

WONDERING  
The Japs are still  
wondering what hit  
them.—Navy Com-  
munique.

SO?  
Japan has one  
hundred million  
Patrick Henrys.—  
Saburo Kurusu.

## The Corporal Who Wouldn't Give Up Is Back Fighting The Japs Again

By 1st Lt. Weldon James, PRO

WASHINGTON—The Marine Corps last week-end revealed the story of "the corporal who wouldn't give up"—a Leatherneck hero who escaped from Corregidor the day it surrendered, survived 28 days of drifting in the China Sea, became a first lieutenant in the Army, fought with the guerillas in the Philippines for nearly two years, smuggled in guns and gasoline to them from the outside world, escaped, re-enlisted in the Marines, demanded combat duty, and again is overseas where the Japs are thickest.

Now a sergeant, the rugged, blue-eyed fighter is Reid C. Chamberlain of El Cajon, Cal., whose DSC citation early this year was for security reasons limited to a terse affirmation of "extraordinary heroism in action..."

First reported missing in action, then dead, then "secretly alive," young Chamberlain was a joyous secret indeed to his mother, Mrs. Ettie May Chamberlain of El Cajon. She knew nothing of his activities, but evidently was informed of his aliveness and well-being, with the injunction to tell no one, not even the insurance company, until his return.

Serving with the 4th Marines in the Philippines when war came in 1941, PFC Chamberlain fought first on Bataan, winning promotion to corporal, then on Corregidor.

Twice wounded in action, he recovered. When news of the impending surrender of "the rock" was announced on the morning of May 6, 1942, the corporal, with several Marine and Army companions, escaped in a motor launch to a point elsewhere in the islands.

How they got from island to island, where and how they served with various guerilla bands, in those last long months of 1942, may not be told. Near the end of the year they acquired a 45-foot diesel-engined launch and set out for the coast of China, intending to join Chinese guerillas and "work their way" up to Chungking.

Their engine failed some 70 miles out at sea. A makeshift sail proved too small to be effective, and they drifted for 28 days before landing again in the Philippines.

On this heartbreaking trip there were 10 men—five Filipinos, five Americans. They suffered an acute shortage of water and ran out of food.



Sgt. REID C. CHAMBERLAIN

When they hit the unwanted shore again, the party split up. Corp. Chamberlain, another American and two Filipinos acquired a native sailboat, eventually set sail for Australia. The unflinching corporal changed his mind on the way south, and returned to the Philippines with some friendly inter-islanders who put him in touch with a large guerilla outfit, headed by a colonel in the Philippine Army.

Now the indomitable corporal really hit his stride. He went "outside the Philippines" for guerillas, smuggled in badly needed guns, powder, lead, gasoline. Another guerilla leader, a colonel in the U. S. Army, commissioned him a second lieutenant and, six adventure-filled months later, promoted him to first lieutenant. The hands with which he served numbered other Marines and

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## Week Bond Drive Gets Under Way In Area

Yesterday marked the opening of another Pearl Harbor attack—this time in the form of a concerted drive to fill the Navy's Pearl Harbor Day War Bond quota.

Lt. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, Commandant, has asked that all Marines and civilian personnel of Marine stations contribute to the drive to top the quota set.

"Of all the offensives now being mounted, none is more important than the War Bond offensive," he said. "The American fighting machine has become the best equipped in the world because the American people have set themselves to the task of making it so."

Each individual is asked to commemorate the anniversary of the sneak attack by the Japs by buying an extra \$100 War Bond to constitute still another voluntary act toward winning the war as speedily as possible.

All Marine posts in this area have joined in the drive to put the Pearl Harbor Day drive over the

top by surpassing the quotas set. Maj. W. C. Donaldson, Base Bond officer, in his appeal for the extra purchases, points out that the road to final victory is still "long and uphill all the way."

"Not even our naval and military leaders will venture a guess as to the approximate date," he said. "Of this one thing, however, we may be certain—that many American lives will be lost and much American blood spilled before we occupy Tokyo."

War Bond officers throughout the area point out specifically that each purchase is not a gift—but a wise investment in the future—an investment that grows as interest payments are earned.

Brig. Gen. Archie F. Howard, commanding general of the Base has formed the dollars that will go for these purchases "Fighting Dollars," and asks that all hands heave to.

"Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo," a motion picture highly praised by critics who have reviewed it, will be shown tomorrow (Sunday) as a

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## Marine Invests Two Years' Back Pay In Bonds

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—The Sixth War Loan Drive got off to a good start here when a Marine who had never heard of the drives invested \$300.75.

The Marine—MCySgt. McKinley McGarvey of York, Ky.—was surprised when informed of the Sixth drive.

"I thought people just saved and bought a Bond whenever they had enough money," he said.

McGarvey, a Marine for 26 years, had plenty enough. He had just drawn \$4077.05—pay he had let ride for two years overseas.—Sgt. Jack Pepper, combat correspondent.

## Gen. Julian Smith Named DOP Head

Maj. Gen. Julian C. Smith, who commanded the 2nd Mar. Div. in the famous battle of Tarawa, will become commanding general of DOP Dec. 5, United Press reported from Washington yesterday. He succeeds Maj. Gen. Joseph C. Pagan, who has been in USNH, Mare Island.

Gen. Smith was appointed a second lieutenant in 1909. Before this war he served on foreign duty in Cuba, Mexico, Haiti, Panama, Santo Domingo and Nicaragua.

He was succeeded last spring as CG of the 2nd Mar. Div. by Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Watson.

## WRs Given 'Word' On Overseas Duty

Col. Ruth Cheney Streeter, director of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve, addressing WRs at the Base Thursday, declared that "no assignments of WRs would be made in Hawaii unless the reservist knew in advance what her duty in the islands would be before leaving the States."

Col. Streeter said that "a careful study had been made by the Marine Corps and Navy officials in Hawaii as to the actual need of women Marines on duty there" and added:

"No assignments will be made unless the WR is definitely needed in the job, and the WR will be assigned to her duty before leaving the States."

In her address Col. Streeter drew a picture of realism for the WRs who volunteer for duty overseas.

In their second year, the WRs are being called upon for still another pioneering job—not just another life under tropical moons and a life of surf-boarding and bathing. They are committing themselves to two years or more of duty overseas—with no leave or furlough in the States—but on the credit side of the ledger, they are letting themselves in for adequate living conditions and reasonable "liberty" periods in the cities of the islands. There are the educational advantages gained from a period of living in the islands, coupled with the ideal climatic conditions—but there are also the crowded wartime conditions that one finds in all centers of war activity.

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## 672 Men Of 1st Promoted Here

Promotion of 672 1st Div. veterans to the highest ranks they held in their overseas organizations was handled at the R&R Center in the last two weeks.

Under a new directive overseas men will no longer be reduced in rank upon being detached from their organizations for return to the States. Until this information is received and the practice put into effect overseas, the R&R Center has been authorized to restore lost ratings.



ROOBY TRAP. Japs chiseled "Welcome Yankee" in white coral of Babelthup island air strip, so airmen of 2nd Mar. Wing punctuated sign with 1000-lb. bombs. Idea was a Jap ruse to lure pilots within range of ground fire. (Photo by Sgt. Kenneth Kasten).

## 3500 1st Div. Veterans Headed Home

All the 3500 1st Div. veterans who landed in San Diego two weeks ago were cleared through the R&R Center by this week-end and were at home or enroute there to begin 30-day furloughs. But before half the Pelellu conquerors had been processed, 930 more returned veterans arrived at

the Center from overseas. Last Sunday 509 members of the 3rd Mar. Div., veterans of the Guam assault, arrived. On the same day 450 members of the 2nd Mar. Div. came in by train from San Francisco, where their transport docked earlier.

Permanent personnel at the R&R

Center have been working an average of 13 hours a day seven days a week to speed the processing.

Most departments have been securing at 2100, with swing shifts of key personnel working all night.

Veterans processed now will be at home over the Christmas holidays.



ACE. One of first Marine aces of this war, Maj. Marion E. Carl has returned with word that the Japanese pilots are still wily foes in the air. (See story on page 2).



MODEL. PFC. Norris F. Shook of Prineville, Ore., who once served aboard USS Maryland, finishes three months' work on aircraft carrier model for the benefit of students at Sea School. All parts are built to scale and all moving parts function. (Photo by PFC. Herbert F. Alden).

# New Base Job-Finding Office Opens

Another agency whose function is to facilitate the transition from Marine to civilian has been set up at the Base with the opening of the United States Employment Service office in Bldg. 4.

Operated in connection with the Rehabilitation Div. office, the function of the USES representative is to counsel discharges on employment problems. Jobs are found for men remaining in this area.

Discharges are advised that the labor stabilization program does not apply to them as veterans. Veterans may work as many hours as they like for as much as they can get and are not frozen to essential jobs.

Those who have been in the service for 90 days or more are entitled to \$20 a week unemployment insurance for up to 52 weeks. This has nothing to do with state unemployment compensation.

They are told of the principal industries, labor needs of each, housing conditions and other facts about the area in which they choose to settle. This information is obtained from up-to-date War Manpower Commission reports.

A job application card is filled out for the veteran and mailed to the veteran's employment representative at the USES office in

his home town. This shows his background and job preferences.

A Veteran's Introduction Card is given each discharges to facilitate his contacting the veteran's representative upon reaching home.

With many employers stipulating to USES offices that their vacancies are to be filled by veterans, the veteran's representative has a large list of jobs open only to discharges.

## Two Generals Win Awards For Pacific Service

Two Marine generals have received new decorations for outstanding services in the Pacific.

Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith, commanding FMF, Pacific, and the officer who directed all ground offensives against the Japanese in the Central Pacific from Tarawa to the Marianas, was presented with a gold star in lieu of a third DSM. The citation commended him for his planning and execution of assaults against Saipan, Tinian and Guam. In addition, he was in direct command on shore of the Northern Troops and landing forces during the capture of Saipan and personally conducted that operation.

Brig. Gen. Harry K. Pickett, now on duty in Coronado, received the Legion of Merit with rank of Lieutenant for service in preparing defenses and organizing garrison forces for Midway, Wake, Johnston and Palmyra Islands.



Sketch by Sgt. J. P. Williams. Lt. O'NEAL. He acquired the "kiddie"...

## Veteran Of 23 Years Amazed By Fighting 'Kids'

GUAM (Delayed)—Lt. Lawrence E. O'Neil of Long Beach, Cal., who took part in the Bougainville campaign and more recently in the invasion of this island, has served with the Corps for 23 years.

The veteran Leatherneck worked his way up through the ranks and has seen duty in Haiti, Cuba, Nicaragua and China, as well as sea-going time aboard the USS Oldham. Although an "old timer" himself, he expresses his admiration of the young Marines fighting in the Pacific.

"They're a great bunch of kids," he said. "I suppose I'm biased, but I think they're tops."

Lt. O'Neil was one of the original officers of the 1st MAC, which has since been changed to the 3rd Amph. Corps. He has been overseas for 23 months.

"I've seen our forces grow in strength with each passing month up to the staggering size of the Guam amphibious operation," said Lt. O'Neil. "Now the one I really want to see is the showdown on Japan."—SttSgt. Gordon D. Marsden, combat correspondent.

