

Maj. Gen. Watson New Leader Of 2nd Mar. Div.

**Conqueror Of Eniwetok
Atoll Succeeds Gen. Schmidt
As Head Of Tarawa Victors**

WASHINGTON — Maj. Gen. Thomas Eugene Watson, who led the 2nd Mar. Div. in its invasion and quick conquest of Eniwetok atoll, has been named commanding general of the 2nd Mar. Div., which earned a Presidential unit citation for its historic victory at Tarawa.

Gen. Watson succeeded Maj. Gen. Julian C. Smith, transferred to an unrevealed post.

Four years after enlisting in the Corps as a private, Gen. Watson was commissioned a second lieutenant in 1916. He saw service in Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Nicaragua, China, and at various United States posts.

He was promoted to his present rank April 21, 1944.

— Edger Blegen —

St. Peter Mans Bomber's Guns

WITH A DIVE BOMBER SQUADRON, SOUTH PACIFIC—The combination of a Baptist minister pilot with a gunner named St. Peter ought to scare the Japs.

No fallacy, this combination actually exists in the persons of 2d Lt. Beverly V. Tipton of New Orleans and Sgt. Eugene A. St. Peter of Apollo, Pa. The 21-year-old officer was turned down because of his age when he applied to be a Navy chaplain, but still wanting "to do his bit" he enlisted and saw his first action over a Jap base on New Ireland on Easter Sunday—Sgt. James S. Dugan, combat correspondent.

— Ray War Bonds —

Navy Housing Units Ready For Occupancy

NMB, SAN DIEGO—Housing facilities, providing 230 furnished apartments here, have been opened to enable Navy and Marine personnel to be with their families during brief visits to the San Diego area.

Known as Navy Homeja Housing Project 1, the apartments will be allotted for not less than seven days and not more than 60 days. Both officers and enlisted men who have returned from combat areas or sea duty, off ships undergoing repairs in this area, or temporarily assigned to activities here pending re-assignment, are eligible for the housing units.

Memorial Rites

Base services tomorrow in the Chapel and in RD will be devoted to a memorial for William Franklin Knox, the late Secretary of Navy.

The Base Chapel service, starting at 10:15, will include singing of "Day is Done" by the MCB choir, "Eternal Father" by the choir and congregation, and a solo by Pvt. Joseph Reed. Taps will be sounded.

Chap. Frederick F. Bush Jr., Lt. (jg) USN, will conduct the Base service and Chap. Preston O. Martelle, Lt. (jg) USN, will conduct the RD service, scheduled for 6:30.

All other Marine establishments administered by NCB, appropriate services will also be held.



GRIM LEATHERNECKS and their half-trace smash through the thick underbrush of Cape Gloucester on their way in rescue buddies trapped in the cross fire of Jap machine guns near Natano River. Half an hour after this photograph was taken and the rescue effected, four of the crew were wounded by mortar fire. (Photo by Corp. G. Kneppinger).

High Command Shifts Made In San Diego Area

Assignments of new commanding officers for two organizations in the San Diego Area were announced this week.

Col. Julian R. Flesche, recently transferred here from Washington, where he had served approximately a month following overseas duty, is the new commanding officer of the TC, Camp Read Station.

Col. John Groff, former chief of staff to Brig. Gen. Matthew L. Kingman, has assumed command of TC at Camp Elliott.

— Keith Clark —

Col. Bayler Back Battling Enemy

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC (Delayed)—Today the spirit and determination of the gallant Wake Island Marines are being carried into the fight against the Japs, personally, by one of their own number—Col. Walter L. J. Bayler, last man off Wake Island.

The situation today is repeated, the colonel observes. "This time," he said, "the odds are in our favor. There will never be another Wake Island."

— March Forward —

Non-Com In 11th Attack On Enemy

AN ADVANCED PACIFIC BASE (Delayed)—The attack on Kwajalein was the 11th engagement against the Japs for Cysgt. George J. Leluan of Lowell, Wash.

The story of this Marine's actions reads like the history of the Pacific war, beginning with the Pearl Harbor attack, in which his ship was hit, through 250,000 miles of combat and convoy missions aboard ship to the battle of Kula Gulf, then to FME in time to hit the Marshalls as an infantryman.



NO LETTER TODAY. MTSgt. Raymond C. "Butch" Morgan, (left), an orphan and a bachelor, hasn't received a letter for 10 years and is not looking forward to any. MTSgt. Leslie L. Caskey, base postmaster, wants to know "what's ailing him." (Photo by PFC Edward J. Wishin).

No Letter In Ten Years Record Of Base Marine

"No Letter Today" might well have been MTSgt. Raymond C. Morgan's theme song for the past 10 years except that he is proud of not having received a piece of mail in that time and doesn't look forward to any in the future.

Sgt. Morgan, NCO-in-C of Base Mess 141, was on duty in Shanghai when he received his last letter in November, 1933. It was from the Southern California Telephone Co. and contained a five-cent piece being returned to him for a wrong number telephone call he had previously made up Lou Angeles.

An orphan and bachelor, MTSgt. Morgan doesn't write any letters either.

The NCO, a Guadalcanal veteran nicknamed "Butch" because he was formerly a butcher, says:

"I see these 'chuckleheads' sitting around here writin' four or five letters a day. And what (Continued from page 1)

Major Blow Hits Truk

**Smashing Naval
Attack Hits Jap
Pacific Bastion**

U.S. Naval forces crowned the week's activities against the Japs with a smashing attack on Truk resulting in the destruction of 126 enemy planes, 17 warships and merchantmen, and important shore defenses.

American carrier-borne planes dumped a record load of 800 tons of bombs on the Central Pacific fortress in a two-day attack last week-end, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced. It was the second major attack against Truk. The first one last February sent powerful Jap fleet units scurrying for cover.

OUTPOSTS FOUNDED

Truk's eastern outposts, Ponape and Salawa Islands, also were pounded by heavy naval bombardment as well as by carrier-based dive bombers and torpedo planes. Severe damage to Jap defenses was reported at all three bases.

No American ships were lost in any of the operations, though 30 U.S. airmen were missing. The communique said aircraft losses were light.

Half of the 126 enemy planes were shot out of the air while the remainder were destroyed on the ground.

U.S. submarines brought their total number of Jap craft hit since the start of the war to 695 with the sinking of a light cruiser, two destroyers, two transports, five freighters, a large tanker and a naval auxiliary.

SHIPS FLEE TRUK

No ships were found in Truk's spacious lagoon, from which units of Japan's powerful fleet find port before the first large American carrier assault last February.

Sixteen-inch U.S. battleship guns subjected Ponape to "protracted" shelling while Mitchell medium bombers also attacked this bomb-pocked spot 440 miles east of Truk. A cruiser force blasted Salawa in the Nomol Islands, 150 miles southeast of Truk, and Army Liberators again struck at Wake Island to the northeast.

Dauntless dive bombers and C-47.

(Continued on page 2)

— Okey Orders —

Marine Reenlists In Marshall Is.

MAJURO, Marshall Islands (Delayed)—PFC. Henry M. Bretz of Philadelphia, Pa., probably is the first service man to re-enlist on Japanese pre-war territory.

PFC. Bretz's enlistment expired Mar. 2 while he was serving here with the first Marine unit to land and conquer Jap territory.

At the expiration of his enlistment, he was "paid off" at the rate of five cents per mile from California to his home—Sgt. William C. Harris, combat correspondent.

— March Forward —

1st MAC Renamed 3rd Phib Corps

The 1st Marine Amphibious Corps, which has had overall charge of the Bougainville offensive, has been redesignated the 3rd Amphibious Corps, effective April 15, according to letter of designation No. 714.

Rehabilitation Aids Discharged Marine

Youth Wounded On Guadalcanal Now In College

PHILADELPHIA—Once a Marine always a Marine is an axiom true in more than one sense of the word, as Edwin P. Bastian of Trenton, Pa., will heartily agree.

Through efforts of Capt. George McGrath, Marine rehabilitation officer for this area, he is happily making plans for the future and re-adjusting himself to become once again a useful member of civilian society. He is studying for the ministry at Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa.

A pre-Pearl Harbor Marine, Bastian landed with the first wave of troops on Guadalcanal, was wounded in action and awarded the Purple Heart and Presidential unit citation. After many months in hospitals he received a medical discharge.

FACES NEW TASK

At 21, with an excellent war record behind him, he was faced with the problem of returning to civilian pursuits. The effect of Jap bullets caused him to wear a brace on one leg and limp slightly with the other.

His dilemma was short-lived, however. For the Corps was ready for him, as well as the many other Marines who have been (or will be) medically discharged without bright prospects for the future.

Capt. McGrath arranged a typical interview for Bastian, advised him to continue his insurance and to apply for a disability pension through the Veterans Administration.

GIVEN ASSISTANCE

It is the job of the interviewing officer to determine what the new civilian wants to do and to assist him in realizing that ambition. He is asked if he has a job awaiting him, if he would like a new one, or if he desires to take advantage of the Veterans Administration's offer of four years' tuition for some vocational training.

Bastian chose the latter and is now pursuing his pre-theology studies at Muhlenberg. His four-years' expenses are being met by Uncle Sam. If he had desired to learn a trade, Uncle Sam would have paid him an allotment during his study program.

Though the rehabilitation set-up is designed to help medically discharged Marines now, it is pointed out that it will actively aid honorably discharged Marines after victory is won.

Stand Erect

"George looks terribly constricted."

"Yes, he's suffering from high blood pressure."



EDWIN P. BASTIAN
... studying for ministry

Woman Captain Assigned Here

The highest ranking WR now stationed on the Base is Capt. Eleanor M. Gearhart, who arrived this week to assume the duties of assistant rehabilitation officer.

One of the first women Marines, Capt. Gearhart's first assignment was as assistant procurement officer for Southern California. She was sent to Parris Island Apr. 4, 1944, to attend a class in rehabilitation.

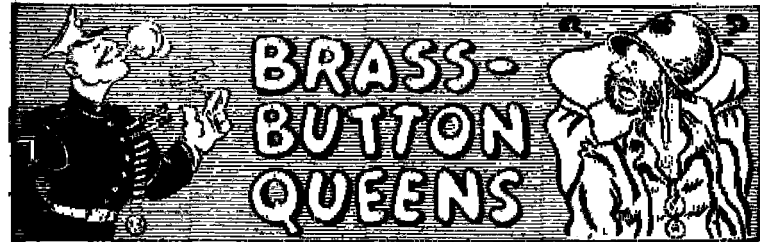
Her duties here will be in an advisory capacity to men about to be discharged from service, instructing them in their legal rights and benefits.

Buy Insurance — USCG Helicopters

The Coast Guard has approximately 263 airplanes in service—71 regular USCG planes and the rest furnished by the Navy. During the next fiscal year, it is proposed to increase the total to approximately 493 planes and 210 helicopters.

Salute Smartly

As the little polar bear said when he got up from sitting on a block of ice: "My tale is told."



(From Time Magazine)

The fighting ability of the U.S. Marines is never questioned. But sometimes soldiers and sailors are irked by the signs of conscious superiority inherent in every Marine. In Gismo (meaning "gadgets"), a publication for all servicemen in the South Pacific, this pent-up irritation was let out in doggerel "believed to be by a sailor":

The Marines, the Marines, those blasted Gyrenes,
Those seagoing bellhops, those brass-button queens,
Oh! They pat their own backs,
Write stories in reams,
All in praise of themselves—the U.S. Marines!

The Marines, the Marines, those publicity fiends,
They built all the forests, turned on all the streams,
Discontent with the earth, they say Heaven's scenes
Are guarded by—you guess! Right! U.S. Marines!

The moon never beams, except when the Marines
Give it permission to turn on its gleams,
And the tide never rises, the wind never screams—
Unless authorized by the U.S. Marines.

The Marines, the Marines, in their khakis and greens,
Their pretty blue panties, red stripes down their seams,
They thought all the thoughts, dreamed in their dreams,
Singing, "The Song of Myself"—the U.S. Marines.

Marine Generals Win Recognition For Leadership

Lt.Gen. Holland M. Smith Presented Gold Star By Adm. Nimitz In Pacific

Four Marine generals were among those honored by Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, for their roles in conquering Tarawa, Kwajalein and Eniwetok Atolls, AP reported from an advanced Pacific base this week.

Cited were Lt.Gen. Holland M. Smith, commanding general, 5th MAC; Maj.Gen. Harry Schmidt, commanding general 4th Mar. Div.; Maj.Gen. James L. Underhill, now a member of 5th MAC, and assistant commanding general 11th Mar. Div., when he led the initial attack on Kwajalein Atoll; Brig.Gen. Samuel C. Cumming, assistant commander of the 4th Mar. Div.

AWARDS PRESENTED

In an impressive ceremony on the wind-swept parade ground at a 4th Mar. Div. base, Adm. Nimitz presented awards to 62 officers and enlisted men.

The Gold Star, in lieu of a second DSM, went to Lt.Gen. Smith, who directed all amphibious assault troops in the Central Pacific campaign. Maj.Gen. Schmidt was presented the DSM in recognition of his service in leading troops which captured Roi and Namur Islands in Kwajalein Atoll. Maj.Gen. Underhill was awarded the Legion of Merit for the Kwajalein assault. Brig.Gen. Cummings received the Legion of Merit for outstanding work in commanding the 23rd Regt. on Kwajalein.

GEN. BOURKE HONORED

CAMP PENDLETON—Brig.Gen. Thomas E. Bourke, who commanded Marine artillery units playing a key role in the history-making Tarawa and Guadalcanal invasions, has been presented the Legion of Merit medal by Maj.Gen. Keller B. Rockey here.

Acting for Adm. Nimitz, who signed the award citation, Gen. Rockey made the presentation at a brief, informal ceremony at division headquarters. Attending were Col. W. A. Worton, Chief of Staff, and officers of the executive staff.

WINS SILVER STAR

USNH, SAN DIEGO Sgt. Maurice A. Ragland of Washington, D. C., this week was presented the Silver Star by Capt. Morton D. Willcutts (MC), USN, medical officer in command, in recognition of action as leader of an MG company on Bougainville.

Purple Hearts were presented to: Corps, Robert Koch of Allentown, Pa.; Frank V. Myers of Leeds, Ala.; Johnnie O. Zadar Jr. of Oak Grove, La.; PFCs, Eliseo Banda of Longview, Tex.; Gerald A. Lussier of Lewiston, Tex.; Charles Joy of Binghamton, N. Y.; John J. Rybick of Dunkirk, N. Y.; Frank V. Slak of Pueblo, Colo.; August J. Mantia of St. Louis, Mo.; Paul E. Kuehler of Penins Grove, N. J.; Edward L. Holecek of Cedar Rapids, Ia.; and Pvt. Harold P. Franklin of Philadelphia, Pa.

TWO WIN AWARDS

NORTH ISLAND—Capt. Nelson H. Dowsell of New Orleans and Paul A. Mullen of Mount Lebanon, Pa., recently received the Air Medal and a Star in lieu of a second Air Medal, respectively, in ABQ-2 ceremonies conducted here by Lt.-Col. Valentine Gephart. Capt. Mullen received the DFC last month.

Write Home

Duo Proves Marines Are Born, Not Made

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C.—Here are two "Marines" who have been Marines all their lives, and always will be—

PFC, Irving T. Marine Jr., a native of Morrisville, Pa., and son of a World War I Leatherneck, and Pvt. Pete Marine of Fayetteville, W. Va., formerly of Elkins, W. Va. —Sgt. Charles E. Roper, combat correspondent.

Former RAF Bomber Pilot Now In Recruit Training

Pvt. George H. Chubb Jr., of Sewickley, Pa., former RAF bomber pilot now undergoing recruit training at MCR, is beginning to believe spring is the time of year when things happen to him.

