swept large areas from Los Angeles to San Diego were combated at many points by trained members of the Corps Fire Dept. and other Marines.

Units from Camp Gillespie, Pendleton, Miramar and Ellington saw



CONGRATULATIONS were in order for Corp. Marvin N. Gerstner (center), accepting a handshake from Pfc. L. C. Myers for the 100% qualification record scored by Platoon 810. Gerstner coached the riflemen. Looking on is PFC. C. W. Smith, asst. platoon leader. (Photo by PFC. Edward Wishin.)

Third 100 Per Cent Mark Of War Set By Recruits

CAMP MATTHEWS—Platoon qualifying scores reached a new high last week, as one platoon fired 100%—the third perfect score fired since the outbreak of the war.

Topping the list with its 100% record was Platoon 810. Second high went to Platoon 812 with 96.7 per cent and third high went to Platoon 813 with 96.6 per cent. High scores individually were

made by Pfc. Donald E. Bashaw, Gordon D. McNair, and Hobson C. (Continued on page 2)

Vandegrift Relieved

Gen. Geiger, Air Chief, To Take Over Command

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11—Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger has replaced Lt. Gen. A. Vandegrift as commander of the 1st Marine Amphibious Corps, which made the recent successful landing at Empress Augusta Bay on Bougainville Island. It was announced tonight by Lt. Gen. Thomas Holcomb, Commandant.

Gen. Vandegrift is to take an undisclosed new assignment. It was explained in the course of a radio discussion by Gen. Holcomb on success of Marine amphibious operations in the Southwest Pacific.

Gen. Geiger, at 58, is "one of the most highly skilled aviation officers in the corps," the Commandant said. It marks the first time an aviation officer has been given such an important assignment in command of both ground troops and air forces.

day when a Marine outpost patrol clashed with the Japs as they made their landing. The fighting mounded in crescendo during the day with tanks rumbling through the swamps and jungles and bomber and aircraft roaring overhead in support of the ground offensive.

Marines moved artillery into 11 well positioned Sunday and began a merciless pounding of enemy positions. They used mortars and machine guns to blast the Japs while dive bombers strafed and fired six hits near Atsugama.

— Write Home —

Capitol Salutes Birth Of Corps

WASHINGTON (A.P.)—The nation's Capitol Building saluted the birth of its fighting Marine Corps this week by flying from its dome the first flag to be carried ashore by Leathernecks invading Guadalcanal.

Senate and House naval committees invited the Marines to display it because:

"It is our belief that this flag has great historical value inasmuch as it signifies that first successful offensive launched by American forces in this great war."

action and drew praise for their ability and unflinching efforts to subdue the blaze in numerous locations.

The most concerted action by (Continued on page 2)

Marines Battle Raging Flames On Many Fronts

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MARINE firefighters took place near URBH at Ramona Santa Fe which was threatened with destruction from the flames.

Several rigs from Camp Pendleton and eight men fought the blaze from Ramona through to the hospital area during Sunday pumping water from the hospital pool for four hours. Engine No. 8 and crew from Fire Station No. 3 at Camp Matthews also were active in fighting this fire on Sunday.

Forty-five men from Camp Gillespie were called to El Cajon, threatened severely by the fire sweeping southward. Several homes were saved from destruction by this group who answered the call early Sunday morning and were not secured until Monday.

BATTLE INN BLAZE

Camp Gillespie fire fighters saw action again Monday night when they were called by Forest Service to a blaze at Kentworth Inn, Ramona. This detail, the only one present able to get a hose line to the blaze, was unable to save the structure from the fire which had gained full headway.

Several hundred men and a quantity of equipment from Camp Miramar fought a fire at Lake Jodges early this week which until brought under control had reached a point only four miles from the Camp.

A full staff of fire fighters operating under the control of the Base Fire Dept. was kept in readiness until Tuesday noon. The services of these men were offered to the San Diego Fire Dept. for any emergency calls.

— Buy More Bonds —

Distinguished Battle Actions Win New Awards

WASHINGTON—Many new awards have been presented recently to men who have distinguished themselves in battle actions.

Capt. Robert W. Vaupell has been presented a Gold Star in lieu of a second Navy Cross for an action following his discovery of an enemy cruiser and three destroyers. Despite injuries, he attacked the force successfully. He also holds the Air Medal and The Purple Heart.

The Silver Star has been awarded to Corp. Louis P. Tuttle who prepared a plane for flight despite heavy enemy shelling on Guadalcanal.

NAMED POSTHUMOUSLY

Posthumous awards of the Silver Star have been made to PFC. Jack C. Robinson and Pvt. Leo J. Washburn who were "killed in action" on Guadalcanal. Both men had also been awarded the Purple Heart Medal posthumously.

Capt. Dale M. Leslie, holder of the Navy Cross, has been awarded the DFC, as a result of a series of aerial missions against the Japs.

The Air Medal has been awarded to Capt. Henry S. Sabatier, who damaged one plane and contributed to the failure of an enemy mission in the South Pacific.

FIVE COMMENDED

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC—Four Marines and one Navy corpsman were officially commended by an Army colonel following voluntary action at an ammunition dump fire. The men honored were: Sgt. Robert W. Clements, Corp. Joseph S. Wilson, PFCs. W. Paul Callow and Edward C. Huber and PMS/c Hayward L. Wood.—Sgt. James E. Hague, combat correspondent.

Hospitals Keep Pledge To Aid Suffering Men

Fame Of MOB Groups Spreads Through Pacific As Thousands Treated

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC—The dictionary defines a "mob" as a "rude, disorderly crowd" but in the jargon of fighting Marines in the South Pacific a "MOB" is a hospital.

Since the Americans arrived here, they have nicknamed nearly everything with which they have come in contact. Thus, a Marine Aircraft Group is a "MAC"; a Marine Aviation Depot is "MAV"; a Naval Operation Base is "NOB"; and the South Pacific Combat Air Transport Command is "SCAT".

With the Navy's mobile hospital units the task was more difficult. The initials, no matter how adroitly arranged, simply didn't make sense. Undaunted, Marines and sailors improvised their own language. Using the first three letters of "M-O-B-I-E" they have long since quit calling them anything but "MOBS".

SAVES LIVES

Typical of the MOBS scattered throughout the fighting areas is the one headed by Capt. Frederick Lawton Conklin (MC) USN. It is credited with saving the lives of thousands of Marines wounded in the Solomons.

Capt. Conklin organized his mobile hospital in the U. S. Navy Medical Supply Depot, Brooklyn, on 1 Dec. 1941. When the MOB's staff came to the South Pacific in the fall of 1942, its mission was to establish a mobile base hospital wherever and whenever directed to furnish hospital facilities to units of the fleet for the conservation of manpower.

Its personnel includes not only doctors, nurses and hospital corpsmen but guards, cooks, quartermasters, civil engineers, paymasters, laundrymen, clerks, accountants, firemen, bakers, barbers and a chaplain. To move, it is equivalent of changing the site of a small American city complete with light, power and water facilities.

OWN BUILDING

Unable at the beginning to secure the services of the Jantzen, Capt. Conklin found it necessary to convert his specialized staff into construction crews. Within a month, the first building had been laid. A month later, the hospital received its first patients—badly wounded Marines and sailors from the Solomons.

Members of the unit take pride in pointing out that they built everything they lived in those days. Through their wards, operations and ellipses daily passed hundreds of sick fighting men—Marines, sailors, soldiers and even Japanese prisoners, all coming within the scope of the MOB's pledge "to relieve human pain and suffering wherever possible of both friend and foe."

MANY AILMENTS

Doctors who came to the war zone expecting to deal exclusively with combat injuries have been amazed at the wide variety of their practice. For here, they find virtually every ailment they treated back in the United States—pneumonia, chicken pox, diphtheria, sore throat, athlete's foot, pneumonia, heart ailments and arthritis.

Doctors who made a living dealing with them at home know just what to do. In addition, however, they have experienced the expected run of malaria, intestinal diseases and Dengue fever from the tropics.

—Sgt. Jim Lucas, combat correspondent.

Marine Parachutists Seize Installations At Ramona

Leaping from airplanes into a high wind that made landing difficult, Marine parachutists this week hit their objectives and captured the town of Ramona, 20 miles east of San Diego, in a realistic dress rehearsal of a parachute organization's mission.

Within two hours after their parachutes blossomed over the countryside near the town, the parachutists had seized power, communication, supply bases and headquarters of the "enemy."

1st. Col. C. E. Shepard Jr., commanding Camp Gillespie Parachute School, supervised the attack. Maj. J. G. Dwyer, O-in-C of training at the school, served as an umpire.

The mission of the parachute unit was to "neutralize" Ramona, considered an enemy stronghold in a military problem which assumed other Marine Corps units would make a landing on the coast. The problem was a small part of a large simulated operation involving a large body of troops. Paratroopers marched back to their camp after accomplishing their mission.

Women Marines Get Assignments 100 Per Cent Mark Set By Recruits

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Petty of Plat 810; Pvt. Thomas Z. Lanley Jr., Harold E. Gore, and James W. Baird, Plat 812; Pvt. John Strotz, Eugene E. Wicks, Sgt. Harold E. King, and Harvey E. Gallant, Plat. 813.

High score for the week was fired by Pvt. Charles W. Cook with 327 out of a possible 340. Second high mark was Pvt. Merrill of Plat. 808 with 328. Pvt. Raymond L. Lyons Jr. of Plat. 811 and James V. Madison of Plat. 800 scored 323 to tie for third.

Of the 1689 men firing, 1313 qualified, with 174 making expert, 503 sharpshooter and 748 marksman. The school range instructors for the three high plateaus were: 810, Corp. Marvin N. Gerstner; 812, Cpt. Leon H. Klotz; and 813, PFC. Ray Levingood.

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Historical Data On 4th Marines Being Compiled

CAMP PENDLETON—Now being compiled here by the Army and Navy Publishing Co. is a series of historical and biographical reviews of the 4th Marine Division. These reviews will be similar to those completed earlier this year at the Base. The editions in leatherette bound book form provide a record of the history of the Corps as it pertains to various organizations. Each volume contains data and photographs depicting the growth and development of the individual organizations from inception to date.

