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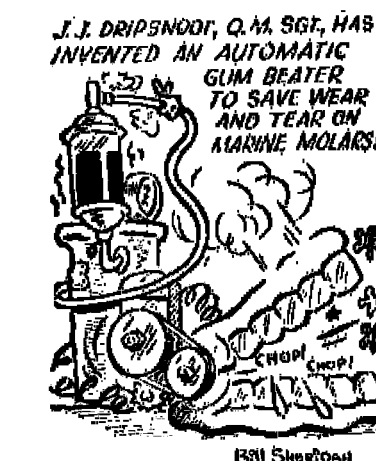
WASHINGTON—H.Q.M.C. HAS ADOPTED THE 2007 SUIT AS THE OFFICIAL LEATHERNECK UNIFORM!



IT HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED THAT IN THE FUTURE, ALL WOMEN MARINES WILL RECEIVE REGULATION G. I. HAIRCUTS!



TODAY HAS BEEN SET ASIDE AS "REVENGE IS SWEET DAY"—ALL CORPSMEN WILL RECEIVE A DOSE OF THEIR OWN MEDICINE!



J. J. DRIPSNOD, Q.M. SGT., HAS INVENTED AN AUTOMATIC GUM BEATER TO SAVE WEAR AND TEAR ON MARINE MOLARS!

'Tops' Shift Jobs

"Tops" of two MCI units switched posts last week when 1st Sgt. Wilfred E. Rink was shifted to RD and 1st Sgt. Haine Fiskaall joined Hq. Co., Base Hq. Bn.

Attackers
Near Truk

Raiders Capture
Emirau To Free
Bismarck Area

Marines who landed and took Emirau Island last week were closer to the enemy's central Pacific base of Truk than any other Americans.

Among the landing troops were raider battalions which had already made history in re-taking the Solomons, according to a dispatch from Southwest Pacific Allied Hq. to the New York Times, which said:

"They were commanded by Brig. Gen. Alfred H. Noble. In the landing party were picked Marines who had gone ashore at Tulagi in the Guadalcanal campaign and subsequently held Bloody Ridge on Guadalcanal itself against vastly superior enemy forces. They also fought at Bairoko, New Georgia.

CARLSON'S RAIDERS

"One unit was Lt. Col. Evans F. Carlson's famous outfit which fought at Matanikau and another was the one which raided Makin Island in March, 1942. It also made the now almost legendary march from Sigi to Viru Harbor on New Georgia island.

"Capture of Emirau in effect clears the way for surface ships to move safely around the Bismarcks in the drive back to the Philippines."

The dispatch said "Marines went in easily on the beach at the eastern end of the five-by-eight mile island and in amphibious tracked landing craft over the reef at the southwest end of Emirau."

JAPS TWO DAYS LATE

ADVANCE ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, SOUTH PACIFIC, Mar. 25. (AP)—Not until two days after the Marines landed and conquered Emirau Island did the Japanese send a plane out to see what had happened, and then it didn't drop a bomb, Adm. William F. Halsey's headquarters reports.

"Our domination of the sea lanes south of Truk leaves this large body of veteran Jap troops (in the Bismarck Archipelago) without means of support, and virtual eradication of Japanese air power in this area leaves the enemy open to one continuous, relentless air and sea offensive," Halsey's spokesman said.

Leaders Study
Field Training
Plans For Boots

Nine RD officers have been studying field training activities at Camp Elliott for the last week in preparation for supervising the added week of training to be given recruits under the extended boot camp program which begins effective Mar. 1.

They are Maj. Stanford Squire and Temple Black; Capt. Frank H. Brinkman; 1st Lt. John W. Dugan, Wesley C. Noren, John C. Foxworthy, William T. Gibbs, Vernon A. Kilakel; and WO. E. J. Jessen.

The first recruits affected by the extension of boot training from seven to eight weeks will begin their added week of field training about Apr. 15. Details of this seventh week, which are being worked out by Col. George T. Hall, CO of RD, and members of his staff, will be disclosed when the entire program is arranged.

Camp Elliott Goes To Navy



BAR RECORD which had stood for 15 months at Camp Elliott was shattered by Pvt. Chester F. Grewing of Sebeka, Minn., who scored 229 out of possible 250. Old mark was 226.

Two TC Firing Records
Shattered At Elliott

CAMP ELLIOTT—Two more TC firing records fell by the wayside here recently under the onslaught of keen-eyed Marines in training.

Pvt. Chester F. Grewing of Sebeka, Minn., scored 229 out of a possible 250 with the BAR to break the 15-month-old record of 226. Two days before firing for record, Grewing shot a 232, according to his instructor, Corp. Linwood S. Brown of Center Hill, Fla.

The almost-impossible was performed by PFC. Jack L. Quinlan of Hayward, Cal., at the machine gun school when he scored high expert, hitting the black 250 out of a possible 256.

Capt. Lynn C. Beyeler, Solomons veteran and O-in-C of the school, said he doubts this new all-time high for the school "has ever been equaled any place in the country."

This is the Hollander's second visit to the U.S. He attended Staff and Command School at Quantico last year.

Hollander Lauds
Marine Training

GREEN ISLAND, New Ireland Group (Delayed)—Rushing to complete basic installations on this strategic island which cuts Jap supply and reinforcement lines between northern Bougainville-Buka and the New Ireland-New Britain area, swearing Seabees are working 15 to 17 hours a day. Bombings interrupt their few hours of sleep.—Sgt. Ray Fitzpatrick, combat correspondent.

Wire 'Repetitious'
—But Still True

POMONA, Cal.—Lt. Arthur Marshburn, stationed at an advanced Pacific base, got a message which he thought repetitious. It read: "Son born, son born, every-one well."

That was last November. It wasn't until weeks later that a letter broke the news that he was the father of twins, Mrs. Marshburn has just been informed here.

Famous Marine
Training Ground
To Be Converted

Leatherneck Activities
Scheduled For Transfer
To Pendleton By June 30

WASHINGTON — Camp Elliott, chief training center of FMF units on the West Coast until the establishment of Camp Pendleton, will be turned over to the Navy as a personnel distribution center, the Navy Dept. announced this week.

Marine activities at Camp Elliott, now used principally as a replacement and casual center and as a specialized school area for mortars and machine guns, field artillery and officer candidate instruction, will be moved to Camp Pendleton.

COMPLETION DATE

Transfer of the camp will be completed by Jun. 30.

The transfer will not at present include the Marine Base depot, and the tank training area known as Jacques Farm and Green Farm. Those areas of Camp Elliott will be turned over to the Navy later, it was announced.

The decision to turn Camp Elliott over to the Navy was prompted by the Navy's immediate need for additional facilities and to obviate the necessity for construction of duplicate installations at great cost to the government.

Situated just north of the San Diego city limits on Kearny Mesa, Camp Elliott comprises about 29,000 acres.

CAMP ESTABLISHED

Camp Elliott came into being on Dec. 21, 1934, when the Marine Corps rented 19,000 acres. It was not until the stress of national emergency, however, that the camp mushroomed to its present proportions. It became the home of the 2d Mar. Div. in June, 1941, when that unit was in the process of being formed.

The camp was known as Camp (Continued on page 2)



FIELD CHOW is sampled by the Commandant during recent inspection trip of Camp Lejeune. Watching eagerly to see how Gen. Vandegrift likes it is MessSgt. Frederick Somerset of Meriden, Conn. (Photo by Corp. Ted Hayman).

Leader Of Raider Unit At Enogai Wins High Medal

Presentation Ceremonies Conducted At Elliott By Fleet Marine Force Head

CAMP ELLIOTT—For directing the vital reconnaissance missions which preceded the landing at Enogai Inlet and later leading his company with such skill in that drive that all enemy patrols encountered were wiped out with minimum losses, Capt. Clay A. Boyd of the 1st Mar. Raider Bn. was presented the Legion of Merit Legionnaire Medal here recently by Maj. Gen. Clayton B. Vogel, commanding general FMF, San Diego area.

WASHINGTON—Capt. Kenneth M. Ford of Alhambra, Calif., who shot down five and possibly six Jap Zeros in two days of fighting over the Solomon Islands during June and July, 1943, has been awarded the DFC with a Presidential citation, HQMC announced.

Marine Aviation Promotions Open

WASHINGTON—Enlisted Marines with proper qualifications and experience now serving in aviation are eligible for appointment as second lieutenants for ground duty, it was announced this week. Junior officers are needed as aerologists, fighter controllers, and transportation, maintenance, chemical warfare, communications and ordnance officers. Since the quota for such promotions has been limited to 10 per month, only applications of outstanding individuals should be forwarded to HQMC. Applicants considered acceptable will be ordered to Aviation Ground Officers School, Quantico.

Leatherneck Gives Jap Double Bump

USNH, OAKLAND—One of the strangest tales yet to come from battle-scarred Tarawa is that of Pvt. Richard Walker of Oakland, who bumped heads with a Jap and then did away with him in a finish fight with rifles. A company runner, Pvt. Walker dashed around the corner of a building and smashed into the Nip head-on. Walker had on a helmet



"DYNAMITE" lived up to his name by unseating PFC. Herman L. Halter of Woodburn, Ore., for the third time at the 2nd Div. Bar-B-Q and Rodeo at a South Pacific Base. P.S.—Nobody managed to stay on "Dynamite".

Chow 'n Everything At 2nd Div. Pacific Rodeo

By Staff Sgt. Hy Hurwitz, Combat Correspondent

A MARINE BASE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—This is what it took to feed the service and civilian spectators at the 2nd Mar. Division's rodeo and barbecue here today: 15,000 pounds of beef on the hoof.

24,000 bottles of beer.
17,220 bottles of Coca-Cola.
420 pounds of cheese.
60 gallons of pickles.
50,000 buns.
200 armfuls of green onions.
Champion sauce maker was Staff Sgt. Dominic G. Tanti of Menlo Park, Cal., who used to whip up barbecue sauces for the Italian Catholic Federation of San Francisco and the San Francisco Meat Cutters' Union.

1st Cannibal: "Am I late for dinner?"
2nd Cannibal: "Yes, everybody's eaten."

Missing Marine Molars Turn Up

CAMP ELLIOTT—What one Marine here did about chow for an entire week remains a mystery, with soup not being a Marine dish and mashed potatoes being none too filling.

As a result of the careful handling of waste food at one mess hall here, messmen found somebody's upper plate. But despite the fact that the mess sergeant advertised the find on the mess hall door, a week elapsed before word of the owner came (through official channels).

The owner had reported the loss to his first sergeant, who launched the search that resulted in the molars being restored before their owner starved.

— Salute Smartly —

Navy To Take Over Elliott

(Continued from page 1)

Holcomb until Jan. 20, 1940, when it was redesignated as Camp Elliott by the Major General Commandant, in honor of Maj. Gen. George F. Elliott, who was Major General Commandant of 1908-1910. Early military use of the territory as a training ground was by the Army in 1917-18.

First buildings of a permanent nature were constructed at the camp shortly after President Roosevelt declared the emergency. At the same time adjacent land was being leased and purchased for expansion.

— Aim True —

A girl who went out with a soldier realized ten minutes later that he was A.W.O.L.F.

Japs Thrown Back In Suicidal Push On Bougainville

Marine Aircraft Smashes At Remaining Strongholds Of Enemy In Marshalls

A suicidal attack on the Piva airfield, Bougainville, was thrown back after 400 enemy troops flung themselves against American lines. Japs advanced 300 yards before withering counter-fire beat them back this week.

