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## Okinawa Drive Opens, Berlin Entered



**POSTER CONFERENCE.** Designed from the famous picture of Marines raising Old Glory on the summit of Suribachi, the new poster for the 7th War Loan drive is examined by (left to right): Brig. Gen. Robert L. Deuig, Joe Rosenthal, photographer; Ted Gamble, Treasury exec, and Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, Marine Corps Commandant.

## Fate Of Suribachi Flag Raisers Told

WASHINGTON—The fate and the identity of the six men in Photographer Joe Rosenthal's historic picture of the flag raising on Mt. Suribachi on Iwo Jima was revealed upon the arrival here of PFC. Rene A. Gagnon of Manchester, N. H.

Returned to report to Headquarters Marine Corps, Gagnon disclosed that three of the Marines in the picture are dead and that a Navy hospital corpsman, also pictured, has been wounded.

The survivors, Gagnon said, are himself and PFC. Ira H. Hayes of Bapchule, Ariz.

As identified by Gagnon, the men in the picture are, reading from left to right:

PFC. Franklin R. Sousley, dead; PFC. Hayes, with slung rifle; Sgt. Michael Strank of Conemaugh, Pa., who is barely visible beside Hayes, dead; PFC. John H. Bradley of Appleton, Wis., wounded; PFC. Gagnon, whose helmet is barely visible beside Bradley, and Sgt.

Henry P. Hansen of Somerville, Mass., at foot of pole, dead.

All of the Marines were members of "E" Co., 2nd Bn., 28th Marines, the regiment which conquered Mount Suribachi after four days of savage fighting. Bradley was attached to "E" Co. as a corpsman.

All of the casualties among the six men occurred after their regiment had moved to the northern Iwo front.

"It makes you feel kind of strange to know that out of those six fellows, three of them are dead," Gagnon said. "They were my buddies."

"It was a big flag and looked swell for a flagpole we had to use a piece of Jap pipe

Marine and Army artillery sounded the final challenge today of the big American offensive on Okinawa against the southern Jap defense lines and a terrific naval and air bombardment further emphasized that the stalemate there had ended.

A communique to the Chevron said that fighters of the 2nd Marine Air Wing are already using the captured airfields on Okinawa.)

Russian and Yank troops were converging on Berlin from every side today. A big battle is raging around a massive Red army in Strausberg, 10 miles from the Nazi capital, while American troops were concentrating on securing the shrinking city of Nuernberg.

Some 60,000 Jap troops are fighting desperately on Okinawa to retain the stalemate they have kept for two weeks, but tremendous Yank power has forced the enemy into a retreating action. American troops were four miles away from Naha, vital Okinawa city, and three miles from Yonabaru to the east.

Yankee Marine and Army infantry units were today sweeping into the northern tip of Okinawa while MacArthur troops swept up 35 miles of the Mindanao coastline in a second invasion on that vital Philippine stronghold.

Fighter planes from Iwo Jima swept over Tokyo again last night. Philippine-based craft meanwhile knocked out 98 Jap ocean-going and river vessels and heavily pounded northern Formosa airdromes. Lacking sufficient defending air power, the Japs sent out reinforced infantry units in a drive to eliminate Yank airbases at Chihkiang in central China.

### 'WHEN YANKS GO MARCHING IN . . .'

Millions of Russians, employing their new type of "break-through" tanks and automatic infantry weapons, drove within sight of burning Berlin Friday. German radio claimed that the Soviet spearheads were within 14 miles of Berlin and that the Allies lacked but 44 miles of making connections.

Pre-war Germany was geographically severed by Gen. Patton's 3rd Army troops which smashed two miles into Czechoslovakia. Nuernberg fell to the American 7th Army shortly after Gen. Bradley's headquarters announced the capture of Richard W. Darre, German minister of agriculture.

Leipzig collapsed before 1st Army troops shortly after Patton accomplished his bisecting job on the Reich. Supreme headquarters announced that "all organized resistance in the Ruhr pocket has ceased and Allied forces virtually have completed mopping up the last enemy stragglers."

### VOW REVENGE FOR ERNIE

Doughboys and Marines in the Okinawa region of Iwo Jima have vowed to revenge Ernie Pyle, the beloved "GI favorite" who was killed by a burst from an ambushed Jap machine gun there during the week. Three well-manned

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## Final Tribute Paid Marine Iwo Dead In Grave Rites

IWO JIMA (Japan)—Final farewell to the men who paid the price of victory on Iwo Jima with their lives has been said by the living of the 3d, 4th and 5th Marine Divisions in memorial services at each unit's cemetery.

Men of Maj. Gen. Graves B. Erskine's 3rd Division stood silent in a cold, driving mist as a band played the Marine hymn and their commanding general reminded them that "only the accumulated praise of time will pay proper tribute to our valiant dead."

Tiny American flags fluttered beside each spotless cross of the 5th Division's cemetery as Navy Chaplain Comdr. Warren Cuthrell prayed; as Maj. Gen. Keller E. Rockey, division commander, paid tribute of the living to the dead; as the flag rose, then descended to half staff; and as taps echoed across the volcanic ash dunes that lie Iwo Jima.

Behind the white picket fence that surrounds the 5th Division's cemetery and beneath the fieldstone arch that serves as its gate, men who faced death every day for a month bowed their heads in prayer.

The 3rd Division cemetery is on a plateau overlooking beaches where the first casualties fell and Motoyama Airfield No. 1, where more men pushed on to destroy the enemy's defenses.

Facing the silent assemblage, Maj. Gen. Erskine spoke:

Long after those who lament their immediate loss are themselves dead, these men will be mourned by the nation. They are the nation's loss.

"Let the world count our crosses."

"Let them count their lives and over. Then let them wonder at the few—when they understand the significance of Iwo Jima. We understand and wonder, who are separated from our dead by a few feet of earth; from death by inches and fractions of an inch . . ."

"Let us do away with names, with ranks and rates and unit designations here."

"Here lie only Marines."

### Duffy Dies

Services were held for GySgt. James Jolly Plum Duffy, MCB mascot, on the Base grounds Wednesday.

The English bulldog, known to many Marines here and overseas, died in his sleep Sunday of injuries received when he was run over by a truck two weeks ago.

Originally owned by Dr. and Mrs. Frederick James, Sgt. Duffy became the Base mascot in 1939 when he was two years old.



**OKINAWA SONG FEST.** Strumming Easter greetings on Japanese Samisens, a three-string banjo-like instrument, this amtrac crew relaxes on the shore at Okinawa. From left to right: Sgt. Lansing E. Williams, PFC. Oscar Torres, PFC. Charles C. Rogah and Corp. John E. Polis. (Official United States Marine Corps photo.)



**BASE LIBERTY.** Why resort to the limited liberty facilities in San Diego? Equipment room tenders, PFCs. Gerald Shirmer (left) and Oren E. "Red" Walker, are shown going through the pile of boxing, tennis, badminton, baseball, athletic clothing and basketball equipment which is available to Base personnel. (Photo by PFC. M. E. Brown.)

# Heavy Okinawa Drive Opened, Berlin Struck

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tanks were dispatched to the exact area where Pyle was killed to wipe out the Jap pocket which had popped up out of nowhere behind tank lines.

President Truman last week called on the nation for complete unity in whipping the Axis into unconditional surrender and in building a strong United Nations organization for peace.

In his first address to a joint session of Congress and to America and the world by radio, the new President:

1—Pledged the United States to continue the "fight for freedom" until the unconditional surrender of Germany and Japan.

2—Declared the grand strategy of the war must continue "unchanged and unhampered" under the military commanders now in charge.

3—Promised punishment for war criminals "even though we must pursue them to the ends of the earth."

4—Pledged his personal support to the ideals of peace and progress "so eloquently proclaimed by Franklin Roosevelt" and called upon the nation to unite in their defense.

5—Declared that the great na-

tions which mustered the force to defeat the Fascist conspiracy must continue to cooperate in peace — "the responsibility of the great states is to serve and not dominate the people of the world."

6—Appealed for support in building "a strong and lasting United Nations organization" at the San Francisco conference for mastering the problems of peace through the triumph of justice.

7—Promised continued efforts toward a better social order "to improve the lot of the common people."

8—Asserted America will never forget the sacrifices of the men and women in the armed services.

However in Washington the Washington Star said it is reported that Stalin has agreed to the establishment of a new Polish government, breaking the Big Three stalemate on Poland.

Diplomats hear, the paper adds, that the agreement was reached 48 hours after President Truman entered the White House. The reported agreement calls for a new government truly representative of the Polish people, and is viewed as making wide concessions to the American and British viewpoints, says the article, written by Constantin Brown.



I yam speekin' to you on a very solemn note indeed, Top, as I think this occasion calls for this sort of a letter.

As you nodoubtless know this large country has lost its old Commander-in-Chief. He was a casualty of the war, jist like Brenton and Langhegger an' some of our other fellas over there.

Top, lots of the civilyuns here seem a littal wuerred over what mite happen to this nashun without the serviss of the man who was at the Command Post for twelve years. They wonder about the war an' about the peace, now that this big man no longer is here. Even those natives who often damned this big man are now wonderin', and maybe wuerrein'.

So, Top, it can plainlee be seen that someone ought to give these civilyuns the word.

## REMINDS OF 'LITTLE MITCH'

This whole sichunshun sort of reminds me of the case of Brenton an' "Little Mitch". You know, Top, how it used to be with those two. Like brothers, they were, with big Brenton always gettin' "Little Mitch" out of jams an' lookin' out for him and Mitch really loved that big guy. Big Brenton, you remember, Top, was the tank commander an' Mitch was his driver and Mitch always said he would never drive for anyone but "Big Bob". An' he wouldn't, either.

You'll remember how on D plus five or six that Bob got it—real quick, with "Little Mitch" an' me sittin' next to him leanin' against the tank? When it was over we wrapped the big guy in a posche. An' the little guy knelt down beside him—and cried. An' he wasn't the only one who did.

Then we all begin to wonder. It was time for the tanks to move up. Big Bob was our best tank commander. We had a couple of spare men, but would Mitch drive for them now?

Top, it wuz at this moment that "Little Mitch" changed from a headstrong kid into a mature man. He didn't say anythin', jist walked over to his tank an' asked the platoon leader, "Whoos ridin' upstairs now, Mr. Bub?"

Well, Top, that's all ther wuz to it. "Little Mitch" drove an' did good, an' Bob Newberry who took over the commander's job did good, too.

## PEONS DO GOOD

That seems to me the way it is with this country losin' its big man. In the Core we lose lots of good, fine men an' we feel very bad indeed about it but we seem to move ahead okay. Maybe I'm wrong, Top, but bein' of the peon group I figer that the reason we can go on doin' good no madder who gets kilt is because as peons are a bunch of pritty intelligent peopul who are ust to thinkin' for themselves. An' when the goin' gets tuffest we sort of pool our brains an' go ahead.

This large country in which I am in has lots of intelligent peons whom I am shur can carry on in very fine style indeed. They hav a new Cominch name of Truman who is now directin' from the Command Post in Washington. He seems a humbul, God-fearin' man who wants to do what the peopul want done. So I don't see what this country has to wuerre about, I reely don't, as this Truman is the leader of the peopul.

The government here is callt a demockracee, which means that the chief follos the wishes of the majorities of the peopul. Well, this majorities, it seems to me in this country, pritty well know what they want in the way of war or peace. So, if they can't put it over you couldn't call this a demockracee. But ruferrin' to this country as anythin' but a demockracee will bring a individual a punch in the nose. Which leads me to beleev that everythin' will turn out okay.

## DIG DEEP, MOONHEAD

Well, that's the way it is, Top. Absolutely no need for you to worree out their, I meep except gittin' your noggin blame off.

I keep faithfilly readin' the kushulles lists jist in case somethin' nite hav happent to Moonhead, which I hope not.

Forever in the Core,

SARJUNT HEINEMANN

# Ernie Pyle's Last Work Lauds Marines

Ernie Pyle, the fighting man's columnist, was killed this week by a Jap machine gunner, shortly after leaving a Marine regiment on Okinawa to "cover" the attack on nearby Ie Jima.

Pyle was killed instantly by a surprise attack while he was advancing with troops ahead of a regimental command post.

The noted columnist assigned himself to the Marines on what proved his last campaign because, he said, "I had to find out for myself just what manner of men were these Leathernecks. On Okinawa I found out. They are O.K. for my money, in battle or out."

Following are excerpts from one of Pyle's last columns:

My self-assignment on the Okinawa blitz was to write about the Marines and that's what I continue to do. I landed with the Marines, crossed the island with them, and have been living with them amidst fens, mosquitoes, goats and a few Japs, hiding under bushes. So naturally I want to tell you about them.

Marine Corps blitzes out here have all been so bitter and the Marines have performed so magnificently that I had conjured up a mental picture of a Marine that bore a close resemblance to a man from Mars. I was almost afraid of them myself.

I did find the Marines confident but neither cocky nor smart-alecky.

I found they have fears, and qualms, and hatred for war the same as anybody else. They want to go home just as badly as any soldier I've ever met. I found them good, human Americans.

They are proud to be Marines. They wouldn't be in any other branch of the service. Yet they are not arrogant about it. And I found they have a healthy respect for the infantry.

Before I came into the field, several Marine officers asked me to try to sense just what the Marine spirit is, just what makes it, and keeps it alive.

In peacetime when the Marine Corps was a small outfit, with its campaigns highlighted, and everybody was a volunteer you could understand why Marines felt so superior.

But since the war the Marine Corps has grown into hundreds of thousands of men. It has been diluted, so to speak. Today it is an outfit of ordinary people—some big, some little, some even draftees. It has changed, in fact, until Marines look exactly like a company of soldiers in Europe.

Yet that Marine Corps spirit still remains, I never did find out what



Ernie Pyle  
... last campaign

gerpetates it. They're not necessarily better trained. They're no better equipped and often not as well supplied as other troops. But a Marine still considers himself a better soldier than anybody else, even though nine-tenths of them don't want to be soldiers at all.

The Marines are very cognizant of the terrible casualties they've taken in this Pacific war. They're even proud of that, too, in a way. Any argument among Marine units is settled by which has had the greatest casualties.

The boys of my regiment were continuously apologizing to me because this started out as a mild campaign. They felt I might think less of them because they didn't show me a blood bath.

Nothing could have been farther from my mind. I was probably the happiest American over here when things turned out for us as they did. I told them that kind of campaign suited me. And without exception they came back with the answer that it suited them, too.