Seven volumes on the 4th Marines will be compiled and every officer and enlisted man's individual picture will be included in the series.

Members of the organizations now being reviewed will have an opportunity to purchase a subscription to the Reviews at the time their organization is being photographed. No other form of obtaining copies is provided.

A listing of the organizations to be included in the entire series is given in an announcement advertisement in this edition of The Chevron.

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MCAS Newspaper Becomes Tabloid

MCAS, EL CENTRO — From a little mimeographed sheet to an eight page tabloid newspaper is the rapid growth of "Desert Diggin'", published at this station, on the first and third Sundays of each month.



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MARINES FIGHT ON

(Capt. M. M. Sperling, a Marine Corps Public Relations Officer, wrote the following from a post in the South Pacific in observance of the 168th anniversary of the Marine Corps 10 Nov. He gives voice to the sentiments of Marines dead or imprisoned in an inspirational message addressed to their comrades and countrymen.)

We of the United States Marine Corps who have been removed from the war through death or capture greet you on this day, the 168th Anniversary of our Corps.

We are not being vain in calling it "our" Corps; we know you will understand that it is "our" Corps in the sense that it belongs to all of us—we who are gone and you who still fight on, whether it be in a foxhole or on assembly line.

For 168 years Marines have fought many battles, large and small. Some, viewed in retrospect and shrouded by history, may have been almost infinitesimal. But they were important, nevertheless. Not because some of us died in them, but because each was a link in the forging of a chain of tradition which has helped make the United States Marine Corps what it is today.

We who are gone like to feel that in our own small way we played our part, not in stemming the fierce tide of Japanese conquest, but in slowing it enough so that forces could be gathered and then brought to bear which could and did stem it; even roll it back.

Intuitively, if you like, many of us for years felt that war with Japan was inevitable. By tradition and training we could but feel that one day it would be necessary to go to the aid of an underdog China, geographically so vast and yet politically, economically and militarily so puny compared to the weight of the machine thrown against it in willful despotism and aggrandizement defying all laws of God and man.

Some of us were captured in China when the barbarian instincts of Japan burst the dam behind which they had been held for so many years. There was little we could do; too many of them and too few of us made the issue a foregone conclusion before it arose.

We in the Philippines waited and hoped to the end for aid that never came. The planes, ships, supplies and comrades who would have helped us turn defeat into victory never came over a horizon black with enemy ships or through heavens mustard colored with enemy planes.

But history has recorded the story of Cavite and Batuan and Marjales and Corregidor; a new link has been forged in the ever-lengthening chain of Marine Corps tradition.

There was nothing we on Wake could have done that we did not do. In a final analysis, we believe the score was in our favor. Many of us lost our lives. When the professional tools with which we fight were exhausted and destroyed, some of us were captured.

We who went into Guadalcanal and Tulagi and Gavutu and Tanambogo had the deep, inner satisfaction of knowing we were exacting the first payment in a long toll of inevitable retribution. Ours was the good fight; often the dangerous one. There were times when everything was in favor of the enemy; he had the air; he controlled the sea. But we had the ground and we held it; in the end, all was ours.

Those of you at home who have lost loved ones among us can hold up your heads and hearts proudly, secure in the knowledge that our living comrades have hallowed our last resting place in steeling their determination to press the fight on to victory.

We know there are battles ahead; that our ranks will continue to grow. But it will be a growth that will help bring freedom and light to a shattered world; an each comrade joins us, we will help him lift up his heart as all of us watch the living go on with the fight.

Today our Birthday is torn with madness, hunger, pain, and the agony of souls crushed in fear and horror. But our comrades will continue to fight on until, one day, our Birthday sees madness, hunger, pain, and agony conquered by Peace and Tolerance.

We who are gone offer this plea: Help our comrades who live to carry on. Give them the tools and the sinews and the material. Give them medicine with which to heal; ships in which to carry it; ships to fight. Give them planes and tanks and guns.

In return they shall give you the right to live your own life in peace and happiness and tolerance to your fellow man.

If you do this, we who are gone will know that our going was not wrong, but right.

We gave everything, so that you need give only something.

God bless you all.

Purely Personal Paragraphs About Marines

The No. 1 repeat around Bermuda is PFC. Anthony "Squash" Stevens, who has won many prizes for exhibiting his ballroom gymnastics at service dances and in the swank ballrooms of Bermuda resort hotels.

Ruddies of PFC Eugene Falleran call him the fighting, singing fool. Although painfully wounded during the fighting on New Georgia Island, he continued to fire at Jap troops and when he could fire no more, directed the aim of other Marines at the location of enemy troops. Later, while lying in an improvised field hospital, he burst into song to bolster the spirits of other wounded Marines.

To those who labor under the illusion that being a member of a Marine band in the South Pacific is a soft snap, the case of PFC. Gilbert L. Snow may be cited. Snow's duties have included manning a machine gun station, working with an anti-aircraft unit, putting in cement sidewalks, standing guard and a host of other activities.

Two brothers enlisted 7 July, 1942, went through preliminary training together and left the States in the same outfit. Then they were attached to different outfits at Honolulu. Recently, a truck carrying Sgt. Sam R. Tully to his new quarters on a South Pacific Island passed Corp. Robert C. Tully on the road. It was the brothers' first meeting since Honolulu.

PFC. Albert J. Carter, rifleman with a unit on Guadalcanal, sustained bullet wounds on three occasions, being hit in the knee, hip and arm, but always managed to return to duty within a week or 10 days. Then, in the action at Bloody Knoll Ridge, his jugular vein was severed by a Jap rifle bullet. Now having complete recovery at Oak Knoll hospital, Oakland, he is anxious to return to active duty.



WITH ONE WING gone, 1stLt. Robert M. Hanson slayed on the tail of a Jap Zero until he got him. Typical of Leatherneck tenacity. The action took place in the South Pacific.

Friday the 13th holds no terrors for Sgt. Pasquale Guido and Pvt. Harry J. Kipper Jr. It was on just such an alleged jinx day they met somewhere in the South Pacific for the first time since they graduated together at a New York high school.

A Navy Seabee father, CMI/n Benjamin Fields Jr., hadn't seen his son in three years until a transport put him in South Pacific port carrying PFC. Benjamin Fields Jr. They had a three-hour reunion.

Two brothers, one in the army and the other a Leatherneck, kept ribbing each other over which one would see action first. That was more than a year ago. Recently on Vangunu, Corp. O'Neill Tangle and his Army brother, Ray, found themselves fighting side by side. Not only did they go into action on the same day, but participated in the same operation.

Eight months ago PFCs. Arthur and Charlie Cardillo, broth-

ers, unknowingly passed each other on the high seas during maneuvers. Learning their outfits were near each other, they requested and received a transfer. Now they're living in the same tent and working at the same job at a South Pacific outpost.

Thumbing a ride with an Army captain in a jeep led Pfc. William T. Howe to his brother, Pvt. Henry, when the captain revealed that a Marine artillery unit had just arrived at a South Pacific Island. They hadn't seen each other for some time.

He has escorted Mrs. Roosevelt, dined in Buckingham palace, swam with Richard Halliburton in the famous Taj Mahal and traveled 100,000 miles, including two complete trips around the world, but Sgt. William H. Nicholoff, now at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, says he won't be satisfied until he spends some time in Tokyo again.

THE 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.

A LITTLE ANTEZ

Editor, The Chevron—Here is a little food for thought or a case of ants that aren't in your pants. On the menu today here on the island that God and everyone else forgot we had spuds, peas, beans, hamburger steak and ants. Not in our pants, these ants, but most certainly in our cup of water, our spuds, peas, beans and steak.

At first they provoked me. I couldn't stand, sit, or sleep for ants. Now I can not sleep for the mess gear food. They taste best if chewed 25 times before swallowing. Ask the man who ate some.

This is terrible, for now in your stomach there are living ants, wounded ants and dead ants. The living hustle around eating for the wounded and eating the dead. Bad enough a guy has to lug around all his gear without having to continuously carry these animals.

SGT. R. D. MATTHEW
Hq. 4th MEDAF, FMF
c/o Fleet ITI, San Francisco.

LAST CITATION

Editor, The Chevron—I read and enjoy The Chevron regularly. I was particularly interested in your recent article on units that have received citations. Since I was formerly in the 11th Defense Battalion, I would like to know whether or not it rates a citation.

PVT. ERNEST A. DUMAS
Hq. and Ser. Co., 6th Base Depot
FMF, Navy 128, c/o Fleet PD
San Francisco.

Editor's Note—The Chevron listed units that composed the 1st Mar. Div. (Reinforced), which won the Presidential unit citation in the Solomons campaign. The 11th Def. Bn. was not included in the official list released by HQMC.

WELCOME MAT OUT

Editor, The Chevron Just a few lines to let you know that I am a regular reader of The Chevron and listen to all the Marine broadcasts. We are a Marine family and doing everything possible by way of keeping our home up to boys back from overseas and participating in blood plasma and blood drives. My son Martin, 10, is the official mascot of the Marine Det., Brooklyn Navy Yard, and is proud to wear his small Marine uniform. Another son is now in the South Pacific with the fighting men of the Corps.

JOSEPH FRENCH
18 Vernon Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

NO NAVIGATORS

Editor, The Chevron In reference to your article on NCO navigators for Marine Corps hoppers, I would like to have a copy of the letter of instruction on the subject or more information.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance.

SGT. WILLIAM L. BRATZ
H & S, 20th Marines,
Camp Pendleton.