In the central Pacific, Marine planes joined with Army and Navy craft and attacked four Japanese positions in the Marshall Islands, ruining to 50 the number of separate air assaults so far this month.

DUMP EXPLODES

On one atoll an ammunition dump was exploded; on another, heavy explosions and fires were observed. The planes, all of which returned safely, dropped 30 tons of explosives during the operations, which followed the bombardment of Mill Atoll by battleships' guns and carrier-based planes.

Damless dive bombers and Corsair fighters of the 4th Mar. Aircraft Wing participated in the bombings.

On Bougainville, the enemy penetration was the deepest since Marines landed at Empress Augusta Bay Nov. 1 but the pre-dawn attack wilted under the fire and steel of flame throwers, tanks, machine guns and grenades.

Two more islands in the Admiralty group were seized by U.S. troops as further control of the northern end of the Bismarck archipelago fell into U.S. hands.

Base Clerical School To Reopen Classes

Classes will be resumed soon at the Base Clerical School with a quota of 55 students assigned for April. School activities have been suspended since Mar. 20 because no quota was assigned for March by DOP. Though it is not known definitely when the next class will start, the school is expected to reopen on or about Apr. 10.

— Bounce Or Bounce? —

Cooks Quota Raised

The weekly quota of students to be assigned to the Base Cooks and Bakers School has been raised from 20 to 35, which will give the school a complement of 350 taking the 10-week course. Graduates of this school are in great demand by all units of the San Diego area, including aviation units.

— Stop Loose Talk —

Base Assignment

Corp. Reid C. Chamberlain, holder of the Army DSC, who was prominently mentioned in Jap atrocity stories after escaping the Philippine Islands with a group of soldiers headed by the late Lt. Col. William Dyess, is now on the Base, attached to Hq. Bn. His home is in El Cajon.

Jap With Brooklyn Brother Gives Up

KWAJALEIN ATOLL (Delayed)—A mopping up party was clearing the last holdouts from dugouts on one of the Marshall Islands. As the fuse was set to discharge the demolitions, a Jap came running out with his hands held high. "Don't shoot," he said. "I've got a brother in Brooklyn." He finally convinced authorities that he does have a brother in Brooklyn.—Sgt. Don Bailey, combat correspondent.

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11th Naval Dist. Names Col. Fox Liaison Officer

Emphasizing the rapid expansion of air stations within the Eleventh Naval District, Rear Adm. W. L. Friedell, Commandant, this week announced the appointment of Col. William J. Fox as Dist. Marine Corps Aviation Liaison Officer.



Col. Fox, who commands MCAS, El Toro, as the Commandant's Liaison officer, will co-ordinate activities of Marine air stations at Mojave, El Centro, Santa Barbara, Gillespie and El Toro and the Miramar Air Depot.

A veteran of South Pacific combat, Col. Fox won recognition for his establishment of Henderson Field at Guadalcanal. The colonel served with the Army in World War I, returning to active duty with the Corps in the present conflict.

BASE CHANGES

1st Lt. Floyd H. Stephenson, who joined RD early this month, was detached yesterday and assigned to duty in the field. He was CO of a Defense Bn. on the East Coast before reporting to MCB.

His place as O-in-C of the field training activity phase of recruit training will be taken by Maj. Stanford Squire, who returned to the U.S. recently after eight months of duty in the South Pacific. This new phase of training has been added since boot camp was extended from seven to eight weeks on Mar. 1.

1st Lt. Eber B. Phillips, who was O-in-C of the V-12 program at North Texas Agricultural College, Arlington, Tex., until the program was discontinued recently, was attached to RD this week.

ADDED DUTIES

Effective today 1st Lt. Frank D. Strong, Base operations officer, will take over the added duties of executive officer of the 11th Reserve Dist. 1st Lt. John E. Conway will be relieved as adjutant of the 11th Reserve Dist. to devote full time to his other duties as Base personnel adjutant and assistant classification officer.

Capt. W. H. Abrams, rehabilitation officer for 11th Naval Dist., was notified this week that WR Capt. Eleahor M. Gearhart will be assigned to his office in the MCB Administration Bldg. after she completes a short course of study at Farris Island, where she is to report Tuesday. Capt. Gearhart has been attached to the procurement office in Los Angeles.

2d Lt. Sarah N. Bennett, who reported to the Base recently from Camp Lejeune, has been assigned to the office of the MCB Disbursing and Transportation officer. She is the first WR officer attached to Ser. Bn.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

WASHINGTON—Changes affecting the following officers have been announced by HQMC:

1st Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith, temporarily appointed to his present grade with rank from Feb. 28, 1944.

Brig. Gen. Walter G. Farrell, temporarily appointed to his present grade with rank from Nov. 25, 1943.

Col. Emmett W. Skinner from field to HQMC; Gilder D. Jackson Jr., upon discharge from USNH, San Diego, to duty at Bremerton, Wash.; James F. Moriarty from Bremerton to duty outside the U.S. territorial limits; and Donald J. Kendall from duty outside the territorial limits to HQMC.

1st Lt. Fred D. Deane from San Diego area to HQMC; Bailey W. Cohenberg from San Diego area to Quonset Point, R.I.; Manly L. Curry to San Diego area; Eugene R. Syme from field to HQMC; Alfred M. Robbins from Orlando, Fla., to Bethesda, Md.; Joe C. McFarley to Camp Lejeune; Henry T. Waller to San Diego area and Harold W. Whitney from Quantico to Farris Island.

Buy Insurance

Education

The Army expects to employ from 3000 to 5000 men and women by midsummer to replace military personnel as instructors in primary education for illiterate soldiers.



"FILL 'ER UP" is the request made by 1st Sgt. Raymond W. Wilkins of MCB Sig. Bn., to petite Corp. Marcia Hersloff, WR from Longpoint Oxford, Md., now on duty with the Base Motor Transport unit. (Photo by Corp. Louise Parker).

Emirau Resistance Not Even 'Light Scrimmage'

By Spencer Davis

WITH THE MARINES ON EMIRAU ISLAND, Mar. 20 (Delayed) (AP)—Battle-wise Marines, cheerfully whistling "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning," landed on sprawling Emirau Island at two points this morning and in less than four hours secured new bases only 380 miles from Truk.



"TINY TIM" starts life off on the right foot upon reporting for training at Patris Island.

New Donations Boost ARC Fund

Red Cross War Fund receipts soared as additional contributions reported this week from personnel at MCB, RD and the rifle range brought the current total to nearly \$8000.

"Thank Your Lucky Stars", a Warner Bros. movie featuring all all-star cast, will be given as a Red Cross benefit at the Base Theater Thursday, at RD Friday, and at Camp Matthews Saturday. Tickets are now on sale for 25 cents at all organization headquarters.

The story concerns the trials of "rookie" Dennis Morgan in trying to break into radio, with Eddie Cantor presented in the dual role of a Hollywood rubberneck bus driver and himself as a radio comedian.

Marines Invited To Easter Rites

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Convalescents Stow Away On Invasion Ship

ABOARD A NAVY TRANSPORT OFF EMIRAU ISLAND, Mar. 19 (Delayed) (AP)—Nineteen Marines, who were supposed to stay behind when their comrades invaded the St. Matthias Islands, stowed away on destroyer transports.

Three of the stowaways stood on the quarterdeck of this ship before stern-faced Lt. Paul Greenwood of Philadelphia. "Why," he demanded, "did you stow away?"

"My outfit was going into action, sir," answered Pvt. Harlen Barowski of Fellsmere, Fla.

"And we couldn't see staying behind," added PFC. James Breen of Clarksburg, W.Va.

"Besides," expanded PFC. Clayton Alverson of Dallas, Tex., "we can't get fun back where there ain't none."

Lt. Greenwood smiled and added: "You men were just released from the hospital. That's why you were left behind. Remind me to punish you someday."

Write Home

Wave! And you will bring me back safely?

Pilot: I've never left anyone up there yet.

Three Gas Pools Formed By Marine Establishments

Cooperation of auto owners at MCB, Camp Elliott and MCAS, El Centro, in forming share-the-ride pools has earned for these three camps the OPA designation of "satisfactory establishments", meaning that all drivers receiving extra gas rations will suffer no loss in mileage under the more rigid rationing regulations put into effect recently.

At other camps in San Diego and Imperial Counties restoration of lost mileage must be made on an individual basis in cases of drivers regularly transporting four or more persons, including the driver, or for owners of smaller cars carrying full capacity. Losses will amount to 80 miles for each ration period.

FILE APPLICATIONS

MCB drivers who filed applications for riders with the Base Rationing board this week were:

Capt. John M. Egan, 7872 Lookout dr., La Jolla. 0800-1600, 4 riders, 1st. 332.

Capt. J. E. Hubbs, La Jolla Palms Hotel, La Jolla. 0800-1600, 4 riders, 1st. 350.

Capt. Leroy T. Campbell, 371 Bonar St., La Jolla, 3 riders, 1st. 452.

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When pay call rolls around next week, are you gonna earmark a little to help Uncle pay for this war? Even if you have already signed up for an allotment, how about \$18.75 for an extra bond or a few bucks worth of stamps? After all, it's not like you were making an outright donation—it's just a temporary loan that'll be part of your after-the-war nest egg.

If more victories like Guadalcanal, Bougainville, New Georgia, Tarawa and the Marshalls are chalked up against the Japs we'll have to keep throwing Marines and equipment into the fray—and that means your money has to talk, too.

Ever stop to think what's involved in the way of equipment alone for a Marine division? First off, there's a little item of 20,039 small arms weapons. Those are backed up by 1133 machine guns, 162 pieces of artillery, 54 tanks, 557 jeeps and a stream of trucks, trailers and engineer vehicles.

To get a division to where it can smack the Japs requires 13 ships of 10,000 tons each—and that means troop transports only and doesn't count warships, subs and the fleet air and surface units needed to provide safe convoy.

A division in action needs good air support. A single squadron of Marine dive bombers—18 planes, will use 36 1000-pound bombs and 11,160 gallons of gasoline and oil in a single day's operations. It takes another 10,000-ton ship to transport that squadron and its equipment.

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When we talk about continuing to carry this war into the Japs' front yard we're talking not only about courage and fighting ability but about money—a lot of money that has to come from every citizen of this nation, service men as well as civilians.

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LIFETIME PENALTY

The rules are plain, Mac. And, besides, war time especially is no time to be stepping out of line.

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It's A Jap Foxhole Horse On One Marine

Editor's Note—This is the way it came to us. So, hereby we go to press!

One of the strangest war stories of all time was brought back from Bougainville recently by Maj. Robert Vance.

Central character of the yarn is Capt. Marshall (Buck) Pilcher, a 17-year veteran who, when last heard from, was awaiting arrival of his Purple Heart medal in a New Zealand hospital. This is his story:

When the Japs captured a forward artillery position in the Piva Trail road block action, he grabbed a bayonet and rifle and joined the counter-attack.

Upon encountering enemy prepared positions, Capt. Pilcher made for a Jap in a camouflaged

pillbox. The Jap made a vicious cut with his sabre, Capt. Pilcher



parried the slash and ran the Jap through the throat.

But when he stepped over the foxhole, the captain felt a sharp

pain in his right leg. Looking down, he saw that his leg was caught in a horse's mouth. The Jap had been sitting astride his horse in the foxhole.

Fearing possible infection from the horse's bite, Capt. Pilcher ran upon a galley stove and tipped it over to cauterize his wound with the flames. Unfortunately the flames got so far out of control that the efforts of an entire salvage platoon were required to rescue him.