# 'Japs Still Plenty Good' -- Maj. Carl

By SttSgt. Ben Wahrman, Combat Correspondent (Picture on page one)

## Navy Knocks Off Japs Trying To Reinforce Leyte

With ground action at a virtual standstill on western Leyte in the Philippines because of heavy rains, India and Saipan-based Superforts struck at Japan's production vitals with three damaging raids on Tokyo in the last week while the U. S. fleet was thwarting Lt. Gen. Yamashita's efforts to reinforce his Leyte garrisons.

Dive-bombing American fighter planes wiped out a 13-ship reinforcement convoy Tuesday and Wednesday, sinking 10 transports and three destroyers carrying an estimated 4000 troops, all of whom were believed to have perished.

This was the sixth and largest Jap convoy sent to Leyte since Oct. 25. Enemy reinforcement losses at sea now total more than 21,000 troops.

Total enemy ships destroyed in the Japs' reinforcement efforts, excluding those sunk in the second Battle of the Philippine Sea, stand at 26 transports and 17 escort vessels, mostly destroyers.

From Peleliu came word, via the Jap news agency Domei, of a final suicide assault by Jap remnants still holding out on Oyama peak after 70 days of siege by American forces. Their banzai charge was described as their "last contribution to the East Asia defense."

MCAD, MIRAMAR.—"Don't sell the Jap fighter pilot short," cautioned Maj. Marion E. Carl of Hubbard, Ore., on his return here from his second tour in the South Pacific.

Maj. Carl, who holds a Navy Cross with star and who downed 16 1/2 planes on his previous tour, reported here with two more Jap planes added to his score for which he was awarded the Air Medal.

Referring to rumors that Jap fighter pilots are not as well trained as they were at the beginning of the war, Maj. Carl said: "It is true that the quality of Japanese pilots is on the decline, but from my personal experience I would say they're still plenty good. They don't show as many tricks as

they did at Guadalcanal and Midway in 1942, but they're far from pushovers."

Maj. Carl's combat record lends weight to his statements. At Guadalcanal and Midway, where he won the Navy Crosses, he knocked down 16 planes and was credited with sharing another. On his most recent tour, he made contact with enemy planes over Rabaul on only two occasions and was credited with a plane on each mission.

"My combat tour over Rabaul ended at the wrong time," the major said. "I got both my Zeros within a week, late in January, and then went back for a rest. When I returned, the skies were cleared of Jap planes."

"The Corsair makes a nice bomber," he said, "but I prefer to use it as a fighter."

## Five Marines Die In Auto Collision

LOS ANGELES—A head-on automobile collision near Lancaster took the lives last week of a civilian and five Marines temporarily stationed at MCAS, Mojave.

Four of the Marines were killed instantly. They were MTSgt. Frederick A. Dunhiser, Nassau, N. Y., and Dale Carce, Sutton, W. Va.; SttSgt. Robert E. Deane, Forest Grove, Pa., and Sgt. Raymond B. Wooley.

**First Officer**  
Maj. Samuel Nicholas, first officer of the Continental Marine Corps, was commissioned Nov. 25, 1975, just 18 days after the Marine Corps had been established.

## 'What A Pity'—But Palau Marines Deaf To Warning

By Capt. Earl J. Wilson, PRO

PELELIU (Delayed)—A Jap plane slipped in over this island last night in an effort to drop supplies to Japanese troops still holding out in caves on "Bloody Nose" ridge. Marine fighters drove him off, but the following propaganda leaflet floated down out of the night after him:

"Poor reckless Yankee Doodle. Do you know about the naval battle done by the American 58th Fleet at the sea near Tarawan (Formosa) and Philippine Japanese powerful Air Force had sunk their 14 aeroplane carriers, 4 battle ships, 10 several destroyers and cruisers along with sending 1261 ship aeroplanes into the sea. From this result, we think that you can imagine what shall happen next around Palau upon you."

"The fraud Roosevelt, hanging

the President Election under his nose and from his policy ambition, working not only poor Nimitz (Adm. Nimitz) but also Macassar (Gen. MacArthur) like a robot. Like this what a pity it must be sacrifice you pay.

"Thanks for your advice notes of surrender. But we haven't any reason to surrender to those who are fated to be totally destroyed in a few days later.

"Add to you, against the manner of your attack paying no heed to humanity your God shall make Japanese force to add retaliative attack upon you.

"Saying again, against the attack paying no heed to humanity contrary to the mutual military spirits you shall get an very stern attack! We mean an cruel attack! Japan military."



LANDS LETTER. What mail means to Marines overseas is illustrated in this cartoon by PFC. Maurice L. Igleburger, Dayton, O., who landed with 3rd Marines on Guam.

## Pensioned Vet, Now 19, Finally Rejoins Corps

CAMP LEJEUNE—The Corps tried but didn't succeed in pensioning 19-year-old Pvt. Charles L. Judd of Macon, Ga., out of the war.

Judd was wounded seriously at Guadalcanal, hospitalized for 11 months and then, in September, 1943, sent back to his mother with an honorable discharge and a pension.

The young veteran, who had joined the Corps shortly after Pearl Harbor when his mother gave permission for her 17-year-old son to enter the service, began a series of steady assaults upon Marine recruiting officers as soon as he arrived home.

His father was in the Navy. His younger brother, James D. Judd, was a Marine corporal at Cherry Point, N. C. Staying at home with his mother, five kid brothers and two sisters, held no appeal.

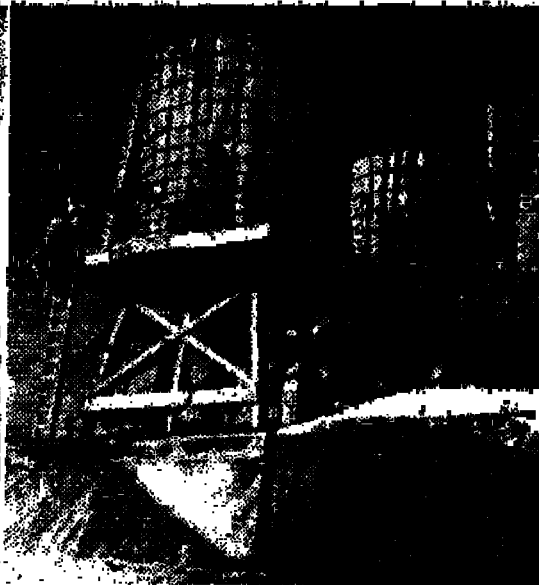
Finally, in July this year, he convinced the Corps he was fit for active duty again.

"There's no such thing as doing 'enough' or 'too much' in this fight," he said.

## BuPers Bulletin Offers Subscriptions

Military and civilian personnel now may subscribe to the Bureau of Naval Personnel Information Bulletin by writing the Sup't. of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. The cost is \$1.50 a year.

A woman finally found she could get a divorce from her husband because of his flat feet. His feet were in the wrong flat.



TARAWA. One year after famous battle, atoll still shows evidence of Jap defenses, many of them now turned to use by 1st Mar. Air Wing base. Left, foundation of American tent is built

atop heavily reinforced Jap pillbox in which 2nd Div. Marines killed 19 Japs. Coconut log defenses which cost Marines so heavily are also shown. Center, Seabees built water

plant on Jap-revetted power plant. 2nd Div. Marines poured gasoline down air vents and then resorted to flame throwers to take it. Right, the Gilbertese have taken over many jobs on island.

# Gas Ration Cut Looms

OPA Says Base Drivers Must Haul More Passengers

Action by OPA to reduce the amount of supplemental gasoline rations being issued at the Base ration board office is certain unless MCB auto owners begin transporting more passengers, it was made clear this week by WO. Arthur Kessler, in charge of the office. Unless the required 2.5 persons per car average is maintained by all drivers receiving extra rations, OPA will insist upon use of fewer cars, WO. Kessler said. In that event, drivers living in the same neighborhood will be asked to share the ride with each other and the rations of each reduced.

OPA regulations require owners of sedans to transport three passengers and owners of coupes two. Base personnel living ashore are urged to contact the ration board office if they wish rides to add from the Base. A complete file of names of auto owners needing more passengers is kept there.

Drivers receiving permits for periodic travel to Los Angeles are asked to call the ration board office to assure a full complement of passengers before leaving the Base.

Each week there are more persons wanting rides to Los Angeles than there are accommodations, WO. Kessler said.

# 'Home' Theme On Program Today

"The Road Home," with its welcome theme of Marines bound for the peaceful quiet of their own homes and families, will be the story told in today's drama on the "Halls of Montezuma" network radio program from the Base theater at 1000.

The 40-piece Halls of Montezuma orchestra, directed by PFC. Ivan Dittmar, will play a special musical arrangement, assisted by the Singing Invaders. The orchestra also plays a musical salute to our Russian allies.

All hands are invited to attend today's performance. A variety show presented by the orchestra and various members of the Halls of Montezuma radio unit will follow the broadcast.

# Make A Date To Give Blood

Volunteer blood donors from the Base were urged this week to help fill the corporate quota sought by a mobile Red Cross blood bank unit which will be here on Wednesday, Dec. 13, for the purpose of banking the life-giving fluid.

Hospital corpsmen will be on duty each day in all of the mess halls on the Base until Dec. 13, making appointments for those who wish to aid their wounded comrades in arms, according to officials of the Base Dispensary. Those who find it impossible to make appointments with these corpsmen are invited to sign up at the dispensary.

The mobile Red Cross unit will be set up in Mess Hall No. 128 on Dec. 13.

All types of blood will be taken and officials said civilians and Marines, both men and women, are asked to volunteer.

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BACK FROM LEYTE. Believed to be the first Allied officer to return to the U. S. from Leyte invasion, Capt. John P. Somers points to scene of his operations. He was an air-ground liaison officer. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Gene Locke).

# Marine First To Return From Leyte

## —And Now Japs Don't Like Us

The Japs don't like American Marines, the Tokyo radio said last week, which seems to make it logical.

The Marine Corps, the radio said in a broadcast recorded by the PCC, is composed of "a bunch of roughnecks" who "don't give a hang about their lives" in landing operations.

The radio went on that "It is said in America 'Tell it to the Marines'. This has the same meaning as 'Don't be silly'. That is to say, the Marines are all so ignorant that they believe you when the general public would not."

## Marine Overcharged On Pint Wins \$50

LOS ANGELES—Sgt. Elynor C. Jacobson got his dander up plenty during two years overseas fighting the Japs.

He also got it up when he went into a liquor store here and was charged \$3.50 for a pint of bourbon, or 93 cents over selling price.

A municipal judge awarded him \$50 and costs against the store.

MCAD, MIRAMAR. Believed to be the first Allied officer to return to the U. S. from Leyte, Capt. John P. Somers of St. Louis Park, Minn., is back from the invaded Philippines.

An air-ground liaison officer, Capt. Somers worked with the Navy Air Support Command in the Leyte invasion. Operating from the command ship as a Marine observer, he called for air support to hit certain objectives as the battle progressed.

The Leyte landing was an entirely different type of operation from the invasion of Tarawa and

# Deadline For Sure Delivery Of Gifts Past

Unless that Christmas gift you are sending to the folks back home is already in the mail, there is little likelihood that they will receive it in time to open it under the tree that morning.

Postal officials have urged for the past three weeks that all Christmas mailings to other parts of the country be in the hands of clerks before Dec. 1, warning that shortages of manpower, unprecedented volume and wartime demands upon transportation facilities would make it impossible to guarantee delivery before the festive date.

It is expected that this year's gift volume will exceed last year's by approximately 25%.