I heard it said so many times that it almost became a chant:

"If they could all be like this, we wouldn't mind war so much."

So you see, Marines don't think for battle.

I've read and heard enough about Marines to have no doubts whatever about the things they can do when they have to. No Marine need ever apologize for anything.

The Marines are O.K. for my money, in battle or out.



"NOW REMEMBER, KNOCK OFF THE CHATTER ABOUT THE TROPICAL ISLAND PARADISES AND PLAY UP THE CHINESE WOMEN ANGLE!"



**F. F. WALLACE**  
**CAPT. MARINES**  
RETIRES. After 38 years, rising through the ranks, Capt. Frank F. Wallace of Training and Replacement Command at MCB is turning in his uniform. (Photo by PFC. Mason Brown.)

## Base Officer Retires After 38 Years

Service in the Marine Corps under 17th Commanders-in-Chief by the name of Roosevelt will end next month the 38-year military career of Capt. F. F. Wallace, commanding officer of Headquarters Co., Marine Training and Replacement Command of the San Diego area.

"I joined the Marines when President Theodore Roosevelt announced a 'round-the-world tour for his Navy," Capt. Wallace said, "and I'm leaving the Corps happy to have served under another Roosevelt who also shook his Navy under the very noses of the Japs."

The first "Navy shaking" occurred in 1907, when Capt. Wallace, then a private drawing \$12.80 a month, went aboard the Battleship "Maine" when at President Roosevelt's command she joined forces with the rest of the Atlantic fleet to parade around the Japanese coastline in a great display of naval strength.

"Although it was labeled a good-will tour, Teddy decided it was a good time to throw a little scare into Japan which was doing a lot of Samurai sword-rattling at the time," the captain explained.

"Japan didn't have anything afloat to compare with our Navy and they were plenty impressed." The good-will tour lasted two

years and took Capt. Wallace to most of the major seaports of five continents, and raised him to corporal at \$14.80 a month. The rank of private first class was unknown in the Marines in 1909.

### ONE DOLLAR LIBERTY

Capt. Wallace maintained that he "threw better liberties" in New York on his private's salary of 43 cents a day than the present-day Marine does at \$50 a month.

"We budgeted ourselves," he said. "Two nickel beers before taking the five-cent subway to the Polo Grounds. Admission was next to nothing. A 'two-bit' burlesque show after the ball game, followed by a few more nickel beers and if you wanted it, a pint for 15 cents more. A dollar a liberty was all it took."

The end of his first cruise saw Capt. Wallace a sergeant at \$16.80 a month, plus 83 cents a month for good conduct, and a variety of duties along the east coast. Ten years of service brought five stripes, participation in the Niua-raguan expedition, Panama duty, and the gradual growth of the Corps from the 8000 figure at the time of his 1907 enlistment.

Made a Marine gunner in 1917, Capt. Wallace spent much of the next decade at Pacific stations and China, including service in the old 4th Brigade under Smedley D. Butler.

Later services on posts along the west coast carried him from Bremerton to the Marine Corps Base at San Diego, and advanced him through chief Marine gunner, Headquarters and a captaincy in June, 1944.

### NEVER MISSED DAY

At the age of 64 and nearing his tenth birthday, if officers were hushmacks, Capt. Wallace has never missed one day's service out

of approximately 13,300 reveilles in his career.

Hunting and fishing will occupy much of his time as a civilian. Capt. Wallace has a son, a lieutenant in the Army, and a daughter. After spending some time in his San Diego home, he plans to re-visit New York, the scene of his first enlisted days. The captain, however, entertains no ideas that a single dollar bill will still suffice for a proper "New York liberty."



**DI LUNDIGAN**  
... camera turnabout

## DI Lundigan Gets Battle Pictures

Word came this week from Corps. Bill M. Lundigan of Hollywood and motion picture fame, but more recently of MCB, where his many friends remember him as "a swell guy."

Bill is busy in the Pacific as a combat cameraman. He was baptized in battle with the 1st Mar Div. at Peleliu and has won much acclaim for a real job.

As a DI here on the Base, Bill spent many long hours in the Front-Line Depot straining his "mike-bright" voice over countless rows of those cropped heads. His off hours were spent working with the Base audio unit, where he helped whip many a "Halls of Montezuma" show into shape.

## Marines Learn Lesson In Child Care

By Sgt. Herman Kogan, Combat Correspondent

OKINAWA (Delayed) — The machine-gun platoon had started to dig in for the night along the front. Behind and over them came the whistling artillery shells, thudding some 300 yards ahead, beyond a tiny flattened-but town.

"Here the squalling began. 'Hairs,' said one Marine.

"Nah, it's a kid. It's a kid, a baby, but in a red kimono," said another. "See over there."

It was a child about five years old, flailing out of one of the trees and a baby's rattle gunner ran forward and picked her up.

At once, advice came from all sides, from every foxhole. "Gosh, don't carry 'er like a sack of flour. . . . Lookit old Gooey carryin' that kid. . . . Hey, stop makin' her cry!"

The tall Marine stopped. The baby's wails didn't. Another Marine brought out a candy bar and offered it to the girl. She cried louder.

"Don't wa' 'er," the donor shouted. "Boy, if I was a Okinawa kid, the way you look, I'd sure as hell take it."

"Hey," shouted a Leatherneck,

"don't talk that way in front of a kid."

Pretty soon, the child was taken behind the front lines to be fed. The bearded Marines stood around and some even waved and yelled, "So long, girly."

Then they got back into their foxholes and by their machine guns and prepared for what else might come forward during the night.

## Jap 'Pay Call' Held On Ship Before Okinawa Invasion

By Pvt. Eugene Egan, MCB (Delayed) — Marines in the 1st Marine Division with their occupation money in Japanese yen and their denominations. The biggest roll allowed each man was one yen (100) with a purchasing power of about \$150.

Would a troop headquarters before landing, a Leatherneck standing in line to exchange U. S. currency for the occupational money, heaped. "This is the first time I've ever stood in a line with money on my head."

"And paid with stuff that looks like Monopoly money," noted a fellow Marine. The occupational issue was the first for Marines.

On the base deck amidship of the Okinawa-bound transport, the things were held suppressively for:

Holy Week services for Catholics;

Similar observances by Protestants;

Thorough season observance by Jewish servicemen;

And inter-denominational

chances in aircraft recognition. Coincidentally, Sunday would be Easter, Good Day (Landing day) and April Fool's Day.

Checked Tokyo Rose over Japanese propaganda broadcasts. "We'll have plenty of 'Rascal eggs' waiting on the Marines."

## Taps Will Blow An Hour Later

A new Base general order designating a change in taps for the entire Base was posted this week. The hour was extended to 2300.

Enlisted personnel who are married and reside with their families in the vicinity of San Diego may have their liberty extended to 0700. It was also announced, that commanders may authorize this extension providing the services of personnel are not needed.



**YEN FOR OKINAWA.** Flash with crisp new occupation money in Jap yen and yen, Marines landed at Okinawa ready to "do business." The men are being paid here aboard a transport. (Official U. S. Marine Corps photo.)

## New Rail Rules Affect Furlough Travel For MCB

Information concerning Marine personnel use of railroad trains for furlough and week-end travel was released this week by the Base disbursing and transportation officer.

No reservation will be made on 48 or 72-hour passes or for personnel travel on regular coach furlough trains, it was announced.

Reservation orders for a limited number of seats on the Santa Fe's "El Capitan" and the Union Pacific's "City of Los Angeles" must be given 30 days in advance. Pullman accommodations are utilized mainly by personnel traveling on direct orders. In the event all the space is not used, it may be released to those on leave or furlough the day prior to departure. For Pullman space on regular trains as much notice as possible should be given.

Travel arrangements by line personnel may be made at the Rail Transportation Office, Bldg. 16-A, telephone Ext. 272 or 273.

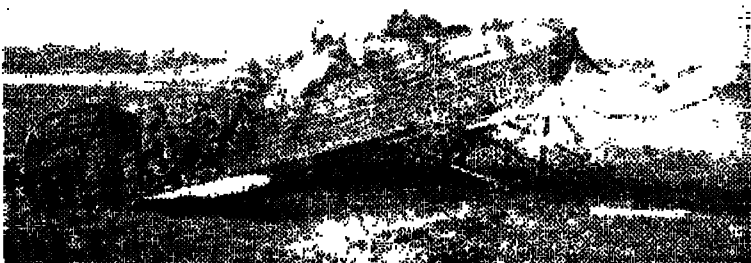
## The Wolf

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"How'd I know her sister was only 19?"

by Sansone



**IMPERIAL AIR FORCE.** This dummy plane constructed of bamboo, sits on Yontan airfield, captured the first day on Okinawa. The phony was wasted effort; the real McCoy several hundred yards away was blasted apart. (Official United States Marine photo.)



# Guam Natives Fete Wounded Iwo Men

GUAM (Delayed)—The quiet, soft-spoken, sometimes enigmatic Guamanians, who lived two-and-one-half bitter years under Jap rule, do not take their liberation lightly.

To show their gratitude to the Americans, there was little they could do at first other than obey the law to the letter and cooperate in the building of this fast-growing Pacific bastion. They are obedient, cooperative people anyway.

Not until Iwo Jima's wounded crowded the hospitals here did they

get the chance to prove that they have not forgotten.

A few days after the first two casualties arrived on Guam, a battered truck of Japanese origin, similar to many which are used by natives on farming projects, pulled up to a Naval hospital.

The truck, bulging with 1800 pounds of bananas, personally picked by the residents of Isurajan, a native village, was emptied quickly and the contents turned over to the commanding officer of the hospital.

Then a spokesman for the natives asked that the fruit be given to wounded veterans as a "get well quick" taken from the natives.

The gesture was so spontaneous that Marine Maj. Gen. Henry L. Larsen, island commander, was asked to circumvent an order forbidding acceptance of gifts from natives.

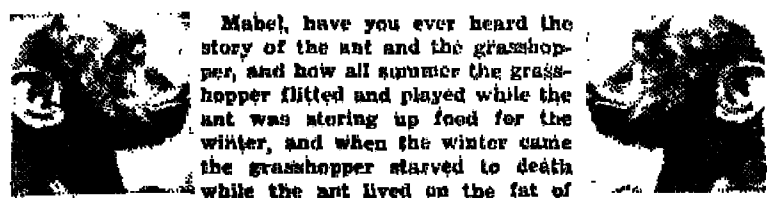
Gen. Larsen granted his permission and the fruit was distributed among the patients, many of them a few hours out of the Iwo struggle.

The following day pupils of the Prince School pooled their poultry resources and donated several cases of eggs to another Naval hospital.

For the first time in months some of the men were given a breakfast of ham and fresh eggs.

## CHIMPS CHAMP BONDS

### Mabel Is Able—But Scarcely Grable



Oh, no, I'd rather be a jitterbug.

Well, Mabel, people who don't store up War Bonds for the winters that may be ahead are going to be like the silly grasshoppers.

Do they have to beg people to buy bonds?

They shouldn't have to, Mabel. Bonds are a perfect investment. Homes and cars are two items which a great many service people are considering among their major post-war purchases.

Isn't hot for convertibles and bungalows.

Financial experts agree, Mabel, that War Bonds represent the ideal way to build up a nice bank roll—

I adore bank rolls. I met a chimp in a cocktail lounge once who was simply bulgy with bank rolls and we—

Quiet, Mabel—a nice bank roll for all the things that have been denied during the war, things that men overseas dream some day of having. Besides, buying bonds is a grand way of helping the Army, Navy and the Marines—

I just love the Marines.

Quiet, Mabel—help the Marines win the war.

I HATE war.

## Three Base Dents Complete School

Three men graduated last week from the Base Navy School of Dental Technology, completing a six months' course of instruction in the art of making oral restorations.

Of the three men graduating from this class which started Oct. 16, 1944, HA2/c. Leith C. Ezell held the highest mark of 88, HA2/c. Willard Hughes finished with a 91 average, while HA2/c. Dorce E. Rodgers averaged 90 per cent.

The course which comes under the Class "C" category of U. S. Navy schools and formerly required 18 months to complete, was streamlined to a six-months course. The strenuousness of this course can be appreciated by the amount of time saved in the revised curriculum.

At the present time there are six students under instruction with an additional eight students in a new class starting May 1, 1945.



**HONORED AT LAUNCHING.** Wounded vets and WR color guard were guests at launching of new California-built tanker carrying Marine insignias on prow. Left to right: (StfSgt. Doris A. Bogrette, StfSgt. Grace Palm, Pvt. John W. Goldey, Corp. Arthur L. Natter, Sgt. Mildred Lawler and Sgt. Mary Fairchild.

## 'Violence' Seen in Marshalls

ENIWETOK ATOLL, Marshall Islands (Delayed)—The peace and serenity that has reigned over this island since it was taken from the Japs about a year ago, has been destroyed by the advent of the pearling.

According to StfSgt. Gerald D. Gordon, combat correspondent, the Red Cross had a carload of the tiny musical instruments on hand and distributed them to Leathernecks of the 4th Marine Air Wing stationed here. They also handed out a few hundred flutes for good measure. The effect was calamitous.

The quiet stillness of the long afternoons has been broken up by the shrill, discordant notes of the ocarina and flute emanating from scores of tents. No violence has broken out at this writing, but extra guards may be put out to

protect the embryo musicians from those Marines who can't seem to appreciate the music.

## WR VIEWS & NEWS

Members of the WR rifle team will note that transportation to the rifle range has been approved. Firing of the .22 cal pistol and rifle will be for recreation only. There will be no qualifying. Buses leave the WR area at 1230 Saturday. Anyone interested may contact the recreation officer on Ext. 878 before noon Friday.

The marriage of Corp. Alice B. Kemp of the battalion office and Sgt. Myron K. Paine of the Base band chalks up another victory for Cupid in Base Headquarters Bn.

Last year's softball team, champions of the military and the civilian league, turned out in full force this week. All but two members are still stationed on the Base.

The four acting first sergeants of the WR Co. officers—Grace Smith, Sylvia Hauman, Jean Himes and Arline Flandera—made top sergeant recently.

Maj. Helen G. O'Neill, departmental director of the MCWR, made an inspection tour of the WR Bn. this week. Maj. O'Neill is on the staff of the commanding general, JOP.

PFC. Virginia Manning and Corp. Pets Reader working hard at a photography course are two of many WRs taking advantage of educational facilities offered while in the service.

