

WE'VE AHEAD
We must fight on
more than one
year of hard fight-
ing.—Gen. Harmon

MARINE CORPS CHEVRON

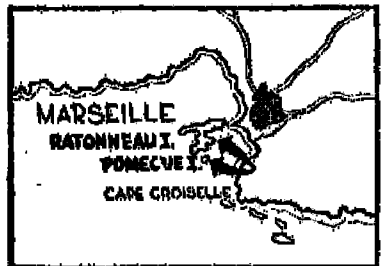
AT LAST
You have come at
last. For four years
we have waited—
Parisians to troops

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COMING HOME. Siwash, the Marine's famed Tarawa duck, is coming back to the States for a rest. (Story on this page).



MARINES HAVE LANDED. Arrows indicate small islands off southern France occupied by Leathernecks during Allied invasion. (Story on this page).



PINI U. Lee Carroll is the play-up of both Army and Navy units, but her fiancé is Marine Sgt. Sheldon E. Abrams of Cherry Point. (Story on page 2).

Language School Moves Quarters

Office of the Japanese Language School was moved this week to Bldg. 4-E, in quarters formerly occupied by 4th Cus. Co., recently disbanded. Students of the school moved from rows 39 to 40 of the tent area to the second deck of Bldg. 4-E. Two classes now are being given in Bldg. 4-E and four in Bldg. 317.

Japs Behead 51 Chamorros Before Capture Of Guam

Editor's Note.—The following dispatch is by United Press War Correspondents Charles Arnold and Mild R. Johnson who accompanied Marines in the invasion of Guam.

GUAM (Delayed) (UP)—Retreating Jap forces beheaded at least 51 native Chamorros—all members of a forced labor battalion and some of them former members of the U. S. Army—in one of the most brutal episodes of the Pacific war, it was established officially.

The authorities sought to determine the fate of 2000 to 3000 Chamorro natives.

It was considered possible that the remains of other natives may be found in remote parts of the recently reconquered island.

Witnesses attested to the nature of the atrocities. We saw 48 headless and grotesquely twisted corpses in a jungle abattoir which was discovered Aug. 8 as Marines were mopping up the Japs.

It was a ghastly spectacle which removed all doubt of the demonic barbarism of the Japs.

Elite Pacific Fighters Return Home

Brigade On Guam May Become Full Division

The Corps has no intention of increasing the number of divisions (five) now established, but there is a possibility of conversion into a full division of the 1st Prov. Mar. Brig., which participated in the recent re-capture of Guam, Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith told newspaper reporters in San Diego this week.

Gen. Smith, recently promoted to command of all Fleet Marine

Forces in the Pacific after directing the successful Gilberts, Marshalls and Marianas campaigns, stopped at his La Jolla home en route to Washington on temporary duty.

The general said the Pacific war is "ahead of schedule and the pressure is on all the time."

He tempered the bright picture by saying that "war with Japan won't end tomorrow," adding: "When we have to move against the Japs in large numbers again, we're going to lose more men."

Gen. Smith, ranked as one of the world's foremost authorities on amphibious tactics, had charge of the training of practically all amphibious units for months before the war started and for some time afterward. With an outfit of veteran Marines, he directed training of two Army divisions for the North African invasion and also directed training plans for Army troops engaged in the Aleutians operation.

Siwash, Pride Of Tarawa, Set For Homecoming

SAIPAN (Delayed)—Siwash, veteran of Tarawa, Saipan, and Tinian, is going home.

Siwash, of course, is a duck. Not just an ordinary duck, but a fighting duck. He first skyrocketed to fame at Tarawa, where he personally routed a Jap rooster just after landing with his artillery unit.

He landed a few days late at Saipan, and his benefactors blamed it on a working party aboard ship. On Tinian, though, Siwash again hit the beach D-day, and captured (you can believe this or not) a tiny Jap duck, which has followed him around ever since.

Corp. Francis J. Fagan of Chicago, Siwash's owner, said, "After I got the boys another mascot, I figured Siwash had earned a trip to the States."—Sgt. Stanford Opatowsky, combat correspondent.

New Gasoline Books Ready Next Week

New "A" books may be obtained from the Base ration board office in Bldg. 14 on or after Sept. 13 by MCB and Army EME auto owners who made application for them last week. Rifle range personnel may obtain their books from the Camp Matthews ration board office.

New books, which become valid Sept. 21, will contain 24 coupons.

Marine Writer Lost In Saipan Invasion

WASHINGTON—TSgt. Richard J. Murphy Jr., one of the first combat correspondents and former Washington Evening Star reporter, has been missing in action since June 10, when he participated in the landings on Saipan.

Marines Of Famed 2nd And 8th Regiments Back After Toughest Campaigns Against The Japanese

(See picture on page 2)

Still clad in the battle gear they wore in their last engagement with the Japs, 603 bronzed Leathernecks who fought with the elite 2nd and 8th Regts.—twice awarded the Presidential Citation—arrived back at the Base this week. The two units were cited with the 1st Div. on Guadalcanal and the 2nd Div. on Tarawa.

The captured colors of the Rising Sun were draped low out of Pullman windows as the train on which the veterans arrived pulled into San Diego and the Base. The veterans, loaded with Jap knives, samurai flags and other miscellaneous souvenirs, docked in San Francisco Monday after 26 to 30 months in the Pacific.

They were assigned to the R&R Center, West Coast, on the Base for processing and reassignment before being sent to their homes for furloughs.

The returned veterans listed among their ranks some Marines who have seen action on more islands of the Pacific than any

other fighting men of the war. In addition to Guadalcanal and Tarawa, they engaged the enemy on Saipan and Tinian.

"It's great stuff being back," said PFC Edward P. Moran of Morristown, N. J. "I'm sure happy to be in the States again, but wait until I hit Morristown!"

Many agreed that Tarawa, which fell in 76 hours, was their hardest fight.

Toughest Fight

"It was the toughest of them all," said Sgt. Palmer K. Durdahl of Northfield, Minn. "It was the shortest but the bloodiest."

Arrival at MCB was a GI homecoming for most of the men, since they trained here two and a half years ago before going overseas.

"It's changed a lot," agreed Sgt. Durdahl and PFC Moran, who were together on the Base as recruits in early 1942. It was the first time they had seen the new theater and administration building and, incidentally, the Women Reserves.

Marines Land On Isles Off France

624 Pints Of Blood Given Red Cross By MCB Marines

The largest donation of blood to any mobile unit in this area since the Blood Donor Center was established in San Diego in August, 1943, was made by MCB personnel Monday, when 624 donors gave a pint each during the Red Cross unit's second visit of the year to the Base.

A total of 670 volunteers kept their appointments at Mess "O" in RD, with 46 rejected for various reasons. Goal for the day was set at 500 pints when Capt. W. L. Irvine, (MC) USN, Base surgeon, issued the original call for volunteers.

Two months ago 415 donated blood when the unit made its first visit of the year to the Base.

90 Leathernecks Take Over When Germans Give Up

A delayed United Press dispatch has disclosed that Marines participated in last week's landings on the southern coast of France, moving ashore from a cruiser to occupy the islands of Ratonneau and Pomegues, off Marseille.

German garrisons of the two islands surrendered to the captain of an American cruiser and 90 Leathernecks went ashore as an occupational force.

A Navy communiqué said that "demolitions had been prepared but the charges were successfully removed and land mines isolated."

Seagoing Marine detachments also took part in the Allied invasion. It has been revealed that American naval forces participating in the landings were the battleships Texas, Arkansas and Nevada; heavy cruisers Quincy, Augusta and Tuscaloosa; light cruisers Brooklyn, Marblehead, Philadelphia, Cincinnati and Omaha; and escort aircraft carriers Tulagi and Kasaan Bay.



BANG! This unusual photo shows Marine gunners stopping up their ears and turning away from blinding flash as John T. ... Artillery played an important role in island warfare.

Seattle Honors Name Of Marine

SEATTLE, Aug. 31 (INS)—The name of William Westlake, 15, will soon be placed on the tall white pylon in Seattle's Victory square the second time. The pylon is reserved for the names of King County's war dead.

Two years ago a patrolman reprimanded Westlake for scribbling his name on the shaft. As he rubbed off his name he declared:

"Some day I'll be a hero and my name will be up there."

Westlake enlisted in the Marine Corps in August, 1943, became a PFC three months later and went overseas in January.

Now his mother has been informed he was killed in action on a Pacific island, and his name will be inscribed on the pylon along with 151 others.

251 Japs Killed Before Two Leathernecks Die

Two-Wave Enemy Attack Turned Back On Tinian

TINIAN (Delayed)—Two Marine machine gunners and 351 Japanese died on the first night of this battle because the two Leathernecks stuck by their guns.

They were Corp. Alfred J. Daigle of Augusta, Me., and PFC. Orville H. Showers of Merchantsville, N. Y.

Their comrades are still alive to tell the story of the two-wave enemy attack, the two guns, and the two men who manned them until they died.

Their platoon was under the command of Corp. George A. Linzenhold of Clifton, N. Y., who had taken over when his last officer became a casualty.

PAIR OUT IN FRONT

He dug in with his men to form a line across an open field where they would have a clear field of fire. PFC. Showers and Corp. Daigle were out in front on the flanks to catch the Japs in a cross-fire if they attacked.

It was a dark night, lighted only by flares shot in from ships every few minutes.

About midnight they saw the Japs moving in.

At 100 yards the two gunners opened up, piling up a row of dead. Then the Japs charged, screaming "Banzai", firing light machine guns, and throwing hand grenades tied to a string. Daigle and Showers killed most of them before they reached the main line of defense.

DEAD JAPS PILE UP

Then the second wave of Japs came in, more than 200 of them. The Marines kept firing until their guns heated up to a red glow and the Japs climbed forward over a wall of their own dead.

Daigle and Showers could have withdrawn to their own lines. They chose to stick by their guns as the Japs continued to attack, sporadically, throughout the night.

In the morning, when the battle was over, the two gunners were found dead, slumped over their weapons. Sgts. Gilbert P. Bailey of Delphi, Ind., and Charles R. Vandergrift of Cincinnati, O., combat correspondents.

Corrigan On Beam In This Landing

CAMP PENDLETON—His navigation vastly improved, Douglas (Wrong Way) Corrigan flew to Camp Pendleton this week to deliver pilots for the Douglas bombers being used in the picture, "Winged Victory," now being filmed here. Corrigan is a test pilot for Douglas Aircraft.

"Wrong Way" announced that he was going to fly from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast some years ago but landed in Ireland.

Dramatization Set For 'Halls'

The dramatized story of Capt. James Gilbert Percy, who fell 2000 feet from his plane near the Russell Islands, landed in the water and lived to tell about it, will be featured on this afternoon's presentation of the "Halls of Montezuma" radio show.

The "Halls" orchestra will present a musical salute to the Russian Marines on the show, in recognition of that organization's recent action in the Black Sea.

The program will go on the air at 1500 from the Base theater.

17 Instructors Graduate In RD

Seventeen DIs went to graduate today with the fourth class to complete the three-week course of instruction in the Drill Instructors School. Nine others enrolled Monday in the school's sixth class.