Marines are also reminded that unless mail is already in the hands of the postoffice department and you would like delivery before Christmas, a War Bond will still reach home in time.

# Week Bond Drive Gets Under Way In Area

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War Bond benefit movie, and all proceeds from the sale of tickets - at 25 cents each - will be used in the purchase of bonds as a part of the drive.

This will be the initial San Diego area release of the film. It is to be shown at the Base theater at 1730 and 3000.

Capt. James G. White, War Bond officer at MarFair West, is driving toward cash sales, along with allotments, and points out that bonds purchased before Dec. 1 would not be counted on the quota set for the period between Dec. 1 yesterday and Dec. 7, the date the drive winds up.

"Systematic savings are always considered the best," Capt. White said, "but there are also a lot of persons with extra cash these days and it is their duty to invest it in these cash purchases."

At MCAD, Miramar, Lt. Mary M. Woodworth said that the fact that

bonds make an ideal Christmas gift is being stressed.

"Anyone who goes into stores to Christmas shopping these days knows what a problem it is," she said. "So why not just purchase an extra War Bond during the Pearl Harbor Day campaign and send it along? It is not only an excellent investment, but look at all the worry and work one saves one's self."

At Camp Pendleton, another concerted drive is under way to spur additional purchases.

Maj. Robert N. Tyzzer Jr., War Bond officer, and Capt. John L. Garner, area War Bond training officer, have teamed up and arranged for a cash sales truck which started out yesterday and visited the Base Depot at Camp Elliott, working the entire area.

Today the truck was stationed all day at the post laundry at Camp Elliott and on Monday it will be in the move all day, visiting MCB from 1100 to 1300; Ser. Bn. from 1300 to 1430; Cns. Bn. from 1430 to 1600 and 1630; from 1600 to 1830.

On Tuesday - payday - the truck will tour the entire camp counting wallets. The following day it will appear in the Fairbrook singing area, from 0830 to 1030, followed by visits to Field Bn. Bn. from 1030 to 1300; 1st School Bn. from 1300 to 1500; 1st Inf. Bn. from 1500 to 1700; 1st Med. Bn. from 1700 to 1800 (doubt basin).

Thursday - Pearl Harbor Day - the bond truck will be on hand at the old Seabee area from 0800 to 0900 at Post Camp No. 3 from 0930 to 1030; Tent Camp No. 2 from 1100 to 1200; Stock Bn. from 1230 to 1400; Field Med. Bn. from 1430 to 1630 and Amtrac Bn. from 1700 to 1800 (doubt basin).

Ahead of the truck soliciting investments will be Capt. Garner and PFC. Toni Crowley.

During the time of the truck's ramblings the cash sales office will be open in Bldg. 11-A-1 at all times.

Maj. Gen. Charles F. B. Price had issued a memorandum calling for all Marines in the area to help in the financial drive on Tokyo.



SGT. BUTCH. A boy Marine is the "police sergeant" of Ser. Sq. 1 at MCAD, Miramar, shown in his new uniform. He marches to colors daily, is squadron mascot and doubles occasionally as mascot for the El Toro football team.



Negro Seabee Bn. Lauded For Aid Given 1st Div. At Peleliu

WASHINGTON -The 17th Special U. S. Naval Construction Bn., a Negro unit of Seabees, has received a "Well done!" and a Letter of Commendation from Maj. Gen. William H. Rupertus, commanding officer of the 1st Mar. Div., during the landing and occupation of Peleliu Island during the night of D-Day.

The first section of the battalion landed with the 1st Div. on Peleliu at H-hour plus 2 on D-Day. They were part of the shore party, but,

while engaged primarily in that duty, on the first night responded to a call for volunteers when a shortage of ammunition was reported in the forward lines.

Practically the entire 17th carried ammunition to the front and brought wounded back. The Seabees also, the report said, took part in the fighting on one of the fronts where the Marines became short-handed in that sector. Part of the 17th manned 37mm. guns, and did whatever else was needed.

Marines Tour Oregon To Boost War Loan Drive

KLAMATH FALLS (Special) Marine veterans are helping to put Oregon over the top in the Sixth War Loan drive.

An entertainment troupe of approximately 30 Leathernecks will tour the eastern part of the state early in December, putting on shows in Bend, Burns, Medford, Grants, Ontario, Pendleton and The Dalles in connection with local War Bond rallies.

The Marines variety program is prepared and directed by PFC Richard H. Mason, who will also act as master of ceremonies for the performances.

The orchestra, directed by Sgt. Jack Zapprow, will include the band. The orchestra has a new theme song, "Klamath Blues" - written by Sgt. Tony Linder, who has also written "Golden Oregon," a local hit.

Sgt. John Embuchini, who won the Navy Cross in New Georgia, will make a fighting talk and bond plea at the program. Hetschold, together with Pvt. John J. Wanyuch, who was killed, held off a large Jap force trying to attack in A-4, contingent on the beach. They accounted for a total of 66

Japs during the night.

A Bronze Star winner from Bunaupit, Sgt. Talbot Vogler, a member of the orchestra, will relate his experiences from the stage. Vogler was cited for "saving numerous lives under fire" while acting as a stretcher-bearer during the Empress Augusta Bay campaign.

Comedy acts will be presented by Sgt. Paul Smith and PFC Jack Janssen. Other entertainers include Corp. Jack Manoney, Irwin Ischer, PFC Carl Hagel, Ignor, and Sgt. Jack King, concert pianist.



HAWAII-ROUND. Previewing forthcoming overseas duty, Wils stationed at HOS, Philadelphia, last week, staged a musical show, "She-Going Marines". The hill girls are (front left); Corp. Layla Hanes, PFC Mirjal Yacavone, PFC Ruth Husey, Corp. Mary Tschepke, PFC Jane Skots, Corp. Marilyn Smith and PFC Marie L. Sullivan.

Californian High At Rifle Range

CAMP MATTHEWS - Firing 313 out of a possible 340 with the M-1 when firing for record with Platoon 185, Pvt. Douglas E. Cusworth of West Long Angeles took high individual honors at this rifle range last week.

Pvt. Thomas H. Johnston of Los Angeles was runner-up with a score of 310, followed by Pvt. Frank Jarula of Stockton, Cal., with 306.

Both are members of Platoon 185.

Their platoon, coached on the school range by Corp. Paul E. Burch, had a qualification percentage of 90.5 per cent, with 4 out of 12 members failing to qualify. 1st Sgt. R. H. Kerr is DI of the platoon.

No, he wasn't drunk . . . he was just carrying the ninth hole cover onto to play it on his phonograph.

5,000 Sorties In Six Months Air Group's Record

SOMEWHERE IN THE MARSHALLS (Delayed) - In six months of constant contact with the enemy, a single group of the 4th Mar. Air Wing based at this former Jap outpost has established an impressive record. 2,000,000 rounds of ammunition fired and 3,000,000 pounds of bombs dropped during 5000 sorties.

Operations of the MAG (Marine Air Group), under the wing command of Maj. Gen. Louis E. Woods, have extended from Makin in the Gilberts to Saipan in the Marshalls. Over this wide expanse of the Pacific, Corsair fighter-bomber squadrons led by Col. Calvin R. Freeman of Sherman, Tex., have flown thousands of miles daily, striking at Jap points of resistance.

Under its present commander, Lt. Col. Ralph K. Rottet of Washington, D. C., the MAG was formed in 1943 at Cherry Point, N. C., and arrived overseas in time to support the invasion of the Gilberts. Increasing strength made it one of the most powerful Marine air units when it was ordered to the Marshalls. The job here was to defend newly-seized atolls and smash strong Jap installations on bypassed islands.

During one recent month, a steady increase in bomb loads enabled the unit to carry out 1422 sorties, pummeling the enemy with 1,327,000 pounds of high explosives. The six-months' cost has been the

loss of nine pilots in action. Heavy rescue work saved 11 others shot down within sight of Jap territory.

Of tremendous aid to the MAG's activities was a crew of aerial photographers. From their headquarters in a former Jap black-house, they flew on 25 photo missions over enemy territory, charting new bombing targets.

Under the direction of 1st Lt. Robert E. Lee of Houston, La., they are: TSgt. Richard M. Knox of Philadelphia; TSgt. Byron J. Padgett of Marietta, Ga.; Allen Hollingshead of La Grange, Wyo.; Donald E. Brooks of Perry, Ind.; and Arthur Khones of Hackensack, N. J.; Sgts. Les D. Golarhean of Bonaville, N. Y., and Edmund C. Doyle of Bethesda, Md.; Corps Arthur W. Bramill of Middletown, Conn., and Sidney Israel of Brooklyn, N. Y.



WAS IN REVIEW. Six hundred Wils stationed at HOS, San Francisco, line up in perfect formation for review by Maj. Gen. Joseph C. Legan, commanding general, HOP, at recent observance of 16th anniversary of the Corps.

Malaria Downs Foss At Klamath

KLAMATH FALLS (Delayed) - Joseph Foss, first American flag in this war to equal Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker's record of 36 downed planes, is recuperating here from malaria.

The Sioux Falls, S. D., Marine, who holds the Congressional Medal of Honor, is confident he'll be able to go back to the South Pacific.

Foss said he expects to be ready for action in about three months.



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Marine Who Made 'March Of Death' Glad Peleliu Japanese Want To 'Fight It Out'

By M. H. Ward Walker, Staff Writer (Delayed) - So seldom has a man gained such complete vengeance . . .

This action is in its final stages now. Disorganized and cut off from their supplies, the Japs are holed up in their caves - living in their own filth, then dying of thirst, hunger and Marine explosives.

They are kept from surrendering by some queer code of their own. They ignore Marine entreaties to surrender, to give up a hopeless fight. They are suffering horribly, not because of Marine cruelty but because of their own stubbornness.

One of the Marines who watches the death-hunt of the caves without any expression of pity in his flint-gray eyes is Maj. Mihiel Desbervich of Ironton, Mich.

He was one of the defenders of Batuan. He was one of the men with Lt. Col. Edward Dyess in the "March of Death." He saw his men bayoneted and beaten to death by

their Jap captors when they were too exhausted to move. He fired the 80 miles without food or water through the jungle heat of the Philippines. He was killed in the stomach by a Jap soldier, beaten in the face by another.

Half of his men, the men who fought until the last chance was gone at Batuan, fell in that blood-stained, body-strewn 30 miles. Theirs weren't hero deaths but deaths by torture at the hands of a degraded foe.

He saw them shot in the stomach and left to die in the sun by Jap sentries posted at the water points. He saw Americans with a heritage of pride throw themselves into the muck of animal wallows to drink.

And so there's almost a smile on his face as the days pass and the Japs hold out in their caves.

"I would say a lie if I said I didn't enjoy this," he said. "I am not a cruel man. I would treat them kindly if they surrendered to me. But I am glad they want to fight it out."

"I know what they are going through. On Batuan our food gave out. The men were wounded and sick - there were no medical supplies. Water was scarce. Ammunition was almost gone. And still the enemy kept coming.

"Yes," the major said slowly, "I know what they are going through. And I am glad."

It comes as no surprise to Maj. Desbervich that the Japs are holding out here, as they have everywhere, in the last man.

"Those of us left alive after the March of Death were herded into a group in an open field," he recalled. "We were kept hunched for nearly four hours in the sun until we were 'softened up' enough."