Rose Cohen wired from Chicago on furlough that she and StfSgt. W. C. Nesimer were married. The Motor Transport romance between Corp. Shirley Larson and PFC. Frank Lemous also reached the matrimonial point in Los Angeles over the week-end. Mrs. William M. Baggett is none other than PFC. Vera Day.

TSgt. Pat Allen was showered the other evening by a close circle of friends to celebrate her membership in the 'little bundles department'.

Bowling continues to be the top sport of the Base, though ice and roller skating are a close second. Base buses transport the enthusiasts to local rinks every Thursday night.

Softball fans are urged to keep an eye on Sgt. Phyllis Uhl for the coming season. Phyl has been selected the MCB dark horse of that sport.

## No V-E Spree For Pearl Harbor Men

PEARL HARBOR—Success in Europe will bring no relaxation to wartime activities for Marines here.

Ignoring optimistic talk of V-E Day and V-J Day, Brig. Gen. L. W. T. Waller Jr. promised today that 14th Naval District Leathernecks' hopes and energies would be directed only to a V-A Day—when the combined Axis will have been dismantled.

"As the tempo in the Pacific increases," says the commanding general of Marine garrison forces here, "V-E Day would only mean a grim resolve to fight on.

"None of us dare stop sharing the fight against the Axis—with energies and money—until Japan has followed Germany to total defeat."

For that reason, the general said in an advanced statement aimed for Hawaii's 7th War Loan campaign, which opens in Honolulu on May 1 in connection with the National 7th War Loan drive, the command appealed to Marine post commanding officers throughout the 14th Naval District to outdo all previous War Bond efforts.

"We are anxious here to hear the tense word that Germany is

completely whipped," Gen. Waller declared, "but even that important historical announcement will fail to etch the determination of our men in the Pacific to crush the Japs by letting up steam on V-E Day."

After Germany has been flattened, the bulk of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and civilian war workers will be needed—"far more vigorously than ever" against Japan, he pointed out.

"It's clear," he added, "that additional dollars will be needed by the billions—therefore War Bonds must be sold by the millions."



**HONORED DIVISIONS.** Adorning the curving bow of the recently-launched tanker SS Elwood Hills are the insignia of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Marine Divisions.



Here's a typical day for the Jap soldier: He is awakened at 0530. Within 20 minutes he must appear for roll call and morning service. He uses the next hour to police his quarters and do necessary chores. Breakfast is at 0730, lunch at 1210, evening meal at 1730. His daytime hours are packed with study and drill periods, with only the briefest intervals of rest. For relaxation Jap soldiers play at bayonet practice. Beginning at 1900 the soldier studies the next day's lesson. He gets a 10-minute rest at 2000 and then goes back to his studies until 2130. Lights are out at 2200.

## New Ship Carries Insignia Of Five Marine Divisions

Five Marine divisions whose thousands of Leathernecks have fought from Guadalcanal to the very doorsteps of Japan were honored this week in a spectacular ship launching ceremony.

The SS Elwood Hills, a 8250 horsepower tanker recently launched at the Marinship Corporation shipyard in Sausalito, Cal., carries the insignia of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Marine Divisions painted high on the curving bow.

Two wounded Iwo Jima veterans and a color guard of WR's were present when Mrs. John V. Chambers, wife of a shipyard worker, shattered the traditional champagne bottle against the 823-foot turbo-electric vessel.

Robert Digges, master of ceremonies, said of the Marines: "For 170 years no battle has been too tough for them. We stand in tribute to their courage and patriotism."

## Iwo Is Dustiest Island In World

IWO JIMA (Delayed)—Marine airmen, veterans of coral combat fields in the South and Central Pacific, claim this tiny spit of hard-won volcanic ash is the dustiest island in the world.

Marine, Navy and Army planes churn bomb-blasted Motoyama No. 1 airfield into the world's worst dust-bowl.

Pilots report the swirling black dust blankets Motoyama No. 1 up to 100 feet. Ground crewmen fighting the battle of efficient aircraft maintenance are forced to wear tightly-fitting goggles in order to see. Some have devised makeshift masks for filtering the ash-laden air.



SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—The 13-month-old daughter of Sgt. Harry W. Nutter Jr., has been selected "Healthiest Girl" in a baby contest conducted overseas by means of snapshots. The competition brought out better than 100 worth snapshots from the hillfolks of the overseas islands.



# Marine Daughters Win Children Derby Titles

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—The 13-month-old daughter of Sgt. Harry W. Nutter Jr., of Los Angeles was acclaimed the "Healthiest Girl" in a baby contest recently conducted at this Marine base by means of snapshots.

The winning young lady is Elizabeth Nutter, who lives with her mother.

The competition, sponsored by an American Red Cross unit, brought out more than 100 worth snapshots from the hillfolks of the overseas islands, and the gallery of children's pictures in the camp's recreation center attracted more attention than any gallery of glamorous pin-up art.

Pvt. Ralph W. Rather's two-year-old daughter, Elizabeth Ann, won the title of "unhappiest child."

Asked by the mistress of ceremonies to explain why his daughter was howling so lustily in the winning snapshot of herself, Rather told the Marines gathered for the award program:

"Aw, she's just like me—don't like to have her picture taken."

**MARINE STANDARDS**

Maj. Samuel Nicholas, first Continental Marine officer, in 1775 instructed recruiting officers to accept no candidates for the Marine Corps except those "of dependable and religious nature clothed with proper robustness of body."

# Marines Lend Army Young Sergeant For Special Work

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—Capt. Gerhard E. Lash, 19, of San Diego, a radio operator in the air liaison section of an assault signal unit attached to the 3rd Marine Division, helped the Army obtain its final aerial stepping stone, Morotai, in its return to the Philippine Islands.

Corp. Lash, who took part in the battle of Guam, was borrowed by the Army because of familiarity with amphibious operations.

The air liaison team of which Lash was a member ran the only two bombing and strafing missions used in the seizure of sufficient territory on Morotai for an airfield. They were against entrenched Jap positions, but enemy resistance encountered was light.

On Guam, the team ran only one mission. The planes used bombs,

pockets and machine-gun bullets against top Jap concentrations and caves.

Corp. Lash is the son of Mrs. George Smith of San Diego. Her husband, a Marine first sergeant, was wounded when the Japs first captured the Philippines and since has been a prisoner of war. Mrs. Smith is carrying on the war effort for her fighting husband and son by working at Consolidated.

## Toothsome Wash

IWO JIMA (Delayed)—Pfc. Harold A. Nicolet of Bell Gardens, Cal., is pretty busy explaining a little "mistake" in his buddies these days, according to Sgt. Henry A. Weaver, 1st, combat correspondent.

Driver of an armed half-track of the 5th Marine Division, Nicolet spent five days and nights in the battle for Mount Suribachi.

The sixth day of the invasion, he and his fellow crewmen took time off to wash, as best they could, from canteen cups and helmets with the few ounces of water available.

After they had washed, Nicolet passed out some sweet-smelling powder he had found in brightly-printed little paper packets in a Jap cave.

Not until after the group of Marines had sprinkled themselves with the powder did they learn from an interpreter that it was Japanese tooth powder.

# Brother Act Plays Top Spot At Iwo

IWO JIMA (Delayed)—The Buckner boys from Shreveport, La., think they set a record—four brothers in one Pacific battle.

"These Marine sons and one sailor son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell E. Buckner were all in the battle for Iwo."

The Marines are all sergeants. Russell E. is a tankman and William E. and Vincent E. are both signalmen. The fourth brother, Philip E., is a seaman aboard a transport boat that directed traffic to Iwo's beaches.

# Okinawans Greet Marines 'Hi Joe!'

By Sgt. Harold W. Twitty, Combat Correspondent

NAKAGUMARI, Okinawa (Delayed)—Marines don't like to be treated like conquering invaders by the natives here and already have taught them to greet Marines with "Hi Joe" instead of bowing and scraping.

When Marines moved into this village, they found the red-tiled covered houses and the narrow streets deserted. A Japanese patrol had been reported in the village and the move up was made after a live bombing and strafing attack.

Only a few chickens and goats greeted their arrival. A few of the houses had been hit and were burning. Clothing was strewn about the houses as though the natives had departed hurriedly.

But the natives hadn't gone far. In narrow ravines surrounding the town, numerous caves and tunnels were located when the Marines started to dig in for the night. The fronts of the caves were camouflaged with branches cut from nearby spruce trees. They called—in English—for the natives to come out of the caves. There was no response.

A Japanese interpreter was called and he yelled instructions in Japanese.

"Don't be afraid; don't worry," he said. "We are Americans. We will not harm you. We seek only the Japanese military. Come out and we will give you food."

There was no response from the

Marines gave them.

In this one ravine, more than 100 natives emerged at length. Most of them were dirty from living in the earth caves, and they were self-conscious of their appearance. The women attempted to smooth their high-piled hair into place.

Two or three very old women, their backs so bent from years of bending over planting rice and sweet potatoes that they couldn't straighten up, came from the caves.

"Tell 'em they can knock off all that bowing and scraping," a bearded Marine told the interpreter. "Tell 'em we're Americans and we don't carry on like that with anybody."

A small observation plane buzzed overhead and one of the youngsters he couldn't have been older than four or five—fearfully pointed to it.

"Aw, that grasshopper ain't goin' to hurt you," a Marine told him with a grin. Although the child didn't understand the words, he understood the tones and the smile, and was satisfied.

# 'Halls' To Feature Own Anniversary On MBS Network

The third anniversary of the "Halls of Montezuma" will be celebrated today over the Mutual Broadcasting System in a broad spot at the Grand Theater at 1500.

The weekly broadcasts began on April 14, 1942. Dave Titus, Mutual network producer in San Diego, wrote the first script. His wife, Mary Elizabeth, is credited with naming the program. Maj. Harry Y. Maynard and Lt. Col. Harold Keller motivated the project with the assistance of Col. (now Brig. Gen.) Matthew H. Kingman, USMC (ret.), then commanding officer MCB.

The first cast was made up of volunteers from around the base—drill instructors, cooks and bakers, men in radio communication, men of the Guard Battalion, and even a few boots. Some of them were ex-professionals; others had taken the boards in high school plays back home. There was even a scattering of radio announcers, actors and men from the legitimate stage.

Since that day, the caliber and tempo of the program have changed considerably. The entire broadcast has grown in professional stature.

Brig. Gen. Archie F. Howard, commanding general, MCB, will appear on today's program.



PFC. ROLLIE RATHER learns from a Red Cross worker overseas that his daughter Elizabeth Ann (below) won the title of the "unhappiest child" in a recent baby contest.

# Iwo Amphibs Do Big Job

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed)—Marine amphibian tractors were credited with making the Iwo Jima landings the best co-ordinated in amphibious history.

But when the medals are pinned on, some of the men who steered these landing craft will not be there. They are the Marines who were swamped at sea or killed ashore by shells and mines.

Lt. Col. Harvey S. Walsath lauded the unflinching courage of the Iwo tractor crews.

"The first tractors churned ashore within a minute of H-hour," he said. "The crews charted their courses so accurately that the landings were actually better than the rehearsals. Though our tractor losses were comparatively light, many landing craft were lost."

Along two beaches five days after the initial landing, there was a graveyard of ducks, tractors and small boats. Not a single one of our tractors bogged down in the deep volcanic sand. Mines, anti-tank guns, mortars and artillery accounted for the damage to our craft ashore.

## HAIL MAIL

During the recent holiday season, the early evening quiet of a Marine base in the South Pacific was disturbed by the following laconic announcement over the camp's public address system:

"Attention all hands! A lot of airmail has just come in. Come and get it."

A pause followed, then, "Correction! A hell of a lot of airmail has just come in. Come and get it."

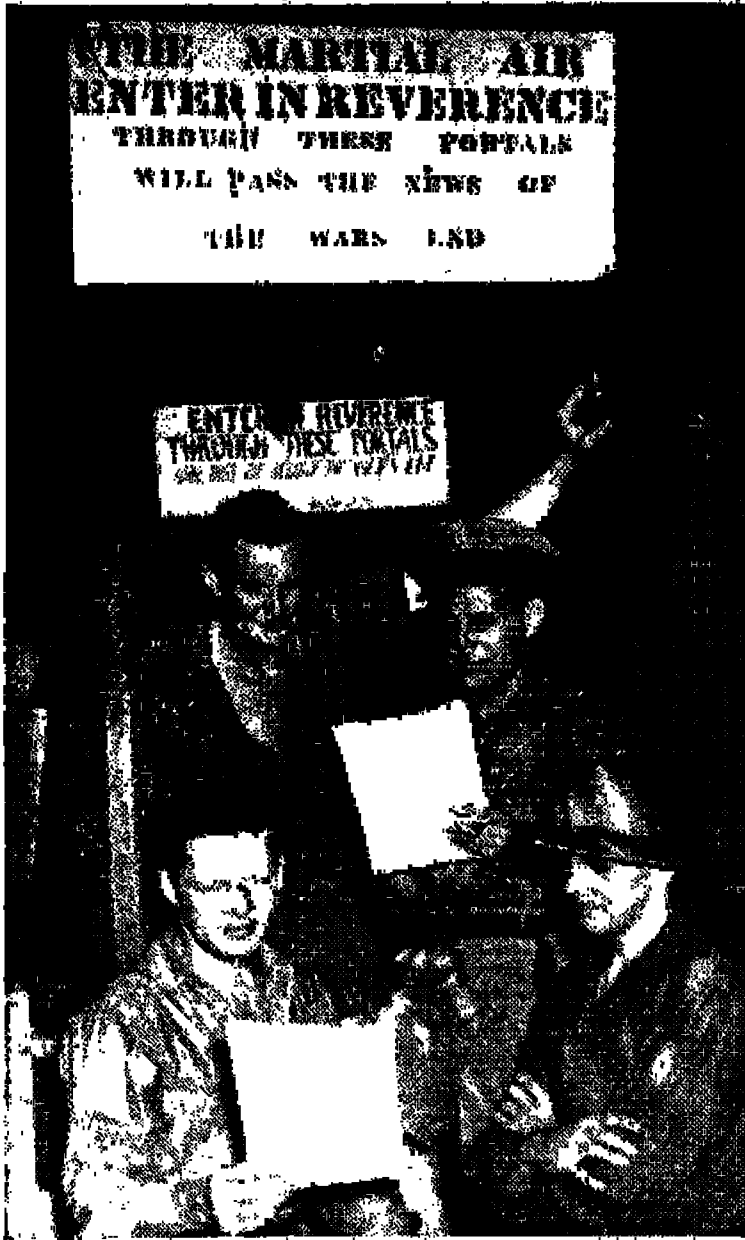
## LADIES IN WAITING

On a Washington, D. C., bus a woman was heard to remark: "I hope my husband isn't late tonight. I always like to see him home before 1000."

