

Editorial Reviews

According to columnist Dorothy Thompson, "In 1939, the American people spent 15 billion dollars on food. In 1945 they spent 11.5 billions on alcohol, soft drinks, ice cream, candy, and coffee—or more than 70 per cent of their total food expenditures for 1939."

Rear Admiral Charles A. Fownall has been appointed Governor of Guam. A U.S. naval gov't existed there from 1898 until the Japs seized the island in December, 1941. Guam was recaptured by American forces in July, '44.

Pres. Truman has asked Congress to appropriate \$7,246,335,200 to carry out the U.S. Army's program during the fiscal year beginning July 1. This would provide for an army reduced to 1,070,000 men and officers on June 30, '47. The President's estimates also include \$300,000,000 for gov't and relief in occupied territories, and \$200,000,000 for atomic services.

MARINE WAR STATISTICS

At Guadalcanal, 32,650 Marines landed with the 1st MarDiv. Re-inforced. . . 1190 Marines were killed, 2753 wounded; 39,000 Japs were killed and 500 taken prisoner. . . 49 man-of-war, 33 transports and auxiliaries took part in the landing.

On Okinawa, 203 officers and 2897 enlisted were killed; 40 total missing in action; 741 officers and 15,243 enlisted suffered wounds in action or combat fatigue.

In the Marshalls, 559 Marines were killed and 1331 wounded; 6500 Japs killed and 139 taken prisoner.

In the Marianas, 4191 Marines were killed, 17,351 wounded; 50,700 Japs died, 2869 were captured.

(Guadalcanal and Marianas figures include Japs killed by Army and Navy.)

Marines overseas totaled 260,000 on May 7, 1945; a year later the figure was down to 98,000 including sea duty, occupation duty, garrison forces and posts in the U.S. territories. . . Peak strength overseas in World War I was 32,000.

WIDE-TALKIES

The Detroit News plans to have reporters cruising the streets this summer in automobiles equipped with radio-telephones. . . An experimental of the Army's 101st Airborne has launched an ultra-modern "Paranews" service with headquarters at Pasadena. Reporters and photographers will make parachute jumps to scenes of hot news, and will record their achievements on-the-spot by pasting stickers reading "Paranews was here first" on whatever item made the news—"whether it's a crashed plane or an abducted movie actress."

Motorists in St. Louis already may have radiophones installed in their cars, for \$15 a month plus \$45 installation charge.

NAGGITY!

An utterly reliable source reports: "Walking behind two elderly ladies on 5th Street in downtown San Diego last week, I noticed that the older was a sweet, white-haired, complacent-looking ancient; but that her less mature companion (about 70) seemed quite exasperated. As I passed them, the younger announced an ultimatum: 'If you don't stop asking people for chewing gum, I'm going to leave you at home!'"



(Photo by Corp. Hugh Kilmeyer)

CURTAIN. The WR Bn. at MCB was disbanded Wednesday, and Corp. Laura Picketts turned the key at Barracks 338, symbolizing the closing of WR activities here. Only three enlisted women remain on this station, with two of these living ashore on subsistence allowance, according to high Base officials.

'Don't Waste Food; Others Starving' Marines Urged as Famine Looms

Acting promptly in recognition of the serious threat of famine among peoples overseas, MCB officials have directed that every effort be made to conserve food at Marine Corps messes.

"At this time while there is a world food shortage," a recent Base memo points out, "it is the duty of every commanding officer, every officer, and every individual member of the command to take steps to prevent waste. The Government is providing food in sufficient quantity and variety to more than satisfy dietary requirements of its armed forces.

"In order to carry out effectively food conservation plans, the following points should be observed:

PROGRAM OUTLINED

"(a) Commanding officers and officers of units must give close supervision to their messes. This means, first, prompt and continuous notification to the mess of the number of men to be present at meals, observation and inspection of food service at meals, an actual check of contents of garbage cans after meals, and close cooperation with the Base Mess Officer.

"(b) Personnel who eat at the various messes can cooperate by

observing a few simple rules. Instead of taking two or three pieces of meat—take one. Messmen will survey the platter. Don't take more than can be eaten. If you are going to be absent from a meal or over the weekend, tell the first sergeant. It helps the mess sergeant plan on the amount of food to cook. Eat all you want, but don't waste. Disciplinary action will be taken in cases where men deliberately and flagrantly waste food.

"Keep the garbage cans empty and feed starving human beings in some other part of the world."

Base Theater Books New Varities

Al Wager will present his newest Variety Show and Revue at the Base Theater on Thursday, May 23. It was announced recently by Capt. McNamara, Base recreation officer.

Wager's last show was well received at MCB, and advance notices promise that this newest will equal or surpass it.

Master of ceremonies of the evening will be Mickey Gifford. Music for the occasion will be supplied by Irving Schaff and his Californians, and the Marion Douglass Girls will furnish the dancing.

Included on the bill will be The Latines, tight-wire artists; the Dayton Brothers, a musical comedy team; Paul Gordon, "Fun on Wheels"; Valentine and Evelyn, "world's foremost rubber ball manipulators"; the Hollywood Co-Eds; the Four Stepp Brothers, "Salsa Tap-Tappers"; and the Billy Morrell Trio.

Two performances will be given, one at 1730 and the second at 2000.

O'Seas Arrivals

More than 1000 enlisted Marines will arrive at San Diego today from Tsingtao, China, aboard the troopship Charles Carroll, the 11th Naval Dist. Port Director's office reported. Majority of the men will go to Base R&R Center. Approximately 80 men will be assigned to Miramar.

Scheduled to arrive at San Diego May 20, aboard the carrier Lexington from Pearl Harbor, are 413 Marines who will go to Base R&R Center.

Gen. H.M. Smith Closes Career

Colorful General Receives Press; Area Command Goes to Schmidt

"There's something about a Marine you can't kill. That's courage, and character."

Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith, who retired from active duty Wednesday, May 15, at a press conference early this week paid glowing tribute to enlisted men and officers of the service in which he has spent 41

years—"in two major wars and several minor ones."

"The spirit of the Corps is not equalled by that of any other organization in the world," Gen. Smith declared. "The Marine has been taught that he is a first-class fighting man, and that his name is synonymous with victory. The Marine is just as willing to die as the Jap, and he would fight with the same ferocity and the same courage."

Replacing Smith as commanding general of the Marine Training and Replacement Command, San Diego Area, is Lt. Gen. Harry Schmidt, a long-time personal friend who once served under Smith in the Pacific as head of the 5th Amphib. Corps.

EXPLAINS CORPS SUCCESS

Much of the success of Marine units in battle Gen. Smith attributed to the officer-enlisted man relationship within the Corps. "In the Marine Corps we have as near an approach to perfection as possible," he stated. "I feel honestly and truly that the relationship between officers and enlisted men is all that could be desired.

"Personally, I shared the same hardships as the men; ate the same food; slept on the ground with them. And many thousands of other officers did the same. Marine Corps leadership is based on a thorough understanding and fellowship between officers and men. That's the answer."

Victories of the Corps in the Pacific, Smith said, were also the result of "long training based on sound principles developed with the assistance of the Navy. This theory is sound or we would not have been called by the Army to train some six of their divisions."

PREDICTED WAR'S END

Gen. Smith led in the development and perfection of amphibious warfare tactics, as early as 1933, in the Atlantic and Caribbean. In July of 1945, Smith predicted that the war would end by September—"for which I got a lot of nasty letters," he recalled. "But after Ta-

rawa there was never any question in my mind that we were on the right road, that we would beat the Jap wherever and whenever we found him. Tarawa was the first chance we had had to put into practice our theory of amphibious war—landing in the daylight against heavy opposition. . . . The Guadalcanal landing had been practically unopposed."

