

Losses In Philippines Battle Stagger Jap Fleet

Jittery Tokyo Reports Marines In Leyte Action

Shamed units of the U. S. Army and Marine Corps, although they had been badly beaten in the Leyte landings, were reported to have also landed on the island. The enemy broadcast, picked up by United Press, said Japanese forces had taken a heavy toll of the invaders, which they described as "part of the American Marine Corps." Another broadcast said the invasion forces were drawn from the "7th Marine Corps."

American communiques have identified the troops as the 16th Corps, the 24th Corps, the 3rd Amph. Engr. Brig. and supporting supply and other troops.

The two Corps include the 1st Bn. Div. and the 7th, 24th and 98th Infantry Divs.

The famed 7th Army Div. was trained by Marine Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith prior to its conquest of Attu and its landing at Kiska. It participated in freeing Kwajalein in the Marshalls.



CLEANUP. Marine infantrymen, supported by tanks, move up a small draw cleaning up do-or-die remnants of Peleliu Jap forces. Smoke at left marks blast of shell fired by tank at one of many hillside caves and dugouts.

Two Marines Die In Motorcycle Crash

Two Marines, identified as Donald M. Padgett and William P. Hanes, both of whom recently returned from duty overseas, were killed late this week when a motorcycle on which they were riding overturned and crashed on a San Diego street extension.

Japs Still Holding Out On Peleliu

WRs of Area May Form Pistol Team

CAMP MATTHEWS—A number of WRs from the Base and nearby camps are receiving instruction in firing the .22-cal pistol here each Sunday morning. Teams may be formed at a later date.

While public attention focused this week on the battle of the Philippines, fighting on operations continued on Peleliu and Angaur Islands in the Palaus as did the daily "milk runs" over Japan's mystery islands of the Marshalls and Carolines.

Marine Corsair fighters supported ground operations in the Palaus.

A United Press dispatch from Pearl Harbor quoted Adm. Chester W. Nimitz.

The Corsairs also bombed gun emplacements and the lighthouse on Babelthrap, main island of the Palaus.

Emphasizing the importance of

PALAU CASUALTIES
Names of some of the 1st Div. Marines killed on Peleliu are contained in the casualty list on page 11. Casualties listed there are those released for publication by the Navy Dept. during the past seven days.

the Palaus as a communication hub in the western Pacific, Adm. Nimitz's press release said Peleliu was the newest junction point on the road to Tokyo for pilots of the (Continued on page 2)

Heavy units of the Japanese fleet were sent to the bottom and others severely damaged in three battles from Monday through Wednesday in the Philippines and Sibuyan seas which early reports indicated broke the back of the enemy's naval strength.

Incomplete reports list 12 enemy warships sunk (two carriers, two battleships, five cruisers, three destroyers); three probably sunk (one carrier, two battleships); and 12 damaged (six battleships, five cruisers, one destroyer).

Damage to the U. S. fleet was reported by Adm. Chester W. Nimitz to have included loss of one light carrier, the USS Princeton, and one Australian cruiser. In addition, several torpedo boats

BOX SCORE OF SINKINGS		
Up to the start of Wednesday's battle between U. S. and Jap fleets in the Pacific, this was the box score comparison of warships of the two nations sunk:		
	U. S.	Japan
Battleships	1	3
Aircraft carriers...	6	7
Cruisers	9	59
Destroyers	45	157
Submarines	32	15
Others	23	113
Totals	166	354

were reported lost and a destroyer damaged.

The battles developed when the elusive Jap fleet attempted a pincer movement to halt the invasion of the Philippines. Two of the battles were fought so close to where invasion troops have been in operation for less than a week that Lt. Yates McDaniel of Associated Press reported "the fate of the American Army ashore at Leyte hung in a precarious balance for 48 hours Wednesday morning."

The 7th and 3rd U. S. fleets were arrayed against what was described by Adm. Ernest J. King in Washington as "practically all of the Japanese fleet."

Vice Adm. Thomas C. Kinkaid's 7th fleet daringly was split up to take on two Japanese fleet groups simultaneously. Although outnumbered, the divided 7th won both battles.

It was in these engagements that the opposing warships closed within rifle range. In one they exchanged shells for 25 minutes. It was also in the Philippines area that the Princeton was sunk.

Meanwhile, American troops made a new landing on Samar Island and seized the southern coast of the island—the last barrier to the Philippines before Luzon—while other forces extended their gains on Leyte to bring 31 towns and villages and six airfields under U. S. control.

The landing on Samar was made

largest island in the Philippines, was made by troops which completed a 17-mile amphibious drive up the eastern coast of Leyte and crossed over the narrow San Juanico Strait. The landing was made at a point about 60 miles southeast of Luzon.

In the campaign on Leyte, it was announced that Americans had seized 19 towns and villages and three airfields in two days to give them firm control of the northern end of the island. Already more than 3000 Japanese have been killed and enemy counter-thrusts have proven ineffective.

Japanese defenders of Leyte included the 15th Army Div. which Gen. Douglas MacArthur said "did the dirty work on Bataan," and with whom invading Xpunks have an old score to settle.

Philippine invaders were aided by an organized guerrilla force of 4000 men, who actively fought the Jap oppressors for over two years awaiting the return of U. S. forces, United Press reported.



Sgt. ROBERT J. PUTNAM
... shakes his investment

Base Leatherneck Lays \$1500 On Line For Bonds

Awaiting orders to go overseas, Sgt. Robert J. Putnam of Chicago, a member of Sgt. Bl., decided to turn all his ready cash into War Bonds this week and plunked down \$1500 in the Base War Bond office for one of the largest single purchases made at MCB.

When the sergeant said he couldn't think of a better way to put his money into safe keeping, Capt. Melvin H. Habb, Base Bond officer, heartily agreed.

Mercury Hits 130 On Newest Range

MCAS, EL CENTRO—The "Battle of Devil's Oven" rages daily here in what probably is the hottest and the lowest altitude rifle range in the world.

The newly-enlarged range is more than 100 feet below sea level. A sizzling desert sun rockets temperatures to 105 degrees even in October and as high as 130 degrees in mid-summer.

Marines of an air group here fire salvo after salvo in this inferno carved from sagebrush, sand, chaparral and cacti in a flat-bottomed canyon walled by sheer cliffs 40 feet high.

Pilots, flight crews and others who are issued pistols fire a familiarization course with the .45-cal. pistol and .38-cal. revolver at the new pistol range adjoining the rifle range.

WO. John A. Scarborough, Oakland, Cal., is range officer and group assistant ordnance officer. Helping him direct the improvements was Staff Sgt. William F. Rogers, Talco, Tex., NCO-in-C.

The 500-yard, 300-yard and 200-yard firing lines all have been rebuilt, and a 150-yard line and more targets added. The rifle and pistol ranges now have 15 targets each.

Nip Plane Downed By Col. Lindbergh

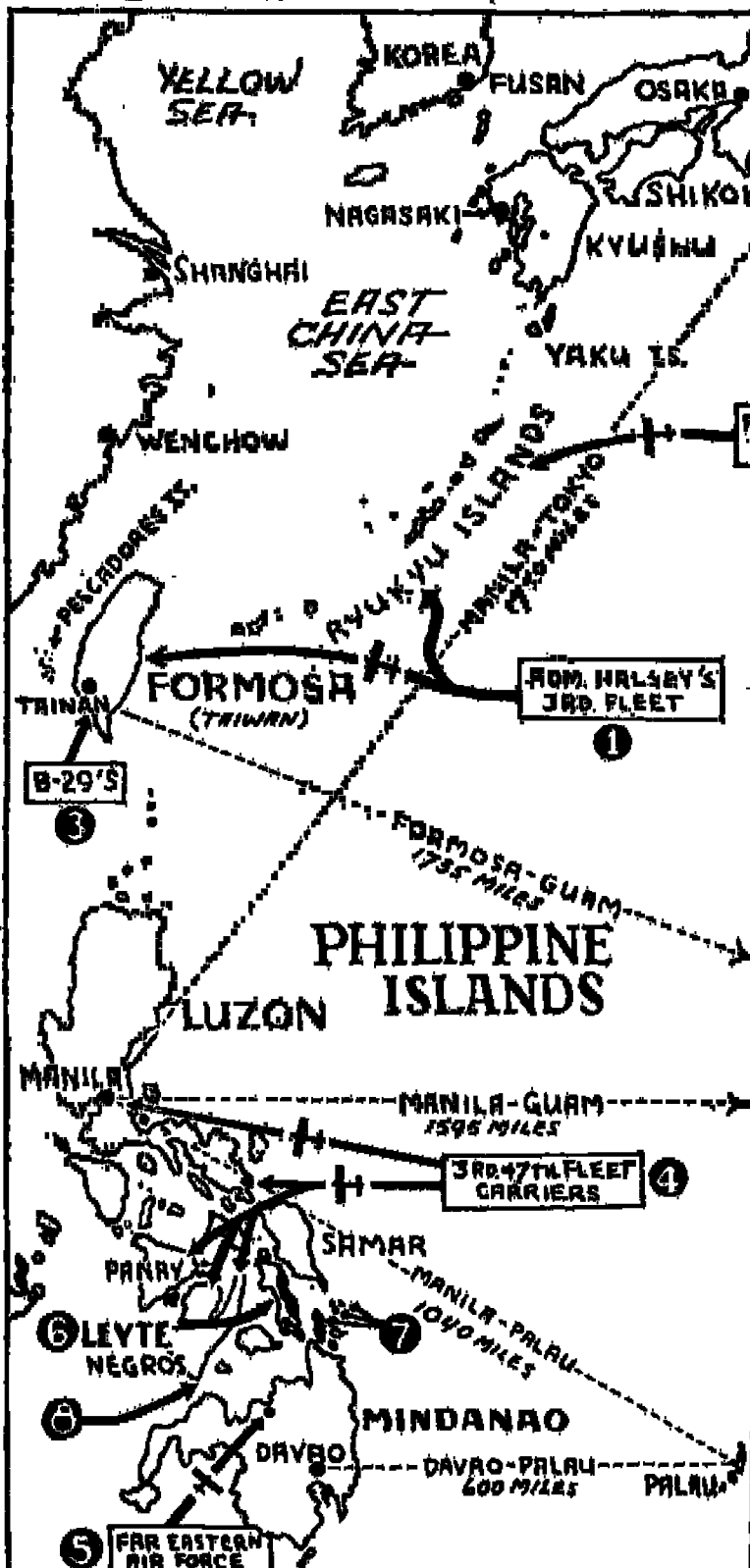
Col. Charles A. Lindbergh flew on combat missions during his recent trip to the South Pacific and is unofficially credited with shooting down a Japanese plane, the Passaic, N. J., Herald-News said in a copyrighted article this week.

The newspaper said Lindbergh's assignment as a civilian expert for the War and Navy Depts. took him to front bases and on fighter plane flights leading to encounters in which aggressive action had been a matter of necessity.



"DEVIL'S OVEN." Staff Sgt. William F. Rogers, Talco, Tex., (left) shows PFC Sprigman M. Williams, Blackwell, Okla., correct firing position on MCAS, El Centro, pistol range, located 100 feet below sea level and where temperatures soar to 130 degrees during the summer months.

Seagoing Marines See Action As Huge Armada Pounds Luzon



VAST FRONT. Arrows give some idea of huge Pacific battlefront. Battle for Philippines actually started with great foray against Formosa and the Ryukyus (1 and 2) by Adm. Halsey's 3rd Fleet and its carrier forces. Elements of the Jap fleet were sighted but fled. Then the great fleet, having largely isolated the Philippines from aerial reinforcement, headed south to pound those islands. China-based Superfortresses continued to blast Formosan installations (3). 3rd and 7th Fleet carrier-based planes struck at many Philippine targets, including Clark Field (Manila), Legaspi, Luzon, Negros, Panay, Cebu and Leyte. On the latter island they have been supporting landing operations. Land-based bombers blasted Cagayan and Manila airfields (5). U. S. troops are pushing the Japs back on Leyte (6) while others liberated Homonhon, Sibuyan and Dinagat Islands (7). Shaded areas are those held by U. S. troops. The American naval forces finally caught Japanese fleet (8), inflicting heavy damage and forcing its withdrawal from the area.

Marines Mop Up Japanese Holding Out On Peleliu

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Naval Air Transport Service, Pacific Wing.

Capt. D. W. Tomlinson, commander of NATS in the Pacific, announced that NATS planes had begun regularly scheduled cargo and passenger service to the southern Palau, thus revealing that Peleliu airfield is now capable of handling four-engine transports. The airport was quickly taken by the 1st Mar. Div. when it invaded Peleliu and was immediately put in shape by Seabees.

Almost daily attacks on the Marshalls and Carolines have been going on for a year by heavy and medium bombers of the 7th AAF, fighters of the 4th Mar. Air Wing, and search planes of Fleet Air Wing 2.

A report to the New York Times from Pearl Harbor said that there are plain indications that the Japanese on the by-passed islands are surviving daily bombings quite well with the help of supplies brought

by submarines. They get no planes or heavy equipment, but are making things "interesting" for American pilots, who often report that they "catch hell." One said that while all of the heavy caliber A.A. guns had been knocked out "the small stuff looks like a Christmas tree."

Principal "milk run" targets are Mili, Wotje, Jaluit and Maloelap atolls in the Marshalls; Truk and Ponape in the Carolines; Pagan and Rota in the Marianas; and Wake, Marcus and Nauru.

All of these targets are apportioned among our air forces at the nearest American bases in the Marianas, the Marshalls, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, and the Aleutians, the Times said. Marine planes from Peleliu are used against the rest of the Palau.

First Manual

The first Marine's manual (for use of enlisted men) was published in 1885.

Formosa Vital Point In Pacific Strategy

The devastating carrier-based air attack on Formosa suggests to most observers one of two strategic developments. It could be either a powerful diversion for the Philippines blow or it could be a genuine softening-up blow for eventual action against the island of Formosa itself.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz has repeatedly said that we must land on China's east coast before we can attack Japan and there is no better springboard for such an undertaking than Formosa.

An east coast landing in China becomes more imperative, writes Sidney Shalett in the New York Times, as a result of the "critical situation in central China, where the Japanese are steadily achieving their goal of slicing the country in two."

Formosa, 249 miles long and 93 miles across at its widest, would make an ideal air and supply base for an amphibious operation against the China coast, as well as for land-based air operations against Japan.

With a population of more than five million, the island is one of the chief bastions of the Japanese Empire. A long-established naval and air base, it was the jumping-off place for Japan's attack on the Philippines (it is only 250 miles from the tip of Luzon and 450 miles from Manila), and has been a staging point for her operations in the Netherlands Indies and

Malaya. It is also a vital resource in Japan's economy, before the war supplying a sixth of her rice and practically all of her sugar, as well as oil, coal and copper.

Even before the war, Japanese newspapers referred to Formosa as the "immovable aircraft carrier in the line of the southward advance."