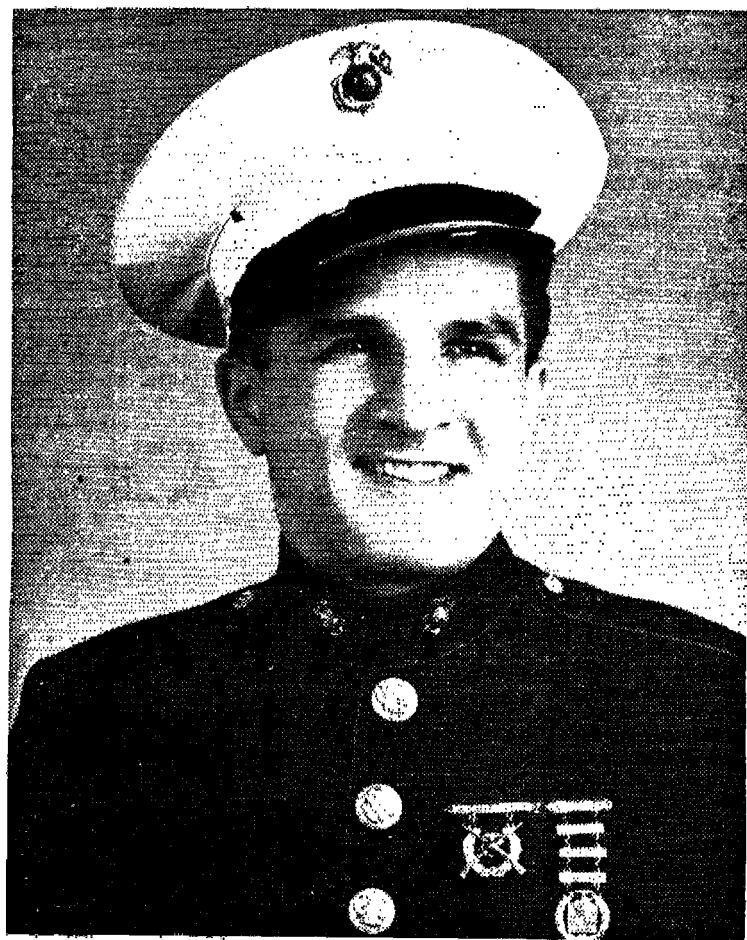
Editor's Note: Individuals interested should contact their commanding officers, who may obtain additional information from Lt. Col. D. C. Roberts, MM-15, Camp Kearney.

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HIGH SPOTS IN 168TH ANNIVERSARY celebration at MCB, PldCh, Howard Radtke prepares to cut huge 170-pound Birthday cake, while PFC, Francis Jean Pearson, USMCWII, Corp. Norman Julley, Sgt. Archie Leonard and PFC, Lila Abbott, USMCWII, look on expectantly. (Center) Mar-Gun. A. D. Eastly reads the annual Marine Corps birthday proclamation to members of Cd. Bn. at pomp chow. (Right) RD mess halls featured fried chicken in observance of the event and Pyls. Lowell P. Nichols (left) and Frederick Felix Bouchucinski "fall to". (Photos by PFC, Richard Slotz and Pvt. H. Alden.)

Military Rites Mark Burial Of Marine General

By TSgt. Frank J. McDevitt
Coinbat Correspondent

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC.— Maj. Gen. Charles D. Barrett, who died shortly after suffering injuries in an accident here, was buried in the American cemetery 11 Oct. with full military honors.

High ranking officers who attended the services included Lt. Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, Adm. William F. Halsey and Lt. Gen. Millard F. Harmon, U. S. A. Religious services were conducted by Capt. W. H. Rafferty, USN South Pacific force chaplain.

Honorary pallbearers included Gen. Vandegrift, Brig. Gen. David L. S. Brewster, Col. Gerald C. Thomas, Col. L. E. Rea and Lt. Col. Leslie M. Naron.

An honor guard consisting of a full battalion of Marines flanked the scene as Chaplain Rafferty read the Episcopal service and pronounced final benediction. Prayers were followed by a salute fired over the flag-draped, flower-banked casket by the battalion rifle squad, and the ceremonies ended with taps.

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Wide Variety On Corps Menu

WASHINGTON A new Corps master menu patterned after famous training tables of college athletes is now providing a wider variety of foods for battle-training men than ever before.

It has often been said that an army travels on its stomach and when that is true there is no need for the scarce and highly expensive foods. Eliminated from the new menu are such items as caviar, watercress, romaine, fresh mushrooms and blackberries.

An increased allowance of such staple items as meats, fresh fruits, vegetables, eggs and ice cream is contained in the master menu along with provisions for increased waste prevention.

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Marines Pause Momentarily To Observe Anniversary

The Corps passed its 168th birthday Wednesday—but very quietly on MCB.

There was no pomp nor ceremony, parades of former years were missing and in their places were the usual war-time orders of the day. The recruits carried on their regular routine of calisthenics, drill, and manual of arms while the base band marched the length of the parade ground playing "The Marine's Hymn".

Mess No. 23 served a birthday cake baked by PldCh, Howard Radtke. The four-by-three-foot cake weighed 170 pounds and served 672 slices. It was baked in nine hours.

RD mess halls served fried chicken in observance of the event, along with dressing, mashed potatoes, peas, tomato salad, cranberry sauce and ice cream.

The officers club held an informal afternoon celebration but kept it within the scope of a pause for relaxation before "getting on with the job at hand."

Mar-Gun. A. D. Eastly read a birthday proclamation to Cd. Bn. before pomp chow, reviewing the achievements of the Corps and re-emphasizing the goal ahead. At

other mess halls similar proclamations were read to the assembled men while in RD the message was heard by recruits over the loud-speaker system.

Camp Elliott paused in its day's activities with two parties, one at Mess No. 17 and the other at Mess No. 20.

Brig. Gen. Matthew Kinsman, commanding general TC, Camp Elliott, was the honored guest of enlisted women reserves at Mess 17 and cut the anniversary cake. He was introduced by Lt. Col. D. D. Sudd, who served as master of ceremonies.

Capt. Lillian O. Daly, commanding women reserves in the San Diego area, observed not only the anniversary of the corps but the 25th anniversary of her joining the reserve on November 10, 1918. Special guests at the party included Mrs. Grace Timlin, Capt. Daly's sister, and a group of mothers of Women reserves from the area.

CAMP PENDLETON The first slice of a 168-pound birthday cake was cut with a machete by Col. Lucian W. Burnham, commanding Corps Engineer unit stationed here, as this camp celebrated the Anniversary.

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SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC (Delayed) If he's a Marine, his teeth are pretty much all right. That's the opinion of Lt. Gordon Pepple, USN, chief dentist attached to Hq. Sq. of a Marine aircraft wing.

Dr. Pepple has been in this combat area for several months, during which he has treated more than 2700 teeth.

He rarely uses novocaine or similar drugs. He has them, but the Marines prefer just to have the tooth filled and sometimes yanked without any pain-deadening drug.

"I'm surprised," says Dr. Pepple, "to find that about 30 per cent of the teeth out here are sound and well-cared for. Maybe that's because there are so many Texas Marines. Down there they have good teeth." — 1st Lt. Richard G. Hublet.

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Communications Men String 250 Miles Of Wire

By TSgt. Murrey Marder
Combat Correspondent

NEW GEORGIA ISLAND — There is little similarity between this jungle command post and civilization, except for one thing—the maze of telephone wires which lead to the Marine switchboard, underground in a log and earth covered dugout, which is the nerve center for operations.

From this crude dugout, telephone lines fan out, crisscrossing almost the entire area. Strung through the jungle trees, running under the coastal waters, through streams and swamps, they were the life-lines connecting front line battle positions, tiny outposts hidden in the underbrush, field hospital areas and supply dumps.

Now that final Japanese resistance has been wiped out, permanent telephone installations will parallel roads carved through the undergrowth, but the story of combat communications under fire here is a tribute to American ingenuity and persistence.

JUNGLE TRICKS

More than 250 miles of wire, packed through the jungle by Marines, was strung during the many battles and in the short lulls between attacks. Heavy portable radios, weighing 140 pounds, were hauled through waist-deep swamps to maintain contact with Allied planes and positions where telephone communications could not be established.

One team of 17 men in the island or unit strung 180 of those 250 miles of telephone wire under the worst possible conditions. More than 30 miles of their wire was laid under water. This unit was led by TSgt. Wheeler M. Beardon, who later was evacuated because of illness and was replaced by Sgt. Kenneth W. Kutter.

FIRST AT BAIKOKO

Shortly after the Japs evacuated Baikoko, just New Georgia stronghold, on 24 Aug., in the face of rushing troops supported by heavy artillery, Sgt. Kutter brought in the first telephone wire, connecting that point with positions already taken.

Activities of the communications men were not confined solely to radio and telephone duty. In combat they carried wounded and supplies and even served as riflemen.

Other members of that 17-man wire team were Corps. Clemon E. Torrey and Leonard J. Burk; PFCs, David F. Burns, Herman W. Edwards, Floyd W. Mager, Stanley A. Buzakowski, Bennett Bailey Jr., Floyd S. Clevenger, John I. Dillard, Stephen Zurew, Hugh P. Finley, C. W. Johnson and Anthony J. Bruno; PVTs. Jerry L. Orr Jr. and Roger E. Jones.

Arlington Burial For Maj. Donnelly

NORTH ISLAND—Death ended the career of a 30-year Marine veteran, Maj. Edward Jerome Donnelly Jr., this week. He was attached to ABC-2 following a two-month tour last summer at the Base. Funeral services were held in San Diego and the body sent to Washington for burial at Arlington cemetery. Maj. Donnelly was a platoon leader, who came up through the ranks. His last assignment was Cuba, 1917; Santa Domingo, 1918; Haiti, 1922; Nicaragua, 1923, and Hawaii, 1929. He was commissioned in Feb., 1923.

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EXPLAINING problems of base maintenance work, SttSgt. O. C. Lombardi points out to his two assistants, Corps. L. F. Hill (left) and R. F. Hook, the finishing touches needed on a wash rack job. (Photo by Pvt. Herbert Alden).

'Lombardi & Co.' Little Known But Very Busy

Three Experienced Marines Take Care Of Base Maintenance

The sign very emphatically and convincingly states, "Building closed for repairs," and with that this story could very well end. But the word "repairs" brings forth a tale—a tale of the "Little Shop of the Unknowns."