Another woman, wearing a Marine Corps emblem on her dress, sighed: "How wonderful it must be to expect your husband home by the hour and not by the year."

## HAVE YOU BEEN EATING ONIONS AGAIN, COLONEL?





**MARSHALL PRESS.** The four editors of the 'Martial Air', Marshall Island daily newspaper, pause at the door of the "press room." Y3/c, George Green, and CY Bill Walters (back row) and ARMS/c John Adamaitis and SLT Jack Shredl (front) are snapped here.

# Marshalls Feature Six-Page Tabloid

By Staff, Chester J. Hume, Combat Correspondent

**MARSHALL ISLANDS (Delayed)**—Rapidly changing battle lines in Europe and the Pacific, resulting in the constant introduction of unfamiliar cities and islands into the news, are a big obstacle to a complete understanding of the war situation for troops on many Pacific outposts.

When our present fighting men were going to school, chances are that few high school principals' wives even mentioned Iwo Jima or Truk during their entire geography course. And it's a safe bet that the college professor skimmed right over Bastogne and Cassino in reviewing World War I.

But these famous spots, and many others of World War II, were more than just another name to Marines, sailors and Seabees at this Central Pacific crossroads when they first figured in the news, thanks to the "Martial Air," a six-page mimeographed daily that has gained the reputation of being the "Biggest Little Newspaper in the Marshalls."

In addition to the "Martial Air's" thorough coverage of foreign and stateside news, up-to-the-minute maps of world battlefronts are sketched in detail by a staff artist, and run daily alongside lead stories from Moscow, Paris and Guam.

In front of the newspaper office there are two huge illuminated maps of the eastern and western fronts. These are surrounded the day long, and part of the night, by news-hungry garrison forces, who take a few minutes daily to pile out of their trucks and jeeps for a quick look at the battle lines.

A typical day at the "Martial Air" office gets under way around 0600 when the first radio press for the next morning's edition is received. Slouched down in his canvas-back chair, scanning the news, and virtually surrounded by a gallery of pinups that decorate the walls, you would find CY Bill Walters of New York City. Chief Walters founded the "Martial Air," and as editor for the past nine months has supervised its development from "a sheet to let the boys know what's going on" into a daily of considerable proportions.

"At present," Walters explained,

# 1st Provisional Brigade Awarded Navy Medal

**WASHINGTON** The 1st Provisional Marine Brigade has been commended by the Secretary of the Navy and awarded the Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon for outstanding heroism during the invasion of Guam. It is the first U. S. Marine Corps unit to receive this new award.

The 1st Marine Brigade is now called the 4th Marine Division, having added one other combat team. It was under command of Maj. Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd Jr., USMC, at the time of the cited action.

The official commendation reads: "For outstanding heroism in action against enemy Japanese forces during the invasion of Guam, Mariana Islands, from July 21 to Aug. 10 1944. Functioning as a combat unit for the first time, the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade forced a landing against strong hostile defenses and well camouflaged positions, steadily advancing inland under the relentless fury of

# Japs 'Burned Up' Over Tank Deal

**CENTRAL LUZON, P. I. (Delayed)**—When the Japs fled Clark Field, obligingly they left behind plentiful stocks of unburned Zero belly tanks.

Now, dive bombers of the 1st Marine Air Wing, loaded with fire bombs improvised from the Jap belly tanks, are belching them.

The tanks, loaded with a highly inflammable fluid, are being carried regularly by the Marine torpedo bombers over the Jap-held islands.

Pilots of the air wing claim these to be the largest incendiaries yet to be used.

all day long, to see if there are "any more left over."

To date, 200 issues of the "Martial Air" have gone to press, representing a total of 325,000 copies and 1,000,000 pages of news for the consumption of personnel at this base.

# Pharmacist Mate Saves Rooster

**IWO JIMA (Delayed)**—"Banzai," a Japanese fighting cock captured by Marines and treated by a Navy corpsman, is as good as new again. PHM2 c Castle Parker amputated a left leg shattered by shrapnel after the captive was moved from the front lines.

The prisoner seems to relish his new company.

"We decided to call him 'Hibai,'" said Parker, "because of the way he squawked when I used a firm grip around his neck while treating him."

# Okinawa Veteran Was Ex-Sheriff

Marine Maj. Henry Adams, former San Diego County under-sheriff, plans to keep his fighting eye intact after the war. He wants his old job back.

Just returned from Okinawa, Maj. Adams had been working with the FMF at Guam. He told reporters that resistance there had just started to increase when he left. A veteran of seven Pacific campaigns, Maj. Adams lives in La Mesa.

**BUSINESS AID OFFERED**

**WASHINGTON (CNS)** A booklet outlining the various ways in which the Smaller War Plants Corporation can aid veterans in setting up and maintaining small business enterprises is now available for distribution. It can be obtained by writing to the Smaller War Plants Corporation, Washington 25, D. C.

the enemy's heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to secure a firm beachhead by nightfall. Executing a difficult turning movement to the north, this daring and courageous unit fought its way ahead yard by yard through mangrove swamps, dense jungles and over cliffs and, although terrifically reduced in strength under the enemy's fanatical counter-attacks, hunted the Japanese in caves, pillboxes and foxholes and exterminated them. By their individual acts of gallantry and their indomitable fighting teamwork throughout this bitter and costly struggle, the men of the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade aided immeasurably in the restoration of Guam to our sovereignty."

Under the citation, all personnel serving in the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade, and attached units during the period stated in the citation, are authorized to wear the Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon.

The 1st Provisional Brigade is composed of Headquarters Co., Brigade Signal Co., Military Police Co., 4th Marines (reinforced), 22nd Marines (reinforced), Naval Construction Bn. Maintenance Unit 515 and 4th Flatoon, 2nd Marine Amphibious Co. All members of these units are eligible to wear the Navy Unit Commendation.

# 'Never To Heaven' In C-47 New Song

**MC-12, MINAMIAN** There's a song transport pilots and crewmen sing in the Pacific called "From Never To Heaven in a C-47."

C-47 is the designation of a Douglas transport plane, and the song is a grateful tribute to the big Skytrain's safety and cargo-hauling efficiency.

This word comes from an air-crewman just returned from the Pacific—PFC Robert W. Zurbriggen, who flew 900 transport hours and landed on 26 Allied airfields throughout the combat zones.

# Iwo Men Realized What Was Coming

**IWO JIMA (Delayed)**—Somehow the men of Iwo Jima realized what was coming.

The men's premonition expressed itself in a strange way. They left their porting spaces on the ship and took to the water in lifeboats before long a lot of their number would no longer be able to look after their belongings. The men are very jealous of these special letters which they had read so many times and carried such a long way. As one Marine put it as he carefully shredded several letters:

"If anything happens, I don't want these things to be blowing along the beach."



**"Little Davey" JOHNSON**  
plenty of rice

# Kid Marine Makes States After Jap Prison Stint

**USNH, SAN FRANCISCO**—"Little Davey" Johnson, the "Baby" of the famed old 4th Mar. Regt., which paid heavily in helping defend Bataan and Corregidor in 1942 against savage Jap assaults, is back after being held prisoner for about 33 months in the Philippines.

Wounded 13 times by enemy bullets in the beach defense of Corregidor just before the American forces surrendered that island fortress in May, 1942, "Little Davey" also known as "Chickie" to PVT David L. Johnson, 20, of Jackson, Miss.

The "Chickie" enlisted in the Marine Corps in January, 1940, after he had "convicted" a recruiting sergeant he was old enough to wear the Leatherneck uniform.

In due time, Johnson found himself overseas in Shanghai, China as a member of the 4th Regt. helping guard the International Settlement there.

In September, 1941, the short, stocky Johnson was transferred from the 4th to the 1st Separate Bn. at Cavite Navy Yard in the Philippines. Seven days before the Pearl Harbor attack the members of the 4th Regt. sailed into Manila Bay. A short time later the 1st Separate Bn. was merged with the 4th.

# Crash Landing Ruptures Duck

Mistaken for asphalt MCR (muddy ground) for an aquatic landing field, a wild duck crashed this week in a horrible one-point night landing near the flagpole.

Suffering a broken leg and possible fractured wing, the duck, a drake of unusual plumage, was sitting quietly waiting for first aid when found by PFC, Jasper Russell, Casual Co. Help of a veterinarian was sought.



**COMMAND POST.** One half hour after the Okinawa landing, a Marine command post was established near the ruins of one of the island's many tombs. The mausoleum suffered a direct hit. (Official U. S. Marine Corps photo.)





THE ARMY? Irving Berlin's show, "This Is the Army", plays before the 1st Marine Air Wing at a Philippine base. Here the "co-eds" put on their final number. (USMC photo.)

## 'Rum & Coca Cola' Lengthens Showers

By Staff Sgt. Herb Shultz, Combat Correspondent

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC (Delayed) — Taking a shower at this Marine camp is a new experience since "Rum and Coca-Cola" arrived.

Water starts coughing through the pipes at 1500. The first Marines are lathering up by 1501 and already, amid soapuds, spray and snapping towels, they are singing.

Over and over again it is the same little tune, "Drinking Rum and Coca-Cola," with the same refrain — "Working for the Yum-lee Doll-aashhh." Those not musically inclined hurry through their showers and retire to their tents.

This goes on until the water is turned off at 1700 and, unfortunately, it doesn't stop there. From reveille till taps the outfit acts as though it has been inoculated by a phonograph needle labelled "Rum and Coca-Cola." And, in effect, it has.

### AIN'TCHA EVER GONNA WRITE?

All these days I've been so lonely.  
Scarcely sleep a wink at night;  
Now I ask this question only —  
"Ain'tcha ever gonna write?"

Every hour I've been wondering.  
I'm so blue, can't eat a bite.  
Then the mailman passes thund'ring;  
"Ain'tcha ever gonna write?"

Do you really mean to peeve me?  
Or is there someone else in sight?  
Don't you think that will grieve me?

Honest, ain'tcha ever gonna write?

It all began less than a week ago when a newly-arrived officer stopped in the movie projection booth one evening and asked the operator to play a record he had brought overseas with him. It was the Andrews Sisters' recording of "Rum and Coca-Cola."

"If I'd known what was going to happen," groaned Corp. Carmen L. Spazioso of Pittsfield, Mass. "I never would have played the thing. But how was I to know?"

As the tune floated out over the public address system, Marines knocked off their usual pre-show chatter and listened. The response was terrific. Spazioso was forced to play it three more times, while the movie waited.

The next night "Rum and Coca-Cola" was heard five times, and Marines stuck in their seats calling for it again after the show was over.

### NEW CAFETERIA

Plans for the construction of a \$12,878 civilian cafeteria at the Marine Corps Air Station in Santa Barbara were revealed today by the 11th Naval District as it announced the award of a contract to the Parr Construction Co. of Los Angeles.

On the third evening Spazioso established a firm rule—he will play the record once each night—and once only. But the damage was done—the Marines have learned the words.

And this old island hasn't been the same since.

## WR Artist Paints Mexican Murals

EL CENTRO — Decorating the walls of the Base outdoor beer garden in the station post exchange with picturesque murals of Mexican life is the present duty of Pvt. Stella H. Visnich, a woman Marine here.

Depicting the colorful part of Mexican life, of bull fights, dancing, senioritas and gallant caballeros, Pvt. Visnich has painted life-size figures in bright, gaudy colors around the four walls of the garden. So that the colors will show up in the evening, she gets her "perspective" by doing most of the painting by spotlight at night.

Complete with redwood tables and benches, the beer garden will be a popular place for outdoor dances at the desert station in the summer evenings.

Prior to enlisting, Pvt. Visnich was assistant technician for an eye specialist in Pittsburgh. During the evening she studied art, design and life sketching at Carnegie Tech University night school.

## Irving Berlin Entertains Marine Fliers In Pacific

By Staff Sgt. Walter F. Mackie, Combat Correspondent

SOMEWHERE IN THE PHILIPPINES (Delayed) — The pian of many songs—Composer Irving Berlin—visited this 1st Marine Air Wing recently, taking time out from rehearsals of "This Is the Army" to visit Leathernecks who fly Marine Corsair fighter planes.

Marine fliers gave him a grand welcome. He was hoisted into the cockpit of a Corsair and posed for a picture with pilots and Army Capt. Lanny Ross, AEC, stage, radio and screen singer who has put in nearly two years' duty overseas making life a little easier for soldiers.

"I had no idea there was so much room and so many gadgets in one of your planes," Berlin said as he climbed out of the Marine's sky horse. Later, as he drove back to his room at the bachelor officers' quarters, he revealed that he had been overseas before himself; England, Ireland, Scotland, Italy, France, Persia, "and then we came to the Pacific last October after 16 months in Europe."

Accompanying Berlin, in addition to Lanny Ross, were Walter G. Samuels, writer of "Boots and Saddles", "I Couldn't Believe My Eyes" and "Fiesta", and Eddie Moran, writer of the "Topper" series of pictures for Paramount Studios. Samuels and Moran are overseas in the capacity of special

advisers to the Secretary of War.

Berlin and his party watched the line crews mechanics, ordnance men and plane captains service the Marine planes for several minutes, and as the Corsairs taxied down the side of the strip and into the air.

"Gosh," he remarked, "they're only kids, but they certainly handle their planes like veterans." Someone then told him that these "kids", members of the "Flying Deucers" squadron, were the pilots of one of the oldest Marine squadrons in the Pacific and that some of them had completed well over 100 bombing and strafing missions in the South Pacific and the Philippines.

It was learned that Irving Berlin has turned over \$10,000,000 plus various other sums to veteran relief organizations since he founded "This Is the Army" two and a half years ago. His cast of 180 servicemen is one of the best trained troupes ever to tour foreign lands.



MURAL EXPERT, Pvt. Stella H. Visnich of Pittsburgh, Pa., decorates the walls of a new outdoor beer garden in the post exchange at El Centro. A touch of gay Mexican life is the mural theme.