"A Jap captain made us a speech. I think of that talk often. He told us of the Jap conquests, of how Japan would rule the Pacific and everything in it. 'You are our enemies,' he screamed at us. 'You will always be our enemies. You are not entitled to good treatment. We will fight you for 10, even 100 years until you are all dead.'"

# Marine Fliers Taught Survival In Jungles

By Sgt. D. W. Nelson, Combat Correspondent.

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—Marine pilots and crewmen are receiving vital training at this air base in the techniques of sea and jungle survival.

The camp area at which they learn swimming, raft technique and methods of living entirely on what the open sea and jungle have to offer is a modern well-equipped school, but it had a humble beginning.

When the school was started at the instigation of Brig. Gen. Walter G. Farrell, commanding general, 3rd Mar. Air Wing, the senior NCO designated was SttSgt. William A. Yost of Bellevue, Pa., a former

swimming instructor at Cherry Point.

During the past five months, Sgt. Yost and his staff of eight instructors, two cooks and a corpsman have literally carved the camp out of the jungle. Where jungle and barbed wire blocked the ocean view, eight comfortable tents command the beach. Coral stoves and rough plank tables form the mess hall with its walls of sisal and slanting roof.

## Pacific Paper Joint Project

NEW CALEDONIA—Believed to be the only service newspaper written and edited jointly by men of the Marine Corps, Army and Navy, the South Pacific Daily News, enjoying a circulation of well over 10,000, recently observed its first anniversary.

Although appearing in mimeographed form, the SoPac Daily News—further proof of the cooperation of the various services in this theater—is considered the leading newspaper in this area.

Editor of the paper is CY. Fred E. Hamlin, USN, and Mariae Sgt. Winthrop R. Cady is his associate. Sports editor is PFC. George Chaparras, also a Marine, and Sgt. Preston Charles, Army, is columnist. PFC. Peter Gredsky, Army, completes the editorial "side".

## Manager of Bank At Elliott Dies

CAMP ELLIOTT—Neil D. Jackson, manager of the banking facility here, died last week from a heart attack while being taken to a hospital.

Mr. Jackson had been manager of the facility since its establishment at the time this was a Marine camp and was widely known throughout the Corps.

## Leatherneck Patrol Nabs Escaping Japs

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—Eight Japs were killed in a hush skirmish when a 20-man patrol under 2d Lt. John H. Leims of Chicago discovered 15 of the enemy building a raft with which to escape from Guam. Darkness brought the 35-minute fight to an end.

# WRs Get 'Word' On Forthcoming Overseas Duty

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At the present time plans call for 1500 enlisted women and 80 officers to be assigned to JMBF forces in Hawaii and all hands will be working a seven-day week with one day of liberty every week from the hours of 0800 to 1800.

Those living in the Hawaiian area will be housed in two-story wooden barracks and air station personnel—who will be residing at the Ewa Air Station, also on the island of Oahu—will reside in Quonset huts.

Summer uniforms will be worn the year around and it is suggested that all WRs successful in their applications for overseas duty purchase four new seersucker uniforms, two pairs of oxfords and one of the new type lightweight raincoats.

Qualifications necessary for selection of applicants include: 1. At least six months' service on active duty, exclusive of training time. 2. Good conduct, health and work records. 3. Demonstration, while in service, of a sense of responsibility, maturity, adaptability, and emotional stability. 4. Freedom from any form of dependency which would require presence in the United States.

Applications are alike for officers and enlisted personnel and include five endorsements of recommendations of classification officer, work supervisor, medical officer, senior woman officer and the commanding officer of the post or station.

## Bingo Attracts Biggest Crowd

Bingo games at the Hostess House on Wednesday nights draw the largest attendance of the season this week, when 128 R&R veterans, WRs and Base personnel took part. The final pot of \$82 was divided between two R&R men. Average pot in the other 15 to 20 games was \$15.

Because of the increased popularity of bingo, the dance scheduled for next Wednesday has been canceled and bingo substituted. Mrs. Evelyn Mullaly, hostess, said bingo will be held at 2000 every Wednesday until further notice, with no further dances scheduled.

## Promotion of 3000 Lieutenants Seen

Plans to provide for promotion of approximately 3000 Marine second lieutenants to first lieutenants, reversing the ratio of 49% first lieutenants and 50% second lieutenants and being considered, the Army and Navy Joint report. This indicates that 750 officers may receive promotions monthly.

# Saratoga Marines Proud Of Big Ship

By Tsgt. Murray Lewis, Combat Correspondent

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—The USS Saratoga's detachment of husky Marines, having celebrated the 16th anniversary of their own Corps six days ago, observed the 17th birthday of their proud aircraft carrier today.

They did it the Marine way—re-creating the glorious battle record of the floating airport and their part in it.

Corp. John J. Rohan Jr. of Lowell, Mass., in a festive mood, recalled one night in the Pacific when the Saratoga and her men had an out-of-season "Fourth of July" celebration.

"We had just made a successful raid on an important Jap base. Our planes had caught the Japs by surprise and had bombed and strafed Jap ships, docks, bivouac areas and planes on the ground. We all expected a night attack that evening, but we were feeling mighty good about it.

"Late that night, GQ was sounded. This was it! The Jap planes



HAWAII (Delayed). Corp. Anna Mae Sutton of Base Chaplain's office was one of first WRs to volunteer for overseas duty. Corp. Aubrey Overfield conducts classification interview to assign her job title based on experience and suitability. Six months' duty is required.



PHYSICAL. Preliminary examinations are given all volunteer WRs at the WR Dispensary. Lt. Comdr. Blythe W. Fahl takes Corp. Sutton's blood pressure. All applicants must be in good health.



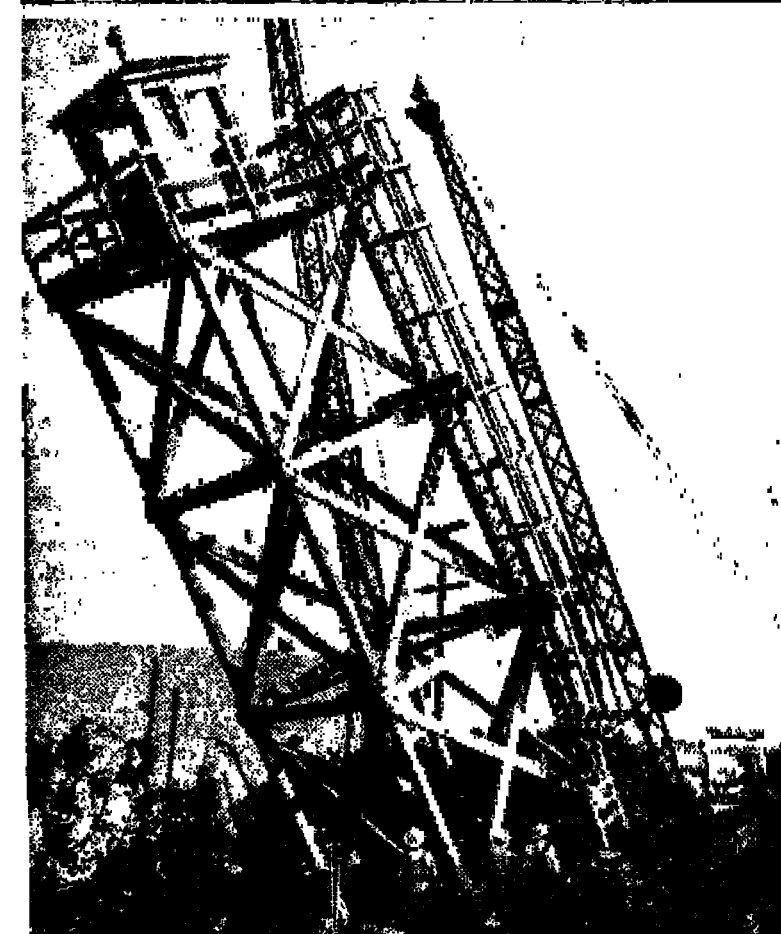
TIMING IT IS. That little speck on the map is Hawaii, and Corp. Sutton smiles at the prospect of going there to relieve men for duty at points still farther west. Summer uniforms will be worn year around.

## Marines Wed In 'On Wheels' Rite

Marines figured out a new twist to the marriage ceremony at MCAS, El Toro, last week.

According to "The Flight Jacket", station paper, MTSgt. E. P. Marty and PFC. Shirley Kaye heard the first part of their vows read in Long Beach. Then the minister drove them to Orange county.

As soon as they crossed the county line, he pronounced the "man and wife" ending to the ceremony in his car.



GOING—GONE! Familiar Base landmark disappears as workers remove old sentry tower to make way for new Wave barracks between WR area and Gate 3. Construction began this week on buildings to house 150 WRs and 50 Navy nurses. (Photo by Corp. Louise Parker.)

# New Unit Clears Way For Final Demobilization

1st Separation Co. was activated at MCB this week to handle discharges for the 11th Naval Dist. and perfect a system of discharging men in large numbers when the time comes for general demobilization.

When organized within the next three weeks, the company will handle discharges of Class IV and V men, medical surveys, those over 35, and men discharged for the convenience of the government.

Only Marines not to be processed here will be had conduct dischargers, hospital patients proceeding directly to Veterans Administration hospitals, and Women Reserves.

It is not known definitely whether 11th Naval Dist. aviation personnel will report to the Base unit until within are received from HQMC.

Probably, the unit is prepared to handle an average of 500 to 1000 discharges a month.

Ground work is being laid to handle 1500 discharges a week eventually.

## Nimitz Praises Personnel Of USS Tennessee

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz boarded the battleship Tennessee Nov. 17 to praise her personnel for their year-long action in the Gilberts, Marshalls, Marianas, Palau and at Kwajalein and in the Leyte campaign, according to an AP dispatch from Pearl Harbor.

"In the Marianas campaign," he said, "the Tennessee furnished gunfire support for landings made on each of the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Guam.

"On D-Day at Saipan she was struck by three enemy shells from a shore battery on Tinian. She suffered personnel casualties and damage.

"She completed her assigned missions, however, then proceeded to Eniwetok for emergency repairs, including renewal of one 5-in. gun." (This was the first disclosure that Eniwetok is being used as a ship repair base.)

Adm. Nimitz recalled that the Tennessee was damaged at Pearl Harbor, but was repaired and joined the fleet in the Aleutians. She has since bombarded many other places.

The Tennessee carries a Marine complement.

## Ex-Marine Has Seven Sons in Uniform

NEW ORLEANS—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hilmer of this city now have seven sons in service. One, Pvt. J. H. Hilmer Jr., is a Marine recently sent overseas. The senior Hilmer was a Marine in World War I and saw action in several major engagements.

eventually. Capt. William A. Murphy, who reported here from HQMC, is CO of the company, which set up offices this week in Bldg. 4.

Dischargees who report here from other posts and stations in the 11th Naval Dist. will be billeted in the tent area on the south side of the parade ground.

The new company will become the central discharging agency for the 11th Naval Dist. to handle such work formerly done by the individual battalion offices.

A total of 27 enlisted men were attached to the office early this week, including six interviewers and three classifiers transferred from the Rehabilitation Div. office. It is expected that the latter office will be moved to Los Angeles soon.

Capt. Murphy of 1st Separation Co. will be post rehabilitation officer.

Executive officer of the new unit is Capt. Francis B. Trehan, formerly CO of 2nd Co. 30th Co. Bn.