Tucked away in the corner of the Maintenance area is a little room not much larger than a clothes closet. There's never anyone there, but it serves as the office, storeroom and testing laboratory for SttSgt. O. C. Lombardi and his two-man working party, Corps. L. F. Hill and R. F. Hook. All three men are attached officially to Base Maintenance, Ser. Co., their duties rather all-encompassing.

A wall begins to crack. A tile floor needs repairing. Or even a new floor is required. It's "Lombardi & Co." that gets the call. That's their business—plastering, cementing and laying new floors. And they're kept busy day in and day out from the Base to Pine Valley.

REPAIRED ALLEYS

A recent job was replacing the old floor in the PX bowling alley with a new manganite floor.

The "Little Shop of the Unknowns" draws on years of experience, both in civilian life and in military service. Sgt. Lombardi has been attached to Base Maintenance for seven years. Corps. Hill and Hook have two years apiece. All three were plasterers before entering the Corps.

While the three do the actual work of plastering, cementing and laying floors, their system of avoiding heavy preparatory work is simple—a working party from RB.

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Estimated 6000 Dead Testimony To Marine Unit

Guadal Regiment's CO Says None Heffer In Field Nor On Parade

By MTSgt. Digory Vann
Combat Correspondent

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC The "fightingest outfit in the world" is commanded by a Marine colonel who is proud of his men and modest about his own accomplishments. He is Col. André LeRoy Sims, who led his regiment through 13 separate engagements on Guadalcanal.

"I would stack this regiment against any other group of fighting men in the world," Col. Sims declared, "for shooting, fighting, accuracy of fire, knowledge of weapons, and the will to fight. Give me a week and I would stack them against any outfit on the parade ground."

SHARPS BREAKS

Casualty figures tell the story. During the fighting on Guadalcanal, his regiment killed an estimated 6000 Japanese. At one critical juncture of the second battle of the Matanikau they turned back two points of a three-pronged attack on Henderson Field, and later annihilated a Japanese force, which tried to sneak up on the field from the east.

For his own part in this campaign, Col. Sims was awarded a second Silver Star Medal and the Legion of Merit.

"The Iron Duke," as his men call him, knows that "sharing the breaks" with them makes them better fighters. Once on the front lines, where matches were unusually scarce, a private asked him for a light, and got it. The colonel stopped a staff officer from intervening. "This light is for anyone who needs it," he said.

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Marines Win Silver Stars In North African Invasion

WASHINGTON—Details of the part played by Marines in the now-historic invasion of North Africa were revealed by the Navy Dept. in announcing two Silver Star awards, one posthumously.

The posthumous award went to PFC James E. Earheart, who gave his life trying to prevent an imminent break in lines between a damaged British warship and a tug in the harbor of Oran.

A throw line had been rigged to provide escape for wounded personnel and non-swimmers. When the tug began to move, Earheart unhesitatingly left the ship while it was still under fire. He was killed by a blast of machine gun fire as he swam toward the tug.

Corp. Anthony E. Kujawinski, the other Leatherneck winning the high award, was a member of an AA crew aboard an American warship. During the assault on and occupation of French Morocco, he received painful wounds but quit his post only long enough to have them treated.

Stop Loose Talk

Night School Offers Jap Language Course

San Diego Evening High School is featuring a class in elementary Japanese that should be of particular interest to Marines. Enrollment information can be obtained by telephoning F-6664. The instructor, Anita Laura White, spent 24 years in Japan as president of a Nagasaki college.

Elliott Orders Winter Service Dress For FMF

CAMP ELLIOTT—Liberty uniform regulations prescribing proper dress for those going off duty were issued anew this week for FMF members stationed in the SD area.

Normal liberty uniform for officers will be Winter Service "A" trousers or breeches, with Winter Service or garrison cap; or blue dress "B."

Prescribed for enlisted personnel is Winter Service "A" with either Winter Service or garrison cap, without leggings; or blue dress "B."

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Japs Plunder Plantations, Murder Whites In Islands

GUADALCANAL (Delayed)—Tension among the few plantation owners who remained after the Japanese invaded this island last year, thousands of natives, and the Jap occupation forces, was so taut when the Marines landed that the least untoward incident started the Japs to murdering and plundering. It was revealed here recently.

A plantation owner at his place 50 miles east of Hecanda watched and counted 68 Japanese soldiers firing through his house. Seeing they were calm he went in alone from the bush where he had been hiding with his native and talked to Ishimoto, a Jap civilian commissioner, who was in charge.

MARINES APPEAR

He was treated courteously, the plantation owner said, and Ishimoto let his men take only food-stuffs they needed. As the Jap force started to leave, several Marine planes flew low overhead.

"My heart jumped into my mouth," he said. "I was afraid the Marine aviators had seen the Jap column and would begin bombing or strafing it. By that time I knew enough about Japs to know that the minute this happened I would be liquidated, along with my natives."

"But the Marine fliers either didn't see the Japs or were intent on some other important target and flew away. The Japs were tense as they lay in the brush and I saw them eye me." Sgt. Theodore Lank, combat correspondent.

— Stop Loose Talk —

Scuttlebutt Fast But Unreliable

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC — Awaiting a transfer back to the States is one thing, but to have to go through a run of "scuttlebutt" as to when the order would arrive, was more than a captain could stand.

Rumors instigated by the men in his command as to which ship or plane his transfer order was on, despite the fact that he, as captain, would see the official mail first, prompted him to place the following message on the company bulletin board:

"If any member of this company has the straight dope on my transfer back to the United States, he will be given a suitable reward if he will communicate the same to me, as I am interested as hell myself." — SftSgt. Frank Acosta Jr., Combat Correspondent.

Casualties

	Dead	Wounded	Missing	Prisoner of War
USA	10184	2360	8320	2278
USMC	2184	2673	635	1548
USN	916	77	41	1
	12971	2636	8992	4226

DEAD
New York: Sgt. Ralph G. Baum, 11th.

MISSING
Louisiana: Corp. Alexander E. McCarty, New Orleans.
North Carolina: Enlt. Virgil H. Day, Hatteras.
Ohio: Enlt. James T. Hall, Oberlin.
Ill. Enlt. Jack W. Pettit, Canton.

PRISONERS OF WAR
Kansas: Pvt. Fred H. Quirk Jr., Atchison.
Mississippi: PFC Roy R. Hodge, Eads.
Missouri: PFC Herman W. Finkert, Memphis.

Adjustments Due In Allotments To Dependents

WASHINGTON — Adjustment of new family allowance payments to dependents of Marines under the recent amendment to the Servicemen's Dependents Act of 1942 probably will be completed well within the four months permitted, Paymaster Dept. officials announce.

In the case of class A dependents, adjudication will be automatic. Letters are being mailed to class B dependents (fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, etc.) instructing them to execute affidavits as to degree of support received from a Marine. When these are returned, readjustment will be made. All payments will be retroactive to 1 Nov.

The amended bill provides dependent allowances for all enlisted pay grades, members of the MCWV, bandmen and limited service personnel.

The following table compares new benefits with old:

Dependent	Formerly	New
Wife	\$40	\$50
Wife and 1 child	62	80
Wife and 2 children	73	100
Each additional child	30	20
Child but no wife	42	42
Additional children		
Two wife	10	20
Divorced wife, 1 child	54	72
Each additional child (divorced wife)	10	20

— Bonds Or Bondsage? —

Marines Value Downed Zeros

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC (Delayed) — Jap Zeros downed over this island have a definite value to Marines who are using aluminum (or fashion bracelets and wrist watch bands.

The idea of making bracelets from Jap plane metal was said to have been originated by Seabees who arrived on Guadalcanal soon after Marines landed in August last year. But today, Marines have taken up the fad, and all forms of polished aluminum wrist bands are common.

Among the men who make them is EFC, Raymond H. Dwyanski. He uses shears to cut the metal in band shape, polishes it with emery cloth, and uses a fingernail file to trim the edges. Over the band strip he puts a base plate and on this he lays the aluminum cross. Two holes are cut with a knife through the cross, the base plate, and the band. Small aluminum rivets secure the three pieces. He uses the point of a knife blade to cut jutting tree stumps along the sides of the band. The finished product is a work of art. — SftSgt. Earle W. Johnson, combat correspondent.



READY TO BLAST at Jap-held Kurile Islands are these Marines, shown as they landed at Adak in the Aleutians with supplies and ammunition. (Photo by SftSgt. Charles V. Carlson).

Aerial Crewmen Authorized New Uniform Insignia

Qualified Marine air crewmen are entitled to wear the new air crew insignia recently adopted by the Corps.

The insignia design has a pair of silver wings supporting a silver shield with a gold anchor medallion on its surface. Above the shield is a silver scroll which bears gold stars indicating combat action. Beneath the shield are the words "air crew".

The air crew insignia is worn on the left breast above other decorations. It is intended primarily for enlisted personnel in flight crews of naval aircraft. As it is the intent that only one pair of wings may be worn by any officer or enlisted man, naval aviators, aviation observers and pilots are not eligible for the award.

To be eligible for the insignia, a Marine must (1) have served at least three months as a regular assigned member of the air crew of a combatant aircraft since 1 Dec. 1941, or (2) have suffered injuries or other physical impairment while engaged in combatant operations since 1 Dec. 1941 as a regularly assigned member of a combatant aircraft which precludes the possibility of fulfillment of time requirements as stated above. He must also be recommended by the CO of the unit in which injury or physical impairment was received.

— Write Home —

"Are you the man who saved my little boy from drowning?"

"Yes".

"Well, where the hell's his cup?"

Island Is Paradise For Hitch-Hikers

GUADALCANAL — Lighthousekeepers have found this island a hitch-hiker's paradise.

A wiggle of the thumb in the approved American manner will stop a jeep or a truck driven by either an enlisted man or officer of the Corps, Army and Navy. A vehicle may be loaded but drivers go on the premise that there's always room for one more.

Jeeps To Be Used By Bermuda Police

BERMUDA (Delayed) — Ever since the advent of the jeep, service men and civilians alike have been speculating on peace-time uses for the rough-and-ready little car.