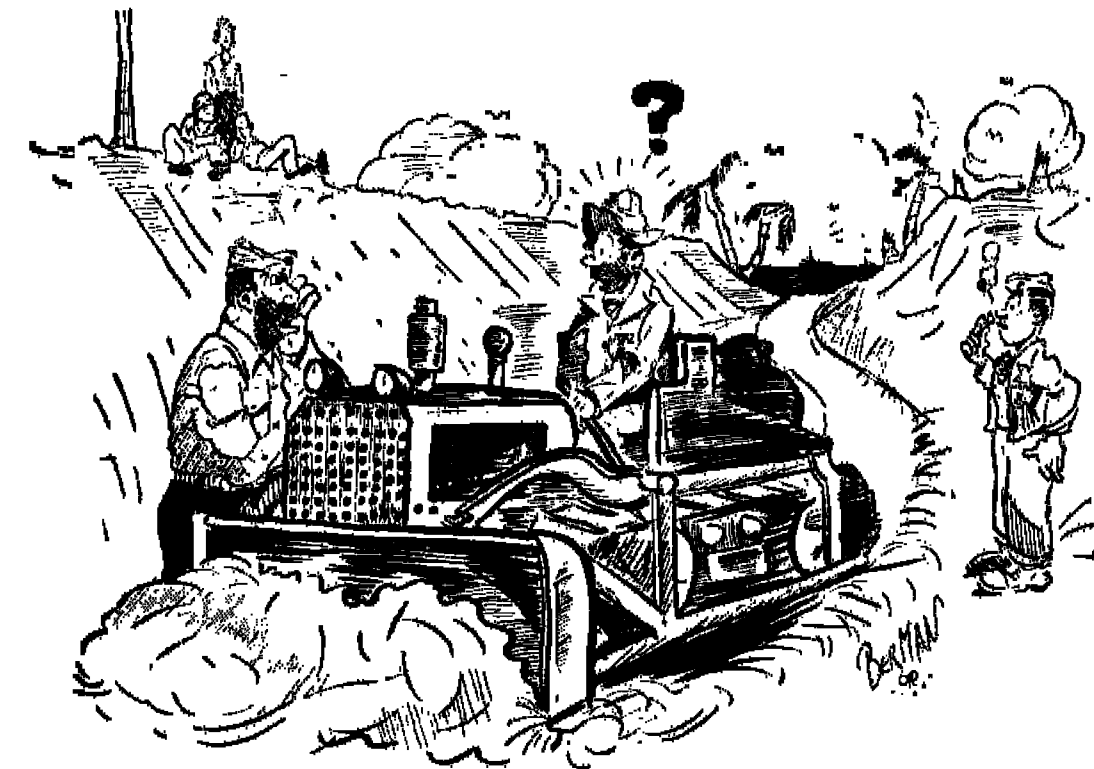
## WEEKLY SCREEN GUIDE

### BASE THEATER 1730 and 2000

SATURDAY—The Body Snatcher, Boris Karloff-Bela Lugosi. Horror story with Karloff and Lugosi at their gruesome best.  
SUNDAY—Picture of Dorian Gray, George Sanders-Angela Lansbury. Dramatic story of the degeneration of a famous character of fiction.  
MONDAY—Cisco Kid Returns, Duncan Renaldo-Martin Garralaga. Western with a different twist. Monogram picture.  
TUESDAY—Flame of Barbary Coast, John Wayne-Ann Dvorak. Historic melodrama of early Frisco . . . gamblers, dance halls and love.  
WEDNESDAY—Strange Illusion, Jimmy Lydon-Sally Eilers. Murder story with a mystery and drama sequence.  
THURSDAY—China Sky, Randolph Scott-Ruth Warrick. Doctor and nurse drama, love plot mixed with helping wounded Chinese.  
FRIDAY—Rockin' in the Rockies, Mary Beth Hughes-Jay Kirby. Musical western with a modern touch.

### CAMP MATTHEWS 1745

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"YOU'RE RELIEVED AS OF NOW, MARCZYKOWSKI  
YOU DON'T DRAW A BIG ENOUGH AUDIENCE!"

# Base Baseballers Win Official Opening Game



DOUBLE SWAT. Krueger of the Fort Rosecrans team swats a double here which started a ninth-inning rally by his mates. Catcher is Thomas, who had earlier hit a homer for the Base and the umpire is Tom Lloyd. (Photo by PFC Marion E. Brown.)

A five-run scoring spree in the fourth inning enabled the Base diamond crew to pile up enough reserve to withstand a ninth-inning Fort Rosecrans rally Tuesday and win the official season opener, 8-7.

Victory over the Army nine lifted the Base team to the quarterfinals in the 11th Naval District league round robin tournament. Mentor Randy Blatnick's nine lost to Camp Elliott, 10-0, in the game to determine who will meet the Pendleton-MarFair West winner for a semi-final berth.

After three scoreless innings, Catcher Thomas connected with a home run at the opening of the fourth stanza to spark a rally which resulted in five Base runs during the inning. Three tallies in the fifth and sixth frames provided Blatnick's crew with an 8-3 margin going into the ninth.

Pitcher Pleasant Brooks lost his grip at the outset of the ninth frame and the four resurgent Fort Rosecrans tallies nearly edged the Base side. Inning tabs:

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Army ..... 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 4-7

## Athletics Are Still Vital-Tunney

From the defeat of Japan until the boys are sent home, the Navy will provide a comprehensive athletic program to keep its men busy and in good health, according to Comdr. Gene Tunney, special adviser on physical fitness to the Chief of Naval Personnel.

The post-war program will be an extension of the present athletic set-up, the former world's heavyweight champ announced.

"After the last Armistice they didn't have enough guard houses in France to hold the men who went over the hill," Comdr. Tunney said. "This time we want to give the men something to occupy their time, and at the same time keep them in good health during that period."

## Through the SPORThOLE

with PFC Norris Anderson

Pre-season predictions rarely add any yeast to all the dough that is laid annually on the major league diamond races.

Every scribe from the Poodle Junction Pulp to the New York Times has the habit of releasing a raft of April pennant forecasts. So for the sake of would-be Leatherneck wagers, we stumbled over the AP, UP and INS predictions and picked ourselves up with this consensus: The Cardinals in the National and the Detroit Tigers in the American!

Manager Billy Southworth lost Outfielders Stan Musial and Danny Litwhiler, but the 1944 Verban-Marion-Sanders-Kurovski infield still is intact and the best in the business. Recently corralled after a salary dispute, the Brothers Cooper give the Cardinals the top battery under the big top.

If Uncle Sam keeps his distance, Battering Bill Nicholson may lead the Cubs to a spot close to the Cards. Manager Charlie Grimm has superb pitching in Claude Passeau, Hy Vandenberg, Charlie Gassaway and Hank Wyse. Peanuts Lowry, Andy Patko and Nicholson provide Grimm with the brightest outfield in the league. Nicholson topped the league a year ago in runs batted in (122), total bases (317) and home runs (33).

Dizzy Trout and Hal Newhouser, who won all but 32 of Detroit's 88 victories a year ago are the foundation of all Tiger backing. Despite the loss of Pinky Higgins in the infield, the Tigers still have York, Mayo, Webb and Hoover.

Losing only Al Zarilla, the St. Louis Browns should finish a close second to the Tigers. Scribes are in agreement that miracles cannot happen two years in succession, despite fine fielding and expert pitching.

Our tabulation of the scribes' predictions reads thusly: American league—Detroit, St. Louis, New York, Cleveland, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington. National league—St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburgh, New York, Brooklyn, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and Boston.

StCsgt. Bill Allen, combat correspondent, passes on the news that a rugged Filipino girl experimentally took over pitching duties for an Army nine in a recent softball mix with a Marine team on Luzon. She proceeded to shut out the Gyrenes for seven consecutive innings and the fray ended in a scoreless deadlock.

## Weekly Sport Newsreel

Visitor at the Base athletic office last week was Maj. Charles R. Church, athletic officer here when there were some athletes on the premises. . . . Maj. Church was here briefly en route overseas after two months' schooling in Washington, D. C. . . . His dog, Duke, familiar to all Base sports fans, lost 20 pounds during his master's absence. . . . Draft board dates: For Tuck Stainback of the Cubs and Johnny Lindell, leading 1944 Yankee slugger. . . . Navy Lt. Bill Dickey says the easiest Yankee hurlers to catch were Lefty Gomez, Red Ruffing and Herb Pennock. . . . Beans Reardon, longest big league referee in service: "Bill Terry is the best batter I ever watched and Carl Hubbell the best pitcher." . . . New recreation officer at Cherry Point is Capt. M. J. (Clipper) Smith of Villanova gridiron coaching fame. . . . Among two deaths: 1st Lt. Jack Chevigny, 1943 Camp Lejeune football coach. . . . Pvt. John V. Rockne, Knute's youngest son, is going through boot training at Parris Island.

## Marines Lead Football Rules Meeting

Two retired Marine officers, Col. Bernie Bierman of Minnesota and Maj. Tuss McLaughrey of Dartmouth, were among the elite at the recent meeting of the National Collegiate Football Rules committee.

One of the main rules which college gridiron rulemakers decided to put into effect is the rule allowing a forward pass to be thrown anywhere behind the line of scrimmage. Up until this decision was passed upon the collegiate gridder had to be five yards behind the line before he could let the ball loose. However, in adopting the new unrestricted forward pass, the collegians will be following the style of the pros.

Also during the session the play from the kick-off received a drastic change. As decided by the board, the second successive out-of-bounds kick-off will be put into play by the receiving team on the kicking eleven's 40-yard line.

The kick-off change was the most unexpected of the revisions and "we spent several hours re-writing it so that it would fit in with the rest of the code," said Col. William Bingham, chairman of the board.

### BALL TEED-UP FOR KICK

To insure the kicker more control over the ball, the new rule permits the piggskin to be elevated an inch from the turf. This elevation will be obtained by the use of a special type tee which has not yet been specified as to the construction, size or composition.

In addition to the above changes, the committee also decided that a

substitute may report to any official on the field; make the elbow-block definitely illegal, and revised the center's stance so that none of his body may be permitted to extend past the forward point of the ball.

The new revamped substitution rule will eliminate the field captain's right to reject a player. The responsibility for the legality of the change thus falls upon the coach.

### ELBOW BLOCK OUT

The elbow-block, which came into use when the T-formation was introduced, was eliminated by changing the rule so that a blocker must have his hands and arms pressed against his body when throwing a block into an opposing player.

Committee members attending the two-day session were Tuss McLaughrey, former Parris Island athletic officer; W. A. (Bill) Alexander of Georgia Tech; Dana X. Bible of Texas U.; George F. Womack of Iowa State; Harry Hughes of Colorado A. & M.; Col. L. M. (Biff) Jones of Army; Comdr. Willis O. Hunter of Southern California, and Secretary E. C. Krieger of Ohio University.

Two members who were unable to attend were A. A. Stagg, who could not get a reservation from his Stockton, Cal., home, and H. O.

(Fritz) Crisler of Michigan, now on an Army special service tour.

Ray Morrison, president of the Football Coaches' Association; Lpu Little of Columbia, and Bernie Bierman of Minnesota were also present as an advisory committee, with E. A. Geiges of Philadelphia.

## Miramar Boxers Split Matches

MIRAMAR—Two Miramar scrappers participated in the USN boxing smoker last week.

In the main event PFC, CHIEF Patton, Miramar middleweight, took a three-round decision from Panther King, Repair Base colored boxer.

PFC, Nick Ragusano of Miramar, California AAU champ, dropped a close decision to Sailor Al Pittman of Camp Elliott in the other bout.

Sgt. Mike Trjola tutors the Miramar champion.

### SWIMMING SCHEDULE

Daily Except Sunday  
1200 to 1400

Sunday  
0830 to 1000

WOMEN  
Daily Except Sat. And Sun.  
1700 to 1800



BASKETBALL CHAMPS. Winner of the Base basketball title for the year is this Dental Dispensary team. Left to right (back row): PhM2/c. Barry G. Miller, Lt. (jg) William Worrell, PhM2/c. K. Butler, Pharm. W. E. Eddy, Lt. (jg) Alfred S. Schuchard, PhM3/c. Ray Peabody, Lt. (jg) Herbert R. Packard and PhM3/c. Robert R. Bruhmer. Left to right (front row): Lt. Comdr. D. N. Taylor (sponsor), PhM3/c. Leon P. Taylor (coach), PhM2/c. Walter R. Dye, Lt. (jg) Charles C. Sternburg, PhM1/c. S. R. Scarborough, HA1/c. Jack Cranston and Comdr. J. L. Brown (sponsor).



New \$150,000 Bowling Alleys Now Open to Base Personnel



PACIFIC HOOPSTERS. Basketball is the main diversion of the 1st Division Marines in the South Pacific. One Marine team here has just completed a fast practice session. Left to right (back row): PFC. Olen L. Cornwell of Dayton, O.; PFC. James H. Davis of Cheyenne, Wyo.; PFC. Rayford H. Haigler of Moselle, Miss.; Corp. Squires E. Davis of Tyler, Tex.; PFC. David C. Tobin of East Hampton, Conn.; Pvt. Harvey E. Dustrude of Great Falls, Mont., and Sgt. Fred A. Vigil of Los Angeles, Cal. Left to right (front row): Pvt. Merle J. Balfany of Yankton, S. D.; Sgt. James F. Kennedy of Newark, N. Y.; PFC. Keith L. Olson of Whiting, Ia.; PhMS/c. Hal Taylor of Calmer, Ia., and SFSgt. Kenneth E. Nelson (coach) of Festus Mo. (Official U. S. Marine Corps photo.)

Leatherneck bowling enthusiasts celebrated the opening of the new 16-lane Base alleys Tuesday night when Brig. Gen. Archie F. Howard, commanding general, sent the first ball down the lane.

Completely modernized with such touches as electric-eye foul lines, the alleys rank near the top in size and equipment among similar service units in the nation.

A "telescope" system flashes the scores on a screen above the individual alleys. Other features are a public address system, automatic ball cleaner, exhaust-fan ventilation and three dressing rooms.

Under the supervision of Capt. Buckleigh F. Oxford and the recreation department, the new alleys were constructed at a cost of \$150,000.

A 24-seat soft drink fountain is installed directly behind the bleachers to give participants ample facilities for refreshments between lines. The alleys will open at 1530 daily to all Base personnel and will close at 2100.

SgtMaj. Vern C. Overstreet of Downey, Cal., is the NCO-in-Charge of the alleys. His assistants are Sgt. Art Schaffer of Lodi, Cal., and Corp. Joe Wimer of LaVerne, Cal. Overstreet is particularly anxious to form a Base bowling league. All units interested are urged to contact him at Ext. 523 as pay a personal visit during opening hours. The cost of bowling is 10 cents a line. Located directly north of the baseball stadium, the new alleys have been under construction for eight months.