Two Japs, Smith believes, was "the toughest battle. It was almost impossible. But the issue was never in doubt. . . . We carried the flag across the ridge the hard way—and we can do it again!"

The atomic bomb, according to the general, "was a face-saver for the Japs." The war would have ended shortly anyway, he believes. Development of atomic power may prevent another war, but the nation must be prepared, he warned. "Remember, it was nine months after the Japs attacked Pearl Harbor before we were able to take any action. . . . Anyway, the atomic



Lt. Gen. HOLLAND M. SMITH . . . retiring, praised Marines

bomb has to get there; and in this war the Marines took every Pacific base from which B-29's flew."

REVIEWS CAREER

Encouraged to review his career, the general commented "I've always had a belief in my destiny. The difference between failure and success generally is an opportunity to demonstrate ability. Many officers have ability but no opportunity to demonstrate it—therefore it's largely a matter of luck.

"I learned as a young man never to prostitute my principles for rank, command, or favor. . . . The driving thought in my life has been that an officer owes obligations to his country. He must never lose an opportunity to improve his knowledge, and his understanding of men.

"But I feel a man has definite limitations after he's 64. Now I'm going to live in a little house by the side of the road, and be a friend to man—and raise flowers and, I hope, grandchildren."



Lt. Gen. HARRY G. SCHMIDT . . . heads MTRC, San Diego area

Ribbons, Stars and How to Wear'em

Here's 'Word' on Precedence

(The following excerpts and sketches are from an article by 2d Lt. G. C. Martin, in the April, 1946, issue of the Marine Corps Gazette.)

Approximately a million and a quarter service medals were awarded to marines during the recent war. More than 17,000 decorations, not including the Purple Heart and the Presidential Unit Citation, have been pinned on chests throughout the Corps. Yet a short survey of personnel on one large post revealed that three out of five were wearing their ribbons improperly.

Such a lack of knowledge is due mainly to inaccessible information; the details on the wearing of ribbons are scattered through a long list of orders, directives, and publications. The purpose of this article is to consolidate all the pertinent facts on the subject.

THREE CLASSES LISTED

Awards have definite rules of precedence, determined first of all by three classes: (1) decorations, (2) commemorative medals, and (3) service medals.

Within these classes, precedence is established as follows:

Decorations—1. Medal of Honor; 2. Medal of Honor (1917-18)—by law no longer authorized for award, 3. Marine Corps Brevet Medal, 4. Navy Cross, 5. Distinguished Service Medal, 6. Silver Star Medal, 7. Legion of Merit, 8. Distinguished Flying Cross, 9. Navy and Marine Corps Medal, 10. Bronze Star Medal, 11.

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PRECEDENCE RISES INBOARD AND UP ALONG THE ROWS.

Air Medal, 12. Commendation Ribbon, 13. Purple Heart Medal, 14. Presidential Unit Citation, 15. Navy Unit Commendation, 16. Gold Lifesaving Medal (awarded by Treasury Depart-



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—Maj. Gen. Wm. H. Rupertus

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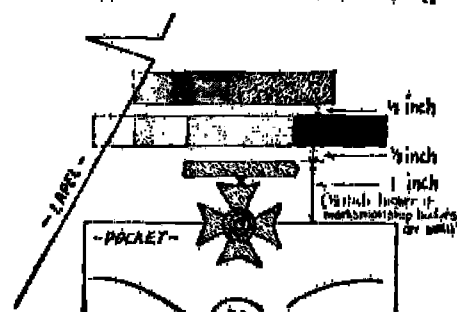
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ment), 17. Silver Lifesaving Medal.

Commemorative Medals, — 1. Dewey Medal, 2. Sampson Medal (commemorating naval engagements in West Indies), 3. Byrd Antarctic Expedition Medal (1928-30), 4. Second Byrd Antarctic Expedition Medal (1933-35).

GOOD CONDUCT FIRST

Service Medals.—1. Good Conduct Medal, 2. Civil War, 3. Expeditionary Medal (initial award — 1874), 4. Spanish Campaign, 5. Philippine Campaign, 6. China Relief Expedition, 7. Cuban Pacification, 8. Nicaraguan Campaign (1912), 9. Mexican Service, 10. Haitian Campaign (1915), 11. Dominican Campaign, 12. Victory Medal, 13. Army of Occupation of Germany Medal (1918-23) 14. Haitian Campaign (1919-20), 15. Second Nicaraguan Campaign, 16. Yangtze Service, 17. China Service, 18. American Defense Service (pre-



Pearl Harbor), 19. Area Campaign Medals (a. American Area, b. European-African-Middle Eastern Area, and c. Asiatic-Pacific Area), 20. Victory Medal—World War II, 21. Philippine Defense Medal, 22. Philippine Liberation Medal, 23. Organized Marine Corps Reserve Medal, 24. Marine Corps Reserve Ribbon.

The Good Conduct Medal was recently established as the senior among these service medals which are awarded according to the date of the campaign or service. The Expeditionary Medal is listed third due to its initial date. Your Expeditionary Medal has a chronological position based on the date of the expedition for which awarded. This principle also governs the position of the three Area Campaign Medals of this war, which are worn in the order earned. The Organized Marine Corps Reserve Medal and the newly authorized Marine Corps Reserve ribbon are the junior awards of all.

NAVY ABOVE ARMY

Any Army award rates just below the corresponding Navy award (DSC after the Navy Cross, etc.). Foreign decorations are junior to all American awards and may not be worn unless at least one American ribbon is also worn.

In assembling the ribbons, the junior ribbon is on the bottom row and to the left or outboard when worn; precedence rises inboard and up along the rows. Correct mounting also involves the seniority of colors and the number of ribbons worn. The ribbons are placed in parallel rows of three; if there are too many rows, four ribbons are placed in each row. The shorter row is always on top—and centered.

The seniority of colors, based on heraldry, is observed by always wearing blue, the senior color, up and inboard. Thus the blue stripe is on top of the Presidential Unit Citation ribbon, as it is on the burgee flown by

There's Just ONE Way to Wear Ribbons . . .



ships winning the award. On each of the three Area Campaign ribbons, there are narrow red, white, and blue stripes in the center. The blue stripe is worn inboard, as is the case with the Navy and Marine Corps Medal ribbon and others having blue stripes.

A new award means all your ribbons senior to the new one must be rearranged so that the new ribbon is in its proper position.

STARS POINT DOWN

Stars should be placed on the ribbon point down. Stars, numerals and letters are centered on the ribbon. Additional stars are symmetrically arranged in a horizontal line close to the center of the ribbon. No stars are authorized for the Victory Medal—World War II ribbon.

The position of the ribbons on the uniform varies with the type of uniform and if marksmanship badges

are worn. Wearing the ribbons alone on a roll-collar coat (green or khaki), they are centered over the upper left pocket with the bottom row 1-8 of an inch above the pocket. Additional rows are 1-8 inch apart. Ribbons extending beyond the lapels are placed under the lapel.

On a roll-collar coat, marksmanship badges are worn with their top edge one inch above the top of the pocket. The bottom row of ribbons is 1-8 inch above the top of the badges.

On a standing-collar coat (blue or white), ribbons are worn on the left breast with the top of the row of ribbons midway between the first and second buttons at the top of the coat. Additional rows of ribbons are 1-4 inch apart. Officers' ribbons are placed midway between the center line and the left armhole seam.

Marksmanship badges on a standing-collar coat are centered 1-4 inch below the bottom row of ribbons.