The local civilian police department has been authorized to purchase several jeeps for use in patrolling the bumpy and winding country roads here. Sgt. Stanford Opatowsky, combat correspondent.

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Pilots Depend On Ground Crews, Unsung Heroes

Grease Monkeys Kept Hopping At Bases In Pacific

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC (Delayed) Every minute—every second—a pilot is in the air, his life, his ship and the complete success of his mission depend upon the work, training and knowledge of the unglorified mechanics on the ground.

Most pilots those of this base and those fighting the battle of the airways all over the world—hold a real affection for the men who "keep 'em flying".

Out here where every second toward success counts, these men of the Marine ground crews have been dubbed "Commandos in Coveralls".

CORPS CHANGES

For long and tiresome hours from sunrise to sunset, these men toil over planes assigned their particular unit. "There have been a mighty lot of changes in this Marine Corps ground crew setup since the day I enlisted back in Dec., 1933," says MSGT Clifford K. Spicer, in charge of ground crew personnel here.

"A cockpit, every inch of it, had to be free of dust or dirt. Everything on the plane had to be checked from top to bottom, spirit and span in every respect, before those boys would take off the ground. "But today things have changed," he continued.

"These pilots of today are so anxious for combat duty, they'll fly anything with wings on—just so long as they believe it will keep in the air long enough to perform a particular mission."

The ground crew mechanic—or grease-monkey of today is kept busy every minute.

FEW ACCIDENTS

Fatal accidents or narrow escapes caused primarily by faulty maintenance are few and far between. It is very, very seldom a mishap can be laid on their doorstep.

Under present requirements, our aircraft must develop rapidly to meet the new and changing conditions day by day. Each plane is a delicate instrument that must be studied and understood before it is used. In some cases standardization is sacrificed to gain every added inch of flexibility or speed. As a result, planes have become more specialized and require more specialists in the ground crews.

Ground crew personnel first must go through the regular routine "boot camp" duties of a Marine. After this training they are permitted to apply for the type of work they desire. Those of them who are selected for aviation ground crews must go through months of training and long tireless hours of study before they are sent into the field to use the knowledge they have gathered.

At these schools, which take from three to four months, the men study aircraft engineering, metal work, ordnance instrument work and radio.

VARIED BACKGROUNDS

They come from many walks of life. Some worked in the largest garages in the country, some were back-alley mechanics and others had important defense jobs. Some are kids still in their teen age, others are mature men, married with families back home.

A large number of them were selected because they had a fair knowledge of aerodynamics, meteorology or aerial navigation. Every lad who becomes a member of a ground crew in the Marine Corps today is considered a candidate for flight school. Sgt. Ralph A. Peck, combat correspondent.

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Recruit Depot Sergeant-Major Widely Traveled

"Join The Marines And See The World," is really the way that well known recruiting poster should read judging by the traveling that Sgt. Maj. J. C. Coyle has done during his cruises in the Corps.

Enlisting as a private in Dec. 1914 at St. Louis, Mo., he spent three months in "boot" at Norfolk, Va., was ordered to HQMC and then to Philadelphia. He served "seagoing" on the USS Connecticut and USS Mississippi and served in Haiti for nine months in 1919 during the Haitian revolution.

In 1917 he went overseas with the 7th Co, 1st Bn, 8th Marines and served in France. During this tour of duty he was jumped in rating from corporal to gunnery sergeant.



Sgt. Maj. COYLE

sergeant. First re-enlistment came at Chicago in 1919. He was re-assigned at that time by Maj. L. W. Putnam, now Assistant Base PX Officer.

Additional tours of duty covered Bremerton and Mare Island Navy Yards and Pensacola, Fla. He signed for his third cruise in Kansas City and did duty at the Naval Ammunition Depot at Bremerton then under the command of Capt. George T. Hall, (Now Col., Commanding E.D., Honolulu, China, sea duty aboard the USS Sacramento and the USS Tulsa and service with the 4th Marines followed the Bremerton tour.

In 1931 Sgt. Maj. Coyle transferred to aviation and spent six years at North Island. From there he went to Pekin, China, and then retired from active duty in 1938.

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Canteen Used To Put Out Blaze In Plane Cockpit

By Sgt. Wallace R. McLain
Combat Correspondent

MCAD, MIRAMAR—In saving a fellow flyer's life, Capt. Joseph F. Quilly Jr. almost lost his own but a water canteen came to the rescue. Home after 30 contacts with the enemy while attached to the famous VMP-121 Squadron in operations officer, he told of the close brush with death during his initial contact.

Busily blasting an aggressive Nip Zern off his flying quater's tail, Capt. Quilly failed to notice a second Jap fighter bearing down on him. Enemy shells started a fire in the cockpit between his feet and he used the water canteen to extinguish the blaze.

IN THE GROOVE

Capt. Arthur W. Neff Jr., holder of the DFC and son of the New York Giant's famous pitcher, knocked two Jap bombers and a Zern out of the skies in a torrid 30-second action during a flight over Guadalcanal led by Maj. Joe Pegg.

Capt. Lucius S. Smith, holder of the DFC, was knocked unconscious when the motor of his plane exploded in mid-air over the waters off Guadalcanal. He came to in the water, extricated himself and paddled 12 miles to shore.

PFC. Merrill J. Closs, member of a Marine gun crew aboard a cruiser, sighted his AA on a Jap torpedo bomber some distance away, fired and hit the torpedo, blowing the plane to bits.

NARROW ESCAPE

MCAD, MIRAMAR—Capt. Walter R. Burleigh found his ship peppered with bullet holes, his wingman missing and three Zerns riding his tail. In 10 action-packed minutes of running aerial combat with the enemy over Guadalcanal he experienced his closest call as he endeavored to elude the pursuing enemy. On the way back to Henderson field, his radio gunner took the measure of one Zern, 1st Lt. Ellis M. Trevelan, P.R.O.

— Mail Address Correct? —

El Toro Marine Wins Air Medal
MCAS, EL TORO—For action "above and beyond the call of duty," 2nd Lt. Dan DeBenedictis, Assistant Group Operations Officer of MAC-41, last week received the Navy-Marine Corps Air Medal.
Aide to Col. Harold Bauer, tactical commander of the Henderson Field fighter strip, Lt. DeBenedictis was instrumental in the location of several enemy areas and responsible for the maintenance of the strip.



VERSATILITY is another Marine virtue, witness this out harvesting team of PFCs, Herbert Pickens (tractor driver) and Lawrence E. Pozzi operating in Northern Ireland.

Reopened Tanambogo Caves Reveal Mass Jap Slaughter

TANAMBOGO ISLAND—The caves of Tanambogo were opened recently, revealing the horrible end of some 1500 Japs on this island and on adjoining Gavutu. The entrances were dynamited shut in Aug. 1942.

Japs at that time refused to surrender and, with the bodies of their comrades piled high in front of them, continued to rain machine gun fire from tunnel entrances until entombed.

The islands, now in the hands of our forces, are being rebuilt. During this work a bulldozer and drag line cutting down the side of a hill broke through into one of the tunnels.

Two Seabees entered the shaft. They found it thigh-deep with water, bodies and insect life. Picking up a rusted and broken Jap rifle, and a few odds and ends, they retreated quickly. The air so affected them they were hospitalized that night and the entrance was resealed.

Later search revealed hundreds of skeletons, leather ammunition pouches, helmets, rifles, typewriters, field desks and stationery of the Japanese Imperial Marines.

This dread imprisonment resulted in one of the most horrifying deaths possible. The souls and spirits of these securely interred beings will furnish small encouragement for Tojo's impressed millions to save face, only to meet their end like moles caught in a trap. — MarGuns, Gordon A. Crowdon, PRO.

— Bay Insurance —
Ties Record
PARRIS ISLAND (S.C.) Nov. 7. (AT) Pvt. Raymond W. Jokes, son of Secretary of Interior Harold W. Jokes, established himself as a sharpshooter here this week as he tied the marine base rifle range record with a 727 score.

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Marine Fought Japanese In Shanghai Before War

'Slug' Marvin Rocks 'Em Again On Pacific Isle

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC (Delayed)—Marvin, Milton C. Marvin was pushing Japs around in an undeclared war of his own when most of the Western World was handling 'em with kid gloves.

Today this redoubtable Leatherneck—known as "Blitz"—to general officer and private alike because of his past battle prowess—is seeking 'em and rocking 'em again. But this time he's using fire power instead of his bare fists, and he has no diplomatic inhibitions to bother him.

Gunner Marvin's most recent crack at the Japs and his first in this war came in two trips with a naval convoy carrying supplies to American defenders of a newly-seized Vella Lavella.

FIGHTIN' FOR YEARS

The Gunner's feud with the Japs dates back to his days in the International Settlement at Shanghai. It was there in 1933 that he created at least a newspaper international incident by man-hauling three Jap assassins who were said to be intending to slip into the Settlement on an indiscriminate killing expedition with the idea of laying the murders on "Chinese terrorists."

The Gunner's feud became a cause celebre in the newspapers.

On another occasion, he and a handful of men threw a Jap patrol bodily off a Marine river boat which the Japs had boarded despite its prominent display of the American flag. On this tally he took away the Jap officer's sword and "farted him off the ship by the scruff of the neck."—Sgt. Maurice E. Moran, combat correspondent.

Marine Brothers Meet In Pacific

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC (Delayed)—Two of the five sons of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hibard, Daney, Wis., who are serving the U. S. in several parts of the world, held a reunion here.

There was a knock on the door of the mess hall today. PFC. George D. Hibard cried out, "Come in."

"I thought it was just another guy," he explained. "Then I looked up and you could have knocked me over with a piece of colophane. It was my brother Jack. I knew he was in the Marine Corps but I didn't know he was out here."

The Leatherneck Hibards have three brothers who are all Army sergeants. Sgt. My Hurwitz, combat correspondent.

Stop Loose Talk

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Leathernecks Still Carrying On In Iceland

Some Learned About Frigid Atlantic In Torpedoing Enroute

ICELAND Marines in San Diego, like everyone else, probably have their eyes on the South Pacific where their buddies are spearheading jungle assaults at pillboxed and entrenched Japs throughout the Solomons.