In May, 1942, he graduated from RAF flight training school in Canada and was sent to England for duty against the Luftwaffe. In April, 1943, after almost a year of combat flying, he was grounded and honorably discharged from the RAF as the result of an ear infection. On Mar. 20 he was accepted in the Corps.

Stationed outside London with a bomber squadron, Pvt. Chubb participated in raids over Düsseldorf, Dillenberg, Kessel, Hamburg, Zuider Zee (Holland), and the Renault factory in France. Sandwiched in with the major raids were countless minor coastal raids and reconnaissance flights along both the English and French coasts.

Use V-Mail

Power Wins Wings

NAS, CORPUS CHRISTI 1st Lt. Tyrone Power received his gold Navy wings in graduation ceremonies here last week. The former film actor received his boot training at MCR, San Diego.

Marine Nephew Of Invasion Leader

NATTC, MEMPHIS, Tenn. — PFC. Bob Ramsay, a student in the AMM school here, is a nephew of Sir Bertram Ramsay, English naval leader who is directing Allied naval strategy in the European theater. PFC. Ramsay's father is a retired captain of the Royal Navy.

March Proudly

Three Base Units Schedule Outings

Three battalion picnics are scheduled for El Monte Oak park within the next month.

Turnouts of 300 are expected by Gd. Bn. Tuesday, 500 by Ser. Bn. on Sunday, May 14, and 1400 by Base Hd. Bn. on June 4. All WRs not on duty have been invited to attend.

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The 'Rock' . . . A Promise To Be Kept

Two years ago today the "Rock" fell. The weary Marines, soldiers and sailors who had withstood five months of savage battering by land, sea and air were overwhelmed by swarms of Japanese shock troops storming America's westernmost stronghold—Corregidor.

For five months, both on the "Rock" and on Bataan peninsula, they had taken everything the Japs could throw at them . . . had seen food and medical supplies dwindle . . . their tiny air force decimated. It was a campaign of slowly falling back on Bataan, beating off repeated Jap attacks, making the enemy pay dearly for every foot advanced.

The final month on Corregidor was a dark one. The "Rock" had no air support. Jap artillery was brought to bear on it from several directions. It was pounded incessantly. But the Jap hordes were always beaten off, often with heavy losses, until that fateful May 6.

Some fifteen hundred Marines were among those captured—men of the famed 4th Mar. Regt., as well as of Marine detachments serving at Cavite Naval base.

Brig. Gen. Dion Williams who, as a young lieutenant in 1898 was the first American to raise

the flag over the Philippines, pledged: "The flag we raised at Cavite will fly again. We did it before. We'll do it again."

The fight to keep that promise has been a long and a hard one—but that it will be kept no Marine doubts.

The Leathernecks of Corregidor and Bataan hold a place in our hearts and history alongside those of the gallant little Wake Island band.

For they were Marines and truly fought like Marines. "First to fight for right and freedom", they held out against overwhelming odds when the people of America were only beginning to realize the magnitude of the task ahead and the tragedy of unpreparedness.

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.

Expeditionary Medal

Editor, The Chevron—I have been told I rate the Expeditionary Medal and bar for the second Nicaraguan campaign. Also, an ex-Marine here wishes to know if he's entitled to the Expeditionary Medal for service in China, 1927-30.

PFC R. B. CARTER

TC, Camp Pendleton.

Editor's note—Submit to the Commandant, through official channels, your application for the medal. Include names and dates of the expeditions and a statement to the effect that you actually served ashore as a member of a landing party during the period for which the medal is claimed. As the medal may be awarded to men separated from the service under honorable conditions, the ex-Marine should make application direct to the Commandant. See Chap. I, Part A, Par. A-1025, Bureau of Naval Personnel Manual, for list of authorized expeditions.

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"W" For Wake Defenders

Editor, The Chevron—Campaign ribbons and stars are being worn by many of our sailors who don't rate them. Some of them are wearing the Navy Expeditionary Ribbon. I know many of the Wake Island Marines personally and believe our boys are doing those boys an injustice.

I served with the 3rd Def. Bn. on Guadalcanal from Aug. 7, 1942, to Feb. 9, 1943, and want to know just what I rate?

Private P. J. REMBESIA, USN

San Francisco, Calif.

Editor's note—Only authorization for the Expeditionary ribbon for this war is to the defenders of Wake Island, Dec. 8 to Dec. 23, 1941. They may wear a silver "W" on the Expeditionary Medal service ribbon bar. Check recently published list of authorized engagements for stars you rate on Asiatic-Pacific Area ribbon. You also rate a Presidential Unit Citation ribbon with star.

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List Of Cited Units

Editor, The Chevron—I was aboard a carrier which participated in the offensive operations during the capture of Tarawa. Does the Presidential Unit Citation for the 2nd Mar. Div. include Marines who served aboard ships involved in that action?

Corp. JOSEPH KOMARNICKI

MB, NAS, Quonset Point, R. I.

Editor's note—List of units which comprised the 2nd Mar. Div. Reinforced has not been released yet. Only one ship was included in the unit citation of the 1st Div. at Guadalcanal, so it isn't likely very many will come under the 2nd Div. citation. There's no way of finding out until the list of units is released. In the meantime, don't wear the ribbon.

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Furloughs

Editor, The Chevron—We have heard scuttlebutt that after boot camp we can obtain furloughs. We have also heard that men living west of the Mississippi will be given 10 days while those living east of the Mississippi will be given 15 days. Some say we can obtain traveling time. What is the word?

H. L. S.

Recruit Depot, MCB.

Editor's note—After recruit training, recruits remaining at MCB for further training or other duty may be granted a 10-day furlough provided they live west of the Mississippi. Except in extreme emergency, furloughs are not granted recruits who live east of the Mississippi. Recruits leaving MCB for FAIF or other stations upon completion of recruit training here may or may not be granted furloughs, depending upon developments at their new stations. Except in emergency no travel time is granted.

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Silk Shortage

Editor, The Chevron—I noticed that the flag of the 6th Marines is on the stage at the Base Theater. Why?

Why do Marines on the East Coast stand up and those on the West Coast do not when the "Marine Hymn" is played?

PFC W. H. OAKLEY

1st Cd. Co., Cd. Bn., MCB

Editor's note—An effort was made to obtain a Marine Corps standard when the new theater was opened, but none was available because HQMC had ruled that there be issued to FAIF units only. This was because of the shortage of silk. Therefore, for decorative purposes, the old style standard of the 6th Marines was borrowed from the Commissioned Officers' Mess and placed on the stage.

The general custom throughout the Corps is to stand when the "Marine Hymn" is played.

(From The Chevron, May 9, 1942)

Camp Elliott—Lt. Comdr. Gene Tunney, once famed as "The Fighting Marine," inspected athletic facilities here this week and expressed satisfaction with the physical training program now being organized by his old outfit.

Twelve nations are now represented in one RD platoon. A potpourri of names—which will probably be a headache to superiors for the duration—was turned in this week.

Camp Elliott—The 2nd Mar. Div. board for selection of non-coms for promotion to commissioned and warrant ranks closed its meetings here this week after considering over 150 candidates.

The "Halls of Montezuma" radio show will feature a Mother's Day program when it goes on the air Sunday from the Base auditorium.

A challenge to a do-or-die rhythm session from the Camp Callan band was accepted this week by the Base swing orchestra and the NTS band.

Male Avalanche

Editor, The Chevron—I was very much surprised, and indeed flattered, to learn that my letter "To A Marine" was printed in The Chevron (Mar. 25 issue).

I was expecting an answer but wasn't prepared for the avalanche of mail that is coming to my box daily. I am answering each of those letters personally, but since it will take quite some time I thought perhaps you might grant me a favor and put this one in print also.

What I want to say is: Thanks a lot, fellows! I certainly believe that a Marine won't let you down. Keep the letters coming, and when I say I will answer each one personally—that's a promise!

P.S. One of you might send me a copy of The Chevron if you would be so kind.

MARY BULLS

Route 1, Cumby, Tex.

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First Liberty

Editor, The Chevron—Thought I'd write and let you know my reactions to my first "liberty" back here after a long siege in Navy hospitals abroad.

I was on my way to visit friends in Los Angeles and received a ride to my destination. Let me say that most people are more than nice to us back here, though an air of complacency and a "we're winning the war easily" attitude persists.

One young lady asked me: "Where is Bougainville?"

A worker "striped" because he had to work until 2000 one night. He thought that the service men "live in gravy".

Yes, there seem to be some men in uniform who create an antagonistic attitude toward service men. They forget that they are representatives of America's armed forces and, despite their ribbons, manners still count.

PFC WILMER C. E. SCHUELER

2nd Cas. Co., Cd. Bn.,

MCB, San Diego.

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One Day's Enough

Editor, The Chevron—In the Mar. 25 issue you wrote: "You may wear the Defense Ribbon," in answer to the question of a Reservist who was not on active duty during the time specified in Art. 8-11 MCM (Sept. 8, 1939 to Dec. 7, 1941). Is this an error or have regulations changed?

1st Sgt. T. J. JOHNSON

Hq. Sq., MAD, NATTC, Jacksonville, Fla.

Editor's note—The Reservist in question went on active duty Mar. 8, 1941, which qualifies him for the ribbon. Anyone who served even one day of active duty during the specified period may wear the Defense Ribbon.

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No Citation For 4th

Editor, The Chevron—There has been a lot of scuttlebutt that the 4th Div. has received or is going to receive a unit citation. What's the dope?

PFC CHARLES SORROCCO

USMC, San Diego.

Editor's note—That's all. The Chevron will have the announcement when, as and if there is a citation.

Church Services

MARINE CORPS BASE (Protestant): 0800 Services, Communion, Chapel. 0700 Services—0800 Services, Auditorium. 1015 Services, Chapel. Evening Vespers Service 1830 Chapel. (Catholic): 0800 Mass, Auditorium; 0915 Mass, Chapel. 1015 Mass (Monday through Saturday) 0830-0730; Chapel, Friday Evening Service, 1900, Chapel. Confession: Saturday 1230-1300, Chaplain's Office. 1015, 123, Recruit Depot; 1600-1700 Chaplain's Office, Administration Bldg. (Jewish): Chapel, 1100. (Christian Science): Sundays, 0930, Bldg. 123, 3rd. (Latter Day Saints): 0800, Reception Room Bldg. 123, 3rd. Wednesdays, 1830.

CAMP MATTHEWS (Protestant): 0930, Theater. (Catholic): Mass, 0600, Theater. (Christian Science): Sunday, 1830, Chaplain's Office Ad. Bldg. (Jewish): 0915, Chaplain's Office. (Latter Day Saints): 0800, Armory's School Bldg.; Thursdays, 1800.

CAMP ELLIOTT (Protestant): Sunday, 0915, Communion, 1000 Post Chapel. (Catholic): Sunday Masses 0630, 0800, 1115. Mass daily, 1030, Confession before Mass. (Christian Science): 1600-1730, Chaplain's Office, Tuesday and Friday. (Jewish): Post Chapel, Friday 1830. (Latter Day Saints): 1930, Camp Chapel; Mondays, 2000.

MCAB, Miramar (Protestant): 1000, Services. (Catholic): 0700 and 0800, confession; 0730 and 0830, Mass. Barracks 515. (Jewish): Transportation 1800 Fridays at Chaplain's Office for services at Camp Elliott. (Latter Day Saints): Mondays, 1800, Hqs. 132.

CAMP PENDLETON (Protestant): Post chapel, communion at 0800, morning worship 1015, vespers service 1830; Ranch House Chapel, service at 1015, vespers at 1830; Seabee camp, 0900; Post Basin, services 0900 and 1900; at theaters, 14-T-1 at 1000, 15-T-1 at 0900, 16-T-1 at 0900, 17-T-1 at 0900. (Catholic): Post Chapel, Masses at 0630, 0800, 1115, confessions before each Mass; Ranch House Chapel, Mass at 0800, confessions before each Mass; Seabee camp, confessions at 0700. Mass at 0800; Post Basin Mass at 0630, 0800, confessions before each Mass; at theaters, 14-T-1 at 0900 and daily Mass at 1700, 15-T-1 at 0900, 16-T-1 at 180, 17-T-1 at 0900 and confessions before each Mass. (Christian Science): Sunday, 1900, Post Chapel; Tuesday, 1830, Post Basin Chapel; Thursday, 1930, Post Chapel. (Latter Day Saints): Mondays 1900, Post Chapel (by 12-G-1); Amphibious Training Base, Wednesday, 1930, Camp Chapel, Bldg. 27.

Secy. Knox—Fighter

The nation lost a patriot and our Naval forces a far-sighted fighting leader in the death last week-end of Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy.

Mr. Knox understood the Navy. He had for it, as for his country, a devotion and loyalty that stand as an example and inspiration to all of the people of this nation, both in and out of uniform.

The respect in which he was held by military leaders was summed up by Admiral King, the fleet's Commander-in-Chief, in these words: "He was a strong and fearless fighter and he always fought fairly and resolutely for his convictions. Throughout the war he has been a stout reliance to all those charged with the conduct of military operations. He has given inspiration to our country at home, and to our Allies abroad."

"We dedicate ourselves, one and all, to what would surely have been his last order—'Carry on'."

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The Year's Advance

A year ago the Japanese holdings in the Western Pacific roughly comprised a circle of about 5,000 miles diameter—a circle with a perimeter of about 15,000 miles. Extending from this circle they held salients—one in the Aleutians including Attu and Kiska, the second in the Gilberts extending 600 miles southeastward from the Marshalls, the third in the Solomons extending 500 miles southeastward from New Britain, and the fourth in Burma. The Burma salient still remains in Japanese hands, but the other three salients have been seized and occupied. Further, the Japanese perimeter has been breached by the seizure of the Western New Guinea-Bismarck Archipelago area, and by the seizure of the Western Marshalls—which has given us an advance during the year of approximately a thousand miles. . . . We have a long way to go, but we can get there faster than many think.—Rear Adm. C. M. Cooke Jr.

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Progress In The Pacific

This last month we sank more submarines than the Germans sank of our ships. On the other hand, our Navy's most constructive blows against Japanese sea power have been from our own submarine fleet. When the Japs struck at Pearl Harbor we had three aircraft carriers. Today more than 30 plow the Pacific. Now we have won our way into complete possession of the Pacific. Secy of Navy Frank Knox.

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Family Affair

Our quarrels are always a family affair and he who thinks a Navy-Marine ruckus can be expanded into a public fight gets into a bad situation—like interfering with the Saturday night entertainment of two Irishmen from adjoining villages.—Adm. Thomas C. Hart, USN.



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Radio Units Post Rear Bases On Battle Progress

Platoon Lands Under Fire, Operating in 15 Minutes in Marshalls

By EdL. Jim G. Lucas
Public Relations Officer

AN ADVANCED PACIFIC BASE (Delayed)—At 11:55 on the morning of May 6, 1942, America received its last radio message from its men on Corregidor:

"GOING OFF AIR NOW, GOOD-BYE AND GOOD LUCK, CALAHAN AND MCCOY."

It was beamed toward Honolulu. They didn't even bother to code it.

Weeks later, the big Dutch radio station in the Dutch East Indies played the national anthem and went silent.

Thus, radio contact in the vast island empire between Pearl Harbor and the coast of China was broken. The voice of freedom was stilled.

RADIO PUSHES WEST

Today, as American troops push deeper into Japanese-held territory, they are taking their radio stations with them, powerful, portable broadcasting units to replace those seized in the enemy's first sneak attack.

When the 4th Mar. Div. stormed into the Marshall Islands late in January and early in February, it took along a radio platoon with sufficient equipment to contact Pearl Harbor, 3000 miles to the east, as the battle progressed.

It was the deepest advance into enemy areas made by American radio since the start of the war. But Marine radio men insist it is only the beginning.