To its west in the Pescadores the Japs established more naval and supply bases and in the Ryukyus, airfields and other strategic areas are scattered among the largest islands, utilizing the natural advantages of the plains and sheltered harbors. Okinawa Island alone, a Jap fleet base for many years, has at least eight actual or potential naval harbors.

The inhospitable east coast of Formosa is lined with mountain ranges which come down to the coast in spectacular cliffs. Two of its mountains, about 14,000 feet high, are the tallest in the Japanese Empire. On the western coast, gentle slopes end in a broad coastal plain.

Vegetation is generally luxuriant and tropical in character, but there is little wild life and birds are relatively rare. There are a number of varieties of poisonous land and sea snakes. On the higher slopes there are forests of the giant banyan, the second largest tree in the world, similar to the redwoods. Formosa has many earthquakes but few are serious.

Program Of Music Slated For 'Halls' Show Today

This afternoon's broadcast of the "Halls of Montezuma" radio show, on the air at 1500 from the Base theater, will feature both classic and popular music by the Base orchestra, under direction of TSgt. Grady Howard.

Music for the show will include singing of "Hour of Parting" by the Invaders, a vocal septette under direction of PFC. Tammy Gleason; "The Song of the Flea," sung by PFC. John Burr; "The Moon Was Yellow," played by the orchestra.

Gunner Survives 12 Crackups in Pacific

USNH, SANTA CRUZ, Cal.—Recipient of the DFC and survivor of 12 plane crackups in the Pacific theater, TSgt. Duane L. Rhodes of Seattle, a radio gunner aboard a torpedo bomber, is now convalescing here.

In the 12th crackup, he and two other crewmen spent eight hours aboard a raft before natives picked them up, and then were eight days on a Jap-held island before a Navy amphibian rescued them.

Friendship between most privates and sergeants is strictly platonic.

"I'll Remember April," sung by PFC. Dick Smith; and "Elegy," played by the orchestra.

Short dramatizations of some of the humorous incidents of the Pacific war will be presented under the title "Sunshine and Shadow."



TSgt. WALTER COCHRAN ... writes for Chevron

guns on Catmon hill, trouble point for the southern Leyte attack force.

The Navy said other battleships severely damaged at Pearl Harbor also participated in the bombardment.

Carriers identified by the Navy as on duty with the Fleet in the Pacific include the USS Independence, Long Island, Yorktown, Lexington, Santee, Nassau, Sangamon, Suwanee, Chenango, Enterprise, Cowpens, Saratoga, Essex, Bunker Hill and the sunken Princeton—14.

Battleships—Tow, Alabama, Massachusetts, Washington, New Jersey, North Carolina, South Dakota, New Mexico, California, Colorado, Mississippi, Indiana, Idaho, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Tennessee—16.

Heavy cruisers—Vincennes, Louisville, Indianapolis, Boston, Baltimore, Wichita, San Francisco, the new Houston, Portland, New Orleans, Pensacola, Minneapolis, Salt Lake City, Chester—14.

Light cruisers—Boise, Mobile, Birmingham, San Diego, Santa Fe, Montpelier, Phoenix, St. Louis, Honolulu, Oakland, Biloxi, Detroit, Denver, Raleigh, Miami, Trenton, Columbia, Cleveland, Richmond, Nashville, Concord, San Juan and Marblehead—23.

The greatest operation of the Pacific war actually began some 15 days prior to the Leyte landings when Adm. Halsey's carriers struck Formosa.

There, too, seagoing Marines participated in one of the great air-sea actions of the war. In return for two damaged ships and 70 American planes shot down in the period from Oct. 10 through 16, when the 3rd Fleet headed south, the following damage was inflicted on the Japs:

A total of 265 planes shot down over Formosa; 250 shot down by interceptions during attacks on the task force; 41 shot down by task force gunnery; 367 destroyed on the ground; 227 ships, mostly small, damaged.

OKLAHOMA OUT OF FIGHT

PEARL HARBOR (UP)—The Battleship Oklahoma, sunk by the Japs at Pearl Harbor and later salvaged and refitted, was decommissioned Sept. 1, Adm. Nimitz announced this week.

Fighter-Writer Returns To Join Staff Of Chevron

TSgt. Walter Cochran, who during the past year has supplied the nation's newspapers with first-hand accounts of Leathernecks wading through Jap machine gun, mortar and artillery fire to seize their objectives, reported to MCB this week to become the first combat correspondent to join the staff of The Chevron.

The correspondent was glad to be back at the Base where he underwent boot training, and appreciated his new job as one in which he could transmit a "feeling" in stories that will give men in the field a tie to the Base where many of them underwent basic training.

PAL OF SEABEES

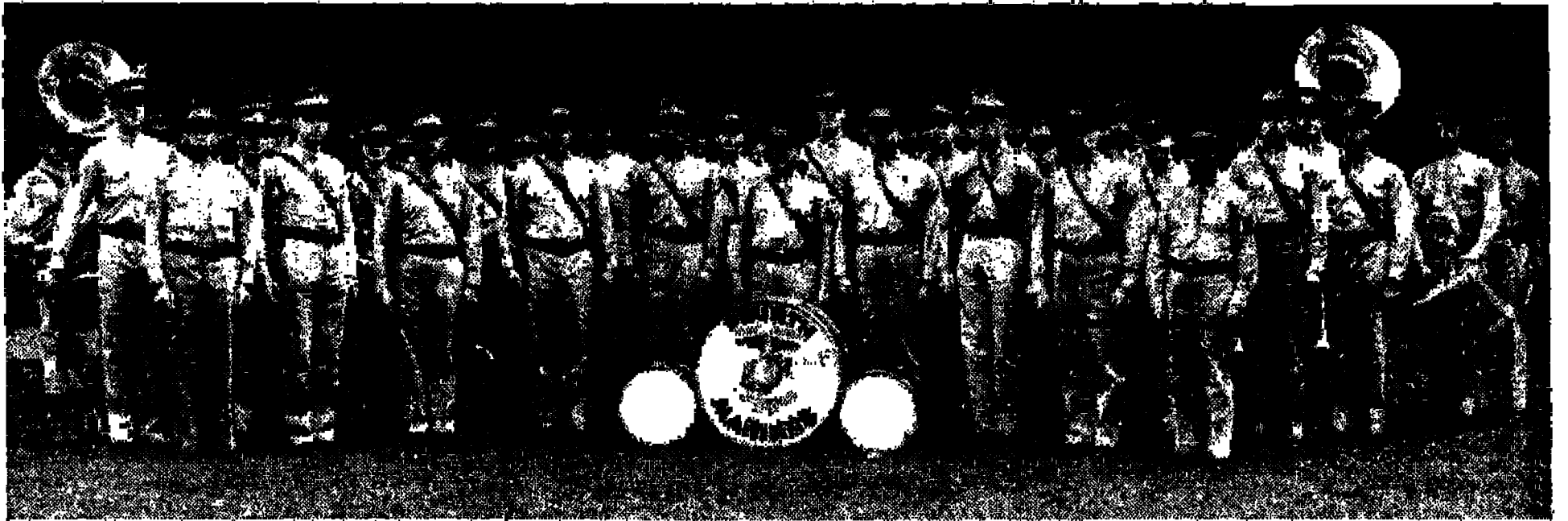
After covering action in the Gilberts and at Tarawa, TSgt. Cochran lived on Abemama for a month covering activities of Seabees while they built the first Central Pacific fighter strip—which has now become the air crossroad for operations in that area.

The fighter-writer's rest period after the Gilberts lasted just 10 days. He moved on to Kwajalein to report the capture of Roi-Namur in a little over 48 hours—the first combat action of the 4th Mar. Div.

After Kwajalein came Saipan and one of the heaviest Japanese mortar barrages of the Pacific war. Landing with the first waves of the 4th Div. there, TSgt. Cochran caught a piece of flying shrapnel in his left knee. His wound treated in the field, the correspondent continued grinding out stories of the heroism of other Marines as they swept across Saipan.

About The Chevron's popularity in the Pacific, TSgt. Cochran said: "There just aren't enough to go around."

Men Of The Fighting 4th Marines—They Consecrated Invasion Scene



FIGHTING BANDSMEN. Members of the 4th Regt. band of China fame are shown in a picture taken just before they left for the Philippines to make their heroic stand against the Japanese. After the fall of Bataan, they moved to Corregidor, where most of them either died fighting or were captured. Identified are: (extreme left, second row) TSgt. Jack Bauhauf, drum major; (next to him, front row) MTSgt. Lewis E. Griffin and (extreme right, front row) MTSgt. Gas Olagues, now a warrant officer on duty with the Base Band company, recently returned from the the Pacific.

4th Regt. Played Heroic Role In Philippines

Following is a brief history of Marine action in the Philippines:

The 4th Marines, stationed in Shanghai since 1937 under the command of Col. Samuel L. Flew-ell, were transferred to Hongkong Naval base on Luzon only a few days before the Japanese attack on the Philippines.

Until Dec. 21, 1941, they defended Olongapo; on Christmas Day they began a trek to Mariveles and took over the beach defense on Bataan and at Corregidor, by Dec. 28 their Headquarters had been established on Corregidor.

The Marine 1st, which had guarded Cavite N.Y.U. was absorbed into the 4th Marines on New Year's Day. Marines fighting on Iloilo captured about 1000 men approximately one third of Gen. MacArthur's regular Army troops in that area.

Their bravery and acts of heroism in the face of death from Japanese artillery fire to rescue wounded Naval personnel trapped in the open at Corregidor have brought a multitude of decorations and citations. One hundred and seventy-six officers and enlisted men of the 4th Regt. and the Cavite detachment were decorated by the Army.

The tasks assigned the 4th kept it constantly on the move. Marine defense units entered into hand-to-hand combat and, with the aid of Army artillery, time and again repulsed attempted Japanese barge landings. Forming pick-up battalions which performed an important part of the defense of Bataan peninsula, these defense units repeatedly drove off Jap landing attempts and inflicted heavy losses. This was effected in large part by remarkably accurate rifle, pistol and machine gun fire. Day after day for two weeks, they also were busy in numerous actions in

the hills of the peninsula, throwing back Japanese assaults.

In addition to stationary defense outposts, Marines would go into the front lines as snipers or form small expeditions to infiltrate behind enemy lines to scout, fight and demoralize the Japanese. These were voluntary assignments.

Late in January, when the Japanese landed several hundred men not far from Mariveles, a quickly-organized mixed battalion of sailors from the tender Cinnabar and Marines manning A.A. batteries went into the jungle after the Japs and fought them for several days until Filipino soldiers arrived to take over.

After a four-month siege, when it became evident that Bataan could not continue to hold Navy and Marine personnel were ordered to Corregidor under cover of darkness just prior to Bataan's capitulation. The Marines included the remainder of the 1500 officers and men of the 4th Regt.

When swarms of Jap shock troops swarmed over the sick, hungry and weary defenders of the "Rock" on May 6, nearly all the 4th Marines and the personnel of the Marine detachment were believed to have been captured along with several hundred Naval personnel.

Although Corregidor's fall marked the end of organized resistance in the Philippines, the battle was never ended. Guerrilla bands, composed partly of these Marines who escaped into the jungles when Bataan and Corregidor fell, today are still sniping away at the Japs from one end of the archipelago to the other.

PX to Close
The Base PX will be closed for inventory Tuesday. Other facilities of the PX will remain open.

Irish Luck Fails O'Brien --And On St. Patrick's Day

MCAS, MIRAMAR The high of the Irish legend O'Brien at the darkest place and time—over New Ireland on St. Patrick's Day.

O'Brien in TSgt. Walter J. O'Brien of Oneda, N. Y. He has returned here from the Pacific where he served with the Marine photographic squadron credited with the first missile over Truk.

As Irish as Paddy's pig, Sgt. O'Brien thought the Gods were smiling on him when he learned he was to take part in the New Ireland mission. But apparently St. Patrick had chased the snakes out of the wrong Ireland for one of the two-legged Japanese variety fired a 20mm. shell which pierced the waist jacket of the plane and

knocked shrapnel into O'Brien's shoulder.

He spent more than a month in the hospital trying to figure out what happened to his Irish luck.

O'Brien's wound was the only combat injury received by any member of the squadron during photographic and reconnaissance missions over Truk, New Ireland, New Britain, Bougainville, Guam, Yap and other islands in the Truk area. The most exciting flight was the Yap mission last April, when his plane was the only one to reach the destination and photograph the Jap base. Bad weather forced the others to turn back. —Sgt. Sen. Wahman, combat correspondent.



JUBILANT. Venancio Abrenilla, a Base janitor and a native of Philippines, points to invasion area near his birthplace struck by American forces. He believes U. S. strategy is sound. (Photo by PFC. Herbert F. Alden).

Filipino Employees On Base Jubilant As U. S. Invades Their Homeland

The Filipino contingent of civilian workers employed at the Base cheered loudly and lustily this week at the invasion by American troops of the Islands of their homeland.

In the Administration Bldg., the occupants were startled as Venancio Abrenilla—who usually goes about his janitorial task with quiet and ultra-conservatism—ran through the corridors, waving his arms and chanting over and over: "We're back! We're back!"

That was on the morning of the invasion.

Venancio was born on Bohol Island, less than five miles from the island of Leyte, where the main American liberation forces went ashore and were down the Japanese resistance. And Venancio knows the spot well.

"We Americans use good strategy landing between Luzon and Mindanao," he nodded approvingly. "We can land on the other islands between and work north through Luzon and south to Mindanao. My people," he said, "wait long for this. This is the beginning of the end!"

For some time, Abrenilla, known affec-

tionately as "Al" by the occupants of Bldg. 15, smiled his approval of the strategy also.

"I think we will soon overrun all the islands of my homeland—and I am very happy to see this," he smiled. "It won't be long now before the Philippines are again in our hands—where they belong!"

Nearly a score of Filipinos—natives of the islands—are employed in various capacities in the civilian worker ranks on the Base.

Among them is Fernando Benavides, father of seven, who is employed in the reclamation and storage section.

Also members of the civilian Filipino contingent who work among the Marines are Felix L. Doton, laborer employed in Bldg. 16; Filadelfo M. Anglin and Thomas E. Francisco, employed at EOQ; Victor E. Barcelona, gardener, and Catalino N. Nacar, Cleo Paez, Bobbie L. Realista and George H. Root, all of whom work in the reclamation section with Benavides; Sosimo Aparis of the property section; Eugenio Jimenez of the Base commissary, and Crispin S. Dangan and Eric S. Viquez, laborers.

Top WR Blood Donor Thanked From Overseas

MCAS, EL CENTRO The leading WR blood donor here, Corp. Marlene Monte of Minneapolis, Minn., was thrilled this week with a letter she received from Cysgt. Max Slepia, a member of the famed 4th Mar. Div. The guiney sergeant had read a story about her which appeared in a September issue of The Chevron and was moved to write the following letter:

"Dear Corp. Monte:

"I don't know whether the contribution, which you and your buddies gave to the Red Cross Blood Bank, will hasten the return of your relatives and loved ones—as The Chevron related it—but I can assure you, from practical experience, that these contributions have made and will continue to make it possible for some of your buddies who get wounded to return at all.