Lejeune Diamond Squad Schedules Top Opponents

CAMP LEJEUNE - Camp Lejeune's first baseball team, the 1945 hopefuls, now are scheduled to open their season on Sunday, April 22, against the Pre-Flight nine at Chapel Hill.

Capt. R. M. Fort, recreation officer's athletic officer, reported yesterday that the N. C. Pre-Flight team will be met four times this season by Lejeune, with two games here and two at Chapel Hill.

Quantico's Marines also fill furnish four-time opposition, with a pair of games at each camp, and the other definitely dated opponent is Camp Patrick Henry of Virginia slated to appear here in a June 10 doubleheader.

Thus far the schedule arranged for the Lejeune nine, which is to be managed by Capt. George Sexton and A. D. Cereghino, includes the following dates:

- April 22 - N. C. Pre-Flight at Chapel Hill.
- May 12 - Quantico Marines at Lejeune.
- May 27 - Quantico Marines at Lejeune.
- June 10 - Camp Patrick Henry (twice) at Lejeune.
- June 16 - N. C. Pre-Flight at Chapel Hill.
- June 20 - Quantico Marines here.
- June 24 - Quantico Marines here.
- July 7 - N. C. Pre-Flight here.

The local nine's prospective batters began their first supervised workouts this week. Managers Cereghino and Sexton have reported. The call for infielders and outfielders has been sounded for practice sessions to begin Monday, April 23, and the full squad of prospects will drill daily thereafter.

A motorcycle cop says you can't tell how far a couple has gone in a car merely by looking at the speedometer.

Nation's Athletes Mourn Commander-In-Chief

Athletes over the nation paid tribute last week to one of sport-dom's strongest followers—Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

The women's national AAU swimming championships in Chicago and the Stanley Cup hockey play-offs in Toronto planned to carry on.

Prayers were said before the "play ball" cry at each of the Coast games.

In Chicago, AAU Executive Lyman T. Bingham said that inability of contestants to change their train reservations for the return home made it impossible to delay the meet.

The national dinghy races, to be held at the Larchmont (N. Y.) Yacht Club, of which the late President was an honorary member, were set over to April 21 and 22.

Ford Frick, president of the National Baseball League, had his club owners to cancel all their exhibitions for Sunday, the day designated by President Truman as a day of national mourning. All games for Sunday except two were wiped out by independent actions of the owners.

Yale, Columbia, New York and Notre Dame universities postponed baseball games and the Irish also

dropped their Saturday afternoon football drills.

Oriental race track in Havana will be shuttered for the day and was not open Sunday. The Tijuana track in Mexico also will shut down tomorrow with racing let sliding Sunday.

In South America athletes showed their respect by shunning to Sunday the South American track and field carnival originally scheduled for Saturday. It will be held in Montevideo, Uruguay.

Promoter Mike Jacobs postponed his New York fight card, topped by a 10-round bout between Jake LaMotta and Vic Delizanti, for one week.

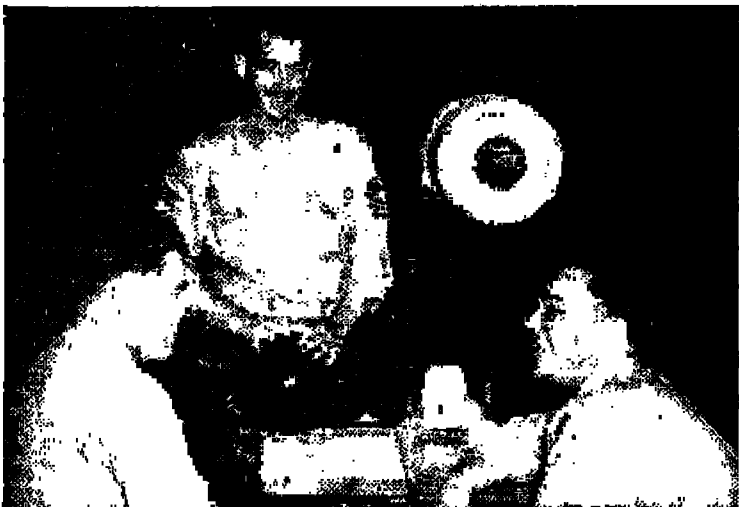
ABG-2 Girls Cop Eleventh District Cage Trophy

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Milwaukee	2	2	1
NTC	1	3	1
NAA	1	3	1
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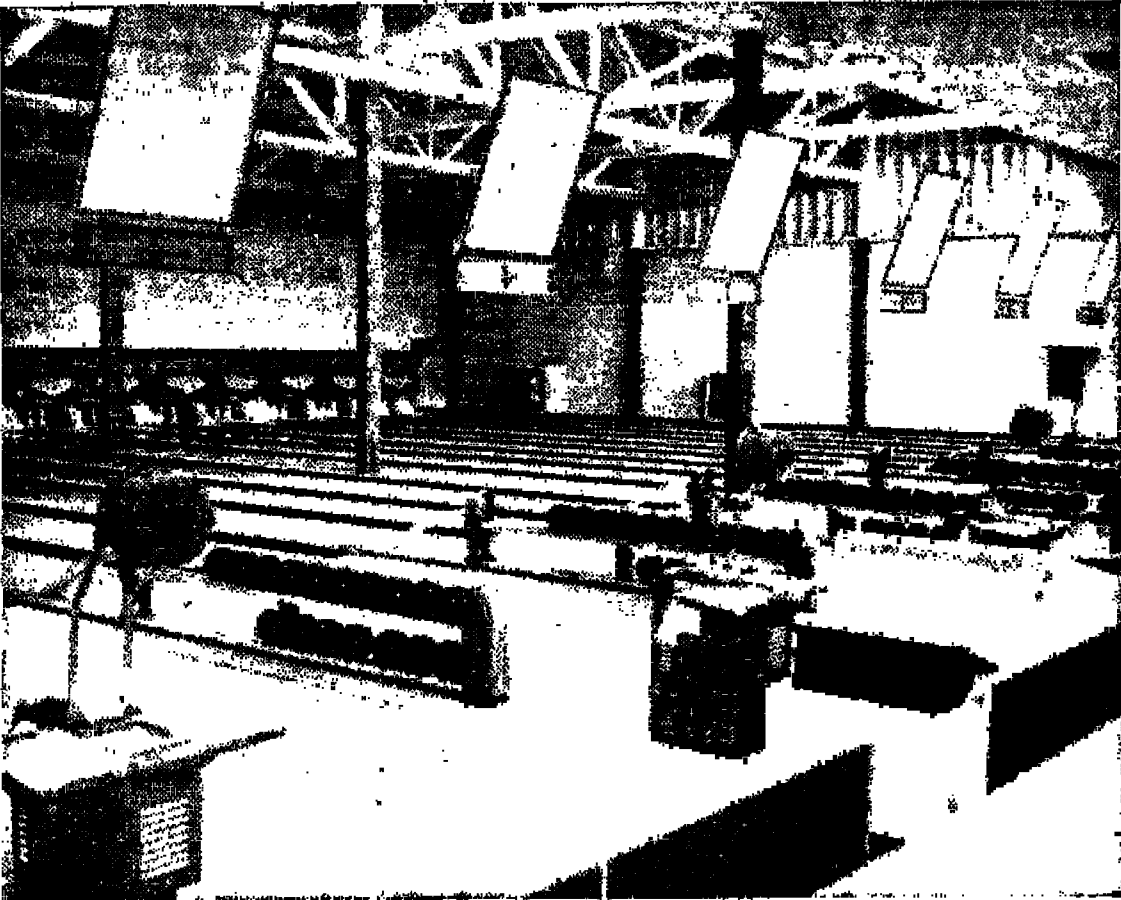
A 37-30 victory over NTC gave the ABG-2 girls the second-half title in the 11th Naval District Women's service league. The Base WR team, first-half victors, closed in second place with a 3-2 status.

PFC. Mary Mlarecki led the Base Hoopsters through second-half play with a 38-point total. She was followed by Corp. Thelma Ireland with 34 points and PFC. Leonie Jaminski with 17 tallies.

THE CHEVRON Sports



BOWLING BIGGIES. SgtMaj. Vern C. Overstreet, Base bowling NCO-in-Charge, (center) has just finished a fast game on the new alleys. His assistants, Corp. Joe Wimer (left) and Sgt. Art Shaffer, bid their boss about a gutter-bound ball. (Photo by PFC. Marion Brown.)



UNBEATABLE! Bowling fans whooped when they first caught glimpse of the new 16-lane Base alleys Tuesday night. Featuring every modern improvement from electric scorers to automatic ball-cleaners, the alleys rank near the top among the nation's service bowling spots. (Photo by PFC. Marion E. Brown.)

Former Pro Boxer Coaches Parris Island Ring Squad

PARRIS ISLAND—PFC. Jimmy Shepard of Springfield, Ill., who served with the 2nd Marine Division in the Pacific, was recently appointed post boxing coach here.

Shepard, who was a successful amateur and professional fighter in civilian days, coached and trained some outstanding Marine boxers in the Pacific. He is now engaged in rounding up talent for the Parris Island teams.

While attached to the 3th Marines in New Zealand, he trained a boxing team that fought 130 bouts, winning 102, losing 25 and drawing in three. Some of his fighters

claimed Southwest Pacific championships.

Later, Shepard was named boxing coach for the entire 2nd Marine Division, with which he saw action at Tarawa, Saipan and Tinian.

In 1935, Shepard won the Mid-western AAU title in the 135-pound class. He won 32 straight bouts just before turning pro. As a pro he fought 66 bouts, winning 58 and losing 10.

After quitting the ring, he coached and trained the Illinois Golden Gloves team in 1941 and promoted amateur fights in Springfield.

Marines Made Okinawa Landing 92 Years Ago

The recent landing on Okinawa was not the first visit paid this island by the U. S. Marines. Commodore Matthew C. Perry's squadron, en route with credentials from the President of the United States, landed there 92 years ago with a treaty opening Japan to world trade.

Okinawa was a logical stopping point en route to Japan proper though at the time it was phoneticized by the compiler of the official narrative "Great Law Chew" or the largest of the Lieou Kieou, or Luchu Islands. These various renditions stem from Chinese, who, to this day, claim that the present name, "Ryukyu", is simply a phonetic corruption of Luchu, resulting from the notorious inability of the Japanese to pronounce the letter "L".

The small U. S. squadron dropped anchor in the harbor of Naha on May 26, 1853. The narrative of the voyage describes what took place. All quotations are from the "Narrative" compiled from original official sources by Francis L. Hawks, D.D., LL.D., published in 1857.

"The Marines were in uniform, and every preparation had been made on board to show them respect and produce impressive effect. Six or eight other officers and some subordinates followed the Regent in the deck. A salute of three guns was then fired, which so startled some of the Law Chew officers that they dropped upon their knees."

Their reaction to American Naval gunfire 92 years later does not appear to have been essentially much different.

With more or less friendly relations established, some officers went ashore on liberty. The reactions of a small party that set out to explore the island are interesting.

"The inhabitants appear to be naturally not unamiable, but the experience of our officers does not altogether sustain the glowing accounts of the simplicity, friendliness and contentment of the people described by an earlier visitor."

"The system of government, of which secret espionage forms a distinguishing feature, is found in the inferior classes creating cunning and falsehood. The people have many excellent traits, however, and their worst vices are probably the results of the wretched system of government under which they live."

"Boat exercises in the harbor formed part of the occupation of the several crews," the narrative continues. "The Marines were on shore, drilling under the charge of their officers. These things indicated that the commodore was determined to have every department in the highest state of discipline, that he might be prepared for any event."

"The event for which he was preparing was his return of the Regent's official visit, at the royal palace at Shuf, the capital. This occurred on June 4, and must have been quite a spectacle. The main feature consisted of the Marine detachments of the several ships, in their not inconspicuous uniforms, marching in two companies, at head and rear of the procession with two others in attendance on the Commodore as a guard of honor.

Commodore Perry sailed shortly afterward to more important adventures in Japan proper. On the whole, his impressions of Okinawa were very favorable. Later it was one of several places where he recommended that the United States obtain advance bases for commercial and possible naval operations in the Far East.

Now, after 92 years, it begins to look as though he is about to get some action.

Prisoner Promotions

The Navy Department has announced that special consideration with respect to promotion will be given, with certain exceptions, to returned officer and enlisted personnel of the Navy who, in the course of honorable service, have fallen into the hands of the enemy as prisoners of war or who have escaped from such custody or evaded capture.

The purpose of special consideration will be to provide opportunity to attain the rank, grade or rating which they would probably have attained, had they not been separated temporarily from normal active service.

Upon return to the jurisdiction of their respective services, they will be considered, if qualified, for immediate promotion of one rank, grade or rating, and for subsequent promotion as soon as qualified. Time in grade, position



"Then the draft board DID accept you!"

vacancy and billet requirements will be waived in their case. Officer personnel, however, will not be advanced more than one grade at a time.

This joint policy will not apply to individuals in the top grade of their military status; i.e., commissioned officers of the rank of colonel and equivalent or above, commissioned warrant officers, chief warrant officers or enlisted personnel in the first pay grade. In appropriate cases, commissioned warrant officers, chief warrant officers and enlisted personnel in the first pay grade will receive prompt consideration for commissioned officer or warrant officer status.

The policy will apply without regard to the area overseas in which personnel have served, but will not have the effect of conferring pay increases prior to the date of return to United States jurisdiction.

Safety Valve

Mourning Ribbon Sought

Editor, The Chevron—I think it would be very fitting if all service personnel would be permitted to wear a black bar with their service ribbons in mourning for our late Commander-in-Chief.

Sgt. U. B. MERRIVETHER  
MCB, San Diego, Cal.

Liberty For R and R?

Editor, The Chevron—Recently, a friend returned from 30 months in the Pacific and was assigned to the Base here for reassignment, etc. Upon arriving he was restricted to the Base for five days. Do all men receive the same treatment upon arrival, or if their wife and family reside here, can they have liberty at night until their leave is taken care of? Also, when a man overseas learns he is coming home, how much notice does he have and can he communicate with his family?

Mrs. LESTER E. CRANE  
El Cajon, Cal.

