

Gala First-Night Opens New WR Rec Center

By PFC. Lee Waterhouse

Social-minded Marines still wagged appreciative tongues this week over THE social event of the feminine season—the opening last Saturday night of the new WR Recreation Hall.

The former WR PX was converted into a recreation hall under the direction of Lt. Mary Cochran and Sgt. Laurie Leonard. Sgt. Leonard, a stage production manager in civilian life, contributed the purchasing, planning and painting, her last work before discharge.

The large lounge, which is to be the focal point where WR's can meet their dates and spend a quiet evening, is complete to the last detail. Low comfortable furniture upholstered in red, green, yellow and plaids, is spaced around the room. Together with numerous tables and chairs, it gives the place a homey atmosphere.

LARGE JUKE BOX

There's a huge juke box filled with popular records and enough floor space to dance. Flowery drapes, Venetian blinds, wall mirrors and potted plants complete the feminine touches. The fountain room, where you can get almost anything in the way of beverages, milk shakes, sandwiches, etc., is painted a bright red. The walls are decorated with photo-

graphic murals of various WR activities on the Base.

A touch that appeals to the feminine heart of the WR's is the chintz-draped powder room with separate dressing tables. A game room, for girls only, is in the final stages of completion. It will feature bright yellow walls, four card tables, a piano, and facilities for billiards and ping-pong.

OPEN UNTIL 2300

Hours will be from 0900 to 2300 and girls will be permitted in the building in dungarees until 1800, at which time the regular uniform of the day goes into effect.

Opening night went off smoothly under the direction of Lt. Cochran, officer-in-charge, and was marked by a visit from Maj. Dorothy Miller, CO of the WR En., and Col. W. W. Davies, Base chief of staff. Free refreshments were available for everyone until 2300, the official closing time.

WR's and their dates came filing through the door shortly after 1900 to stand and stare at the sudden splendor. Men back from overseas were especially impressed.



Pvt. CHARLES H. CHAPMAN
... fifth brother in Corps

Family Record? Five Brothers M.C. Regulars

A Marine Corps record was set when he enlisted on his 17th birthday, Pvt. Charles H. Chapman believes.

Chapman, now in Casual Bn. after going through boot camp with Plat. 110, was the last of five brothers to join the Corps as a regular. While several four-brother combinations have been reported in the Marines, Chapman has heard of no family with six brothers wearing the Green, and doubts that there is any besides his own with five.

One of the Chapmans, GySgt. Lloyd W., 27, has been in eight years. He is now stationed at Honolulu, after recent duty at Camp Pendleton. PFC. Gen. W., 21 years old and now at Guam, has been a Marine five years. Pvt. James W., 19, enlisted nearly two years ago and is on duty at Tinian.

DIED IN SOLOMONS

Corp. John H. Chapman, formerly a navigator with 1st MAG, was killed in a plane crash Oct. 7, 1944, at Vella Lavella, Solomon Islands.

All five brothers enlisted at Lubbock, Tex., and all went through boot camp at MCB. Like the others, Charles H. expects to make a career in the Corps. He hopes to be assigned to reproduction (printing) duty.

The unanimous Marine Corps choice by his family, Chapman says, was due to the belief that Marine training is the best offered by any branch of military service.

'Word' is Given On Battle Bars

Many Marines unknowingly are wearing service ribbons and stars entirely unauthorized for members of their overseas units, it was revealed this week upon inquiry by the Chevron to the Division of Decorations and Medals.

Among the most flagrant violators are the Leathernecks wearing a star on their World War II Victory Ribbon and those wearing a "special" ribbon for participation in the battle for Iwo Jima.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

In answer to seven questions by the Chevron designed to clear up the uncertainty regarding ribbons and decorations that has arisen since the end of the war, the head of Decorations and Medals Division released the following information:

1. There have been NO unit citations for either Iwo Jima or Okinawa.
2. The green ribbon being worn for Iwo Jima (by some members of the 3rd, 4th and 5th Mar. Divs.) is UNAUTHORIZED.
3. Having served overseas does NOT entitle any service man or woman to wear a star on the Victory Ribbon. It is to be unadorned.
4. The following Marine aviation units have received the Presidential Unit Citation: MAG-22 (for the Battle of Midway); Marine Fighting Squadron 211 of MAG-21 (for the defense of Wake Island); and aviation units attached or working with the 1st Mar. Div., reinforced, who participated in the seizure of the British Solomon Islands.
5. The 4th Mar. Div. has NOT

been awarded the Navy Unit Citation. The only such award to Marine land forces was given the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade for Guam.

Marine Fighting Squadron 216 has been awarded the Navy Citation for action in the Solomon Islands and Bismarck archipelago areas from July 21, 1943, to Feb. 15, 1944.

6. Marines attached to Army units are entitled to citations given those units, if it is so stated in the citation. To date the only Marine outfit cited is the 4th Marine Regiment, Philippine Islands. That is the OLD 4th.

7. The 3rd Mar. Div. has NOT received the Navy Unit Citation for either Guam or Iwo Jima. (This question is covered by answer 5.)

STARS ON UNIT RIBBON

The Decorations and Medals Division pointed out that personnel entitled to the Navy Unit Commendation are entitled to wear the ribbon bar without a star. A star is given for a second commendation.

The Presidential Unit Citation is represented by a ribbon bar with a star for the first citation and additional stars for each additional citation.

Marines Grieve for Jap Gals

By Staff Sgt. George E. Lord, Marine Correspondent

NAKASAKI, Japan (Delayed)—A Japanese version of the suffragette would have a fight day in here, where women's rights are actually non-existent and chivalry has never been seen.

True, some liberal-minded Japanese are polite and helpful. When a load is especially heavy, the male will help a woman lift the weight onto her shoulders. If she staggers under the burden, he will allow brief rest periods. But she must always walk a few paces behind her master.

IRRITATES MARINES

This attitude of the Japanese men toward wives, mothers, grand-

mothers or sisters has become a major source of irritation to Marines here.

An old, withered woman of perhaps 60 pushed a heavy wheelbarrow through deep mud while a sturdy young boy directs her faltering steps. Two young girls pull a heavily-laden two-wheeled cart over rough roads as the perfectly healthy father strolls along behind swinging a thick cane jauntily.

Marines would like to lend a hand, but they have their own work to do; and in any case the women would not accept any offer of assistance for fear of the consequences.

Saber-Rattling May Return to Corps

That the sword, as part of the uniform of Marine officers, may come back was forecast this week by the Army and Navy Register.

Orders issued by the Commandant revoking a circular letter abolishing the sword have been revoked. Substituted is the following: "Officers shall not be required to possess swords as part of their uniform equipment."

The letter further states, however, that "it is the intention of the Commandant . . . to make the sword a required part of officer's uniform equipment at a date subsequent to June 30, 1947, to be designated later."



The sword was discontinued in 1942, with the suggestion that officers turn in their swords for use as scrap metal in view of the urgent demand for steel.



(Photos by PFC. Jeanne Cleary)

NEW REC HALL—DESIGNER & GUESTS. It's brand new and glamorous. Everyone had fun. And all hands applauded the talents of WR Sgt. Laurie Leonard, former New York stage production manager, who directed the conversion of the old WR post exchange into a modern, gaily decorated recreation center for

the ladies of the Base and their guests. On opening night, last Saturday, large crowds of Marines (as typified by the group in center photo) tabbed the work of Sgt. Leonard (on left) a "notable success." The design is strictly modern. The walls are decorated with photographic murals of various WR activities. On

the right, Pvt. Elaine Nelson has spotted one of the pictures in which a mutual friend swings a mean bat on the softball field. As enthusiastic as the women over the prospects of dancing and an occasional cool drink with their "ladies in arms" were the men of MCB.

Marine-Trained Radio-Telephone Vets
Should Check Big A.T.&T. Expansion

A \$2,000,000,000 expansion program which will provide 75,000 new jobs is ready to get under way in the operating subsidiaries of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The program provides a special opportunity for Signal Corps and Air Corps veterans with experience in the repair and maintenance of communications equipment.

A considerable proportion of these jobs will be in the Western Electric Co., the



A T. & T. subsidiary which manufactures nearly all telephone and telegraph equipment used by the Bell System. The major factories of Western Electric are situated in Kearny, N. J., near Newark; Hawthorne, Ill., near Chicago; and Point Breeze, Md., near Baltimore.

MANY JOBS AVAILABLE

Many other men will be required in the 20 odd operating companies which actually provide telephone service, for here is a capsule view of war-detained telephone projects and of the development, extension, and improvement of existing services, according to the Bell magazine.

The first aim of A. T. & T. will be to provide telephone service to some 2,000,000 applicants who have been unable to receive it during the war. Also, 400,000 extensions which have been requested. Requests for service have been coming in at the rate of 75,000 a month. Not all these requests will stand, for one reason or another, but plenty will remain.

Dial service will be installed more widely, and new long distance lines erected. Desk-stand instruments will be replaced by "combined sets," sometimes called hand phones. Dial operated private exchange boards will supplant manually operated "PBX's," and the program of extending rural service, interrupted by the war, will be continued.