Those islands are "hot," but maybe some of the West Coast lads would like to hear from Marines who are watching the war from one of the coldest outposts in the world. Yes, Leathernecks are still here, nearly 30 months since the original expedition landed.

Some of the men on duty got their first taste of cold when their ship was torpedoed last winter. They spent 10 hours hanging onto life rafts in rough, frigid waters.

In between valdies, Marines sandbag and sod their huts, drawing on farms and pasture land close to the shoreline for material.

ROAD PROBLEMS

Maintaining roads takes a lot of work. In Iceland there are two kinds—all rock or all mud. Unsettled weather doesn't help the situation. In a 24-hour period you can experience snow, sleet, rain, a freeze and a thaw.

Winter nights are 20 hours long, with the sun coming up for a flying visit somewhere between 1000 and 1400. It's the reverse in summer. On a 12 to 4 watch a sentry will see the sun go down around midnight and come up again before he is relieved.

This camp has a "ree" hall, but the favorite pastime is the same as that with Marines all over the world, in climates hot or cold—thinking about home. Sgt. John Worth, combat correspondent.

Lost Buddies

Corpl. Perry Baker, last known to be in Antigua; by Corp. Gordon C. Still, Co. "K", 3rd Bn., 1st Para. Regt., 5th Fleet Post Office, San Francisco.

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Ceremony Marks Completion Of Guadalcanal Railroad

By Staff Sgt. Solomon Blochman, Corps Combat Correspondent
GUADALCANAL, (Delayed) — Completion of The Guadalcanal Division of "The Guadalcanal, Bougainville and Tokyo Railroad," on 22 Aug. was marked by a "golden spike" ceremony reminiscent of the meeting of the transcontinental railroads at Promontory Point, Utah, in 1869.

While cheering feedback, members of the Naval Construction Battalion who built the railroad, and

native looked on, Capt. William M. Quigley, U.S.N., Commander of Naval Base in the Solomons, drove a brass spike into one of the few wooden ties on the line.

The brass spike was turned from a captured Jap shell case.

Seafarers, who built "The G.B.T." may have set a world record in railroad construction, for it took them just three days to finish the railroad, which is 1.23 miles long, and another two days to build its pier terminal.

Well Traveled Letter Arrives

ICELAND (Delayed)—Because "Miss" Alma Owen has a Marine husband here, she won't miss a check mailed to her by a Baltimore firm, even though the letter traveled 6,000 miles instead of about six blocks.

PFC. Janice T. Robinson got the letter here addressed under his wife's maiden name to her old address. Someone scribbled on the envelope, "Try Miss Owen's husband, PFC. J. T. Robinson, Marine Detachment, Iceland."

It worked. But PFC. Robinson took no chances for the return trip. He put the check in a fresh envelope.—Sgt. John Worth, combat correspondent.

Buy More Bonds

Flissie! "What's a military objective?"

Tessie! "Just walk past those machines on the corner—you'll find out!"

Non-Coms Form Club In Alaska

DUTCH HARBOR — A hitherto known officially as the Non-Commissioned Officers' Club and more familiarly to the Marines here as "Snuffy's Tavern" is the home of the brew that cheers and a dog that snores.

The club was sponsored and decorated by the NCOs of this detachment. A \$5 initiation fee, which is refunded when a member is transferred, entitles a Marine of NCO rank to a bottle of beer (when available), kindred companionship, the latest scuttlebutt, Snuffy's tall tales—and the dog that snores.

Sgt. Leland F. Suttin looks out for "Mac"—an English Bull presented to the club by Lt. Col. Charles A. Miller.—Sgt. Peter B. Germano, combat correspondent.

Wonders Or Bondage?

Japanese communique on naval warfare: 'Wishful thinking.'

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"Halls of Montezuma" last Wednesday startled the world, carrying the inspiring Marine Corps messages of Lt. Gen. Thomas Holcomb, Commandant, from Washington, D. C., Brig. Gen. Leroy P. Hunt from Pearl Harbor and Col. William C. Jumper, commanding MCR, from San Diego to Marines all over the world.

Statesiders received it by coast-to-coast Mutual network. The globe enraptured was completed through short wave by the Special Service Division, War Dept., reaching Marines on far-flung fighting fronts.

The broadcast included 75 Marine musicians and actors, among their motion picture stars Sgt. Glenn Ford and PFC. William Lundigan. Written and produced by 1st Lt. Larry Hays, the program

gave a sweeping picture of the part Marines have played in World War II, with emphasis on the Battle of Guadalcanal, America's first big offensive move of the war and a major milestone on the road to Tokyo.

Presented at the Base Theater at 1630 Wednesdays, the program has a much greater potential audience than on Saturday evenings. It now includes a larger orchestra, a Leatherneck chorus of 30 voices under TSGT. Herbert R. Goodwin and a cast of duty-assigned actors (Sgt. Ford, PFC. Lundigan and PFC. Dick Wessell) to augment the faithful group which includes MarGlen, Bud Lockett, Sgt. Archie Leonard, Corps. Norman Jolley, Alden Vela, Grant L. Sewell and others.

Next Wednesday the program will be in new music and drama pattern, featuring the action story of Capt. Earl Snell, who led a company of 4th Raider Bn. troops on Vangunu. The continuity takes him up to the time he was wounded in the drive on Rajenka.

It reaches a dramatic climax with the little known story of a surprise rescue by two companies of Raiders of Jap reinforcements attempting to land at the mouth of the Kacruka river.

Purple Heart Won In Mercy Mission

USNH, SAN DIEGO. The Purple Heart has been awarded to Sgt. Thomas J. Almeida for his heroic assistance to a battalion surgeon



SGT. ALMEIDA

in evacuating wounded men on New Georgia Island.

Armed with only a machete, he refused to quit despite three machine gun wounds. Sgt. Almeida retrieved his rifle and held his position for more than an hour, enabling the surgeon to successfully evacuate injured personnel.

— Stop Losses Talk —

High Record Set At Base Theater

A total of 8300 Marines were accommodated by the MCR theater for training films and entertainment Wednesday to set the highest record of usage in a single day since its construction.

PFC. John Harrison, theater manager, said 114 platoons of recruits and 1500 members of Base personnel used the theater in the single day. Total seating capacity is 2500.

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Christmas Party Plans Progress

Plans to bring together Santa Claus and children of enlisted men serving overseas for a huge Marine-sponsored Christmas party at the Base Theater on 24 Dec., announced last week, are going ahead, according to Maj. Harry Y. Maynard, Base Recreation Officer.

Maj. Maynard's chief concern at the moment is to get early returns

on reservation coupons in order that no lot whose due is somewhere on the far-flung battle front, unable to play his customary Santa role, be overlooked.

Committees of Marine wives are canvassing the area and collecting reservation coupons, with a steering group headed by Mrs. Edith Blanton, 4364 Hillside rd., San Diego, B-2808.

Reservations must be filed not later than 18 Nov.

— So Comfortable —

Hope Broadcast Set For Base

The Pepsi-Cola Show, starring Bob Hope and Warner Brothers' glamorous Ida Lupino as guest stars, will be presented in the Base Theater Tuesday evening.

Along with Hope and Miss Lupino will be the regular members of the broadcast. They include Jerry Colona, Frances Langford, Vera Vague, Wendell Niles and Stan Kenton and his orchestra.

Two performances will be presented, the first at 1900 and the second at 2015. The broadcasting company has requested that only enlisted men and women and male and female officers of the Corps be admitted to the broadcast (first performance). Base personnel and officers may be accompanied to the second performance by members of their immediate families only.

— Write Home —

Dance Party

MCAD, MILAMAR Marines from this station and USMCWV members from Camp Elliott joined company last week to take over the La Jolla Country club for an evening of dancing and dining. It was the first party-dinner for Hq. Sq. Detachment Group and drew a turnout of 90 couples.

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ENTERTAINING FELLOW patients is not difficult for StfsGt. Willard E. Kittelson, former stock show magician. His audience of patients at the USNH, Camp Pendleton, included (left to right) PFC. John McKenzie, Pvt. E. R. Wilkins, Pvt. Frank Lansberry, GySgt. Carl Wiggins and HA 2/c B. J. Dale on duty at the hospital.

Jivin' Gyrenes Keep Morale Up

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC — It takes more than Tokyo's Army and Navy combined to keep a good "jam band" down. Marines in training here are thankful that the business of war hasn't kept 13 members of their unit from keeping in expert form on their musical instruments as well as with their rifles.

All 12 Leathernecks have seen service in "the islands" and are all-important cogs in the unit's military band.

Leader of the group is Sgt. Robert C. Kroppelberger, helping dish up the nightly "five" are Marjoun, Howard R. Perrell, Drum Maj. Albert W. Stewart, StfsGt. Vincent F. Larcello, Sgts. Thomas D. Wilson and Thomas M. Jones, Corps. Jimmy, William C. Green, Paul M. Bayon, J. W. Meyer, Edward J. Kocjan and Henry H. McKee, and PFC. Carl P. Arvison. —By StfsGt. Fred Feldkamp.

—Written Home Later!

Marines Capture Traveling Typer

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC — An ordinary little Hermes portable typewriter, used by all Marine combat correspondents, has a travel background that reads like an adventure story.

Manufactured in Switzerland, it was exported to China and landed in Shanghai. It was evidently confiscated there by Japs who carted it to the Solomon. It was found with booty captured by Marines on Guadalcanal.

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Marine Humor Seen Overseas

HENDERSON FIELD — Satire and humor are always present with Marines no matter where they hang their hats.

The best illustrations of this are the many signs which can be found around any camp site in the South Pacific. One bakery displays a sign reading "The Lungs Bakery, Best Bread This Side of Hell." In the higher class residential districts you'll find "The Lungs Tavern," "Hotel de Gink," or "Guadalcanal Bamboo Room."