Other officers of 1st Separation Co. are WO, William D. Fowler, personnel officer, formerly of 3d Co. 1st Bn. and WO (QM) Gilbert A. Seybold, QM officer, formerly attached to 3d Bn.



PFCs Paul and Leslie Hansen

## Twins Awarded Navy Crosses

For the first time in Marine history, twins in the Corps have both been awarded the Navy Cross.

The twins—PFCs Paul L. and Leslie E. Hansen of Batavia, N. Y.—were serving together on New Britain. Their amphibian tractor became wedged between two fallen trees. While Paul worked the controls in an effort to free the big machine, Leslie, unable to reach his rifle, took on two attacking Japs with his bare hands. The trio rolled over the side.

Paul started the tractor and continued the mission by annihilating three enemy pillboxes, accounting for 48 dead Japs, but his twin had been killed by the explosion of a grenade.



PICCOLO REPAIR. Stfsgt. Loaten Hall of Band Instrument Repair Shop uses a gadget of his own design for reworking piccolo keys. (Photo by PFC. Herbert F. Alden).

## Base Shop Services Overseas Bands

Rebuilding or replacing musical instruments for Marine bands overseas and at posts and stations throughout the U. S. is the job of the new Band Instrument Repair Shop in Bldg. 229.

With all necessary factory equipment available and staffed by Marines with factory experience, the shop is equipped to completely rebuild instruments marked for survey as well as make minor repairs.

TSgt. Thomas Richards, who formerly was attached to the Marine Band in Washington, is NCO-in-C and in charge of repairing brasses.

Repairing reed instruments is done by Stfsgt. Loaten Hall, who was employed by an instrument firm in Grand Rapids, Mich., before his induction.

At present there are two men in each department.

In addition to affording Marine bands savings on the cost of repairs, the shop can handle repair work much more quickly than most private concerns.

Average rebuild jobs are finished in one day, Hall said.

The shop overcomes the shortage of parts, which slows much private repair work, by salvaging usable parts from surveyed instruments and by fashioning new parts when necessary.

Hall said instruments worth an estimated \$25 or less upon arrival could be marketed for \$100 to \$150 when sent out completely rebuilt.

The new shop is operated under the property division of the Base QM for the benefit of all Corps bands except the Marine Band in Washington.

Bands wishing to avail themselves of the service should forward work orders through regular channels and the damaged instruments through shipping and receiving.

## Matthews Team First In Sunday Rifle Matches

CAMP MATTHEWS—With Sgt. Ed Soderberg leading his teammates with a total score of 234, the Camp Matthews No. 1 team took first place in rifle competition here last Sunday.

The No. 1 Marine team piled up a total score of 1365 points. The Matthews No. 2 team placed eighth in the nine-team competition with a score of 1251. Also firing were one civilian, one State Guard and four Navy teams.

Members of the top team and their individual scores: Pfc. Harry Gottonalk, 236; Pvt. James R. Berry, 228; PFC. Duane M. Miller, 224; GySgt. Max R. Beebe, 220, and Corp. Paul E. Butch, 220.

Members of the Camp Matthews No. 2 team were: PFC. L. J. Kraft, 199; PFC. M. E. Jones, 206; PFC. K. O. Billingsley, 201; GySgt. A. S. Anderson, 218; PFC. R. O. Southard, 202, and PFC. R. G. Mueller, 225.

In the 1000-yd. Wimbledon match, PFC. R. G. Mueller won first place and a gold medal for his score of 91 with 7 "as". GySgt. Anderson was second and won a silver medal.

## Help Wanted

The Chevron staff has several editorial side vacancies and Marines with newspaper background are invited to submit informal applications. Needed are a sports editor, a general assignment reporter and a copy reader-headline writer.

Address The Chevron, Bldg. 16, MCB, giving newspaper experience and present station. Marines with overseas experience will be given preference.

## Commissions Open To Women PFCs

Ltr. of Insp. No. 739 dated Nov. 9 provides that WFs with the rank of PFC. may now apply for commissions providing their commanding officers state that they are qualified for promotion and recommend waiver of noncommissioned rank.

## Matthews PFC. Wins Pistol Match

CAMP MATTHEWS—Running up an aggregate score of 97.06% with the .38 and .45 cal. pistols in matches here last Saturday, PFC. K. N. Irwin took individual high score honors against 19 competitors. He was a member of the "A" range team, which won team honors with a total of 97.33%.

PFC. Irwin scored 97.02% with the .38 and 98% with the heavier caliber weapon.

WO. C. S. H. Revels chalked up 97.92% with the .38 and 97.83% for an aggregate of 97.88% to take second individual honors with the pistols. Other members of the "A" range team were WO. E. C. Sesser with a score of 96.84% and Corp. N. C. Sludt with an aggregate of 96.63%.

Camp Matthews "B" range quartet fired 95.03% to finish third, with PFC. L. W. Priester leading this unit with a score of 96.80%. Other members of this team were Corp. L. R. Lake, 95.67%; Sgt. L. A. Boland, 94.50%, and PFC. Dave Zeh, 92.88%.

VMD-154, Camp Kearney, finished fourth with 86.80%, led by WO. R. K. Longenecker whose score aggregated 87.85%. Other members of the team were 2dLt. P. R. Hade, 2dLt. G. A. Morton and 2dLt. R. H. Dormandy, who scored 87.17%, 86.84% and 85.84%, respectively.

NAS placed second and NTG fifth.



PFC. IRWIN ... high scorer at range

## The Corporal Who Wouldn't Give Up Is Back Fighting The Japs Again

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Army personnel, officers and men, as well as Filipinos.

After a full two years in the Philippines, Lt. Chamberlain, USA, finally came back to America. Despite several bouts of malaria, his iron-man constitution had stood him well, and he was in what the doctors termed reasonably good shape.

In Washington the paper-confusion was great, but the lieutenant waded through it. The Marines gave him a necessarily tardy honorable discharge, retroactive to the day before he accepted the Army commission (Jan. 15, 1943). The Army permitted him to resign his commission and, in turn, gave him an honorable discharge, not to mention the DSC for services rendered.

Then the hardy youth, who did some growing up in his native Parkin, Ark., before his family moved west, re-enlisted in the Marine Corps. He was given immediately his old rating of corporal and appointment to OCS at Quantico.

First, however, he had less vigorous business to attend to. Lt. Gen. Vandegrift, Commandant, presented him with the DSC awarded by the Army, and arranged a rare thing in the service—a 60-day furlough.

He then went to Quantico, but had no sooner entered than he applied for transfer to line duty. His commanding officer noted that Chamberlain was "extremely anxious for combat duty."

It was an unusual request, three days after admission to an officer-training school. Without prejudice to his record, he got his transfer, went to a west coast base. His orders stipulated that he was not to be transferred again, or sent overseas, without the express approval of the Commandant. He had a soft base job. He was "stuck for the duration."

He won promotion to sergeant. In time he was presented the Purple Heart with Gold Star for those wounds of 1942. The Marine Corps had already ruled that his mother could keep the Purple Heart sent her after the official announcement of his death.

Chamberlain's "adjustment" was rapid—and typical. He could have had another fling at candidates class, but he decided against it.

It wasn't long before the Commandant received another formal request from the sergeant. Please, could he be "released" for combat duty?

The sergeant was still subject to recurrent malaria, and that alone is good reason to keep a man stateside. But, as his commanding officer wrote, approving Sgt. Chamberlain's request, the Californian, among other assets, had "a valuable temperament for combat."

Gen. Vandegrift agreed. Sgt. Chamberlain is now back fighting the Japs again.





# Base Takes League Lead By Blasting NTC, 61-50

## Webfeet Take Two Games From Klamath Marines

KLAMATH FALLS (Special)—A fast Univ. of Oregon five out-rushed and out-shot the MB basketball team here last week-end to take two games, 51 to 36 and 60 to 40. They were the season's openers for the Marines.

Conference champ Bob Hamilton scored 28 points for the Webfeet in the Friday night game at Klamath Union high school. PFC Bob Gilbert and Sgt. John Cox were outstanding in the Marine lineup.

The Leathernecks tired badly in both contests and their shooting was erratic. In 131 tries at the hoop in the first game, only 21 were sunk.

Ten states are represented on the Klamath roster, including men with collegiate, semi-pro and professional hoop experience. Like Klamath's football team, most of the players are veterans of Pacific warfare. Members of the squad, with place of Pacific experience and previous basketball experience, are:

### Guards

John C. Clark, (Guadalupe, California High School and independent); Lyle L. Arndt, (Marshall, (Dillon, Neb. High and 3 years semi-pro with Sidney and Scottsbluff, Neb.); Edward H. Meath, (Hingham, (Klamath Academy, N. Y.); John J. Reed, (Marshall, (Humboldt High and semi-pro); Joe B. Hamilton, (Marshall, (Anacapa, Mich. High and Univ. of Idaho).

### Centers

Robert Gilbert, (Houghtonville, (Los Angeles High and semi-pro J. A. Diablos); James Darnell, (holds letter of commendation for aviation service (Hymettus, Mich. High and inde-

pendent); Charles Chism, with 34-ers until wounded on Guadalcanal.

### Forwards

James E. Golden, (St. Ignace High, Chicago, and Wright Jr. College); Leonard P. Barkland, (Guadalupe, (North Park College, Chicago); Russell M. Cleveland, (Guadalupe, (Portland, Mich. High and independent); Allen B. Wilber, (18 months overseas (Dwight, Ill. High); Arthur G. Rankin, (Marshall, (New Mexico Univ.); William E. Mills, (Houghtonville, (Georgetown, C. High); J. Russell, (Marshall, (Hawaii High); Harold B. Monney, (Marshall, (Sidney, (C. High); John Hyman, (Houghtonville high school and city league).

In a thrill-packed contest requiring two overtime periods to decide, MCB engers handed the NTC Blues a 61-50 defeat on their home floor Tuesday night to take over undisputed first place in the 11th Naval Dist. All-Star league.

Trailing by 9 points with only 4 minutes to play, MCBmen turned on the heat to knot up the game at 41-all by the time the gun sounded. Marty dropped in the all-important tying counter 10 seconds before the regular game ended.

In overtime play MCB was never headed, but the first period saw both sides drop every shot and the count see-saw to a 49-49 tie.

MCB led the game in the second overtime period by bucketing six shots against one free throw

for the sailors from NTC.

Fulks, high individual scorer in 11th Naval Dist. league play to date, paced the MCBmen with 16 points. Pugh, with 20, was high scorer for NTC.

An MCB win over Coast Gd. Tuesday night at Navy Field, foot

### BASE MEETS UCLA

MCB hoopmen will meet their first Pacific Coast Conference competition at 2000 Saturday, Dec. 5, when they take on UCLA at San Diego High School. Free tickets to the game will be issued through battalion offices. These tickets will become void after 2015, when anyone wishing to attend will be admitted. The Base band will play.

Other college teams on MCB's schedule are USC and Pepperdine College. Dates of these games will be announced later.

of First St., would give it the first half 11th Naval Dist. championship.

Rangiest club in the league, Coast Gd. will trot out the 6-ft-6-in. White brothers from USC and two 6-ft-4-in. running mates in Sande and Chernard.

**MCB (61)**  
Fulks (16).....F.....  
Marty (11).....F.....  
Sullivan (11).....F.....  
Kramer (11).....F.....  
Shannon (11).....F.....  
Substitutions: MCB—Humboldt-house (11) DeMouy (10), Anderson, NTC Blues—Pottle, Smith, Blackburn, Christensen.