SAFETY VALVE

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

WR Recruit

Editor, the CheVron—The CheVron certainly puts out a lot of news for such a little paper, and I always look forward to receiving my copy. I'd like to renew my subscription since it is my main source of keeping up with Marine Corps doings. . . I greatly admire the Marine Corps and would like to keep up with the latest news on maintaining a permanent Women's Reserve. Enlistments were closed just before I was old enough to join and I'm still in favor of doing so, since it would make me very proud to be a Marine.

Miss ANNE ORLANDO

Dickerson Run, Pa.

Editor's Note—Peace-time extension of the Women's Reserve hasn't been authorized, but " . . . Women Marines will be needed to work as actographers, control tower operators and training device instructors" in the Postwar Air Reserve. See May 3 CheVron editorial.

New One Set

Editor, the CheVron—Enclosed find money order for \$5.50, for bound volume of the CheVron. Would like one as my son is now with 2nd Division at Sasebo, Japan. If you still put the owner's name on the cover, please make it Norbert E. Miller.

Mrs. T. MILLER

Toledo, Ohio

Editor's Note—Sorry, but all the bound volumes authorized have been sold. But orders are now being accepted for the next volume, which will contain copies for the first six months of 1946. Meanwhile, we hope your son is getting the CheVron in Sasebo. (See notice on page 3.)

Rule of Thumb

Editor, the CheVron—Several times during the month I make trips to Los Angeles, and having a sedan I offer rides to people that I think might be going that way. The purpose of this letter is to point out that I do not give rides to anybody standing in the roadway who would be endangering

themselves or my peace of mind as a driver. If other drivers would do the same, everybody would be much happier all the way around.

Sgt. Maj. R. H. LINCOLN

MCB

Editor's Note—Marines in this area, we understand, are forbidden to hitchhike anyway; but we know what you mean, and we agree. The over-aggressive knuckleheads who stand in the lane of traffic instead of at the side, risk their own lives and irritate most drivers so much they wouldn't consider giving 'em a lift.

Marine Corps Family

Editor, the CheVron—It is with pride that I send for your CheVron to be renewed for six months. We have enjoyed it because it keeps us in touch with the Marine Corps on the West Coast.

We are truly interested in the U.S. Marine Corps because my husband and myself served during World War I in the Corps, and one son spent two years training at San Diego and Pendleton, going overseas and serving with the 6th Marine Division. He was wounded at Okinawa, on May 15. Spent nine months in U.S. Naval Hospital, both here and abroad, and was just recently discharged from service. Another son, not yet 18 years old, is now taking his best training at Parris Island, S. C. So you see why we like the CheVron or any other U.S. Marine Corps newspaper.

Mrs. JOSEPH E. SHORT

Donora, Pa.

Insured Has Say

Editor, the CheVron—Can you tell me if the beneficiary of a veteran or his family can pay premiums on converted National Life Insurance, if the veteran himself does not want to keep it in force?

NAME WITHHELD

Editor's Note—The DAV tells us the answer is 'yes,' but that payments must be made subject to the fact that the insured veteran can change the beneficiary at any time.

Friday Morning, May 17, 1946

*Dere Top!?

I hav just recintly returned to Lost Angeles from Sandfran Cisco, Top, where I wuz called to help quiet a littal disturbance among the natives on a eyeland called Alcatraz. Of course since I am no longer a offishul member of the Core I did not partleipate in the original landing with the Marines.

I wuz really up there on a mission from Moonhead. He thought I might be able to pick up a good set of burglar tools for him over on the eyeland. Moonhead claims that is the only business he knows that will help him meet the rising costs of living. I tell him he is foolish not to keep wearing his Green Soot like I do an eat at the USO's.

Speaking of food, I see that now President Truman has asked everyone to save on wheat to help the starving Yurup-peons all the housewives are running out buying ten loaves at a time. I suppose these public spirited wimin folk are planning on shipping it overseas by themselves.

Top, as you know, I hav bin pritty lonesome up here for members of the opposit sacks. I do not think I ever again will be happy until we hav the next war an git the WRs back in the Core. It is true that I hav Broomhead, who is all wimin—every 185 pounds of her. But the only thing she an the WRs hav in common is muscles.

I so do miss the gay repartee that used to be so common between I an the WRs. I close my eyes in bliss thinking about my first meeting with a womin Marine. I had just returned to this country after quite a spell in the South Pacylick, with its gay romantick eyelands, where the riddled palm trees swayed in the breeze an the soothing drone of mosquitos filled the night air.



Out there, you remember, Top, we had herd roomers that there wuz sich things as Wimin Marines, but we thought maybe that wuz jist another name for I-B's with skirts that they were letting do guard duty in Hollywood, or something. We could not believe that the ol' Core would ever let real live wimin in its ranks.

So it wuz with great surprise indeed that I met my first WR at the Sandy Ago base. I had pictured some dainty miss like my pre-Pearl Harbor girl fren Rose-bild Marie, dressed in fluffy green



organdy, perhaps. But that wuz not the delicate vision that met my eyes. It wuz a womin master gunnery sarjunt, with dungarees, singling the "Halls of Montezuma" while wheeling a six-ton truck with one hand and erpoheling a pair of sox with the other.

She screeched to a stop, vaulted out of the truck without opening the door, an sed—

"Avast there, me hearty. Shiver me timbers, wheel me to starb'd and call me Duffy."

An I sed—"Huh?"

An she sed—"Slow the bilge, park your senbag, batten down your hatches and meet me portside at 8 bells. The eagle has screamed and I'm ready to howl."

An (hat, Top, wuz my first meeting with a member of the opposit sacks in Green Soot. Oh happy daze.

How different the fenial situation is up here among the civi-yuns. Newsomever, the streetcar strike helped my ol' fren Trench-foot Loudermilk an I to become wider acquainted. As you know, a awful lot of peopull were hitch-hiking to an from work. Well, Trenchfoot an I bought a amphibious tractor from Surplus Property (they wuz all out of jeeps an staxhun wagons) an we would glide up to where a couple of classy babes would be waiting for rides, and we would say—

"How far are you going, gurls?"

An they would usually say—"Oh, just a few blocks down the way."

An we would say—"Well, how far will you go if we give you a ride?"

I think we would hav made out better if Trenchfoot had not of leured when we sed this.

A streetcar strike is a deciding factor
For Trenchfoot an I an our amphibious tractor.
EX-SARJUNT HEINEMANN

Bound Volumes Offered

Cloth-bound volumes containing a copy of each issue of the CheYron from Jan. 5 through July 4, 1946, are to be made available in limited quantity. For many Marines, this will be the last such volume issued during their time in the Corps; and as provision for continued publication of the CheYron has not yet been made, this may be the last volume to be offered.

Bound in attractive red cloth, the book will be sold approximately at cost and will include free of charge, the recipient's name in gold letters on the front cover.

This six months of the CheYron will tell the story of the Marine Corps in war's after-

math, in its new role of occupation duty, and in its transition to a peace-time basis... discharge and redeployment programs, information for veterans and civilians-to-be, and "delayed" stories from the battle-front—all covered in the style characteristic of the CheYron since its inception.

Persons desiring these volumes should send their orders as soon as possible, enclosing money, check or money order for \$6.50, to The CheYron, Bldg. 15, Marine Corps Base, San Diego 46, Calif. Orders should contain instructions for the name to be gold-embossed on the cover. If the quantity of orders exceeds the permitted quota, money will be refunded.



FAREWELL PARTY. Members of the Women's Reserve gave a farewell open-house party Monday evening at the Hostess House—a last get-together with old friends at MCB before returning to civilian life. A surprise bulletin issued late last week authorized the disbandment of the local battalion by May 15, and discharge of all but a few of the enlisted women—many of whom have served on this Base for nearly three years. Those wishing to remain in the Corps will be transferred either to San Francisco or to Washington, D. C.
(Photo by PFC Bill Walker)

Marines Spark Local Patriotic Rally

The MCB band will spark the program in San Diego's observance of "I Am an American Day," 1830, Sunday at Russ Auditorium, and a color guard of Devil Dogs from the Base will contribute to the program designed as a "perpetual dedication to the country's ideals," local civic officials announced this week.