To those who might doubt certain details of this story, Maj. Vance said he is certain that Capt. Pilcher was burned by flames from a galley stove and that he took part in the Piva Trail road block action.

THE SAFETY VALVE

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

JUNGLE "CRADLES"

Editor, The Chevron—The Feb. 12 issue contained an article about Marines getting jungle hammocks issued to them on Bougainville. What I'd like to know is which outfits did get the material? I happened to be in that campaign and never saw any Marines who were issued these cradles. The only Marines who possessed them had "borrowed" them from our fellows in arms (the Army). However, if in any way you can help us to get these hammocks, we overseas Marines would thank you.

PFC. C. PASTORELLI JR.
c/o FPO, San Francisco.

Editor's note—Sorry, but we can't help you. For security reasons, outfits overseas cannot be listed by name. Since the article you refer to was written by Sgt. Gordon D. Marston, combat correspondent, the unit to which he was attached presumably had the hammocks.

FOR THE RECORD

Editor, The Chevron Reading The Chevron (Mar. 11 issue) I notice an article of a station record set at NATTC, Memphis, Tenn., by a Marine paratrooper, Sgt. Eugene Monahan, who he field stripped and reassembled a .30 cal. machine gun in 2 minutes 15 seconds. We have men in this organization who field strip and reassemble the machine gun in 50 seconds blindfolded. Was a portion of that article a misprint?

Corp. N. J. MEYER
H & S Co., Inf. Bn.
TC, Camp Elliott
San Diego 1441, Calif.

Editor's note—We had to go to Memphis for the answer to that one, Corporal. From the editor of The Blue Jacket came this explanation: "Our reporter inadvertently used 'field strip' when he should have used 'detail stripping'—quite a difference as we have since found out! The record still stands at 2 minutes 15 seconds and is probably exceptional time for detail stripping a .30 cal. machine gun."

"BLOOD AND GUTS"

Editor, The Chevron—A very interesting interview was noted in a recent copy of The Chevron—the one by Pfc. James J. McCavill. It really amused quite a few of us, since all his overseas time was spent with us and none of our company even saw a Jap Zero until our landing on Bougainville. Not only should the campaign bars of some stateside boys be investigated but also a few of their "blood and guts" stories. We feel sure that if such tale tellers wait to see a few Zeros they will have no trouble at all in trading with a few of us.

A few ardent readers,
Sgt. J. McKEE.
Sgt. E. ROBINSON.
Sgt. J. DENTSTER.
Corp. D. WILLIAMS.
c/o FPO, San Francisco.

COMING UP

Editor, The Chevron I was wondering if it would be possible for you to send The Chevron here to the east coast. I just returned from overseas and was transferred here. There are quite a few fellows here who would like to know what's going on out there.

Corp. W. L. HIGGINS JR.
Hq. Sq. MAG-51 BMAW, FME,
MCAP, Pollockville Field,
New Bern, N.C.

Editor's Note—Corp. Higgins' unit has been placed on The Chevron mailing list. Personal subscriptions are available at \$2 per year.

COMMENDATION RIBBON

Editor, The Chevron Alnav 11, dated Jan. 11, 1944, authorizes the wearing of the Commendation ribbon (no medal involved) by personnel who have received an individual letter of commendation signed by the Secy. of the Navy; the Commander-in-Chief, US Fleet; or the Commander-in-Chief, Pacific or Atlantic Fleets.

Evidently the Commandant of the Marine Corps does not rate. There are many men who have received individual letters of commendation signed by the Commandant, but in view of the above are not entitled to wear the ribbon as the Commandant is not listed in the Alnav. Many of the boys have been asking me about it and I have been telling them they do not rate wearing it. Am I right?

When is the Corps going to clamp down on wearing civilian raincoats and topcoats with the uniform? Regulations state it can not be done but you see many Marines on the street with civilian raincoats on over their uniforms.

Sgt. Maj. DONALD W. O'NEIL
MCAD, Miramar.

Editor's note—The sergeant major's interpretation of the Alnav is correct.

CHURCH SERVICES

MARINE CORPS BASE (Protestant): 0800 Services, Communion, Chapel; 0900 Services, 0930 Services, Auditorium; 1010 Services, Chapel; Evening Vespers Service 1830 Chapel. **(Catholic):** 0800 Mass Auditorium; 0915 Mass, Chapel; 1010 Mass (Monday through Saturday) 0930-0930; Chapel, Friday Evening Service, 1900; Chapel, Confession; Saturday 1230-1600, Chaplain's Office; 1010, 123, Recruit Detach; 1600-1700 Chaplain's Office, Administration Bldg. **(Jewish):** Chapel, 1100. **(Christian Science):** Sundays, 0930, Bldg. 123, Rm. (Latter Day Saints); 0500, Reception Room, 1010; 123, P.D. Wednesdays, 1830.

CAMP MATTHEWS (Protestant): 0930, Theater. **(Catholic):** Mass, 0900, Theater. **(Christian Science):** Sunday, 1830, Chaplain's Office Ad. Bldg. **(Jewish):** 0915 Chaplain's Office. **(Latter Day Saints):** 0900, Armory School Bldg.; Thursdays, 1900.

CAMP ELLIOTT (Protestant): Sunday, 0915, Communion, 1000 Post Chapel. **(Catholic):** Sunday Masses 0830, 0900, 1115. Mass daily, 1630. Confession before Mass. **(Christian Science):** 1600-1730, Chaplain's Office, Tuesdays and Fridays. **(Jewish):** Post Chapel, 11, Friday 1830. **(Latter Day Saints):** 1830, Camp Chapel; Mon-

days, 2000.
MCAD, Miramar (Protestant): 1000 Services. **(Catholic):** 0700 and 0800, confession; 0730 and 0830, Mass, Barracks 628. **(Jewish):** Transportation 1800 Fridays at Chaplain's Office for services at Camp Elliott. **(Latter Day Saints):** Mondays, 1800, 1100, 1300.
CAMP PENNSYLVANIA (Protestant): Post chapel, communion at 0900, morning worship 1015, vespers service 1830; Ranch House Chapel, service at 1015, vespers at 1830; Seabee camp, 0800; Post Basin, services 0900 and 1900; at theaters, 14-T-1 at 1000, 15-T-1 at 0900, 16-T-1 at 0900, 17-T-1 at 0900. **(Catholic):** Post Chapel, masses at 0830, 0900, 1115, confessions before each mass; Ranch House Chapel, mass at 0900, confessions before mass; Seabee camp, confessions at 0700, masses at 0800; Post Basin, mass at 0630, 0800, confessions before each mass at theaters, 14-T-1 at 0900 and daily mass at 1700, 15-T-1 at 0800, 16-T-1 at 1000, 17-T-1 at 0800 and confessions before each mass. **(Christian Science):** Sunday, 1500 Post Chapel; Tuesday 1930 Post Basin Chapel; Thursday 1930 Post Chapel; **(Latter Day Saints):** Chaplain, 1900, Post Chapel (by 12-01). Amphibious Training Base, Wednesdays, 1830 Camp Chapel 1010, 27.

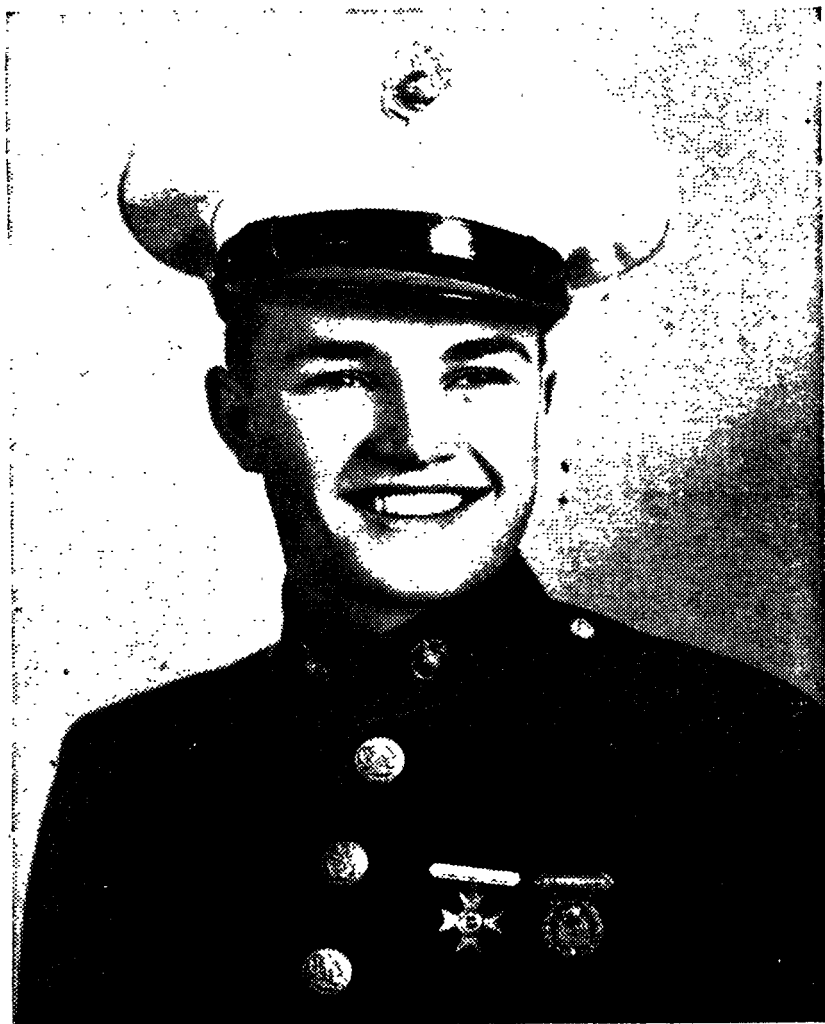
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RECEIVING CODE messages became a simple job for Corp. Vernon C. Akers, instructor in Base radio school, after he passed the "dit-happy" stage of his training. He now keeps pupils intent on dots and dashes. (Photo by PFC. H. Alden).

'DIT-HAPPY' MARINES

You Can Tell The CPs In Any Crowd

By PFC. John Binford

To the broad glossary of Marine language can now be added the particular jargon of communications men.

Their most widely used and expressive term is "Dit-Happy." When a man in primary school at Base Sig. Bn. gets so entranced in the study of code that he begins to decipher signals into the flickering of a neon sign, that Gyrene is "Dit-Happy."

One CP member of communications personnel while listening in on code signals was found trying to copy down the twitters of a bird call. He thought it was another station.

Some men who have been using the midnight oil on code carry it right into the squadroom and their dreams or nightmares.

When they start muttering the dit-dah in their sleep, others tune them out by tossing a well-aimed pillow in their direction, or—hopefully—await a di-di-di dah-di-dah, which signifies "end of transmission, no answer required."

It is said that a CP standing alone on a street corner can be recognized by his expression. He appears to be hearing things that are inaudible to anyone else. This, on authority of TSgt. W. L. Dobbin, instructor in charge of first week field radio school, who has 10 years' service in the branch.

Another thing that will drive a student berserk is his attempt to get the signal he wants when four or five are coming over or near the same frequency. This is when they start glugging their beer in long and short draughts.

A favorite but unauthorized signal often used by the men is dah-dah-di-dah di-dah-dah-dah di-dah-dah, or QJO—"time out for Joe."