Methods of dialing toll calls by operators, and in some cases, by subscribers, have



been worked out. The equipment for this must be manufactured and installed.

PHONES IN AUTOS

And there's a plan for putting telephone service in trucks, buses, and autos, so that the manager of a taxi fleet can dispatch a cab on the road to pick up someone, or you can tell the wife you'll be late for dinner. More manufacture of equipment; more installations; more jobs.

Although most of the opportunities in the industry are in the Bell companies, including the Bell Laboratories, where research work is done, there is likely to be some expansion in the independents. Many of the smaller outfits, which as a rule cover but one community, will create jobs by modernizing and extension of services, although in many cases the size of the area in which

the company operates limits its expansion. Some of the independents need new and improved equipment, which perhaps should create jobs for ex-servicemen.

Job Guide by Cities Shows Diego Low

The best places in the country to find jobs now, the U. S. Employment Service says, are Sacramento and Stockton, Calif.; Washington, D. C.; Peoria, Ill.; St. Joseph, Mo.; Long Branch and Perth Amboy, N. J.; Charleston, S. C.; Knoxville, Tenn.; Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah; and Richmond and Hampton Roads, Va.

Your poorest chances would be in San Diego, Calif.; Evansville and South Bend, Ind.; Wichita, Kans.; Detroit, Grand Rapids, Lansing and Muskegon, Mich.; Buffalo and Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Tulsa, Okla.; Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Job situations in other parts of the country are:

Alabama: Montgomery—fair; Birmingham and Mobile—tough; Arizona: Phoenix—tough; Arkansas: Little Rock—tough; California: San Francisco Bay and San Jose—fair; Los Angeles, San Bernardino-Riverside area—tough; Colorado: Denver—fair; Connecticut: Bridgeport, Hartford, New Britain, New Haven and Waterbury—tough; Delaware: Wilmington—fair; Florida: Miami, Tampa, Jacksonville—tough; Georgia: Atlanta, Brunswick, Savannah—fair; Macon—tough; Illinois: Quad Cities and Rockford—fair; Chicago, Joliet, Springfield-Decatur—tough; Indiana: Ft. Wayne, Gary-Hammond-South Chicago—fair; Indianapolis, Muncie and Terre Haute—tough.

IOWA, KENTUCKY, LOUISIANA

Iowa: Sioux City—fair; Des Moines—tough; Kentucky: Louisville—tough; Louisiana: New Orleans—fair; Shreveport—tough; Maine: Portland—tough; Maryland: Baltimore—fair; Massachusetts: Boston-Quincy-Bingham, Fitchburg, New Bedford—fair; Fall River, Lawrence, Lowell, Springfield—tough; Holyoke—Northampton, Worcester, Lynn-Salem—tough; Michigan: Pontiac, Saginaw-Bay City—tough; Minnesota: Minneapolis-St. Paul—fair; Duluth—tough; Missouri: St. Louis and Kansas City—tough; Nebraska: Lincoln and Omaha—fair; New Hampshire: Manchester and Portsmouth—fair; New Jersey: Newark, Paterson, Trenton—tough; New York: Albany-Schenectady-Troy, New York City, Syracuse, Utica-Rome—fair; Binghamton, Elmira, Rochester—tough.

NORTH CAROLINA, OHIO, OKLAHOMA

North Carolina: Charlotte, Durham-Raleigh, Winston-Salem, Greensboro—fair; Ohio: Akron, Dayton-Springfield—fair; Canton—Massillon—Alliance, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Toledo, Youngstown-Warren—tough; Oklahoma: Oklahoma City—tough; Oregon: Portland—tough; Pennsylvania: Allentown, Erie, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Reading-Lancaster—fair; Altoona, Pittsburgh, Sharon—tough; Rhode Island: Providence-Pawtucket-Woonsocket—tough; Tennessee: Chattanooga and Nashville—fair; Memphis—tough; Texas: Austin, Beaumont, El Paso, Houston, San Antonio—fair; Dallas and Ft. Worth—tough; Washington: Spokane—fair; Seattle-Bremerton, Tacoma, Vancouver—tough; West Virginia: Wheeling—fair; Charleston, Huntington, Clarksburg-Fairmont—Morgantown—tough; Wisconsin: Madison-Merrimac, Milwaukee, Racine—fair; Superior—tough.

Here Today; Not Tomorrow Pay Premium; No Sorrow

Experts advise, "Hold your Government Insurance after you leave the service." You should not let it lapse under any conditions, if you find it possible to keep it up.

Marines going through 1st Separation Company at MCB are urged to pay particular attention to the portion of their lecture dealing with the insurance problem. This lecture is given by a non-com who has been trained along the lines of rehabilitation as set forth by Marine Corps Headquarters and the Veterans' Administration.

Don't let the insurance question "throw" you. If there is any part of the program that you are not sure you understand fully, you are advised to ask questions. Don't leave the Base without a clear understanding of your insurance benefits.

So that you may be doubly sure of getting all necessary information about your insurance, you are urged to see R. J. Lang, the Veterans' Administration representative attached to 1st Separation Company, in Bldg. 119.



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PEACETIME WR'S? Discharge-minded Marines have a lot on their minds these days. Jobs, automobiles—and clothes. As for the clothing problem, WR's will fare a little better than the men. There is little a male can do with his old uniform except save it for veterans' parades and hope he can still button the blouse. But the ladies, ah yes, the lady Marines. They can take the Corps right with them when they leave the service. That WR uniforms can be converted to civilian outfits is evidenced by the uniform shop display at Henderson Hall, Arlington, Va. The collar and cuffs are removed from the winter greens, button are cloth-covered, and a tailored blouse is worn. The summer seersucker uniform, also with cloth-covered buttons, is transformed by the addition of white collar and cuffs. With such a start as this, WR's should have no trouble at all making the step into civilian life. It'll be just like in the old Corps.

SAFETY VALVE

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

Mother Wonders

Editor, the CheVron—Can you tell me why sufficient points are not recognized in China? It is possible to bring the fellows back from there but the only ones coming home are fellows over 35 and those with three or more children. Why are the young fellows over there treated in this manner when a small number of points gets them out here?

I have a son in the 1st Mar. Div. He has 38 points and four campaigns to his credit and no chance to come home. When he finished boot camp, he was separated from his identical twin brother and sent overseas in a couple of months. He never had a furlough home and we have never seen him in his uniform. He is very homesick and who could blame him?

All four of my children—three sons and a daughter—joined the Corps, so this is not a case of not being able to take what is "dished out," but can we have some sensible reason for not seeing this son this Christmas? He has certainly merited at least a just deal.

NAME WITHHELD

Downers Grove, Ill.

Editor's Note—We cannot answer your question as too many things are involved. Truly mothers have borne a heavy cross in this war, as in every war. Many things may seem unjust, but often circumstances make them unavoidable. Nothing we could say would ease your feelings, but please accept our sympathy—and know that before too long your son will be home.

Everyone Has Ribbons Now!

Editor, the CheVron—Recently the latest topic of conversation here at the Rifle Range has been about shoulder patches and campaign bars worn over the left pocket. I claim in my arguments that there are no bars that a Marine can wear over his left pocket unless he has been overseas or in

combat. My buddies claim that all members of the Marine Corps are now entitled to wear the World War II Victory ribbon, the American Theater Ribbon and the Pacific Coast Defense ribbon. We're in hopes that our opinions might be set straight by you.

NAMES WITHHELD

Camp Matthews, Cal.

Editor's Note—Sorry to disagree with you, but all members of the armed forces who have served honorably are entitled to wear the new Victory ribbon. If a person has put in a year of stateside duty, he is entitled to the American Theater ribbon, but we've never heard of a Pacific Coast Defense ribbon. Looks like something new has been added.

It's All in Fun, Girls!

Editor, the CheVron—We are proud to wear the uniform of the Marine Corps and we feel that it just isn't necessary to blossom out with the ribbons that we are authorized to wear just to make us Marines or "to match our lipstick."

We agree that we are proud to be able to wear the ribbons authorized us, but feel that those who have spent innumerable months overseas are the ones who really deserve them and should have the honor of wearing them. And as an added thought, you don't have to wear your ribbons or have them to be "more like a Marine."

"WR WITH IRISH UP"

MCB, San Diego, Cal.

Editor's Note—We don't like to argue with ladies, as a rule, but are wondering if when you mention "those who have spent innumerable months overseas" you are referring to men or women. In our opinion, duty in Hawaii can hardly be put in the "foxhole and C ration" class; WR's who served in the States probably served just as well and sacrificed as much as those who went to Honolulu.



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*Dere Top!?

Hay just returned, Top, from a very hart-venting task indeed. By popewylur rekwest I stood at Gate 4 an hid good buy to all the WR's departing on the 20 pointz sistern.

I did the same thing when the 25 pointers left a coupull of months ago. Persunlly I would jist as soon kiss a 20 pointer as a 25 pointer, altho I do think the furst bunch tastid a littur saltier.

I must admit I wuz a littul weak from kissing by the time the last littul 20 pointer went out the front gate. It wuz very forebunnte indeed that there wuz a coupull of 15 pointers waiting to carry me back to the offfiss.