Those graduating today are: 1st Sgt. E. W. Whannop; 1st Sgt. E. Chesnut; Sgts. J. A. Dinnelly, R. E. Markham, J. J. Hoyt, E. M. Patrick, J. E. Raymond, J. W. Stevenson, Corps. N. J. Cowlin, N. A. Drake, J. B. Dunn, H. A. Evans, J. B. Tristram, J. C. McWhorter, E. E. Bonnell, R. J. Williams, W. A. Young.

Pvt.: "Do you approve of tight skirts?"

PFC: "No, I think women should leave liquor alone."



HOME AGAIN: 2nd Div. veterans of the toughest battles of the Pacific arrived here this week from San Francisco, where their ship docked. They will soon head for their homes and 30-day furloughs, following processing at the West Coast Reclassification and Redistribution Center at MCB. (Photo by PFC. Edward J. Wishin.)



BEAT ME, DADDY. Pack howitzer unit salvaged old piano from ruins of Agat on Guam. It's out of tune, but Corp. Philip Mancini of Milford, Mass., makes with some tropical boogie, much to the delight of a group of buddies.

Army Pinup Favorite Sold On Leatherneck Fiancee

MCAS, CHERRY POINT—Winsome, brunette Lee Carroll, Chicago OPA receptionist who occasionally doubles as a model, was duly flattered when an Army infantry unit in Europe named her their favorite pin-up lass, but she just didn't have the heart to tell the "doggies" that a Leatherneck had the situation "well in hand."

For Miss Carroll is the fiancée of a fellow-Chicagoan, Sgt. Sheldon E. Abrams, an aircraft radioman attached to this station. Theirs was a romance begun in high school, carried through their student days at the Univ. of Illinois and climaxed when Miss Carroll said "Yes" to the sergeant during a recent furlough.

ed, printed a full-length portrait of Miss Carroll in the requested 1944-style bathing suit. Back came the word from her admirers that the picture had been forwarded to Australia, for entry in another Army pinup contest there.

Other admirers sprung up, too. From a bath wagon somewhere in the Pacific came a letter signed by some hundred smitten "swabbies." Miss Carroll was their pin-up, they assured her solemnly.

CONTEST WINNER

Miss Carroll, upon the "thin" she was, was selected from among the "thousands" of women of a beauty contest sponsored by Chicago OPA receptionist. A picture published in the Chicago Sun started the ball rolling.

From Europe came a letter requesting "a more suitable photo" say a photograph of her in a "bathing suit—1944 style."

Promptly the Sun's editors oblig-

Drug Treatment Of Filariasis Proves Success

From Time Magazine

A drug which attacks the parasites causing filariasis, the disease to which many jungle-fighting Leathernecks have fallen victim in the South Pacific, has been announced by the Journal of the American Medical Association.

A mosquito-borne, hitherto incurable disease, filariasis sometimes develops into elephantiasis, particularly of the scrotum. The number of military cases runs into the hundreds, mostly Marines who have been evacuated to U. S. hospitals. The Navy has described it as the "hardest single thing" facing its doctors.

NEW TREATMENT

The new treatment was developed in experiments on Virgin Islanders by Dr. Harold W. Brown of Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. He gave 12 patients daily injections of an antimony compound. In all but one case, the drug destroyed all or nearly all the microfilariae in the blood in less than a month.

A re-check four or five months after treatment showed no increase in the worms. Though the drug did not kill all the mother filariae in the glands, Dr. Brown thinks that repeated treatments, killing their offspring, may dispose of the mothers, too.

Pacific Searched For Marine's Dog

WASHINGTON—A Marine and the nondescript pup he loved were separated by the Saipan campaign and death. The Marine, a tankman in the 4th Div., was killed, and the pup is now the object of a Pacific-wide search.

The pup, "Hector," was the constant companion of PFC. Robert H. Dennis of Peoria, Ill. Upon notification of their son's death, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Dennis of the OPA set to find the dog.

Program Of Music Stated For Base

Hammer Ensemble of professional musicians from Hollywood has been scheduled to play in the Base Theater next Friday at 2000. Vocal soloist will be Miss George-Ellen Ferguson, who will offer ballads from Victor Herbert and Gerishwin operettas.



SAIPAN RECRUITER. Leathernecks were first startled then amused at discovery of a Marine recruiting poster on a building in Garapan. From left, PFC. Harvey E. Miller of Elkhart, Ind., Corp. James F. Tullet of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., PFC. William Holloway of Ruston, La.

Japanese Saipan Civilians Refuse Surrender Plea, Commit Suicide

USNH, OAKLAND—Japanese civilians, including women with children strapped to their backs, deliberately walked off cliffs or waded out into the swirling water off Marpi Point on Saipan rather than surrender to Marines even though they had been assured they wouldn't be harmed if they behaved themselves.

"I'll never forget that sight," said Sgt. John L. Meeks of Madison, Ga., in telling about the mass suicides.

Sgt. Meeks was wounded in the shoulder by a Jap sniper a few hours after organized Jap resistance ended July 8.

"Our interpreters made it plain to the Jap civilians and soldiers that they wouldn't be harmed if they surrendered, but they wouldn't believe us," the sergeant said.

"Jap soldiers were mixed in with the civilians and as they were not firing on us at the time we held our fire and pleaded with them to give up as we didn't care about firing on a group where there were so many women and children.

"Some 50 or more civilians and soldiers suddenly split into two groups near a cliff about 10 or 15 feet high at the water's edge. Suddenly there was an explosion in

the midst of the group and those who didn't fall made a beeline for the cliff and jumped off into the water. A hand grenade had plainly been exploded by some Jap.

"Those in the other group watched from a distance. Then they started toward the cliff. Some jumped off; others kept walking until they got to the beach.

"We were particularly interested in the actions of three women.

They talked for a few moments and then after clasping hands they deliberately walked into the surf. They seemed to change their minds after the waves caught them, but they acted a bit too late as the last we saw of them they were being swept out to sea.

"We also saw some women with children strapped to their backs wade into the water and drown themselves."

'Communi-Marines' Keep Battle Life-Lines Open

The backbone of successful military command is signal communications. Keeping these "life-lines" of Marine assault echelons successfully operating is the job of the "Communi-Marine," who gets his field training at the Field Sig. Bn., Camp Pendleton. An average of 275 Marines are graduated from the signal combat school and 60 from the message center school every 240-hour course. Versatility, exemplified in these pictures, is keynote of modern communications.



TELEGRAPH. When wires can be laid, this sending and receiving set is quickly dug in and put to use, as demonstrated by PFC. Frank J. Thomas of Brownville, Neb.



TELEPHONE. Well camouflaged and dug in, Pvt. Joseph J. McGovern of New York City shows what his job as a switchboard operator will be under combat conditions.



RADIO. Taking messages in omnipresent jeep is PFC. Joe J. Strahl, Iroquois, Ill. TSgt. Walter Wroblewski of Niagara Falls, N. Y., looks on. Walkie-talkies are also used.



SEMAPHORE. Indispensable when other agencies are taxed are methods of visual communications. Handling colored flags is PFC. Zack Brantles of Ellwood City, Pa.

'Looks' Needed By Stretcher Bearer

GUAM (Delayed) For 16 hours, the young private with the curly, blond hair lay wounded and silent in the front lines of the Marine bridgehead.

Finally, three men from his company took him onto a stretcher during a lull in the firing and started him to the dressing sta-

tion. The youngster began to gripe. "What's the matter, kid?" his buddies asked him.

"Aw! How'd you like to lie here wounded all day long and then have three ugly guys like you come along to carry you back?" demanded the Marine.—TSgt. Jeremiah A. O'Leary, combat correspondent.

Medals Go To Parents

President Makes Posthumous Awards At White House

Pres. Roosevelt recently presented six Congressional Medals of Honor at the largest ceremony of its kind held in the White House since the war began. It brought the total of the nation's highest award to 111 for this war. Army men have won 53 while 58 have gone to Navy, Marine and Coast Guard personnel.

Two of the six medals were awarded posthumously and were received by the families of Marines who won them at the cost of their lives in Pacific campaigns. They were 1st Lt. William D. Hawkins of El Paso, whose medal was received by his mother, Mrs. C. Jane Hawkins, and 1st Lt. George F. Power of Worcester, Mass., whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Power, accepted his medal.

A White House statement said that "few deeds of heroism in the present war rank with those that won the highest of American battle honors for Lt. Hawkins".

One of the first Marines to land on Tarawa, he continued to lead his scout sniper platoon despite a shrapnel wound and even kept fighting some time later when he was more seriously wounded in the chest.

Pair In Every Major Battle

MB, MARIE ISLAND N.Y.—Two Marines who, aboard aircraft carriers, have taken part in all major engagements of the Pacific war except for the Guam battle, have been returned here for flight training.

Both Corps. Baxter C. Berry of Fort Adams, Miss., and Richard F. Justen of McHenry, Ill., agreed that the Santa Cruz battle, in which their ship received the Presidential Unit Citation, was about the hottest action of them all.

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By Sgt. Bryan Putnam
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The front lines are some 100 yards from the outpost where I'm writing this story. It took us two hours and 10 minutes since the assault waves crossed the reef reefs.

Our reconnaissance party left the transport at 0620 and went to a sub-chaser which was acting as control ship for the assault waves.

HAVY BOMBARDMENT

Carrier planes bombarded and strafed the beaches and high ground and warships stood off the harbor and blasted away at the beaches until almost 11:00 a.m., which was 0830. About 0715 the amphibious tractors loaded with first wave Marines jockeyed into position about our sub-chaser, waiting for the word to go in.

The barrage was lifted just before the amtracs crawled across the coral and onto the beach. They put very little mortar or artillery fire. Planes are swarming overhead, but we don't even have to look up to know that they are on. The Japs haven't put a plane in

'Water Weasel' Designed To Operate Against Japs

ATREUBEN PROVING GROUNDS, Md., Sept. 3 (AP)—The first public demonstration of a new lightweight amphibious cargo carrier—the "Water Weasel"—designed specifically for use against the Japanese in swampy islands of the Pacific, was made today by the War Dept.

An indication that much of the nation's ingenuity in war material manufacture is now being turned toward defeat of Japan was also gleaned from release of details on the "jungle mortar," a 60mm. weapon weighing 20 pounds which can be carried easily by one man through thick jungle cover.

The "Water Weasel" 14½ feet long and slightly more than four feet high is outfitted to transport a driver and three passengers of supplies speedily over boggy swamplands.

A demonstration of the vehicle, now in production, showed it able to navigate quagmires where jumbo trucks

Singing Of Leatherneck Song Safety Precaution

TINIAN (Delayed)—A man never knows when a working knowledge of the tune and words of "The Marine's Hymn" might come in handy.

Take the case of 2d Lts. Moises Diaz of Jerome, N. M., and Albert J. Hauske of Forest Grove, Ore.

Just as they were going to sleep a company commander called from the front line, asking them to come up.