SET UP QUICKLY

The 4th Div. radio platoon, commanded by 1st Lt. Adrian L. Wise of Charlotte, N.C., landed with Maj. Gen. Harry Schmidt, commanding general of the division, less than one hour after the first assault troops had hit the beach on Namur. Within 15 minutes, they had established communication with all elements of the task forces supporting the landing, as well as with units on other islands in the Kwajalein atoll.

Later, as high-ranking officers of the parent 5th Amphibious Corps steamed back to a rear base, 4th Div. radio men kept them informed of the progress of the battle.

BEST TO DATE

"Radio worked better in this operation than it has ever done in the Pacific," TSgt. Albert B. Haynes of Fort Worth, Tex., of the radio platoon declared. "Instead of shutting down once we had established our beachhead, we actually extended our network and continued to operate until the hour we left the Marshalls."

The radio platoon landed under fire and during the first day at the front lines was often under fire.

Thus, American radio is pushing across the Pacific with our fighting troops, re-establishing communications broken more than two years ago. Today, Radio Manila, Radio Corregidor, Radio Java, are in the hands of the Japanese. But at their doorsteps are the radios of a free people.

—Keep Clean—

Showdown Coming

A showdown in the Pacific is in the offing. Japan is caught up on the horns of a dilemma of her own making. If the Imperial Navy makes a stand, it will be annihilated. But if it remains in hiding we shall proceed to new land bases ever nearer to the homeland.—Vice Adm. David W. Bagley.

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UNUSUAL SEABAG. This prized bag found its way back to its owner, Corp. William B. Kuhl, after an 18 months' separation. (Photo by PFC, Edward J. Wiship).

Overseas Vet Finds Lost Seabag In Recruit Depot

An unusual seabag has come back to its owner, Corp. William B. Kuhl, in an unusual way.

Corp. Kuhl prized the seabag highly because on it were autographed the names of 45 members of his detachment aboard the USS Yorktown when that ship was sunk in the Battle of Midway.

Lost in San Francisco more than 18 months ago when Corp. Kuhl came ashore after two years of sea duty, the bag showed up only recently in the building at MCB where the corporal has been issuing gear to recruits ever since.

WITH STRAY GEAR

The bag was shipped to Reclamation and Salvage office, where stray Marine gear is sent. It was hanging on a clothing bin in Bldg. 231, ready to go through boot camp a second time, when one of Corp. Kuhl's co-workers noticed the name on it. In addition to the autographs of his buddies, 11 of whose names are circled in red as known to have died, the bag is also a homemade "record book."

On it are listed the eight engagements in which Corp. Kuhl took part, including the Marshalls, Gilberts, Solomons, Coral Sea and Midway actions; and also the six ships on which he served. One of these recalled him following the Yorktown sinking, after he had been in the water 3 1/2 hours.

The 31 bases and ports where Corp. Kuhl has served or touched in his more than four years' duty

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Utah Boot Hits 325 To Lead In Week's Firing

Platoon Totally Without Experts Places Second On Qualification Ladder

CAMP MATTHEWS—Pvt. Merrill S. Budge of Ogden, Utah, member of Plat. 255, turned in a rifle score of 325 at this range last week to lead the 1762 recruits who fired for record.

Plat. 245, coached by PFC Charles M. Thornell, took qualification honors for the week with a mark of 96.6. Only two members of Sgt. E. B. O'Brien's 59-man platoon failed to qualify.

Oddity of the week was the fact that Plat. 248 tied for second place in qualifications on the Wednesday record day without an expert rifleman in its ranks. Its percentage was 93.7.

By contrast, the platoon with the lowest qualification percentage of the day, 80.0, had the most experts. Eleven members of Plat. 244 hit for 306 or better.

Range records for the week were:

Apr. 24

Leading individuals — 325, Pvt. Budge; 319, Pvt. Harold D. Slaughter (Plat. 254); 307, Fort Worth, Tex.; 313, Pvt. Guy B. Moser (Plat. 242); 31, Ligon.

Leading platoons—96.6, Plat. 245; 92.7, Plat. 248 (Corp. Marion F. Mohlenger, coach, 1st Sgt. A. G. Stevenson, DI); 92.7, Plat. 244 (Pvt. Donald F. Brown, coach, 1st Sgt. J. L. McDonald, DI).

Apr. 25

Leading individuals — 324, Pvt. John H. Spelutich (Plat. 269); 319, Capt. 320, Pvt. Keith H. Jackson (Plat. 251); 311, Glenn, Ia.; 318, Pvt. Dennis D. Anderson (Plat. 274); Van Wert, Ia.; and 1st. Frank B. Hatten (Plat. 261); Litchfield, Ill.

Leading platoons—86.4, Plat. 270 (Corp. Leslie Wilder, coach, 1st Sgt. L. V. C. Willis, DI); 91.9, Plat. 274 (1st. Sidney P. Johnson, coach, Sgt. D. C. Richard, DI); 91.0, Plat. 262 (Pvt. Herman B. Goodwin, coach, Sgt. L. W. Fortman, DI).

—Buy Bonds For Freedom—

New Books On Base Library Shelves

NON-FICTION

"D Day", John Gunther.
"The Captain Wears a Cross", Capt. W. A. Maguire.
"Tarawa", Robert Sherrod.
"Curtain Rises", Quentin Reynolds.

FICTION

"Strange Fruit", Lillian Smith.
"Bedside Esquire".
"The Steep Ascent", Anne Linbergh.
"Blessed Are the Meek", Kosak.

Ten Complete New ABG-2 Class

NORTH ISLAND—Ten officers comprise the first graduating class from ABG-2's new six-week advanced training school to provide B-26 two-engined Marauder pilots for air transport, towing targets, ferrying work and other tasks assigned to multi-motored planes.

The graduates: 1st Lts. William A. Burridge, Carol L. Crawley, Ernest Fockler, Ivy G. McWhorter, William D. Bochman, William N. Heflin, Charles S. Means, Philip H. Dorgan, George J. Bahich and 2d Lt. Charles R. Coutts.

—Buy Insurance—

Five Leatherneck Couples Married

MCAS, EL CENTRO—Five all-Marine marriages of personnel stationed here were performed in one week recently. Married were: PFC Lee Sours to TSgt. Randall Sullivan; Corp. Ethel E. Gillock to Corp. Samuel Hasson; PFC Evelyn Lawrence to MTSgt. Everett H. Bailey; Pvt. Jane Passmore to Sgt. Bert Bryant Jr., and Pvt. Grace Gilbert to MTSgt. E. J. Stebbins.

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TANK DEALS DEATH TO JAPS IN THREE MARSHALLS ENGAGEMENTS

By TSgt. Roy E. Heinicke
Combat Correspondent.
ENIWETOK ATOLL, Marshall Islands (Delayed)—The large glaring letters spelling "DODO" under the death-dealing gun of a Marine medium tank was the last sight many hundreds of Japs had before being killed in the bloody fighting here.

Despite fatigue from five days of continuous fighting, first with the 22nd Regt. on Engebi Island and later with the 106th Army Regt. on the Isle of Eniwetok, where the fiercest fighting took place, the crew hurried the re-arming and repairing of their tank

throughout the night of Feb. 21 in order to land with the first Marine troops ashore on Parry Island, last Jap stronghold of this atoll.

"Of all three engagements, I don't think I would want to go through again what we encountered on Eniwetok," said 1st Sgt. John B. Gillespie of Bremerton, Wash., tank commander. "However, we did get the most Japs there and that compensated somewhat for our loss of sleep."

Sgt. Gillespie led his crew of four Marines through many dangerous escapades and brought them back safely.

"Our first run across the island of Engebi in our first engagement led me to believe that all we had to do was chase 'em out and let loose with our guns," PFC. Bob A. Meier of Silvis, Ill., said, as he sat atop his large calibre gun, gently stroking it. "Down here we nearly had to go underground to flush 'em out."

Meier has been in the Marine Corps 15 months and this was his first engagement with the enemy. "Bob didn't mention the 309 Japs we cornered for him over on the tip of Eniwetok," PFC. Harold C. Anderson of Brooklyn, N.Y., added, popping his head out of the turret

top to join in the conversation. "We trapped them and he did the rest with 'Bessie'."

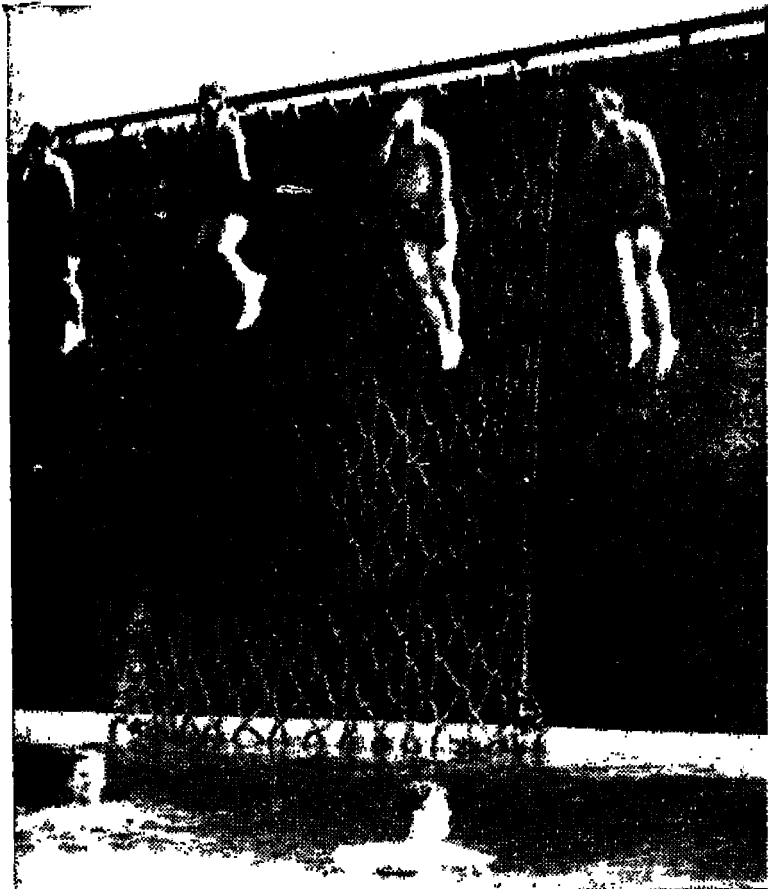
"Bessie" was the tank's heavy gun. Its outside looked dusty and covered with small nicks from enemy rifle fire, but due to the loving care showered on it by Meier, its bore glistened in the rays of the morning sun which flickered down its muzzle.

Corp. Patrick J. Walsh, still with the light shining in his eyes that Irishmen all over the world carry into a fight with them, said very little, except that he hailed from Wheaton, Ill. He sat, with a slight smile on his lips, looking

as if he was re-living the last five days all over again.

"The Mick won't talk," said PFC. Walter O. Rooney Jr. of Carlisle, Pa., another Irishman who was busy trying to wipe the combination of sweat, grime, and dust from his face. "The only time he talks is when he is pulling the trigger of that machine gun. And such language," he said, giving Walsh a playful push.

These men were typical of the Marine tank crews that refused to recognize the weariness of their bodies or the shells the enemy threw at them in a frantic effort to stem their advance.



WARFARE SWIMMING. Leathernecks at MCAS, Santa Barbara, learn the correct method of jumping from a ship at this station's new 75x164-foot combat training tank.

Swimming Taught At Air Station

MCAS, SANTA BARBARA. Classes are now being held daily in this station's recently completed combat training tank in a program to make expert swimmers of all Leathernecks stationed here.

All men taking the course—officers, pilots and enlisted men—are classified into three groups. All trainees must complete Class 3, which includes jumping from a height of five feet and swimming 50 yards. Then they advance to Class 2, from which they are graduated after jumping from a height of 10 feet, swimming 100 yards and using three different strokes. To qualify as a Class 1 swimmer, Marines demonstrate ability to break a drowning person's grip, tow a water victim 25 yards, swim under water for 25 yards, use trousers as inflated support, and swim 250 yards using any stroke.

Marine Wins Bond In Guadal Match

GUADALCANAL (Delayed)—PFC. Shelby S. Dawson of Camden, Ark., won a \$75 war bond as first prize in a carbine match here recently. More than 150 Marines participated.

Firing at 200 yards, he scored 8 bullseyes in 10 shots, against 5 for the closest contestant.

PFC. Dawson holds the unofficial regimental HMG record, scoring 142 out of 200 shots on silhouette targets at 24 yards.—PFC. Cyril O'Brien.

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Casualties

The name of one Marine, Pvt. George L. Kelly of Evergreen Park, Ill., appeared on a Navy Dept. prisoner of war list this week. Kelly was one of 21 enlisted men announced held by Japan. All were previously listed as missing.

	Dead	Wounded	Missing	Of War
USN	11,262	3,936	8,225	2,511
USMC	4,145	7,874	757	3,943
USAF	329	91	201	0
	16,736	11,901	9,183	4,454

DEAD

California: 1st Lt. Miles M. Glendon, Los Angeles.
Connecticut: PFC. Louis A. Capes, Waterbury.
Missouri: 1st Lt. Willard G. Gibson, Kansas City.

MISSING

California: 1st Lt. Arthur R. Miller, Oakland.
Iowa: 1st Lt. Charles W. Miller, Rockwell City.
Louisiana: 1st Lt. James E. Ball Jr., Alexandria.
Michigan: PFC. Richard C. Berryman, Grand Rapids.
Pennsylvania: 1st Lt. Donald D. Smith, West Reading, Corp. Paul K. Kline, Verona.

Stop Loose Talk

Quinine Making Process Found

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 3 (AP)—A chemical method of duplicating quinine, identical in every respect to the anti-malarial drug extracted from the bark of cinchona trees, has been developed after almost a century of attempts by chemists, the Polaroid Corp. announced today.

The corporation added that "military interest in the new process relates to its possibility as a replacement for the vast quinine-bearing cinchona tree plantations in Japanese-held Netherlands East Indies. It is by no means certain, however, that the synthetic drug can be manufactured on a large scale for use during the war."

Gen. Rupertus Award DSM

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC, May 2.—Gen. MacArthur today personally pinned the DSM, one of the nation's most coveted awards, on the shirt of Maj. Gen. William H. Rupertus, commander of the 1st Mar. Div., which captured Cape Gloucester and then drove the Japanese out of three-quarters of New Britain. The citation accompanying the

award said "for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service" during "an undertaking fraught with hazard" when Rupertus overcame "great difficulties of weather and terrain that faced his force." The citation continued, "After firmly establishing a beach head between two large enemy forces, he brilliantly maneuvered his troops to destroy each in turn."

Promotion Shifts Duties Of Two Base Old Timers

One old-timer received a promotion and another in the same company took over new duties this week.

TSgt. Arthur M. (Jack) Berry, who will be eligible for retirement on 30 years' service in November, was promoted to master technical sergeant. As the new bandmaster in Co. C, he will be NCO-in-C of student band personnel.

His place as NCO-in-C of the Field Music School will be taken by TSgt. Joseph Parenti, who has just completed 27 years' service.

The military careers of these two veterans, who served together in China and Guano before their present assignments in the storeroom of the Base band, parallel each other in several aspects.

BOTH IN ARMY

MTSgt. Berry enlisted in the Army in January, 1909. He held a commission as captain during the last war, from August, 1917, until April, 1919. He left the Army in May, 1922, and joined the Marine Corps the following October. He has had three tours of duty in China, two at Peking and one at Shanghai.

TSgt. Parenti enlisted in the Army in February, 1916, and

served until February, 1923. He was a bugle instructor at Fort Rogers during the last war. Joining the Marine Corps four days after he left the Army, he has seen duty in Honolulu as well as Guam and China.