Sum of the 20 pointers waitid to take me along with them, Top. They had kwite a debate over me. I wuz SO flattered.

One of them sez—"Let's take him home with us, girls. There's a man shortage, you know."

An another one sez—"Oh, Dudley, your taste is all in your mouth. Surely we can find some-thing better than THAT in the civilian world."

An this Dudley sez—"I don't know about that. Look at that BODY!"

An the other sez—"You look at it; it nauseates me."

Top, what is the gnaws-fo-ates? I suppose she means my long frame "sends" her. It is very gratifying indeed to be fought over by the departing WR's.

These girls were all atwitter over leaving the Corps. One of them wuz so sorry at quitting the serviss that she cried right on my sholder.

"Oh, skippy," she sobbed. "Look what I am leaving behind."

An I sez—"I can't see a thing loose, an you've got three see bags an two soot cases full of junk, now."

An she sez—"I mean leaving the Corps, the esprit de WR, the girls, the officers."

An I sez—"Yeh, you always did hav all the luck."

An she sez—"But you don't understand. The Corps has been the best part of my life."

An I sez—"Well, it took the best part of mine, but I can't spare much more."

So it went, Top. These WR's took the Corps very seryously and were very salty indeed—especially this master gunnery sarjunt who wuz sobbing on my body chest.

To ease her sorrow, I whispered the following sweet nothings in her ear:

Goodbye, WR, with hart so true!
You mighta looked better
In Navy blue,
But in the matter
Of Marine Corp stripes
You ain't got no legitimat gripes
When you're away in the big cutseye
Look at your tatoo
An think of me.

Wuz that not sweet sentiment, Top? I an this WR had each other inishulls tatooed on our chests.

Did I ever tell you about that tatoo, Top? When I went into this place I told the guy with the needle that I wanted a tatoo ship on my chest to remind me of the battl one I wuz going with.

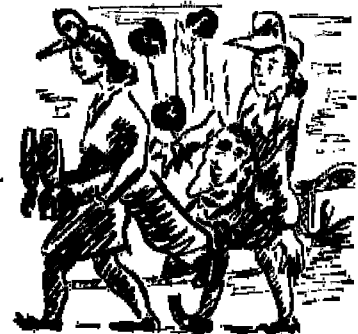
An he sez—"Hon, with a chest like yours I would recomnd somethin about the size of a row boat. Isn't there some place on your anatomy where you have a little surplus flesh?"

An I sez—"Yes, but I would rather not be tatooed there as I hav to sit in an offfiss all day."

Well, that is all for now, Top. I hav got to go shine my bald head for the genral's inspeksion.

Your fren whose hair no more
Will wave when the breezes roar,
Nowwise of wearing over sea
A lot hat very constansee.

SARJUNT HEINEMANN



(Photo by Pvt. Ralph McHarrill)

HAVE FUN, KIDS. Members of the Staff NCO Club and guests cut loose this week with one of their quite frequent shindigs in a local night spot. Marine musicians replaced the usual club orchestra. Most everyone seemed to have a good time.

'Fun for All' Plan Set for Boot Camp

A recreation program on a large scale was outlined this week for Recruit Depot, to include both boots and permanent personnel.

Capt. Mitchell Paige, Medal of Honor winner and Special Services Officer at the Depot, announced that a dance for enlisted personnel will be held the first Friday of each month, starting December 7. The Base dance band probably will furnish the music.

Bi-weekly five sessions for recruits will be held on Fridays in the Recruit Depot amphitheater with the 17-piece Base Swing Band as mainstay of the program.

The five session part of the new recreation program made its debut last Friday night and met with the enthusiastic approval of the recruits.

'SINGING WILLIE'

Featuring the jamboree was dark, handsome PFC. William Sterns, who sings sobags in the Unclaimed Luggage section, and sings in his spare time. His selections were well received. A strictly boogie-woogie pianist, a jazz collaboration, trick trumpet player and a classical pianist added variety to the inaugural show. The recruits "ate it up."

Capt. Paige said he hopes to start regular weekly roller and ice skating parties for Recruit Depot personnel.

Announcement of the new plans for adding more social life to Recruit Depot appeared indicative of a general program through MCB to provide a wider assortment of morale-building entertainment for

Leathernecks stationed at the Base.

SAN DIEGO LACKING

Although the city of San Diego can be considered in the nature of

an average-sized metropolis, recreational facilities for service personnel are not sufficient to accommodate the tens of thousands of Marines and sailors who make the city their liberty port.

The adoption of enlarged entertainment programs by various local military bases was seen by officials as the answer to the problem of providing better and cleaner recreation for their personnel.

Japanese 'Bug-Eyed' Over Marine Boogie-Woogie

By TSgt. Charles B. Cunningham, Marine Correspondent

HIRADO, Japan (Delayed)—Boogie-woogie bounced from the decrepit piano onto the paneled wooden walls of Hirado's elementary school auditorium after Marines occupied this small Japanese town.

NATIVES SURPRISED

Fankey shop-keepers slammed their door virtually in the faces of the Marines. Most of the people were looking at white men for the first time in their lives. When their elementary school, always conducted in quiet and decorum, sounded with the calls of laughter of Marines, Hiradoans could hardly believe it. Mangled bits of popular tunes of the United States drifted out of the windows of the seatless auditorium where once were heard only the songs of school children.

In keeping with the school's cus-

tom and to prevent damage to the polished floors, Marines here were constantly putting on and taking off their shoes to run stocking-footed through the building and its covered arcways.

School children who arrived as early as a few minutes after seven in the morning were astonished to see gasoline stoves set up in their hallways where Marines were heating caudled rations.

Teachers, always accorded strict attention previously, were secondary in interest to the strange looking men who had come by amphibious truck to Hirado. Outside the building radio jeeps sputtered and cracked and through drizzling rains came and went Marines, fantastic to the Japanese in camouflage ponches and rain hoods.

JAM PERPLEXES

Bewildered by the offer of a jam-covered cracker from Marine Corp. Frank P. O'Shea, of Scottsbluff, Neb., one small Japanese student gratefully took the cracker and then stuffed it, jam and all, into his pocket. Another, not much more fortunate than the first, accepted a cracker and then, snapping smartly to attention, slapped the jam-spread cracker against his short trousers.

Intermittently during the day, hopeful Marines sat at the auditorium's piano to contribute unintentionally to the educational problem of the school.

Boogie-woogie and the Marines had come to Hirado.



(Photo by Pvt. Earl M. O'Day)

SEND ME, WILLIE! If there had been more women in the audience PFC. William Sterns might have been mobbed. But even though the scene was Recruit Depot, the handsome singer was warmly received by the men at the inauguration of Friday-night shows for boots. A 17-piece Base swing band added to festivities of a good program.

Velly Velly Splacial Laundryman

TSINGTAO, China (Delayed)—Yen Ho Teck, an enterprising laundryman here, was among the first to do business again in the same old stand.

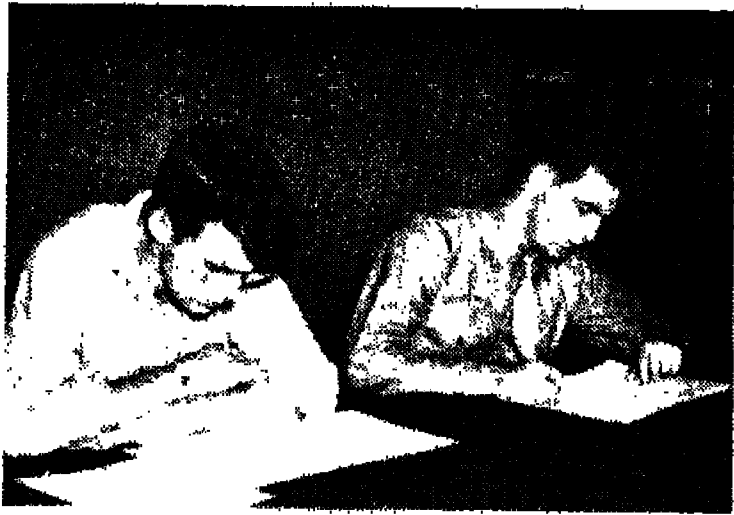
Yen Ho dusted off the photo-passport which he used years ago when he worked as laundryman for officers and men aboard the USS Augusta when that cruiser came to China before the war.

He presented himself and his passport to the Adjutant of the 8th Division Headquarters Bu. He had prepared some new business cards, printed in English, as follows:

YEN HO TECK Laundry

"A special class washerman on board and giving a certificate means only permitted one's own washing all kinds of silk or woolen clothes with the highly skillful hands as dry water, Chemistry, any proper ways. Can be made the gentleman and ladies have a satisfactory use two or three days which during the staying without alongtime when require hurry. And believe that the above BUREAU responsible for any illegality on doubtfully."

—1st Lt. Walker Y. Brooks.



Pfc. HAROLD E. FRITZ
... plans to study dentistry at U. of Minnesota when he's discharged next May or June. "Pre-med" and dental college will take six years, so he's trying to save time by getting a high school diploma through the GED tests given at MCB. Fritz is 20, single, has been in Navy (Reserve) 29 months.