### (50) NTC Blues

Pugh (20).....F.....  
McCarthy (12).....F.....  
Sullivan (11).....F.....  
Kramer (11).....F.....  
Shannon (11).....F.....  
Substitutions: MCB—Humboldt-house (11) DeMouy (10), Anderson, NTC Blues—Pottle, Smith, Blackburn, Christensen.

## Two Leagues On Base Planned

Intra-Base basketball will get under way after the close of the football season Wednesday, with two leagues to be formed by Dec. 15. One league will be made up of battalion teams and the other of any "fives" wishing to play.

Deadline for entries is Dec. 15, according to Capt. Charles R. Church, athletic officer. Entry blanks may be obtained at the athletic office in Bldg. 13. Players may compete in one league only.

Trophies will be awarded to winning teams in both leagues. Uniforms will be furnished as long as they last.

## Base Playing Two More in League

Following is the schedule for the remainder of first round play in the 11th Nav. Dist. All-Star league:

### Tuesday, Dec. 5

1930—MCAD, Miramar, vs. Amph. Base.  
1941—MCB vs. Coast Gd. Whites.  
2000—NAS Golds vs. Ft. Ord Y A Bye—NTC Blues.

### Tuesday, Dec. 12

1930—MCAD, Miramar, vs. Ft. Ord Y A.  
1941—NTC Blues vs. Coast Gd. Whites.  
2000—NAS Golds vs. Amph. Base Bye—NTC.

### Thursday, Dec. 10

1930—MCB vs. Ft. Ord Y A.  
1941—NTC Blues vs. Amph. Base  
2000—NAS Golds vs. Coast Gd. Whites.  
1950—MCAD, Miramar.

## Base Enters Five In Distance Run

Five of the best distance cross-country runners which the Base was in a position to muster competed yesterday in the second annual invitational cross-country run sponsored by San Diego State College.

Marine entries included PFC Ray Sears, who recently ran "on his own" to annex a Thanksgiving day race in Spokane; Corp. Ralph Young, Pvt. William McKay, PFC Jasper Bellafaire and PFC Jerry Newman. They ran against teams representing Compton Junior College, Occidental College, NAS and others.

### Win Touch Title

MCAS, EDENTON, N. C.—Sgt. 812 edged out Sgt. 811, 7 to 6, to win the enlisted men's touch football championship here last week. Sgt. C. Moulton, back and captain of the victors, named Corp. C. Hummel, end, as the team's most valuable player during the season.

## THE CHEVRON Sports

## Cage Races Warm Up

Undisputed leadership was taken over in three of the four 11th Naval Dist. basketball leagues in games played this week, with MCB pulling away in the All-Star league, Amph. BTD in the International, and Naval Hospital in the American.

Cage teams dropped from the undefeated ranks in last week's play were NTC in the All-Star league, NTC Golds in the National, Elliott Tadden in the American, and NTC Ser. Schools in the International.

PFC Joe Fulks maintained a substantial lead over bugeteers in all leagues for individual scoring honors. He garnered 16 points in the NTC game to raise his total for the season to 77. His closest competitor was Reed of Frontier Base, with 52.

**Elliott Marines (31)**  
Lewis (5).....F.....  
Lalack (7).....F.....  
Blair (12).....F.....  
Evans (3).....F.....  
Kewahon (5).....F.....  
Substitutions: NTC Reds—Marty (5), Testman (7).

**ARG-2 (25)**  
McBride (4).....F.....  
Shroyer (7).....F.....  
Sutrough (2).....F.....  
Graham (6).....F.....  
Pawelski (5).....F.....  
Substitutions: ATB Ocean-side—Collins (6).

**Amphibians (41)**  
Kramer (11).....F.....  
Henry (10).....F.....  
Stebing.....F.....  
Timmons (12).....F.....  
Bresnahan (8).....F.....  
Substitutions: Amphibians—PFC Cowley (2), Edman, Lewis (3); Mar-Fair West—Phillips (1).

**Miramar (41)**  
Campbell (17).....F.....  
Borman (31).....F.....  
Brown (11).....F.....  
Phonatra (10).....F.....  
Sabo (4).....F.....  
Substitutions: Coast Guard—Sapell (2), Miramar Air—Finkle (1), Morris (2).

### 11th NAVAL DIST. STANDINGS

All-Star League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Marine Corps Base	1	0	1.000
NTC Blues	1	1	.667
Coast Guard Whites	1	1	.500
MCAD, Miramar	0	2	.000
Amphib. Young Base	0	2	.000
NAS Golds	0	2	.000

International League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Amph. BTD	1	0	1.000
NTC Ser. Schools	1	1	.667
Repair Base	1	1	.667
Frontier Base	1	2	.500
CATACAT	1	2	.333
131 Bombers	1	2	.333
Mar-Fair West	0	4	.000

National League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Repair Base Modics	3	0	1.000
Camp Gillette	3	0	1.000
NTC Golds	2	1	.667
Amphib. R&M Panthers	1	1	.500
Supron 5	1	2	.333
Camp Callan	0	3	.000
USN Commissary	0	2	.000

American League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Naval Hospital	3	0	1.000
Elliott Tadden	2	1	.667
NAS Greens	2	1	.667
ARG-2	2	2	.500
NTC Reds	2	2	.500
ATB Ocean-side	1	2	.333
Elliott Marines	0	4	.000

INDIVIDUAL SCORES			
All-Star League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Fulks (MCB)	4	29	19 77
Phonatra (MCAD, Mir.)	1	10	1 41
Marty (MCB)	1	0	2 40

American League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Reed (Frontier Base)	4	30	4 48
McBride (ARG-2)	4	20	8 47
Huggs (131 Bombers)	3	19	3 43

International League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Reed (Frontier Base)	4	20	4 48
Brown (Frontier Base)	4	24	4 44
Smith (Mar-Fair West)	4	14	15 43

National League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Kerryhill (Callan)	3	17	5 39
Perkins (U. S. Navy)	3	18	3 39
Martin (U. S. Navy)	3	16	4 36

## Army, Kearney Lose To Range

CAMP MATTHEWS—This rifle range's basketball team copped two games last week, drubbing their neighboring Camp Callan All-Stars, 36-29, and shading Camp Kearney Ship's Co., 43-40.

The camp's bowling team also downed Camp Callan, 2903 pins to 2367.



EAGER. Without a court of their own on which to practice, Base Depot, FME, Camp Elliott basketball players practice on a loading dock. From left: Sgt. William Raper, guard, and 1st Lt. William E. Harver, forward, do practicing out-of-doors. (Photo by PFC, Chester Turk).

## Marines Turn Out Team Despite Lack Of Court

CAMP ELLIOTT—Without a court of their own on which to practice, the Base Depot, FME, Marine basketball team uses loading docks and other teams' courts for this purpose—and they do most of their training for their season's schedule by unloading boxcars and trucks.

These hardy knights of the court organized a little over a month ago and since have played four games. They have won but one, but are now sharpening into a more smoothly running quintet and have

unpleasant plans for their opponents in future tussles.

Couched by Lt. Donald D. Woodington, the team's attack is led by veteran 1st Sgt. William E. Harver. Other members of the team include PFC Joe Lalack, forward; Pvt. Ray Bieker, center; Corp. Bob Lenahan, guard; PFC William Evans, guard; Sgt. Tom Hartnett, forward; Sgt. William Raper, guard; Sgt. Joel Ose, forward, and PFCs John H. Lewis and Donald G. Pach. The team is currently playing in American league.



HIGH MAN. Leading scorer for MCAD, Miramar, and also near top in 11th Nav. Dist. league is PFC, Frank J. Plantamura, who played with St. John's College (Brooklyn, N. Y.), national college basketball champions in 1942.

## El Centro Plays Mojave Monday; Seeking Games

MCAS, EL CENTRO—A fast, rangy basketball team will represent this station when the season opens against MCAS, Mojave, on the latter's floor Monday night. El Toro will invade Camp Lockett next Saturday.

Made up of former college and independent players averaging 6 ft. 1 1/2 in. in height, El Centro has 2d Lt. Melvin Frailey, recreation officer, for a playing coach. Tallest man on the squad is Sgt. Vernon Neal, former East Texas State star, who towers 6 ft. 4 1/2 in.

Monday's tentative starting lineup will be Lt. Frailey and PFC, Howard Burch, forwards; Sgt. Neal, center; PFCs, William Davies and PFC, Charles Jesse, guards. Alternating at either guard or forward is Sgt. George Miller.

Lt. Frailey and Jesse, who is a mere 6 ft. 3 1/2 in., both played for DePaul Univ. Burch is a former Indiana high school and independent player, while Davies played semi-pro ball in Huron, N. D. Sgt. Miller, the only holdover from last year's team, played at Williamshurg, Ky., and once played for the Mar. Det. at NATTC, Chicago.

Lt. Frailey said El Centro is seeking games with school, service and independent teams.

## El Toro Tied For 18th in Rankings

El Toro Marines were tied with Yale for 18th spot among the nation's grid teams in the weekly Associated Press poll this week. Each team received 11 votes.

El Toro ranked eighth among the nation's service teams in the voting, with Randolph Field still at the top of the heap and Bainbridge Navy second.



# Ser., Gd. Bns. Meet For Base Title

Using a T formation that kept Hq. Bn.'s line off balance much of the game, Ser. Bn. scored a comparatively easy 13-0 win Wednesday to earn the right to meet Gd. Bn. for the Intra-Base football championship at 1500 next Wednesday.

Ser. Bn. had breezed to a 35-0 victory over FMF in the quarter-final contest last Saturday in the first of the playoff games to break the three-team deadlock for the

first half championship. Gd. Bn. was undisputed winner of the second half.

After a scoreless first half in which neither team threatened Wednesday, PFC. Ray Isham, quarterback, put Ser. Bn. out in front with a tally late in the third quarter.

The game was put on ice early in the last quarter when PFC. Johnnie Staten, halfback, flipped to PFC. C. E. Woodard, end, for another marker. Gains of 25 to 35 yards on passes taken by Corp. Lowell Tucker, end, put Ser. Bn. in scoring position.

Last Saturday's Ser. Bn.-FMF encounter was never in doubt from the opening kickoff, when Ser. Bn.'s Corp. Steve Mihalic raced 87 yards down the middle of the field for a touchdown.

Most of the game was played in FMF's back yard, with FMF never pushing to within 30 yards of its own goal line.

The score was 6-0 at the half, but Ser. Bn. scored almost at will in the last two quarters. Ser. Bn.'s line rushed FMF all the way.

Other Ser. Bn. touchdowns were scored by Staten, Isham, Woodard and Brown, guard, who fell on a blocked kick over the goal line.

Next Wednesday's game between Ser. Bn. and Gd. Bn. was originally scheduled for today. It was postponed in order that Ser. Bn. would not be forced to play three games in one week.

On the other hand, the championship game was set for 1500 Wednesday instead of next Saturday because a too lengthy postponement might "cool off" Gd. Bn., while the first-half championship was being settled.

## Lejeune Scores Easy Win Over Camp Mackall

CAMP LEJEUNE (Special)—Led by Leroy (Crazy Legs) Hirsch and Junior Klienhenz, who each scored two touchdowns, the Camp Lejeune eleven struck with first quarter fury to score four touchdowns and coast to a 52-to-6 victory over Camp Mackall here Saturday.