Handiest transportation was a captured Jap motorcycle with sidecar. Riding along a road at night in a battle sector is not always

the safest kind of amusement, especially when you're driving an enemy vehicle.

That's where the Marines' Hymn came in. Diaz and Hauske sang and whistled it mightily all the way to the front and got a shot was fired at them.—Sgt. Maynard Supt. combat correspondent.

Leatherneck Machine Gun Squad Halts Jap Attack

TINIAN (Delayed)—A casualty-depleted machine gun squad led by PFC. Richard Eubanks of Monrovia, Cal., killed more than 200 Japanese during the Saipan-Tinian operations, the Leatherneck's CO disclosed.

Capt. Bruce L. Coburn of Vicksburg, Mich., said Eubanks "repeatedly rallied his squad during desperate counter-attacks by the Japs" and kept a withering fire pouring into the ranks of the enemy.

Eubanks assumed leadership of the squad when its two NCOs were hit in earlier fighting.

He is also credited with taking charge of an amphibian tractor bearing him and other Marines to

Saipan's shore on D-Day and successfully landing the craft after its CO had been killed and its driver wounded by Jap shell fire.—Sgt. Vic Kalman, combat correspondent.

Blonde: "That sergeant isn't exactly polished when you go waltzing with him in the park, is he?"

Bronette: "No, you're liable to find him a little rough around the edges."

Mortar Writes '30' To Story Of Guam

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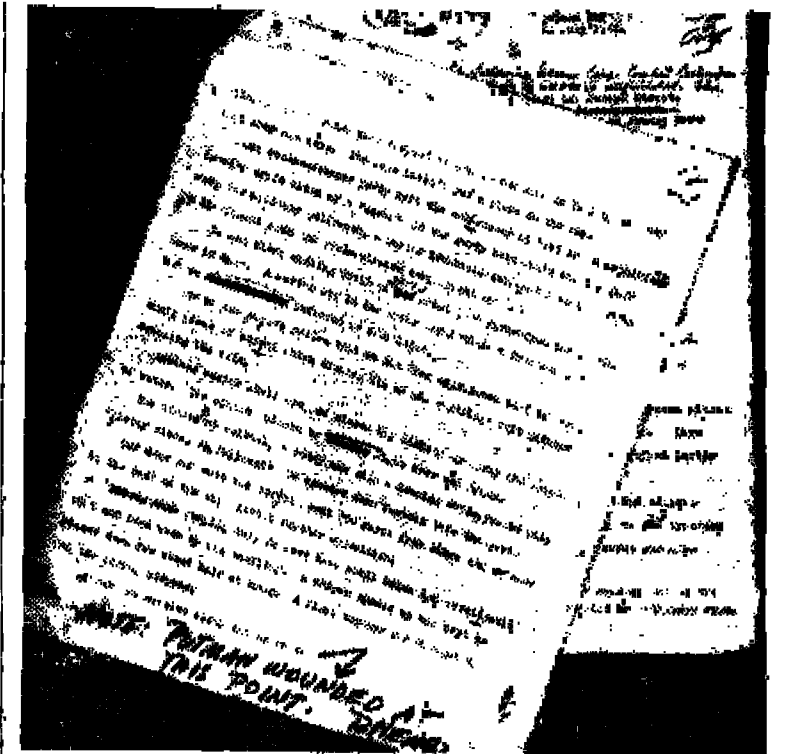
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UNFINISHED. This was the note of copy Sgt. Bryan Putnam, combat correspondent, was writing on Guam when wounded. PRO inserted explanatory note at end.

the sky.

Our reconnaissance party left the sub-chaser at 0915 in a "duck." We had clear sailing until we were about 1000 yards from the beach. Then it came. A mortar hit in the water about 50 feet away but we suffered no casualties.

Another mortar shell dropped close by, kicking up spray and sheets of water. Two others whizzed by right over our heads.

This duck ran onto the coral about 200 yards from shore and we

made it the rest of the way without further opposition.

Jumping out, we dove into sand holes and revetments. A sniper opened up and kept us pinned down for about half an hour. A flame thrower was brought up and the firing stopped.

We ran and crawled along the beach to... (At this point a note was inserted by Capt. Raymond Henri, PRO, stating that Putnam was wounded and had been evacuated to a hospital ship.)



MTSgt. JENKINS
... Aviation veteran

Second Ranking Aviation MTSgt. At North Island

NORTH ISLAND MTSgt. Clyde H. (Pop) Jenkins, who has dodged bullets aplenty during 28 colorful years as a Leatherneck, has done much toward making Marine Aviation one of the hardest hitting fighting forces in the world.

He was under fire of blazing guns of Jap fighters at Pearl Harbor, and from 1916 to 1920 was a target on numerous occasions for bandit bullets during the Santo Domingo campaign.

The second ranking master technical sergeant in Marine Aviation for years of service, he now is NCO-in-C of all mechanical work on aircraft and engines at Hq. Sq. MarFair West.

TROUBLE COMING

MTSgt. Jenkins enlisted in July, 1916, because he believed that trouble with Mexico and Germany was imminent. In 1925 he transferred to aviation at Quantico after a varied career which took him to Santo Domingo as an artilleryman, a post exchange steward and an infantryman, then to Parris Island as a prison guard, to Haiti as an infantryman and later to Hawaiian waters in 1925 as head of the message center for the 1st Mar. Brig. during Army and Navy joint maneuvers.

In 1935 he became leading chief of the original Marine dive bombing squadron, VMS-1. He served with Maj. Gen. Ross E. Howell and Col. Lawson H. M. Sanderson Jr., the pair credited with originating dive bombing.

Write Them

Editor's note: Names and addresses of persons seeking information at the present address of their relatives or friends in the Corps will be published weekly in this column.

Information is sought by the following:

- Mrs. Fred Weber, RFD No. 1, Vero, Ill., about her son, PFC Henry Weber, killed on Saipan.
- Mrs. Margaret E. Burkhardt, 1645 W. Blackadore Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., about her son, PFC Robert A. Burkhardt, killed on Saipan.
- Mrs. and Mrs. Floyd Jensen, 2661 W. 154th St., Gardena, Calif., about their son, PFC Roy Lee Jensen, killed on Guadalcanal June 13, 1944.
- W. N. Hastings, 429 S. Orchard Dr., Burbank, Cal., would like to contact PFC Bill Vackley of Santa Ana, Cal., a buddy of his son, PFC Jack Hastings, who died of wounds.
- Letter A. Kelly, 114 Newark Ave., Jersey City 4, N. J., about his son, PFC Raymond J. Kelly, killed on Saipan.
- Mrs. R. W. Paslay, 3144 Ashmore, San Diego 6, Cal., about her son, PFC Edward W. Paslay, killed in action.

Present addresses of the following are sought:

- PFC Robert Gough, last heard from in San Diego by Thomas W. Sawyer, 2182 Loma Vista Pasadena 7, Cal.
- Any Marines who served in Marine Corps Headquarters in China during 1927 and in 1938 by PFC Walter O. Waples, 1410 14th St., New York 17, N. Y.
- PFC Melvin T. Daniel, last known to be at Camp Pendleton, by Mrs. Marie Daniel, 10, 4 Ave. 360, Bala Cynwyd, Pa.

If heaven protects the working girl, who protects the guy she's working?

Big Irishman Piles Up Dead Japs

By Staff Sgt. James E. Hagar
Combat Correspondent
GUAM (Delayed)—Last night, before the counter-attack started, Corp. Martin J. Scanlon was just a strong-voiced, big-bodied Irishman from Pittsburgh, Pa. This morning, he is a legend.

They'll never know just how many Japs he killed. His officer, 2d Lt. William H. Grissim of Brentwood, Tenn., says the 4-ft. 3 in. Irishman got at least 20, "but it

may have been 40 and it may have been 50. All we know is that all night long he lifted his big body onto the crest of the hill, cursed the Japs, and killed them."

They do know that Corp. Scanlon left a large stack of dead Japs in front of him. Wounded, he slung a 200-lb. comrade over his shoulder and set off down an almost sheer cliff toward the aid station. He got within 50 yards of his destination before he collapsed.

The story of Corp. Scanlon was told by Lt. Grissim after the big Irishman was evacuated. He was a member of Lt. Grissim's team of artillery forward observers who landed with Marine assault troops and pushed forward to a hill the first afternoon.

"That was our perimeter for the first night," said Lt. Grissim. "Some of the men crossed the crest to dig in. The Japs, 100 yards away on the other side of the sky-

line, picked them off as they crossed. We huddled on the reverse slope of the hill and waited for the Japs to crawl up at us. We couldn't see them.

"We got some artillery fire down. If the shells were to land among the Japs just over the hill, they had to skim the crest. They were parting our hair. I swear that if you reached up, you could have picked our shells out of the air as they sailed over us.

"The Japs came the first time at 2000. They crawled up, unobserved, to about 2 or 10 yards of the crest and lobbed grenades at us. All of my artillery were manning the line. We couldn't spare anybody.

USED MANY WEAPONS

"When the Japs started shouting, Corp. Scanlon picked up a weapon. I don't know what it was because he used everything that night. I never saw anything like it. He just fired all night long. First he'd use a Garand. Then a BAR would be near by, so he'd pick that up and pour lead into the Japs. Grenades were his treat.

"There were no foxholes. You just dug yourself a little hole for your feet, stood against the cliff and waited for the Japs. Even when we fired star shells to illuminate the Japs, he'd stand up, scream at the top of his voice, and shoot away. He sparked everybody that night.

"They'd pass the word, 'Watch out, here they come.' Corp. Scanlon would grab a weapon and let go. How can you tell how many men a guy like that killed?"

MARINE LINE THIN

Just before dawn, the Japs tried again to break through the pitifully thin Marine line. Lt. Grissim called his artillery position and asked how many rounds of ammunition were left. "Fifty," he was told.

"There was no chance of holding them off with 50 rounds," he said. "So we dropped back to the next crest, and then Scanlon was hit with a grenade.

"Ottrock (PFC Leo Ottrock of Farrell, Pa.) had a bad leg wound. Scanlon picked him up, tossed him over his shoulder and started back with him.

"Scanlon brought Ottrock over some of the toughest country I've ever seen. Somehow, he got himself and Ottrock down a slippery, sheer 40-foot cliff. He was about 50 yards from our CP when he collapsed."

FMF Head Lauds 3rd Div. Engineers

Record Operation Smoothest Yet, Says Gen. Smith

GUAM (Delayed)—The rapidity with which supplies were transferred from ship to shore during the initial phase of the invasion of Guam by engineers of the 3rd Mar. Div. won the praise of Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith, commander of all land operations in the Marianas Islands.

After he made a tour of inspection ashore, he was quoted as having said that the shore party operations were the smoothest that had ever been accomplished in the Pacific. Besides supplying half the personnel, the engineers supervised these operations.

The total tonnage of supplies unloaded established a record for Marine amphibious operations.

The engineers, commanded by Lt. Col. Robert E. Foxt of Snook, Tex., were assisted in their shore party work by Seabees and other elements of the 3rd Div. Sgt. Harold A. Broad, combat correspondent.