Use V-Mail

Observer Winds Up Battle Hero

AN ADVANCED PACIFIC BASE (Delayed)—Lt. Col. Walter I. Jordan of Virginia Beach, Va., landed on Tarawa as an observer and came out of the battle a hero.

Adm. Nimitz has awarded him the Silver Star for taking command of a leaderless platoon that was suffering heavy casualties and directing it through two days of fierce fighting. He later returned to the U. S. to help plan the Marshall Islands campaign and returned to action on Kwajalein atoll.

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Sergeant Major Still A 'Boot' After 16 Years

Third Consecutive Xmas Spent Outside The U.S.
By SgtMaj. Raymon Clark

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC—Some of his buddies who will soon bring their records of service up to 30 years still call him "Boot", but SgtMaj. Raymon A. Clark of Charleston, S.C., has learned to know his way around during 16 years in the Corps.

SgtMaj. Clark's third consecutive Christmas was spent out of the U.S. last Yule season, but holidays away from home are no novelty to the "Boot."

The sergeant major participated in the defense of Pearl Harbor and soon left to take up a station in the Southwest Pacific, where he served for approximately 20 months.

FOREIGN SERVICE

On the few occasions that the sergeant major manages to get into a liberty uniform, he wears the ribbon for the Yangtze River Medal, Second Nicaraguan Medal and the Good Conduct Medal with three bars.

His Marine career includes "baseball duty" in Peiping, China, during the 1932, 1933 and 1934 seasons and in the Charleston City League in 1935, 1936 and 1937. His varied stations include a year at the New York World's Fair in 1939 and 1940. St/Sgt Saul W. Spiegel, combat correspondent.

Citations

A number of the citations announced by HQMC this week have been awarded Marines by the Army. They are indicated by an asterisk (*).

Distinguished Service Cross

Capt. Charles E. Easton (posthumously),
1932, May E. Costello (posthumously),
1933, Nicholas J. Guimaraes.

Silver Star Medal

1st Lt. Harold E. Rossetans,
Capt. Charles L. Luchas, *Phil.
1st Lt. Ferguson,
Capt. William H. Olsson, John
Koyles,
Capt. Albert E. Bailey, *Ken.
1st Lt. C. Hall,
1st Lt. George J. Val,
Capt. Harry J. Erickson (posthumously),
1st Lt. Clifton Carter,
Sgt. Jack McDevitt, Fred L. Di-
Donato,
Capt. Merrill R. Bellman, *Hu-
bert E. Lyon, *Richard E. Hunt,
Pvt. Victor L. Deane, *Robert
D. Bow, *Clayton E. Fudy, *Patrick
J. Fleming, *William J. Honahan,
William H. MacPherson, Charles O.
Towley, Maurice A. Hopland, Char-
les H. Shuman, *Donald A. Barnes
(posthumously), *Frederic Bryant
(posthumously).

Distinguished Flying Cross

Maj. Richard M. Caldwell, *Mun-
ford R. Peyton,
1st Lt. George C. DePinto, Ed-
ward F. Shaw, *Wilbur J. Thomas,
2d Lt. Albert C. Benke.

Soldier's Medal (Army)

1st Lt. John D. Boudreau,
Corporal Lawrence J. Choate, 1st
Lt. E. Trebey.

Air Medal

1st Lt. John A. Sapp, Jr.,
Maj. Wallace H. Cronin, *Frederic
C. McKee,
Capt. Ralph C. Metcalch, Wil-
liam C. Moore (third star in lieu of
second medal),
1st Lt. Sheldon O. Hall, *Robert
Perry,
2d Lt. William J. Kopas.

Letters of Commendation

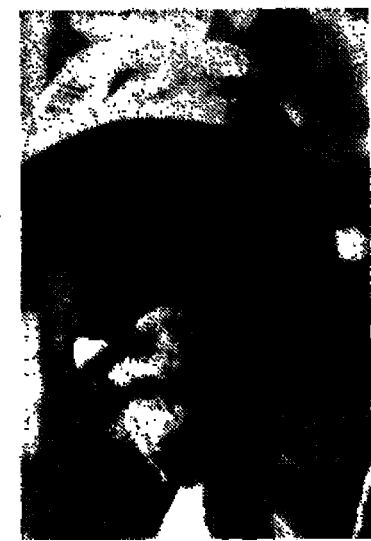
1st Lt. Mark L. Curry, Harry
R. Ann Lee, *William M. *Wright,
Maj. Roy J. Patterson Jr., George
E. *Woodhouse, Charles E. Parker, John
A. Scott, *Robert H. Thomas,
Capt. John W. Foley Jr., George
L. Hays (posthumously), Robert M.
Shippson, *Richard J. Woodward,
*Russell L. Young,
1st Lt. *Malcolm N. McCarthy,
Sgt. Louis L. Barnhart,
Sgt. Basil L. Grogan,
Corporal Paul L. *Bressler, Francis
L. Fitzgerald, Eugene H. Hines,
Robert E. Kossinger, John H.
Shankle,
Pvt. George J. Kukulka, Johnnie
A. Sanfratello.

Stand Street

Marines Commended In Aid To Police

NATTC, MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Special letters of commendation from The Commandant were pre-
sented St/Sgt. Frank E. Larrabee
and Corp. Lloyd M. Taplett here
for their part in aiding Memphis
city police capture three armed
highway robbers. The Marines
were unarmed.

Old Timers



SgtMaj. RAYMON A. CLARK

Bulletin Board Dishes Out Dope

NOUMEA, NEW CALEDONIA (Delayed)—A typical bulletin board in a Marine camp in this area offers the following advice and information to American boys just arrived overseas from the United States:

How to take proper care of mess gear, rubbing it periodically with sand, so as to guard against dysan-
tery, etc.

Warnings against wandering through certain native villages. The natives are friendly but often desire privacy.

Standard prices for soft drinks, very popular but not worth black market prices.

What can and cannot be mailed home as souvenirs.

Taxi rates when going on lib-
erty. There is also free transpor-
tation for those not in a hurry.

Suggestion that swimming trunks be worn when bathing in certain areas.

Warnings of fire hazards from dry tropical grasses and trees.

Procedure for absentee voting.—
Sgt. Alvin M. Joseph Jr., combat
correspondent.

Boats Or Bondage?

Marine Son, Navy Father Reunited

A MARINE BASE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—When ChCS. Smith R. Hunt of Long Beach learned his Marine son, PFC. Freeman Hunt was nearby he obtained an airplane ride and flew from his South Pacific post to this base to make possible the first reunion the two have had in over two years of fighting the Japs in the Pacific. Chief Hunt has six children — three boys and one girl are in the service but Freeman, who has seen action with the 2nd Mar. Div. at Tulagi, Guadalcanal and Tarawa, is the only Marine.—TSgt. Fred Fildkamp, combat correspondent.



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Marine Lands Safely—Despite Live Bomb

WASHINGTON—With a live bomb rolling loose in the bomb bay of his airplane, a Marine pilot ordered the two other members of the crew to parachute to safety, and then, alone, brought the plane into a hazardous but successful landing.

The pilot, Capt. Garth Thomas of Post, Tex., dove a Grumman Avenger torpedo plane so low

over an enemy target during a recent South Pacific raid that the plane was struck by frag-
ments from an exploding 2000-
pound bomb dropped by a pre-
ceding aircraft. The windshield
was shattered, the bomb bay
punctured, and hydraulic lines
severed.

En route back to the base, the turret gunner, Sgt. Cleveland M. Akry of Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., discovered that because of the damage, one of a cluster of four bombs released over the target had not dropped out of the bomb bay. It was loose there and worse, it was armed.

Apprised of the danger, Capt. Thomas pressed the releases but the bomb bay doors would open

only eight inches—not enough to jettison the bomb.

He flew over an island planta-
tion and ordered his crewmen
to jump. Sgt. Akry parachuted
to a neat landing. But PFC.
Ralph L. Born of Butte, Mont.,
the other crewman, fell into a
tree top and his leg became en-
tangled in a vine. He had lost
his knife in the plunge so he
chewed at the vine until it
parted, dropping him unhurt on
his back on the soft earth.

Capt. Thomas radioed the base
that he was coming in with a
live bomb and asked that the
field be cleared. Then he brought
the plane into a gentle landing.
A bomb disposal crew did the
rest.

2000 Families Reside In NCO War Community

Camp Lejeune's Midway Park Boasts Residences Of Many Battle Heroes

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C.—In ad-
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HOME OF HEROES

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neck heroes as WO. Donald L. Truesdell of Lugoff, S.C., who holds the Medal of Honor for a heroic deed 11 years ago; TSgt. Harold Hazelwood of Stark, Mo., winner of the Navy Cross for gallantry at Midway Island, and many others.

The little city was named in honor of the Marines who dis-
tinguished themselves in the Battle of Midway.—Sgt. Charles B. Kopp, combat correspondent.

Use V-Mail

Enemy Zero Downed By Machine Gunners

USNH, OAKLAND.—PFC. Ray E. Nickell of Middletown, O., member of a machine gun crew which downed a strafing Zero at Cape Terokina, has been returned here for treatment of a tropical ailment.

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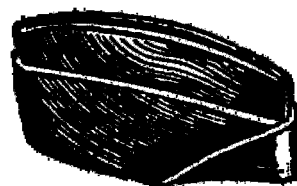
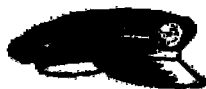


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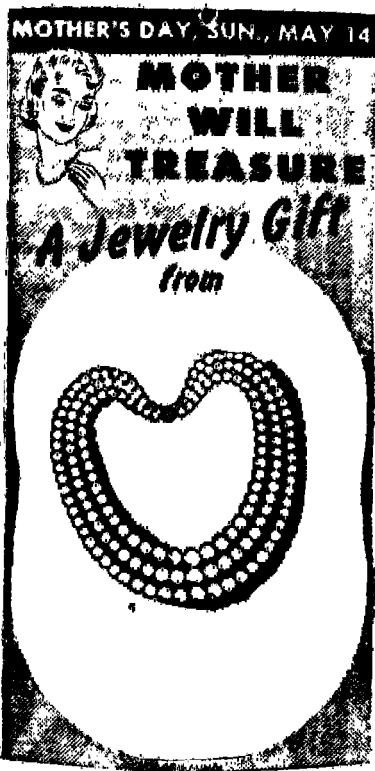
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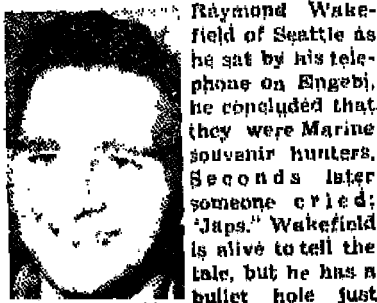
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Jap Trickery, Audacity Still Take Life Toll

Convalescing Veterans Of Marshalls Report Nips As Treacherous As Ever

PEARL HARBOR, T. H. (Delayed)—A group of Marines wounded in the Marshall Islands invasion is now recuperating at a Naval hospital here.

When eight men carrying three rifles splashed ashore last PFC.



WAKEFIELD

Raymond Wakefield of Seattle as he sat by his telephone on Engebi, he concluded that they were Marine souvenir hunters. Seconds later someone cried: "Japs." Wakefield is alive to tell the tale, but he has a bullet hole just below his heart to prove the men weren't seeking souvenirs.

The Jap rifleman on Roi who shot him in the right arm didn't keep Pvt. John A. Marzolf of Seattle from continuing to fire his machine gun because he "always fires left-handed anyway". Marzolf was wounded 100 yards from the beach while going ashore in an amphibian tank.

SHOT IN BACK

Japs played their old trick of hiding in pits beneath the roots of coconut trees and shooting Marines in the back after they had passed, said Capt. Ralph C. Morse Jr. of Buhl, Ida. The elaborate underground trench systems on Engebi made it difficult to root out the Nips, he added.

A tank commander and radio-man, PFC. David C. Coleman of Salem, Va., went unscathed through landings on two islands, then was wounded as he started to lift the tank turret preparatory to laying down fire on Namur.

—Buy More Bonds—

Parade Honors Maj.Gen. Moses At Retirement

PARRIS ISLAND—A parade of 20 battalions—nearly 7000 men and women of the Corps—honored Maj. Gen. E. P. Moses here recently upon his retirement after more than 40 years' service.

A battalion of Women Marines led the parade of Leatherstocks and sailors.

During Gen. Moses' first three decades of service, he contributed much to the development of tactics and weapons which Marines are now employing successfully in amphibious operations.

The general was appointed a second lieutenant in 1904. After outbreak of World War II he was appointed brigadier general and later a major general.

Successor to Gen. Moses is Maj. Gen. Clayton B. Vogel.

—Write Home—

"What did you say when you lost at strip poker?" "I shed plenty."

Gd. Bn. CO Captured Haitian Bandit

One of the spectacular episodes of the years spent by Marines in establishing order in Haiti was recalled here with the recent assignment of Lt. Col. Jesse L. Perkins as CO of Gd. Bn.

Early in January, 1920, the Marines and gendarmes started a relentless six months' campaign to wipe out Haiti's bandit groups. In May, acting upon reports that the camp of the bandit leader, Benoit, had been located, Lt. Col. Perkins (then a captain), took one officer and 28 Marines and set out. When the unit struck a small outpost and was fired on, Perkins sent all except three of his men to follow the fleeing bandits. He and the three took a short cut to the



LAST MINUTE instruction is given Marine engineers by 2dLt. Robert Reynolds of Berkeley, Cal. (extreme left) just before they went ashore to invade Roi in first landings in the Marshall Islands. Later he got 20 Japs.

'Looks Just Like You' Sweet Words To Marine

AN ADVANCED PACIFIC BASE (Delayed)—2dLt. Robert G. Reynolds of Berkeley, Cal., had a lot on his mind the last week in January. Within a few days he would be leading into combat a team of engineers, invading the first of the Marshall Islands.

As the crowded transport pushed deep into choppy waters, he made last minute checks on equipment. He checked again to be sure his men knew their complicated tasks, had their weapons oiled and ready, were familiar with terrain and enemy tactics.

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4th Div. Receives Gift Of Cigarettes

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Half the 4,016,000 cigarettes were given out on receipt by Lt. Col. LeRoy B. Hauley, recreation and morale officer. The remainder will be distributed later.—Sgt. Charles R. Vandergrift, combat correspondent.

bandit camp. Disregarding rifle fire, they rushed into the camp and almost ran into Benoit, who fired at a range of only 10 feet and was himself immediately shot down. Shooting of the bandit leader proved a turning point in the campaign.

Lt. Col. Perkins was awarded the Navy Cross for the action.

This is his third tour of duty on the Base, he having been stationed here in 1936 and again in 1938-39. An artillery officer, he organized the first Marine AA. battalion, which in later years formed the nucleus of the famed Wake Island defense garrison.

Col. Perkins came to the base from the South Pacific, where he commanded a defense battalion.

about how, back in Berkeley, about that time, his wife would be in the hospital having the young Reynolds' first baby. It was weeks since he had heard from her; it would be weeks longer before any word came through to him.

When the engineers hit the beach at Roi airfield, they did him proud. The lieutenant himself got more than 20 Japs and his men accounted for dozens more as they blasted their way across the airfield. Infantry casualties from traps or enemy blocks were low, thanks to the engineers.

Then they were bombed. There were casualties and the business of evacuation.

GETS REST

Back at a rest camp, they had to build, to furnish, to make conveniences. After a week, the first mail arrived. There were letters from his wife, some dated late in February. She was all right, then. But what about the baby?

The young officer tore open the nearest letter, skimmed through it: "The baby is more lively every day . . . the nurse says she never saw a healthier infant . . . I can hardly wait until you see our baby . . ."

Then down toward the bottom, a line which made the young Marine leap right out of his tent into the company street.