Naturalization court will be the feature of the afternoon's program, with Superior Judge Gordon Thompson swearing in 89 new American citizens. It was announced, Thompson will greet the candidates and present certificates of citizenship. Also on the stage will be men and women who received citizenship papers in 1945, and young Americans who within the last year became citizens through majority age.

JOIN TOGETHER

"The aim and purpose of the day," R. King Kaufman, chairman of the drive asserted, "is to join together with our new citizens in a personal dedication to the nation's ideals."

"We must at least once in every year remind ourselves what the country stands for, and refresh our understanding of national ideals and privileges of freedom."

Music by the Base band will open the program, and there will be an advance of the Marine color guard and a color guard formed by various veterans' organizations. Kaufman and Dr. Walter R. Hepner, president of San Diego State College, will be chief speakers for the patriotic rally.

In a statement issued to the CheYron Dr. Hepner commented,

regarding the occasion for the ceremony:

"It took mankind a long time to get the idea that individuals count. Politically the idea was at a low ebb when the 17th century began, yet it was vigorously alive... Men must be free, They must count."

TO ESCAPE TYRANNY

"So our nation was founded. Settlers came here to escape the tyrannies of the old world. They came here to escape the tyrannies of government, of want, of religious intolerance, of race prejudice, of class, and of ignorance. They had been pushed around in the old country, and they didn't want any more of it. They wanted to count."

"These tyrannies are still present

with us to some degree. Each of us has the task of helping to conquer these tyrannies.

"Avarice, selfishness, and desire for power, control and domination are still alive in the world. Our forefathers fought for freedom; we have fought two more wars for freedom in the last 30 years... Each of us must be alert; we must seek knowledge; we must combat falsity with truth. We must be living and intelligent examples of the American way of life."

Civvies Legal, Provided...

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Former Marines enlisting or re-enlisting in the regular Marine Corps may wear civilian clothing on re-enlistment furlough when a uniform issue cannot be made, Marine Corps Headquarters announced recently.

In the event that adequate clothing for a complete issue is not available, a statement to that effect will be entered on the Marine's furlough papers.

The directive further states that when questions of identity are involved while wearing civilian clothing the Marine is authorized to use his furlough papers instead of the regular identification card.

WR to Congress?

LOS ANGELES—A candidate for the Republican nomination to Congress is attractive former WR Janet Jordan, Miss Jordan, formerly a PFC, filed nomination papers from the 16th District. She was believed to be the first woman war veteran to run for Congress.

Marine Corps Demobilization

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 3
(Prepared by the Director, Division of Public Information)

OFFICERS

Male Officer Separations	692
Total Male Officer Separations, Aug. 17, '45, to May 3, '46	23,833
Female Officer Separations	16
Total Female Officer Separations, Aug. 17, '45, to May 3, '46	580

MALE ENLISTED

Discharged (reasons other than demob. plan)	769
Discharged (in accordance with demob. plan)	6,534
Total Discharged During Week	7,303
Total Discharged, Aug. 17, '45, to May 3, '46	288,723
Enlistments and Re-enlistments (April 27 to May 3)	1,016
Departed U.S. for Overseas	193
Arrived in U.S. from Overseas	4,402

FEMALE ENLISTED

Discharged (reasons other than demob. plan)	19
Discharged (in accordance with demob. plan)	265
Total Discharged for Week	284
Total Discharged, Aug. 17, '45, to May 3, '46	13,652

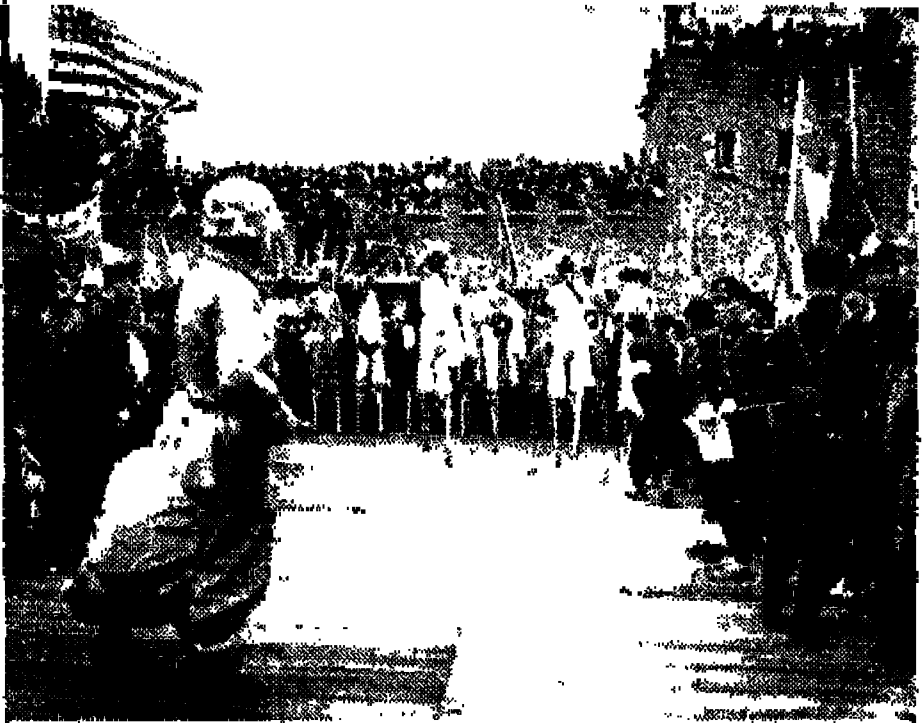
PROGRESS

Planned Discharge Quota, Week April 27 to May 3	7,623
Actual Number Discharged, Week April 27 to May 3	8,295
Planned Discharge Quota, Aug. 17, '45, to May 3, '46	325,143
Actual Number Discharged, Aug. 17, '45, to May 3, '46	326,786



ASSUMES COMMAND. Maj. Gen. Henry L. Larsen took over reins as commanding officer of the Corps' wide-spread Department of the Pacific this month, relieving Maj. Gen. Earl C. Long.

U. S. Marines On Duty In North China —



(Official USMC photos)

HOME AGAIN, Marines of the 1st Division march triumphantly through the streets of Tientsin (left) as they begin occupying China. At right, two Marines witness a rare Still Dance as performed by Tangku, China, natives in celebration of the end of eight years of suppression. Dance is seldom given except on the Chinese New Year. Photos were taken when U. S. forces first moved back into the Orient.

Shanghai-ed Writer Prefers Tientsin

(Editor's Note—The Shanghai Chamber of Commerce might object, and some Marines may disagree; but Sgt. Davies' reasons for preferring Tientsin to Shanghai reveal many details of the daily life and recreation of Marines on China duty. This article is reprinted from The North China Marine, 12-page newspaper published weekly by Special Services Section, III Amphib. Corps, stationed at Tientsin.)

By Sgt. John O. Davies
(Former News Editor, Stars and Stripes)

TIENTSIN, April 26—It's nice to be back.

After almost six months in Shanghai, where fresh vegetables and butter, near-luxury (for a GI) quarters and an atmosphere of breezy informality barely compensated for skyrocketing prices, jam-packed streets and Big City bedlam, we truthfully can repeat:

It's nice to be back.

It's nice to be a pedestrian along comparatively quiet Taku or Victoria roads where pedestrianism isn't so fraught with hazards as it was along Shanghai's bubbling Well road or Bund.