BOSSSES. Two top Marines, Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith (left), commanding general of FMF, Pacific, and A. A. Vandegrift, Commandant, confer within a few minutes after latter arrived on captured airfield on Orote Peninsula.

Thirst Of Marines Knows No Bounds

CAMP LEJEUNE Marines at this base have an unusual thirst! Picture one of Lejeune's three new swimming pools, 150 feet long, 60 feet wide, four to 12 feet deep. Now picture 15 such pools brimming over with milk, coffee, tea, fruit juices, beer and soft drinks. Marines here consume that much during one year.

Warning Issued On Car Sale Prices

MCB auto owners were reminded by the Base ration board this week that they are permitted to sell their cars for the "as is" selling price only. Dealers who maintain repair shops and are able to give warranties of 1000 miles or one month's service to the purchaser may charge 25 per cent more than the "as is" selling price. Many private owners appear to be of the opinion that they can charge ceilings comparable to those advertised by dealers, it was pointed out.

Marines Prepared To Meet Chemical Warfare Attack

If in desperation the Japanese resort to a campaign of chemical warfare as they are pushed back into their empire's "inner citadel," Marines will know how to meet the attack, it was pointed out this week by Maj. William Ronaldson, Base security and chemical warfare officer.

In preparation for such an eventuality, Leathernecks have been well grounded in the facts of gas warfare and NCOs have passed on their experience to privates and PFCs, giving practically all Marines a working knowledge of the subject, it was pointed out.

Though the possibility now seems remote, Maj. Ronaldson said, it is still possible that the west coast could be attacked by gas. For preparedness sake, Maj. Ronaldson has scheduled the next in his series of one-week Base courses in chemical warfare to start Sept. 18.



GUAM CHOW. Shortly after their first landing on Guam's Orote Peninsula airstrip, veteran fighter pilots eat C-47s while seated on Jap torpedo. From left: 1st Lt. Howard F. Meyer, Long Island, N. Y.; Paul E. Trapnell, Lancaster, Pa.; and Robert M. Kanagan, Long Island, N. Y.

\$500 Story Prize Set

Corps Magazine Contest Open To All Leathernecks

A \$500 prize will be awarded by the Marine Corps Gazette for the best article on any military subject of current interest submitted by Oct. 15. The contest is open to all Marines on active duty.

The article should be 2500 to 6000 words in length and, where required, be accompanied by glossy photographs or sketches of maps and diagrams. All manuscripts should be cleared through the local security officer and bear his stamp.

PUBLICATION DATE

The prize-winning article will be published in the January, 1945, issue of the Gazette. Though only one prize is offered, other articles will be accepted and paid for on the customary space rate basis.

Contest judges will be the Director Div. of Plans and Policies; Director Div. of Aviation; Director Div. of Public Relations; Commandant, Marine Corps Schools; and Editor, the Marine Corps Gazette.

Manuscripts should be mailed to the contest editor at 121 14th St., N.W., Washington 5, D. C.

Meet the CHAMPS

Quantico Marine Pistol Marksmen Shatter Fourteen World's Records

Mobile Unit To Visit Pendleton Once Each Month



UNBEATEN, Quantico's world championship pistol team holds records galore. From left, seated: Maj. Walter R. Walsh, Maj. Gen. Philip H. Torrey and Sgt. David Dalton. Standing: WO. C. A. Brown, Capt. Philip C. Roettinger and 1st Lt. T. E. Barrier. All hold individual records.

Trophies, New Marks Pile Up As Leatherneck Sharpshooters Take On All Comers In Big Tournaments

MB, QUANTICO—The Quantico Marine World's Championship Pistol Team remains undefeated, with victories over Army, Navy and civilian clubs.

In the past 18 months of competition eight individual and six team world's records have been shattered by the Quantico sharpshooters.

In recent months, the champions, coached by WO. C. A. Brown, defeated West Point, 1377-1365, and the Midettes from Annapolis, 1385-1247. Annexing further honors, the team went to Charlotte, N. C., in February and not only won 40 of the 63 medals offered and copped all the trophies.

In matches at Bethpage, L. I., and in the Maryland Revolver and Pistol Championships, the team annexed 7 trophies, 13 plaques, more than 110 medals and broke three world's records.

TEAM SETS RECORD

In January, 1943, the team, competing with the U. S. Naval Academy, established a new 50-shot National Match Course indoor record with the .22 cal. pistol, shooting 1132 out of a possible 1200. Members of this four-man team were WO. Brown, Capt. H. W. Reeves and Maj. W. R. Walsh and E. O. Swanson.

In the Sparrows Point Matches June 20, 1943, Capt. H. W. Reeves, 1st Lt. T. E. Barrier, WO. Brown and Capt. A. Shapiro established a new Service Record over the National Match Course with .22 cal. pistols, by firing a high 1161 out of a possible 1200. In the same match, Capt. H. W. Reeves, using a .45 cal. pistol on the Camp Perry Course, shot 297 out of 300 to ring up a new national record.

On Sept. 12, 1943, in the Holmesberg, Pa., matches, Lt. Barrier, Capt. Reeves and Shapiro and WO. Brown established a new national record over the NRA short course with center-fire revolver. Score: 1144 out of 1200.

1st Lt. Barrier, shooting the .22 cal. pistol, 20 shots slow fire at 50 yards, tied the service record for this course with 195 out of 200.

MARKS SHATTERED

In the Quantico Post Pistol Championships Nov. 7, 1943, the Quantico Marines broke one team record and two individual records. Capt. Shapiro, Maj. Swanson, Lt. Barrier and WO. Brown established a new national record with the .45 cal. pistol over the Camp Perry Course, with 1127 out of a possible

1200. That same afternoon, Maj. Swanson marked a new Individual Service Record in the 20-shot, slow-fire match on the reduced slow-fire target, with a .22 cal. pistol by shooting 188 out of 200. WO. Brown, using a .22 cal. pistol over the short NRA course, established a new National and Service record. Score: 296 out of 300.

In the Charlotte Indoor Pistol Meet this year, WO. Brown and 1st Sgt. E. C. Zimmer established a new 25-yard, 20-shot, slow fire National Service Gallery Record with the .22 cal. pistol, with 198 out of 200. 1st Sgt. E. C. Zimmer tied the 20-shot National Gallery Slow-Fire record on the reduced, slow-fire target by shooting 188 out of 200. Establishing a new National and Service record over the short NRA Gallery Course, with a .22 cal. pistol, Lt. Barrier shot a high 395 score out of 400.

In the Sparrows Point Matches the team established a new service record over the National Match Course.

CAMP PENDLETON—Tentative arrangements have been made for the Red Cross mobile blood donor unit to visit this camp on the last Monday of each month, according to Capt. R. R. Doss, (MC) USN, area surgeon.

On the mobile unit's Aug. 28 visit to Camp Pendleton, 603 Leather-

CORRECTION

The recent donation of 603 pints of blood to the Red Cross mobile unit on its visit to Camp Pendleton was mistakenly credited to personnel of MCAD, Miramar, in last week's edition of The Chevron.

Though Leathernecks at Miramar also have generously contributed their blood, the record of 603 pints for a single mass donation goes to Camp Pendleton.

necks under command of Maj. Cornelius C. Smith Jr., donated a pint of blood each. Capt. Doss complimented the donors and the medical personnel attached to the dispensary used by the ARC unit for their assistance and cooperation.

Pvt.: "Who's the gal with the French heels?"

Sgt.: "She's my sister and those guy's ain't French. They're a couple of Texas platoon commanders."



JAP TARGET. Marine quartet spent two days off Saipan under heavy Jap fire guiding assault landing craft ashore. From left: PFC's Robert J. Woods and Harold E. Harvey, 2d Lt. Edwin W. Rice and PFC Dale W. Canfield.

Marines Exposed Two Days Directing Landing Boats

SAIPAN (Delayed)—It's one thing to fight the Japanese, but it's another to sit out in a boat and let them fire at you. That's exactly what one group of Marines did for two days during the invasion of this island.

Their job was to help get the transports and Higgins boats ashore and they played just behind the coral reefs surrounding the island about a half mile from shore. There they were subjected for two days to Japanese mortar and artillery shells which constantly fell near their boat.

The Marines, all members of the veteran 2nd Mar. Div., are 2d Lt. Edwin W. Rice of Nacogdoches, Tex., and Baton Rouge, La., and PFC Robert J. Woods of Croton-on-the-Hudson, N. Y., Harold E. Harvey of Decatur, Ill., and Dale W. Canfield of Marine, Ill.

EXPOSED TARGET

Leaving the ship before the first waves of Marines, they directed the boats for two days. Not an hour passed without their being a target for Jap artillery.

Lt. Rice and his men were asked by a pilot of a convoy of boats carrying much needed supplies whether they could get into the beach

through the heavy Japanese artillery fire.

"Follow us," said Lt. Rice. Then started a race for the beach with the Japs trying to sink the boats and the Marines trying to get in before they were hit. Only a few of the boats were sunk, the majority reaching shore with their badly needed supplies.—Staff Sgt. Jack Pepper, combat correspondent.

(Editor's note—Lt. Rice, who was then a private, was a reporter for the Chevron during the first months of its existence in 1942.)

Marine Corps League Names New Leader

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 3 (AP)—Allan Stevenson of Utica, N. Y., yesterday was elected national commandant of the Marine Corps League as the organization completed its 10th anniversary. He will succeed Thomas Ward of Chicago and 17

With Marines In Battle . . .

USNI, SAN LEANDRO, Cal. Japs made a break-through on Guam and when they were driven back left about 40 snipers in reinforced positions to pick off Marine officers, said Capt. Kenneth G. Bayne of Orange City, Ia. Bayne and snipers on Saipan enabled Marines to spot Japs sneaking up in night attacks and "helped save a lot of lives," said PFC Harold P. Berry of Sterling, Colo. "Preparing always on Gloucester while one waited for the whistle of a shell or the swoosh of a bomb didn't make the job of cooking a pleasant one," recalls Sgt. Kenneth M. Andrews of New Bedford, Mass.

JAP INJECTION GOOD

USNI, OAKLAND—Just about everything, including the fleas, favored Japs on Gloucester, according to Corp. James P. Hurlwig of Brooklyn, N. Y. Corp. Earl A. Chubman of Choctaw, Okla., stepped into quicksand on Saipan and sank to his waist before managing to free himself. When three Japs jumped into a foxhole with a sergeant major on Saipan, he knifed one and machine-gunned the other two, reports PFC John J. Solari of Somerville, Mass. PFC John W. Hunt of Dayton, O., was one of the Marines wounded by Jap snipers after Saipan was declared secured.

DOCTORS QUICK WITTED

A Marine whose face and throat were torn away by a Jap shell owes his life to two quick-thinking Navy doctors—Dr. Charles Sledge of New Bern, N. C., and Leonard Houch of St. Louis, Mo., who jibed a glass sulfa tube to give him a temporary whistle.

Sgt. Robert B. Allen of Monticello, Ore., has been highly praised for rescuing, under enemy fire, two wounded Marines lying some 50 yards in front of Marines.