"He looks just like you."—Sgt. Bob Cooke, combat correspondent.



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By Capt. Houston Stiff

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Keep your weapon within arm's reach 24 hours a day. You may need it at any moment, and may lose it if you leave it elsewhere.

Be sure to dig a deep, narrow foxhole with overhead protection if possible whenever you stop for more than an hour.

Never go off on unauthorized "long-wolf" expeditions for the enemy, souvenirs or clow. You may not be as capable of taking care of yourself as you think you are; your absence may put your outfit on the spot.

— Salute Smartly —

Losses Small

WASHINGTON—The German U-boat is sinking considerably less than one-half of one per cent of the ships being convoyed across the Atlantic by the Navies of the United Nations, Rear Adm. Francis S. Low said in an address here.

Marines, Army Trade Equipment In Pacific Area

WASHINGTON — That Marine units evacuating Pacific islands on which they landed have on several occasions left their heavy equipment for use of the Army organizations which followed them was revealed by Lt. Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, the Commandant, in testimony on the 1945 Navy Dept. Appropriation bill.

"We go in and take a place," Gen. Vandegrift told the House Appropriations Committee. "Then when we leave it, we leave our heavy equipment there for the Army, such as our 90mm. guns, our 40mm. guns, our heavy transport and other things. Then we have to re-equip with those items. Of course, the equipment is not lost, because they use them. A good many times we have gotten equipment from the Army as replacements."

Since loading and unloading facilities on many small islands are limited, this trading of equipment results in substantial economies of effort, he said.

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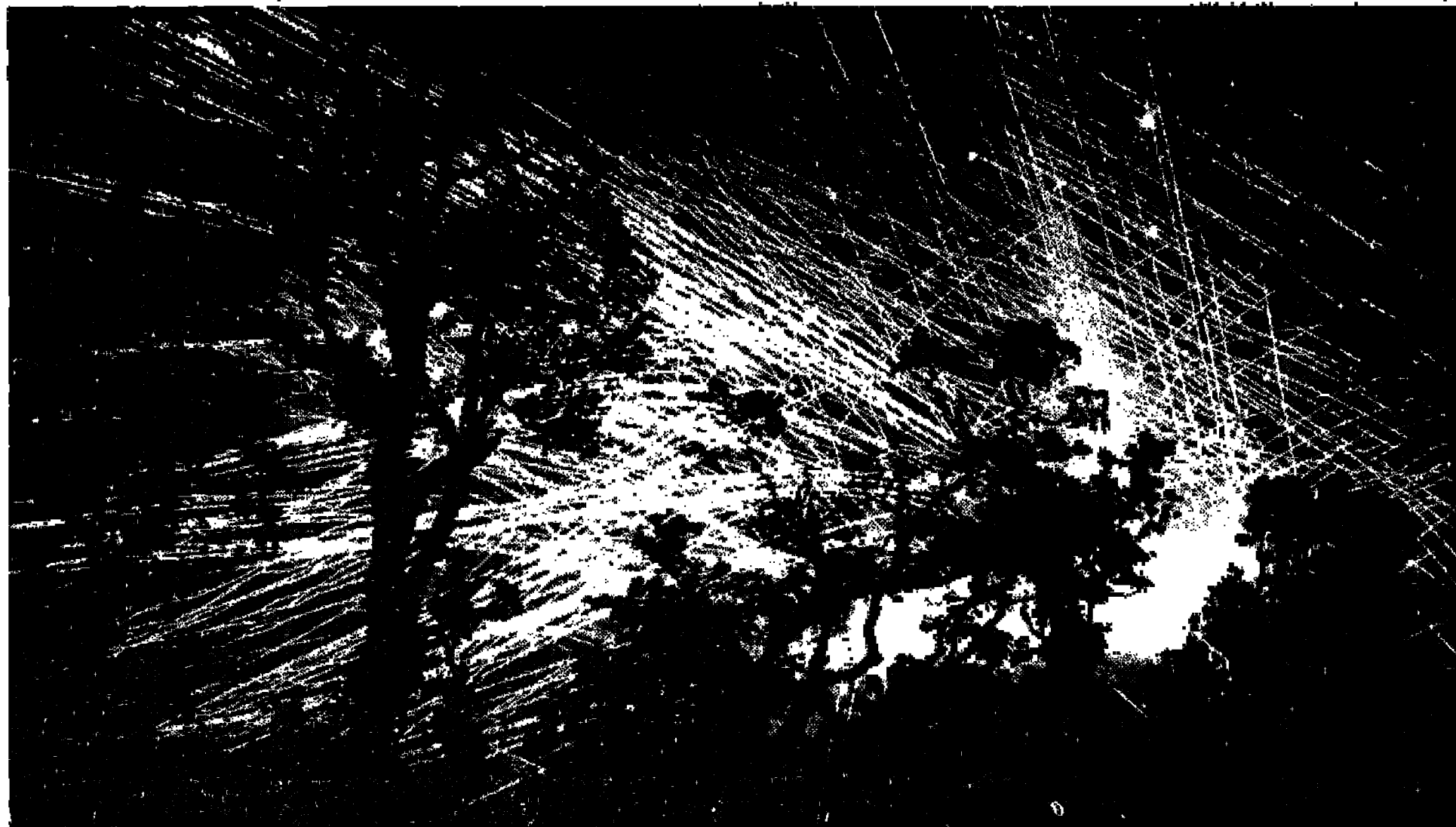
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When The Lights Go On Again, High-Flying Japs Go The Other Way



NIGHT LIFE. When Jap bombers attempted to sneak in on Cape Gloucester after dark, Marine units sent up this concentration of ack-ack tracer fire. The Nips didn't think it such a pretty picture and abandoned the attack. (Photo by Sgt. George Sylvesten).



MOPPING UP. Alert for hidden Japs, Marines advance cautiously in Cape Torokina area. Man at left with pistol keeps a sharp lookout toward trees for snipers during momentary halt. (Photo by Capt. Patrick O'Sheel).

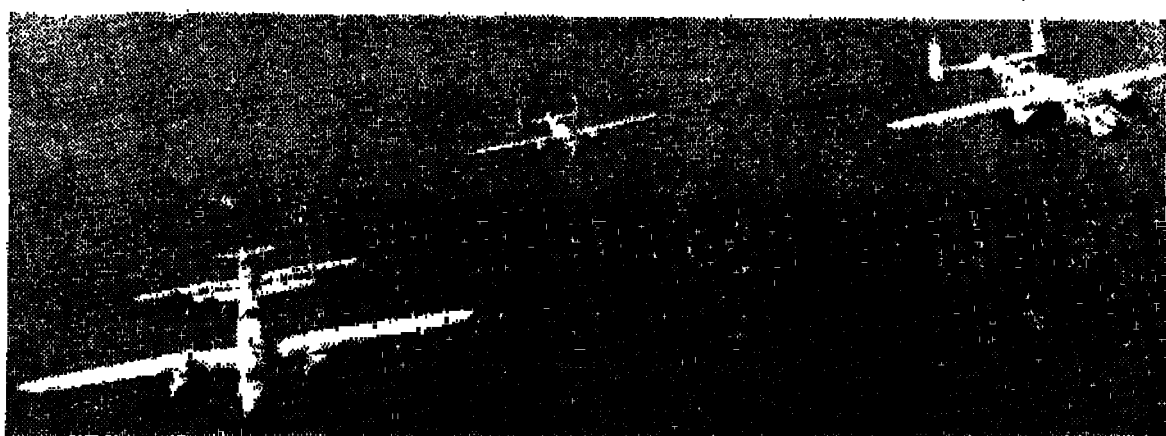
MORALE LOSS. Somewhere in the South Pacific, MTSgt. Amos O. Cooper (left), San Antonio, Tex., and Capt. Elva L. Frase, Norfolk, Va., gaze dolefully at stacks of mail Marines will never get because it was improperly addressed. Uncle Sam did his part! (Photo by Sgt. V. M. Hanks).



MAIL CALL. Pvt. Edgar E. Hurd of Eddisbury, Me., got no mail during the Tarawa campaign. Back at a base, however, he got this 18-foot letter from his parents. Reading time: two hours.



ON THE TRAIL. Members of a Marine patrol rest on the beach at Gurissu, east of Cape Gloucester. Japs they surprised hastily shoved off after setting fire to native village. (Photo by Sgt. Gerald F. Koepplinger).



FIRSTS. Three of "The Flying Nightmares", First Marine B-25 Mitchell medium bombing squadron, start on their first raid. The target—Rapohn and Tobara airfields near main Rabaul base, which has been taking terrific bombardment. All planes returned safely to report: "Mission accomplished". (Photo by TSgt. Harry S. Bolser).



FIGHTING MUSICIANS. Members of a division band lay aside their weapons and salute their comrades upon the capture of Cape Gloucester. (Photo by Sgt. A. M. Johnson).

Elliott Reception Center Scene Of Joy, Heartbreak

CAMP ELLIOTT—Just inside the gates of this camp stands a trim reception center—the scene of courage, heartbreak, tears and overwhelming joy.

Since Pearl Harbor, the spacious lounges of the center have greeted Leathernecks upon return from the combat zones and bade them goodby as they prepared to ship overseas.

MANAGES CENTER

Intelligence, sensitivity and greatness-of-heart are prerequisites for tackling a job as complex as management of the center, but they are present in abundance in "Mom"—Mrs. Shirley Curry Cheatham, Georgia-bred civilian hostess. With understanding and courage, she consoles a mother whose boy has shipped off for combat an hour before the mother arrived at Camp Elliott from Pennsylvania or Ohio. With generosity and patience, she serves as unofficial mother to boys who must leave before their own families arrive from Louisiana or Tennessee.

"Mom's" assistants are four Women Marines, who see that visitors locate their relatives and friends and that nothing is lacking to make their visits comfortable and homelike. Assisting "Mom" are Sgts. Rachel Haire of Putney, S.D., and Elsie Marie Bjornstad of Duluth, Minn., Corp. Marjorie Patterson of Newark, Calif., and PFC. Frances Elaine Hasett of Lebanon, N.H.

It will be "Mom" and her helpers who will be in the center—at the fireplace, in the music room, waiting, with families and friends, when the boys come marching home.—*Sgt. Elizabeth R. Jacobs, PRO.*

— Write Home —

Leathernecks Mourn Navy Yard Mascot

MR. PHILADELPHIA NAVY YARD—Marines here are mourning the death of Corp. Patchy Butch, former mascot. The 60-pound white and brown English bulldog "enlisted" in the Marines Oct. 30, 1943, and in due time was promoted to PFC. and then corporal. He was up for sergeant when he was found shot to death in the barracks recently.

A full military funeral was given the popular "Butch". It was attended by the ranking officers of the post.

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Recalling that the war against Japan has been the primary concern of U. S. Marines and "will continue to be," Lt. Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, the Commandant, told an Associated Press luncheon in New York last week that "there have been few Japanese in this war who have faced our troops in battle since Aug. 7, 1942, and gotten home to tell of it."

Discussing recent phases of the Pacific war, Gen. Vandegrift said: "Kwajalein and Eniwetok were the results—in light casualties—of the hard lessons we learned at Tarawa. But the remaining islands on the Tokyo road are not all atolls. The Marianas and the Carolines and the Bonins are volcanic islands, choked with jungle growth and honeycombed with caves. There will be many places where Naval gunfire will not be possible and where bombs will not penetrate. . . .

HEAVIER FIGHTING AHEAD

"As we go closer to Japan I have no doubt that the enemy will redouble his fury in defense and counter-attack. His fleet, now giving the lie to his propaganda broadcasts in some hidden base, might come out. And we may take heavy casualties. The enemy will take more, I assure you."

"I do not pretend to say that we have learned everything there is to learn about jungle and atoll fighting. But we have learned a lot. The campaigns on New Britain and Bougainville go forward faster not because the enemy is tired or low in morale, for as long as he is alive he is dangerous. Rather the advances are more rapid because two years of war experience, coupled with two years of enthusiastic war production and research, with the whole entrusted to young energetic Americans who know the resources at their disposal, is a well-nigh unbeatable combination."

— Stop Loose Talk —

Sing Fests Slated For Camp Pendleton

CAMP PENDLETON—"Sing Songs" will soon be a feature of the 9th Div. swing band's concerts presented each Wednesday and Friday evening between shows at area theaters.

Slides with the words to popular numbers are now being prepared to guide audiences, according to Lt. Col. F. C. DeSantis, athletic and morale officer.—*Sgt. John H. Wintersteen, combat correspondent.*

1000-Plane Raids In Pacific By Navy Revealed

HUTCHINSON, Kan. (AP)—Artemus L. Gates, Secy. of the Navy for Air, disclosed here that American air forces have expanded in the Pacific to the point where "we have been conducting 1000-plane raids."

Here for the graduation of the first air crew from the Navy's big new operational base, Mr. Gates said to a press conference: "I don't think the public realizes that we've been having 1000-plane raids in the Pacific. The new coordinated training here is part of the Navy's expanding offensive."

"We have been building up all the time, until now raids in which 1000 planes are used are not uncommon."

— No Courtroom —

Marines Were There

Marines man the secondary guns aboard the USS South Dakota, frequently referred to as "the world's greatest battleship". She recently shot down 32 enemy dive bombers and sank five Jap warships.



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GREYHOUND



TAKEN TO THE CLEANERS. This Marine is helped by Pvt. Jane Ahrens (left) and PFC. Loreta M. Bernie at the Base laundry. They're doing jobs formerly held by three men. (Photo by PFC. Herbert Alden).

TAKEN TO CLEANERS Gripes All Come Out In The Wash

Happy that they are fulfilling the purpose for which they enlisted, that of freeing a Marine to fight, are PFC. Loreta Bernie and Pvt. Jane Ahrens, now on duty at the Base laundry filling jobs formerly held by three men.

Blonde PFC. Bernie, a cosmopolitan in civilian life, and petite Pvt. Ahrens, who joined the Corps from Stevens College, Columbia, Mo., together handle all incoming and outgoing laundry for the entire male personnel of the Base.

"And all the gripes, too," Pvt. Ahrens adds a little grimly, thinking of times when 10-day service lengthens somewhat. "From high-ranking officers to men just out of boot camp, the complaints and demands sound pretty much alike."

Handling from 150 to 200 bundles a day, the girls send the wash to a civilian laundry and sort the packages when they are returned.

The two WFs carry the entire responsibility of maintaining the laundry outlet, except for a daily cash check-up by a PX officer.

Working hours are from 0730 to 1730. A satisfactory day, they say, is that it assures them daily that their work contributes materially to winning the war.

Although her present assignment is not her chosen vocation, Pvt. Ahrens welcomes the opportunity it presents for meeting people, "all kinds and types of characters . . . and all Marines."

Further proof of the soft spot Pvt. Ahrens has in her heart for Marines was her marriage last week to Corp. Robert Satterfield of Cartersville, Ga. He has recently returned from overseas and is in 2nd Cav. Co., Base Gd. Bn.

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Screen Guide

BASE THEATRE
1739-2000
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Sunday—Desert Song, Morgan.
Monday—Gangway for Tomorrow, Ryan-Martin.
Tuesday—Thousands Cheer, Gray-Kelly.
Wednesday—Halls of Montezuma, 1930. No movie scheduled.
Thursday and Friday—Threeact comedy "Claudia" presented by Recreation Dept. at 2000. Tickets will be available at organization offices.
Saturday—Men of Her Mind, Hughes-North.

CAMP MATTHEWS
1745
Today—Knights in Livery, Carney-Brown.
Sunday—In Old Chicago, Phys-Power.
Monday—Ghost Ship, Dix-Darrell.
Tuesday—Desert Song, Morgan-Manning.
Wednesday—Boxing matches. No picture scheduled.
Thursday—Thousands Cheer, Grayson-Kelly.
Friday—Troaders, Lane-Downs.
Saturday—Passport to Destiny, Lancaster-Oliver.