Pfc. GENE W. BUXTON
... 17 years old, was one of the youngest men taking education tests this week at MCB. He's in Reserves, hopes to be out next summer. Buxton has continued studying in his spare time since leaving school, and intends to take a law or philosophy course at college—probably the U. of Washington, near his home town, Renton.

Pfc. JAMES J. DOWNEY
... of Ossining, N. Y., was one of oldest in this week's group. Now 48, Downey has been out of school 30 years. A World War I vet, now in Reserves, he'll be out in a few months. Although he's had 23 years' experience in book-keeping and accounting, Downey will study for a CPA, to meet competition of younger, aggressive men with college training.

Pfc. KENT DAYTON MOLINE
... recommended for Silver Star for heroism under fire at Guam, wants job with Colorado State Police, or other outside Civil Service work; so knows he'll need a high school diploma. From Denver, Moline is 21 years old, and is now on duty with military police at North Island. His current enlistment will expire early next year.

(Photos by Pvt. Ralph Metherell)
Pfc. CHARLES F. MADDEN
... of Glendale, Calif., was overseas 2½ years, will be a civilian in three weeks. Madden isn't sure what he'll do after separation, but knows that high school graduation—or an equivalent such as the GED certificate—is required for most jobs, as well as for many special training courses. The GED program, he says, is a very good deal for Marines.

Record Crowd Takes MCB Exams for High School Credit

'Pointers' and 'Setters' Ponder Points

By Staff Sgt. F. N. O'Donnell, Marine Correspondent
GUAM (Delayed) Marines of the 3rd Division have divided themselves into two groups—pointers and setters.

The pointers are those who, with sufficient discharge points, are awaiting transportation to the U. S. The setters, of course, are those point-sly men who are "setting" it out.

The subject of points brings up, oddly enough, a decoration ceremony here the other day.

Maj. Gen. Graves B. Erskine, division commander, awarding decorations for heroism on Iwo Jima, called for Pfc. Robert S. Wood to come forward for his Silver Star Medal.

HOME-BOLND

But Wood was not there. He had left the previous day for the U. S.

Gen. Erskine then remarked that Wood was certainly present on Iwo, as the five Marines whose lives he saved would testify.

Then there is the sad story of Corp. Wallace E. Steel. He totted up his points, had enough, packed his baggage and was ready to de-

A Marine who hitch-hiked 80 miles daily to take the tests, and another who at the age of 48 intends to obtain a high school diploma, were among the 109 servicemen—mostly Marines—who were given the General Educational Development tests this week at MCB.

Lt. (jg) Mary Ann Faletta, who supervised the examination, announced that the high enrollment was the second largest ever recorded in the San Diego area. The record was set last October, when 233 applicants tried for the GED certificate at Miramar.

In view of the rapidly mounting interest, which this week nearly doubled the number of enrollees at previous classes here, 2d Lt. Ruth E. Gordon, Base Education Officer, stated that use of the Base Theater may be obtained for the next session, which probably will be held within three or four weeks.

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Successful completion of the tests is rewarded by a certificate which the Marine Corps will accept in lieu of high school graduation, for any special training course or duty. In addition, many high schools now will award a diploma to former students who make successful scores on the GED examination.

Recognizing the valuable opportunity offered, Marines and Navy men from as far as Camp Pendleton attended four hours daily on Nov. 26, 27 and 28. Commanding officers of all units were fully cooperative, Lt. Faletta explained, and allowed interested personnel ample freedom from their regular duties. Twenty of the applicants were from North Island, and six from Camp Matthews.

One ambitious Marine, Sgt. Alfred J. Montecello, hitch-hiked daily to and from Camp Pendleton for the tests. Although he also worked each day at Pendleton from 1600 until midnight, Montecello, 21 years old and a native of Sacramento, wants to attend University of California after discharge from the service.

STUDENT AT 48

Pfc. James J. Downey (see photo), 48 years old, found the tests "very fair; not easy, but any man of average intelligence, who has been reasonably alert since leaving school, should be able to pass."

Another Marine, Pfc. James C. Lefler, 26, was typical of those who hope to obtain a high school diploma "just for future security." Lefler is married, has one daughter, and expects to return to his old job in Charleston, W. Va. But he feels he should have the GED certificate, or a diploma, for use at any time he may seek different work. Also, he explained, "I'm interested in finding out whether I can pass this type of exam after being out of school for 10 years."

Pvt. Raymond Saunders Wells, formerly a machinist, had a positive and practical explanation of

Here's One Guy Who Grew Fat On Jap Diet

YOKOHAMA, Japan (Delayed)—Pfc. John B. Mucciacelaro, 23, of Clear Lake, Wis., looked strong and well-fed—not at all in keeping with the fact that he had been in Japanese prison camps for almost four years.

"You wonder, eh?" he asked. Then he laughed. "You're looking at the greatest thief who ever lived in Jap camps," he said.

"Hungry?" he added with great indignation. "Not me—ever. I always stole plenty. And not only food. Everything I could get my hands on."

NOT OFTEN CAUGHT

"You name it," he continued, "and I stole it. Clothing, food, cigarettes, everything—I swiped them all. The Japs would beat the devil out of you when they caught you stealing, but they didn't catch me very often, nah!"

Mucciacelaro was captured at Guam Dec. 10, 1941. Since then it has been one Jap war-prisoner camp after another for him, the last one at Tsuruga on the west coast of Honshu.

"I worked as a stavedore there," he said, "loading and unloading ships. You can bet I never even came close to going hungry there."

"Working around cargo, boy-oh-boy, what easy pickins' that was," he said. Then he laughed again—the hearty laugh of a healthy well-nourished young man.—Staff Sgt. Ed Meagher, Marine Correspondent.

She Shot Expert, Undoubtedly

GUAM (Delayed)—The nightly bull session was on and some 3rd Division Marines were recalling incidents that happened in boot camp back in the States. A grizzly "gunny," former drill instructor at Parris Island, recounted this tale about a platoon he handled at the rifle range:

"It was our night at the movies," he said. "The boots were jammed into the gym."

"A rich woman, in the movie, was setting the trap to marry a handsome young fella. But the guy had fallen in love with a pretty young thing, so he decides to tell the rich dame it's all off."

"He visits her but she beats him to the draw and shoots him about four times with her pearl-handled pistol. Then she stands there horrified, and a boot from the back row hollers:

"All right, lady! Pick up your brass and get off the line!"—Sgt. Paul B. Hoolihan, Marine Correspondent.



(Official USMC photo)

TIENTSIN SURRENDER. A Marine band struck-up with the American and Chinese anthems, the 3rd Amphibious Corps flag was lowered below the American flag, the Jap and Allied representatives saluted—and the surrender ceremonies were under way.

Trains, Planes Carry Sick

SASEBO, Japan (Delayed) Hospital railway cars and cubs evacuation planes today were operating out of 5th Amphib. Corps headquarters here to insure medical care for isolated Marine garrisons policing Kyushu and southern Honshu.

The rail coaches, featuring a complete operating room and wards accommodating 28 passengers, will visit outposts systematically and transport patients to the hospital.

Emergency engines will be removed by the planes, which evacuated 18,000 soldiers and were credited with saving 1000 lives at Luzon in the Philippines. They are one-passenger machines capable of landing in spots inaccessible to larger aircraft.



by Pvt. John F. Vallean

MONDAY

Am thoroughly miffed at my co-trainees.

Last night was chilly, and (through some oversight) we have as yet been issued no pajamas. So although lights were out by time finished making my toilet, I opened lockerbox and found snug cotton "longies" which mother thoughtfully had me bring from home.

When arose this morning, someone happened notice me before had time to dress. Uneouth chap shouted raucously, drew attention of other fellows. Personally, cannot imagine why they found sight so amusing, but merriment was extreme. Of course I simply crushed them with haughty indignation.

But worst part was our DI himself seemed irked by my sensible garb. Think he must be allergic to longies. He instructed me report to him tonight at 10:00 p.m. And when I did, ordered the map lavatory floor--with my longies! Thinking this repulsive assignment due to some temporary shortage equipment and hired help, I inquired whether janitor was ill. ... I shudder in retrospect.

TUESDAY

After the type of EPD I've done this week, I can write my parents that I'm now Head Man around here.

WEDNESDAY

Clearly, 'twas not my fault. But when Boot and DI conflict, is there EVER any question who's "wrong"?

Last night That Man came in after lights out, and as proceeding across floor toward bed, carelessly stumbled over my lockerbox. Sprawled with considerable thud, spluttering shocking comments.

Of course blamed all on me. And then, since I could not BEGIN carry lockerbox outside, much less around barracks as ordered, he fiendishly set himself to think of appropriate "discipline" for what he considered physical frailty.

So today, required me to appear the utter FOOL. Made me stand on GI can in middle of floor, with flowers tucked under pill helmet and eyeglasses, flexing biceps repeatedly and saying over and over: "I'll grow up and be a WR!"

THURSDAY

Surely--SURELY--our DI will go on a furlough someday. I'd gladly help pay his traveling expenses.

FRIDAY

This afternoon, instruction in method of tearing BAR into all its pieces. Lecturer made no allowance for aesthetic type who lack mechanical aptitude. Found myself completely thwarted despite frantic efforts at dissection.