After the Japs on Saipan, Sgt. Arthur A. M. Sedgwick of La Salle, Ill., says there were not only a lot more Japs in contact with the Marines than on Kwajalein, but that he saw some really "big fellows."

SAIPAN (Delayed)—PFC George Holtrick of Detroit finds his regular job as cook pretty tame. He went ashore with a machine gun squad and participated in heavy beach fighting, then volunteered as driver of an ambulance.

PFC Charles W. Harris of San Diego has been highly praised for taking command of a platoon when its officer was wounded and guiding it through this campaign. PFC John E. Baxter spent two years in the Pacific war area before getting a shot at a Jap sniper. "Within 10 minutes here, he had three to his credit. Jap prisoners attacked three Japs over American caps," reports 1st Lt. Erling J. Logan of Esmond, N. D.



Harris



CLOSE CALL. PFC Rob. J. Woods (right) of Fort Clayton, O., one of first Marines returned to USNI, San Diego, from Guam, shows 82/c. William J. Gardner of Hutchinson, Kan., hole torn in his helmet by Jap MG bullet.

Courage Of Marine Dogs Saves Many Leatherneck Lives In Guam Battle

Once Accustomed To Battle Noise, Devildogs Prove Invaluable In Ferreting Out Hidden Jap Snipers

By TSgt. Thro. C. Link, Combat Correspondent

ASAN BEACH, Guam (Delayed)—Marine dogs have played an outstanding part in the action of this sector, proving invaluable as scouts, and assisting their handlers in smoking out Jap snipers. Their courage and devotion to duty under fire have resulted in saving many Marine lives.

Here is the story of Emmy, a Doberman-Pinscher scout, who refused to go into a patch of sword grass on Niduat Ridge. Surrounding it, Marines flushed a Jap sniper who had killed one of our men. Emmy, owned by Maj. E. A. Koerner of Chicago, is known as "glamour girl" of the dog contingent in action here.

HANDLER KILLED

PFC. Leon M. Ashton of Franklin, Vt., was killed when he volunteered to search out, with Ginger, his crack Doberman, a sniper who was harassing the CP. Ginger is owned by Andrew Bartolomeo of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Wounded in the same action was PFC. Donald L. Rydigg of Akron, O., handler of Spike, another Doberman scout, owned by T. S. Forembe of Cleveland, O.

2d Lt. William T. Taylor of Union, La., CO of the dog contingent, and W. W. Putney of Farmville, Va., veterinarian, are proud of their charges. They are used for patrols during the day and guard duty at night. While some of the dogs have been nervous under the heavy shell fire, they soon calm down and show the results of their rigid training.

WOUNDED TRACING JAP

Lucky, who is well named, was wounded when he and his handler ran down a Jap patrol. The handler, PFC. Edward H. Topka of Canonsburg, Pa., was killed. Lucky, who is owned by Henry G. Heinrichs of Long Island, N. Y., is recovering and will be back in action as soon as a handler can be found.

Tippy, an Eskimo husky owned by Victor Lunardini of Chicago, was turned head over heels by a mortar shell burst, but was back on the job in a few hours. Cappy, owned by Natalie Simon of Washington, D. C., was also picked by mortar fire, but after receiving first aid is in action again.

Cookie has been performing outstanding work as a messenger and is already a veteran. Owned by Rudolph Amer of Piqua, O., she is handled by PFC. Edgar Huffman of Warren, O.

Tubby, a German shepherd owned



DOG ON GUAM
... moves up to the front

by Lee Raymond of Ridgely, Wash., was guarding a regimental CP when he alerted to a cave near camp. Four Japs were found there, but they killed themselves with grenades before the Marines could get to them.

Rusty, a Doberman owned by Everett E. Haines of Harvey, Ill., pointed out three Japs on a ridge and Marines got two of them.

Dusty, a dark Chesapeake retriever owned by H. E. Knoll of St. Croix Falls, Wis., smelled two Jap snipers in a tree. They were shot down.

Butch, a Doberman scout, has done a fine job in tracking down Japs in caves and on the wooded hills. He is owned by Walter Dipping of Chicago.

Marines are proud of their "devildogs," brag of their feats, and return loyalty for loyalty in handling them.

USO Girl: "I'm Aloha, the hula hula dancer."
Pvt.: "Shake."

Squadron's Dog Oldest Member Of Organization

SOMEWHERE IN THE GILBERTS (Delayed)—The senior member of this squadron is neither CO nor pilot, sergeant major nor mechanic. The senior member is Lady, a canine matriarch of indescribable breed and indisputable talent.

Lady has been with the outfit for two and a half years. She's traveled approximately 4100 miles around the Pacific, a good share of them by plane, survived a Jap bombing, and raised two families in between times. On the side she maintains a reputation as the "clearest damn dog in the Pacific."

Known familiarly as "puka", Samoan for fat, she was adopted by the squadron as a puppy in British Samoa early in 1942. Since then the entire personnel of the unit has changed — but Lady has remained.

She went through the Feb. 12 bombing of Hoi in a fox-hole, frantically digging her own fox-hole within a fox-hole while the bombs fell.—Sgt. Robert W. Harvey, combat correspondent.

Recruit Platoon Near Perfect On Matthews Range

CAMP MATTHEWS—High qualification mark among platoons at this rifle range last week was the 95.7 per cent turned in by Plat. 768, which dropped but three of its 70 men. PFC. Charles M. Thornell coached the platoon on the school range and PFC. A. S. Barlsch served as DI.

Runner-up platoon was 768, with a mark of 94.3 per cent. PFC. Gail D. Brooks was its coach and Pfc. L. A. Guldry its DI. Average qualification for all recruits who fired last week was 93.1 per cent.

High individual score of the week was the 320 fired by Pvt. Robert W. Turner of Plat. 768 and Pine City, Minn. A card of 317 was turned in by Pvt. Billy J. Vincent of Plat. 768 and N. Springfield, Utah, and one of 316 by Pvt. Frank C. Preston of Plat. 765 and Oakland, Cal.

Jobs Permanent For Reserves

Transfers of WRs will not be authorized as a general policy since they are assigned on a basis of where they will best serve the needs of the Corps, it was announced in Ltr. of Inst. No. 818.

The letter pointed out that preference as to type and location of job is given consideration where possible.

Exception to the general policy may be made when skills of WRs are not utilized at assigned stations, where some personal reasons arise that did not exist before enlistment, or when physical inability to perform assigned tasks exists.

No Soft Touch For Military Police At Guam

GUAM (Delayed)—So you think the Military Police have a soft touch?

The 3rd Div. MP Co. suffered casualties as high as some line companies in this invasion.

The second wave of assault troops was greeted on the beach by two MP's who came ashore with a reconnaissance party to pick a site for the division command post.

Two others, part of a perimeter defense guarding the CP occupied by Maj. Gen. Allen Hal Turnage, killed two Japs who infiltrated



Sea Bees

By Merlon Braley

Where the ice is rough, where the palms are wavy,
The Sea Bees work for the U. S. Navy.
Never resting, in calm or storm,
Over the planet the Sea Bees swarm,
Far away from their homeland hives,
From movies, neighbors and kids and wives,
So they have no queens and they have no drones
And they buzz in very masculine tones.

Craftsmen bees

On risky missions;

Draftsman bees

And electricians;

Diggers, riggers gotta be bees

Full of savvy in the Sea Bees.

They are partly gub and they're part Marine,
And they're good with a gun or a road machine,
And clever at making a motor mote
And building—and landing—a landing boat.
In fact, whatever you may require,
Is part of their business—under fire.
They toil (and battle) by day and night,
For the Sea Bees' motto is "Work AND Fight!"

Driller bees

And Diesel runners,

Killer bees

And Tommy-gunners,

Drivers, divers, husky ho-bees,

That's the nature of the Sea Bees.

They work when harried by flies—and planes,
They work when fever is in their veins
To finish anything they've begun
In half of the time that it can be done.
They lay out fields and they dig out bases
In the dim damp distance of lonely places.
Wherever the Sea Bees go, they swing
A working wallop, a fighting sting.

Swimmer bees

Who work in water,

Gruntier bees

All set for slaughter,

In the Navy's work they're key-bees

All around the world—the Sea Bees!

(From New York Times Magazine)



Sanitation Check Aids Base Mosquito Control

Marked improvement in the mosquito problem on the Base was reported this week by Pfc. Forrest Lefel of the Base sanitation office. This was attributed in part to the work of 26 members of Co. C, Base Hq. Bn., in conducting a survey in areas adjacent to the Base asking that residents remove breeding places.

Six Navy corpsmen worked with U. S. personnel on the survey which began last week and ended early this week. The men conducted a door-to-door campaign asking residents to keep fish ponds and bird baths drained, tin cans emptied and septic tanks covered.

More intensive application of sanitary methods on the Base also aided in reducing the menace.

Extension Courses Open To Marines

Marines may now apply for enrollment in college and vocational extension courses to be started in San Diego during the weeks of Sept. 18 and 25 by the Univ. of California extension division.

Bulletins and information on enrollment may be obtained at 409 Scripps Bldg., San Diego.



VARIETY. WRs have wide variety of chapeaux. Pvt. Myra Todd wears the new machine operator's cap and holds the winter service hat. Eight types of WR headgear are shown. (Photo by PFC. Chester Turk.)

Primary School Sets High Mark In Fitting Men For Service

1042 Recruits On Active Duty After Training

Low Percentage Surveyed As Result Of Schooling; Improves Reading Ability

A total of 1042 of the 1490 recruits referred to Primary School in RD for refresher courses in reading and arithmetic have been placed on active duty. It was shown this week in a summary of the school's 11 months of operation prepared by Capt. Lefroy T. Campbell, former O-in-C.

Primary School, formerly called Special School Sec., was disbanded Aug. 31 and its few remaining students transferred to 3rd Casual Co., RD. Function of the school was to teach physically and emotionally fit recruits how to read, write and use figures.

UNIT DISBANDED

Special Platoon, in which "awkward squads" were drilled and possible physically unfit or emotionally unstable recruits observed, was disbanded Aug. 25 and its remaining students also transferred to 3rd Casual Co.

Of the 88.98 per cent of Primary School students returned to duty, 71.4 per cent attained a reading ability above the fifth grade level, Capt. Campbell's report showed.

A total of 121, or 10.18 per cent, of the school's students were surveyed since it was founded Oct. 7, 1943, with 27 students on hand when the school disbanded.

STATES LISTED

Figures showing which states furnished the largest number of students were: Texas, 187; Tennessee, 102; Louisiana, 100; and Arkansas, 84.

States or countries from which the smallest number of students came were: France, Italy, and New Hampshire, one each; Montana, Nevada and Massachusetts, two each.

Special Platoon handled more than 5000 men since it was organized in November, 1942, and returned over 86 per cent in regular duty, according to the report made by Capt. Allen Rawls, NCO-in-C.

Both units effected savings in manpower and money by salvaging large numbers of recruits from inaptitude discharges, it was pointed out.