"Certainly, if your group can make the effort and the sacrifice, the least we can say is 'well done.'

"From all of us to all of you: Our very best."

Given Air Medals
CAMP PENDLETON—Capt. Wayne G. Gher of Urbana, Ill., and Julius F. Koetsch of Brooklyn, N. Y., who fought with the noted "Flying Deuces" in the Pacific, have been awarded Air Medals.

Let's See Gal In Every Port Sailors Tie This

Advertising which firms of this area carried in The Chevron months ago is still bringing you guys and proving to Alfred Hler, La Jolla business man, that the sailor with his gal-in-every-port ain't even wellish yet.

Mr. Hler sent out a belated order from the South Pacific—a an ancient copy of The Chevron carrying its advertisement—for 34 Marine jolly cases.

The order was placed by a Marine corporal (name withheld for reasons of his own home front security).

The jolly cases are to go and to each of 34 different girls in the east.

Nimble Fingers
The liking melodies heard in the Base theater before regular screenings come from the nimble fingers of PFC. Mike Gower.

Marine Planes Blast Babelthuap In Continuous 12-Hour Raid

Marines Capture Monthly Shoot

CAMP MATTHEWS—A Marine team Sunday showed its heels to seven Navy, Coast Guard and civilian teams in the monthly Class A division of the 30-cal. rifle shoot sponsored by the West Coast Rifle club here.

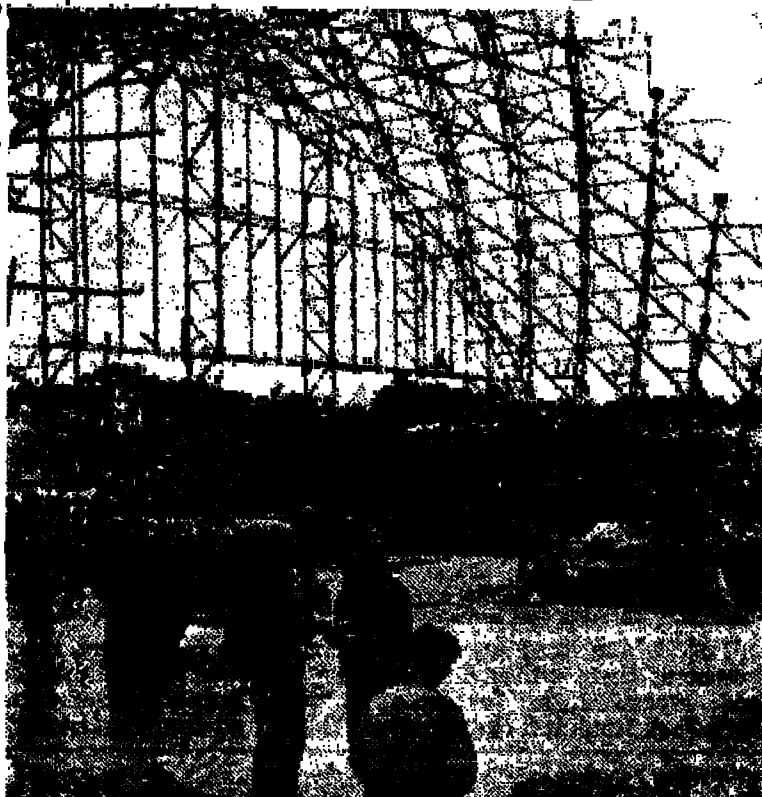
The Marines fired 1372, leading the nearest competitor, Navy No. 1 team, by 45 points.

Three Marines were among the five high individual scorers. Sgt. Bill Soderberg led the pack with 235; PFC Duane R. Miller was second with 234, and GySgt. Maxie R. Beebe was fifth with 231. Others on the Marine team were: Pvt. James R. Berry, 229; PISgt. Harry L. Gottschalk, 226; and GySgt. Albert S. Anderson, 217.

Capt. Ralph Steinhoff of the 3rd Det. is executive officer and chief range officer of the matches.

1916 Armored Car

The first armored car in the Marine Corps, placed in service in 1916, had an eight-cylinder motor and could go up to 65 miles per hour.



AIR CONDITIONED, Marines of 2nd Air Wing set up camp in a shattered Jap hangar on Pefeliu airfield. Covering was ripped from hangar by bombings and gunfire.

By TSgt. Bill Goodrich, Combat Correspondent

PELELIU (Delayed)—Twenty planes of a Marine fighter squadron took part in a continuous 12-hour raid on enemy installations, warehouses and buildings on Babelthuap Island, 80 miles north of here. The mission, the most intensive in the squadron's nine days of bombing of Jap-held positions, was also the fourth on Babelthuap.

In addition, the planes strafed enemy positions and targets to the west of this island. All planes returned safely.

The bombing and strafing assaults on Npatagan town, Garumisan Colony, and a bauxite plant, on Babelthuap, the largest of the Palau group, brought the following results:

Fifteen fires were started and it was reported that they were still burning at the end of the mission; several storage warehouses were hit and set afire; one fuel dump was set afire; one enemy plane was destroyed on the ground; a tank was knocked out, and at least 30 trucks were blown up.

UNIT WORKS AS TEAM

PELELIU (Delayed)—The success with the "Death Dealers" fighter squadron is enjoying on this island can be traced back to priceless practice in teamwork.

Ever since the unit was formed

at El Toro, Cal., emphasis has been placed on that one word by Maj. Edmund F. Overend of Coronado, Cal., its first CO, and Maj. Robert F. Stout of Fort Laramie, Wyo., then executive officer, who succeeded him when he assumed command of another fighter squadron.

The ground echelon was the first to land on this island and the teamwork began to bear fruit. Twenty-four hours after D-day, 50 ground members of the unit helped carry 20 tons of ammunition up to the front lines and by their action assisted an artillery company, short-handed through first day casualties, in turning back Jap tank-led counter-attacks.

The remainder of the squadron was divided up into teams. One worked night and day for several days unloading their equipment. Another became members of a stretcher bearer unit. A third erected a temporary camp despite heavy and concentrated Jap mortar and sniper fire. Still another team got the equipment from the beach and put it into working order.

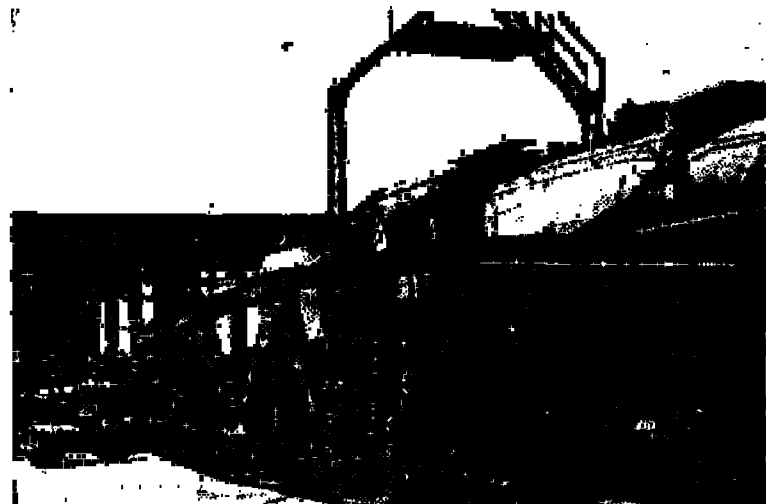
The Jap-held island of Babelthuap, 80 miles north of here, was the first to feel the blow of the "Death Dealers" teamwork. It has since felt it in bombing and strafing missions.

No greater teamwork was ever displayed than the "Death Dealers" air coverage of another great team, the 1st Mar. Div., in the landing on Ngesebus Island on D-day. High ranking air and ground officials called the air support the best they have ever seen.—TSgt. Bill Goodrich, combat correspondent.

WEAR JAP GEAR

PELELIU (Delayed)—Pilots of the "Death Dealers" squadron loaded a Jap aviation quartermaster's wardrobe soon after they landed here, and most of them are now wearing so much Jap gear they look like members of the Imperial Japanese Air Force.—SISgt. David Skyle, combat correspondent.

Leathernecks Decorated At Navy Day Exercises



JUMP-ERS! Omnipresent jeep tugs disabled turntable bearing huge locomotive at Barstow, Cal., and enables Santa Fe railway to resume its main line traffic schedule. Driver of jeep is PFC Thomas J. Robb, Pacific veteran.

They're Wonderful Gizmos!

Jeep Pulls Locomotive

BARSTOW, Cal.—When Santa Fe railway traffic came to a standstill on the vital line which runs through here, Marines saved the day.

Scheduled train runs were delayed when an accident put the mammoth turntable platform out of commission.

PFC Thomas J. Robb of Tongassie, Kan., a car record clerk at the Depot of Supplies here and a veteran of Pacific service, took a jeep from the Marine detachment and hooked it to the turntable. After a few test tugs, the jeep moved the huge turntable into place and rail traffic was resumed.

Santa Fe officials commended the Marine cooperation, saying "Your prompt action saved delay to our trains which in turn made it possible to move vital war material to its destination more promptly."

Hurt Leatherneck Jinxed Five Times Seeking Ride

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—For five consecutive times after he had been wounded on Saipan, Larry Luck dealt the joker to PFC Richard H. Navarro of Los Angeles.

On his sixth attempt, he finally made it to a beach first aid station.

This was the sequence of events: Navarro, after being hit, crawled to a nearby tractor. A Jap mortar shell hit it.

He hailed a passing jeep, but it hadn't taken him more than 50

yards when a bursting shell ruined the wheels.

He climbed aboard a ferry-boat, which promptly broke down shortly after its passengers had left it. It was demolished by a direct artillery hit.

He boarded an oxcart, which promised slow but sure progress, but it split a shaft within a few seconds.

He accepted a ride from a Marine who had patched up a captured Jap truck and was driving it toward the rear. One hundred yards from the aid station, the truck stalled and a tank came around a blind turn and side-swiped it.

The tank crew took Navarro aboard and hauled him to the aid station.—TSgt. Murray Lewis, combat correspondent.

Ten Marines from the San Diego area received decorations yesterday as a highlight of colorful Navy Day exercises held at Balboa Stadium. In addition the Base band and bugle corps, a drill team of Vets and a contingent of 100 men from Sea School took part in the stadium program.

Marking the date one year since Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, speaking before a Honolulu civic luncheon, announced to the world that the Marines and the Navy would march straight to Japan and China across the wide expanse of the Pacific, were the stadium ceremonies which marked the theme for the Filipino place.

"Your Fleet Guarantees Your Freedom!"

Slightly WRA and as many waves, along with the 10-piece Base band, the 100-member Leathernecks and 500 members of the ROTC, were featured in precision drill formations marking the raising of the colors at the stadium. This program was dedicated to the recent invasion of the Philippines by American forces—a feat made possible by the battles made epic by the Marines at Tarawa, Roi-Namur, Kwajalein, Eniwetok, Saipan, Tinian, Guam and Peleliu during the past year.

Among the Marines who participated in those victories were those who yesterday were presented with

the various heroes' citations by Capt. John B. Murphy, (MC), USN, and L. E. Dockery, (MC), USN. Capt. Murphy made the presentation at the stadium exercises and Capt. Dockery, senior medical officer at Camp Elliott, officiated at Ft. Loma High School.

Decorated at the stadium were PFC Thomas D. Laffin, who received the Presidential Unit Citation for his service with the 1st and 2nd Mar. Divs., Pvt. Frank W. Chapman, presented the Citation with the star, and Sgt. George E. Quatman, similarly honored.

Pvt. Carl M. Yates received the gold star in lieu of a second Purple Heart, and Sgt. Arthur S. Skaggs, Purple Heart; Pvt. Gus E. Holm, Purple Heart, and Sgt. Alvin H. Knight, Purple Heart.

Honored at the high school ceremonies were PFC Wallace K. Cooper, who was awarded the Presidential Citation with one star and the Purple Heart for service with the 1st Div.; Corp. Philip R. Burke, Presidential Citation with one star, and Sgt. Harry D. Davis, the Purple Heart. The latter two saw service with the 2nd Div.

Between 1900 and 1250 service men and women took part in the field ceremonies at the stadium which was attended by many Marines from this area.

The Base band and bugle corps played martial airs under direction of WO Fred A. Loeke.

Warning Issued On MCB Car Tags

Base personnel were cautioned this week by Maj. Clifford Squires, provost marshal, that MCB auto tags must be removed by all car owners before they are transferred or detached.

Marines about to be transferred but held over for a few days may obtain temporary permits.

Officers must remove Base tags at the time they clear with the adjutant.

WRs Free Men—But Not For Long

CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C.—WRs who enlisted to free a Marine to fight are doing better than that, records at this base indicate. They're marrying the man, too.

Of 202 WRs who have married here—more than 10 per cent of the total complement—143 chose Marines for husbands. Twenty-seven were married to soldiers, 18 to sailors and only 14 to civilians.

Forty-one Marine brides were won by men they outbent, but three "married the boss."

The Wolf by Sansone



WRs Landed On Base A Year Ago To Free Marines For Combat Duty



FIRST ARRIVALS. Four members of the first group of WRs to arrive at MCB for duty a year ago are still at their tasks in the personnel office under direction of 1st Lt. Fred E. Wilkins, assistant adjutant. From left: Sgt. Sylvia Miller, 2d Sgt. Margaret E. Myers, 1st Lt. Wilkins, Sgts. Barbara Ames and Clara Krueger. (Photo by PFC H. E. Alder).



GROW. Pvt. Norma Miller of Breckenridge, Minn., is one of eight employed in WR mess hall.



WELDING. Welding spray gun for motor transport is 'Pvt.' Florence L. Jolley, Evanston, Ill.

Branch Chaplain's Office Opens In Base R&R Center

Facilities for Leathernecks returned to MCB after months of Pacific duty were expanded this week with the opening of a branch chaplain's office in R&R Center, where at least one chaplain will be available at all times.

The new office is located under old mess hall "1" and is now com-

Women Snipers Used On Palau, Report

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles Times, in a dispatch from Gene Sherman in the Admiralty Islands, quotes an unnamed Marine as saying the Japs had women in caves on Peleliu.

"We know some of the women were fighting against us," the dispatch quoted the Marine as saying. "We killed some. We killed some snipers and found they were women, tied in trees and wearing trousers."

WRs Observe First Anniversary On Base

The first anniversary of the "Forty-Niners," so-called because the unit numbered 49 and also constituted the first contingent of WRs transferred to the base, will be commemorated at the New Palace Hotel Nov. 8 by the reassembling 37 members. It was announced this week by 2d Lt. Margaret E. Myers, original CO of the group.