Finally lecturer noticed my desperate confusion and stepped down to table. To prevent him from worrying about my apparent slowness to learn, assured him that "I really take no interest in guns, anyway."

Was so flustered by way he glared at me that never did understand just why he was so provoked by this comment. Apparently the man has some silly idea that a rifle is NOT a gun!

Anyway, felt simply ridiculous, especially since my thumb had somehow become immovably wedged into tube called "flash hider." Eventually Sergeant removed it, by pouring oil all over my hand and his shirt sleeve.

Unfortunate that class was kept waiting, but do think Sergeant's extreme agitation uncalled for. ... Nerves, I suppose. Probably he has an unhappy home life.

SATURDAY

Muscovites must endure cold, ice and snow;

Hailhans--heat, reptiles and flies; Every man's life has its troubles and woes.

(Boots suffer most from DT's.)

Saturday Morning, December 1, 1945



(Official USMC photo)

READY FOR CHRISTMAS. Stocked with a great variety of Christmas gifts, the Gift Shop at Camp Pendleton is getting a large play by thousands of retreating veterans and permanent personnel. The above photo was taken just before opening hour as the clerks waited for the rush to begin.

Rush Hits Pendleton's Xmas Shop

CAMP PENDLETON—The lifting of priorities and subsequent reconversion to pre-war economics of buying and selling bodes well for the Camp Pendleton Gift Shop, according to Lt. Rae LaForce, assistant post exchange officer, who has recently returned from a buying trip to Los Angeles.

Since last February the quality of objects, as well as their selection and delivery, has improved, she said, while wholesale houses have remained extremely cooperative in selling their wares at prices which meet the serviceman's income.

GIFT SHOP IS BUSY

The Gift Shop, which is to remain part of the permanent post exchange system, has lately been the scene of a general readjustment in pricing. Non-essential merchandise, which during the war

was sold at higher price levels than the essential, will be lowered to about the same level. All gift shop merchandise, Lt. LaForce announced, is now considerably lower priced, about 50 per cent of the store's selling prices having been lowered.

The demand for household goods by camp personnel who sought articles for the homes they have established in this area and as gifts to send home will no longer go unanswered. Linens and glassware, both unavailable till now, have been purchased. Radios and

electrical appliances are expected to be the next post-war find.

MORE TOYS BOUGHT

Preparing for Christmas shoppers, Lt. LaForce was also able to obtain more toys and other children's gifts.

Although the Gift Shop will remain Camp Pendleton's central store, the anticipated volume of Christmas business is to be routed into the area post exchanges where there will be as much diversity as can be managed.

"We are trying to select varied merchandise and make it as convenient as possible for camp personnel to buy gifts," Lt. LaForce said.

Base Exchange Handles Near-Record Counter Sales

Christmas "shopping fever" has hit personnel at MCB, and recent purchases at the Base Exchange have soared to a new record high.

With sales boosted chiefly by returning veterans, here for redistribution and separation, October saw a record volume in purchases at the PX. Continued rapid turnover in November probably was due to Yuletide spirit, and December may see an all-time peak.

FEW XMAS GIFTS

Marines found no special stock such as Christmas gifts at the Exchange, but Maj. F. D. Ross, Base Exchange officer, promised that ample supplies of "stable goods" will be on hand. Sales of gifts and other special Christmas items, Maj.

Ross believes, should be left to civilian stores, which can handle large and varied stocks. The Base Exchange does not have accommodations for carrying-over surplus goods, the major explained, so "seasonal" merchandise is not purchased. Instead, procurement is guided by the objective of supplying Marines' everyday requirements.

Efforts of Capt. Leo J. Wilson,

Purchasing officer, have insured that Christmas shoppers at the PX will find an especially good stock-on-hand of staple goods such as toothpaste and cosmetics, including many brands which have been short for some time. Most luxury items will not be obtainable in quantity until next spring, but the Base Exchange office hopes to have an ample supply of fountain-pen sets in the near future.

PURCHASING IS HARD

"Procurement of merchandise has been a very difficult task during war years," Maj. Ross pointed out, "and Capt. Wilson has done a top-notch job, considering the obstacles. The occasional shortages which inconvenience enlisted personnel are taken very seriously by Purchasing, and Capt. Wilson has exerted every means to avoid such shortages."

"When we do receive a shipment of scarce items," Maj. Ross said, "it often is sold out so fast that many Base personnel aren't aware it came in at all. For example, up to \$20,000 worth of luggage has been sold by the Exchange in one day; and a \$4000 shipment received last week was exhausted in an hour and a half. As a result, no luggage is available right now."

SOLD AT COST

Most articles carried at the PX fall into the "necessity" classification, and are sold to Marines at cost—such items as cosmetics and toilet articles, tobacco and smoking supplies. Prices of jewelry and other merchandise which is considered in the "luxury" class, include a small profit mark-up.

Such mark-ups are generally lower than those of civilian stores, and the profits go to Base recreation funds.

Greatest turnover is in candy sales, Maj. Ross commented. "Incredible, the amount of candy Marines buy by the box."



Did you ever try to cram the accumulation of two years' living into one tiny seabag? And then carry it? That's the main problem this week in the WR Battalion area as more girls sally forth into the cold, cruel civilian world. The barracks are in more of an uproar than usual with some people running around trying to collect their belongings and others endeavoring to give theirs away. The more eager ones spend their time doing civilian clothes and swanking around the squadrooms in them. 'Till you can't tell any more who's in and who's out. Seabags, suitcases, boxes, trunks and weird-shaped packages are piled all over, giving the place the air of the baggage room down at the Santa Fe station. Addresses are being thrown right



and left, last-minute pictures taken and "Auld Lang Syne" is the predominant note.

The new slop chute is coming in mighty handy for all the farewell parties and celebrating that has to be done, and life is one merry round for those luckier ones who are leaving. At least, it looks merry 'till the morning after when you have to get up to do your packing. O, well, tounjous gal!

DECK SCRAPINGS

The MT mob about took the paint off the PX walls last Monday night while taking their final adieu to Marine Corps life, but the whole affair was understandable. There's no larger, livelier, and might we say noisier, clique in the whole battalion and a lot of them were leaving good buddies behind.

It sure is nice having the new PX so close to the mess hall so that we can go over and feed off fat faces when things at No. 342 get just TOO unendurable.

WR's who have a liking for the light fantastic might take note of the fact that Recruit Depot is starting to have dances again soon. To those of you who have attended said affairs, pass the word on.

SIGNS-OF-THE-TIMES--NOTE: The 49's Club, that organization of old salts who were the first WR's to invade MCB long, long ago has dwindled down to eight members. And so it goes.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: When does the next list come out?

Fry Two-Habba'

TIENTSIN, China (Delayed) It was inevitable, after the Marines had come to China and taught the native population in the use of "habba habba" as a byword, that this would happen.

Yesterday it did. Sign painters were chalking letters one foot high on the plate glass windows of new enterprise on Taku Road, opposite Victoria Park. The sign read "Habba Habba Cafe & Grill." Sgt. George Llabes, Marine correspondent, reported.

Retired Officers' Note

All retired Marine Corps officers in the San Diego area again were urged this week to contact the office of the Chief of Staff, MCB, to add their names to a list being compiled at that office. Persons knowing the whereabouts of retired Marine officers are asked to report the names and addresses to the Chief of Staff.

Guidebook for Marines Soon to be Published

SAN FRANCISCO—A profusely illustrated 364-page book incorporating the latest and most accurate word on what every Marine should know will be off the press the first of the year under auspices of the Marine Corps Schools at Quantico, Va., the Division of Plans and Policies at Marine Corps Headquarters, and Leatherneck Magazine.

The book, entitled "Guidebook for Marines," represents a year's work on the part of the three sponsoring organizations. And although it has over 800 illustrations, its size has been kept to a convenient fit for a Marine's duffelbag pocket.

Publishers of the Guidebook have sought to make it both a useful and readable training aid for the recruit and a reliable and handy reference book for the "old salt."

LESSONS ON WAR

Valuable lessons learned in World War II have been incorporated into its pages which are divided into three principal sections—recruit training, the weapons, and tactics. Illustrations include drawings, photos and photos, as well as stereoscopic photographs, the latest method of illustrating movement. The pictures were planned to illustrate in the clearest way various skills of Marines from the precision of a well-executed manual of arms to the tricks of scouting or throwing a grenade.

The first part of the "Guidebook" is devoted to basic information of the type imparted in boot camps. A carefully authenticated chapter on history and traditions has been prepared, covering Marine history from the Continental Marines to arrival of the 4th Marines in Japan. For the first time,

illustrations in color give the correct manner in displaying equipment at inspection. Complete and well-illustrated chapters on discipline and courtesy, military terms, insignia, first aid, hygiene, close order drill, gas warfare, hand grenades, and the bayonet are part of this recruit information.