CAMP KEANEY
1750-1915
Today—Man From Frisco, O Shea-Smith.
Sunday—Moon Over Las Vegas, O Shea-Smith.
Monday—Scholars, Mini-Raft.
Tuesday—Flight Command, Taylor-Pederson.
Wednesday—Girl and Gentile, Condo.
Thursday and Friday—USO Stage Show.
Saturday—Patrol Out West, Con-Wig.

CAMP ELLIOTT
Candorcom programs listed. Stage programs given in Theatre No. 3 and No. 2 one and two days later, respectively.
Today—Buffalo Bill, MacKen-William.
Sunday—The Navy Way, Lowery-Jarvis.
Monday—Up in Arms, Ray-Shore.
Tuesday—Cover Girl, Hayworth-Kelly.
Wednesday—Gas Light, Boyer-Hughes.
Thursday—Ladies Connections, Young-Kirkpatrick.
Friday—Fun Up Girl, Charles Brown.
Saturday—Action in Arabia, Sand-ers-Bell.

MCAB, MIRAMAR
1745-2000
Today—Show Business, all stars.
Sunday—Andy Hardy's Blonde Trouble, Brown-Stone.
Monday—Hollywood Victory Commu-nion, Stage Show.
Tuesday—Hollywood Victory Commu-nion, Stage Show.
Wednesday—Girl Crazy, Rooney-Garland.
Thursday—Charlie Chan in Secret Service, Foley.
Friday—USO Show.
Saturday—Fun Up Girl, Gracie-Brown.

'Asiatics' In U.S. Sing Mairzy Doats

GUADALCANAL (Delayed)—On the bulletin board at a Marine camp here is a clipping with the words of "Mairzy Doats", popular novelty song.
Under the clipping a Leather-neck made the following comment:
"This is the kind of song they're singing back in the States. And yet they worry about us going Asiatic!"—Sgt. Ray Fitzpatrick, combat correspondent.

Aleutians Need—And Need And Need!

WASHINGTON — Men of the Aleutians need quicker relief, more cooks, more shows and more liquor, Rep. Warren G. Magnuson of Washington, a member of the House Naval Affairs Committee and a Naval Reserve officer, reported to the committee following his return from a tour of the islands.

Lost Buddies

The following men are sought:
Sgt. Buford M. Ireland, last known address 1-B-10, USMC; by Staff Sgt. Robert E. Harmons, Hq. Gd. Bn., Navy Dept., Washington, 25, D.C.
Pete W. Hebert, last known to be at Boat Basin, Camp Pendleton; by PFC. John Macera, Trans. Co., Sor. Bn., MCB.
Walter Skyleski, rank unknown, last known to be in gunnery training at Ft. Centro, by PFC. E. L. Rzymaszek, % The Chevron, MCB, 40, San Diego.

Presentation Of 'Claudia' Slated For May 11, 12

Lead Roles To Be Filled By PFCs. Eleanor Garner And Martin W. Drexelius

With "D" Day for the first Base dramatic production but a half week away, three men and five WRs of the "Claudia" cast were put through final drills this week by a former RKO star, Pvt. Robert Ryan.

Effort is being made to give the production a "Sea School polish" because on its success hinges the question of whether local talent plays are to be presented regularly at MCB.

STARTS COACHING

Pvt. Ryan, who was attached to the RD Recreation Office recently after completing recruit training, began coaching the cast late this week.

Free tickets to the play, to be given at 2000 on Thursday and Friday, will be distributed through headquarters offices of all Base organizations beginning Monday.
2d Lt. Florence Stewart, Asst. Base Recreation officer, declared that members of the cast are so well suited to their parts that their performance will do credit to the road show presentations of this smash comedy hit which enjoyed one of the longest Broadway runs of recent years.

LEAD ROLES

PFC. Eleanor Garner of The Chevron staff and PFC. Martin W. Drexelius of the Base band were described as "naturals" for the leading roles of Claudia and David.

From under the wheel of her truck at Motor Transport, PFC. Doris Kirsaid will step into the role of the distinguished, well-bred Julia, Out of the chaplain's office will come Corp. Shirley Orwant to play the role of the wily Myie. Dariuschka.

In other supporting roles will be PFC. June Cockman of the Base sergeant major's office as Mrs. Brown, Claudia's mother; Pvt. Thomas Gleason of the Base band as Jerry, handsome English author; PFC. Paul Yaeger of the Field Music School as Fritz, a handyman on the Browns' Connecticut farm; and PFC. Alice Kemp of Base Hq. Bn. as Bertha, the housekeeper.

MUCH EXPERIENCE

Lending a professional touch to the production are PFC. O. E. Johnson, Base handyman and director, who has had 16 years' experience with road shows in acting and directing, and Pvt. Laurie Lequard of the Base Intelligence Office, former stage designer and technician on Broadway for five years.

In addition, all male members of the cast have had professional experience. Pvt. Gleason directed a singing group which appeared in the "Ziegfeld Follies" in 1936, "Let's Face It" in 1941, and the operettas, "Merry Widow" and "Desert Song".

PFCs. Drexelius and Yaeger have played with summer stock companies.

Work befitting the Seabots' host has been done on the stage settings by carpenters and painters of Base Maintenance. These workers, some of whom did scenic studio work as civilians, have taken especial interest in this non-GI duty.

Sizing and painting was done by Pvs. Samuel Cutter and Arthur Gorhan of Sig. Bn. and PFC. Charles E. Schiveler of Sea School.

The "Halls of Montezuma" orchestra, directed by WO. Frederick Lock, will be in the pit at the theater to play before the curtain rises and during intermissions.

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Entertainment World



Free 'Blackouts' Showing Slated Tonight In L. A.

Free entertainment for exiles men visiting the Los Angeles area tonight will include "Blackouts of '44" at the El Capitan. Vine near Hollywood Blvd., in addition to a variety of programs at service men's clubs.

Other Saturday night entertainment features include the Hollywood Canteen dance at Cabuenga and Sunset blvds.; a presentation of "Arsenic and Old Lace" at the Sequoia Arts Theater, 8th and Beacon sts.; and the "Student Prince" at the Biltmore.

The Hollywood and Pacific Mutual USO Clubs have invited servicemen to sign up before 1100 tomorrow for noon lunch at a popular Hollywood restaurant and a matinee at the Paramount Theater. In San Diego, the YMCA has scheduled a full week-end of entertainment in its center on Broadway.

THESPIANS. Rehearsing scene from comedy hit, "Claudia", are (from left) PFCs. Martin W. Drexelius, Eleanor Garner and June Cockman. (Photo by PFC. E. J. Wishin).

Story Of Battle Recording Set For Marine Air Show

A Marine combat correspondent who made radio history in the South Pacific will be featured on next Wednesday's presentation of the "Halls of Montezuma" radio show from the Base auditorium at 1630.

Sgt. Roy Maypole, correspondent recently returned to the U.S., will tell his story of recording the actual sounds of landing and battle on Bougainville Island. Recordings made by Maypole have been featured on all major networks in the U.S.

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NAMUR SHAMPOO. PFC. Harold E. Snyder (left) of Greenville, Pa., has the duty and scrubs with a will on Namur Island when his buddy, Corp. Henry A. DeLoof of Grand Rapids, Mich., needs a head washing.

THIS WEEK

NEWS FOR MARINES OVERSEAS

The Home Front

As flood waters receded in the Midwest, after reaching their highest point since 1841 in some locations, rain and wind caused four deaths and property damage in northeast Texas.

FDR is enjoying another week's rest in the South before returning to the White House. The wooden mock up of the world's largest transport plane (160 passengers) was unveiled in Fort Worth.

A veteran of six air missions and holder of the Air Medal was retired when the Army discovered he was only 14. Three AAF officers were convicted of neglect in inspecting an aircraft plant, and will be dismissed from service. A New Mexico man and wife are gubernatorial nomination candidates on opposing tickets.

Colors were at half staff over the week-end and memorial services were held in military chapels throughout the nation in observance of Secy. of Navy Frank Knox's death. "The nation's most useful official" was the title voted Gen. George C. Marshall by more than 50 Washington newspapermen.

Actress Binnie Barnes is suing Edward Small Productions for \$100,000. John Garfield passed Army physical tests and will probably be called within 90 days.

Triplets were born, two in an automobile and one in a hospital elevator, in a losing race with the

stork in New York. Siamese twins born in Phoenixville, Pa., may die, their doctor announced.

An additional \$1,800,000,000 was approved for landing craft. The Swedish ship Gripsholm will effect another exchange of U.S. and Axis prisoners of war at Barcelona, Spain, about May 17. More than 500 trans-Atlantic flights of cargo and passenger planes are made each month from New York.

Los Angeles Boy Scouts found 30 sticks of dynamite forgotten by construction workers. No mishap occurred. Southern California dairies report that more than 10,000,000 milk bottles have not been returned since September. Shortage of glass is likely to curtail milk deliveries. Eight canned foods will not require ration points. New ties will be available to "B" and "C" book holder.

Obey Orders — Marines Taken For Ride—And Like It

AN ADVANCED PACIFIC BASE Being taken for a ride is the order of the day here. And we mean that literally, that is the order part.

The 4th Div. commander has ordered all drivers of jeeps or trucks to pick up service personnel traveling in their direction.

Guadalcanal Unit Served Ice Cream Twice Each Week

GUADALCANAL (Delayed)—A Marine outfit here is being served ice cream twice a week, thanks to the traditional ingenuity of the Seabees.

The ice cream manufacturing unit was headed for the scrap pile because some of the parts were worn out and could not be replaced. Then Lt. John N. Tuttle, USN, looked it over and things began to happen.

ChElectric, W. C. Stephens made a set of flutter valves from 16 discarded razor blades. SF1/c Herbert G. Hobenthaler, a former plumber, salvaged some needed tubing from a wrecked Jap plane. A Jap thermometer, found while building a road, was installed.

Finally, Baker 1/c W. C. Lawless, a former professional ice cream maker from Bessemer, Ala., was called in to make the ice cream. — MTSgt. Frank J. McDevitt, combat correspondent.

Juke Box

The Hit Parade listing: No. 1—Love You; No. 2—It's Love, Love, Love; No. 3—Long Ago and Far Away; No. 4—Poinciana; No. 5—I'll Get By; No. 6—When They Ask About You; No. 7—San Fernando Valley; No. 8—Goodnight Wherever You Are; No. 9—Besame Mucho; No. 10—I'll Be Seeing You.

Movies

Paramount's "Going My Way" is something new under the sun in that it casts Bing Crosby as a young priest. He not only gets away with the role, but it will probably presage many more serious parts for him. Barry Fitzgerald shares the honors.

"Home in Indiana" brings Lou McCallister back to the screen for the first time since his hit in "Stage Door Canteen". In the new flicker he is the juvenile lead in a story of trotting races and feuds. One time Academy Award winner Walter Brennan takes care of the feud while young McCallister makes love to Jeanne Crain.

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World at War

Allied air fleets pounded 10 important rail centers in France and Belgium and ripped holes in Hitler's fortifying "Atlantic wall", eluting a 48-hour assault in which 7500 Allied planes dropped more than 8000 tons of bombs. The second day a two-ton-a-minute pace was maintained with at least 24 targets blasted in 24 hours. Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle's bombers opened the attacks, escorted by about 300 fighters. All planes returned safely, reporting no fighter opposition and little flak.

CONCERTED ATTACK

Jap invaders of India are making concerted attacks in the Paley area, 28 miles south of Imphal, big Allied base on the Burma front. Adm. Lord Louis Mountbatten, commander-in-chief of Allied forces in the Indian theater, gave assurance that Imphal is in no danger of falling.

Nazi military commentators filled the European ether with predictions of the imminent Allied invasion, warning the Germans that a tremendous Russian offensive must be expected to coincide with the British-American second front opening from the Atlantic and a coast-to-coast Allied drive from Italy. "It won't be long now" was the keynote of German theorizing.

AIR ACTIVITY

Although the Soviet offensive has paused for breath, apparently awaiting orders for a new and greater assault, Red forces, the Red air forces have not been idle. The fifth major air blow at Lwow, Polish rail center, left 30 fires raging among Nazi troop and supply trains. The First Ukrainian Army announced the killing of almost 2000 Germans who had tried to find weak spots in Russian lines. Soviet Black Sea planes sank an 800-ton transport, two fast landing barges and two patrol cutters, bringing to 99 the total of

enemy shipping sunk or damaged off Southern Crimea by Red planes and warships in the past three weeks.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill welcomed Prime Ministers John Curtin of Australia, W. L. Mackenzie King of Canada, and Peter Fraser of New Zealand, to No. 10 Downing st., for a conference. Churchill made public some of the proceedings, saying in part: "In the most deadly climax of the conflict of the nations . . . although we need no longer fear defeat, we are making the most intense effort to compel an early victory."

A Jap destroyer and four other vessels have been sunk by British subs in Asiatic waters, the admiralty announced. Two enemy supply ships and an escort vessel were damaged by one of the subs, which was also credited with shelling military installations at Port Blair in the Andaman islands, Indian ocean.

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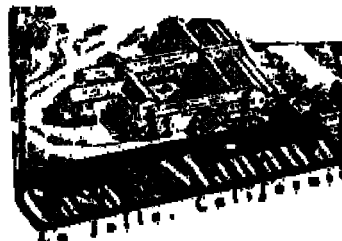
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CONGRATULATIONS, CHAMPS. Three members of MB, Philadelphia NYd. enlisted men's bowling team, share plaudits from W. O. R. O. Orms (left), captain of Marine DOS officers' squad which finished second in the "B" division championships of a Government League tournament. From Orms' left are Sgt. H. H. Rogers, Corps. F. A. Greco and E. J. Bacho. Winners hit and held a hot pace.

Marine Softball Team Wins 19 Straight Games

Overseas Officers And Enlisted Men Form Crack Team In Overseas League

SOMEWHERE IN NEW ZEALAND (Delayed)—A team composed of Marine officers and enlisted men won the softball championship of New Zealand recently, clinching a season in which they won 19 straight games in competition that included Army and Navy units.

First baseman and manager of the triumphant club was Capt. Al- fons E. Verel of Orchard Park, N. Y., former semi-pro ball player in the Buffalo district. His lineup was studied with former college, professional and semi-pro players, and just plain GIs who had a fondness for American sports.

STAR PITCHER

Maj. Alvin H. Allen of Eddy, Tex., starred as the winning team's moundman. Other members of the pennant-winning outfit were: 1st Lt. Kermit H. Shelly of Emswiler, Pa., second baseman; Corp. Joseph J. Hladick of Natick, Mass., center fielder; Sgt. John H. Wyatt of Washington Court House, O., right fielder; PFC. Jack L. Rittenour of Evansville, Ind., left fielder and leading home run hitter of the league; PFC. William J. Melloy of Louisville, Ky., third baseman; Sgt. Conrad T. Deedrick Jr., of Gary, Ind., shortstop, and 1st Sgt. Thomas W. Maynard of Norfolk, Va., catcher.

MEDALS AWARDED

The reserve list included: Sgt. James A. Stringer of Wilkesburg, Pa., PFC. William Kadleick of Binghamton, N. Y., and PFC. Warren J. Haun of New Orleans.

A gold and silver embossed medal was presented to each member of the winning team by the "Censored" Softball Association. Lt. Col. Lloyd W. Nickerson of Spokane, Wash., is CO of the supply depot which flies the championship pennant.

Edenton Boxers Win Match From Sailors

MCAS, EDENTON, N. C.—Marine boxers here made it two straight over the strong Harvey Point sailors by taking a return match, 3½ to 1½. Victorious Leathernecks included Paul Lange, 138, of Philadelphia; Al Santo, 145, of Elkins, W. Va., and Bill Edwards, 150, of Hot Springs, Ark.