Other men lounge for the bright lights lean toward the "Waldorf Astoria" and "Cip's," while less Metropolitan characters long for the sight of the main store at Jake's Crossing with such ads as "Mike's Place." —Sgt. Harold C. Powell, combat correspondent.

—Buy Bonds For Freedom

The demure young bride, her face a mask of innocence, slowly walked down the aisle, clinging to the arm of her father. As she reached the platform before the altar, her dainty foot brushed a flower pot, upsetting it. She looked at the dirt gravely, then raise her large child-like eyes to the sedate face of the old minister and said, "That's a hell of a place to put a lily."

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SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC—A plane or a ship at this outpost is an event worth going to the dock or field to see. In a vague way we feel about the vessel as we do about a Christmas package. Anything might come out.

Marines—for example, such as PFC. Melford E. Jarstad—who have been stationed here from 12 to 18 months, saw their first civilian clothes during that time when merchant marine sailors stepped from one of the infrequent boats that dock here. One cocky little sailor wearing a knit suit was the center of attraction.

In some ways, the manner in which we group around the air field or docks is like the way our ancestors of the lonely pioneer towns of the Middle and Far West gathered around the station when a train was coming in.—Sgt. John M. Reilly, combat correspondent.

—Stop Losses Talk—

Ex-Vermont Boxing King At Pendleton

CAMP PENDLETON -- Boxing stock here showed a bullish trend when PFC. Francis A. Lessor, three-time winner of Vermont's featherweight crown, was made a company clerk at this station after a tour that took him through Paris Island, Ouedin, Fla., and Camp Lejeune. He was a member of Tommy Loughran's boxing team at Paris Island.—Sgt. William T. Harrell Jr., combat correspondent.

Samoa Marine Sets Up Jungle Laundry

SAMOA—"Laundry done—jungle style" is the slogan of a unique establishment which has been set up by a Marine unit here. This laundry has made available a washing machine—not an electric machine, but a hand-manipulated ancient wooden washer, featuring hot water. Attendance is PFC. Warren M. Veck, who sees that water and soap are made available.—Sgt. Thomas A. Fischer, combat correspondent.

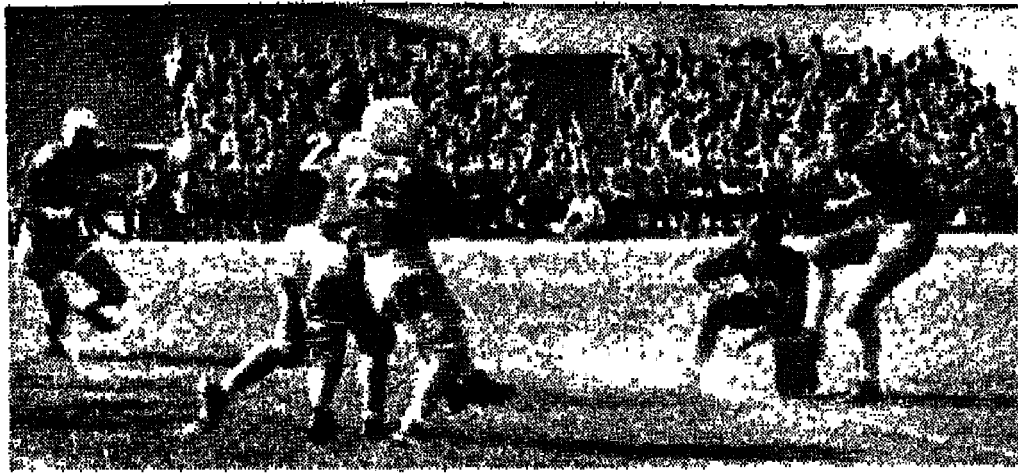
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RECRUITS and 'Old Salts' fill bleachers on new Base gridiron for weekly football battles. D & I's tackle, PFC R. Kelly, missed on this long try for field goal Saturday against Gd. Bu., but the Ds won handily enough. (Photo by PFC Edward Wishig).

Unbeaten D & I Club Meets Signal Today

Sgt. J. C. Nicolini's rugged D & I football team, unbeaten but tied once, will shoot for the works today in an Intra-Base league showdown with Sig. Bu., a club that bit the dust for the first time last Saturday.

The DIs, victorious over Gd. Bu. by a 19-0 score, moved into the top spot when Lt. Don Strong's Hq. Bu. team upset Sig. 12 to 6, in a game that crowded all its scoring action into six thrilling minutes at Balboa stadium.

If Sgt. Nicolini's men beat down Signal's challenge today, it's all over but the shouting—and "Nick's" starwatts will be making most of the noise. If they don't, then any number of situations can develop, depending on what Hq. does against RD Clerks.

UNEXPECTED TIE

PFC Ray Dawson's Clerks put on a little surprise party of their own last week-end when they held strong Ser. Bu. in a 6-all tie.

The only inviolate goal plan in the league belongs to the DIs, leading many Marine grid fans to believe that nothing can stop them. They counted to their win over the Guards, with Pfc. W. E. Clay and PFC E. C. Lewis doing yeoman work in the backfield.

Lewis punched over the first touchdown following a 40-yard drive while the game was still in its infancy. Clay raced 55 yards on a punt return to score after having one 60-yard scoring gallop nullified by a clipping penalty. The third one came just before half-time, when PFC F. L. Duclousian tucked and capped a 30-yard advance.

SCORING ACTION

For sheer excitement the Hq.-Sig. game was in a class by itself. They fought each other to a standstill for 54 minutes and then went touchdown-crazy. Sig. drew first blood when PFC Wilmar C. Mar-tilson heaved a 30-yard pass to

BASE FOOTBALL LEAGUE			
Team	W.	L.	Ties
D & I	3	0	1
Signal Bu.	2	1	0
Hq. Bu.	1	1	0
RD Clerks	1	1	0
Service Bu.	0	2	0
Guard Bu.	0	4	0

TODAY'S GAMES			
At Balboa Stadium—Ser. Bu. vs. Hq. Bu., 12:30 P. M.			
At Balboa Stadium—D & I vs. Sig. Bu., 2:00 P. M.			

PFC John Wedberg, who ran 20 yards to yardline.

Tackle R. U. Callahan erased that one by intercepting a pass and galloping 35 yards to a touchdown. Two minutes before the final gun PFC J. D. Monroe, falling to find a receiver on a pass play, started leaping it for the goal line. He reversed his field drive and went all the way, 35 yards to the winning touchdown. Hq. had some beautiful punting by halfback Rudy Bugh to thank.

PASSES MEET

For the third straight week, Ser. Bu. got out in front of a ball club only to lose its grip. The game was only five minutes old when Full-back J. Ferrante went over for a Ser. touchdown on a 60-yard drive, but the Clerks came rolling back with passes to score in the second quarter.

Dawson touched off the RD team's big drive with passes, most of which went to Pfc. Mike Gonzalez, who played an outstanding game. After Halfback E. W. Pranks went out of the game with injuries, the Transport men lost much of their drive and twice the Clerks threatened in a scoreless last half.

Halftime Score Puzzles Coach

For 20 minutes Capt. G. R. Church wasn't sure which he had, a basketball team or a baseball club, when halftime showed a score of 8-to-6 as his Base Marines made their first start in the 11th Naval District league last week.

However, everything worked out in the end, his star-studded dribblers managing a 30-26 win over NAS Blues for their eighth win of a perfect-to-date season. Scoring honors this time went to Corp. Jack Fultz, who hit for 12 points. Line-ups:

Marines (30)	Pos.	(25) NAS Blues
Starnes (4)	2	(1) Fitzgerald
Hunterhouse (8)	1	(1) Abouder
Pitts (12)	3	(1) Harone
Collins (8)	4	(1) Shurtliff
McClintock (8)	5	(1) O'Brien
Sully-Murphy (2)	6	(1) Lann
Don (1)	7	(1) Haddock (2)

ROADS OF HONOR?

Supply-5 Cagers On Top In MCAD League

MCAD, MIRAMAR — Supply-5 continued in the lead in the Miramar basketball league this week with nine victories and no defeats. Other leaders included Officers, 7 and 1; Hq. Sq. (Per.Gp.), 7 and 3; HqSq. (Depot), 8 and 1; Carpenters, 6 and 1; PX, 6 and 2.

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Bill—the bus driver

GREYHOUND

New Trunks, Gloves Inspire Leather-Tossing Recruits

Maybe it was a flock of new satin trunks. Then, again, maybe it was the hard-leather feel of new gloves. Whatever the inspiration, knockouts came at a dime-a-dozen rate in the RD amphitheater's weekly boxing smoker Saturday night.

Pvt. L. Jimenez, 200-pound California, capped the slugging parade in the evening's last fight when he knocked out Pvt. J. Huesler, 210-pounds out of Plat. 405, in the third round. Corp. Marty Schwartz, referee, counted out three other fistcluffers. Results:

Light boxers—L. Schmidt, Plat. 341, knocked out J. Brown, Plat. 321, in the first. W. E. Krenke, Plat. 321, knocked out H. T. Fletcher, Plat. 419. Middleweights—J. M. Genter, Plat. 307, knocked out C. Blackwell, Plat. 321. W. E. Krenke, Plat. 321, knocked out J. C. Clark, Plat. 321, in the third.

Lightweights—L. T. Goucek, Plat. 308, knocked out S. A. Smith, Plat. 308, in the first. Featherweights—Wagner, Plat. 318, stopped A. LeBrun, Plat. 321, in the third.

Stop Loose Talk

Sergeants Omitted

When the Peace Establishment Act was passed in 1917, the strength of the U. S. Marine Corps was set at 918 officers and men. Due to an oversight, however, sergeants were not included in the appropriation.

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Cross Country Championships Listed Today

Coach Sears To Run In Team Competition Only; Hot Race Looms

Leather-hinged Marines, with six weeks of intensive training under their belts, will stretch out over a three-mile hopscotch course between halves of today's football game in what PFC. Ray Sears, track coach, has designated as the Cross Country championships.