Armchair Strategist

Editor, The Chevron—Certainly this country, even with the help of our Allies, isn't going to battle five or six million Jap soldiers in an effort to subdue them when we can, through some other medium, paralyze the people of Japan. The medium I suggest is a concentrated bombing of Japan's water supply—her homeland reservoirs on which she depends almost entirely for her drinking water. Man can go without food, or little food, for a long while, but he MUST have potable drinking water. If the Japs, finding their sources of supply destroyed, resorted to the use of drinking river water, it would soon bring them to a realization of their defeat. I offer this merely as a suggestion, as a father desiring to hasten the day when my two sons and the millions of other sons can come home for good.

A. W. HEINEMANN  
Denver, Colo.

10th Marines Citation

Editor, The Chevron—I was with the 10th Marines, 1st Bn, attached to the 4th Division on the invasion of Saipan and Tinian. Did we get the Presidential Unit Citation and are we allowed to wear a star each for Saipan and Tinian?

Sgt. C. T. KAISER  
USNR, Santa Marguerita, Occidente, Cal.

Editor's note—The 1st Bn, 10th Marines, was one of the attached units cited with the 4th Division. You are therefore entitled to wear the star and ribbon IF you made the landing with the 10th Marines. However, if you did not make the landing you can wear the ribbon only while actually attached to the organization. There is only one star authorized for the combined Saipan and Tinian engagement.

Guam Citation?

Editor, The Chevron—My son has come home from 4 months in the Pacific with the 3rd Marines and is a veteran of Boughville and Guam. I would like to know why the 3rd Marines did not get a citation for the capture of Guam, which should mean more to the American people than the other islands which the 1st, 2nd and 4th Marine Divs. captured and got citations for.

Mrs. CATHERINE GONDEL  
St. Albans, N. Y.

Editor's note—The First Provisional Marine Brigade has received the Presidential Unit Citation for the Guam operation. We are not attempting to here justify the citation or to take any credit away from those who have worked to deserve it. It has been our experience, however, that the members of other units are the first to congratulate the cited units.

Confused Identities

Editor, The Chevron—We have a little matter which we would like to clear up if possible. We would like to know why the identity of the flag-raiser on Iwo Jima has been confused which is apparent by the enclosed clippings, one from the Honolulu Tribune and one from the Chevron.

Sgt. WILLIAM O. GOOD  
MCB, San Diego, Cal.

Editor's note—We received our information from clippings sent in by our correspondents who were allegedly "on the know" by the men who raised the flag. The stories and pictures were supplied us by the Public Relations Division. We have no idea where the other paper got its information. We, also, have a very clear picture of Lt. Col. Harold M. Smith shaking Thomas' hand for the flag-raising. (Chevron, March 17, 1945.)

Promotion Business

Editor, The Chevron—In reference to the letter written last week about the Women Marines promotions, I feel that the promotions in the Marine Corps are strictly business of the Marine Corps and that civilians who don't know what is going on should join and find out instead of hunking in where such things do not concern them. I also feel that space in the Chevron should be taken by things enlisted men and women care to know about instead of civilians, unless it is a mother or wife concerned about their boy or husband.

Also just a little information, or gripe you may call it. Why can't there be something done about the rough talk the girls have to take off at the men in the Base Theater? We would appreciate it very much if something were done about this. Thank you.

NAME WITHHELD  
MCB San Diego, Cal.

Col. 'Jim' Crowe Alive

Editor, The Chevron—We would appreciate it if you could straighten us out. We would like to know if Lt. Col. 'Jim' Crowe was killed on Saipan, or if he is dead now of wounds received there. Some of the fellows claim he is still alive and back out on duty.

PFC. LEROY R. FRANSE  
USNR, Honua, La.

Editor's note—Col. Crowe is very much alive and is at present overseas—without his mustache.

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**WOUNDED RETURN.** A hospital train pulls into the siding of a medical warehouse at Camp Pendleton to discharge its cargo of wounded veterans just back from Iwo.

## Suribachi Services Open Iwo Jima Easter Morning

IWO JIMA (Delayed).—While their comrades in arms the world over paused in battle on Easter Sunday, Marines on this newly-won island just three air-hours from Tokyo, attended sunrise services atop hallowed Mount Suribachi where one month ago Leathernecks raised the American flag during the fiercest battle in the 168-year history of the Corps.

Men of the 3rd Marine Division, still mopping up remnants of the Japanese hiding in caves in the northern sector of Iwo Jima, took time off from their patrolling to observe this blessed day and honor their fallen comrades.

Transported to the base of the historic 560-foot height in trucks, Marines, sailors and soldiers climbed the steep, wind-swept slopes of the volcanic cone to the crest overlooking cemeteries of the 3rd, 4th and 5th Marine Divisions.

The rows of white crosses in the volcanic ash gave added impetus to the sacred service. Hardly a Marine in attendance hadn't lost a buddy in the taking of this island.

More than 500 servicemen attended the sunrise service.

With the clean, blue Pacific and dirty, brown island for a huge background, the men gathered atop of Mount Suribachi when Capt.

## Marine Daughter Wins National Swim Trophy

CHICAGO.—Ann Curtis, America's 220 and 440-yard free-style champion, tonight added the 100-yard event to her repertoire of swimming titles and records as she upset Brenda Helser of Hollywood, in the finals of the national AAU women's swimming championship here.

She is the daughter of Marine Capt. James M. Curtis.

Miss Curtis, only woman ever to win the Sullivan Memorial Trophy, forged ahead in the last 10 yards to beat the defending champion by 18 inches in 1m. 1.9s.

Miss Curtis, slower on the turn than Miss Helser, was in third place for the first 50 yards, moved into second after the second turn, and trailed by two to three yards as she started back on the last 25-yard lap.

Miss Marie Corridon of the Women's Swimming Association, New York, who was expected to give Miss Helser the most competition, finished in third place, a yard behind Miss Helser.

Miss Curtis had the slowest time in the semifinals of any of the qualifiers of the championship event.

Miss Helser's unexpected defeat—and loss of her championship—came after a hectic afternoon in which she failed to swim in the semifinals, and then swam a race against time before she could swim against the field to finally qualify for the finals. (AP).

Saturday Morning, April 21, 1945

# Latest Casualty Reports

## Safe

### Michigan

PFC. William Dockery, Flint.

## Missing

### Rhode Island

Maj. Everett V. Alward, Jamestown.

## Dead

### Alabama

2d Lt. David W. Wright, Fairfield.  
Corp. George O. Adams, Birmingham.  
Corp. Ernest A. Lunsford Jr., Selma.  
PFC. Harry A. Doss Jr., Birmingham.  
PFC. Andrew M. Martin Jr., Centerville.  
Pvt. James G. Devaughn, Lineville.  
PFC. Roy Dickinson, Elba.  
Pvt. David L. Braxton, Bayou La Batre.  
Pvt. Andrew W. Haden, Guntersville.  
ACR. John A. Skelton, Trussville.  
Pvt. Charles A. Dwyer III, Tuscaloosa.

### Arkansas

Sgt. James A. Hurst, Wheatley.  
Pvt. Willie G. Steadman, Warren.  
PFC. Earl F. Halford, Booneville.  
Pvt. Albert K. Davis, Osceola.

### California

Capt. Charles J. Bussey, Pasadena.  
1st Lt. Kent Arnold, Redfield.  
2d Lt. Harry B. Lampert Jr., San Francisco.  
2d Lt. Alberto Garcia, San Francisco.  
2d Lt. George K. Todd, Los Angeles.  
2d Lt. Richard D. Christman, Los Angeles.  
Sgt. Clyde E. Ayres, Corona.  
Corp. Arthur D. McGuire, Fresno.  
Corp. Daniel M. Frost, San Diego.  
Corp. Donald S. Stevens, Oakland.  
Pvt. William T. Davidson, San Diego.  
Pvt. Hubert H. Seltman, San Jose.  
PFC. John A. Wilkinson, Calabasas.  
Pvt. Edward M. Hahn, San Francisco.  
PFC. Ray N. Harris, Sonoma.  
Pvt. Paul W. Harvey, Linda Vista.  
Pvt. Daniel S. Albright, Glendale.  
Pvt. Frederick R. Barger, Templeton.  
Pvt. John I. Beck, San Diego.  
Pvt. Manfred L. Morris, Ontario.  
Pvt. Josephus Happonetall Jr., Los Angeles.

### Colorado

Corp. Jack P. Bilsborough, Carbondale.  
Pvt. Albert J. Hollingsworth, Denver.

### Connecticut

1st Lt. John E. Winkler, Manchester.  
PFC. Frank Sousa Jr., Bridgeport.  
Pvt. Stewart J. Phillips, New Haven.  
Pvt. James E. Dermody, West Haven.  
PFC. Robert C. Armstrong, Hartford.  
Pvt. Karl N. Waack, Bridgeport.  
Pvt. Frederick W. Burger, Bridgeport.

### District of Columbia

2d Lt. James M. O'Brien, Washington.  
Sgt. John S. Dulesa, Washington.  
PFC. Charles C. Fance, Jr., Washington.  
Pvt. Bernard H. Hoffman, Washington.

### Florida

Corp. Guy M. Peacock, Graceville.  
PFC. Thomas H. Beck, Jacksonville.  
Pvt. Sheldon D. Berthaupt, Miami Beach.

### Georgia

Sgt. Jack D. Wheeler, Atlanta.  
Corp. Roy O. Reagan, Conyers.  
PFC. Winfield W. Brewster, Mershon.  
PFC. Ernest C. Hines, Nashville.  
Pvt. Floyd M. Brown, LaGrange.  
Pvt. John T. Colquitt Jr., Cedartown.

### Idaho

Pvt. John D. Holladay, Nampa.

### Illinois

Sgt. John C. Cooper, Evanston.  
Sgt. Robert B. Duxman, Chicago.  
Sgt. Elmer E. Vollmer, New Minden.  
Sgt. Chester E. Buehler, Chicago.  
Corp. Edward S. Krywicki, Duluth.  
Corp. Vern L. Asholt, Manhattan.  
Corp. John R. Devine, Chicago.  
Pvt. Eugene W. Itzig, Columbia.  
PFC. Kenneth W. Ridenour, Alton.  
Pvt. Raymond J. Hinta, Chicago.  
Pvt. Paul W. Rogers, Muncie.  
Pvt. Robert A. Jamison, Crystal Lake.  
Pvt. Marion F. Stuffle, Fairfield.  
PFC. Lynn W. Ross, Bloomington.  
Pvt. Patrick J. Coyne Jr., Chicago.  
PFC. Howard L. Hitting, East Moline.  
Pvt. Ralph G. Witt, Chicago.  
PFC. Daniel Conatani, Chicago.  
PFC. Alfred C. Schroeder, Virginia.

### Indiana

PFC. James A. Comstock, Whiting.  
Sgt. Charles J. Henrich, Chicago.  
Pvt. Gilbert L. Miller, Jasper.  
PFC. Leslie R. Cole, Bloomfield.  
Pvt. Paul L. Vaughn, Kemahville.  
Pvt. Harvey V. Stule, Ellettsburg.  
Pvt. Kenneth E. Alward, Vandalia.  
Pvt. Deryl Atkinson, Gas City.

### Iowa

1st Lt. William H. Van Reest, Little Rock.  
2d Lt. Owen R. Bunde, Kellerton.  
2d Lt. Lester E. Hatcher, Moline.  
Corp. John J. Coyne, Burlington.  
PFC. Meredith D. Winter, Dyess.  
PFC. Robert W. Riehl, Rock Valley.  
Pvt. Ross L. Fenderson, Sioux Rapids.

### Kansas

Corp. Elmer T. Ray, Louisville.  
PFC. Ray N. Daugherty, Neodesha.  
PFC. Robert A. Abbott, Coffeyville.  
PFC. James E. Platt, Kansas City.

### Kentucky

Sgt. Thomas C. Bryant, Harlan.  
Pvt. Harmon E. Southwood, Pineville.  
PFC. Monroe Cress, Coltonburg.

### Louisiana

Corp. James E. Thornhill Jr., Monroe.  
Sgt. Richard C. Self, Toneytown.  
Pvt. Robert E. Wilkins, Lewiston.  
Pvt. William J. Dubois Jr., Hildeford.

### Maryland

Capt. Carl O. Buchanan, Chevy Chase.  
1st Lt. Samuel T. Robertson Jr., Bethesda.  
Pvt. Richard A. Gales, Seal Pleasant.

### Massachusetts

2d Lt. Arthur L. Smith, Marblehead.  
Corp. George R. Mitchell, Beverly.  
Pvt. Ronald Clements, Springfield.  
Pvt. Richard J. Miller, Auburn.  
Pvt. Angelo G. Corsetti, Dorchester.  
Pvt. John B. Sullivan, South Boston.  
Pvt. Roger C. Walpole, Lynn.

## Michigan

Sgt. Daniel Ginsburg, Detroit.  
Pvt. Stephen S. Kaczepanski, Detroit.  
Corp. Joseph R. Clancy, Bay City.  
Pvt. Joe H. Barton, Bloomfield.  
PFC. Richard L. Brown, Grosse Ile.  
Pvt. James W. Greene, Saginaw.  
Pvt. Wilford R. Frolich, Clinton.  
Pvt. Frederick J. Hink, Detroit.  
Pvt. Eugene G. Hartwell, Kujala.  
Pvt. Donald G. Tjankes, Muskegon.  
Pvt. Les E. Butler, Emmet.  
Pvt. Elmer L. Mueller, Detroit.  
Pvt. Delmar E. Sager, Ithaca.

## Minnesota

2d Lt. Robert W. Johnson, Winona.  
2d Lt. Kenneth R. Thompson, St. Paul.  
Sgt. John M. Conway, St. Paul.  
PFC. Wallace J. Cady, Duluth.  
PFC. Daniel M. Abrams, St. Paul.

## Mississippi

Sgt. Maj. Dan H. Lockley, Philadelphia.

## Missouri

Corp. Oliver L. Dooly Jr., Hannibal.  
Corp. Rudolph G. Herrick, St. Louis.

## Nebraska

2d Lt. Donald E. Mueller, Thayer.  
Corp. Warren S. Symney, Wahoo.  
Corp. Elynn S. Corrigan, Omaha.

## Nevada

TSGT. Albert D. Schmidt, Elko.

## New Hampshire

Pvt. Raymond S. Lefebvre, Dover.  
Pvt. Robert E. Merrill, Portsmouth.