It's nice to hop a ricksha knowing it isn't going to cost a dollar or half of same to ride a few blocks.

It's nice to pay 75 cents or a dollar perhaps for steaks and French fries, remembering what that Shanghai entrée had cost us up to \$10 along Frenchtown's Avenue Joffre.

Of course, Army mess in Shanghai was somewhat luxurious. Most breakfasts featured fresh eggs, fresh grapefruit, Green, crisp cereal sparked many a tiffin.

Kyushu Sailings Hit New Mark

SASEBO, Japan (Delayed)—The 20,000th Leatherneck to be sent home from Kyushu since the 2nd Mar. Div. began occupation of that island last September has arrived in San Diego, according to word received at division headquarters.

The bearer of the title is PFC. Charles J. Baker, a veteran of Okinawa, who arrived at the Southern California port late last month aboard the merchant vessel Dashing Wave.

Before boarding ship for the homeward journey, Baker was presented with a 500-year-old Japanese sword and two Jap military medals, all to be added to his souvenir collection. One of the medals was a decoration for merit, and the other was Japan's "China Incident" campaign medal.

And the butter didn't stick to the roof of your mouth.

There was that sack at the Foreign YMCA—foot-thick mattress, clean sheets and houseboys to tuck 'em in. Enough houseboys, as a matter of fact, to tuck the houseboys in. In Shanghai, there were houseboys everywhere.

There were those cases of State-side beer, ration free at the PXs and transportable to your rooms.

But—We're paying less than a dime for vodka now. Up in Shanghai's Yu Yuen road honkie tonks, the charge ranged upward from CNC700—and that was dirt cheap in Whangpoo Town.

We're chatting with our old Chinese friends again, in a dialect we can understand. That Shanghai

'Ohio' Jackson, Unshoe and Enter!

SASEBO, Japan (Delayed)—Five hails for friends and relatives of Marines returning to the U.S. from occupation duty in Japan:

When he starts to drive the family car down the left side of the street, explain gently that in America the right side is still right.

When he takes off his shoes before entering the house, tell him that rugs last longer than socks, and what's more, don't have to be darned.

When he greets his friends, or yours, with the word "Ohio" don't counter with "Missouri." Remind him patiently that in America it's "Good morning."

When he disdains his favorite chair in the living room and squats cross-legged on the floor, just let him sit there. He'll get tired of it in a few minutes.

When he begins to spout curious sounds that could be nothing but Japanese, simply interrupt with "Parlez-vous English?"—Sgt. Michael D. Brown, Marine Correspondent.

gibberish throw us in a linguistic loop.

We're driving jeeps (occasionally) without hornblowing thousands of absent-minded Chinese jaywalkers to the sidewalks. Pedestrianism was a disease in Shanghai.

We're walking streets which aren't cluttered by a thousand and one sidewalk stands offering American cigarettes and soul rations at blackmarket prices. Last price for a pack of Camels along Avenue Edward VII was 65 cents.

Sure, we're happy to be back in the land of chop-chop and hui-hui-bah-bah. Go ahead and spend almost six months in Shanghai on buck sergeant's pay. You'll return, as we later say.

It's nice to be back with the Marines.

GI Collars Hot; Hubby-Talent Slurred

TOKYO (U.P.)—GI's, women civilian workers and a Japanese woman implied sharply recently to an American co-ed who said she wouldn't marry a Yank soldier because they make poor husbands.

The reason was that Miss Helen Baden, who stuck her chin out last week, hadn't been asked.

PFC. Robert F. Schille, 19, of Cleveland, said he was an Army cook, and, "as a cook, I'd be a pretty good husband."

'WAITING AT CHURCH'

Taking the feminine viewpoint, Janis Lewison, of Glendale, Calif., civilian public relations worker, said she thought the "chocolate bar philosophy of GI's will wear off as soon as they find it doesn't work. As for Miss Baden, she sounds to me as though she was left waiting at the church."

Novoko Tomito, a Japanese worker in the Allied civil information and education section, declared GI's make better husbands.

JAP WIFE KNOWS

"I should know. I've had a Japanese husband in the Philippines," she said dourly.

Pvt. Alfred Maston, of Cleveland, said he had been married five years, was the father of two, and "never heard any complaints."

T/S Phil Young, of Oak Park, Ill., said he was not surprised at Miss Baden's statement, since he was familiar with Wesleyan college girls. He said "they've got some cock-eyed ideas up around there."



(Official USMC photo)

PRECOCITY. Doing the manual of arms with a weapon as big as oneself is no easy task, but "Private Peanuts" Li Chin Tien, 43-inch mascot and Number One Boy for a battery of the 11th Marines, Tientsin, China, does his best. PFC. Peter DiFilippo inspects this salty recruit, garbed in dress greens, tailored from materials donated by his "bosses"—even to the overseas ribbons.

Orient 'Always Colorful, Now Even More Exciting,' Writer Reports

By PFC. Robert Coxon, Marine Corps Correspondent

TIENTSIN, China (Delayed)—Notes from the diary of a North China Marine:

"China duty," always colorful, is now more exciting than usual. For in Manchuria, Asia's new cockpit, the Marines are furnishing men and logistic support to the "cease-fire" teams which maintain the peace.

The Americans' job is the enforcement of the cease-fire order of General of the Army George C. Marshall to the sparring Communist and Nationalist forces.

One of the six Marine-led teams, under the command of a South Carolinian, Col. Orin K. Pressley, has headquarters in the mid hut city of Chihong in the highly explosive Central Jehol Province. Pressley is attempting to create a 20-mile-wide "no man's land" here, where neither Communists nor Nationalists will operate.

One day the colonel's men delivered to Chihong's only white resident, a Belgian priest by the name of Dr. Josephy Ghyssels, the first mail he had received in five years.

In Tientsin duty has its less rugged aspects. . . . Colorful Easter ceremonies were held in the city's many churches. The American Club of the Red Cross held an Easter party to which many Marines brought native youngsters for egg-rolling and other stunts. The Red Cross has two clubs in

Tientsin for Marine use which are housed in former German and French clubs. Here are complete restaurant facilities, and provision is made for movies, billiards and other games. The Red Cross girls often hold dances for the Leather-necks.

Marines in North China, as elsewhere, turn to sports when Spring rolls around. The program calls for everything from softball to swimming.

On April 22 a six-team baseball league was inaugurated. The 1st Division was represented by three teams; other nine were composed of Leathernecks from the 7th Service Regiment, 3rd Amphib. Corps, Headquarters and Service Battalion and the 1st MAC.

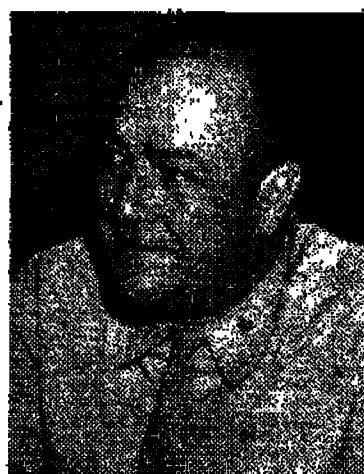
May Day was opening date for a new swimming pool, 30x90 feet long, with dressing room and shower facilities.

A big track meet is to be held Memorial Day. Sprinters and hurdlers are now sweating out practice hours in the Min Yuan Park on Wellington Road.