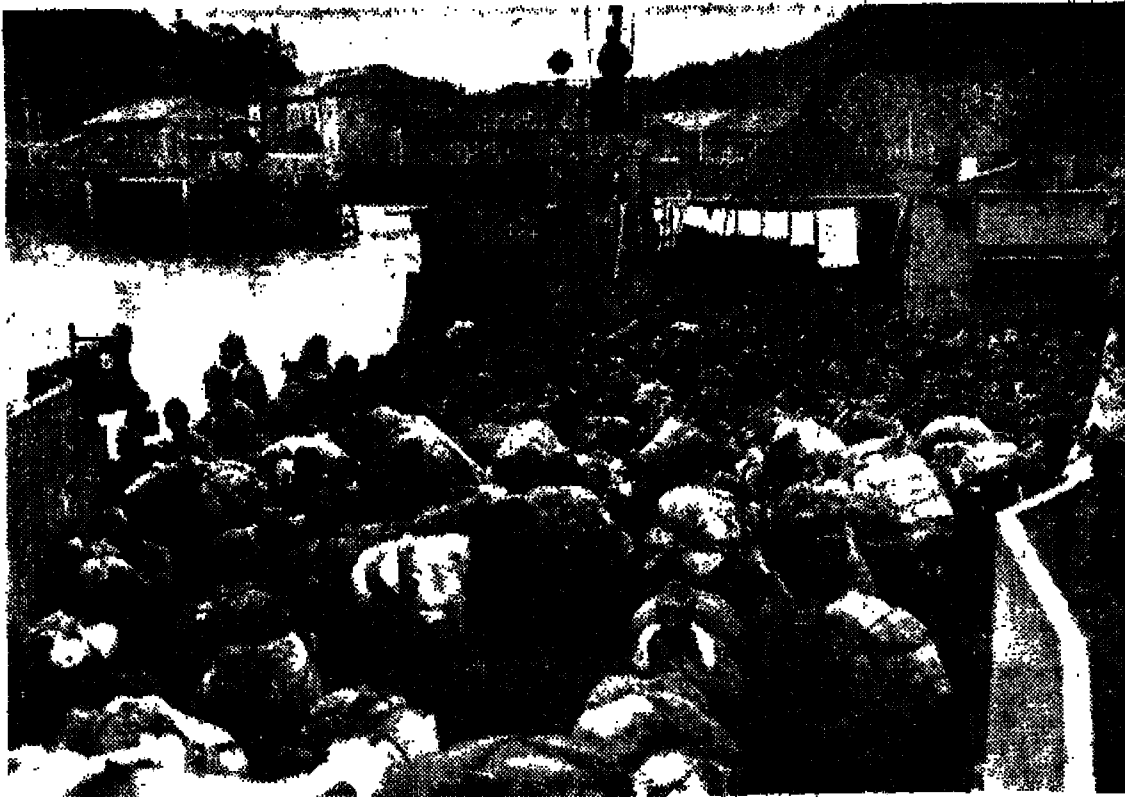
DOPE ON WEAPONS

Chapters on the weapons have been prepared by experts so that the novice can use the book as an ever-present DI in learning the rapid stripping and assembly of his weapons. Weapons chapters include those on the M-1 rifle, the carbine, automatic rifle, machine guns, 50-mm. mortars, rocket launcher, flame thrower, rifle grenades, and explosives and demolition.

The final section of the "Guidebook" includes thoroughly illustrated chapters on extended order, map reading and the compass, and scouting and patrolling. Also included are chapters on the Marine Infantry Battalion and communications. Techniques developed in World War II have been explained in chapters on the squad in combat, tank-infantry cooperation, town fighting and protective measures.

DESIGN BY LEATHERNECK

Editorial and art departments of The Leatherneck Magazine contributed the final assembly of the "Guidebook." Its design illustrations and printing.



(Photo by Corp. Sam J. Rushnell)

JAP TROOPS COME HOME. Passive Jap soldiers from the army in Korea disembark on their homeland. The once-arrogant troops showed no emotion as they left the I.C.T.'s which carried them home for demobilization. Part of the Marines' duty overseas now is to see that Jap troops get home safely.

Disgusted with Civilian Life, Bataan Marine Re-enlists

An object lesson to America—which America probably will not heed—occurred this week in Los Angeles.

Its duplication is being enacted by the thousands in cities and hamlets across "the greatest nation in the world."

The significance of this drama of everyday life should not be ignored but probably will be. Should it happen too many times, a lot of people might be jarred out of their complacency by events not pleasant. That should never happen.

Nor should happen—but it did—the small incident with the large implication that occurred in Los Angeles.

There, Pfc. Douglas William Bogue, a Marine who spent more than two and a half years in Japanese prison camps, became a civilian—but "shipped over" in the Marine Corps because he's "fed up on civilian selfishness and what it's done to his country."

MONEY-MAD PEOPLE

"I'm re-enlisting in the Marines," the clean-cut Bogue said.

False Alarm

TIENTSIN, China (Delayed)—A great many DIs are going to be unhappy when they read this story.

For years, angry instructors have said to their awkward charges:

"You're fouled up like a Chinese fire drill."

Now Sgt. Norris Anderson, Marine correspondent, reports that the Chinese fire drills are far from fouled up.

The fire drills are held regularly at monthly intervals and they are staged in very "efficient" fashion.

BEAR A HAND

Wanted
TRADE '42 Buick Super Sedanette. Want smaller '41 or '42 car and cash. Lt. Hubbard, Ext. 369.

For Rent
ROOM, recently redecorated; suitable for one or two persons. 862 Prospect, La Jolla.

APARTMENT, completely furnished. In large home overlooking M.C.I. Marine and wife; no children or pets. \$50 a month. 2118 W. California St., Jackson 7134.

For Sale
PRE-War outfit for men about 5'6". Excellent quality and cut. One dark best blue-jean stripe, 1 single broad bluish gray with small stripe. Little worn. Reasonably. Mrs. Tierney, Jackson 5261.

'34 DODGE coach. Excellent condition. Call Ext. 364 after 1900.

BOAT in '34 Plymouth sedan in good condition. Will take \$200. Also suit dress shoes, \$15. J. R. Jones, M-6851, Ext. 307.

told the Los Angeles Times, "because I have found that everybody here seems to be fighting for the dollar without regard for their country and because a man can look to real companionship only in his foxhole buddy."

The Times said that Bogue effected his escape from Camp Puerto Princess, Philippines, last December by swimming five miles, diving through barbed-wire inclosures, hiding in rocks and dodging man-eating sharks with a bullet wound in his leg from the rifle of a sadistic Jap guard.

TOO MUCH GRIPING

"I am thoroughly dissatisfied with life as a civilian," said Bogue. "It seems that everybody is griping about their wages, taxes, the cost of living, housing, automobiles, etc. I served with the 1st Marine Regiment on Bataan and Cotabato before I was made a prisoner of war, and the one thing that keeps a man's hopes up as a prisoner is the thought that one day he will return to this wonderful country and these wonderful people."

"And when he comes back, what does he find? That everybody has been fighting for the dollar. They want to gain control of labor; there's a mad scramble for everything; people are not friendly; they want bonuses of hundreds of dollars for the privilege of giving a man and his family a place to live. I wouldn't do it. There's the blood of many men on these dollars."

Church Services

Sunday services, Base Chapel:
PROTESTANT, 1000 Holy Communion (Eps.), 1015 Morn. Worship; 1100 Holy Communion (General), 1015, 1015 Morn. Worship.
Recruit Depot, 0915 Morn. Worship.
1310g. 110 (Trig), 1015 Morn. Worship.
Camp Matthews, 1000 Morn. Worship.

ROMAN CATHOLIC, Recruit Depot (Bldg. 123), 0900 Morn. Mass; 1015 Mass; Camp Matthews, 0900 Mass.

LATTER DAY SAINTS, Recruit Depot (Bldg. 123), 0900 Morn. Worship. Camp Matthews, 1400 Afternoon Worship.

JEWISH, Camp Matthews, 0915 Services; Recruit Depot (Bldg. 123), 1030 Services.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE, Recruit Depot (Bldg. 123), 1800 Services. Weekday Services: **PROTESTANT**, Ad. Bldg. (Room 200), 1700 Tues. Bible Class.

ROMAN CATHOLIC, Base Chapel, 1000 Confessions, daily Mon. through Sat.; 1030 Mass, daily Mon. through Sat.; 1300 Novena, Tues.

R&R, 1700 Confessions, Sat. Recruit Depot (Bldg. 123) 1800 Confessions, Sat.



"I must caution you against shouting 'AT EASE' at the congregation."

Yank Pinball Experts Amaze Jap Citizens

BEPEI, Japan (Delayed)—Advocates of the American shove and shake school of pin-balling might find Japanese putt-putt machines to their liking. They have no "life" preventer.

The Jap games are primitive versions of the elaborate American machines. No electricity is used. No bells and lights herald a well-placed shot. The tick of a plastic ball against a nail is the only inspirational music provided the player.

Japanese pinball enthusiasts crowd around the Marines to study the contraptions which the Marines claim are necessary to beat American machines. —TSGT, Charles B. Cunningham, Marine Correspondent.