Such horse play is done with the power off, however, for the Navy says taboo on receiving of "Dangerous Dan McGrew," or talk of favorite sports or pin-up girls.

The place where radio men operate is always a "shack," even if it is a modern station like the Navy provides. A bug is an automobile sending device.

A fellow who shows inaptitude at sending messages has a "poor fist," or "sends with his feet." When they want him to improve his sending, they say "take off your shoes."

The opposite is a "hot operator." A man who can't read a weak signal has "tin ears." Head phones are "cans," pencils are "sticks," and typewriters are "mills."

If a CP had a date the night before and says, "I stopped thirty," it means the date was a little better than average.

Former Editor Cited In Pacific

TSgt. Theodore Link, former Cheyenne editor who, as a combat correspondent, accompanied Marines in the invasion of Bougainville, has been awarded the Purple Heart and a citation for meritorious performance of duty.

Despite injuries and shock suffered when a large bomb fell and exploded near his position, Link assisted his CO in moving a wounded man to a protected position and then proceeded in total darkness to search for other wounded, the citation read. He guided medical officers to the wounded and aided in removing them to sheltered areas.

Also receiving Purple Hearts were Capt. Patrick O'Sheel, PRO, and PFC. Paul Ellsworth, artist, injured in the same bomb explosion. A foreign correspondent, Keith Palmer, was killed.

Ingenious Marine Protects Buddy

USNH, SAN DIEGO—An ingenious arrangement protected PFC. Wayne N. Brayton of South Bend, Ind., after he had been wounded at Tarawa.

A huddle dug a hole on the beach but it filled with water. The Marine then placed a stretcher over it, placed PFC. Brayton on it and gave him a hunting knife to slit the stretcher so he could drop into the foxhole in case of shelling or bombing.

Gunny Sweats To Even Think Of It

USNH, OAKLAND—GySgt. Joseph Adamitis of Gardner, Mass., lived to tell the story of how a Japanese bullet struck a TNT-loaded hand grenade he was carrying during the battle for Bougainville.

"I didn't realize what had happened until I had jumped behind a tree to get out of the Jap's range," said the gunny. "When I saw that TNT down the front of my shirt and thought of what would have happened if that bullet had hit the detonator (it missed by a scant quarter of an inch) I broke out in a cold sweat."

— Write Home —
Extended Service

Add Red Cross services to Marines: the former Miss Agnes Terrace, assistant field director of the MCB Red Cross office, will take care of the household chores for 1st Sgt. Robert Livingston of 1st Casual Co. They were married last week-end.

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Maj. Gregory J. Wessensberger

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1st Lt. John W. Vogel, Elmer Markowitz, Robert A. Heron (posthumously)
2nd Lt. Benjamin S. Read
WCS. Joseph Cameron (posthumously), Frederick B. Roberts, John J. Murphy
Maj. Gen. Orla S. Bergant
Sgt. William R. Hilditch
Sgt. Joseph Hilditch
Corporal Paul S. Crooke, John R. Egan Jr. (posthumously)
1st Lt. William R. Baker, Gordon K. Walker (posthumously), Jacob Solomon, Frank A. Starks

Air Medal
1st Lt. John M. Smith

Cross of Boyaca
(By Rep. of Colombia)
Maj. Roger Willock

CEREMONIES AT NAS

NORTH ISLAND—Two aviators from Pennsylvania who received their wings together and served in the same command during most of their time in service, including 10 months overseas, were decorated here at a review ceremony of ABG-2. Lt. Col. Valentine Gophart, commanding, presented the DFC to 1st Lt. Paul A. Mullen of Mount Lebanon and the Air Medal to 1st Lt. Sanders A. Sims of Philadelphia.

EL TORO CEREMONY

MCAS, EL TORO—Five dive bomber pilots were recently decorated here for action against the enemy in the South Pacific. Col. E. C. Batterton, CO of an air group in which the five are now serving as instructors, presented the following awards:

Capt. Herschel S. Carver Jr., Holdenville, Okla.; Don O. Jones, Fresno, Cal.; and 1st Lt. Kenneth H. Dieffenbach, Scranton, Pa., Gold Star in lieu of second Air Medal; Capt. Frank Silmonds, Sparta, Ill.; and William D. Regan, Pendleton, Ore., Air Medals.

THREE SILVER STARS

MB, MARE ISLAND NAVY YARD—Silver Star medals were recently presented here to Sgt. George J. Val, Flushing, N.Y., and PFCs. Robert A. Nash, Boston, and William R. MacPherson, Quincy, Mass. The presentations were made at a formal guard mount and review by Col. James E. Betts, CO.

DEVOTION LAUDED

USNH, CORONA—For "outstanding devotion" to a wounded comrade during the occupation of Abemama Island last November, Corp. Bert E. Zumborg of Minneapolis has been presented here with the Silver Star.

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Marine Casualties

	Dead	Wounded	Missing	Prisoner of War
USMC	13,345	30,044	2,991	2,476
PROV	4,226	7,219	733	1,945
	319	91	41	0
	18,057	37,354	3,765	4,421

SAFE
PFC. Ronald D. Cartridge of Waverly, Ind., and Pvt. Robert G. Cook of Fairhaven, Mass., both previously reported missing Aug. 1; PFC. Morris O'Leary, Allyn, Pa., N. Y., reported missing Aug. 10.

DEAD
Alabama: Pvt. Louis W. Wagoner, Almore.
Arkansas: PFC. Wallace E. Arnold, Pennington.
California: Sgt. Everett J. Castro, Firebaugh; Corp. Robert E. Green, Natick; PFC. Earl W. Haddock, Stockton.
Colorado: Sgt. Robert P. Elder, Lolo; PFC. Richard L. Lebeck, Hudson.
Connecticut: Corp. Paul A. York, Stratford; John A. Burke, New Britain; Robert E. Conroy, Middletown; PFC. Thomas J. Sewall, Bridgeport.
Delaware: PFC. George T. Jones, Wilmington.
District of Columbia: Cpl. Frank P. Kennedy and Sgt. Raymond Berry of Washington.
Florida: 2nd Lt. Hendry H. Harlan, Clearwater; PFC. Everett H. Jackson, Jacksonville.
Georgia: EM1c Joseph P. Colley, Savannah; PFC. Henry W. Howard, Guilford.
Illinois: 1st Lt. Robert G. Smith, Joliet; PFCs. John S. Anklam, Astoria; Eugene H. Kennedy, Litchfield; Herbert J. E. Chawson, Shelbyville.
Indiana: 1st Lt. Robert Kemp, Gary; 2nd Lt. Charles H. Prather, Tunker Hill; Sgt. Harry H. Butler Jr., Evansville; PFCs. John D. Crum, Chesham; Donald E. Dixon, Cayuga; Lemuel V. Spencer, Walton.
Iowa: PFC. Paul E. Jones, Fort Dodge.
Kansas: PFC. Lloyd C. Black, Frankfort.
Kentucky: Corp. Anthony J. Gallo, Louisville; Robert W. Lutz, Elizabethton; PFCs. Dale A. Gulderson, Newport; John C. Dickard, Auburn.
Louisiana: Corp. Joseph R. Harper Jr., Forest.
Massachusetts: PFCs. Charles R. Kennedy, Methuen; Herbert W. Le Clair, Cambridge; Sats. William J. Gonsky, Duxbury; Richard R. Venable, Haverhill; PFC. Robert E. Beck, West Chatham.
Michigan: Corp. John Sims, Ecorse; PFCs. William A. Calabrese, Detroit; Norman A. Bird, Davison; Robert B. Kaufman, Pontiac; Pvt. Samuel A. Carson, Port Huron.
Mississippi: Pvt. William D. Ray, Meridian.
Missouri: Corp. Hester C. Hatchison, Cape Girardeau; PFCs. Robert W. Weiman, St. Louis; John A. Higgs, Mexico.
New Jersey: 1st Lt. Theodore D. Thurmond, Westwood; Corp. Paul W. Sturson, Cranford; PFC. Warren H. Sheets, Teaneck.
New Mexico: 2nd Lt. Bert C. Sandberg, Cheyenne.
New York: Sgt. Jack P. Bobbitt, New York; PFCs. Charles Burr, Brooklyn; Bartolo T. Crapanzano, Brooklyn; PFCs. Arthur G. Finkell, New York; Francis M. Bunkoff, Albany; PFC. Robert G. Jones, West Branch.
North Carolina: PFC. John P. Davis, Wilmington; Pvt. Charles M. Baumgardner, Creamer, Navy Jr. Col. Sigsbee, Jacob D. Castle, Bellefonte; PFCs. Owen R. Garvin, Geneva; Glenn W. Bennett, Winona; Richard J. Ost, Cleveland; Frank Schur, Shelbyville; PFC. Benny T. Sadey, Cleveland; Marvin W. Ford, Columbus.
Oklahoma: PFC. Edward L. Johnson, Tulsa.
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Japs Surrender To Leathernecks On New Britain

Veteran Nipponese Troops Quit Fleeing Enemy Unit To Give Up To Marines

ALULU BAY, New Britain Mar. 22 (Delayed) (INS)—Yesterday was prisoner day for the Marines.

A single patrol pushing along the coast toward Rein Bay took more Japanese prisoners in one day than had been captured in the entire operation to date.

Large enemy forces were just ahead—perhaps one day's march—in their flight from Bergen Bay and Cape Gloucester. The men captured were stragglers, mostly wounded or sick, unable to keep up with the fleeing column.

DISCARD RIFLES

As Marines approached, they would throw away their rifles and raise their hands in surrender.

Some bumped their heads on the ground. Several raised touching palms to foreheads, much as Americans do in prayer.

All were starving, many incapable of walking. They told their captors that they were bound for an embarkation point some miles up the coast.

All appeared happy at their capture and at the food and smoked cigarettes Marines gave them.

FAKE PAIN

A few begged "Mercy, mercy." Some put on acts showing intense pain calculated to arouse the sympathy of Marines.

All who could talk revealed the heartless manner in which enemy generals treat men who become ill. Japs who had fought for two years, some of them on Bataan, lay abandoned to an enemy they had been told did not take prisoners.—SFC Sgt. Donald Hallman, combat correspondent.

—Specialty Smackety—
Thurs., Apr. 6, is Army Day.



NOT EXACTLY like mother used to make but better than rations was chow served from an improvised field kitchen to hungry Marines shortly after they took hotly-contested Target Hill on Cape Gloucester. (Photo by Sgt. Robert M. Brenner).

Two Sergeants' Reign Short But Pleasant

WITH A MARINE PATROL IN WESTERN NEW BRITAIN (Delayed)—The reign of Golden-Packard as Lulu (headman) of Ole lasted less than 24 hours but, for the two sergeants, it was the most pleasant period in the six weeks since landing here.

When this combat patrol pushed inland from the airport at Cape Gloucester, nipping savagely at the heels of retreating Japs, the hillies began flocking into our camp from the mountain caves where they had fled during the Japanese occupation.

The Marine CO immediately decided on re-populating the looted and abandoned villages so as to place the Marine patrol between the docile natives, who feared Japanese vengeance, and the common

enemy still in that area.

It was a matter of traversing several difficult miles from the Marine camp to the village decided upon for initial re-population. To reassure the hesitant natives, a small Marine guard was sent along with the Melanesians, under PISgt. Gerard J. Golden of Stanton, Pa., and Sgt. Conrad R. Packard of Baltimore, Md.

Recounted the sergeants after the return of the natives: "The native

chief let us know that for the period of our stay, we could consider ourselves the Lulu (headmen), and after the women had cleared up the hill—the women did all the work he put us up with him.