Office workers, stenographers, clerk-typists, telephone operators, beauty operators, general clerks and bookkeepers were included in the first unit.

The office of the commanding general received eight stenograph-

ers and clerks from the original group. Ser. Bn. requested 13 stenographers and clerks and six telephone operators assigned duties on the switchboards. Present strength of the WR Bn. is 671.

Members of the original group still serving on the base include:

Sgt. J. H. and Miss and Anna Aschmann; Mgs. Sylvia Miller, Barbara Ames and Clara Krueger; Corps. Frances Miller, Melba Moore, Shirley Orwant, Roberta Piontek, Ola Richbourg, Isabel Schulte, Catherine Stone, Emma Mae Sutton, Shirley Warfield, Marguerite Baudais, Florence Bergeron, Ellen Brigadier, Delores Dudley, Margaret Flaherty, Helen Hurl and Thelma Ireland; PFCs Rosalind Moore, Barbara Jones, Inez Rankin, Neva Smith, Carol Slynus, Harriette Wester, Lila Abbot, Angella Bonadio, Kathryn Damillo, Helen Kachman, Clarice Kerski, Norma King, Marjorie Lattin, Malba Lemke and Shirley Marks.

Officers who arrived with the contingent and still serving at MCB include:

1st Lt. Irene Holsinger; 2d Lts. Maxine Coats, Eileen Nesbitt, Margaret E. Myers and Mary Fahrner.

REVIEWS PENDLETON WRs

CAMP PENDLETON — Last Thursday Maj. Gen. Charles F. B. Price, CG of FMF, San Diego area, reviewed the first battalion parade of WRs in the history of this camp. The review marked the first anniversary of the arrival of WRs for duty here.

The event was capped by a reception honoring the general and a "birthday party" for all colored WRs.

Phony Paratrooper 'Chutes Into Grid

LOS ANGELES — Anthony Minelli, 21-year-old defense worker, courted his girl so ardently that he told her he was a former Marine paratrooper.

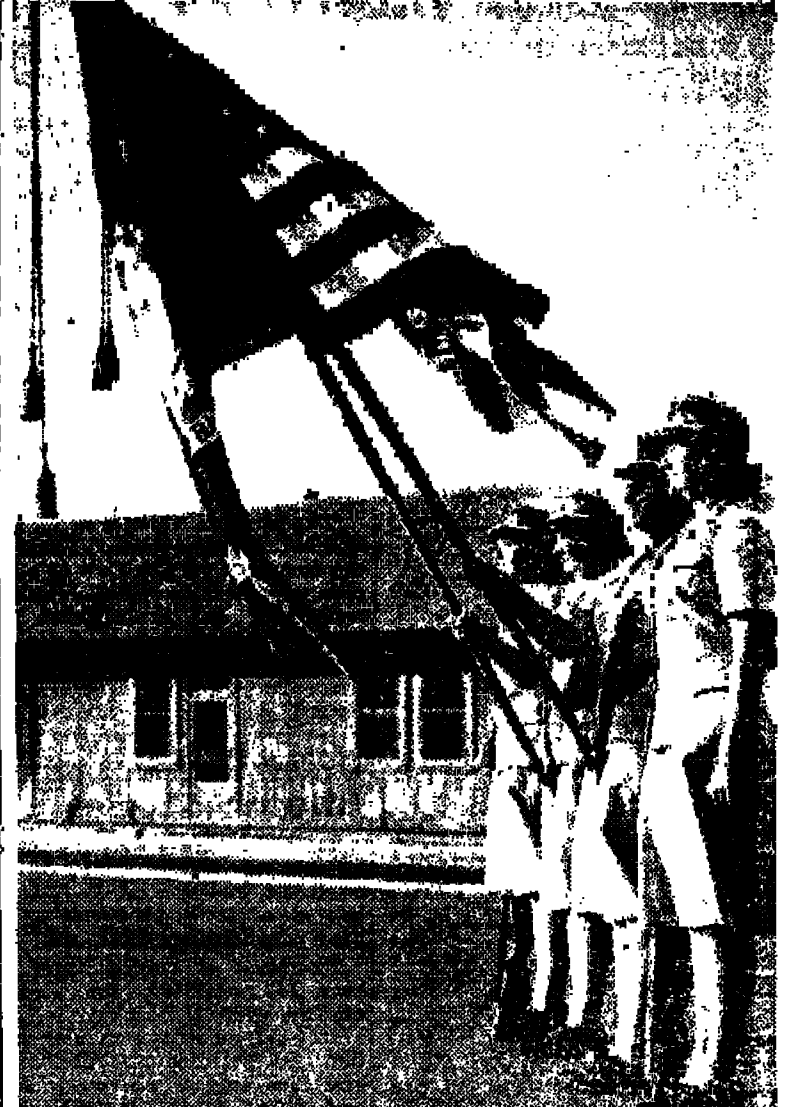
It was only a step from that to appearing in uniform—and another step to be spotted as a "phony" by the shore patrol—and another step to federal court, where he was sentenced to 90 days in jail for illegally wearing it.

Marines Cautioned On Free Mailing

MCB Leathernecks were cautioned this week to strictly observe regulations on the mailing of letters and postal cards free of postage.

A Base memorandum pointed out that the name of the writer, his rating, branch of service and the word "free" must be in a handwritten on the envelope to be accepted for free mailing.

When in hot water, he nonchalant—take a bath!



SNAPPY. Base WRs have carried out Corps traditions for snappy drill and appearance. Color guard prepares for review on the WR purple ground of the base.

Groans Loud And Long As Smokes Become Rationed

The nation-wide cigaret shortage has finally struck home—two packages a day per man—or woman—at the Base PX!

The order, posted in plain view over the cigaret and tobacco counters, brought throats to revert to "makju" and accompanying groans of: "What, here too?"

Until Tuesday, the day the order was posted, each person was permitted to purchase two cartons per day. The order applies to all 11th, Nav, Dist, activities.

There was no immediate noticeable decrease in the sale of pipes and "makju's," however.

Postal Charges To Be Changed

A new schedule of postal charges, reflecting the order for increasing rates, will become official Tuesday. It is announced by Maj. Houser, Base postal officer.

Under the new schedule, first-class letters will cost from 6 to 22 cents. Insurance charges are 3 cents for indemnifications up to \$5; 1 cent to \$25; 15 cents to \$50; and 25 cents to \$100.

New 12-cent and 16-cent special delivery stamps will go on sale in place of 10 and 15-cent editions, Maj. Houser said.

Master 'Gunny' Recalls Service In 'Old Corps'

ME, CLAMATTI FALLS, Ore.—MGSgt. David Wasserman of New York and San Diego, one of the oldest enlisted men at the barracks here, claims he can remember the time when he knew every officer and man in the Corps.

MGSgt. Wasserman is one of the old China hands who came up the hard way—serving as a corporal for 11 years and in service 20 years before making sergeant. He recalls the days when gunnery sergeants held such coveted positions that "privates" didn't dare speak to them.

The old-timer first enlisted in the Army in 1918 and was again drafted before being discharged in 1921. He immediately joined the Corps and remained an active member.

Before returning to the U. S. for treatment of a tropical ailment, MGSgt. Wasserman served with the 9th Regt. Cavalry, the capture of Bataan.

During his many years of service as a sergeant, he has seen the old-time styled Japan, China, India and European ports. As a member of the 9th Regt., he has been stationed in China, India, the Philippines, Guam and on other Pacific Islands.

He is now serving as assistant physical instructor here.



MGSgt. WASSERMAN knows the 'old Corps'

Sig. Bn. Dance Attended By 400

The first dance sponsored by the Base Sig. Bn. held in the Hostess House Wednesday night, proved an outstanding success. It was attended by approximately 400 persons.

Using the Halloween motif as a background, the host and hostess, Capt. Michel E. Boudreaux and Mrs. Evelyn Mulally, arranged for door prize distribution and presided. Hal Pruden's orchestra played. Fruit punch and apple cider were served.

3rd Div. Shore Party Lauded For Guam Work

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—Terming the unloading of 24,672 tons of assault echelon shipping in seven days a commendable accomplishment, Maj. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, commanding general of the 3rd Amph. Corps, lauded the 3rd Mar. Div. for its shore party operations during the battle of Guam.

Shore party activities were under the general supervision of Lt. Col. R. E. Foxt of Saipan, Tex., CO of the division's engineers. Cargo transfer operations at the reef off the landing beaches were directed

by his executive officer, Lt. Col. Edmund M. Williams of San Francisco.

Centering around the shore party engineers, the shore party was composed of officers and men from virtually every unit in the division.

In his letter of commendation to the commanding general of the division, Gen. Geiger said:

"This success was achieved in the face of difficulties which included transfer at the reef to amphibian vehicles of a large percentage of the cargo, due to the depth of water over the reef, except at low tide. At least two days of this period the beach and reef were under observed mortar and artillery fire.

"The complete absence of confusion in the face of these difficulties, the continued smooth flow of supplies to combat troops, the orderly appearance and arrangement of dumps and their proper control in depth, testify to the efficiency of the activity."—Sgt. Harold A. Breard, combat correspondent.

Order Warns Against Liquor on Trains

Regulations governing drinking by members of the armed forces on trains was brought to the attention of MCB personnel by a Base memorandum this week.

Possession of bottled liquor or beer is prohibited, the memorandum warned. Drinking is permitted only in club, lounge or dining cars between 1600 and 2400, and then only liquor legally sold and served by the railroad company is permitted.

A gunnery sergeant is a large, forceful person of a few words—but often!



STUMPED, Looks forlorn, doesn't he? 2d Lt. George Thompson, as censor, reads so many Marines' love letters that he finds he can't think up the words for a romantic one to his own wife back home in New Brunswick, N. J.

Sad Censor Can't Write Love Letters Any More

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—Cupid, ordinarily a playful fellow, won't play with 2d Lt. George Thompson. And thereby rests a sad story in love-letter writing.

Lt. Thompson is, unfortunately, he says, censor for his Marine unit. And because he reads hundreds of love letters every day he can't no

longer write an appropriate letter to his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson of New Brunswick, N. J.

"This is bad, Thompson said, because he and his wife are expecting an heir and its obligatory he consider civilian morale, particularly his wife's. "And I love her more than ever," he moaned.

Once he explained his rather factual letters to his wife with: "If you could see the drive I must read daily, you'd understand how childish romantic endeavors are." For good measure he added, "I'm glad you're mature enough not to expect such nonsense."

His wife didn't complain, but she answered:

"If your men could only read your early letters to me, they'd discover themselves to be modest love letter writers."

Marine Mascot Wins

HAFFCO, CHICAGO—Sgt. John Sullivan and Sgt. Duke Leatherstock recently attended the Stockie Valley Dog Show. Sgt. Sullivan got only a few "Aussies" from the gals, but Sgt. Duke's bulldog mascot, the grand marshal, and won a ribbon and a silver dish.

MCB Branch Bank To Open Monday In PX Building

Banking facilities will be available on the Base for the first time Monday when a branch office of the Bank of America opens for business in the west wing of the PX building.

Allotments for service people, commercial, savings and checking accounts will all be handled by the MCB branch. Loans, however, will not be made.

Personal checks up to \$25 will be cashed for officers while such checks will be cashed for enlisted personnel at the discretion of the bank upon proper identification. Government and commercial checks will be handled in the usual manner.

Donald Cameron will be in charge of the branch office and can be contacted by Leatherstock with special banking problems.

WRs Organize Chorus At MCB

A newly organized WR chorus is the latest addition to the group of entertainers serving with the Halls of Montezuma orchestra, according to TSgt. Herbert Goodwin, O-in-C of band school.

Activities of the singers will include programs of Christmas carols on the Base and appearances at USNH, San Diego.

USC Graduates Pacific Hero

LOS ANGELES—Maj. Gordon Warner, who won the Navy Cross on Bougainville, was graduated from the Univ. of So. Cal. this week with a master of arts degree in speech and education. He returned to the university to take up his studies following a leg amputation.

Applications Open For Home Purchases

Applications are now being received by the 11th Nav. Dist. personnel office for purchase or rental of 250 privately built homes in Colorado and San Diego upon which occupancy restrictions have been released.

Marine and Navy personnel attached to activities in the San Diego area may make application.

Joined Not To See World, But To Get Home

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC (Delayed)—Many men have joined the Marines to see the world and LTC. George P. McDonnell probably is the first to join so he'd get home.

That's in McDonnell's case, is Shanghai, China.

"I thought when I left Shanghai in June, 1941, that the first Americans to land in China in force probably would be Marines," he explained, "so I enlisted as soon as I was old enough."

Born in Tientsin, China, of American parents, McDonnell recalled that he first wanted to be a

Marine when only 12—the day he watched a small group of Leathernecks stop a column of Japanese soldiers from entering Shanghai's International Settlement.

"The Japs were plenty cocky then," McDonnell said. "They frequently passed through the Settlement. But this day they came to the part of the Settlement guarded by American Marines. They were as mad as hoppers when the Marines told them they wouldn't go through."

"The Japanese officer in charge yelled that they were coming in but the Marines refused to move

and dared the Japs to try it. The Japs didn't take the dare."

When he left China three years ago, McDonnell had lived, excepting three short trips to the States, all his life in the Orient.

The only worry he has now is the fear that his Marine outfit may not be the first to hit China.

"You see," he explained, "I've promised my buddies that I'd show them the best time they ever had over we get to Shanghai. They could sleep in beds with pillows and sheets in my parents' home. That is if the Japs haven't destroyed it."—Sgt. Elvis Lane, combat correspondent.

Gherkin Girds For Combat In P. I. Boots' Boondock Warfare

PARRIS ISLAND Some time ago it was announced that from now on there would only be two kinds of Marines: those going and those coming. However, I am sure that there will always be a substantial number in a third category: those who don't know whether they are coming or going.

It so happens that this particular phase of the war finds me a few years under the 30 line. And recently, officers have been looking at me with that "You'd look good in a foxhole" expression in their eyes.

Now I may be stupid, but I'm not deaf, and when my (N) calls me on the telephone to sleep, "When the Roll is Called Out Yonder You'll Be There," I know how to take a hint.

In order to jump the gun a little, I decided to go boondocking with a recruit platoon, and sort of brush up on the underbrush. I did not want combat to catch me with my winter greens at half-mast.

I buckled on my cartridge belt, humming the single bullet song, "I'll Be Around." Then I took my trusty M-1 and marched out in the road to join the first platoon that came by. After all, I joined the Marine Corps to fight. And I still feel that way, even though it wasn't until last week that I found out the Japanese use real bullets, too.

A few minutes later a platoon came into view. I stepped out in

the road and the DI stopped them. "Whose side are you on?" he asked.

"Yours," I said.

The DI groaned. "Well," he said, "I suppose I can use you. We have an odd man in the platoon, and you're him."

"You mean I'm to be an ordinary GI blindie stiff?"

"Yes," he said. "Now hurry up, or we'll burn your blindie at both ends, and it shall not last the night."