Both team and individual honors will be at stake. Sears himself is a standout and will run for HQ. En. against two other units, Ser. and Sig., but he won't compete for individual prizes. Pvt. Kenneth Barnes of Sig., PFC. Marvin Bishoff of Ser., and PFC. Max Spoor of Sig. rate as top contenders.

Last week Sears led Hq. Bn. to a 25-21 victory over San Diego State college on the latter's two-mile course. His time was 10:23. Bishoff, finishing third; PFC. Robert Tiller, fifth; Pvt. Joe Hale, seventh, and Pvt. Elliot Kaufman, eighth, were other Marines in the scoring picture.

SETS PACE

This week Hq. and Ser., combining their talents, broke even in a double dual meeting with local high school outfits. They won from Kearney, 26 to 20, but lost to Hoover for a second time, 25-30. Again it was Sears out in front with a 9:48 jaunt, followed by Bishoff, Tiller, Kaufman and Hale.

A scheduled meet with Camp Gillespie failed to come off last Saturday. The Marines had to stand an all-day inspection. The 11th Naval District championships are scheduled 27 Nov. at Balboa park.

Mail Address Correct?

Marine Golfers Win

MCAID, MIRAMAR — Putting a six-man team into the match, Miramar golfers defeated Santa Ana Army Air Base 5 to 3 this week at La Jolla Golf and Country Club.



WINTER BASEBALL finds this ABC-2 squad with first-half honors clinched. From left, front row: R. C. Fassett, D. W. Scarborough, A. J. Klusira, F. H. Main, J. A. Olsen, J. Endraske, N. M. Ahr and M. X. Vivrito. Back row: C. A. Anderson, C. E. Main, W. A. Leslie, D. F. Muller, J. B. Parola, F. A. Gott, R. W. Wiot, Southas and M. G. Hittle.

THE SPORTS FRONT

BY PFC. VICTOR H. LEEDING

Marines muscled in on Notre Dame and Purdue to get Angelo Bertelli from the former and Tony Hukovich from the latter, but that didn't alter the nation's football picture any—that is, not as far as choice cuts were concerned.

Notre Dame this week was the unanimous choice for the No. 1 spot. It was the first time since Associated Press started its annual poll that a school had collared every single first place vote. Purdue remained in the No. 2 slot, but the rest of the lineup was shaken up.

Navy climbed back to No. 3, Michigan and Iowa Pre-Flight moved up ahead of beaten Army. Tripped by San Diego's NTS Blue-jackets, previously unbeaten Southern California slidded to No. 9 behind Duke and Northwestern. Penn went down to the bottom of the list, replacing little College of Pacific which now superseded Washington as leader of the "Second Ten."

BRIDGES CALLED

By way of staying on the football beam: The only definite thing about the Rose Bowl right now is that there will be a game. . . Northwestern signal coach Lynn Waldorf to a new three-year contract. . . New Mexico is pointing for Denver and a chance to be San Bowl host. . . Fred Gardner, long-

time Big Ten grid official, died at Chicago.

Selective Service rekindled the baseball fires this week—and how! Detroit's Tommy Bridges, the Giants' Nicholas (Mickey) Witek, the Cubs' Hi Bithorn and Pittsburgh's Bill Brandt and "Kip Sewell, too, all were involved in draft board news. Brandt is in the Navy. The others have physical exams upcoming.

The other standout piece of baseball news concerned Hal Trosky, who was placed back on the active list by the Cleveland Indians and then promptly peddled to the Chicago White Sox.

TUTTLE QUILTS

Novelist (Western type) Wilbur C. Tuttle has resigned as president of the Pacific Coast Baseball league. Jack Chase, California's middleweight king, fought a draw with Challenger Lloyd Marshall at San Francisco.

The San Diego area lost a leading shortstop and trapshooter when Maurion P. Mitchell died. He once coached MCB football.

ABC-2 Nine Wins First-Half Title

NORTH ISLAND — Forrest Main pitched ABC-2 to a 4-3 victory over the Miramar Marines this week, clinching first-half honors in the County Winter Baseball league. Timely hitting by Tony Klusira and Dean Scarborough contributed to the win for Mat-Gun, Joseph Barry's outfit.

ABC-2 will miss the pitching services of Max Hittle in the second half. He is being transferred.

—Any Bonds For Freedom?

A good life is the shortest distance between two dates.

Two Knockouts On Rifle Range

CAMP MATTHEWS — Knockouts were few and far between in a 10-hour Rifle Range boxing card staged before 4000 fans here last Saturday night, with only PFM2/s J. Page, 180-pounder, and Pvt. J. Bell, 150-pound Marine "boot," able to end their scraps prematurely.

Page knocked out Pvt. T. Kopeyik, Mat. 824, in the second round. Bell, out of Mat. 198, rocked W. E. Huffman of the Range Det. to sleep in two beats. Other results:

Light Heavyweights—R. E. Green, Mat. 810, and H. S. Hingle, Mat. 825, drew.

Middleweights—P. A. Hackett, Mat. 800, defeated J. W. Sulka, Mat. 805; H. L. Morgan, Mat. 859, defeated W. Best, Mat. 799.

Welterweights—L. W. Tardiff, Mat. 824, demolished D. W. Wilkins, Mat. 821; L. M. Cunningham, Mat. 810, defeated H. Cunningham, Mat. 810.

Lightweights—T. E. Miller, Mat. 821, and L. A. Bell, Mat. 810, drew; Gaffney, Mat. 805, defeated P. E. Clarke, Mat. 802; W. E. Handley, Mat. 821, defeated W. Dwyer, Mat. 802.

—Write Home—

Two Miramar Teams Win District Games

MCAID, MIRAMAR — The Depot team of Miramar won its first game in 11th Naval District league competition last week, defeating NTS Golds, 82 to 32. In a non-league game it beat NTS Schools 61-46. The PeryGp. team won its first game in the league by defeating the ABC-2 Golds, 61-46.



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Nanumea Machine Gunner's 'Gook' Spices Marine Chow

NANUMEA—When the Marine advance party landed here in September it brought a machine gunner who talks, both in English and the native tongue, almost as fast as his gun shots. He is Sgt. Matthew D. Nemish.

When we hit the beach, Sgt. Nemish was the busiest man on the island. He was one of the few in the party who fluently spoke what Geronimo calls the "gook" language. For nearly a week he lived with us.

One afternoon he came into the hut with a chicken, a bunch of bananas, a basket of bread fruit and lard.

"What do you say we skip chow and cook us a real meal?" he asked. So we borrowed a frying pan and some grease from the mess sergeant, slaughtered the hen (she had two eggs in her), cut up the taro and ate a South Seas meal.

The hen was tough. So was the taro. But it probably was one of the most delicious meals any of us had ever eaten. Asked where it all came from, the sergeant replied, "Presentia. Just presentia." —Sgt. Garth F. Japex, combat correspondent.

—Stop Loose Talk—

Service Family 'All Out' In War

CAMP PENDLETON — If they passed all metals for all-out family endeavor in this war-making business, Rev. and Mrs. Otis P. Maddox and their six sons would be in line. Carrying on for the family here is Lt. Col. Otis P. Maddox, ChC, who heads the staff of 4th Div. chaplains.

Two brothers are Army chaplains, one is an overseas member of the Army Medical Corps, another is with the American Consulate in Brazil and a fifth is building bombers at Fort Worth, Tex., and attending a seminary by day.

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New Zealander Once Marine

NEW ZEALAND (Delayed)—A 63-year-old municipal employee in a New Zealand city claims to be the oldest U. S. Marine in the dominion although he has never lived in America.

He is Frederick Ross, 63, who says he fought with the Marines in China during the Boxer rebellion in 1900, served with them again at Peking in 1901 and a third time during a Chinese rebellion in 1903. Although a British subject, Ross said he worked with the Marines as guide and scout employed in a civilian capacity. —MTN. Jim O. Lucas, combat correspondent.

Duty On Tiny Sand Bar Was Toughest, Sergeant Avers

CAMP PENDLETON—Wake Island, Guam, Midway, Pearl Harbor, Palmyra and the Johnson Islands—all are well remembered by Marines who served there. But the vast Pacific has countless other islands, many of them mere atolls, reefs or shoals too tiny to earn a name for themselves.

Portable Exchange Serves On Guadal

GUADALCANAL (Delayed)—The newest idea in warehousing out here is a portable post exchange—the brain child of a young Marine officer, 2d Lt. Robert T. Lord struck on the idea when he discovered the men in the post exchange of which he is O-in-C. would have to trek considerable distances in many cases to get their supplies.

Marines serve on those, too, and it is one such that 2d Lt. Roy M. Buzzini, now a 1st Lt., here, recalls most vividly. French Frigate Shoals, he thinks it was called, a sand bar "somewhere between Pearl Harbor and Midway, only off to one side." It stretched all of 375 feet in length and 150 feet in width, at an altitude of two feet above sea level. Its flora, fauna and inhabitants are nil.

SPENT FORTY DAYS

In the early days of the war there was no way of telling where the Japs might have cached fuel or supplies except by a first-hand check. Sgt. Buzzini and 11 buddies aboard a battle wagon volunteered under a Marine lieutenant, and spent 40 days on this sand bar while their ship visited other places 'round about.

One day an enemy sub appeared off shore. Armed with only light weapons, the Leathernecks knew that discovery meant certain annihilation, or capture. All day and night and half the next day, until the sub went away, they stayed huddled in pits they wisely had dug in the sand.

"We had a little fun there shark-hunting and spearfishing, but on the whole it was the toughest duty I've had in the Corps," Sgt. Buzzini concluded. —Sgt. Dick Tennally, combat correspondent.

—Buy Insurance—

S.P. (to sailor in bar): "I think you're drunk."

Sailor: "Oh no, I'm not, I've only had teen martini's. I'm not so much under the influence of inanol as some piddle stink, but the tighter I get here, the longer I get."

—Buy Bonds For Freedom—

CHEVRON CHICK

Blonde bombshell your pup-tent if you pin her up in vivacious, curvaceous Betty Hutton, one of Paramount's darlings—and if this gets by the editor, mine, too, I got to hurry and get a tent.