## New Jersey

2d Lt. Cyrus T. Hall, Newark.  
Sgt. Howard R. Duman, South Amboy.  
Corp. John E. Dequint, Lumberton.  
Corp. Solomon A. Goldberg, Hoboken.  
Pvt. Harry T. Calk, Trenton.  
Pvt. Arnold G. Alessandrini, New Milford.  
Pvt. Howard J. Cahill, Camden.  
Pvt. William A. Manning Jr., Bayonne.  
Pvt. Edmund Popek, South Amboy.  
Pvt. Franklin V. Hill, Hopewell.

## New Mexico

Corp. William A. Kakeas, Las Cruces.  
Pvt. Lawrence R. Sherman, Roswell.

## New York

Capt. Oscar Salas, New York.  
1st Lt. David W. Martin, Albany.  
PFC. John Nease, Brooklyn.  
Corp. Eugene J. Colomba, New Rochelle.  
Corp. Nicholas J. Depada, Syracuse.  
Corp. John J. Hanavan, Aurora.  
Corp. Michael E. O'Keefe, New York.  
Corp. Herbert F. Vogler, Syracuse.  
Corp. Marjorie W. Brown, Cuba.  
Corp. Leonard Trombly, Ellensburg.  
Corp. Thomas J. Kelly, New York.  
Pvt. Alvin Elyson, Brooklyn.  
Pvt. Stanley E. Martin, Long Island City.  
Pvt. Walter E. Smith, Watkins Glen.  
Pvt. Chester Yack, North Tonawanda.  
Pvt. Richard J. Clark, Fulton.  
Pvt. Galvin C. Parnock, Charleston.  
Pvt. John R. Galt, Lockport.  
Pvt. William E. Quackenbush, St. Albans.  
Pvt. Arthur J. Rodriguez, New York.  
Pvt. Robert J. St. Pierre, (no town listed).  
Pvt. Frank A. Cusenza, Brooklyn.  
Pvt. Robert A. Huppert, Syracuse.  
Pvt. Robert C. Shuster, Tonawanda.

## North Carolina

Pvt. Robert W. Clark Jr., Deep Hill.  
Pvt. William E. Lewis, Conway.

## Ohio

Sgt. Andrew B. Andre, Lare City.  
Sgt. William E. Gray, Cleveland.  
Sgt. Glen E. Vaughn, Conville.  
Corp. Leonard Sobieski, Cleveland.  
Corp. Salvatore Marino, Cleveland.  
Corp. Leven L. Stockstill, Mapwood.  
Corp. Harold Hujos, Akron.  
Corp. Robert J. Adamski, Dayton.  
Corp. Robert P. Barker, Dayton.  
Pvt. Frank R. Gresham, Cincinnati.  
Pvt. Matthew T. Costa, Cleveland.  
Pvt. Edward J. Krone, Cleveland.  
Pvt. Richard J. Spring, Strasburg.  
Pvt. Robert D. Luning, Strasburg.  
Pvt. Owen K. Logan, Wallbridge.  
Pvt. Stanley A. Seaton, Brecksville.  
Pvt. Leroy L. Smith, Cincinnati.  
Pvt. Clyde R. Custer, Lima.  
Pvt. Edward R. Dandish, Cleveland.  
Pvt. Thomas E. Headen, Solonville.  
Pvt. Roland E. Palmer, Marysville.  
Pvt. Raymond R. Rush, Toledo.  
Pvt. Garnet E. Jendry, Mowattown.  
Pvt. Carl H. Cook, Hicksville.  
Pvt. Robert E. Jr., Niles.  
Pvt. Virgil Haskins, Akron.  
Pvt. Charles E. Meyer, Toledo.  
Pvt. William J. Ryan, Springfield.

## Oklahoma

Sgt. Fritz G. Truran, Henardla.  
Corp. Marlin E. Hoke Jr., Enid.  
Pvt. Woodrow W. Williams, Wagon.  
Pvt. Claude W. Fuzzell, Norman.  
Pvt. Perry E. Warfield, Tulsa.

## Oregon

Sgt. Herbert J. Schmalz, Salem.  
Pvt. Sandwith Drinker, Junction.  
2d Lt. Marie Viscarelli, Pittsburgh.  
2d Lt. Samuel T. Nicholson III, Port Townsend.

## Pennsylvania

PFC. Del Carpenter, Pittsburgh.  
Pvt. Richard A. Hagan, Philadelphia.  
Sgt. Luther H. Bick, Chambersburg.  
Sgt. Frank E. Deigherty, Wilkes-Barre.  
Corp. Charles L. Thompson, Philadelphia.  
Corp. James H. Komer, Washington.  
Corp. William E. Under, Fort Atty.  
Pvt. William J. Sanders, Allentown.  
Pvt. William J. Black, John.  
Pvt. Frank J. Schwilke, Scranton.  
Pvt. Charles J. Heister, Reading.  
Pvt. John M. Hogan, Philadelphia.  
Pvt. Alvin E. Chapman, Lacklawn.  
Pvt. Russell B. Perry, Harrisburg.  
Pvt. Robert E. Miller, Philadelphia.  
Pvt. Leon A. Schmitt, Philadelphia.  
Pvt. Charles E. Canahan, East End, Pittsburgh.  
Pvt. Richard A. Transue, Pittsburgh.  
Pvt. Andrew W. Arnold, Pittsburgh.  
Pvt. Frank J. Gripe, Yeadon.  
Pvt. Louis E. Thuman, Chambersburg.  
Pvt. Edward S. Baginski, Pittsburgh.  
Pvt. Thomas L. Burtner, New Freeport.  
Pvt. Nicholas Chudak, Conowingo.  
Pvt. James P. Craven, Allentown.  
Pvt. William J. Spangler, Frank.  
Pvt. Harry T. Bernard, Carlisle.  
Pvt. Charles C. Jonowski, Pittsburgh.  
Pvt. George S. Harle, Seaside.

## South Carolina

Pvt. Robert J. Fani, Spartanburg.  
Pvt. Jack H. Hatter, Columbia.  
Pvt. Gerrie P. Barnhill, Hattiesburg.

## South Dakota

Corp. Eugene R. Drier, Yankton.

## Tennessee

Corp. Warren Shapp, Blountville.  
Pvt. Bruce O. Beechell, Westport.  
Pvt. Phillip L. Berkey, Knoxville.

## Texas

Pvt. Dwan D. Cooper, Brookeland.  
Pvt. Delbert L. Riddle, Odell.  
Pvt. Sam L. Thomas, Groveton.  
Pvt. Ivan E. Rogers, Abilene.  
Pvt. John E. Grant, Baytown.  
Pvt. Gilbert W. Anderson, Henderson.  
Pvt. Bill T. Roland, Odessa.  
Pvt. Billy R. Hamer, Austin.

## Utah

Pvt. Ralph J. Brady, Murray.  
Pvt. Daniel E. Johnson, South Ogden.  
Pvt. Glade L. Morrison, Mantle.

## Vermont

Corp. Edward J. Munn, Barre.  
Pvt. Wendell W. Childs, Springfield.

## Virginia

Sgt. Charles A. Garrett, Staunton.  
Corp. Charles H. Grimm, Staunton.  
Corp. Edgar H. Cook, Clarksburg.  
Pvt. Raymond M. Dink, Harrisonburg.

## Washington

2d Lt. Charles E. Daniel, Seattle.  
2d Lt. John W. Berg, Tacoma.  
Pvt. Frank E. Jones, Yakima.

## West Virginia

1st Lt. Raymond L. Tolman, Charleston.  
Pvt. Daryl Schuster, Monticello.  
Pvt. Karl E. Calk, Wellsburg.

## Wisconsin

Capt. Francis L. Pugh, Janesville.  
Sgt. Philip R. Baldwin, Madison.  
Sgt. Frank Patrick, Hawkeye.  
Corp. Thomas R. Rhinbeck, Milwaukee.  
Pvt. Richard L. Martin, Slinger.  
Pvt. John A. Gilroy, Milwaukee.  
Pvt. Earl A. Delap, Potter.

## Wyoming

Pvt. Robert L. Drew, Cheyenne.

## Base Library

A list of new books received this week by the Base Library. These books are now available.

**Cocks and Bulls in Carbons** — Olga Ericson

Scandinavia has many stories but a more charming interpretation than Olga Ericson. Through her eyes, you will learn how it feels to be a Scandinavian and you will love the American life and people in this book.

**Age of Thunder — Frederick Prokosh** — This is an earlier success of Vicki Baum's now available in American for the first time. It is a tale of the great old world of Russia, China, Japan and India.

**Cry Wolf** — Marjorie Carleton

Revolutions in Russia, Germany and Italy in various modern settings, this is one of the outstanding modern thrillers.

**Young Jefferson — Claude Bowers**

Thomas Jefferson's life, his youth and only love to the time when he became Secretary of State in Washington. Though the author to be written in 1912, Mr. Bowers' trilogy on the life of Jefferson.

**Change Of Duty**

Brig Gen. Claude A. Lark, from overseas to Marine West.

Capt. Wells W. Miller from overseas to MIA; Harry B. Lark from overseas to SFC; William A. Williams from overseas to Major West; Thomas H. White from overseas to Captain; Tom, to SFC; duty; Moway, Capt; Lark, B. C. well from Quantico to overseas; V. L. Smith from USMC; San Francisco; SFC; James M. Webb from overseas to HQMC; Joseph H. Johnson from overseas to HQMC; home to be moved from active duty; Buchanan from overseas to Cherry Point.

1st Lt. Herbert H. Williams from overseas to Cherry Point; Alexander A. Vandegrift Jr. from overseas to HQMC; Melvin A. Smith from HQMC to overseas; Jim H. Manning from Travis Air Force, Mich. to overseas; George A. Brown from HQMC to overseas; Samuel E. Griffith from Quantico to overseas; Harry J. Noyes Jr. from MIA to Camp Lejeune; Joseph T. Crowley from MIA to be moved from active duty; Noah J. Trachtenberg from Quantico to Philadelphia; Herbert H. Lark from Quantico to be moved from active duty; Lark, S. Buchanan from Camp M. N. J. to Corps (Chief).

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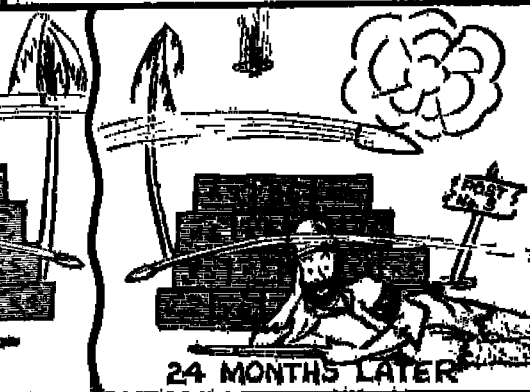
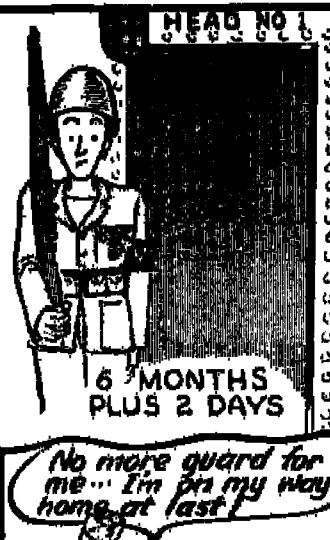
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## Boot Camp Never Ends For Some Poor Blokes



by Sgt. M. J. Wether

## THIS WEEK

NEWS FOR MARINES OVERSEAS

Monday—PRESIDENT TRUMAN PLEDGES FIGHT TO FINISH  
Tuesday—SUPERFORTS BLAST TOKYO; OKINAWA YANKS GAIN  
Wednesday—JAP MACHINE-GUN BULLET KILLS ERNIE PYLE  
Thursday—NAZIS SAY RUSSIANS ARE IN SIGHT OF BERLIN  
Friday—GERMANY SLASHED IN HALF BY YANK FIGHTERS

**HANNAH, Mo.**—A motorist knocked down a pedestrian, picked him up, dusted him off and drove him home. Then the driver charged his victim 50 cents for the ride.

**MILWAUKEE**—A little boy, his head wrapped in a scarf, sat next to his mother on a crowded bus. Suddenly the scarf fell off, disclosing the boy's head encased in a kitchen pot. "Well, all right," his mother said. "He's stuck and we're on our way to a blacksmith."

**NEW YORK**—An unidentified man sauntered nonchalantly down Eighth Avenue, slugging pedestrians right and left. After he had tested a dozen with his hamlike fists, the police collared him. "I'm just mean," he explained.

**STAMBAUGH, Ia.**—It's still a male government in Sambaugh, a ticket of housewives having failed to oust the masculine mayor and council.

**STONEHAM, Mass.**—Basil Trasker is 47, jobless, divorced and the father of three children. He advertised in a local newspaper for a wife, explaining that he was so busy minding his babies that he had no time to go a-wooing. Fifty women answered the ad, including grandmothers, school teachers, career girls, school girls and one Back Bay divorcee who said she had two cars and two country estates. Trasker hasn't made up his mind yet.

**KENNEBUNKPORT, Me.**—Booth Tarkington, Kennebunkport resident and author of "Peened" and "Seventeen," has taken up cudgels against a mural on the local post office walls which depicts "a number of fat, scantily clad women, disporting themselves on a beach." "They're mermaids," the mural artist declared. "They're ugly," said Tarkington. Result: The U. S. Senate has moved for a new mural, depicting historically the seafaring and shipbuilding activities of this community with nary a mermaid in sight.

**KNOXVILLE, Tenn.**—Grounds for divorce: Every night, George Buckner told the court, his wife Edith would awaken him at 6:00 by pounding his head with her fists. "It made me very nervous," he testified in a divorce petition.

**LOUISVILLE, Ky.**—Mrs. Mabel Miles, a bank clerk, became suspicious when Hugh Hopkins offered her a free pack of cigarettes as he was about to cash a check. "No one but a fool or a thief gives away cigarettes now," she thought, while checking up on the check. P. S. The check was rubber.

**MOUNTAIN HOME, Ida.**—Slot machines in the officers club at the Mountain Home Air Base are topped by this sign: "In case of air raid, stand near these machines. They haven't been hit yet."

**NESHARA COUNTY, Minn.**—Spring has returned to Neshara, Indiana are sleeping on the courthouse lawn once again.

## Chevron Chick—Lynn Merrick



**WIDE-EYED.** An armful of loveliness, Lynn Merrick of cinema fame poses in this domestic setting to give Marines overseas a more graphic picture of what they are fighting to come home to.