"We certainly ate like jungle princes. The grateful natives, eager to please, brought us bananas, papayas and Uru (a native potato). "The match home was a gay, noisy affair. We had a wonderful supper, but not much of a night's sleep. For all night long the little children cried, the men prattled and the dogs barked.

"Quite relaxing and we were glad to turn over the reins of government to the native Lulu." MTSgt. Samuel R. Slavish, combat correspondent.

Total Casualties

WASHINGTON (AP)—Casualties of the U.S. armed forces since the outbreak of the war total 105,061. Army dead number 21,011. Navy dead, 13,408; Marine Corps 1107; and Coast Guard 209.

Recruits Enjoy Good Hunting On Matthews Range

Youth Turns In High Card Firing For Record From Both Right And Left Sides

CAMP MATTHEWS—Recruits enjoyed good hunting at the rifle range here last week, with 90.2 per cent of the firing complement of 1055 bringing home a 268 or better.

Plat. 127, coached by Corp. Ralph K. Jubbs Jr., copped qualification honors for the week with a mark of 94.6. Only two of their 58-man detail failed to qualify. DI of this platoon is Sgt. R. G. Carter.

HIGH SCORER

Individual high score of the week was a 323 fired by Pvt. Clyde T. Fulton Jr. of Indianapolis, Ind., member of Plat. 116.

One of the most unusual feats of firing in the history of this range was turned in the previous week by Pvt. Thomas P. Gallahue of Plat. 107, who scored a sparkling 320 while firing under a physical handicap which caused him to squeeze off half his shots from the left shoulder and half from the right.

Pvt. Gallahue was forced to fire from both sides because the effects of a broken hip made it impossible for him to assume all the firing positions from one side.

Range receipts for the week were:

Mar. 22
Leading platoons—213, Plat. 116; 212, Plat. 117; 211, Plat. 118; 210, Plat. 119; 209, Plat. 120; 208, Plat. 121; 207, Plat. 122; 206, Plat. 123; 205, Plat. 124; 204, Plat. 125; 203, Plat. 126; 202, Plat. 127; 201, Plat. 128; 200, Plat. 129; 199, Plat. 130; 198, Plat. 131; 197, Plat. 132; 196, Plat. 133; 195, Plat. 134; 194, Plat. 135; 193, Plat. 136; 192, Plat. 137; 191, Plat. 138; 190, Plat. 139; 189, Plat. 140; 188, Plat. 141; 187, Plat. 142; 186, Plat. 143; 185, Plat. 144; 184, Plat. 145; 183, Plat. 146; 182, Plat. 147; 181, Plat. 148; 180, Plat. 149; 179, Plat. 150; 178, Plat. 151; 177, Plat. 152; 176, Plat. 153; 175, Plat. 154; 174, Plat. 155; 173, Plat. 156; 172, Plat. 157; 171, Plat. 158; 170, Plat. 159; 169, Plat. 160; 168, Plat. 161; 167, Plat. 162; 166, Plat. 163; 165, Plat. 164; 164, Plat. 165; 163, Plat. 166; 162, Plat. 167; 161, Plat. 168; 160, Plat. 169; 159, Plat. 170; 158, Plat. 171; 157, Plat. 172; 156, Plat. 173; 155, Plat. 174; 154, Plat. 175; 153, Plat. 176; 152, Plat. 177; 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Old Timers.



MTSgt. J. H. BUDROW

Seven-Hashmark Veteran Polices MCAD, Miramar

MCAD, MIRAMAR—Pity the poor man who tramples in the flower gardens of MTSgt. J. H. Budrow, veteran of more than 20 years of service at far-flung posts from China to Mexico and now responsible for maintaining the beauty spots of this depot.

An old-timer of seven hashmarks, MTSgt. Budrow has also served in Guam, Haiti, Santo Domingo and Puerto Rico.

As police sergeant of MCAD, MTSgt. Budrow supervised planting of lawns and flowers around buildings here and constructing picket fences to protect the adornments. Plants, shrubs and seed have been donated for the work by nurseries in the San Diego area.

Asked to enlarge on his personal experiences in the Corps, MTSgt. Budrow pointed to "Tony," his Great Dane mascot, and changed the subject. "Tony" recently mothered quintuplets which were quickly "Shanghaied" by five lieutenants headed overseas.

— Buy War Bonds —

Boot Camp Mecca For Collegians

PARRIS ISLAND—More than 1,400 men drawn from the campuses of 35 leading American colleges and universities have arrived here in the past week to begin recruit training.

These recruits are candidates for commissions in the Marine Corps V-12 training program. A total of 1,600 men is expected.

A screening process is begun after the V-12 recruit begins his training. Those who cannot meet the physical requirements for Candidates' Class at New River and Quantico and those who show obvious lack of ability to go on to officers' training are screened out. —PFC, Don R. Pettit.

PRO Unit 'Covers' Seabee Operation

GREEN ISLAND, New Ireland—First complete news and photographic coverage of a Seabee operation is now being given here by a Marine PRO unit, detached from 1st MAC for the assignment.

The PRO group, headed by 1stLt. Jonathan Rice, has also covered important phases of New Zealand troops' activities. A written and pictorial history of the Seabee activities from the time they boarded ship until they completed an airfield will be prepared. —Sgt. Ray Fitzpatrick, combat correspondent.

4th Div. Newspaper Printed Overseas

First issue of a new Marine newspaper, the 4th Division's four-page "Sun-Setter", was received at MCB this week.

Written by combat correspondents who covered the Marshall invasion. Its masthead lists Maj. Gen. Harry Schmidt as honorary editor, Capt. William F. McCahill as editorial director, Sgt. Charles Van-

Discharged Men Receiving Help From New Unit

Lt. Col. Rhoads Explains Corps Measures For Aiding Both Men, Women Marines

WASHINGTON—Discharged Marines will be aided in re-adjusting themselves to civilian life by the Rehabilitation Div. of the Marine Corps.

HQMC has named Lt. Col. C. E. Rhoads of Philadelphia as director and Maj. R. R. Hannas of Western Springs, Ill., executive officer. Branches of the division have been set up in the 12 Naval Districts.

Establishment of the new office followed an exhaustive survey made by Col. Rhoads with the cooperation of many veterans' agencies and organizations.

It was found that while there is an adequate number of civilian agencies ready to aid servicemen discharged because of wounds or disability, there was no link between the agencies and the men. Servicemen themselves, according to the survey, know little about services offered by the agencies.

INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWS

Under the new program every Marine, before he is discharged, will be interviewed by specially trained personnel in an effort to aid him plan his future. Notice will be sent to the civilian agencies that the man is about to be discharged, and the man himself will be given detailed instructions on the advantages awaiting him as a veteran. Once discharged, he will be encouraged to consult his Corps Rehabilitation officer if he does not find a job, or needs help in making out insurance papers, or personal records.

"To discharge a man without some adequate preparation for civilian readjustment may be as fatal to his future as sending him into combat without teaching him how to shoot," Col. Rhoads said.

"The Corps does not intend to become an employment agency, nor does it contemplate the establishment of social service clinics. But, to the extent it can do so, it does not intend to permit its men, or women, to be separated from the service without assistance in the important process of readjustment."

VARIOUS HELPS CITED

"It is not enough to wish a man well when he is discharged; to tell him he is a veteran, and that he must seek advice and assistance only from established civilian agencies. The effectiveness of the civilian agencies established to assist the veteran may be impaired, unless the man, before he is discharged, understands their meaning, operation and work."

"Valuable insurance rights may be and have been sacrificed at the time of separation for want of adequate information. Adjudication of pension claims has been delayed because necessary data had not been accumulated. An employment opportunity may be lost, for want of information as to how the man shall go about getting a job. The opportunity for vocational training or education may be lost to a handicapped veteran because no one has taken the time to adequately explain existing opportunities for such training."

A special school has been set up at Parris Island to train personnel for the Rehabilitation Division.

— Write Home —

Mess Election Set

A president and board of governors for the commissioned officers' mess will be elected for the ensuing year Tuesday, Apr. 4, in the mess at 1300.

dergrift as editor and Staff Sgt. Frank Acosta Jr. as sports editor.

Aim of the paper was given as "primarily the mouthpiece of the enlisted man". The commanding general stated, in an editorial: "The division did well in its first action against the enemy. We are now refitting and training to permit us to be even more effective when we again face the enemy."



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Some Japanese Always Escape Isle Shellings

Enemy Awaits Landings To Meet Assault Troops With Fire On Beachhead

ENIWETOK ATOLL (Delayed)—Marine assault troops—the men who are first to land in an invasion are charged with as tough a job as this war has produced. They must establish a beachhead, come hell or high water or all of Hirohito's might.

No matter how terrific the pre-invasion bombardments thrown up by our planes and ships, guns still cannot do the work of the assault troops. All three major islands in this atoll—Ehigobi, Eniwetok and Parry—were covered with bombs and shells before any troops landed. But still there were Jap men and Jap guns ready to welcome them at the beach.

ATTACKING UNIT

We met a unit of such assault troops, or what was left of them, on Parry this morning. They were members of the 22d Mar. Regt. and had been the first to hit the shore on both Ehigobi and Parry. Sgt. Alvin C. Wolf of Wellston, Okla., was the unit leader. Under him were PFCs, Clarence H. Depton Jr. of New Haven, Conn., Edward C. Krennig of Louisville, Ky., Joseph Luteran of Syracuse, N. Y., and Harold D. Brockwell of Washington, D. C. Privs. William E. Duke of Columbus, Ga., Frank J. Mina of Stamford, Conn., Roy E. Stanford of Little Rock, Ark., and Gerald T. Thompson, Brunswick, Me.

"They know how tough their job is, but they don't like much about it. When the alligators hit the beach we jump out," said Sgt. Wolf, "and take over as quickly as possible."

"We got a good beach and first cover behind it," one of the soldiers said. "If we go," continued Pvt. Duke, "then we make our way up to the beach and take the Japs and keep them off the beach. When we first landed yesterday, there was no more than the Japs and all what was happening, or what was going on. All we could do was to go on."

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Marine League Week Observed In L.A.

Mayor Fletcher W. Bowron of Los Angeles proclaimed this week as Marine Corps League Week in that city. Various activities were staged to raise money for the League's rehabilitation fund, used for aiding discharged Marines or making emergency loans to members of the Corps or their families.

CombaTips

Material in this series was prepared by combat veterans of the 4th Mar. Div. before it went overseas. Clip and save them each week for reference.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

By Capt. Houston Shiff

TAKE ALONG:

Extra flint and fluid for your lighter.

Cards, games, etc. There may be much time for recreation but very few facilities.

A pair of comfortable slippers, moccasin type, or sneakers.

With your other toilet articles, a good pair of scissors, for which you'll find a great many uses.

If you served overseas and can give a tip to a buddy, send it to The Chevron for publication in this column.



SLOGGING through Cape Gloucester mud with his men is Brig. Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd Jr. (carrying stick on shoulder), Asst. Div. Comdr. of Marines in the New Britain campaign. (Photo by Sgt. Robert R. Brenner).

Two Leathernecks Named As 1943 Outstanding Men

Two Marines were among the "10 outstanding young men of 1943," selected by the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce. It was announced this week.

Maj. Joe Foss, who shot down 26 enemy planes, and PFC. Richard S. Felt, who recently completed recruit training at MCB, were chosen by the committee which included J. Edgar Hoover and Mrs. Dwight Eisenhower. Felt was on the list for the outstanding work he did as director of personnel and logistical relations for the 1st Mar. Div.