—and Their Newspapers and Magazines

THE CHEVRON

"WALLA WALLA" AND "SHANGHAI EVENING NEWS"
The "Walla Walla" and "Shanghai Evening News" are the two oldest newspapers in the Far East. The "Walla Walla" was founded in 1891 and the "Shanghai Evening News" in 1892. Both papers were published in Shanghai during the 1930s and 1940s. The "Walla Walla" was published by the 4th Marine Corps and the "Shanghai Evening News" was published by the 4th Marine Corps. Both papers were published in Shanghai during the 1930s and 1940s. The "Walla Walla" was published by the 4th Marine Corps and the "Shanghai Evening News" was published by the 4th Marine Corps. Both papers were published in Shanghai during the 1930s and 1940s.



Lt. Col. R. G. HUNT
... remembers China magazine

CheVron Uses Borrowed Name?

Indications are that an old China hand was at MCB when the CheVron offered a prize to the Marine who furnished this nameless paper with a title. At any rate, some readers have pointed out that over ten years ago in China, a Marine newspaper was published under the same title.

The first CheVron, a four-page weekly, was published by the NCO Club of the old 4th Marines in Shanghai during 1934 and 1935. Topically, it dealt mainly with the outstanding events which took place in the immediate vicinity of Shanghai, where the regiment was stationed. The gazette contained numerous jokes and cartoons, many of which would make today's CheVron blush at the thought of publication. In the old CheVron, too, could be found results of outstanding sports events taking place Stateside, and short human interest stories on Devil Dogs of the renowned 4th.

An issue recently received here lists, as editor, Corp. Matthew R. Kennedy, and as "honorary president" Col. John C. Beaumont.

Paper 'Slept Out War'; Now Published Again at Tientsin

A Marine Corps publication which slept out the war has been revived in Tientsin, China, according to PFC. John Murphy, Marine Corps correspondent.

Last published as a monthly in December, 1941, under joint editorship of Corp. Harold I. Retzke and PFC. Marino J. Sims, the "North China Marine" has reappeared as a streamlined weekly, edited by StSgt. Wm. Martin Camp—who is also a successful novelist. The paper is currently held in high esteem by Marines in the sector, and is credited with maintaining excellent journalistic standards, according to observers.

News coverage includes international events as well as all phases of local news in which China-duty Leathernecks are interested.

NEWS VARIES GREATLY
Latest issue to reach the States contains such varied items as a report from Maj. Gen. Keller E. Rockey that no U. S. Marine planes were involved in the recent alleged attack by an American plane on Chinese Communist lines; and news of the smashing of an opium ring in Tientsin. A movie guide to pictures billed by the Red Cross for entertainment of the men lists, among others, "Destiny Rides Again."

Two Marine officers are applauded for giving aid to Chinese goldmines, and other local affairs—important and trivial—are covered thoroughly. And the Tientsin celebration of Easter is reported in detail.

SPORTS OF BOTH SIDES
One sports writer describes how a III 'Phil Corps nine defeated an Air Wing club 10-11, and another discusses plans for a Marine track meet. Most of the sports space, however, is devoted to the standard review of Stateside national sports.

For social life, an elaborate program of entertainment designed by

the Red Cross is outlined.

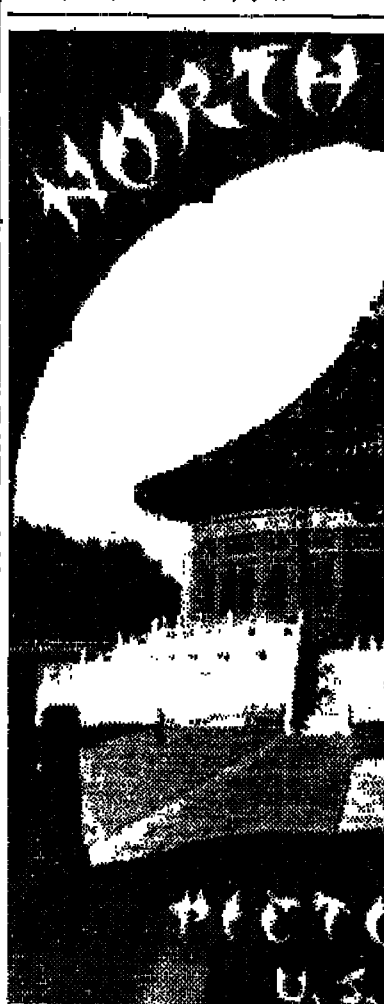
The North China Marine of today, and its method of handling, are far different from that of previous days. The staff can look back on the day when their sheet published—for example—a classified section featuring such items as "one slightly worn giraffe—still has a little stretch," and "pink ballet shoes, Russian make, \$40."

Jap-Americans Prove Loyalty
SAN FRANCISCO (U.P.)—Japanese-Americans this week were acclaimed for valor in action and skill in intelligence in the South Pacific. Col. John E. Anderson, U. S. Army, said he did not have one single case of disloyalty among 600 Japanese-Americans.

"The war would have lasted two years longer if it were not for the Nisei boys," Anderson said. "Every campaign was based on information they gained."

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CHINA PICTORIAL. Above is shown the cover of a new picture-packed pictorial review for the benefit of North China Leathernecks. The 48-page volume, which is furnished free to officers and men of the III 'Phil Corps by the outfit's Special Services, contains an average of four pictures on each page, covering practically every phase of Marine activity in North China. Copies are on sale at the Base Exchange.



'Walla Walla' Won Acclaim Among Marines in Orient

By PFC. Muel Gibson

Even as a larger Marine Corps undertakes the difficult task of occupation in China, age-mellowed tales of the activities of the "Old Corps" in that Oriental stamping-ground of Marines are still prevalent. Memories of the old 4th Marines are embedded in the modern Chinese city of Shanghai; and among those memories is one of the Walla-Walla, official publication, which was attuned to the tempo of the famed regiment which later fought an heroic, last-ditch battle on Corregidor in the Philippines.

Walla-Walla is unknown to most present-day Leathernecks. In its day of glory, however, Walla-Walla (which in Chinese means "too much talk") was rated one of the best service publications in the Far East. The Shanghai Evening News lauded the Marine gazette in 1939, and declared that it would well serve as a "criticism for other service papers to follow."

According to the memory of some old-time Devil Dogs, the paper lived in a hectic era. . . . The American dollar was all-powerful. . . . Russian gals who claimed to be of noble descent flooded the market. . . . Petite Chinese maidens with their trim little figures had their eyes on the Marines. . . . Gang wars flared in a city torn by strife. . . . Vice ran rampant.

Lt. Col. Robert Gordon Hunt, one-time officer-in-charge of the China sheet, and present Special Services Officer at MCB, has this to say of Walla Walla:

"I remember the days very well, although there are probably not too many of the Old Corps China Marines still around. As long as there is one member of the old 4th Marines, however, the memory of those old days will linger, with Walla Walla punctuating those memories. It is of particular interest now that a larger Corps is making an appearance in China. Many of the men are gone from the old 4th and the same is true with the Walla Walla—much of it

is gone and all that remains is the spirit."

The end came quickly for the magazine. When the old 4th packed seabags and prepared to shove off for the Philippines, publication was halted until the transfer was completed. Shortly thereafter, the war began. Walla Walla never resumed publication. The rest is history.

Sasebo Marines Hold State Parties

SASEBO, Japan (Delayed)—Marines on occupation duty in this former Japanese naval base will get a chance to celebrate the birthdays of their native states, according to Miss Mary Gillen, Red Cross canteen employee, who is completing plans for the 48 celebrations.

Leathernecks from Maine started the birthday parties April 15, Miss Gillen said, in honor of that state's entrance into the Union 120 years ago. Minnesota Marines will meet on May 11; South Carolina will have its day May 23; and Rhode Islanders and Wisconsin residents will celebrate together May 29.

LAYING PLANS
"Of course, we may move some of the dates up so that everyone can have a birthday," Miss Gillen said, "but that will depend on how our plans work out. Right now, everything is in a tentative stage."