Tarawa Chaplain Now At Pendleton

CAMP PENDLETON — Lt. Francis W. Kelly, USN, of Upper Darby, Pa., who has a service record of administering to wounded and dying Leathernecks at the front back at Guadalcanal, Tulagi and Tarawa during his 20 months in the Pacific, is now assigned here as Catholic chaplain.

For the heroic manner in which the chaplain carried out his duties under shell and rifle fire after landing on Tarawa, he was awarded the Legion of Merit by Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith.

Upon return to the U. S., Lt. Kelly was assigned as an instructor at the chaplain's school, William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va., and later was transferred here at his own request.

Marines To Attend Jewish Observances

Jewish personnel of the Base will be granted special liberty to allow their participation in services of the High Holy Days, according to a Base memorandum issued this week.

All Jewish personnel who can be spared from their regular duties will be given liberty from sundown Sept. 17 to sundown Sept. 18 to observe Rosh Hashanah and from sundown Sept. 26 to sundown Sept. 27 to observe Yom Kippur.



SCRAP DRIVE. Marine salvage crews collect lost and damaged weapons on Guam battlefield. Most are Japanese but those of American make will be torn down by ordnancemen, the good parts re-assembled and re-issued.

Father and Son Serve at Same Camp

CHERRY POINT—Late in 1942, Clair C. Chamberlain, a Rochester, Minn., salesman, was notified that his son, 2d Lt. Clair C. Chamberlain, a Marine flier, had been wounded while fighting Japs in the skies over Guadalcanal.

When weeks passed without further word, the elder Chamberlain resolved to attempt to take his

son's place. So, although 48 years old, he enlisted and went through boot training at Parris Island.

Today, father and son are together at MCAS here. The senior Chamberlain is a PFC, serving as sergeant of the guard at the station's magazine area. His son, now a major, commands a fighter squadron of the 8th Air Wing.

Gunnery Training To Be Revised In Base Sea School

Sea School schedules will soon be revised to increase training in gunnery from two to three weeks and eliminate some phases of instruction no longer needed by seagoing Marines, according to Capt. J. P. LaBonte, CO. Two weeks of gunnery training will be given in RD and one week at the Navy Gunnery School, Pacific Beach.

Courses to be added at Sea School will be instruction with the Mark-4 panoramic gunnery trainer and on the 40mm. AA. single mount gun. Identification of surface ships, as well as planes, will be included in the recognition course.

Training on the 50-cal. machine gun and the study of RAIL (naval culture) will be eliminated.

GET NEW WEAPONS

New training weapons received recently and already in use are the mock-up 40mm. device for loading and firing 40mm. AA. gun shells, and the single mount 40mm. AA. gun and mount for instruction in pointing and sight training.

The new 5-inch, 33-cal. open mount, dual purpose AA. gun which arrived recently is being overhauled completely by Capt. LaBonte and PFC. Fred Grasek prior to installing.

1st Sgt. Bernard F. Milljour, who saw action at Tarawa with the 2nd Mar. Div., reported to the school as its new "top" last week.

50,000 Calls Daily

CAMP LEJEUNE—More than 50,000 telephone calls are carried daily over the city-like communication system which links every part of this widely-dispersed base. Five thousand miles of telephone wire are necessary for coverage of Lejeune's 288 square miles.



Pvt. THOMAS H. BROOKS
Whittling Marine

Fancy Figures Cut By Marine At Air Depot

MCAD, MIRAMAR—Reports from Pacific combat areas have attested to the ability of Marines to use a knife, but there is a Marine here who has won recognition for his ability to wield a knife in a peaceful manner.

He whittles. And as the shavings fall, there emerges from the block of wood artistically-done Marine figures.

The whittler is Pvt. Thomas H. Brooks of Des Moines, Ia., assigned to the Depot's construction and maintenance school paint shop as a lettering instructor.

Pvt. Brooks is a gifted whittler. His grandfather, also Thomas H. Brooks, was one of the Middle West's better known wood carvers. —St/Sgt. Ben Wahman, combat correspondent.

Gherkin Family Stunned By Military Hangover

GI Nightmare Discloses Life In Post-War Era

By GUNTHER
(Continuing Papa) GHERKIN

I had a dream last night which, while not as exciting as some nightmares I have known, was a startling peek into what might be my post-war family life. I will present it in the form of a play, as it was revealed to me.

SCENE ONE: The home of Gunther Gherkin, a former Marine, over the house lies his personal life with six sons, a daughter, two nieces and a goldfish bowl minnow. Living in this house with the family are Gherkin, his wife and three of their children: Gunther Jr., and Gunga, twin boys with the rank of sergeant, Gizma, a daughter, and Pops, and Pops Thompson. Archimedes, a French parrot, still in bottle camp. As the scene opens, then, Gherkin has just entered the children's quarters and has switched on the light.

Gherk: Hit the deck, you people! (The children leap out of their beds and stand at attention.) You people have five minutes to get washed, dressed and be ready to fall out for chow. Is that understood?

Kids: Yes, sir.

Gherk: I didn't hear nothing.

Kids: YES, SIR!

Gherk: That's better. I'll teach you people who is in charge around here.

SCENE TWO: The dining room—or mess hall—of the Gherkin home. Gherkin has just blown chow buns, and the children are marching to chow. But all is not well. Gherkin has been marched to the foot of the table, where he stands with folded arms. All the others stand at attention around the table (of food, not of organization) as Gen. Gherkin prepares to read off the erring sergeant.

Gherk: Charge! Affray and disorder, riot, rout or unlawful assembly.

Specification: One—That on or about the gizmo day of Gizma, nineteen - gizmo - gizmo, Gunga Gherkin, a sergeant attached to the Gherkin family in the capacity of a son, did willfully, on or about

1009, mount a tricycle belonging to his brother, Sgt. Gunther Gherkin Jr., without due permission, and operated said vehicle on the public streets, those streets being Walnut, Chestnut, Coconut and Cashew, endangering the life of several pedestrians.

It is further specified that Gunga ran this vehicle into a tree, and engaged in a scuffle with Sgt. Gunther over possession of this vehicle, in direct violation of Letter of Instruction 1167354A-3, which prohibits duelling between personnel of this family.

These charges and specifications having been proved by and approved by the convening authority (that's me), Sgt. Gunga is sentenced to proceed to bed this evening.



ning without supper, and to suffer a loss of allowance of one cent a week for 10 weeks, total loss of allowance not to exceed 10 cents. (Gizma blows away on, and the family sits down to dinner.)

SCENE THREE: The children are at play in the yard. Gunther Jr. and Gunga each have a platoon of small neighbor children whom they are drilling in the sun. Their cadence and commands can be heard in the house, where Gen. Gherkin is at his desk.

Gunga: All right, you knuckle-heads, get in step. You are without doubt the stupidest bunch of kids I have ever drilled. You, Junior, get your thumb out of your mouth. You're not hanging around the candy store now!

Gunth Jr. Come here, dad! What's your trouble?

Woe Voice: Sir, my diaper fell off.

Gunth Jr.: Didn't I show you people how to pin on your diapers? Voice: Yes, sir.

Gunth Jr.: I didn't hear nothing! Voice: DA DA!

Gunga: Slack teething rings! I'll teach you to drop that teething ring, lad. You'll sleep with it tonight. What? All right—head detail, fall in over here.

Gherk (leaning back in his chair and staring dreamily at the hunk-head): What a lovely family I have. So intelligent, so obedient, so GI in every respect. (Gizma comes in.)

Gizma: Gunther, I think something should be done to make the

children put something away for their future. They are getting 10 cents a week, which is more than they need now.

Gherk: I'm sure we can work out some sort of allotment plan for that. We'll have the children put a penny a day in their piggy banks. It will be purely voluntary.

Gizma: But what if they don't volunteer?

Gherk: Call them in. (She does so, and the children come in, standing at attention.) At ease. You people have just volunteered to put a penny a day in your piggy banks.

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'General Father' Awakens To Stop Earned Execution

tricycle for Christmas. Well, if you don't volunteer for this savings program, Santa might get... might be put out about it and not bring the present. Do you understand?

Gunga: Perfectly, sir. I have volunteered.

(The children do a snappy about-face and shove off, muttering cheerfully to themselves.)

Gizma: There have been some complaints about the quality of the food lately. Our family personnel doesn't seem to care for my cooking.

Gherk: I'll run up the first knuckle-head I hear boasting his gums about the chow. A few days on peas and punk will end all complaints.

Gizma: I'd like to take the children personnel to a summer resort for a couple of weeks. Can we get furloughs?

Gherk: No.

Gizma: Why?

Gherk: Did you join this family to get furloughs? If you wanted furloughs and leave, and week-ends and that sort of thing, why didn't you enlist with that other guy who wanted to marry you? You knew when you volunteered for duty with this outfit that life was going to be rugged and tough—that you would be kept busy.

Gizma: I think I'm suffering from battle fatigue. Too much recruiting duty.

Gherk: A little double-take would do you good.

Gizma: That's the last straw. It's mutiny! Put up your hands, you debs. Children! Come and get him!

Well, I woke up just as they were putting on the blindfold and getting their water pistols ready for the execution. And I find it was only a dream!



FORMULA HERO is no mystery to Pvt. Edwin B. Davidge, instructor at the Base pool. He's a graduate in chemical engineering from Yale Univ., where he captained last year's Eli swim team. The Maplewood, N. J., youth is one of the nation's top breast-stroke artists.

MCB Swim Stars To Defend Title In District Meet

Capt. Edward F. Rawling's MCB tankmen close their 1944 swim season tomorrow by defending the Marine-held 11th Nav. Dist. entitled men's swimming and diving championship in a meet scheduled for Navy Athletic Field.

The Leathernecks—with a squad of 14 entered—are expected to go into the annual competition as slight favorites to repeat their impressive victory of last year. Each team participating will be permitted a limit of four men in each event, and one relay team. MCB swimmers are entered in each of the eight categories.

The following events will be contested: 50 meter free-style; 100 meter free-style; 200 meter free-style; 400 meter free-style; 50 meter back-stroke; 100 meter breast-stroke; diving; and a four-man 200 meter relay.

LOSE SEVEN MEN

For seven of Capt. Rawling's men, it will be the last time they will swim for the Base—they leave MCB via the transfer route on Monday. The departing members of the team are Pvt. Anthony Grich, PFC. Ben Sloane, PFC. Cornelius Butler, PFC. Robert C. Burkhuist, PFC. John A. Harris, PFC. Don Alfaro, and PFC. Dick Edlund.

Last Sunday MCB finished in a three-way tie with El Toro and Cal Tech in that order in the 13th annual La Jolla rough water swim. Although the Pacific War won by J. B. Lucas swimming for NTC, all Marines entered finished the grueling event.

More Baseball For Pendleton Private

CAMP PENDLETON—Right now, Pvt. Leon H. McCulloch—attached to an artillery battalion, Tring. Command—is thinking of nothing but ways of helping to be a good Leatherneck and get the war over.