Baseball Dope

(Including games of May 3)
NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Louis	10	3	.769
Philadelphia	8	4	.667
Cincinnati	8	4	.667
New York	7	5	.583
Brooklyn	7	5	.583
Pittsburgh	4	6	.400
Boston	3	10	.231
Chicago	1	10	.091

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Louis	11	2	.846
New York	7	4	.636
Cleveland	6	7	.462
Boston	6	7	.462
Philadelphia	5	6	.455
Washington	5	6	.455
Detroit	5	7	.417
Chicago	4	8	.333

Leading hitters: Boston New York, 167; Myatt, Washington, 144; Smith, Detroit, 137; Savage, New York, 132; Paulsen, Cleveland, 130; Farnell, Washington, 117; Cartwright, Chicago, 115; Culbertson, Boston, 113; Hall, Philadelphia, 101; McQuinn, St. Louis, 100.

— Write Home —

Rangers Win Santa Barbara Pin Title

MCAS, SANTA BARBARA—Captained by Sam Grendel, the Rangers won the Station bowling league championship here last week by the narrowest of margins, one game. Carrying the load with Grendel were Lee Simmons, Lou Frye, Leo Enlow and Larry King. Darold Luther and Harold Dent shared individual honors of the season when they maintained a 171-pin average.

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Veteran Catcher Says War Won't Halt His Career

AN ADVANCED PACIFIC BASE—Short, barrel-chested Corp. Aubrey (Yo-Yo) Epps of Memphis, Tenn., squats behind the plate for a crack Marine ball club these days, far from the diamonds where he was a familiar figure in professional baseball for 10 years prior to the war.

The regular duties of a radio operator keep him busy, but it would take more than this to keep Epps in the dugout as long as pitchers pitch and there are balls to be caught.

BREWERS OWN HIM

He is under contract to the Milwaukee Brewers in the American Ass'n. The war may be no interlude to pro ball players, many of whom see their best years slipping irrevocably away, but "Yo-Yo" is philosophic.

"Sure I'll be catching again after the war," he declares. "I may be too old for anything but the ball pen, but I'll be catching somewhere." 1st Sgt. Nolle T. Roberts, combat correspondent.

— Aim True —

Aboard Cited Ships

Expert Marine gunnery crews serve aboard the Enterprise, Houston, San Francisco and Boise, all of which have been cited for outstanding achievement in Pacific naval battles.

THE SPORTS FRONT

BY FEO. VICTOR H. LEEDING

Yesterday's kinglypins are at war today, but baseball's pinwheel keeps spinning around and spitting enough fireworks to jar a sleeping sickness patient out of his sack.

Only two weeks old, the majors came up with a modern record-tying stunt by the St. Louis Browns, who won nine in a row; a no-hitter, flippid by 32-year-old Jim Tobin of the Boston Braves; a triple play, pulled by Joe Kuhel and George Myatt of the Washington Senators and a nine-game losing streak that caused Jimmy Wilson to toss in the sponge as manager of the Chicago Cubs.

The turmoil in the house that Wrigley built posed a new \$64 question for the scribes and fans, to wit: Who will succeed the 43-year-old Wilson, who back in 1940 climbed off the Cincinnati bench as a substitute for injured Ernie Lombardi and helped the Reds to a World Series pennant?

MANY MENTIONED

Meanwhile Coach Roy Johnson is handling the hapless Cubs. Wilson wasn't fired. Or at least the announcements said so, after Wilson had huddled with owner P. K. Wrigley and general manager Jimmy Gallagher.

Prominently mentioned as possible successors are Los Angeles' Bill Sweeney, Milwaukee's Charlie Grimm, Bill Terry, Bucky Harris, Rogers Hornsby, Fred Haney, Casey Stengel and Kiki Cuyler, as well as some lesser lights.

It was by far the choicest bit of baseball news after the amazing Browns had made their bid for fame. Sandwiched in between were a \$100 fine for "Lippy Leo" Durocher, whose Dodgers took a near-record lacing from the Giants, 26 to 8; a one-hitter by Charley Schanz, up to the Phillies from San Diego; a Navy call for Early Wynn, Washington Senators' pitcher; a temporary stay of Army draft for Joe Orrell, Detroit pitching prospect and ex-Coast leaguer; and Army rejection for Rudy York, hard-hitting Tiger first baseman.

DISTURBS AAI HEADS

Univ. of Illinois won the Drake relays, thanks to the iron-man work of a stocky, powerfully built Negro youth by the name of Claude (Buddy) Young, 17-year-old freshman.

No world records were threatened, but Cadet Bob Stauffer of Iowa Prep-Flight created a furore by competing in the shotput and javelin despite threats by AAU bosses to regard all who competed against him as professionals. He played football for the Chicago Bears last fall. And Dr. Har-

old Osborn, now 45, proved that age doesn't stop 'em all when he cleared the high jump bar at six feet in a special exhibition.

Audrey Kincaid, former Univ. of California basketball star, is being sued for divorce, Lew Scott, well known Los Angeles golf professional, dropped dead on his home course. Still another well known golf star, Dr. Paul M. Hunter of Pasadena, Calif., died after a heart attack. He was 53.

GOOD HUNTING

There'll be good duck hunting when the war's over (it says here). The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service estimated the migratory waterfowl populations at 125,350,000 compared to 119,000,000 a year ago and 27,000,000, low point of "duck depression" nine years ago.

Speedboat king Gar Wood was struck by lightning after alighting from a private plane at a Miami, Fla., airport. Sgt. Max Baer has been assigned to Kelly Field, Tex., by the AAF. New York had a daily double payoff of box car proportions: \$1406.20. Broadcloth won the Kentucky Derby Trial, Death claimed a Los Angeles sports scribe, William S. Hunt, 38. Pro grid bosses put thumbs-down on post-season play. Ralph Ellsworth, all-Southwest conference halfback from the Univ. of Texas, received an Annapolis appointment.

— Stand Erect —

Leatherneck Boxers Win In Army Match

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—Marine boxers took two out of three bouts from Army mittmen on a special fight program here. Victorious Leathernecks were: PFCs. Froman Barrett of Ada, Okla., and Henry Leslie of Chicago, one-time professional sparring partner. Barrett is welterweight champion of the 2nd Mar. Div. PFC. Rudy Salazar of Calexico, Calif., lost his fight to an Army welterweight when he suffered a badly cut eye.—1st Sgt. Hy Horwitz, combat correspondent.

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NOT RENCHED, JUST RESTING. Two former big league hurlers, Corp. Calvin P. Dorsett (left) and PFC. James Bivin, now with the 2nd Mar. Div. at a Pacific base after the invasion of Tarawa, talk over their infantry unit's victory in the "Little World Series." Dorsett formerly pitched for Cleveland, Bivin for Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

Tarawa's Conquerors Play Ball In World Series Style

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—When the 2nd Mar. Div. played its version of baseball's world series, it created the greatest enthusiasm of any recreational event ever staged by the conquerors of Tarawa Atoll, according to Sgt. Hy Hurwitz, combat correspondent.

So keen was interest that during one of the games, a plane swooped down almost on the diamond and dropped a message asking one of the teams if any "air support" was needed. Pilot of the plane and message writer was 1st Lt. J. G. Parsons of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Because some of the supporters of the contending teams were busy with other duties, the games were broadcast by walkie-talkie and radio jeep networks.

Capt. William O. Todd, of San Diego, division recreation officer, arranged for big-time ceremonies. A parade to the flagpole and the raising of the colors were held, and the first ball was thrown out by Brig. Gen. Merritt A. Edson, the famous former commander of Marine Raiders.

— Use V-Mail —
Marine Artillery

Leatherneck artillery comes under three general headings: sea-coast, A.A. and field artillery. The sea-coast artillery makes a specialty of the 155mm. gun; the A.A. group handles largely the 90mm. gun; the field artillery the 75mm. pack howitzer and 105mm. howitzer.

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Track Team Defeats NTC In Dual Meeting

Kaiser High Point Man; Squad Enters Invitational Today

With an extra week of practice under their belts and new material on hand, MCB's Leatherneck trackmen bounced back from a mediocre showing in the recent South Pacific AAU championships to hand NTC a 70-61 dual meet whipping last Saturday.

Today PFC. Ray Sears will send his proteges into the first of a series of local invitational meets, this one under sponsorship of San Diego State college at Balboa park. It will be a twilight affair starting about 1700, or as soon as the city high school meet ends.

The San Diego Invitational will provide the Marines with their final warmup in advance of the 11th Naval Dist. championships, scheduled for next Saturday. MCB won the district crown last year.

CHANCES GOOD

Unless NTC or some other unit comes up with unexpected power, the signs point toward another Leatherneck triumph. Spurhead of MCB's victorious bid last week was PFC. Jack Knicker, who rolled up 15 points on two firsts, one second and a tie for second.

He won the javelin with a throw of 166 feet 2 inches, bounced over the high hurdles in 14.8 seconds, placed second in the pole vault with a leap of 15 feet and tied for second in the high jump at 5 feet 10 inches.

MCB's only shutout came in the half-mile. Pvt. Herb Truxton and Tom Keating took control of the sprints, with the former stepping off the century in 10.1 seconds and the 400 yard in 23.9. Keating ran second in the 100 and third in the 200.

SEARS SECOND

Capt. Sears was MCB's best distance runner. He trailed Navy's Forrest Eflaw in a 4:36 mile and Navy's Clarence Hale in a 10:26 two-mile run. Also contributing were Pvt. Hugh Byrne, third in the mile, and Leonard Halston, third in the two-mile.

Jack Pattee ran third in both hurdle events.

Sgt. Cecil Phillip won the discus

with a throw of 141 feet 7 1/2 inches and placed third in the shotput at 42 feet. PFC. Ernest Lewis hit 47 feet 11 inches to win the shot and turned in the day's second best discus toss with a heave of 126 feet 4 inches. The Marines made a clean sweep of the shotput when PFC. James Swarbrick did 42 feet 10 inches.

PFC. Jerry Donovan was high jump king with a leap of 6 feet and picked up a third in the broad jump at 19 feet 10 1/2 inches. 2d Lt. Ken Sailors hit 20 feet 6 1/2 inches for second place in the broad jump.

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SEEING DOUBLE? These Texas twins, Corps. Ray and Raymond Lott, even fool their Miramar fans as they warm up for MarFair West's big boxing tournament. Here they receive instructions from Dave Rebb, San Diego Hoover high school sports coach, before scrapping to a three-round draw. Both served with a Guadalcanal fighter squadron.

Cleveland Light Heavy Impressive Even In Defeat

Rifle Range Boxing Men See Future For Filler; McNaught Wins Decision

CAMP MATTHEWS - Although he lost his bout, Pvt. A. P. Filler of Cleveland, O., and Plt. 251, stamped himself as a youngster to watch in the eyes of Rifle Range boxing fans.

A Golden Gloves champion, Filler dropped a three-round decision to Pvt. D. W. McNaught of Galesburg, Ill., and Plt. 315, in the feature of an eight-bout card here last week. McNaught is a veteran light heavyweight.

Only one of the eight scraps ended prematurely. Pvt. C. A. Gagliardi of Woodland, Calif., and Plt. 815, TKO'd Pvt. 4, L. Smith of Kansas City, Kans., Plt. 333, in the 115-pound class. Other results:

Middleweights—Pvt. M. J. Thomsen of Detroit, Plt. 139, decisioned Pvt. 10, Alvarez of Union Grove, Calif., Plt. 323; Pvt. 11, Moore of Union, Wyo., Plt. 316, draw with Pvt. 12, W. Hinton of Medford, O., Plt. 311.

Welterweights—Pvt. F. G. Thompson of Milwaukee, Wyo., Plt. 171, decisioned Pvt. 14, D. V. Gorman of Fresno, Calif., Plt. 317; Pvt. 15, M. Morris of Alliance, O., Plt. 172, draw with Pvt. 16, H. Wells of Union, Wyo., Plt. 315.

Lightweights—Pvt. 17, N. B. B. of Chicago, Plt. 313, decisioned Pvt. 18, J. J. Tossy of San Diego.

CONVENIENT MEETING

Captain Makes Deal With Private

GUADALCANAL (Delayed)—Two Marines, a captain and a private first class, today pulled a baseball deal, probably the first of its kind.

Capt. Roscoe (Torchy) Torrance, vice-president of the Seattle Rainiers of the Pacific Coast league, made a successful dike with PFC. Bill Veeck, who left his post as president of the Milwaukee Brewers club to join the Leathernecks. Seattle is expected to get a sorely needed shortstop from Milwaukee.

"I didn't try to pull my rank in the transaction," laughed Capt. Torrance. "Bill and I have been friends for years. I expect some competition from him, as there are several real good diamond prospects out here."

"I'm well aware of the fact, because as athletic and morale officer, I operate a Marine baseball league. Bill is a keen judge of player talent and will keep his eyes open for stars in the jungle rough, so to speak."

Veeck, one of professional baseball's most colorful and energetic characters, is seeking combat. Hardened by months of training in the States and initiated into the Marine's amphibious ways, he is eager for his first crack at a Jap.

"It seemed like old times to be swinging a deal with Torchy... pardon me, I mean Capt. Torrance," commented Veeck. "Of course I just can't go to the telephone and talk it over with our manager, Charlie Grimm. Guess I'll have to depend on the mail."—Sgt. Gordon D. Marston, combat correspondent.

Cherry Point Names Boxing Champs

MCAS, CHERRY POINT — Sgt. Torquay, 175, and MTSgt. Leo Bronzetti, heavyweight.

— Bay War Bonds —

Sticky Stuff, Eh?

USNH, OAKLAND — Solomons mud just can't be pictured "It's like a combination of soft clay, hot glue and taffy candy," says Pvt. Edward A. Kaszak of Baltimore, who was attached to an artillery unit in the initial attack at Cape Torokina.

McLarnin Agrees To Referee MarFair West Championship

Its candidates named through a series of station eliminations, MarFair West this week made preparations for the semi-finals and finals of its first annual boxing tournament at MCAS, El Toro.

Jimmy McLarnin, former world's welterweight champion, has agreed to appear as referee for the two-night show Wednesday and Thursday. Also present will be numerous screen stars from Hollywood.

Four eight-man teams representing various West Coast Marine aviation stations, some of them combined, will go into the ring seeking championships in classes ranging from 120 pounds up. Golden glove emblems will go to the champions, silver gloves to the runners-up. In addition, valuable prizes have been donated by film-land's Cary Grant, Bing Crosby, Kay Kyser, Pat O'Brien, Brian Donlevy and George Raft.

STATIONS COMBINING

Miramar, Camp Kearney and North Island will combine their ring talents. Mojave and Santa Barbara will compose a single team. Full eight-man teams will enter from El Centro and El Toro.

Arrangements for the big show have been made under the direction of Capt. Ben Flaney, MarFair West recreation officer, and Corp. R. E. Franklin, better known in the fistie world as Bobby O'Dowd.

— Use V-Mail —

When a man gets too old to set a bad example, he starts giving good advice.

Softball

Results of softball games played in 11th Naval Dist. competition follow:

	R.	H.	E.
MCS Ser. Bn.	5	7	0
MCS Sig. Bn.	0	3	0

Dropp and Santillo; Prouty, May-sa and Schaefer.

	R.	H.	E.
Navy Air Bn.	8	7	2
VM 954	7	4	2

Schoonfield and Moorhead; Brown and Schaus.

	R.	H.	E.
Section Base	1	3	4
MCS Guard Bn.	4	4	4

James and Turpin; Richey and Medaris.

	R.	H.	E.
Navy Hospital	6	5	2
MCS Hq. Bn.	10	8	0

McBrey, Rust and Alapen; Collins and Holbeck.