State rosters for Marines and other servicemen stationed on the island of Kyushu are being prepared and will be placed in the Red Cross enlisted men's club here for the convenience of potential fundraisers.

A former employee of the Lawrence, Mass., License Commission, Miss Gillen said that she was "borrowing" some of her ideas from successful parties given for servicemen in Hawaii during the war. "They were always the ones that the boys wrote home about, and we're hoping we can make the affairs in Japan just as interesting," —Sgt. Robert L. Debo, Marine Correspondent.

Extra Iron

TIENTSIN, April 20—Personnel working on or using the Tientsin Golf Course must travel in groups of three, one of whom must be armed. This golf course is located approximately one mile west of the French Arsenal on the north side of the Tientsin-French Arsenal Road.



(Photo by PFC. Bill Walker)

MAIN EVENT. Glen Wallace, right, and Steve Washuta exchange blows in this action shot taken at last week's Recruit Depot smoker. In the feature event of the evening, they put on a swell exhibition of boxing to satisfy a large crowd. The draw decision for this affair was a popular one, and the matchmaker at RD promised a return match soon.



By PFC. VINCENT MASSE

SUCCESS STORY. Although the basketball season is well over, along with the shouting, Mr. Basketball is already scheduling games for the 1946-47 cage season in Madison Square Garden.

Mr. Basketball, you surely must know, is Ned Irish. Twelve years ago he was a New York sports writer with an idea. He attempted to get into a sold-out college gym through a window in order to cover the game. He ripped his trousers in the process and didn't like it. So he took his idea to the Garden and the idea became big.

The sport was an immediate hit. 16,138 paid attendance on the first night, Dec. 29, 1934. Irish immediately quit reporting, also quit his publicity job for the New York grid Giants, and gave all his time to his "idea."

So big has the idea become that Mr. Basketball will hit the saturation point for cage fans with some thirty double-headers. During the recently completed basketball season, the Garden's attendance topped the 500,000 mark, proving basketball is here to stay.

Now Garden executive vice president, Irish is in charge of everything at the world's big sports center. All because of an idea born on account of a torn pair of pants.

TID-BITS. "Wimpy" Quinn, former Base nine first sacker, doing okay with the Los Angeles Angels. . . . Another recent dischargee from the Base, Billy Beuhold, signed for a preliminary spot on next week's Coliseum card in L. A. . . . Oklahoma A. & M. is the only college that can boast of All-Americans in three different sports. In addition to Bob Fenimore, grid halfback, and Bob Kurland, cage center, David Arndt and George Dorseh, wrestlers, made the mythical All-American grappling team. . . . Don't shed any tears because Paul Derringer is a minor leaguer after pitching stellar ball for 15 years as a member of the Cards, Reds and Cubs. Paul will receive 15 grand for hurling for the Indianapolis Indians this season. . . . Oddities in the news: Johnny Russian, infielder on the Milwaukee Brewers, is really a Russian. . . . Howie's Restaurant in New York named a sandwich for Leo Durocher: It's all TONGUE. . . . Inflation at work: \$100 price tag on ringside seats for the Joe Louis-Billy Conn fight looks like inflation to a congressional committee at work on price control, but OPA can't do anything about amusement prices. When Conn and Louis swapped blows in 1941 the price was \$25. That was five years ago when both were that much younger. . . . Bob Brown, pre-med student at Tulane, signed with the Yankees for a \$35,000 bonus, second highest ever paid by a big-league club. . . . "Blackjack" Bill Fox, sensational Philadelphia light-heavyweight, recently racked up his 38th consecutive knockout. . . . Another screwball went out of the big leagues when the Giants sent Warren Sandel, hurled back to Jersey City. Sandel liked to smoke cigars under water. . . . Rick Ferrell, now a coach after nearly 20 years as a big-league catcher, never would admit that he ever called for a bean ball. When somebody suggested that "you'd ask for a dust-off pitch if your grandmother was up there at the plate," Ferrell would only say, "No, I wouldn't—but I might brush her back a bit." . . . 'nuff sed.

THE CHEVRON Sports

Base Nine Tops El Toro 3-2, in Extra Innings

"Ol' man Mose ain't dead."

"Ol' Giber" Gibson came through with a slashing double to left-center in the 13th inning to score "Bud" Hancken and give the Base nine an exciting victory over the Flying Marines from El Toro in an exhibition game here Tuesday.

With the score knotted at two all-

"Bud" Hancken was the first man to face Bill Schruder, El Toro hurler, in the home half of the 13th. "Bud" worked the firing Schruder for a free ticket to first. With the infield drawn in for the orthodox sacrifice, "Gibby" got hold of a fat pitch and sent it screaming into left-field for the ol' ball game.

PITCHING DUEL

The game itself was a thriller all the way—a fine mound duel between "Frenchy" Couturier and Bill Schruder, former "Flying Marine" star halfback, for eight innings with the El Toro ace having the edge and allowing only six hits to the ten his teammates gathered off "Frenchy." Couturier went out for a successful pinch-hitter in the eighth and "Ducky" Swan came in to pitch hitless ball for five innings to receive credit for the victory.

After failing to score in the first two innings, due to some nice clutch pitching by Couturier, the El Toro nine broke the scoring ice in their half of the third. Two were gone when Tracy singled, stole second and scored on a solid smash by Prdskyk.

GIBSON GETS FIRST

The locals went out in order the first four innings and it was Gibson who got the first hit off Schruder, leading off in the fifth. He advanced on further.

El Toro added another run in the seventh, again with two away. Successive singles by Ellis, Pawelski and Tracy gave them the marker.

The home boys came to life in their half of the inning to break the scoreless spell held over them by Schruder. Hancken led off the inning with a single. After Gibson fouled out, O'Sullivan singled to center, sending Hancken to third. Lambert walked, filling the bases. Murphy then hit a terrific smash off third-baseman McHenry's chest but he made a quick recovery to force O'Sullivan at third, Hancken scoring on the play. Ashcraft ended the rally, rolling out to the pitcher who made the putout unassisted.

The locals tied it up in their half of the eighth. Manager "Bull" Tremetter batted for Couturier and singled sharply into center. Head sacrificed him along to second. He took third on Dar's groundout and

scored the tying tally on a clean budge by "Bud" Hancken.

"Ducky" Swan came in to pitch for the Base nine in the top of the ninth. "Ducky" got himself into hot water immediately. The first batter to face him, Leemhuis, laid down an easy bunt, which he threw into right field, the batter going to second. Ellis followed with a deep fly to Lambert, Leemhuis taking third after the catch. Pawelski fled to Head in short center and Leemhuis was doubled trying to score after the catch.

The home team missed a chance to win in its half of the 11th when Ashcraft hit into a double play with the bases loaded. With one down, O'Sullivan got a hefty double into right-center. Lambert and Murphy walked to load the sacks. Ashcraft then killed the rally with his DP ball.

Box Score

El Toro

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
McHenry, 3b	6	0	1	3	4	0
Leemhuis, ss	5	0	1	0	6	0
Ellis, cf	6	1	2	2	1	0
Pawelski, 2b	5	0	2	7	2	0
Tracy, 1b	6	1	2	12	0	0
Prdskyk, c	4	0	1	5	1	0
Bales, rf	5	0	0	1	0	0
Gagne, lf	5	0	0	1	0	0
Schruder, p	5	0	1	2	4	0

Totals . . . 49 3 10 88 18 0
*None out when winning run scored.