"This is a fine kettle of cattle," I muttered. "Just when I was in such fine fettle to prove my metal."

We double-lined down Cuba Street, past the WR barracks.

"This looks like a good place to halt for a while," I called to the DI.

"Eyes front," he barked. Well, I kept my eyes front, but my mind peeked.

We ran on out into the country, where the DI called all his section and squad leaders together.

"We are the attacking force," he said, taking a giant map out of his pocket. "Some place out there is the defending platoon. Now here is our plan of attack:

"Gherkin, you will be in command of a squad of special scouts. At 1443, you will ease out NW by SSE, and advance 274 yards to point B, which is indicated here on the map as point M, in case the enemy captures the map. At that point you will send a scout 482

yards to the WSW, where he will advise and send up a flare signal at 1502. You will then lead the rest of your squad to point D, which is designated as O on the map, and establish an outpost line of resistance, a listening post, a cannon post, a lamp post, and a post of fire."

"Excuse me," I said. "I find it difficult to understand this post war planning. To begin with, how many people do I have in my post troops?"

"Night," he said. "Now, it says in the book here that you are supposed to understand my instructions perfectly, so shove off."

"Copie on, men," I said. "Let's advance against the enemy." I got down on my hands and knees and began creeping and crawling away. My men followed me.

I stopped suddenly. "Men," I said, "there have been some large bovine animals in this area. Anybody got a Kleenex?"

Nobody had one, so I resumed my advance, a bit more carefully.

"All right, men," I said after a while, "this is where we split up. Jones, you're first." We took our axes and split him up. "Now," I said, "the rest of you men scout through the woods and see if you can find the enemy."

My men melted into the woods and I was alone. I lay down, took a long drink of water, and lit a cigarette. I was quite comfortable.

After a while, my scouts not having reported back, I decided to re-

connoiter on my own hook. The book taught in the trees so I had to abandon that.

I sneaked through the tall grass, tilted from tree to tree and generally acted according to the book. The only trouble was, I didn't see any enemy troops.

Suddenly my keen nostrils were assailed by an unmistakable odor. Somewhere in the vicinity, hamburgers were being cooked. My old scouting sense warned me at once that it was a booby trap.

I broke into a clearing and saw that I was surrounded by hostile enemy civilians in sports clothes. "Reach for the sky," I shouted, pointing my rifle hither and yon. "I have you covered."

"You're wrong," one of the girls said. "What I am wearing is concealment, not cover. Read your red book."

"What goes on here?" I snarled. "We're having a picnic," someone said.

A sinuous female walked over toward me. "Ah, Gherkin," she groaned. "At last you have arrived."

"Baroness!" I exclaimed. "Baroness de la Bronx. What are you doing here?"

"Ask not the questions, moon poet," she said in a husky voice. "Is it not enough that here you have hot dogs, Coca-Cola and a lovely woman?"

"Yeah," I said. "War is hell. The hell with it."

"Come," she said. "Forget scouting and patrolling. Be my prisoner."

"But what about my boys?" I said. "My scouts?"

She looked into my eyes. "What do your boy scouts have that I have not?" she asked.

"They can light a fire by rubbing two sticks together," I said.

"I will do it by rubbing my two eyes together," she said.

"Come, my hawk, my valiant buzzard," she said. "I will make you forget (hees war. You will find peace in my arms."

"Oh, no you don't," I protested. "War or no war, I'm not violating '38-1944."

She held up a cup filled with some amber liquid. "Drink this," she said. "It will assuage your thirst."

"Is it the stuff they call Scotch?" I asked, remembering Savannah.

"Are you kidding?" she demanded. "Ask no questions, but drink."

"All right," I said. "But just one—I have to go back to the maneuvers. Well, Baroness, here's to you. First one today."

That was last week. Now if any of you fellows who were my scouts happen to read this, don't wait for me out by that drainage ditch any longer. I've decided not to participate in any more maneuvers. I always have a headache the next morning.

First Peleliu Wounded Arrive At San Diego And Mare Island



PELELIU VETS. Corp. Zebbie C. Hollis (left) of Douglasville, Ga., and PFC. Casimir V. Sasnauskas of Lawrence, Mass., congratulate each other upon arrival at USNH, San Diego, from Peleliu. Both were members of the original 1st Div. and fought with that outfit from Guadalcanal through to the Palau. (Photo by Pvt. H. O. Payne).

USNH, SAN DIEGO—A group of 10 Leathernecks who were among the first casualties to leave Peleliu Island, where some Japs are reported to be still holding out in mountain caves, have returned to this hospital for treatment.

The battle veterans were among the first Marines to cross the jagged reefs and hit the beach of the strategic Peleliu stronghold under incessant and devastating mortar and artillery fire.

One of them, PFC. Bonifacio L. Felpe of Hermosa Beach, Cal., said: "It is too bad that we had to leave so early but it sure is good to be home."

Sgt. Gerald E. Bowles of Louisville, Ky., commented: "Believe me, we were sure fortunate to get off that island alive."

Under policy of this hospital, the veterans will be allowed to visit their homes as soon as their wounds will allow.

CHICAGOAN FIRST BACK

USNH, MARE ISLAND N.Y.—Japs fought U. S. Marines on Peleliu "with every sign that they realized the chips were down and that both sides were playing for keeps."

This is the impression gained during the early hours of bitter fighting for that strategic island

by PFC. Orante C. Roncon of Chicago, first wounded Marine to be returned to this country from Peleliu. He was wounded on D-day, Sept. 15.

"They opened up on us when we were some two or three hundred yards from the beach, and seemed to throw everything, including the book and the kitchen stove, at us," said the youthful Leatherneck.

"I went ashore on an amphibious tank and shell fragments from exploding mortars and bullets from rifles seemed to beat a tattoo on the sides of that tank."

PFC. Roncon said the Japs did much of their fighting in the early hours of the Peleliu battle from caves. "They had big ones and little ones and they were surely set for us," he said grimly. "I was on that bit of hell for about seven hours before I was hit, but that was enough to convince me that what Gen. Sherman said about war was quite true."

A replacement in the famed 1st Mar. Div., Roncon was flown here from a South Pacific base hospital for treatment of his shattered shoulder.



PFC. ORANTE RONCON
... first back from Peleliu

Screen Guide

Base Theater
1500-2000

Today—Malaya Goes to Reno.
Sunday—The Song of Bernadette.
Monday—The Conspirators, Lamorne Bennett.
Tuesday—Our Hearts Were Young and Gay, Russell-Lynn.
Wednesday—Irish Eyes Are Smiling, Woolley-Haymes.
Thursday—Till We Meet Again, Miland-Britton.
Friday—Bathing Beauty, Skelton-Williams.
Saturday—Till in the Saddle, Camp Matthews.

1745

Today—Marriage Is a Private Affair, Turner-Craig.
Sunday—Maise Goes to Reno, Sutherland-Holmes.
Monday—Song of Bernadette, Jones-Hickford.
Tuesday—The Conspirators, Lamorne Bennett.
Wednesday—Our Hearts Were Young and Gay, Russell-Lynn.
Thursday—Irish Eyes Are Smiling, Woolley-Haymes.
Friday—Till We Meet Again, Miland-Britton.
Saturday—An American Romance, Dancy-Richards.

MCAD, Miramar
1745

Today—The Conspirators, Lamorne Bennett.
Sunday and Monday—Marriage Is a Private Affair, Turner-Craig.
Tuesday—Three Little Sisters, Lee-Moran, 1930 show at 1900.
Wednesday—One Mysterious Night, That's My Baby.
Thursday—The Master Race, Coulouris-Messen.
Friday and Saturday—An American Romance, Dancy-Richards.

Klamath Marines Go Back To School

Marshall Airs

SOMEWHERE IN THE MARSHALLS (Delayed)—Not to be outdone by "Farawa Boon-de-ay" and "After Rabaul Is Over," men of the 4th Mar. Air Wing unit stationed here have as their musical favorites, "Namu, Toujours Namu," and "Ahemama Mama," according to Sgt. Norman A. Miller, combat correspondent.

MR. KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—The first semester of an educational program which is unique in this country's armed forces ended Oct. 20 as 100 Marines completed a 13-week vocational course at Klamath Union High School.

The classes—in typing, welding, machine shop, sheet metal, drafting and radio—were begun three months ago for the express purpose of fitting Marine combat veterans for advanced service in the Corps, as well as to give them a trade to turn to in civilian life.

The men attend school half a day, either morning or afternoon, at the local high school, working alongside regular students from town.

Although no scholastic credit is

given, more men volunteer for the training than can be handled.

Facilities of the school's well-equipped mechanical department were thrown open to the Marines, and civilian instructors employed.

The program was inaugurated by Col. E. Dubel, with the assistance of Arnold Gralapp, superintendent of Klamath county schools, and was approved by the Commandant.

One hundred and six men will begin class for the second session Oct. 25, but will go to school all day, same hours as regular students, for a six and one-half week period.

3rd Div. Allots \$150,000 Monthly For War Bonds

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—That battle-worn Marine on the poster appealing to civilians to invest 10 per cent of their income in War Bonds believes in practicing what he preaches.

He's investing that much of his pay in Bonds through the allotment plan alone.

The 3rd Mar. Div., which recently drove the Japs from Guam, is typical of overseas units. Its net monthly payroll, after family allowances, insurance and other allotments have been deducted, amounts to approximately \$1,500,000.

Ten per cent of that is \$150,000.

And that's exactly how much the personnel of this division is investing in War Bonds under the Corps' allotment plan each month.

—Sgt. Harold A. Beard, combat correspondent.

Two Base Students Equal High Score

Two members of the class which recently graduated from the mess management course of Cooks and Bakers School equaled the high 98 per cent grade average set by SMSGT. Nick Duchscher.

Graduates equalling the high mark were PFC. E. W. Van Doren of Webster City, Ia., and PFC. Andrew P. Lanza of Columbus, O.

Famed Marine Leader Receives Silver Star

USNH, SAN DIEGO—Lt. Col. Henry P. (Jim) Crowe, fabulous Marine leader who took part in the battles for Guadalcanal, Tarawa and Saipan, was awarded the Silver Star Medal for his exploits in the Solomons at recent ceremonies held here. It was his third high military decoration of World War II.

Lt. Col. Crowe previously had been awarded the Navy Cross and Bronze Star Medal.

Capt. M. D. Willcutts (MC), USN, senior medical officer at the hospital, made the presentation for Col. Crowe's gallantry in action

during the early stages of the Guadalcanal campaign. The ceremonies were conducted in the hospital room, as were ceremonies for 19 other Marines who received other decorations.

Among the latter awards were Presidential Unit Citations to Maj. William F. Hyde Jr., Mabank, Tex.; PFCs. Norman E. Miller, Wheatfield, Ind., John Flintzo, Chicago, Ill., Paul J. Micklas, Pittsfield, Pa., Stanley H. Brodowski, Milwaukee, Wis., Vernon G. Wimer, Fork, Klamath, Ore., and Robert C. Graves, New Albany, Ind.

Purple Heart Medals were presented to PFCs. George Schour, Brooklyn, N. Y.; David W. Tzogle, Sliprock, N. M., and Ross L. Thorblad, Sandy, Utah.

Hostess House

Wednesday, Nov. 1
1930-2000-2200. Base enlisted personnel, wives and guests invited.

Wednesday, Nov. 8
DANCE—2000-2200. Sponsored by HQ Co., FMF. Hal Freden and orchestra.

Base Changes

Headquarters Bn.
Lt. Col. Howard R. Huff from HQ Bn. to MR. NAD, Crane Ind.
Maj. John R. Twedy joined HQ Bn. from Fleet Training Base, San Clemente Island, and Maj. William R. Chandler joined from 1st Bn. CWG Arthur W. Kessler joined from RE Det., Camp Matthews.

Signal Bn.
Maj. Robert S. Maloney Jr. joined Sig. Bn. as adjutant from Amph. Trng. Base, San Diego.

Guard Bn.
Capt. Andrew M. McNeill assigned new duty at 1st Bn. 1st Div. (1st Div. replacing 1st Div. John J. Starnes, detached to MR. NAD, Terminal Island.
Maj. Albert S. Torker from 1st Div. to 1st Bn. for further transfer.

Base Dispensary
Lt. Col. John J. Dorian, MC-V (1st Div.), detached to Small Craft Yc. Terminal Island for further transfer aboard ship. Lt. (jg) Frank A. Booth, 1900, USNH, to NAD Hawthorne, Nev.
Lt. (jg) Paul E. Griffin joined from overseas.

Changes of Duty

Maj. Gen. Ross E. Howell to relieve duty as head of U. S. Army Mission to Peru.

Cpls. James Schneider from HQMC to 1st Div. Island; David M. Shoup to HQMC from overseas; Harold D. Harris to HQMC from overseas; Merrill E. Curtis from HQMC to overseas; Andrew J. Drum, detached from duty at Los Angeles Nov. 1 and ordered home to be relieved from active duty; Thomas C. Poreto to HQMC from Quantico; Arthur W. Ellis to HQMC from San Francisco.

Lt. Col. Jimmy B. Miles to Quantico from overseas; Philip L. Mossburg Jr. from HQMC to overseas; Carroll B. Rhoads from HQMC to home to be relieved from active duty; Wilfred J. Huffman from 1st Div. to 1st Bn. Point; Howard J. Humphreys to San Diego after discharge from Long Beach Naval Hospital; Paul Sullivan from Camp Lejeune to overseas; William P. Spence to Camp Lejeune; Edward H. Pomeroy Jr. to overseas; Henry P. Crowe assigned to USNH, San Diego; William P. Carey to Camp Pendleton.

Lt. Col. John K. Stolt to Quantico from overseas; William A. Kordich from Quantico to Cherry Point; Frederick L. Whisenand from overseas to HQMC; James C. Murray Jr. from HQMC to overseas; Harry H. Rutledge from overseas to San Diego; Donald W. Butler from overseas to Camp Lejeune; James L. Neufus from overseas to aviation duty with Navy Dept., Washington; Gilbert H. Mattison from 1st Div. to West Coast; Carl S. Schmidt from HQMC to Quantico; Wilfred E. Bromfield admitted to USNH, Oakland.

328 Score High On Rifle Range

CAMP MATTHEWS—High individual score last week on this rifle range was turned in by Pvt. Alvin W. Hunt of Riverbank, Cal., who tallied 328 out of a possible 340 while firing with Platoon 780.

Pvt. James L. Harvin of East Lansing, Mich., was runner-up with 316, in the same platoon. Third highest was Pvt. Kenneth J. Farr of Bakersfield, Cal., a member of the same platoon, with 315.

Platoon 780 was the 26th platoon to register 100 per cent qualified during the year on this range. Pvt. Roy P. Thurston was coach and PISgt. R. M. Wood was DL.



SYMBOL. "Hands off, mate, I'm manning this gun," declares "44," young American eagle caught by Capt. Charles L. Goodwin of Roswell, N. M., and presented to his Corsair group as a mascot symbolic of the fighters.