He also was a member of the "100" group of outstanding young men who attained fame when they landed on Iwo Jima.

Dutch Guide

The War Dept. has issued a pocket guide to the Dutch language for military personnel. It is another in the series which covers French, German, Spanish and other languages.

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Few Leatherneck Letters Returned For More Postage

That the Base censors got the word and can follow directions was proved by the surprisingly small amount of mail turned back to MCB personnel after the jump in postal rates became effective last week.

The "Postage Due" stamp worked overtime in the RD post office, however, as several hundred letters, mostly airmail, were returned to senders. Servicemen are reminded that the new eight-cent per ounce rate on airmail letters does not affect mail going overseas.

The new eight-cent stamp is similar to the familiar pink stamp, but is green and easily distinguishable. Six-cent airmail envelopes will continue in use with a two-cent supplement until eight-cent envelopes are turned out.

PO workers on the Base took the boost in rates in stride and have everything under control, complete with a new scale chart on rates.

— Airs True —

Photographic Eye Good Behind Gun

ENIWETOK ATOLL (Delayed)—The camera eye of St/Sgt. Robert L. Puster of Laredo, Tex., a combat photographer, works all right behind a rifle sight, too. While photographing the fighting on Ehigobi and Parry islands, he laid aside his camera long enough to kill three Japs.

A sniper behind American lines fired on St/Sgt. Puster and the cameraman took time out to kill him. Next day, the photo spotted two Japs apparently hunting food. Bullets from his rifle quickly ended their interest in edibles—or anything else. St/Sgt. Dick Gordon, combat correspondent.



POINTING not to his 11 brothers and sisters in the service but to his squad is Pvt. James E. Van Coutren.

11 Of Family In Army, Navy; 12th In Marines

Seven brothers joined the Navy, one entered the Army and three sisters signed up with the WACs. So, by way of variety, James E. Van Coutren, detective on the St. Louis police department, joined the Marines. His civilian role resulted in his being an expert at judo and with the pistol, both of which will come in handy at his new job.

Pvt. Van Coutren's mother, Mrs. Emma Van Coutren, was recently named "America's Champion War Mother" by Mayor La Guardia of New York City. Just by way of reminding out what is probably the nation's champion "war family", both Mr. and Mrs. Van Coutren are indefatigable workers in War bond drives.

— March Proudly —

Name Changed

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If the Base were likened to a separate community of some 20,000 souls a prime example of one of the town's big business enterprises would be the Base Disbursing and Transportation Office in Bldg. 11. Each month this office spends approximately \$600,000, receives an average of 2,450 tons of freight and ships out 300 tons. It also operates 11,000 feet of railroad track connected with two main trunk lines for handling Army and Navy troop and freight movements.

FOUNDED OFFICE

The office was founded in Feb., 1942, by Lt. Col. Paul E. Watson, present O-in-C, to relieve pressure on the San Francisco Depot QM office, where vouchers for Base disbursements formerly were forwarded, and to overcome delays in getting bills paid under this peacetime system.

Its shipping and receiving functions were taken over from the Base Property Office when the wartime volume of merchandise handled began to soar.

Breaking down the enigmatic title of the office, Disbursing means paying the salaries of the more than 200 civil service employees on the Base, the commissary bills, MCB electric light and water bills, such maintenance expenditures as repairs to the barracks, and handling enlisted men's recreation funds for PMF units of the area. 1st Lt. John L. McCormack is deputy in charge of this branch.

HANDLE TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is divided into the passenger transportation section under 1st Lt. Charles D. Clayton and the freight section under CWO. (Gen.) Carl J. Evans.

Movements of troops in and out of San Diego, of officers traveling under orders, and of dependents of officers, enlisted personnel of the first three pay grades, and Class IV men in passenger transportation.

That explains the line of men seen daily at the northwest corner of the PX building. Many of them have been assigned to some school or other post and are waiting for travel money or train and meal tickets. Such transactions average \$600 a month, involving issuance of \$5000 in cash and 250 meal tickets.

HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS

Freight transportation involves handling the household effects and personal baggage of commissioned and warrant officers, NCOs of the first four pay grades and Class IV men every time they move in or out of San Diego. It also includes connecting each G.I. Joe with his sea bag.

On the bulkier side are the commissary supplies, motor vehicles and other equipment. Carload shipments are received at Bldg. 148 by MTSgt. George K. Rochefort. The household effects and less than carload shipments are handled at Bldg. 16 by QMSgt. F. R. Engelmann.

SHIPMENTS VARY

Packing and crating of household effects are handled by an efficient crew of eight civil service employees and three enlisted men under the direction of TSgt. Leon Beidel. Amount of effects which Marines may ship at government expense varies from 3000 pounds for a fourth grade enlisted man to 14,500 for a major general.

Since all express packages are received at Bldg. 16, this operation alone is sufficient to bring about one-third of the Base personnel into contact with the office at one time or another in their "eight-month" stay here.

All these operations are handled by four officers, 14 male and 13 WVR enlisted personnel and 20 civil service employees.



FURNITURE moves in and out of the Base Disbursing and Transportation warehouse in Bldg. 16 as Marine officers and enlisted men are transferred to and from MCB. Here Corp. Hazel Mounts and TSgt. Leon Beidel are checking in a newly arrived lot. (Photo by PFC, Edward J. Wishin).

Deeds Of Second Division Set To Music By Marine

CAMP ELLIOTT—Those doughty conquerors of Tarawa, bitterest battle in Marine Corps history, the men of the 2d Mar. Div. are heading for new tribute—their deeds, already immortalized by picture and prose, have been set to stirring music by a Leatherneck corporal.

In the "March of the Silent Second," which he is dedicating to the Tarawa heroes, Corp. Robert G. Wood of Phoenix, Ariz., has presented an accurate and fetching musical portrait of the men of the 2d Div.

The composition had its premiere presentation here when the 52-piece Camp Elliott band, conducted by WO. W. H. Robinson of Winder, Ga., gave it a private test sendoff in a post band-hut.

Bandmen considered it one of the most flexible marches they had heard since Sousa's "Semper Paratus."

is—"perennial Marine Marching rhythm." — TSgt. Pete Zurinden, combat correspondent.

Saves Leatherneck

BOUGAINVILLE (Delayed) — Credit for the almost impossible feat of lifting a wounded man of the same weight and carrying him up an eight-foot ladder to safety goes to ESM2/c. Charles F. Robinson, Jersey City, who did just that when a Jap shell hit a working party of Marines aboard an LST and wounded one of the Leathernecks. — TSgt. Earle W. Johnson, combat correspondent.

Falls On Grenade To Save Lives Of Foxhole Buddies

ENIWETOK ATOLL (Delayed)—A corporal lay on a Jap hand grenade and gave his life to save two buddies early Sunday morning when Japs counterattacked with hand grenades, mortars and rifle fire on Engebi Island.

"That took a lot of guts," 2d Lt. Richard M. Pfuhl of Richmond Heights, Mo., said.

The corporal was Anthony P. Dambato of Shenandoah, Pa.

"The Japs had thrown in two other grenades in foxholes where Corp. Dambato and two buddies were set up for the night," the lieutenant said. "The Marines threw out the first two. Then the Japs got wise and threw a grenade after holding it for a few seconds. My corporal saw he couldn't throw it back in time, so he lay on it. This saved the lives of his buddies."

IN AFRICAN INVASION

"He was one of the best men I had," Lt. Pfuhl said. "I took him with me wherever I went. He was one of the Marines who spearheaded the invasion of North Africa and he trained the Seabees in our battalion."

Corp. Dambato was an assistant squad leader of a crack outfit in a battalion of the 22nd Marines which took its objective on Engebi Island in an hour and 15 minutes. — TSgt. William K. Terry, combat correspondent.

No Contests

Cagey Corporal Chases Cackle

KWAJALEIN ATOLL (Delayed) — His friends only laughed when a corporal followed a cackling hen into a clump of coconut trees on this island.

Laughter grew to a roar when he came back with the first fresh egg anyone had seen for many weeks.

A cook supplied the bacon. — Sgt. Gilbert P. Bailey, combat correspondent.

Salute Smartly

Memorial Flag

Next of kin of anyone who dies while in the service of the Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard is furnished a free memorial flag.

New Recreation Program Slated For Dispensary

An ambitious recreation program for patients in the main Base dispensary will be started next week by the Red Cross Gray Ladies. It was announced this week.

The program, to include shopping, special errands, letter writing, the maintenance of small ward libraries and parties, will be under the direction of Mrs. Harry K. Pickett, wife of Brig. Gen. Harry K. Pickett.

A group of 22 women volunteer workers, who will complete a four week course of recreational instruction before the start of the program, will comprise the unit under Mrs. Pickett's direction. The organization, a Hospital and Recreation corps unit, is a subsidiary of the Red Cross.

PROVIDE "REC" ROOM

A recreation room in Bldg. 4 has already been provided for use of ambulatory patients under the program. An introductory party will be given next Friday.

Mrs. Pickett has a wide background for her job as chairman of the unit, having many years' association with military life and having organized and directed a similar unit in Honolulu immediately after the Pearl Harbor attack.

Use V-Mail

Communion Service

A Holy Week Protestant communion service will be held Thursday, Apr. 6, at 1900 in the Base chapel with Chaplain Frederick Bush officiating. Chaplain J. W. Worthington will deliver the meditation.

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FIVE JIVING Marines got together with Kay Kyser when the College of Musical Knowledge radio program went on the air from MCAS, Santa Barbara, recently. From left, Pvt. R. K. Bowman and Thomas J. Noto, PFC. Johnny Wade, Kyser, TSgt. Bill G. Price and PFC. Sammy Weissman. The Marines play for many MCAS affairs.

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Entertainment World

Production Problems Hit Island Musical Troupe

By Staff Sgt. Solomon Hecchman, Combat Correspondent
GUADALCANAL (Delayed)—"Topic of the Tropics" may be a musical to servicemen, but to the cast it is an 1800-mile headache.

Since the troupe set out to visit various South Pacific outposts, members had to rewrite their lines to fit each locale, work as carpenters, electricians, stage hands, and then put on the shows in the rain.

But all their previous troubles constructing collapsible sets was as naught compared to those encountered here. In the first place, the cast, headed by Miss Helen Schoeni, Red Cross field worker, author and director of the play, arrived unexpectedly.

HALF COMPLETED

Then they discovered the theater on the island was only half completed. Before they could open, the five women and 21 servicemen from the Army, Navy, and Marines, who make up the troupe, had to pitch in, complete the theater, and install a public address system. Once, when rain forced cancellation of a performance, the cast had to give an unscheduled variety show for six truckloads of Marines who had traveled 40 miles over flooded roads.

— Shoot Straight —

Show To Honor Postal Clerks

A radio salute to Marine postal clerks, dramatically telling their story of maintaining personnel morale, will be broadcast next Wednesday afternoon when the 88th weekly presentation of the "Halls of Montezuma" goes on the air at 1830 from the Base theater.

This week's program featured music by the "Halls" orchestra, directed by WO. Fred Lock, the Base swing band, the "Sentimental Sergeants," a Gypsy combination, male chorus, and vocalists PFCs. Richard Smith and John Burr.