Coach Frank Knox used four Marine teams during the game.

Camp Mackall's lone score came in the second quarter after a series of passes, Koring going over for the touchdown. It marked the only time this season that Lejeune's goal line has been crossed—except by the Bainbridge Sailors, ranked No. 2 among the nation's service teams.

Statistics showed the Marines with a net gain of 357 yards to Mackall's 21.

### Marines Defeated

SEATTLE—The Ordnance team at the Naval Sta. here defeated the Mar. Det., 13-0, to win the station championship last week. In the basketball league just started, Marines dropped their first game.

## Camp Lee Bows To Cherry Point In Final Game

CHERRY POINT (Special)—The Cherry Point Flying Leathernecks wound up the football season Saturday by defeating the Camp Lee Travelers for the second time this season, 13-0.

The victory gave the Marines three wins against six losses this year.

Sparked by Johnny August and Kelly Reese, two ex-Alabama sent-backs, the Marines had the situation well in hand throughout the game, rolling up a total yardage gain of 275, compared to but 4 for the Soldiers.

### Football Scores

60 Team Marines 60, San Francisco Coast Guard 0.  
Cherry Point Marines 13, Camp Lee 0.  
Camp Lejeune 52, Camp Mackall 6.  
Base League  
Ser. Bn. 35, FMF 0.  
Ser. Bn. 13, Gd. Bn. 0.

## Teams Deadlock In Lone Game Of Year For MCAS

MCAS, EL CENTRO The first football team in the history of this station has completed its season undefeated and unscored upon, but without too satisfied a feeling.

The reason is that only one game could be scheduled and it ended in a scoreless tie.

For 60 minutes the Marines, with a big, fast-charging line, battled El Centro Junior College but couldn't

get their attack in high gear. The Marines did cross the goal line twice, once on a plunge and once on a pass interception, but both plays were called back because of offside penalties.

Capt. R. H. Gallagher, QM of an air group here and the coach of the team, is saving the uniforms in hopes of having a better schedule of games next fall.

# El Toro Routs Coast Guard, 60-to-0

By Pvt. William K. Gibson Sr.

SANTA BARBARA—El Toro's Flying Marines again proved themselves one of the most powerful service football teams in the country by pounding out a 60 to 0 victory over the hapless San Francisco Coast Guard Saturday at La Playa Stadium.

Approximately 6000 persons saw the hard-hitting Marines score in every quarter, using two separate teams alternately at the T-formation and double wing back.

The game was featured by spectacular runs, plenty of aerial work and a scoring duel between two Marine backs, Don Griffin, former Illinois ace, and Fleet Chuck Fennenbock, who sparkled for UCLA in his collegiate days. Griffin scored three times and garnered

two conversions for 20 points and Fennenbock tossed him out for honors by scoring three times and converting four times.

The completely out-classed, but game, Coast Guardsmen threatened only twice during the game, once in the second quarter when they made a sustained aerial drive of 50 yards to lose the ball on the 5 and again in the fourth quarter, when they missed pay dirt by 10 yards.

In the second quarter Fennenbock reeled off a 54-yard spurt. Just short of the goal line, he lateraled to Dick Hanley, Marine center, who was playing his first game since mid-season. Hanley scored the touchdown without a Coast Guard man near him.

Fennenbock also brought the crowd to its feet in the first quarter when he took the ball on his own goal line, hit through the center of the line and carried the ball the entire distance of the field for a touchdown.

Lt. Col. Dick Hanley, Marine coach, used his new alternation system for the second time, throwing his first team into the game in his favored double wing back formation, and alternating with his second team playing the fast, wide-open, T-formation. The Guardsmen were helpless against both.

## Idaho Marines Drop Turkey Day Decision, 34-6

POCATELLO, Ida. (Special)—The Univ. of Idaho, So. Branch, turned on the power for three quarters Thanksgiving Day to defeat the Pocatello Marines 34-to-6. Malcolm Macauley, Idaho's left half, was the Marines' nemesis with a fine display of punting, passing and running.

In the final canto, the Leathernecks drove to Idaho's 10-yd. line, where Quarterback Doyle Fenton passed to Left Half Fred Marks over the goal.

The Marines also dropped a decision earlier in the season to the Idahoans.

### Coe Coaches Quantic

QUANTICO—2nd Lt. Milton D. Coe, guard on Cornell basketball teams from 1941 to '43, is putting 30 candidates through their paces at the post gym preparatory to picking a five to represent Quantic.

ADDITIONAL SPORTS ON PAGE 11



CHAMPS. Texas A&M's Mar. Det. won USO service league championship. Front row (from left): Corp. Robert O. Battelle, PFC. Walter M. Menard, Corp. Karl B. Clifford; Sgt. Lee X. McInnes, Corp. Leo R. Englert, PFC. Daniel T. Caravan and

CWO. Joseph W. Feder, CO. Back row: PFC. Robert E. McMaster, PFC. Joseph A. Daggett, Pvt. William R. Keefe, PFCs. Don C. Wood, Lawton Brevard, William F. Rose, Ralph B. Prather and Joe G. Hochdeffer. Team was known as "raggedy boys."

## Ser. Bn. Third In City League

Winning five of their season's eight-game schedule, members of the Base Ser. Bn. softball team finished third in the San Diego Recreation Dept. league standings after going down under a 6 to 1 score at the hands of Consolidated's Final Mating last week. The Marines' hurler was hit hard, but the team played errorless ball.

The game marked the end of play in the first half, but Sgt. Brown, who managed the Marine team, was uncertain whether a second half would be played in the winter loop.

Naval Repair Base led the league with Final Mating finishing second.

## Texas Marine Detachment Captures League Title

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (Special)—The softball team of the Mar. Avn. Det. at Texas A&M College won the championship of the USO Service League here with a Dick Morriwell flourish.

The Marines took the first game of a two-out-of-three playoff series with the Army. The second game went extra innings. In the 11th, with two men out and two strikes against him, Pvt. Bill Keefe of Cranston, R. I., hit a homer that put the title on ice for the Leathernecks.

Keefe won \$10 and the club was

given a handsome trophy.

Known as the "raggedy boys" of the league because they were the only club which played in makeshift uniforms, the Marines won out over another Marine, four Army and two Navy teams.

Corp. Leo Englert of Kansas City, the league's outstanding pitcher, was the club's iron man. He pitched the winning game in regular season play and that same night hurled the first playoff game to win. He came back the next night with the second win and the title. (P. S. He was also the club's leading hitter.)

# Marine Named On Two All-Big Ten Teams

Pvt. Frank Bauman, the 212-lb. Marine who recently went on to OCS from Purdue Univ., where he played end for two years, was selected on two 1944 All-Big Ten football teams this week.

Bauman was first choice of the Big Ten coaches and midwest sports writers who picked a mythical team for the United Press and was also named by the coaches' group which picked a team for the Associated Press.

### EX-MARINE SCORES FIRST

ATHENS, Ga.—Al Perl, ex-Marine, galloped 74 yards off tackle here last week-end to score the first touchdown as Univ. of Georgia defeated Clemson, 21 to 7.

### JUST WHAT THEY NEEDED

NEW YORK—Dartmouth, recently bolstered by the arrival of a group of Marine and Naval V-12 transfers from other colleges, polished off Columbia, 18 to 0, Saturday. One of the new men, Marine Pvt. Darrell Brantz, has proved to be just the back that Dartmouth

needed offensively. Joining the squad two days before the Yale game, Brantz, who was at Marquette and then served overseas 18 months, thrilled the Bowl crowd with his ball carrying.

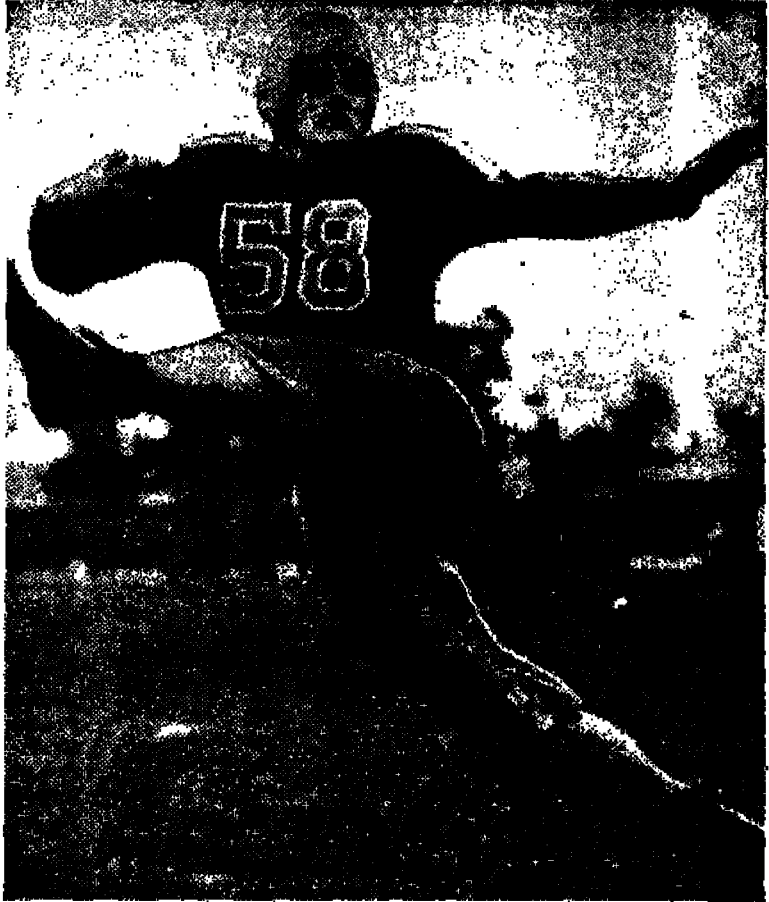
### DAVIS SPARKS DUKE

COLUMBIA, S. C.—Sparked by shilly-shillyed Tom Davis, ex-Marine lieutenant, Duke continued its winning streak by bowling over North Carolina, 33 to 0, Saturday. A week ago, Davis made two touchdowns leading Duke to a 34-to-7 win over South Carolina.

### V-12s NOW AT PI

PARRIS ISLAND—Among V-12ers who starred for college football teams until reporting here recently for recruit training are Pels. Achille Maggiolo and Joseph G. Wolfe.

Maggiolo raced 65 yards for Notre Dame to score the winning touchdown against Illinois Oct. 28. Wolfe was Duke's first string guard until he was transferred.



PRANCING PINS. Outstanding performer of the Camp Lejeune Marines, unbeaten except by Bainbridge, is Leroy (Crazy Legs) Hirsch, former All-American who played at Wisconsin and Michigan. (Photo by Corp. Don Hunt).

(From The Chevron Dec. 5, 1942)

The 12th Def. Bn., under command of Col. William H. Harrison, held its first review and inspection on the parade ground since its formation.

HENDERSON FIELD, Guadalcanal—Lt. Col. Harold Bauer of Colorado won a captured Jap flag offered to the first pilot to down three enemy planes.

HONOLULU Sixteen Midway Marines were decorated by Adm. Chester W. Nimitz. Ranging from captain to private, they received either the DFC or the Navy Cross.

CAMP ELLIOTT The first OCS class to go through an eight-week schedule will be graduated at Green Farm. Intensive instruction in Japanese combat tactics was given by Col. LeRoy P. Hunt, who recently returned from Solomon battle zones.