But when peace returns, you can take the word of the former Univ. of Iowa star athlete that he's getting back into sports. McCulloch, a pitcher for the Hawkeyes in 1910 and '11, later broke into pro baseball at the suggestion of Mahe Ruth. The famed "sultan of swat" sent the Iowa to Davenport of the Mississippi Valley League, where "Mac" won 11 games in his first season.

Base Nine Drops One Game In Seven

RD Fights Still Tops

Arizona Battler Scores KO, Cops Boot Ring Show

"Best card in weeks."

That's the way Corp. Marty Schwartz described last week-end's boxing activities in the ring of RD amphitheater where an eight-bout program of boot fistfights did much to dispel the idea that the current lack of recruit material will have a pronounced effect on the quality of the sport hereabouts.

"Every bout was top-notch," Schwartz said, "and the audience really liked the aggressive attitude of the contestants."

FIRST ROUND KO

Number one spot on the stealing card went to battling Pvt. Leon Savage of Tucson, Ariz., who belted out an impressive first round KO over highly-favored Eddie Pena of Los Angeles. Savage opened up with the sound of the bell and carried the short-lived bout all the way. Pena previously had been victorious in two RD contests. The men fought as lightweights.

Two light-heavies—Pvts. Mike Torres of LaCal, N. Y., and Charley Stauffer of Camasara, N. Y.—emerged with the only draw of the evening. The bout fans were on their feet, roaring encouragement for their respective choices when the bout ended. It's expected that the two sluggers will meet tonight in a re-match when the RD fistie curtain goes up at 1030.

HEAVYWEIGHT SHOW

"Big Boy" Raymond Ray of San Francisco out-printed Lawrence Morrell of Helper, Utah, in the only heavyweight offering of the night.

The results:

Lightweights—Pvt. Charles Buff of Fresno, Cal., defeated Pvt. Phil Lora of Arlington, Va.; Pvt. Leon Savage of Tucson, Ariz., defeated Eddie Pena of Los Angeles; Pvt. James Shannon of Emmett, Wash., out-pointed Pvt. Jack Butler of Los Angeles; and Pvt. Eric of Alameda, Cal., defeated Pvt. Steve Hill of Sacramento, Cal., and Pvt. Donald Porter of Phoenix, Ariz., defeated Pvt. John Bush of Seattle, Wash.

Welterweights—Pvt. Holm Ayedon of Detroit, Mich., defeated Pvt. Stewart McCall of San Francisco; Pvt. Charles Stauffer of Camasara, N. Y., and Pvt. Mike Torres of LaCal, N. Y., fought in a draw.

Heavyweights—Pvt. Raymond Ray of San Francisco defeated Pvt. Lawrence Morrell of Helper, Utah.

South's Football Best Says Camp Lejeune Sergeant

CAMP LEJEUNE—The rest of the nation may not agree, but Sgt. Frank Bradford, former collegiate and professional grid ace, believes that football—as played in the South—is the best in the country.

Bradford, who played in the Northeast and Midwest before starring in the U. of Alabama backfield with his brother, Lt. Victor Bradford, later of the New York Baseball Giants and now of the Navy, is stationed here as a combat swimming instructor.

"The South's tops," he said, "not because they have good coaches but because they get the best players from all around." The Southeastern Conference is first in football progress, Bradford claims. "I believe," he said, "it was the first loop to acknowledge that a man who plays college football rates a scholarship. And, brother, he does."

Bradford joined the Corps in November, 1941, and has seen more than 26 months overseas duty.

THE CHEVRON Sports

Ex-Nevada Grid Ace Shows Guam Japs Death Play

GUAM (Delayed)—There were 15 Japs in an outpost on Guam when along came a patrol led by 1stLt. G. Wesley Schlager, former University of Nevada football captain from Las Vegas.

The enemy—which unexplainably passed up a chance to ambush Lt. Schlager's outfit—was wiped out by the fast-shooting Leathernecks.

"I had about 20 men from my artillery group with me on the patrol, and I know we all passed within range of their light machine guns," the lieutenant said. "They were serving as an outpost for a big pocket of Japs that our infantry had by-passed, and I guess they waited us to pass by without finding them."

The husky Nevada officer himself killed the first of the 15 Japs, then he called in his scouts and machine gunners who poured a heavy fire into the area. One Jap tried to make a run for it—but the Nevada sniped him with his pistol. Lt. Schlager was graduated from U. of N. in 1912. He's been in the Marines since and has also seen action at Bougainville. He played three years of varsity football and was co-captain of the Nevada Wolfpack in his senior year.—Staff Sgt. James E. Hague, combat correspondent.

Shoots 215 To Cop Top Bowling Score

Top knogler of the week at MCB was Corp. Delmar C. Webb of MT School who rolled a 215 last Friday on the PX alleys.

Egt. H. L. Hill of Houston, Tex., has been named co-manager of the bowling lanes-pool room.

Sgt. "You say Helen is a Russian? How come?"

TSGt. "Always making advances, always making advances."

RD Meets NTC In Softball Tourney

Recruit Depot's softball team squares off Monday against NTC's Postoffice aggregation in a two-out-of-three series to determine the championship of the 11th Naval Dist. RD is expected to rely heavily on the pitching of PFC. "Sig" Lawson, mainstay of the Marines' mound staff during the past season.

The play-off series is scheduled for the Navy Field diamond.

Pendleton PO Softballers Win

CAMP PENDLETON—Victorious in 18 of 19 games this season, 5th Mar. Div. Post Office softball team recently added the Field Med. School Bn. outfit to the list of victims, 4 to 2, at Camp Pendleton.

Corp. John Hughes, with three for three, led his club to the win. His fifth inning triple drove in two runs to sail away the triumph.

PI Drops FB

PARRIS ISLAND—This base will be without a football team this fall, according to an announcement from Maj. Edward Hart, athletic officer.

Reason given for the abandonment of grid plays was a lack of prospective material and time to complete necessary arrangements. Major Hart said a tentative schedule had been drawn up prior to the final decision to drop the sport. "Those teams with which we had been corresponding relative to dates have been so advised," the major explained.

Leathernecks Set Fast Pace In District Race

MCB's baseballers continued to ride high, wide, and handsome aboard the "win wagon" last week—at least so far as league competition was concerned. They scored two more loop diamond victories—making it six in a row—but dropped one exhibition contest.

The Base nine rolled back Camp Gillespie, 3 to 1, edged out Naval Training Center, 6-5, and lost to the Coast Guard, 7 to 3.

The NTC contest was the Marines' game all the way, although it appeared at times that the Naval squad might find the range and move into the lead.

PFC. Rudy Pugh gave up four scattered hits to the Gillespies, while eight Navy men reached first on the offerings of lanky, wiry, Ray Yochim in the NTC game. Both contests were played on the MCB field.

Camp Gillespie—currently just one notch out of the cellar position in the league race—drew first blood as big Pvt. Roy Hedrick connected for a bingle and later scored on an MCB error in the first in-

On Tap

Today—Naval Training Center here, 1400.

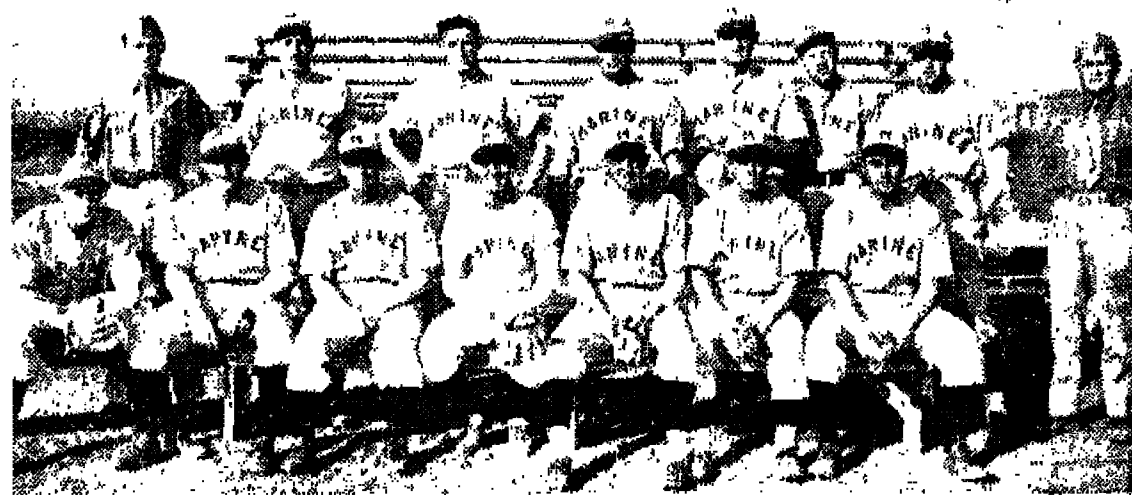
Sunday—Naval Training Center there, 1900.

Wednesday—Air Base Group No. 2 here, 1500.

ning. It wasn't until the fifth frame that MCB's big guns went to work and drove in the three runs that put the game on ice.

Manager Harry Hughes' Leathernecks were leading Coast Guard, 3-0-0, as that game went into the third frame. But the sailors rallied in the fourth, putting across four runs and three more in the seventh. The scores:

	R	H	E
Camp Gillespie	1	1	1
Marine Corps Base	3	8	2
Patrol and Parked: Pugh and Andrews			
Naval Training Center	5	3	3
Marine Corps Base	6	9	2
Quinn, Hyson (C) and Skelley			
Yochim and Andrews			
Coast Guard	7	8	2
Marine Corps Base	3	7	1
Moyle, Randall (C) and Mitten			
Minor, Moore (C) and Andrews			



NO COMPLAINT. Camp Elliott's Marine softball team offer no complaint in connection with its season record of 14 wins in 19 contests. From left (back row) 1stLt. D. D. Woodington, O-in-C; PFCs. John H. Thacker, Lawrence W. Byrne, Wayne R. Stuart, Frank L. Dixon, E. R. Peters; Corp. V. D. Morgan; and WO. Jim Hornbrook, member of Camp Elliott's sports council; (front row) PFC. Bob Rouse; Sgt. Victor E. Pusskass; PFCs. R. H. Harvey, playing manager, and Jimmy L. Merriman; Corp. Donald G. Fach; PFCs. Albert E. McCook and Art A. Fick, all of the Base Depot.

Camp Elliott Softballers Have Good Year

CAMP ELLIOTT—1stLt. D. D. Woodington's softball team here writes fins to its current season Wednesday, meeting the powerful Lakeside, Cal., aggregation. The Leathernecks won their semi-final game last week, defeating Camp Cullum, 3 to 0.

"We've had a very successful year," Lt. Woodington said. "And we're quite proud of our record of 14 wins in 19 games—considering

the fact that we had so few men from which to draw material and considering the turnover in team personnel." The lieutenant explained that the Elliott outfit was formed too late to participate in any organized service league but that the Leathernecks independently played some of the top service and semi-pro softball nines in the area.

Standout performers in the Marine lineup included Corp. Donald

G. Fach, who hurled a total of 15 games for his team, racking up 12 wins and three defeats. Ace timber-welder for the crew was PFC. Frank Dixon, who lambasted 13 home runs and hit a season-long clip of .335. Playing manager was PFC. R. H. Harvey, former Texas semi-pro catcher.