'Fighting Father' Ordered Overseas

CAMP LEJEUNE—Maj. Fred D. Conderman of New Bern, N. C., nicknamed "The Fighting Father of 1934," has been ordered overseas for his second tour of duty.

Maj. Conderman was accepted by the Corps as a postal officer after his son, Lt. Robert J. Conderman, was killed in action at Wake Island.

Bear A Hand

Wanted

AUTOMOBILE, 1937-38 model, Ford or Plymouth preferred. Will pay cash. Tel. M-2802. PFC. Clyde Bent.

THREEROOM furnished apartment or house in or close to S. O. 3-5121. Ext. 262. Mary E. Treadway.

For Sale

1934 PLYMOUTH sedan deluxe. Four-door, good tires; motor in good condition. Sgt. Donald G. Robbins, 3-5121, Ext. 262.

1930 GMC, small size, \$35. 3-5121, Ext. 271. Corp. Treadway.

Headquarters Bn. Drops FMF 13-0 To Lead League

Ser. Bn. Eleven Meets Guard Outfit in Base Grid Show This Afternoon

GRID FARE
Today—Ser. Bn. vs. Gd. Bn., 1:00.
Tuesday—Gd. Bn. vs. FMF Hq., 1:00.

Only two games remain to be played in the first round of the Base football league—currently led by Hq. Bn. by virtue of a 13 to 0 win over FMF Hq. last Saturday—as the result of Shoe and Textile's teams having dropped out of play.

The S. and T. squad quit the league as the result of being weakened beyond playing strength by transfers.

Hq. Bn. ran rough shod over FMF Saturday, making its first score in the first period on the old Statue of Liberty play. Pvt. Warren Arnold went 25 yards for the score and Pvt. Vic Smith ran off tackle for the extra point.

Smith went over again in the second quarter after a sustained drive. The kick for point was blocked.

PFC. Bob Telander, formerly of Northwestern Univ., was a stand-out for the FMF gridsters.

Gd. Bn. has a tough assignment slated this afternoon in its battle with Ser. Bn. The guards go on to tackle FMF Tuesday in the final game of first round play.

Standings:

	Won	Lost	Ties
Hq. Bn.	1	0	0
FMF	0	1	0
Ser. Bn.	1	0	0
Gd. Bn.	0	1	0
S. and T.	0	1	0



TOULNDOWN COMING. Halfback Lawrence Strawn (47) made eight yards on this play by put Hq. Bn. into scoring position. He was downed by FMF's Cowper (27) and Echols (9). Mixie (23) and Dorrow (24) led Hq. play. (Photo by Pvt. H. O. Payne).

Tankmen Ready For Sunday Meet

Leatherstock tankmen and women swimmers from the Base completed their training this week for their part in the carnival relay swimming meet to be held in the pool of the La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club tomorrow, and Capt. Ed Rawling, coach of the inter-district, said his men were in top form.

There are many events carded for the pool and spectators and swimming fans are promised an exciting afternoon. There will be a 100-yard medley relay, 200-yard free-style relay, 200-yard breast stroke and back stroke relay and a 400-yard free-style relay for men. In addition a 75-yard medley relay, 100-yard free-style relay and a 200-

Gremlins Blast Cherry Point

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—The unbeaten and untied 3rd Air Force Gremlins won their fifth straight victory Saturday by defeating the Cherry Point Marines, 29-7.

The Gremlins scored on the opening kickoff when Don Ahearne, Marine halfback, was tackled behind his goal for a safety. They chalked up their four touchdowns in the first quarter.

At Athens, Ga., the preceding Sunday, a versatile Georgia Navy Pre-Flight unit wild over the Marines for a 34-0 victory.

Saturday Morning, October 28, 1944

Base Hoopmen Near YMCA Title

MCB basketballers rolled up a 12 to 15 score to knock the Navy's Amphibians team out of the YMCA pre-season league Thursday night and place themselves one rung nearer the league championship.

The victory came easy for Capt. Charles R. Church's team—a lot easier than will be their victory tonight over the NTC Blues, should the MCBers be able to finish on the top side of the score.

Tonight's game gets under way at 2:00 on the court of the San Diego Army-Navy YMCA and will probably be the toughest test of the season play for Base hoopmen. Capt. Church voiced little optimism over his squad's possibilities tonight—pointing out that the NTC Blues are the strongest of two Navy teams at that training center, where there is plenty of material with which to charge two good teams.

TWO MORE GAMES

Should the MCBers take tonight's game, they will be in line for two more before the league's end. Coast Guard will probably be the final opponent.

Marine hoopmen easily took last Friday night's tilt with USNH, San Diego, 41 to 21, while Capt. Church juggled his players around trying for the right combination—world's best.

As the YMCA league nears its close, and stiffer 11th Naval Dist. competition approaches, Capt. Church's hoopmen work out nightly, smoothing down their rough spots.

Entries in the 11th Naval Dist. League close Monday. Play will get under way during the week of Nov. 5.

Thrill is a wonderful virtue, especially in an amateur.



RIGHT COMBINATION. Three hoop stars back from last year's championship MCB team are out nightly sharpening up their eyes for 11th Naval Dist. competition. From left: PFCs, David Humerickhouse, Joe Fuls and Charles Schroyen. (Photo by PFC. Herbert F. Allen)

Marines Take Sailors In Pendleton Boxing Shows

CAMP PENDLETON -- Marines had a field day at the expense of sailors in two boxing cards here this week.

Pvt. Dana Jones of Petersburg, Mich., making his first appearance at the camp's weekly boxing show, dropped his sailor foe, S2/c. Ken Voight of Chicago, twice in the opening round and again in the third to take a fan-pleasing victory.

PFC. Dave Peabody of Dallas, Tex., scored an impressive win over S1/c. Fred Cochran, another

Texan. It was his second start here. Previously, he had defeated popular Sailor Jack McBride.

In the Boat Basin "Punch Bowl" matches, Pvt. Tony Castro, 155 pounds of dynamite from San Francisco, gave undefeated S1/c. Urvine Tessier a gorgeous working over. After Castro had slashed Tessier all over the ring, dropping him in the second and third rounds, Referee S1/c. Ben Cohen stopped the fight and gave Castro a TKO verdict. Now they're looking for someone who wants to fight Castro.

Base Badminton Tourney Slated

Matches were being worked this week for the annual Base badminton tournament scheduled to get under way with singles and doubles play in the gymnasium on Nov. 8.

Due to the shortage of Base personnel, the tourney will be held as an open affair with both officers and enlisted men competing for the championship.

Entries can be made at the Base athletic office or by telephoning Ext. 602 before Nov. 6. The gym will be available for practice every day before the tourney starts.

"I like the shy demure type of gal myself," said the sergeant. "You know, the kind you have to whistle at twice."

Maintenance Takes Title IN 14-Inning Contest

CAMP PENDLETON—Maiden voyage School of Boat Basin wound up the softball season here and took the Amphibian Triactor B championship by beating the favored Graphite Commandos 2-1 in a 14-inning game.



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"This island is inhabited, Sir"

Idaho Marines Tackle Army Air Base Tomorrow

POCATELLO, Ida.—Hard hit by transfers of valuable players prior to both games so far this season, the Pocatello MB Noviders have their fingers crossed as they prepare Great Falls, Mont., tomorrow to play Great Falls Army Air Base.

The team, composed principally of veterans of Pacific warfare, has been bolstered by several sailors from the Naval Ordnance plant, reports 1st Lt. A. E. Rackery, athletic officer. The coach is Corp. Ken Dolan of the Army.

The Marines have been defeated by Univ. of Idaho (So. Branch) and Utah Aggies in their two starts to date. Besides tomorrow's game, they are scheduled to meet the Aggies again Nov. 4 at Pocatello; Ft. Warren at Cheyenne Nov. 19, and Idaho Southern again Thanksgiving Day at Pocatello. A game with Hill Field (Ogden, Utah) has been tentatively scheduled for Nov. 12 at Pocatello.

The Marine roster includes: S1/c. Lawrence (Unway), 1b, and Raymond Dunkelberger, 2b; S1/c. Elmer Beatty, 1b; Dan H. Clayton, 1b; Richard Hoggan, 1b; Edward Rainburn, 3b and N. L. Smith, 1b.
PFCs: John Hootkin, 1b; Donald M. Cooper, 2b; John J. Cousins, 2b; Walter Goldbach, 1b; David T. Maxwell, 1b; Frederick J. Marks, 1b; William McCormick, 2b; Noble Nussberger, 2b; Lew Dapin, 1b; Doyle C. Penton, 1b; Thomas Peterson, 1b; Maurice Pitt, 1b; Bob Sarkisian, 1b; Wallace Sellheimer, 1b; Joe Wujcicki, 1b; Howard Schneewald, 1b; Don Signor, 1b; and Wes Wimberly, 1b.
Managers are PFCs, John W. Moody and Earl E. Van Houten.

KO Wins Main Pendleton Bout

CAMP PENDLETON, Oct. 28—PFC. Roy Richards of Detroit, at 184 pounds, displayed cool but vicious aggressiveness to knock out Sgt. William Fetter of Sunbury, Pa., at 187, in the main event of an outdoor boxing show here Wednesday night.

Results of other bouts:
Corp. Bill Sanders, 147, San Antonio, Tex., won by KO over Pvt. John Gillis, 145, Detroit; PFC. Joe Pinella of the Bronx and Pvt. Willie Meakin of Chicago, both 175, drew; PFC. Bert Taylor, 190, Fort Dodge, Ia., lost by KO to Pvt. Clarence Mellinger, 190, Cleveland, O.; PFC. Avis Emory, Memphis, Tenn., decisioned PFC. Jim Mills Yakima, Wash., both 160; PFC. Chic Chapman, Syracuse, N. Y. decisioned PFC. Ralph Rosenberg, Bismarck, N. D., both 150; Pvt. Al Moore, Denver, Colo., won by TKO over Pvt. William Pearson, Stratford, Conn., both 140.

Then there's the Marine who learned to play a piano because a glass of beer fell off a piano.

Elliott Bowlers Take Base WRs

Camp Elliott's WR bowlers rolled out the Base WR bowling team—1935 to 1945—at the Elliott lanes Wednesday night. Through the handicap route of 5 pins per game in the three-game match.

It was the first match rolled in the race for the area service women's title. Among contestants for the title are teams from Camp Matthews, Camp Elliott, the Post, Camp Miramar, FMF and others in the district. The Base team rolls against NTC next Wednesday at NTC lanes.

High individual score in the Base-Elliott matches was Pvt. Jane M. Fisher with a total of 422. PFC. Anna Hawk led the Base keepers with a total of 417.

(It says: "I wish I had a paper dollar I could call my own.")

Strikes To Spare

PFC. Michael Mihollo of 1st Cas. Co., Gd. Bn., was a pinch winner of weekly bowling prize of a carton of cigarettes with his score of 233, rolled on the Base lanes last week.

Only mediocre scores were turned in toward this week's prize.

Hippon can now be referred to as the land of the writing tin.



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Football Scores

March Field 20, Ft. Toré Marines 14, Third Air Force 20, Cherry Point Marines 7.
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The U. S. Goes Back to the Philippines

On Dec. 7, 1941, as the Imperial Fleet was attacking Pearl Harbor, the Japanese made their first air assault on Luzon Island in the Philippines.

Two days later, on the 9th, their first ground forces landed on Luzon.

On Jan. 2, 1942, Manila fell and American and Filipino forces retired to Bataan Peninsula.

On April 8, the Battle of Bataan was lost and the soldiers, sailors, Marines and Filipinos who survived the Jap savagery escaped to the protection of Corregidor's guns.

Corregidor surrendered to the Japanese on May 6, 1942, ending organized resistance.

Few episodes in history are marked by the intensity of courage that featured the American defense—a struggle for a cause that was lost even as it began.

Nor will the pages of history reveal worse fates than that which befell American and Filipino survivors of the campaign. Instead of being accorded the treatment due them as worthy foes, they were taken by their haughty conquerors on the "March of Death" to Cabanatuan Prison and subjected to cruelties and humiliation unheard of in the treatment of war prisoners.

One of the greatest outfits in Marine history—the famed 4th Regt.—fought stubbornly, long beyond human endurance, against hopeless odds, alongside the soldiers, sailors and Filipinos on Luzon. They defended Olongapo, then the beaches of Manila Bay, Cavite and Bataan. Last

Write Home

Mail from home has No. 1 priority along with food and ammunition in the world's combat zones.

Some Marines seem to forget, however, that mail from them enjoys an equally high priority on the home front.

Too often The Chevron gets letters from distraught parents who want to check up and find out why they don't hear from a son far away. They know that they'll be notified promptly in case of casualty but when they get neither that word nor any direct communication from their Marine, then they do worry.

Here's a paragraph from a recent letter:

"I intended writing your paper to ask how I might find if my son is all right or just not writing. We have had no word since June 5th. I'm beginning to think I need a 'safety valve.' . . . You might some time put 'Write Home' in big letters and add—mothers worry!"

You know what mail means to you, so remember that it means just as much to those who love you. Here it is in big letters:

WRITE HOME!

Post-War Navy

Naturally the Navy's final demobilization plan will depend on the kind of post-war Navy this country decides to have. Even in peace time, we must continue to man our battle craft with a relatively large force of men to keep each vessel at top efficiency. I am sure that we will never want our Navy to shrink to its pre-Pearl Harbor size of 325,000 men and less than 400 fighting ships. We now have more than 3,000,000 men and many thousands of ships. Maintenance of a strong Navy—and ours is now the most powerful in the world—is necessary to assure peace in years to come. The United States is massed between two great oceans, and our wars have to be fought a long way from our shores. If ever we fight a war on our own soil, we will already have lost it. So, strong sea and air power are essential in our plans for national defense.—Vice Adm. Randall Jacobs.

Big Battles Coming

"The big battles of the war against Japan are still but a gleam in our planners' eyes, and we are just getting the preliminaries over,"—Brig. Gen. Robert L. Denig.

official reports were that the Leathernecks, hopelessly outnumbered, were fighting with rifles, bayonets and fists in a desperate attempt to keep the enemy from gaining a foothold on the beach at Fort Mills, Corregidor.

These Leathernecks, living and dead, hold a special place in the hearts and minds of all Marines. Vengeance for the hardships they endured, for the indignities they suffered, has been slow to come. It is now in sight. The United States is back in the Philippines.

Safety Valve

Political Activity

Editor, The Chevron: What, if any, regulations are there to restrict Marines from actively participating in Federal, State or local political campaigns while ashore on liberty or in camp? Please list sources of information so that an aged argument may be settled.

NAME WITHHELD

Camp Pendleton.