ARGENTIA, Newfoundland—Ten per cent of the Marines stationed in this area have married local girls.

## The Marines and the Seabees

An editorial by Comdr. W. L. Johnson, USNR, Chief of the 95th Nav. Constr. Bn. Reprinted from the 95th's "News-Views."

Talk with a Seabee who has been in the forward area and you talk with a friend and admirer of the Marines. It is a mutual friendship that has grown out of the respect each service has for what the other is doing.

The Seabee's first contact with the Marine was not so pleasant; throughout his boot training he was continually reminded of what waited in advance training "when the Marines get hold of you." It was a threat that turned out a good deal like it had been pictured; all lived through it but the Marine instructor came in for a lot of expert Seabee verbal decorations.

It was several months later, on our first "Island X"—Apanama—that we really got acquainted with the United States Marine. We discovered he was a worker as well as a fighter; an independent sort of guy who did things for himself, had tools of his own and knew how to use them. We learned, too, that he did not mind sharing them. It was Marine amtracs and tractors that plowed through the salt water and up the coral beaches bringing the Ninety-fifth's gear ashore during those first days before our own equipment could be brought into use. There we heard the story of the Marines at Tarawa—heard first-hand how they fought and how they died. Their traditions about which we had heard so much suddenly became living events with which we were closely associated.

Common privations and common dangers brought us close to the men of the Marine Corps. We shared with them everything from food to foxholes; we were welcomed to their camp and post exchange; we found them to be all-round good fellows who liked Seabees and the Seabee way of getting things done. Anything they had was shared for the asking—source items such as welding rod and tires were divided cheerfully. We discovered them to be ingenious craftsmen—a power washing machine they built of junked odds and ends was a work of art. It is only natural that these working, self-supporting, hard fighting men won respect.

This friendly relationship carried on into the Marshalls. There again was a sharing of equipment and supplies—their large concrete mixer that saved hours of back-breaking work—a sharing of messing facilities, a welcome to their entertainments, friendly competition in some instances and mutual support in others.

The men of the Ninety-fifth do not have to read newspapers and magazines to learn about Marines. And the experience of this battalion has been the experience of innumerable Seabee units throughout the world—especially in the Pacific area. The small cemetery at Apanama, the large one at Tarawa, the wind-swept one at Roi-Namur—these are mute but eloquent proof we have seen of the way they have to get their jobs done. Beside it, our difficulties and inconveniences assume small proportions.

No comment need be made of the major role the Marine Corps is playing in the war and its

### Suggestion

Editor, The Chevron—The overseas boys of NAS, North Island, found an interesting item in "Yank". Would you please print it so that the boys that just got back on the Base can see it?

Corp. RAYMOND H. BROOKS AND THE BOYS  
ME, NAS, North Island.

Editor's note—The clipping from Yank, titled, "Suggestions to the Marines":

Dear Yank: The Marines are exceptionally good soldiers, but we doggies who sweat out the same hardships are given hardly any consideration for our work. Since this elite corps is supposedly recapturing island after island, why not send us poor barking doggies home and let the publicity agents of the Marine Corps win the war with their pencils?

—Cpl. H. L. FORD

contribution toward approaching victory; it will become part of the tradition that has made the United States Marine the toast of fighting men the world over, and the dread of our enemies. Comment is in order on how personal experience convinced us that his reputation is well earned.

Incidentally, no greater tribute has been paid the Seabees than their acceptance into close friendship with this, the proudest branch of the armed service. Primarily builders but none-the-less fighters, the Seabees will be going wherever duty calls and if given their wish, they will be going along with the United States Marines.

## Safety Valve

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

### Women Ribbon-Wearers

Editor, The Chevron—I have seen more than one woman—some civilians, some WFs—wearing campaign ribbons, but nothing to compare to a girl spotted on the streets of San Diego last week-end. On her civilian clothes she was wearing a corporal's stripes and on her shoulder was a 4th Div. patch. She was with a Marine who had probably given them to her.

NAME WITHHELD

MCP, San Diego.

Editor's note—Shoulder patches, chevrons and campaign ribbons are parts of the uniform and may not be worn by civilians—nor by WFs or others in uniform who don't rate them. The practice of giving campaign bars, old or new, to the girl friend to be worn on her dress or coat is particularly objectionable. It is not only a violation of regulations, but as Headquarters Bulletin aptly states, "it cheapens intent of the bars and dishonors the memory of those men who did not survive to wear that badge—honorably."

### Coast Guard Women

Editor, The Chevron To settle an argument here, will you tell us where the name "Spur" for members of the Coast Guard Women's Reserve was derived?

NAME WITHHELD

Camp Pendleton.

Editor's note—(Stripper) (Paratus) (Always) (Ready), the motto of the Coast Guard.

### Laundry Platoons

Editor, The Chevron—Could you tell me how many laundry platoons there are in the Corps and how many are overseas?

Mrs. JAMES W. CARVER

Scottsville, Ky.

Editor's note—Number and location of units overseas is restricted information. It was announced in July that the first mobile laundry, a semi-combat unit equipped to do the washing of several thousand men each week, had arrived at an advanced Pacific base.

### 4th Div. Citation

Editor, The Chevron—I was a Seabee attached to the 3rd Bn., 20th Marines, 4th Div., and have been with the 4th since it was formed. I was wounded on Saipan on D-Day and brought back to the States. Do I rate wearing the Unit Citation?

BM2/c. EMIL SORENSON

USNH, St. Albans, N. Y.

Editor's note—Yes. The 20th Mar. Engrs. were among units listed as entitled to the citation.

## Handwriting on Fujiyama



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### Reserve Medal

Editor, The Chevron—According to change No. 5, Marine Corps Manual, the Marine Corps Reserve medal would be authorized upon completion of four years' service in the case of a reservist who had met the drill requirements prior to his being assigned to active duty. If this same reservist, upon discharge, re-enlisted in the regular Corps and at the completion of four years' active service was awarded the Good Conduct medal, would he be entitled to both medals? This question arises because of the overlapping dates involved.

1st Sgt. R. C. SMITH

Camp Pendleton.

Editor's note—No. You rate one or the other. There is no overlapping of time. A member of the organized Reserves before the war becomes eligible for the Reserve Service medal upon completing his four-year term, whether or not called to active duty meanwhile. If he ships into the regulars, his previous active duty may not be counted toward a Good Conduct medal.

### Pioneer Bn.

Editor, The Chevron—I have a son, Pvt. F. R. Winkle, who was in the 1st Pioneer Bn. I wish I knew what Pto. Bn. means, as I have never found a Marine or anyone else who could tell me.

S. A. WINKLE

702 S. Main St., Santa Ana, Cal.

Editor's note—1st Pioneer Battalion. The original 1st Pioneer Bn. was among the first troops to land on Guadalcanal and Tulagi Aug. 7, 1942, and among the last to be evacuated in December of that year.

### Hashmarks Again

Editor, The Chevron—How about some straight dope on hashmarks? Does a man with three years in the National Guard and one year active duty, and with three years in the Corps, rate one?

NAME WITHHELD

ME, USNR, San Diego.

Editor's note—You wear a hashmark for every four years of service in the Army, Navy and Corps, regardless of whether or not it is continuous. National Guard service counts if it occurred after July 15, 1933.

### Lost Radio

Editor, The Chevron—I left a portable Philco radio when I left the Base to go overseas. If it can be traced I would like to get it.

PFC. JAMES C. GIBSON

C Btry, G Bks., Quantico, Va.

Editor's note—Anyone know where this radio is?

### Same Old Story

The Philippine campaign is a lot like the Solomons. The Japs keep sticking their necks out by sending down ships and planes and we keep knocking them off.—Adm. William F. Halsey.

## Church Services

**MARINE CORPS BASE (Protestant):** 0900 Service, Communion, Chapel; 0930 Service, R&R Recreation Bldg.; 0935 Service, Base Theater; 1015 Service, Chapel; 1200 Vespers Service, Chapel; (Catholic): 0900 Mass, Base Theater; 0915 Mass, Chapel; Friday Novena 1900, Chapel; Confessions, Saturdays 1600, Chapel—1900 Bldg., 121, R1—1900 R&R; Chaplain's office. (Latter Day Saints): 0900 Service, Bldg. 122, R1; Wednesdays 1830, Bldg. 122, R1.

**CAMP MATTHEWS (Protestant):** 1000, Camp Chapel, Bldg. 222 (Catholic); Mass, 0830, Chapel. (Jewish): 0915, room across from CofS office in Adm. Bldg. (Latter Day Saints): 1100 in Camp Chapel.

**CAMP ELLIOTT (Protestant):** Sunday, 0915, Communion, 1000 Post Chapel. (Catholic): Sunday Masses 0830, 0900, 1115, Mass Bldg., 1630, Confession before Mass. (Christian Science): 1000-1730, Chaplain's office, Wednesdays. (Jewish): Post Chapel, Thursdays, 1540. (Latter Day Saints): 1920, Camp Post Chapel, Friday 1830.

**MEAD, Mikamat (Protestant):** 1000, Services, Communion 1st Sunday of month. (Catholic): 0700 and 0800, Confession; 0730 and 0830, Mass, Harpaks 322. (Jewish): Thursdays, 2000. (Latter Day Saints): Discussion meeting Tuesdays, 1800. (Christian Science): 1100-1500, Chaplain's office, Fridays.

**CAMP PENDLETON (Protestant):** Post Chapel, communion at 0900, Bible Class 0930, Morning Worship at 1015, Vespers Service 2000; Wednesdays, Vespers Service 2000; Lunch House Chapel serving at 1215; Infantry Training Center, Sunday morning worship, 0900; at Theaters, 14-T-1 at 0800, 15-T-1 at 0900, 16-T-1 at 0900, 17-T-1 at 0900. (Catholic): Post Chapel, Masses at 0630, 0800, 1115, confessions, Saturdays, 1600-1900; Novena, Wednesday 1800; Lunch House Chapel, Mass 0915; Tuesday and Friday, Mass 1045; Friday, confessions at 1830 to 1900; Infantry Training Center, Mass at 0700; at Theaters, 14-T-1 at 0800, daily at 0800; 15-T-1 at 0800, 16-T-1 at 1000, 17-T-1 at 0800; Confessions before each Mass. (Christian Science): Post Chapel, Sunday 1500, Thursday, 1930; Study group, Mondays 1900, Infantry Training Regt., Row 28, Tent 1. (Latter Day Saints): Post Chapel, Sunday 0800, Monday 1900. (Jewish): Post Chapel, Friday at 1900.

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## Male Call

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

## Miscue At Staging Area



**XMAS RUSH.** Wearing a big grin, TSgt. Harold W. Spence (left) of Tylertown, Miss., gets armload of Christmas packages from first shipment of parcels to reach veterans of Saipan-Tinian engagements overseas. Mail clerks are MTSgt. Joe W. Poquet of Osceola, Ia. (center) and Corp. Alfred Cole of Minneapolis, Minn. (Photo by Sgt. M. Cohn).

## Chevron Chick - Vivian Austin



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## LEATHERNECK LINGO

**HONEY-CART**—Cabbage wagon or barrow.

**HICKEDICKER**—Field shoes weighing roughly 9,000,000 pounds after a long march. Not to be confused with wedgies.

**MUSTANG**—Dipstick who came up through the ranks.

**SECOONYA**—Chinese for "weirde".