The team was supervised by 1st Lt. Woodington and WO. Jim Hornbrook, a member of the Camp Elliott sports council.

By Pvt. GEORGE LIPES

And now, as all of baseball's wise men could have told you, the St. Louis Browns are once more where they belong—not in first place. Until the clock struck it was a good show. The Browns, who had never won a major league pennant, went out in front on May 31 and stayed there until they bounced into second place on Sept. 4.

Back on top are the Yankees, who did it by winning 20 of their last 28 games after being 9½ games behind the leaders. The Browns won only 5 out of their last 18 games to enable the Yanks to forge ahead early this week by a one-half game margin.

Loss of Bob Murniet, ace right-hander who hasn't pitched a complete game in over a month because of a strained elbow, was one of the immediate causes of the St. Louis nose dive. But Murniet is supposed to be ready to resume duty, and his return may enable the Browns to get back on top.

Credited with a large part in the Yankee victory drive is Frankie Crosetti, the aging little holler guy from San Francisco. The 34-year-old shortstop, veteran of 12 Yankee campaigns, joined the team in midsummer when it was lodged in fourth place, 9½ games back. His pepper and hitting in the clutch were as important as the steady influence he has always been.

With or without the Browns, the World Series will start Oct. 4 in St. Louis. Without the Browns would be more to the taste of the St. Louis Cards, who are riding in the driver's seat, 16½ games ahead of their National League "rivals." The Cards are not touched by the prospective drama of baseball's first all-St. Louis World series. They would rather play someone else. To the Cards, the Browns are not "world" competition. Boiling

Brief Bits From Marines At Play

MOORE, CHERRY POINT, N. C. - New recreation and athletic officer at this station is Capt. Maurice J. Smith known to millions of sports fans as "Clipper" Smith. For 20 years one of the nation's top football mentors.

Capt. Smith, whose home is Laguna Beach, Cal., assumed his new duties last week after a tour of duty at Camp Pendleton, where he served as executive officer to Lt. Col. Richard E. (Dick) Hapley, formerly of Northwestern University's sports staff. The new Cherry Point sports head is an alumnus of Notre Dame University, where he played football under the late Knute Rockne.

LOCAL ISLAND Local sports fans are giving a large share of the credit for the success of the Harris Island young team to its coach, Sgt. Homer Boggs.

The former Connecticut fighter and manager recently led his outfit to a grand-slam 4½-to-1½ team decision in a slug-bang all-out boxing meet with the Leathernecks from Quantico, Foggia prior to his enlistment in the Corps — was a champion Golden Gloves boxer and later served as a professional matchmaker and referee at Stamford, Conn.

CAMP PENDLETON - Pvt. Arnold R. Nielsen has seen a lot of sports in his time, but he admits he's never seen anything like sports conditioning as it's done at this training center.

The Sioux City, Ia., Leatherneck formerly a professional football and basketball ace—says he is con-

"Let's play a team we can brag about beating, and that ain't the Browns," is the way the Cards look at it.

With the Browns jerked down off their perch, the American League is now a four-way scramble. Along with the Yanks, Detroit and Boston are also seriously interested and they have a chance. The last reading showed the fourth place Red Sox only three games behind the leaders.

The hopelessly floundering Brooklyn Dodgers, fighting the Phillies for the honor of staying out of last place, have made a dashing move toward sewing up seventh place, about 40 games behind the Cards. They will recall 13 players at the end of the minor league seasons to help bolster the club in the final stages of the race (or last place).

Edwin N. Atherton, former FBI agent who was appointed Pacific Coast Collegiate Conference commissioner of athletics in 1946, died of complications following a gall bladder operation. He was 47. . . Paul Wapner, the 41-year-old reserve outfielder released by Brooklyn, was signed up by the Yankees. He will be eligible for a piece of any World Series money the Yanks collect. . . Flying Officer Phil Marchildon of the RCAF, a former pitcher for the Philadelphia Athletics, has been reported missing in action overseas. . . Manager Frankie Frisch was signed for his sixth straight season as pilot of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

11th NAVAL DIST. STANDING

	AV	1	2
Coast Guard Patrol	8	8	1,000
Machine Corps Center	8	1	900
Naval Training Center	9	1	885
3d Base Group No 2	6	2	760
Camp Matthews	6	3	660
Camp Miramar	6	3	660
Amphibious Training Base 4	7	5	875
Naval Air Station	9	1	375
Port Los Angeles	5	5	240
Camp Holloman	2	7	325
Camp Elliott Airfield	2	4	225
Naval Repair Base	3	7	325
USS Supply	0	10	600

THE CHEVRON
Sports



HAYMAKER. Fists fly as Marines introduce American sports to native Chamorro boys on Guam after island is secured. Grinning Leatherneck referees as they mix up.

NATIC, CHICAGO—Mar. Det. baseballers completed their season in a two-way tie for first place in the NATTC league composed of teams based at the station here. Sgt. Murray Kolpen pitched the Leathernecks to a 3-0 victory in the first game of a scheduled play-off with the station Bullets team.

Boxers Star At Pendleton Show

CAMP PENDLETON PFC. Don Gusto of Chicago came from behind to score a TD over PFC Ken Woodward of New York in the main event of a Labor Day boxing card held here at the USO. Plenty of action marked the semi-wrapup when Corp. Carl Rana of New Jersey slugged out a three-round decision over S2, c. Al Peterson of Chicago.

Fel. W. H. Stewart from Oklahoma scored a TRO over Corp. Ed Holben of Chicago, PFC. George Tenhaaf of Iowa KO'd Fel. Don Woods, also of Iowa, in the third round, and PFC. Bill Gartiold of Brooklyn fought a draw with Fel. Richie Richardson of California.

Another full card was held last Thursday with approximately 3000 Leathernecks on hand to witness the proceedings.

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Lightweights—PFC, Johnny Alford of California developed PFC, Curtis Harrison of Colorado; PFC, John Alford of New Mexico developed PFC, Mike Turner of Texas.

Walter Weighs, Pvt. Don Vogel of South Dakota and Phil McCaughy, founder of West Virginia and H&Z Co., Chicago. Nelly of Oklahoma, deceased Pvt. Ralph Lichtenberger of Missouri.

CAMP PENDLETON Capt. Edwin (Dutch) Smith, O-M-C of Physical Trng. Sec., Trng. Command, here, will give an exhibition of diving at the 11th Naval Dist. swimming meet scheduled for San Diego tomorrow. Capt. Smith, former national diving and swimming champ., will perform from the 36-foot spring board.

Official announcement was made this week that MCB this fall will field neither a Base nor battalion football team. Reason given for the action was the current personnel situation and manpower demands necessitated by war conditions in theaters where Marines are fighting.

Last fall MCB had six battalion teams but did not have a squad to represent the Base in service league competition.

CAMP LEJEUNE Sgt. William G. Triplett of Van. W. Va., now agrees with his Marine comrades that he has a knack for juggling interesting jobs.

From teaching Woman Marines the art of marching to teaching male Leathernecks in combat swimming is the range of duty recently given Sgt. Triplett, former football star at Greenvillier Military Academy.

SOUTH PACIFIC BASIN (Delayed)—Marines on this remote island have added something new to the long list of Leatherneck "firsts." They have what they believe is the first left-handed infield in history—at least, South Pacific history.

One of the leaguers in a newly-formed baseball league has come up with an infield composed of three southpaws. One of the "lefties" is P.F. Klmer J. Crue of Chicago, formerly a top player with Clinton and Haverport, Ia., in the Three-I League.—Sgt. Hy Harwitz, combat correspondent.

PARRIS ISLAND Hitting the ball at a torrid 397 clip, right fielder George Staller, former Baltimore and Philadelphia star, finally has established himself as top outfielder with the baseball team here. In 68 trips to the plate, he has pounded out 27 hits.

"What is home without a mother?"
"I am tonight, handsome."

MCAS, EL TORO—Pisikin enthusiasts today hailed the official announcement that this station would field a football team this fall and predicted that the outfit—to be coached by Lt. Col. Richard E. (Dick) Hanley, former Northwestern Univ. coach—would be one of the top service eleven on the West Coast.

The El Toro grid squad will be staffed by Marine aviation personnel enrolled in MCAS' physical conditioning program and the team will be called the "Flying Marines." Coach Hanley will be assisted in the coaching department by two well-known former professional football greats -- Capt. Jim Tuttle, late of the New York Giants, and Lt. Cliff Buttles from the Washington Redskins.

Complete schedule arrangements have not been announced but games planned so far include contests with March Field, NTC and Camp Shoemaker. A roster of players is expected to be released shortly.

It was pointed out, however, that football at El Toro would be secondary to the Marines' conditioning program, but it is believed that the rugged gridiron work will blend with the combat training to produce physically tougher Marines.

Leathernecks taking the conditioning course usually are assigned duty overseas as combat conditioning instructors upon completion of their instruction at MCAS. Expected to participate in the grid program are several former college and professional stars in addition to several prospective players without previous college experience.

"No extensive schedule can be made since the players are eligible for overseas duty and the team may be disbanded at any date," said Capt. Pinney, MarFarr West recreation officer. No admission to the games will be charged, he explained, since Navy regulations prohibit Marine and Navy athletic contests for paid gates.

"The games will be played," the captain said, "to aid our combat conditioning program and for the entertainment and recreation of service personnel."

(AMP) LEJEUNE—A bevy of beauties — eight of them—from the ranks of the feminine aquatic world high-lighted an inter-battalion swimming meet here Thursday night as they gave Lejeune Leathernecks a plain and fancy demonstration of various strokes and synchronized tank art.

Included on the program were Evelyn Barber, national 100 meter back-stroke and junior 50 yard free-style champion; Peggy Tate, 200 meter breast-stroke titlist; Kay Powell; Celita Cunningham; Shirley Tate; Daniel (son); Marie (sister); and Jean Platt. All are stars of the Goldenboro, N. C., swimming association.

ME. WASHINGTON—"Big Jim" Canterbury, on the mound for the N.Y. Marines, last week pitched his way into the Corps' sports "hall of fame" by hurling a no-hit 5-to-0 triumph over Marine Hq. in the last Naval ERA League here.

The lanky twirler gained 14 strike-outs and connected for two solid hits in the impressive win. Canterbury—until last month a member of the Paria Island nine—played professional baseball in civilian life with the Washington Senators' farm system.



Chevron Chick

This week The Chevron's back page is sitting pretty — to coin a phrase — with its offering of MGM's Lorraine Miller as the Chick of the week. This is another in The Chevron's series of visual aids for Leathernecks.



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SOLVIES—Underwear. Strictly a GI idea.

SLEEP OVER—R-s-on-l-s. Every four years an official Church rally over. Do a lot for celebration.

PLAY BOY—The daily e-roll. This man, to his own, is a social sensation.

WIP UP—To get in touch with a contractor of the command "to the rear, dutch!"

FIELD NOTES

by Cunningham