Editor's note—See Ltr. of Instr. No. 796 dated July 3, 1941. This quotes a circular letter which provides: "No member of the land or naval forces, while on active duty, will use his official authority or influence for the purpose or interfering with an election or affecting the course or outcome thereof. Such persons, while on active duty retain the right to vote, to express their opinions privately and informally on all political subjects and candidates, and to become candidates for public office as permitted in this Regulation. They will not be permitted to participate in any way in political management or political campaigns. The foregoing prohibition includes, among other things, activity at political conventions or on political committees, participation in political campaigns, the making of political speeches, the publication of articles, or any other public activity looking to the influencing of an election or the solicitation of votes for himself or others."

Dress Blues for Sailors

Editor, The Chevron—Are sailors allowed to wear Marine greens and dress blues, the latter particularly, if at all?

A MARINE WR

MCB, San Diego.

Editor's note—Corpsmen and Seabers attached to Marine units may wear only the field uniform prescribed by the unit commander.

GI Insurance

Editor, The Chevron—Would appreciate some information on GI insurance. I understand that after six months of confinement in a hospital, premiums are refunded.

RAYMOND BROOKS

NAS, San Diego.

Editor's note—No money is refunded, and payments are continued as usual during the period of confinement.

Drum Major's Pay

Editor, The Chevron—There has been quite a little argument here on the status of drum major. The rumor is that the rating was raised to the first pay grade some time ago.

DrumMaj. JAMES H. KESTER

USNH, Oakland, Cal.

Editor's note—Drum major is still in the second pay grade.

Gratuities

Editor, The Chevron—Do men who have been awarded the Purple Heart receive a gratuity?

NAME WITHHELD

MCB, San Diego.

Editor's note—No. Gratuities are awarded only to the holders of the Medal of Honor, Navy Cross, DSM, Silver Star, DFC and Navy and Marine Corps Medal.

Enlistment Allowance

Editor, The Chevron—Please let me know whether a reservist will receive enlistment allowance for the years of active service completed upon re-enlistment in the regulars. I was recently discharged (in June) from the reserves, to enlist in the regulars. I have a little more than three years of active service.

1stSgt. G. H. BOREMAN

Oceanside, Cal.

Editor's note—You do not rate an enlistment allowance, since you shipped in June, and the law was put into effect in October.

Emirau Landing

Editor, The Chevron—We landed on Emirau Island Mar. 20, 1944. Do we rate the Marine Expeditionary Ribbon?

Corp. S. T. SERTO

Conva. Hospital, Glenwood Springs, Colo.

Editor's note—No. It is covered by the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon.

(From The Chevron, Oct. 31, 1942)

Maj. Gen. Holland M. Smith recently assumed command of Amph. Corps, Pacific Fleet. He is now stationed at Camp Elliott. He was formerly CG of the Amph. Corps, Atlantic Fleet.

Dropping only nine points out of a possible 340, Pvt. Ralph Barnhart, 13, of Madison, O., set a new record of 331 with the M-1 at Camp Matthews this week.

Pvt. A. S. O'Neil sr. of Phoenix, Ariz., turned down an Army commission to join the Marines and be with his son, Pvt. A. S. O'Neil jr., a DT in RD.

Pvt. Nestor M. Gomez, formerly a head gunner with the RCAF in London, traveled 9000 miles to join the Marines here. He saw action over Germany and was wounded by AA. fire.

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

Relative Sizes

Editor, The Chevron—Would appreciate information regarding relative size, in area, of Camp Pendleton with that of the largest military base in the U. S.

SFSGT. RALPH F. STEPHENS

MCAD, USNAS, Glenview, Ill.

Editor's note—Brig. Gen. W. P. T. Hill, quartermaster general, furnishes the following figures: Ordnance Testing Station, Inyokern, Cal., 529,000 acres; Camp Stewart, Ga., 277,497 acres; Camp Hood, Ore., 157,000 acres; Fort Bragg, N. C., 129,000 acres; Camp Pendleton, 126,438 acres; Camp Bowie, Tex., 116,000 acres; Camp Dunlap (Nieland), Cal., 114,332 acres; Camp Lejeune, 107,000 acres; Quantico, 100,940 acres.

You Win the Bond

Editor, The Chevron—There's a War Bond on the outcome of this question. I say a man detached from an outfit which has a shoulder patch is allowed to wear it until such time as he joins another outfit with an authorized patch. My buddy says when you leave such an outfit you cease to have the right to wear its patch.

Sgt. ROBERT LINEWEBER

c/o FPO, San Francisco, Cal.

Editor's note—Stick that bond in your sock, sergeant. You wear the shoulder patch of the last unit to which you were attached until joining another COMBAT unit which has a patch of its own—subject to such restrictions as COs may impose.

Rheumatic Fever

Editor, The Chevron—I was a corporal on active duty for 15 months before applying for the V-12 program. I was assigned to Muhlenberg College and my rating reduced to private.

While at college, I contracted rheumatic fever and have been convalescing in the hospital for six months. If I recover entirely with no heart damage, will I be disqualified from re-entering V-12? If I am disqualified, can I apply for my old rating now?

Pvt. S. L. C.

USNH, Corona, Cal.

Editor's note—History of rheumatic fever is not in itself disqualifying for general service, pre-officer training or for commission. Rheumatic fever or history thereof, accompanied by hypertension or other related heart condition, is considered disqualifying, both for enlisted service and for commission. Circumstances in individual cases govern. If you were disqualified from re-entering V-12 because of rheumatic fever history with complications you would also be disqualified for enlisted service and not eligible for reappointment to your former rating.

Wives at Movies

Editor, The Chevron—Several times in the past I've been to Base theater movies. I now live ashore and wonder if my wife is allowed to accompany me?

NAME WITHHELD

Editor's note—Yes.

Church Services

MARINE CORPS BASE (Protestant): 0900 Services, Communion, Chapel, 0930 Services, Auditorium; 1015 Services, Chapel; Evening Vesper Service, 1830, Chapel. **(Catholic):** 0800 Mass, Auditorium; 0915 Mass, Chapel. Daily Mass (Monday through Saturday) 0630, Chapel. Friday evening Service, 1900, Chapel. Confession: Saturday 1600-1700, Chapel; 1800-2000, Chaplain's Office, 1400, 123, Recruit Depot. **(Jewish):** Chapel, 1100. **(Latter Day Saints):** Service, 1100, 123, R. H. Wednesdays, 1830.

CAMP MATTHEWS (Protestant): 1800, Theater. **(Catholic):** 1800, 0800, Theater. **(Jewish):** 0915, Chaplain's Office. **(Latter Day Saints):** 0900, Armorer's School Bldg.; Thursdays, 1900.

CAMP ELLIOTT (Protestant): Sunday, 0915, Communion, 1000 Post Chapel. **(Catholic):** Sunday Mass 0630, 0800, 1115, Mass daily, 1830, Confession before Mass. **(Christian Science):** 1600-1730, Chaplain's office, Wednesdays. **(Jewish):** Post Chapel, Thursday, 1830. **(Latter Day Saints):** 1930, Camp Post Chapel, Friday 1830.

MCAD, MINAMAR (Protestant): 1000, Services; Communion 1st Sunday of month. **(Catholic):** 0700 and 0800, Confession; 0730 and 0830, Mass (Barracks) 624. **(Jewish):** Thursdays, 2000. **(Latter Day Saints):** Discussion meeting Tuesdays, 1800. **(Christian Science):** 1400-1500, Chaplain's office, Fridays, 1900.

CAMP PENDLETON (Protestant): Post Chapel, communion at 0900, Bible Class 0930; Morning Worship at 1015, Vesper Service 2000; Wednesday, Vesper Service 2000; Ranch House Chapel, service at 1015; Infantry Training Center, Sunday morning worship, 0700; at Theater, 14-T-1 at 0800, 16-T-1 at 0900, 18-T-1 at 0900, 17-T-1 at 0900. **(Catholic):** Post Chapel, Masses at 0630, 0800, 1115, Confessions, Saturday, 1600-1800; Novena, Wednesday 1900; Ranch House Chapel, Mass 0915; Tuesday and Friday, Mass 1945; Friday, Confessions at 1630 to 1800; Infantry Training Center, Mass at 0700, at Theater, 14-T-1 at 0900, daily at 0600; 16-T-1 at 0800, 16-T-1 at 1000, 17-T-1 at 0800; Confessions before each Mass. **(Christian Science):** Post Chapel, Sunday 1600, Thursday, 1920; Study group, Mondays 1900, Infantry Training Regt., 1100, 28, Tent 1. **(Latter Day Saints):** Post Chapel, Sunday 0900, Monday 1800. **(Jewish):** Post Chapel, Friday at 1900.

CAMP WILLIAMS (Christian Science): 1200-1300, Adm Bldg., Wednesdays.



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MARINE CASUALTIES

	Dead	Missing	Prisoners of War
1914-1918	1,100	5,775	2,577
1919-1920	522	121	1,348
TOTAL	1,622	5,896	3,925

Safe
New York
PFC William F. Kennedy, Woodhaven (previously reported missing).

Missing
District of Columbia
PFC Gerald N. Griffin, Washington.

Indiana
PFC Thomas Jones Jr., Chesterton.
PFC Lloyd R. Diller, Diller.

New York
Corp. Bryant E. Sticks, Crotch.
PFC Albert H. Nelson, Silverton.

Rhode Island
PFC Donald W. Morse, Central Falls.

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Alabama
1st Sgt. Roy L. Harrison, Bankston.
Sgt. Edward V. Huff, Pava.
Sgt. Orlan L. Turner, Whittier.
Corp. John M. Harris, Tuscaloosa.
PFC Melvin Lloyd Jr., Andalus.
PFC Howard C. Gism, Centerville.
PFC Thomas A. Cole, Birmingham.
PFC Johnnie B. Driver Jr., Carrollton.
PFC Duke Ladd, Pinson.
PFC Arthur H. Midworth, Birmingham.
PFC John B. New, Mobile.
PFC Guy T. O'Kelley, Columbiana.
PFC Fred A. Pierce, Alabama City.
PFC James V. Stevens, Mobile.

Arizona
Sgt. William C. Miller, Maricopa.
Corp. Andrew N. Wason, Thatcher.
PFC Lester Knight, Glendale.
PFC Lloyd Smith, Fort Verde.

Arkansas
PFC William H. Blanton, Springdale.
PFC Robert R. Gee, Magnolia.
PFC James H. Potts, Gulf.
PFC Leo W. Wynn, Pine Bluff.
PFC James H. Allen, Huntington.
PFC Ralph P. Brubaker, Walnut City.
PFC Emmett L. Deming, Piggott.

California
1st Lt. Wilbur T. Preston, Ukiah.
1st Lt. Raymond W. McQuinn, San Diego.
Sgt. Rex R. Ricks, Ventura.
Sgt. Helmut C. Huesner, North Hollywood.
Sgt. Charles R. Hunter Jr., Los Angeles.
Corp. James G. Davis, Burbank.
Corp. Max L. Evans, Oakland.
Corp. Jimmie M. Snyder, Bakersfield.
Corp. William H. Whitford, Redding.
PFC Howard M. Aubrey, Los Angeles.
PFC Richard M. Boyd, Oakland.
PFC Edw. W. Barker, Vallejo.
PFC Jonathan L. Brooks, San Francisco.
PFC Billie J. Childers, San Diego.
PFC Thomas E. Christian, Hollywood.
PFC Donald D. Clapham, San Diego.
PFC Wayne Lloyd, Modesto.
PFC Roger Cruz, Lompoc.
PFC James C. Blair, Pittsburg.
PFC Aldo Frank, Stockton.
PFC Joseph H. Harkwell, Burbank.
PFC Saul Hollander, Los Angeles.
PFC Blaine D. Houston, Colton.
PFC William F. Irwin, Chula Vista.
PFC Raymond N. Martin, Lodi.
PFC Lawrence J. McMillan, San Francisco.
PFC William T. Moore, Sunland.
PFC Wallace H. Nunn, San Francisco.
PFC Robert R. Oswald, Pasadena.
PFC Donald I. Italy, Jackson.
PFC Eugene W. McFarland, Fontana.
PFC Glenn D. Brinkhoff, San Diego.
PFC Daniel J. Sullivan, Palmdale.
PFC Albert L. Taylor, La Brea.

Colorado
Corp. Charles N. Frenzel, Colorado Springs.
PFC Robert L. Ashby, Walsh.
PFC Robert L. Brown, Pueblo.
PFC Alfred Dineen, Louisville.
PFC Ralph C. Foster, Nunn.
PFC Frederick B. Henry, Denver.
PFC Fred H. Bryant Jr., Denver.

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Sgt. Bernard J. Cooke, So. Norwalk.
Corp. Bernard E. Heeney, Hartford.
Corp. John H. Judge, New Haven.
PFC Walter A. Dunne, Forestville.

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Sgt. James G. Campbell, Wilmington.
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PFC John F. Clarke, Washington.

Florida
1st Sgt. William G. Waldrop, Fort Myers.
Sgt. Isaac D. Stone, Jacksonville.
PFC Richard H. Balfour, Tampa.
PFC Horace L. Halliday, Tallahassee.
PFC Michael L. Collins, Miami.
PFC Hapset P. Gaudin, Whitehouse.
PFC James R. LaCoy Jr., Orlando.
PFC Martin Schrauf, New Smyrna Beach.
PFC Lee B. Dixon Jr., Orlando.

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Corp. Lawrence C. Russell Jr., Perdue.
PFC Melvin J. Thompson, Thomasville.
PFC William E. Callaway, Joplin.
PFC Fred W. Hill, Macon.
PFC Horace W. Mulkey, Albany.
PFC Harry G. Ray, Columbus.
PFC John E. Baugh, Gainesville.
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Sgt. Norman P. Stader, Chicago.
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Corp. Dean C. Wender, Chicago.
Corp. Frank W. Wiley, Chicago.
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PFC Stanley Bruner, Chicago.
PFC Sam Coburn, Elgin.
PFC Angelo Chomello, Chicago.
PFC Frank J. Campbell, Chicago.
PFC Daniel J. Clark Jr., Wood Dale.
PFC William A. Cole, Chicago.
PFC William M. Cassella, East St. Louis.
PFC Leland A. Cury, Chicago.
PFC John P. Dickerson, Niles.
PFC George P. Dwyer, Chicago.
PFC Edward T. Gendron Jr., Chicago.
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PFC Thomas R. Harvey, Chicago.
PFC John L. Harvey, Chicago.
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PFC John H. Little, Chicago.
PFC James L. Little, Chicago.
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PFC Stanley A. Nystrom, Chicago.
PFC William Nelson, Chicago.
PFC Robert P. Patrick, Chicago.
PFC James D. Wade, Chicago.
PFC Clarence C. Wood, Chicago.
PFC Robert V. Agner, Chicago.
PFC William B. Brown, Woodstock.
PFC Harold D. Dixon, Woodstock.
PFC Ralph A. Jenkins, Chicago.
PFC Thomas H. Miller, Chicago.
PFC Herman W. Schuster, Chicago.