Casualties

Dead

Arizona
PFC. Louis H. Gay, Valley Farms.
Illinois
Corp. Paul W. Zozol, Chicago.
Kansas
1st Lt. Samuel H. Allen, Lenexa.
Michigan
1st Lt. Charles C. Gauthier, Detroit.
Minnesota
PFC. Joseph Havel, Minneapolis.
PFC. Robert H. Kuhn, Stewartville.
Missouri
Corp. Eugene V. Marx, St. Louis.
Texas
Corp. Charles F. King, Fort Worth.
Washington
PFC. William C. Jackson, Seattle.
Wisconsin
PFC. Maple C. Hougland, Marinette.
Missing
Alabama
Pvt. Aaron M. Hurst, Pinson.
New York
PFC. Jeremiah M. Kelly, Long Island City.

WEEKLY SCREEN GUIDE

BASE THEATER 1730 and 2000

SATURDAY—My Name Is Julia Ross (Nina Foch-George Macready) Melodrama about a girl who works for a wealthy woman and is duped. The woman, not the audience. Two shorts and news.

SUNDAY—Pillow of Death (Lon Chaney-Brenda Joyce) Another melodrama. A homicidal madman kills an elderly couple but is less devastating regarding spectator reaction. Also, *Mighty Mouse*. Follow on *Farouk* News.

MONDAY—Enchanted Forest (Edmund Lowe-Brenda Joyce) Technicolor fantasy and rated good. Two shorts.

TUESDAY—The Dalton Ride Again (Alan Curtis-Kent Taylor) A western, no doubt, and average. Two shorts and news.

WEDNESDAY—The Havana (Tom Neal-Margaret Lindsay) Drama with music and weak plot and rated average. *Armstrong vs. Ambler* boxing short.

THURSDAY—Pardon My Past (Errol MacMurphy-Marguerite Chapman) MacMurphy playing dual comedy roles. Two discharged veterans want to buy a milk farm. Excellent rating. Also, *Football Thrills of '44*.

FRIDAY—Life With Nodia (Penny Singleton-Arthur Lake) The Bumsteads and Nodia failing to capture the humor of the cartoon strip. *Melody* Sunday News.

(Camp Matthews films will follow the above schedule by one day)

The Wolf by Sansone



"All out for 'Musical Chairs'!"



(Photo by Base Photo Shop)

THEY DID IT BEFORE AND . . . Pictured above is the Medical Dept. basketball team in their usual post-season pose. Same as last year, they took the championship of the Base Casaba league. On the extreme left, front row, is Coach W. H. Price, who took over the leadership of the team this year.



By Pvt. VINCENT MASSE

MAIL BOX. In answer to numerous inquiries and letters concerning a renewal of a Base Basketball tournament, let it be said, that for the present, it can't be done. The where and why-fors were explained by the Base Athletic Officer and I will endeavor to relay them on to you. The chance to have any such competition of this sort is definitely out for the remainder of this year. What with the coming holidays and continuance of reorganization now going on, it would be impossible to have any reliable schedule. As Sgt. Maj. Ezell pointed out in a letter, the past league was well received and was popular with the Base personnel for its simplicity. I agree heartily with the Sgt. I also see these basketball enthusiasts playing each and every night on the outdoor courts, as he remarked in his letter, and I sincerely hope that with the beginning of the new year a tournament can be arranged that will give these players a chance to show their talents in league competition. The Recreation Officer also relates that it is his plans to have a league going sometime after the beginning of the new year. In the meantime he will arrange a meeting with athletic advisers on the Base and that results of said conference will be announced as soon as possible.

FOOTBALL. With the exception of the Bowl classics, this afternoon's games ring down the curtain for gridiron fans. Two very important meetings are on the schedule for consideration today. Topping the list, of course, is the Army-Navy affair with unbeaten but once-tied Navy carrying the hopes of the many who would relish the result of their up-setting this great Army team. My hopes are with the "many" and if that Navy team wants to show their thoughtfulness for all the black marks they inflicted on my 'Pigskin Pickings,' now's the time to do it. In the other important game between U.C.L.A. and Southern Cal. in which the winner will become the opponent of Alabama in the Rose Bowl, I'll take Southern Cal. Wouldn't it be fun if the game should end in a tie? I'm sure that if this would happen a scrimmage game between two squads of the Alabama team would hold more interest than a game with either one of their likely opponents. Washington State is also mentioned in the running if a tie should occur.

TID-BITS. Ex-Heavyweight Champion James J. Braddock says he is convinced that Billy Conn will become the new champion after his June meeting with Joe Louis. . . . Half-back George McAfee, member of the famous Chicago Bear team of '41, returned last week to his former team and led them to victory. He was just released from the service a few days before. . . . Manuel Reyes and George Bevens will be the main attraction on the RD smoker tonight. Both boys are a little above the average in ring talent and it should be an interesting tussle. . . . Due to consolidation of a few organizations on the Base, the valuable trophy which was to be awarded for the outstanding achievements in intramural sports will be extended 'till next June. . . . Seems to me that Leon "Grampa" Taylor, basketball star, is really going 'in for publicity in a big way. Just the other night I saw his name flashed on the screen at the Base theater. It came on just during a dull part of the film and gave a few of us a much-needed laugh. . . . Plenty of sport names received their discharges from the services this week, with the familiar name of Jack Dempsey heading the list. . . . The Tijuana race track is back to one-day-a-week schedule again. Ah, make up your mind, will ya? . . . It is rumored that the big league baseball team that Bing Crosby is interested in is none other than the Boston entry in the National League. . . . 'Nuff Sed!

Miramar Quintet Extends Win Streak

Taking a hard-fought and thrill-packed game from the Naval Training Center this week, the Miramar basketball team extended its victory streak to 27 games.

Winning their second straight game in the new 11th Naval Dist. tournament, the men of Miramar had to overcome a four-point lead held by the Navy with just six minutes to play. Scoring 11 points in this time and with their defense holding the Navy scoreless, they edged out a 47-44 victory.

OREGON BOUND

With no other league games scheduled for them until late in December, the Miramar team will play an exhibition game with the University of Oregon on Tuesday, Dec. 4, at the latter's home court.

While in the territory of Washington, the squad will make a trip to the nearby Klamath Falls Marine Base to play an unannounced opponent for the entertainment of the Marine hospital patients there.

This Miramar team, coached by 1st Lt. Harry C. Wright, former Notre Dame football star, is rated as the best Marine aggregation on the West coast.

Bowl Entries Close Today

The year-end football Bowl picture will be complete following the results of today's games. This is how things stand at present:

Rose Bowl (Pasadena)—Alabama vs. opponent to be announced.

Sugar Bowl (New Orleans)—Unbeaten and untied Oklahoma Aggies vs. St. Mary's Gaels, once-beaten.

Orange Bowl (Miami)—Holy Cross vs. opponent yet to be named.

Sun Bowl (El Paso)—New Mexico vs. Denver.

Cotton Bowl (Dallas)—Southwest conference champion, probably Texas, vs. an opponent still to be named.

Shrine Bowl (San Francisco)—East All-Stars vs. West All-Stars.

Oil Bowl (Houston)—Both teams yet to be announced.

MCE COPS ANOTHER

The Base basketball team won their second straight game in the 11th Naval Dist. tournament by defeating the Naval Repair Station, 42-24.

ARMY GRID TOPS

Eighty of the sports writers participating in the Associated Press poll to determine the country's ranking college football team rated the Army machine tops.

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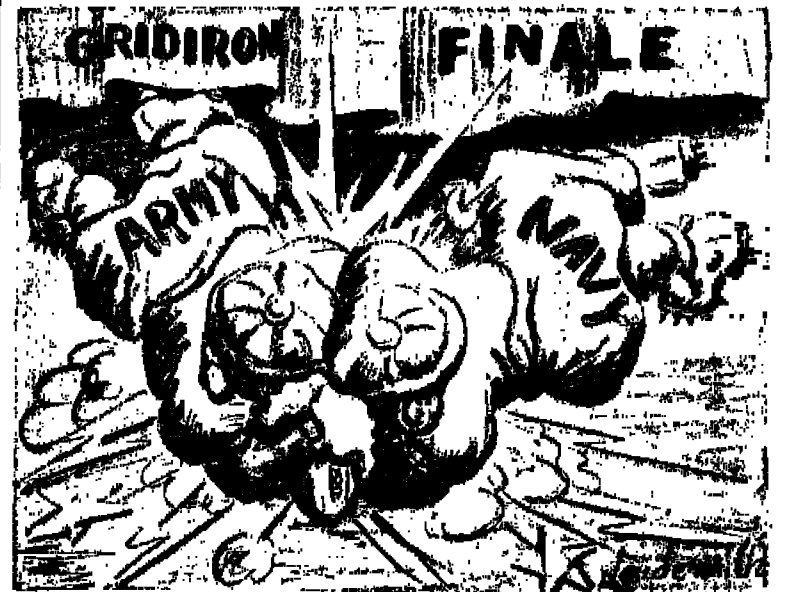
Pigskin Parade Climax With Army-Navy Battle

Army's crashing Cadets, heralded as one of the greatest collegiate football teams in history, and Navy, alone in the nation considered a capable foe of the West Pointers, bring the regular 1945 pigskin campaign to a rousing climax today in Philadelphia.