	R.	H.	E.
NTS Postoffice	1	5	0
MCS Recruit Depot	0	0	1

Pendergrass and Wilkerson; Stanton and Lake.

	R.	H.	E.
Shore Patrol	2	5	2
ASD-2	4	6	3

Watson and Ford; Collins and Giffell.

	R.	H.	E.
NTS Postoffice	10	9	1
MCS Hq. Bn.	6	2	4

Slakes and Holbeck; Pendergrass and Wilkerson.

	R.	H.	E.
MCS Ser. Bn.	3	2	1
MCS Gd. Bn.	0	2	0

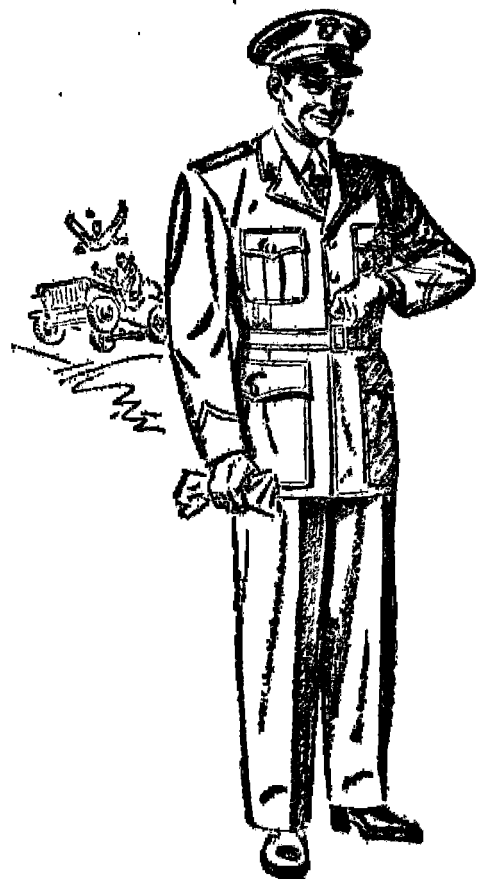
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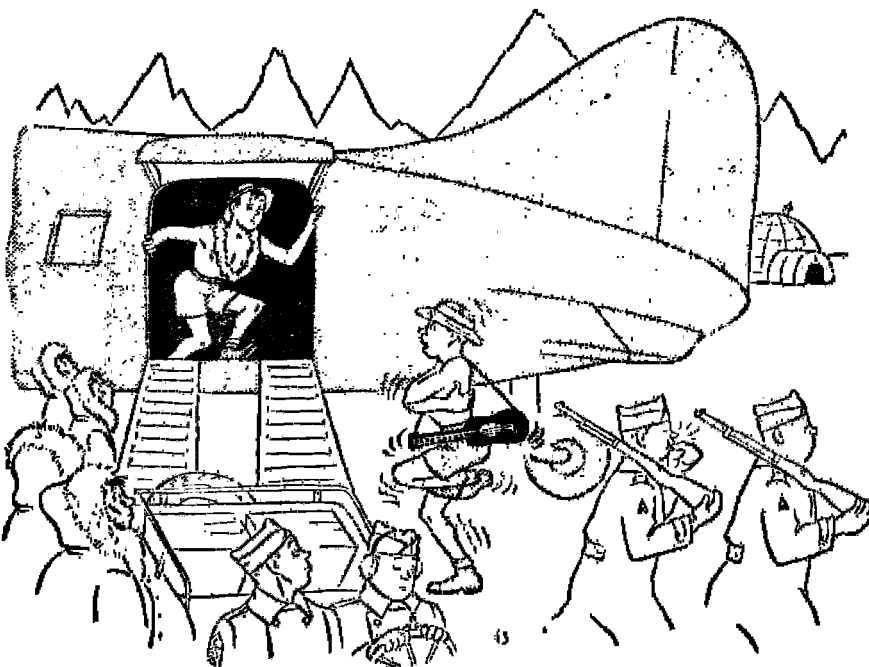
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MCB Tossers Reach Naval Dist. 'Semis'

Baker's 3-Hitter Stops NAS; Yochim Beats 5th Division

Pounding out 17 hits, MCB chalked up its ninth victory of the season this week when it rolled over Camp Callan's 33rd Inf. club, 11 to 4. PFC. Bill Gann went the route for his second win of the season.

Pvt. Orrin Baker, late of Los Angeles in the Coast league, turned in a three-hit masterpiece for his second win of the 1944 baseball season as MCB last Sunday moved into the semi-finals of the 11th Naval Dist. tournament.

Baker's airtight chucking carried the Marines to an easy 8-0 decision over NAS and their eighth win in 10 starts. The Base nine meets Camp Miramar, conqueror of Camp Callan, on the MCB diamond this afternoon at 1400.

PFC. Larry Rene posted his fourth pitching victory of the season for Miramar when he turned back the Callan soldiers, 5 to 4. Also moving into the semi-finals were the Camp Kearney Wingers, who defeated West Coast Sound, 13 to 0. The tournament finals are scheduled for May 13.

MOHR CONNECTS

Last Saturday the Base team choked off late-inning rallies to gain a 6-5 verdict over Camp Pendleton's 5th Div., one of two clubs to shade MCB this season. Pitching credit went to PFC. Ray Yochim, who gave up 11 hits.

Top hitter against the 5th Div. was shortstop PfcM3/c Lee Mohr, who plunked out three hits in five trips against the southpaw slants of Begins. Sunday it was outfielder PFC. Johnny Simmons' turn to tear the cover off the ball. He collected three blows in four trips off NAS' Warren Kanagy, also a left-hander.

BASE PILFERER

PFC. Preston Chappell, second baseman, continued to tear pages out of George Case's base-stealing book. His average remains at one a game through 10 contests.

Camp Matthews moved up in the consolation end of the 11th Naval Dist. tournament last weekend by defeating Dist. Hq., 6 to 5.

Score: R. H. E.
Marine Corps Base 6 11 2
5th Div. 5 11 1
Yochim and Crandall; Begins and Dupinsky.

Naval Air Station 0 3 5
Marine Corps Base 6 10 2
Kanagy and Welbrock; Baker and Andrews.

Marine Corps Base 11 17 2
33rd Infantry 4 9 1
Gann and Andrews; Uehman, Tate and Beard, Uehls.

Camp Callan 4 9 2
Camp Miramar 5 6 4
Grissom and Walker; Rene and Moore.

West Coast Sound 0 1 5
Camp Kearney Wingers 13 12 0
Farrell, Schaefer and Obie; Arsenault and Wright.

Dist. Hq. 6 9 0
Camp Matthews 6 5 5
Barley and McClell; Knowlton and Hotelle.

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EL TORO BUMPS TROJANS, PEPPERDINE SUCCESSIVELY

MCAS, EL TORO—Sharp pitching this week carried the El Toro Marines to two baseball victories. Victims in both instances were college nines.

Casper Dermeyer struck out 14 men before retiring in the seventh to help El Toro to a 12-1 decision over Pepperdine college here. At Los Angeles State Stevenson hurled nine-hit ball to give the Marines a 5-1 win over USC.

Score: R. H. E.
Pepperdine 1 3 7
El Toro 12 9 0
Lefebvre and Norton; Dermeyer, Kelly and Hall, Gross.
El Toro 5 11 0
U. S. C. 1 9 4
Stevenson and Dobos; Allen, Nash and Palmer.

SEACAST NINE SPANKS CAMP CALLAN TOSSEES

LINDA VISTA—Seacast Def. Bn. combed two pitchers for 11 hits and a 13-7 victory over Camp Callan this week.

Score: R. H. E.
Seacast Def. Bn. 13 11 3
Camp Callan 7 8 5
Harker and Bennett; Kessler, Maybee and Gudeis, Leland.



Cherry Point's Baseball Club Hits Fast Pace

Fort Bragg And Naval Base Bow To Air Station Nine; Overseas Vet Joins Team

MCAS, CHERRY POINT (Special to Chevron)—Cherry Point's Marine baseball team stretched its winning streak here this week by twice taking the measure of Ft. Bragg's 397th Inf., tripping Morehead City's Naval Frontier Base, 5 to 3, and then shutting out Atlantic Field, 8 to 0.

PFC. Walter Hinkoff's single in the seventh, scoring PFC. Walter Brown and Corp. Tom Clavin, broke a tie and gave the Leathernecks a 3 to 1 win over Ft. Bragg in their first meeting. StfsGt. Cecil Hubbard, shortstop and coach, sparked a heavy hitting attack as the Marines came back the next day to win easily, 14 to 1. PFC. Norman Scott, recently returned from Guadalcanal, let the Ft. Bragg club down with six hits.

Pete Rafferty's airtight pitching and hard hitting by Doolittle and Brown gave the Flying Leathernecks their easy win over Atlantic Field.

Score: R. H. E.
Cherry Point 14 15 0
Fort Bragg 1 3 1
House and Clavin; Doherty and Zimm.

Fort Bragg 5 8 5
Cherry Point 14 15 0
Surratt, Summers (5), Nyri (3), Welland (6), Lammitt (7), Doherty (7) and Zimm; Scott and Doolittle.
Morehead Navy Base 5 3 3
Cherry Point 14 15 0
Ray and LePage; King, House (3) and Doolittle.

Score: R. H. E.
Atlantic Field 0 2 2
Hinkoff and Doolittle, Clavin, Grayson, Gregg and McLamore.

PARRIS ISLAND HURLERS COMBINE ON NO-HITTER

PARRIS ISLAND—Bob Revels and Bill Green collaborated here recently on a no-run, no-hit game as the Parris Island Marine baseball team defeated Newberry college, 9 to 0 and 11 to 2. Heavy slugging featured the return game. Only 29 men faced Revels and Green in the shutout.

MIRAMAR MARINES BEAT NAVAL AIR STATION

PFCs. Larry Rene and John Clements combined their pitching talents this week to give the Camp Miramar Marines a 2 to 1 victory over NAS in a practice game at Navy field.

Score: R. H. E.
Camp Miramar 2 7 0
Naval Air Station 1 6 2
Rene, Clements and Moore; Singorland and Anderson.

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5TH DIV. NINE ROLLS BACK MIRAMAR, 8 TO 4

CAMP PENDLETON—Heavy hitting featured here last week as the 5th Div. baseball team scored an 8 to 4 victory over Camp Miramar in a game that saw Karl Scheel become the first 5th Div. chucker to go the full nine-inning route this season.

Save in the third, when the Pliers bunched four hits for three runs, Scheel was never in danger. Ed Chastain, 5th Div. third sacker, hit four safeties in five times at bat. 1stLt. Hal Hirschon, 5th Div. first baseman, and Sgt. Hugh Lapham of Miramar hit home runs.

Score: R. H. E.
Camp Miramar 4 5 2
5th Div. 8 11 1
Hirschon and Moore; Scheel and Dupinsky.

Heavyweight's Knockout Tops RD Boxing Bill

Conches Peg Tracy As Main To Watch; Scott And Smart Share Headline Honors

Heavyweights came back into their boxing own Saturday night when Pvt. Paul Tracy, 200-pound recruit from San Antonio, Tex., training with Plat. 422, lowered the knockout boom on Pvt. Bernie McMillan of Kentwood, La., Plat. 454, in the third round at RD Amphitheater.

So powerful was his hitting and so smart his ring work that Corp. Marty Schwartz and PFC. Quentin (Baby) Bryce, boxing maestros at RD, tagged Tracy as a man to watch along the Marine fighting trail.

SCOTT, SMART WIN

Two other recruits, Pvs. John Scott, 135-pounder from Yuma, Ariz., and James Smart, 140-pounder from Rochester, N. Y., shared the spotlight with heavyweight Tracy. Smart decked Pvt. Edward Timmons of Van Nuys, Calif., for a two-round TKO. Scott took the nod from Pvt. Kenneth McClelland of Muncie, Ind. Other results:

Middleweights—Pvs. Kenneth Wagoner of Laguna Beach, Calif., and Jesse Hazzard of Kayenta, Ariz., drew.

Welterweights—Pvt. Robert Vichich of Detroit, defeated Pvt. Carl Trip of Sioux City, Ia.

Lightweights—Pvt. Joe Terrazan of Brookville, Tex., TKO'd Pvt. Charles Hamman of Indianapolis, Ind., in the third.

Featherweights—Pvt. George Reiter of Cleveland, O., TKO'd Pvt. James Kershaw of Baton Rouge, La., in the second; Pvt. Gilbert Minde of San Antonio, Tex., TKO'd Pvt. Marvinette Gibson of El Paso, Tex., in the third.

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Leatherneck Gets Full Quota With Flame Thrower

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed) - He probably killed more Japs than any other Marine in the Eniwetok action.

At one time Corp. Delmar G. Hodson of Ogden, Utah, burned 24 Japs in a single emplacement with his flame thrower.

The Japs were in a log, tin, and steel emplacement on the beach of Eniwetok Island. It was impossible to get at them with anything but a flame thrower. A grenade merely nicked the surface.

ROUTED JAPS

Corp. Hodson poked the nose of the thrower into the opening and burst the flame into the emplacement.

Later on, when the nest was pulled apart, the 24 Japs were found dead.

In the later phases of the action, Corp. Hodson worked with demolition men in routing hidden snipers from underground trenches.

Four days later, on Parry Island, Hodson landed with the first assault wave, and had refilled the tanks of his flame thrower before the second wave hit the beach. - Sgt. Benjamin J. Masselink, combat correspondent.

Write Home - Enrollment Open

WASHINGTON - Marine Corps Institute correspondence courses may be completed by Marines already enrolled prior to receiving medical surveys for disabilities incurred in line of duty, not due to their own misconduct, it was ruled by HQMC. Those not taking courses at the time of their discharge will not be accepted.

Artillerymen To Jeeps! — The Cows Are In The Field

AN ADVANCED PACIFIC BASE - Rounding up cattle with jeeps isn't exactly the job of Marine artillerymen, but it happened here.

Members of this artillery regiment, who blasted the Japs in the Marshall Islands, were firing away during recent maneuvers

when suddenly the report reached the CP, that stray cattle were grazing on the range.

Leathernecks ceased firing and TSgt. Taylor R. Eard of Little Rock, Ark., and St/Sgt. Robert R. Austin of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., clas-

situation sergeants, referred to their files and located 10 ex-cow punchers.

As fate would have it, however, no horses were available, so the cattle were dispersed with jeeps. - Sgt. William T. Harrell Jr., combat correspondent.



Board Outlines New Rules For Tire Issuance

OPA regulations governing issuance of tires to car owners have been liberalized, but -

As heretofore, a tire must be condemned as beyond repair before an application for replacement can be approved. Where the casing is in good shape but the tread gone, the old tire must be re-capped.

MCB auto owners receiving extra gas coupons for periodic home travel are eligible for Grade A tires only.

FEW ON MARKET

"A" book holders also are eligible for Grade A tires only, and there are very few satisfactory tires of this grade on the market at present.

Tire rationing will continue to be handled on the basis of quotas assigned establishments within each OPA district.

The above facts were outlined by the Base Rationing Board this week after a flood of applications was received following announcements over last week-end to the effect that more auto owners were now eligible to receive tires.

— Ann Tynes —

Five Businesses 'Out Of Bounds'

Five Southern California establishments have been placed "out of bounds" for Naval personnel. They are:

Black Flamingo Club, 4505 S. Avalon Blvd., Los Angeles; Double "V" Breakfast Club, 1108 1/2 E. Vernon Ave., Los Angeles; Eleanor's Cafe, Laguna Rd., and Newport Ave., Tustin; Barbara's Tavern, 1609 Newport Blvd., Costa Mesa; and Harborside Cafe, Highway 101, Chula Vista.

CHEVRON CHICK

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