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Sgt. Raymond A. Rowell, South Bend.
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PFC Hubert E. Atwood, Wapak.
PFC Wayne Gages, West Terre Haute.
PFC Light J. Banks, Muncie.
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PFC Kenneth L. Nott, New Castle.
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PFC John W. Steele Jr., Columbus City.
PFC John Vega, Hammond.
PFC Richard J. Walters, Hammond.

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PFC Elmer L. Cass, Granger.
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PFC Philip J. Deane, Granger.
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PFC Clyde E. Stewart, Granger.
PFC Robert L. Winkler, Granger.
PFC Lloyd R. Harvey, Perry.

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PFC Robert E. Andrews, Kansas City.
PFC William W. Keith, Independence.
PFC Fred S. Katron, Fort Scott.

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Corp. John J. Langford, Lexington.
Corp. John Smith, Paris.
PFC Bruce Amburgey, Louisville.
PFC Irving Blackburn, Louisville.
PFC Wesley G. Brooks Jr., Middletown.
PFC Joe A. Cox, Freeport.
PFC William F. Mudd Jr., Millwood.
PFC Carl L. Price, Nashville.
PFC Joseph W. Sutton, Louisville.
PFC Paul H. Johnson, Wurtin.

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Corp. Roy J. Vandenberg, New Orleans.
PFC Elmer E. Brooks Jr., Plain Dealing.
PFC Malcolm J. Chatham, New Orleans.
PFC Mickey Crawford, Shreveport.
PFC Elmore E. Giepert, New Orleans.
PFC Lloyd A. Phillips, Rindall.
PFC James C. Temple, Shreveport.
PFC Orval Walker, Vicksburg.

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PFC Philip E. Gifford, Boston.
PFC Clarence M. Clark, Dover Foxcroft.
PFC Conrad J. P. Pelletier, Westbury.
PFC John E. Barry, Mansfield.

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Corp. Charles P. Stickley, Baltimore.
PFC John E. Ruffin, Baltimore.
PFC Charles E. Hynson, Baltimore.

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Sgt. Lawrence J. Letellier, Framingham Hills.
Sgt. John T. Donahue, Boston.
Sgt. Robert L. Dion, Whitman.
Sgt. Paul A. Pergand, Boston.
Sgt. Daniel E. Quinn, So. Hadley.
Sgt. George P. Suckale, Boston.
Corp. Robert W. Ahearn, Boston.
Corp. Raymond B. Alarie, Dudley.
Corp. James J. Connors, Boston.
Corp. Patrick E. Crisfield, Boston.
Corp. Joseph P. Cook, Mansfield.
Corp. Herbert B. Goff Jr., Attleboro.
Corp. William B. House Jr., Boston.
Corp. Joseph S. Joyce, Boston.
Corp. William J. Thomas, Lenox.
Corp. Earl L. Russell Jr., Clinton.
PFC Alexander S. Iselin, Boston.
PFC George W. Branson, Boston.
PFC Leo J. H. Hildner, Leominster.
PFC Harry A. Gault Jr., Greenfield.
PFC Percy M. Isaac, North Andover.
PFC Ernest G. Hensell, Pittsfield.
PFC Joseph E. Kark, Lawrence.
PFC Joseph A. Lunn, Boston.
PFC Richard A. Macdonald, Hingham.
PFC Leo F. Mulvey, Palmer.
PFC Robert A. Murray, Boston.
PFC Thomas E. Newell, Boston.
PFC Norman E. Schofield, Marlboro.
PFC William R. Thomas Jr., Framingham.
PFC James P. Tucker, Southwick.

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PFC Ralph E. Gifford Jr., Michigan.
PFC Edward J. Antkowiak, Detroit.
PFC Fred Vandyke, Detroit.
Sgt. John E. Peck Jr., Detroit.
Sgt. Joseph M. Smith, Detroit.
Corp. Donald J. Smith, Detroit.
Corp. William Kiehn, Detroit.
Corp. Lewis L. Wilson, Detroit.
PFC Stanley J. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC John M. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC William C. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Alex C. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Aquila B. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Victor E. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Francis L. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Marvin W. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Steve J. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Harold E. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC James B. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Warren C. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Robert L. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC William C. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Norman E. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Albert G. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Harold G. Rappach, Detroit.
PFC Gerald L. Rappach, Detroit.

Minnesota
Corp. Ralph L. Barry, Virginia.
Corp. Carl A. Barry, Virginia.
Corp. Stephen J. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Thomas J. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Emil J. Barry, Virginia.
PFC William J. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Vernon E. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Maryam E. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Joseph E. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Oscar W. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Donald E. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Kenneth E. Barry, Virginia.
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PFC Paul E. Barry, Virginia.
PFC David E. Barry, Virginia.
PFC Robert E. Barry, Virginia.
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Mississippi
Sgt. William L. White, Natchez.
Corp. Richard A. White, Natchez.
Corp. William L. White, Natchez.
PFC Robert L. White, Natchez.
PFC George L. White, Natchez.
PFC Fred L. White, Natchez.
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Sgt. Robert L. Miller, St. Louis.
Sgt. Robert L. Miller, St. Louis.
Corp. Lawrence H. Lingenfelter, St. Louis.
PFC Charles W. Abbott, Chester.
PFC Michael M. Abbott, Kansas City.
PFC Robert L. Miller, St. Louis.
PFC Joseph W. Miller, St. Louis.
PFC James W. Miller, St. Louis.
PFC Louis J. Miller, St. Louis.
PFC Bernard J. Miller, St. Louis.
PFC William L. Miller, St. Louis.

Montana
PFC Bruce E. Bond, Billings.
PFC Jack R. Chubb, Billings.
PFC Ralph J. Chubb, Billings.

New Jersey
PFC George W. Ruffin, Rutherford.
Sgt. William H. Ruffin, Rutherford.
Corp. John L. Miller Jr., Asbury Park.
Corp. John W. Miller, Asbury Park.
Corp. George C. Miller, Asbury Park.
PFC Matthew M. Cayusa, Newark.
PFC James E. Cayusa, Newark.
PFC Eugene E. Cayusa, Newark.
PFC Robert E. Cayusa, Newark.
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PFC James V. Cayusa, Newark.
PFC Benjamin E. Cayusa, Newark.
PFC Leo E. Cayusa, Newark.
PFC Charles E. Cayusa, Newark.
PFC Joseph E. Cayusa, Newark.

New Mexico
Sgt. David E. McNeil, Albuquerque.
PFC Harry E. McNeil, Albuquerque.
PFC Kendall E. McNeil, Albuquerque.

New York
Capt. Raymond F. Kelson, New Rochelle.
1st Lt. Philip P. Bayer, Flushing.
Sgt. Elmer E. Lowe, New York.
Sgt. Rella H. Loveland Jr., Adams.
Sgt. Arthur T. Campbell, New York.
Sgt. Wesley C. Behland, Long Island City.
Sgt. William E. Cheney, Little Falls.
Sgt. John J. Oliver, Flushing.
Sgt. Harry A. Warner, Voorheesville.
PFC George J. Hamberger Jr., Syracuse.
Corp. Kenneth J. Barnes, Buffalo.
Corp. John J. Fischer, New York.
Corp. Daniel L. McHugh, New York.
Corp. Gennaro Lombardi, New York.
Corp. Joseph C. Loschin, New York.
Corp. James M. O'Brien, Londonville.
Corp. Jack B. Peate, Flushing.
Corp. James P. Rappach, New York.
Corp. Fortune O. Rosenkrantz, Penn Yan.
Corp. Joseph Volpe, Jamaica.
PFC Thomas M. Brown, Long Island City.
PFC Augustine L. Dransky, Pine City.
PFC Walter Burke, New York.
PFC Hyman Cohen, New York.
PFC Michael R. Citraro, Brooklyn.
PFC Frank R. Conklin Jr., Buchanan.
PFC Robert W. Geller Jr., Delaqua.
PFC Alvin P. Gibbs, Buffalo.
PFC John P. Gifford, Brooklyn.
PFC Alfred E. Gifford, Long Island City.
PFC Arthur J. Holmes Jr., New York.
PFC Walter L. Jones, Brooklyn.
PFC Albert E. Jovell, Brooklyn.
PFC Wendell H. Kenyon, Syracuse.
PFC James E. Lightfoot, Brooklyn.
PFC Charles J. Lightfoot, New York.
PFC Lawrence L. Mahan Jr., Johns Ferry.
PFC Arnold E. Phillips, Riverhead.
PFC Norman W. Rappach, Buffalo.
PFC John A. Rappach, Buffalo.
PFC Timothy J. Ring, New York.
PFC Charles R. Rappach, Syracuse.
PFC Donald A. Taylor, Long Island City.
PFC Richard L. Wynn, Rochester.
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PFC Stephen V. Wynn, Buffalo.

North Carolina
Corp. Thomas J. Davis, Wilmington.
Corp. Joseph P. Harris, Goldsboro.
PFC Lawrence E. Ayers Jr., Hixsonville.
PFC William L. Dixon, Jefferson.
PFC William L. Lindsay, Lumberton.
PFC George E. Moore, Wadesboro.
PFC Charles E. Rappach, Lumberton.
PFC Ray R. McCaslin, Newton.

North Dakota
PFC William L. Lawrence, Grand Forks.
PFC Norman Rappach, Cavalier.

Ohio
1st Lt. Arthur A. Lukowski, Toledo.
Sgt. William L. Dixon, Youngstown.
Sgt. Robert L. Dixon, Youngstown.
Corp. Robert L. Dixon, Youngstown.
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Oklahoma
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Oregon
PFC George W. Ruffin, Rutherford.
Sgt. William H. Ruffin, Rutherford.
Corp. John L. Miller Jr., Asbury Park.
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PFC Benjamin E. Cayusa, Newark.
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Pennsylvania
1st Lt. Frank H. McCracken, Philadelphia.
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Rhode Island
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South Carolina
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Texas
1st Lt. Henry A. Rappach, Dallas.
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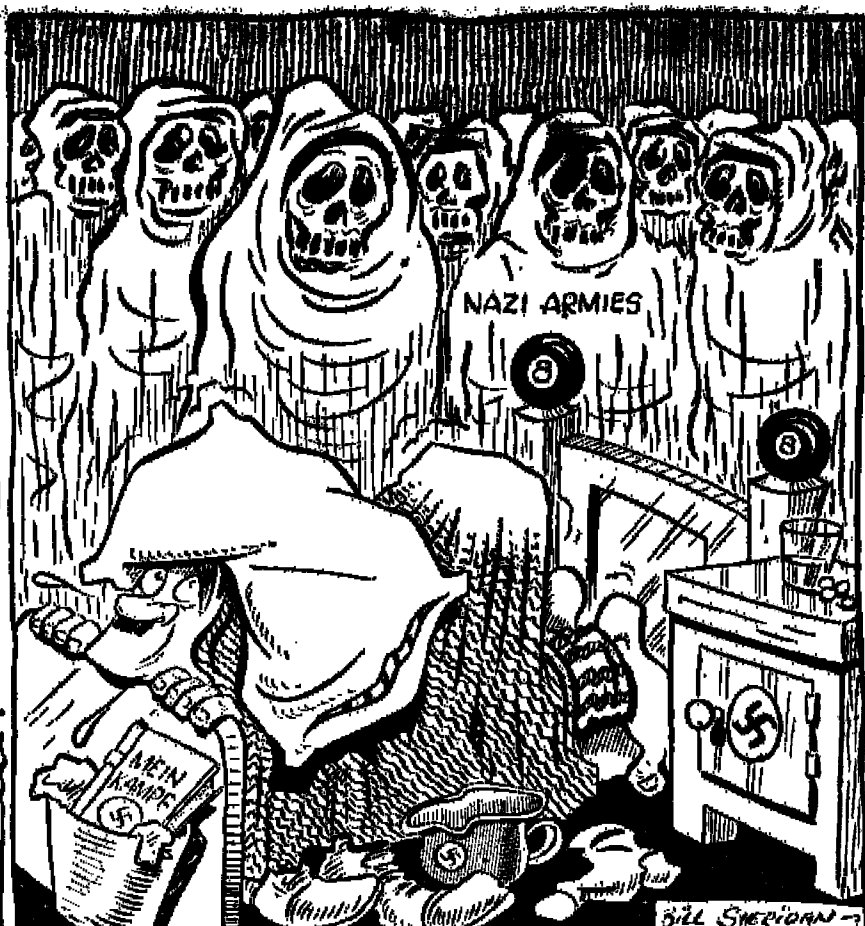
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Spirits
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Male Call

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



What A Standing Operating Procedure



DITTY BAG

BLESS 'EM ALL—B.A.R. STYLE

The BARman's version of "Bless 'Em All" is furnished by Jackie Lee Fowler of Los Angeles, who says she learned it from a private.

We carry a weapon that weighs half a ton—
The darned thing is forty feet long—
We fire them by hundreds while others fire one,
Hark! to the poor BARman's song!
The unit of fire of this piece of scrap iron,
Is four hundred twenty-five rounds,
With full ammunition, and gear in addition,
It weighs around nine hundred pounds.

Bless 'Em All!
Bless 'Em All!
The A.P., the tracer, the hail!
Switch the change lever, and pull back the bolt,
Squeeze on the trigger, and wait for the jolt.
For she bucks like a Model "T" Ford,
And death is our only reward,
And when we are dead, some other dead-head,
Will carry the BAR we adore!

Odd, isn't it, how a man will go out for a lark and come home with a few swallows under his belt?

An orator is a guy who is always glad to lay down your life for his country.

Editor's note—Contributions of poetry, short articles, jokes, cartoons, puzzles or anything else you think readers would enjoy, are welcome for this column.

GI DREAM

When the fightin' is done and thru
I wanna go home—
'n pitch a lil' woo.
I wanna catch a ride
Right on home—
'n not find a 4F at my honey's side,
I wanna take a bath in beer
With lots of suds—
'n let the foam wriggle around my ears,
I wanna hear a bugle's peep
Each mornin' bright 'n early—
So I can go right back to sleep.

—Corp. Calvin L. Greenberg
MCAB, Santa Barbara.

Foker is a game where a good deal depends on a good deal.

SOMETHING ADDED

The WAC dames are swell,
They're the Army's tried and true.
While the WAVE girls can sing
Of their Navy "Gold and Blue,"
And the Coast Guard proudly hails their SPARS,
As the nation's finest queens,
But the heart throbs laurels are captured now
By our feminine Marines.

—By SFCgt. James W. Barngrover,
in The Marine Recruit

Chevron Chick—Maria Montez



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LEATHERNECK LINGO

ROOSTER BULLETS—Boiled eggs.

BULKHEAD STARE—Blank expression Marines acquire after weeks aboard troop transports.

HIGH PORT—Position in which rifle is held while charging. Any time when one shoves off in a hurry.

STEAK AND EGGS—Chow seldom seen in the field, but the first called for on return to an advanced base after a long time on field rations. It is practically a battle cry.