Screen Guide

BASE THEATER

1700 - 2000

Today—11 Ya Sailor, Woods-Knox (One show only, 1930).
Sunday—Whistling in Brooklyn, Skellon-Rutherford.
Monday—Old Acquaintance, Davis-Hopkins.
Tuesday—Gung Ho, Scott-McDonald.
Wednesday—Time o' Day, O'Rourke, De Haven-Cummings. (Halls of Montezuma, 1830).
Thursday—Moonlight in Vermont, Jean-Helen.
Friday—Take of West Point, Hayward-Montain.
Saturday—Old Acquaintance, Davis-Hopkins (One show only, 1930).

CAMP MATTHEWS

1745

Today & Sunday—Road to Morocco, Crosby-Hopkins.
Monday—11 Ya Sailor, Woods-Knox.
Tuesday—Whistling in Brooklyn, Skellon-Rutherford.
Wednesday—Wrestling matches, no picture scheduled.
Thursday—Gung Ho, Scott-McDonald.
Friday—Princess O'Rourke, De Haven-Cummings.
Saturday—Moonlight in Vermont, Jean-Helen.

CAMP KEARNEY

1730 - 1915

Today—Ladies Courageous, Young-Harrymore.
Sunday—Passage to Marseille, Bogart-Groenestiel.
Monday—Hour Before Dawn, Lake-Tane.
Tuesday—Purple Heart, Andrews-Granger.
Wednesday—See Here Private Hargrave, Walker.
Thursday—A Guy Named Joe, Tracy-Linnell.
Friday—Four Girls in a Jeep, Landis-Francis.
Saturday—It Happened Tomorrow, Powell-Darnell.

CAMP ELLIOTT

(Theater No. 2 and Auditorium. Same program Theater No. 1, one day later.)
Today—Whistling in Brooklyn, Skellon-Rutherford.
Sunday—Government Girl, De Haven-Tufts.
Monday—Hugbo on My Knees, Stanwyck-Metcalfe.
Tuesday—It's the Bigger, Frazier-Adlerstein.
Wednesday—I Killed That Man, Corboz-Woodbury.
Thursday—She's For Me, MacDonald-Higbee.
Friday—Lady Let's Dance, Ellington-Bell.
Saturday—Jack London, O'Shea-Hayward.

Use Your

Visits Air Stations

Brian Donlevy, stocky he-man screen star who enacted the part of the commanding officer of the Marine detachment in the picture "Wake Island", has been making a tour of Marine air stations on the West Coast. In addition to informal mingling with the enlisted men, in which he sometimes took an active part in their classes, Donlevy made several appearances at station theaters to entertain them.

Tryouts Start For Base Play

MCB personnel were given initial tryouts this week for parts in "Claudia", a three-act comedy drama to be given at the Base Theater on or about May 12-13, marking the first dramatic play to be presented here with a Base cast.

Staging of "Claudia", one of Broadway's most popular plays of recent years, will be done as an experiment, according to Maj. Harry X. Maynard, Recreation officer. If the play is successful others will be given from time to time.

PFC. O. E. Johnson, Base Bandman who has had 16 years' experience acting and directing road shows, will direct the cast. Technical director for scenery and costumes will be WR Pvt. Laurie Leonard, stage designer and technician on Broadway for five years.

All True

USO Show

The next USO stage show scheduled for MCB will be "Funny Side Up", a six-act production to be given Apr. 12-13 in the Base Theater.

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IF LEFT will make the Japs quiver, Tojo can start shaking anytime. Wilbur (Wee Willie) Wilkin, former Washington Redskins football star, recently put his 271 pounds behind the war machine at MCB. (Photo by PFC. Herbert Alden).

Towering Ex-Redskin Joins Marines

One of the big men of professional football, both in stature and talent, is Wilbur (Wee Willie) Wilkin, now of the U.S. Marine Corps. He detached his 271 pounds of bulk from the Washington Redskins recently to become a recruit in training at MCB.

Wilkin's football career traces

back to Springfield, Utah, where as a high school player he starred in football, track and basketball. He reported to the Redskins after completing a varsity tenure at St. Mary's college, Moraga, Calif.

Married and the father of twin sons, Wilkin's family resides in Vacaville, Calif.

Cherry Point's Baseball List Includes Six Vets

MCAS, CHERRY POINT—Six veterans were numbered among 30 candidates turning out for spring baseball practice at this station. The holdovers were SttSgt. James Collich, catcher; Sgt. Cecil Hubbard, captain and third baseman; Corps. Pete Rafferty, first baseman and pitcher; Al Luszo, pitcher and outfielder; Ralph Marsh, outfielder, and PFC. William Van Bredakoff, outfielder.

Basketball came to a close when the Station quintet racked up a 57-27 victory over the Edenton Marines and Squadron 16 won the USQ Servicemen's tournament.

The boon victory definitely established Squadron 46 as a power in intra-station athletics. The unit walked off with the softball title last summer, the tough football championship last fall, and entertained hopes of picking off a boxing crown.

Tennis took its place on the sports horizon with an exhibition which featured 1stLt. Helen Marlowe of Camp Lejeune, former doubles champion with Ellsworth Vines and Bill Tilden.

Stand Erect — Honors Two Cities

The U.S.S. Springfield, light cruiser launched Mar. 8, is the first Navy ship named to honor two cities — Springfield, Mass., and Springfield, Ill.

MarFair West's Boxing Tourney Plans Progress

Emissary Returns From Tour To Report All Air Stations Getting Ready

NORTH ISLAND—Plans for the coming MarFair West boxing championships are rapidly nearing completion. It was revealed here after return of Corp. Bobby Franklin, NCO-in-C, who visited a number of air stations as a representative of Capt. Ben Finney, recreation officer directing the program.

Coaches and trainers at various stations have been appointed and teams to represent them are being selected. Corp. Franklin reported. These include:

Santa Barbara, where SttSgt. Elston Golson, Corp. Weaver and PFC. Leo Rodak are working closely.

El Toro, where PFC. Cole Hutchins is directing the training and getting himself into shape for the 130-pound runoff.

El Centro, where a squad under the tutelage of Corp. Jimmy Hatmaker is hard at work.

Miramar, where Corp. Sy Furman and PFC. Triolo are in charge.

Camp Kearney, where Sgt. Al Hyman is whipping the men into shape.

A few stations have yet to announce intention to enter, but there are five or six weeks of training still ahead for the mittmen.

— Be Courteous —

5th Div. Baseball Nine Whips Padres

CAMP PENDLETON—Paced by 1stLt. Hal Hirschon, former big league outfielder who rapped out three hits in as many trips to the plate, the 5th Div. baseball club won a slugfest from the San Diego Padres, 13 to 11, here this week to rack up its second straight victory. Last week the 5th turned back the El Toro Marines, 7 to 2, with Outfielder Chisholm pacing the attack with two hits in four trips. Scores:

San Diego	R	H	E
5th Div.	13	11	8
Padres	11	11	3

Uzenda, Pagan, Lusk, Osborn, Trotter and Hallinger; Nicolai, Lohr, Voth, Joslin and Dufinsky, Padres.

El Toro	R	H	E
5th Div.	7	6	4
Marines	2	8	3

Manier, Agate and Zimch, Gross, Scheel, Abdallah, Lohr, Joslin, Simmons and Trotter, Dufinsky.

— Buy Insurance —

Marines studying aerial photographs of Engebi prior to the invasion were curious about what appeared to be a running track. What it was remains a mystery, for the island is now too dotted with shell holes to find any trace of the "track."

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ABG-2 Wins Another Game From Padres

NORTH ISLAND—With Max Hittle on the mound, ABG-2 packed up its second win over the San Diego Padres' rookie club this week, 6 to 3. Hittle spaced eight hits. Fielding star of the game was Joe Malt, second baseman. Score:

Padres	R	H	E
ABG-2	6	10	2
Padres	3	10	2

Marsh, Luper (3), Deane (2) and Olsen, Hallinger (1); Hittle and Southan.

— Buy Bonds For Freedom —

In the Marshalls operation, the 7th Air Force destroyed or probably destroyed some 21 enemy naval or cargo vessels and damaged, in many cases seriously, at least 20 more.

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THE SPORTS FRONT

BY PFC. VICTOR H. LEEDING

For the first time in two years the basketball rules committee tampered with its code this week and came up with important changes, chief of which was a clunker on the stork-like guys who have been employed to bat shots away from the basket.

The revised code says no player may intercept a shot at the basket on its downward flight unless it obviously is falling short. Rules-makers also raised the limit of personal fouls from four to five, lifted the restriction on the number of times a player may re-enter the game and gave officials permission to halt the game anytime a player is injured.

Meanwhile hoopmen went about their titular business by way of winding up the 1943-44 season. Powerful, oft-crowned Phillips "66" Ollers rolled over Denver Legion for the national AAU title. St. John's of Brooklyn successfully defended her National Invitational trophy at Madison Square Garden with a decision over DePaul Univ. Utah, beaten in the early rounds of the Garden classic, staged a comeback at Kansas City to win the NCAA title by shunting aside Dartmouth in the finals and then went on to trip St. John's, 43 to 36, in a playoff between the two major tournament winners.

WHAT PRICE BLUE

Sports story of the week, if you like 'em with hard-luck flavor, broke at California's Bay Meadows track when a livin' man paid \$1840 for a dead horse. He was high among three who put in claims on a nag named Sir Winsome.

Sir Winsome, with jockey Frank Chojnacki in the irons, finished

second but got out of control, crashed through the railing and fell dead. Chojnacki, riding his last race before going into the army, escaped serious injury in the spill.

It rained one day this week but the New York Yankees retired indoors and considered it one of their best spring training days. Not a single man was called up by the draft board.

BIG DUEL LOOMS

The swimming world stirred as time neared for the National AAU championships, staging a duel between Yale's Alan Ford and Navy's Bill Smith. The former last week became the first man to swim 100 yards in fewer than 50 seconds in a regular-sized pool. His time was 49.7 seconds.

But SttSgt. Smith is the king of all aquatic record holders now. He holds 23 ranging from 2:07.1 in the 220-yard free style to 18:03.5 in the 1400-meter. CSpM Adolph Kiefer also gave the tankers something to talk about when he backstroked 300 meters in 2:19.3 to better a standing world record.

Gl Dodds, divinity student of Boston, climaxed his indoor running season with a 4:06.4 mile gallop in the Chicago Relays, smashing his own week-old record and presaging great things when the outdoor season gets under full swing.

Death rode the sports trail claim J. Russell Sweet, former Univ. of Montana football great; (Continued on next page)

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Coast Guard To Play MCB Ball Club In Opener

Softballers Will Start Pre-Season Round April 15, Regular Season May 1

MCB's baseball season gets under way officially Monday with a practice game against U. S. Coast Guard on the new Base diamond, it was announced by Capt. C. R. Church, athletic officer.

Next Friday the team will go to Los Angeles to meet USC's college nine. These two tuneups will serve coaches with sufficient line on candidates to make their squad cut and settle down for heavier competition to come.

CREWS BUSY

Meanwhile work is progressing on the new grandstand and athletic buildings which will skirt the turf diamond. Crews have been busily engaged since contractors took the job on a 90-day basis several weeks ago.

The Athletic Office this week announced softball plans, setting a pre-season tournament for Apr. 15 and scheduling the regular championship runoffs for the first week in May.