More than 100,000 fans will cram the Quaker City's Municipal stadium today for the game which will determine the 1945 collegiate champion. It's the biggest test of the year for the unbeaten, untied and unextended Cadets who have crushed aside eight opponents in

only a lean program in the 1945-46 season. But what there is of it promises to produce some record-breaking battles. Other games this week include:

Mississippi State, an in-and-out-or, at Alabama, the undefeated and untied eastern selection for



running up 320 points against 33.

NAVY PRIMED

Navy, criticized earlier in the season for its lackadaisical performance, is unbeaten but tied by Notre Dame. In their last two starts, the Middies finally measured up to pre-season praise in brushing off Michigan and Wisconsin and there's little doubt that the Annapolis grids will be primed for this record clash.

The Army-Navy tussle is the game of the week. In Los Angeles this afternoon Southern California and U.C.L.A. tangle with the Trojans seeking a victory or tie to earn a Rose Bowl invitation. The Troy-Bruin clash is expected to lure one of the largest crowds of the season on the Pacific coast.

Today virtually closes out the regular collegiate campaign and

the Rose Bowl: Baylor at Rice; Georgia at Georgia Tech; Notre Dame at Great Lakes; Vanderbilt at Tennessee; Louisiana State at Tulane; Oregon State at Oregon; St. Mary's Pre-Flight at California; Harvard at Yale, and Southern Methodist at Texas Christian.

RD Boxing Resume

Following is a resume of the nine-bout card on last week's Recruit Depot Smoker:

Nathan Stroud/Edward Kerstien. Stroud started good but bogged down. Rights and lefts to head by Kerstien almost floored him. Decision to Kerstien.

Charles Rothacher/Raymond Bierman. Rothacher kept rushing Bierman with body blows, but no connection. Bierman outboxed Rothacher. So the guy didn't have a chance. Hard fight and decision to Bierman.

Donald Larsen/Clarence Tucker. Larsen blocked punches well and connected with a few hard blows. Both eager amateurs. Decision to Larsen.

Donald Rowell/Robert Osarib. Rowell down on a TKO in 52 seconds of first round. Hit in stomach and apparently below belt at same time.

Richard Peters/Carl Duvall. Peters kept putting short left jabs and body blows into Duvall, who did a good job when he got Peters on the ropes. Draw.

Junior Smith/Joe Yonall. Yonall pulled lot of razzle-dazzle stuff but Smith, with a lame left shoulder, got in some head blows and took the fight on judge's decision.

Russell McNatt/Ted Curtis. Twenty-six seconds, technical draw. Fast start but "unintentional cut" on Curtis' left eye stopped fight.

Bill Book/Kenneth Lavine. Book has fast straight left and had Lavine outreached all the time. Worked on Lavine's pose, and took decision but should have KO'd him.

Main event: **George Bevens/Donald Collier.** Bevens former Golden Gloves with good record. A fine artist who put up exceptional defense. Series of clean punches and short jabs to Collier's head gave decision to Bevens. Clean fight, but Collier was outclassed.



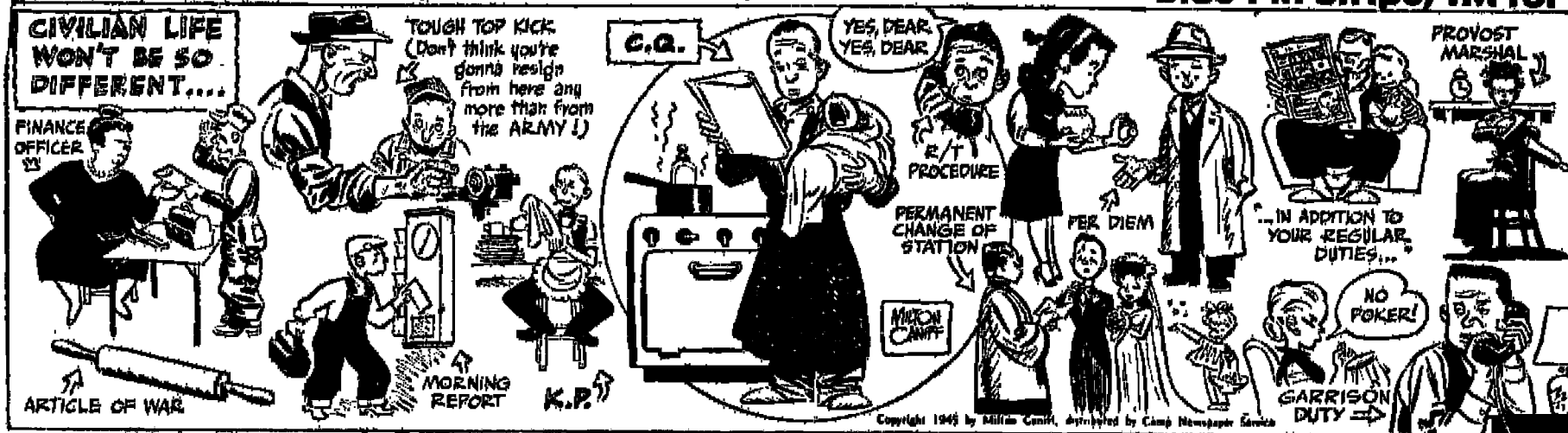
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CATCHY CHAMPS. Above are the winners of the Base Mixed-doubles tournament listed as "Catch-as-catch-can." Pvt. Norma Acheson and Erwin Lowder caught on together and on to victory.

Male Call

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

Blue Pin Stripe, TM for



THIS WEEK

NEWS FOR MARINES OVERSEAS

NEW YORK (SEA)—The postwar girl will waddle like a duck, be too flat-chested to wear a sweater and too wide-hipped for a short skirt unless she stops wearing "little looser shoes," Dr. Joseph Interland, political, predicted. Chicago foot doctors disagreed, saying it was perhaps just that New York girls were less Cinderella-ish than Chicago girls.

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (SEA)—A Yale traffic expert advised Connecticut police chiefs, for the sake of good public relations, that cops should approach traffic violators with, "I am sorry to have to stop you, sir, but—" instead of "Where the hell's the fire?"

PHILADELPHIA (SEA)—Bill Drury, radio record program MC, found requests from one listener, Jean Campbell, agreed with his own taste. He said so on the air. Jean visited the studio, and now they're planning a June wedding.

MILWAUKEE (SEA)—Kenneth Seitz and Sheila Benton, Marquette co-ed, expect 1500 guests at their wedding in a Marquette church. The university paper by mistake invited alumni on homecoming to attend mass there instead of in the chapel.

OKLAHOMA CITY (SEA)—The Oklahoma Dental Society was urged to make the toothpick fashionable again, in the interest of hygiene.

BOSTON (SEA)—State Controller Frank Lang opened a savings account as a boy, was given account No. 196,144. Years later he opened an account at another bank and was given account No. 196,144.

POWNAL, Vt. (SEA)—Mrs. William Rathbun found a swarm of bees in her attic, literally bagged them with her vacuum cleaner. She had a fine comb of honey for her trouble.

MINNEAPOLIS (CNS)—Unhappily wed, Mrs. Minnie Poshon has sued for divorce. The charge: Hubby put fishhooks in his pants pockets each night.

KANSAS CITY (SEA)—A serviceman home for leave found breakfast waiting for him: 17 pounds of sliced ham, 75 cups of coffee, 10 dozen eggs. A telegram to his family that he was "bringing home a few buddies" had been changed in translation to specify 50 instead of six.

KENNESITT, Ia. (SEA)—Pvt. Glenn Berge came home on furlough and had his tonsils out. Then he got mumps. Then scarlet fever. Then he broke his arm in a friendly tussle. Next he caught mumps on the other side of his face. Now he has measles.

WASHINGTON (SEA)—If your child wants a kite for Christmas you can buy one from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation—for \$25. The 20-ounce toys were used to string barrage cables above ships during the war.

CHARLESTON, S. C. (SEA)—John Enter has retired from business at the age of 64 with \$300 sailed away. Enter is leaving a two-year career as jury-boy, pulling names from the panel box, to enter school.

ELIZABETH, N. J. (SEA)—In the midst of a court session to declare Mrs. Phillip J. Reiss dead, in walked Mrs. Reiss. She said she didn't know her husband was looking for her—he hadn't seen her since 1935.

PANA, Ill. (SEA)—Eighty-year-old Jules Vilcot came home from an all-night 50-mile stroll. He was surprised that his family had worried and explained: "I lost my bearings, so I kept walking."

INDIANAPOLIS (SEA)—Residents are plagued by an inaccurate rooster that crows every morning at 9:30 instead of waiting for daybreak.

GERING, Neb. (SEA)—A honey married an angel here when CPO Carl Honey was wed to Vilita Lillian Angell.

INDIANAPOLIS (SEA)—A Mr. Belcher is employed at the Burpee store in this city.

Do Your Xmas Wrapping Early



FIRST AID VICTIM. "Come, Martha Vickers, and pose for a CheVron chocolate cake shot," commanded the Warner Bros. publicity man. "But I haven't a thing to wear," complained Martha. "Well," said the P. M., "I know a little about first aid dressing (ha ha). We'll see what I can do." This is what he did. Hardly suitable for formal evening wear—but it will get by in a pinch (ha ha).