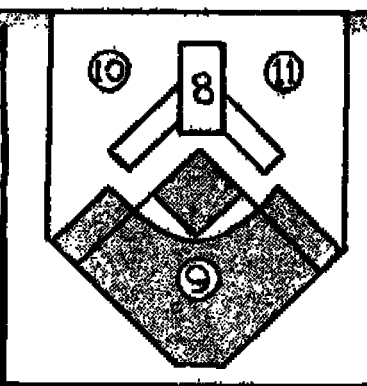
Badminton team candidates last week included PFC. J. W. Stehelin, RD, who has held two provincial championships in Canada, and Corp. John W. Romero, Base boxing coach.

THE SPORTS FRONT

(Continued from preceding page)
Eas. Hovey Seymour, noted Yale athlete, and Capt. Richard Clark, a Santa Clara halfback (1938-40). Reported missing in action was Capt. Jim Kisselburgh, ex-Oregon State fullback.

The draft reached out for Glenn Hardin, an Olympic Games hurdling star of a few years ago. Add new minor league baseball managers: Garland Braxton of Norfolk, Va., and Jack Saltgaver of Kansas City.

— Ray Insurance —
Commented PFC. J. M. (Big Jim) Eivin Jr., one-time Philadelphia Phillies pitcher, after landing with a quartermaster unit at Tarawa: "These machine gun bullets whizzed by us a heck of a lot faster than the line drives I used to duck in the pitcher's box. At least you can see a line drive most of the time."



ARTIST'S DRAWING of new Base athletic park now taking shape on "The Berm" south of the tent area. Nos. 1 and 7—Turfed football fields, 2 to 6, inclusive—Softball diamonds. 8—New Base athletic building and baseball grandstand. 9—Regulation hard ball diamond. 10 and 11—Parking areas. Volleyball courts will be located between the softball diamonds and the ball park. Street indicated is Guadalcanal Avenue.

Mess Hall Squad Wins In Miramar Intramural Hoop

MCAD, MIRAMAR—Mess Hall 2 won the MCAD Intramural basketball championship last week when it defeated Hq. Sq. (Depot), 28 to 23, in the finals.

With the hoop season ended, athletes turned full attention to baseball and track. The Miramar tossers played two practice games last week and won both—from Camp Kearney, 6 to 4, and from Hoover High, 8 to 2. This week they scored a second win over Hoover, 6 to 3.

Stirred by news of the MarFair West championships, boxers went to work with a will under the direction of Corp. Sy Fuhman and PFC. Mike Triolo.

SMOKER SCHEDULED

Next Depot smoker is scheduled for Apr. 6. Joe Schenk of Miramar, 150-pounder, featured the last smoker held here when he defeated Henry Rios of Ft. Reservoir.

MCAD bowlers will take part in a sweepstakes at the Tower Bowl on Apr. 5. 2d Lt. O. R. Eager, assistant recreation officer, announced. Pin stars as the season drew to an end were A. A. Kaminski, who racked up the high single of 246 and L. C. Rauch, whose 180-pin average was high.

Team Breaks Even

MCB's volleyball team stood at the 500 percentage mark in 11th Naval Dist. standings this week after winning from Coast Guard Patrol by forfeit and losing to Repair Base Disbursing.

Speigal, Cocio Steal RD Fight Thunder In Draw

Heavyweight Cuts In For Share Of Plaudits; Pattee Stops Combs In Third

Two lightweights came back for repeat performances on RD's weekly fight card last Saturday night and responded with a bristling three-round scrap in which judges couldn't pick a winner between Pvt. Thomas Speigal of Uniontown, Pa., and James Cocio of Tucson, Ariz.

PFC. Quentin (Baby) Dreese, RD coach and referee, called it "one of the best fights of recent weeks." Speigal, member of Plat. 211, held the highly regarded Spec. Schools Sec. Scraper, Ernie Hardcastle, to a draw the previous week. Cocio, who checks in from Plat. 240, scored a quick knockout in his turnup the same night.

WINS BY KNOCKOUT

Sharing the spotlight with the lighties was 200-pound Pvt. Jack Pattee of Oakland, Calif., and Plat. 265, who technically stopped Pvt. Robert Combs of Wichita, Kan., and Plat. 255, in the third round. Other results:

Middleweights — Pvt. Howard Moore of Brookville, Ky., Spec. Schools Sec., and Michael Leonard of Rochester, N. Y., Plat. 271, drew. Welterweights — Pvt. John Wong of San Francisco, Plat. 245, defeated Pvt. Thomas Patrick of Denver, Colo., Plat. 250; Pvt. Ross Murray of Nashville, Tenn., SSS, defeated Pvt. John Smith of Cleveland, Plat. 237; Pvt. Leo Ford of Rock Island, Ill., Plat. 259, defeated Pvt. John Wozniak of Grand Rapids, Mich., Plat. 252.

Bantamweights — Pvt. Anthony Almon of Franklin, La., SSS, defeated Pvt. William Reynolds of Dallas, Tex., Plat. 260.

Bulls Fan DiMaggio But Lose Ball Game

MCAS, EL TORO—Although "Jelling Joe" DiMaggio fanned twice before the slants of Pitcher Stevenson, the El Toro Bulls dropped a 5-to-0 decision to the Santa Ana Army Air Base baseball team last week-end. White and Gabler of Santa Ana checked the Marines to two hits.

This week El Toro lost to Hollywood's Coast leaguers, 7 to 3, when the Stars broke loose in the 8th inning for six runs.

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Los Angeles Meet Reveals Base Tank Team's Power

By way of driving an opening wedge in its 1944 campaign, MCB's swimming team last week picked off a first, two seconds and a third in the Southern California AAI indoor championships at Los Angeles.

The invitation and decision to compete came suddenly for the natators, who have been pointing for the annual Fletcher trophy race next Thursday night at the San Diego club, according to Capt. Edward F. Rawling, O-in-C of the Base pool.

PFC. Ken Marsh of Cedar Rapids, Ia., racked up the team's only title in the LAAC tank last week when he won the 100-yard free style in 54.5 seconds. An MCB buddy, PFC. John Harris of Jackson, Mich., was second.

SETS RECORD

Although touched out in the finals of the 200-yard free style, PFC. Joe Maslan set a meet record when he won his preliminary heat in 2:18.2. It was a new event on the program, hence the record. PFC. Cornelius Butler of MCB was third in the same race.

The Marines will move into the San Diego AC pool Thursday night at 2015 with high hopes of snatching the Fletcher trophy away from NTS when the call is sounded for 200-yard relay teams. It was the only important piece of swimming silverware to escape the crack Leatherneck splashes last season. After that comes another AAU affair at Los Angeles, on April 14, with the Marines seeking 400-yard relay honors this time.

Capt. Rawling this week issued another call for candidates and announced a new schedule for recreational swimming. To date the roster includes PFCs. Clarence Poplinski, Donald Almaraz, Ronald

Kundinger and Robert Parkhurst. The new recreational schedule follows: Weekdays, 1130 to 1300, 1600 to 1800, for men only. Sundays, 0900 to 1600 for men; 1500 to 1630, for women.

Capt. Bearss Wins Officer Golf Title

Capt. Omar E. Bearss won the MCB officers' March golf tournament this week when he defeated Capt. Edward F. Hawling, 2 and 1, in the match play finals. Capt. Bearss won from Capt. Melvin H. Hass, 3 and 1, and Capt. Rawling eliminated Col. W. E. James, 4 and 3, in the semi-finals last week.

Watson Wins Prize

Three of a kind, all deuces in this instance, proved to be a good "hand" for PFC. F. H. Watson of Personnel Classification on the PX bowling alleys last week when he shot the high single, 222.

Dog owner and trainer of champions at Cleveland, 1st Lt. Clyde A. Henderson is CO of a South Pacific dog unit.

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THOSE G. I. SALTS, MGySgt. G. I. Cumshaw and Corp. Stanley Swabo, bid goodbye to their creator, GySgt. Richard Cunningham—the touching scene depicted above by The Chevron artist just before

he shoved off for other duty this week. It wasn't a final farewell, however, for GySgt. Cunningham hopes to have Swabo and Cumshaw join him after he gets squared away in his new duties—and then

they'll appear on Chevron pages again. Photo shows GySgt. Cunningham packing his seabag just before he drew the cartoon above and headed for other fields. (Photo by PFC. Herbert Alden).

Swabo Creator Packs Sea Bag, Assigned New Duty

Those two salty souls—MGySgt. G. I. Cumshaw and Corp. Stanley Swabo—whose adventures have amused and entertained Marines each week in The Chevron, will be missing from these pages—but for a few weeks only, we hope.

Their creator, GySgt. Richard W. Cunningham, who has been The Chevron's artist, packed his seabag this week and shoved off for other duty—duty where he hopes to be able to gather material for a new series on Swabo and Cumshaw.

Cunningham set some sort of record by turning in the longest period of service anyone ever had on The Chevron staff. His cartoons and illustrations have appeared on these pages since he came aboard May 16, 1942.

About a month later, he began a four-panel cartoon strip on the adventures of Stanley Swabo, who joined the Corps at that time and who has survived two promotions, big time and any number of adventures since. The women Marines freed Swabo for FMF duty, much to his delight, and it's our hope that he'll soon join his creator in a new series of adventures which will appear in The Chevron.

— shoot straight —

Grenades Useful At Chow Time

USNH, SAN DIEGO—Corp. Henry F. Turrist of Orlando, Fla., a transport man on Bougainville, had little time for chow his outfit was kept so busy hauling supplies to the front. When his main food along the trail—chili—became distasteful, he dynamited rivers and streams with hand grenades and gathered up fish for a welcome fry.

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Jap Bomb Ruins "Coffee And—"

USNH, OAKLAND—A Jap bomb exploded a few feet from a Marine truck headed for the front line positions on Bougainville with these results:

The truck overturned and spilled its load of hot coffee and doughnuts.

The driver, Corp. Ignatz Hutter of Woodbridge, N.J., had his hand badly cut. He is now recuperating here from a tropical ailment.

"Just learned my uncle died from drinking shellae. They tell me he had a fine fish."

Downpour Follows Chant Of Indian Leatherneck

By TSgt. William H. Terry, Combat Correspondent

ENIWETOK ATOLL (Delayed)—There's a time and place for everything, especially rain songs, assault Marines who fought in the Marshall Islands will tell you emphatically. It was bright and sunny out as battle-weary Marines

A sugar daddy is a form of crystallized sap.

stretched out on the weather decks of a transport, bare to their waists, after the bitter battle of Parry Island.

They wanted to relax and soak in the sun as their transport prepared to move from the atoll. Some thought of the cold, miserable rain-drenched nights they had spent shivering in foxholes as Japs counter-attacked with hand grenades and rifle fire.

The sun never had seemed so good before.

SONG STARTS DELUGE

PFC. Eugene Sekaquaptewa, an American Indian, wanting to entertain his buddies, chanted a rain song which had been passed down through his family for generations.

The Marines listened, lulled by the soothing chant.

Fifteen minutes later the sky blackened as one of those sudden downpours, typical of some portions of the Pacific, came.

— Gray Orders —

Leatherneck Office Established On Base

Leatherneck Magazine has established editorial, business and circulation offices on the first deck of Bldg. No. 1, MCB, Marines desiring to change subscription addresses to Leatherneck may do so at this office. It was announced by MTSgt. Frank X. Tolbert, NCO-in-C.

CHEVRON CHICK

Prize for her thoughts? It may be the deeper things of life she's pondering, or her last boy friend, or the auto rides she hasn't had lately. Anyway, it's a charming Master photo, posing Martha MacVicar who, by way of making it even more fetching, is featured in RKO-Radio's "Marine Raiders."