Base

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Head, cf	4	0	0	0	1	0
Darl, 2b	3	0	0	3	2	1
Hancken, 3b	5	2	2	3	2	0
Gibson, ss	6	0	2	3	2	2
O'Sullivan, lf	5	0	2	1	1	0
Lambert, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Murphy, c	4	0	0	12	1	0
Ashcraft, 1b	5	0	1	7	0	0
Couturier, p	2	0	0	1	0	0
Swan, p	1	1	1	0	0	0

Totals 34 3 8 80 11 5
a-Batted for Couturier in eighth.

Score by innings:				R	H	E	
El Toro	001	000	100	000	0—2	10	0
MCS	000	000	110	000	1—3	8	5

Runs batted in: Prdskyk, Tracy, Murphy, Hancken, Gibson. Two-base hits: Ellis, O'Sullivan, Gibson. Sacrifices: Head (2), Stolen bases: Head, Tracy. Double plays: Head to Murphy, Leemhuis to Pawelski to Tracy (2), Ellis to Leemhuis to McHenry. Base on balls: Off Schruder 4, off Couturier 5, off Swan 2. Struck out: by Couturier 7, by Schruder 5, by Swan 2. Passed ball: Murphy. Winning pitcher: Swan. Time: 2:50.

Fast and Furious Action Pleases Boxing Fans at RD Smoker

By PFC. John J. O'Keefe

Boxing fans at the Recruit Depot smoker last Saturday evening were kept on edge every minute, so intent were they with the fast, lively card presented. From the opening bell in each round, both contestants were out there trading leather and chalking up thrills for the fans.

Topping the night's efforts, the main event between Glenn Wallace and Steve Washuta was a hotly-fought contest all the way, with both boys trying hard for a knockout. Steve, who won his bout last week, met up with a boy who showed some experience. It was no easy matter for Steve to keep out of reach of Wallace's many heavy blows. A nice clean fight going all the way, with the decision a popular draw. Should make a good rematch in the near future.

Resume of the other bouts:
Johnny Pritchard/Bob Stranghn. Fast first round with both boys slugging with lefts and rights throughout. Bob fired in the second, and although Johnny had a chance to score a knockout, he failed to take advantage. Bob kept trying and the fight was called a draw. Crowd thought the decision poor.

Joe Barrera / Jimmy Kieder. Jimmy had this from the start, but his lack of experience told when he failed to score a knockout. A head-

butcher, Jimmy could have ended this one with a good body blow. Judges awarded him the decision.

Joe Denny/Roy Schanaker. Both boys got in some telling blows in this one. In the second round they became angry and from there in anything went. Roy set Denny down for count of nine and Joe retaliated by setting Roy down for count of six in the third round. Decision was close, going to Denny by one round.

Dale Bennett/Dex Kleespie. Dale, a cool, clever little fighter, who has broad shoulders which he puts behind every blow. Dex was game, but lacking experience. Bennett won in 1:07 of the second round on a TKO.

Vernie Maness / Al Bassl. Good fast first round, but the referee (Mayor Dorf of RD) called the fight a "Technical Draw" when Al received a cut over the left eye.

Bell Brinkley/Bob Ewbank. Both boys came out trying for a KO right from the start. The second round was a regular slug-fest with both trading left and rights. Bob scored when he caught Bell in his corner and let him have it with everything he had. The fight went to Bob on a TKO in 1:35 of the second round.

Gordon Brumelow/Gibson Cooke. Cooke kept his left jabbing into the face and head of Gordon, but Gordon was game and came back fine. A draw decision.

Sam Ackerman / Ted Ruenshaed. Rough-and-tumble battle. Both boys slipped and went down in the first. No count. Ackerman put Ted out in the first but at the count of four Ted was saved by the bell. The referee decided he'd had enough anyway, and stopped the fight. Ackerman on a TKO.

Vic Gonzalez/Al Martinez. Martinez caught Vic with a beautiful hard right in the first. In the second, Gonzalez slipped going away from a blow and went down, hurting his knee. A clean fight, but Vic, although game, was unable to continue and the fight went to Martinez on a TKO in .53 of the second.

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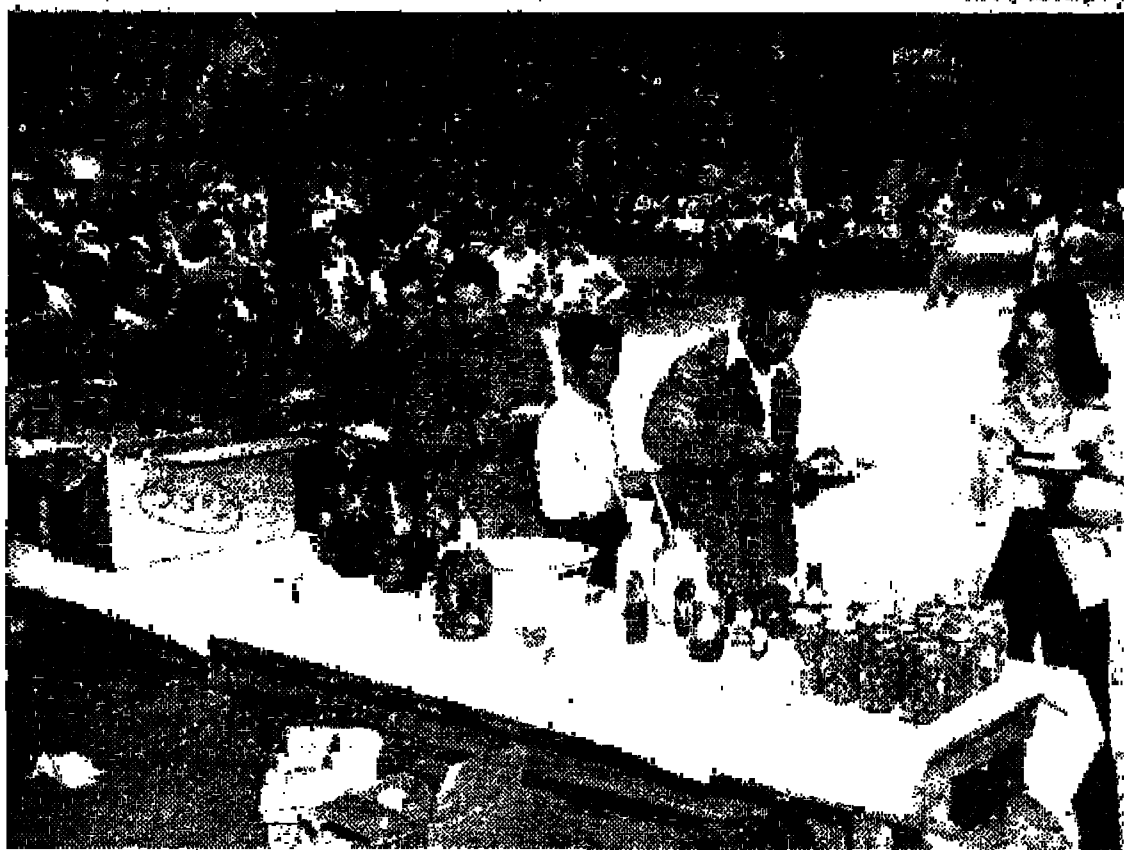


ALL SET. Joe Louis and Billy Conn put their John Hancock on the dotted line, thereby making official the heavyweight title bout scheduled for mid-June. Signing of the documents took place in the offices of the N. Y. State Boxing Commission.

when I told what I had to say I walked away and didn't hang over it. The disciples were for me."

He recalled another game in which he almost had a no-hitter. Orlin Cooper, who was the Braves' hurler against them, lost a 1-0 game to Whit Wyatt, another Dodger hurler, back in 1941. "The Dodgers didn't make a hit 'till after two out in the eighth inning; then Billy Herman and Dixie Walker collapsed on two doubles for the ball game. Babe Pinelli was rough on umpires himself when he played third base for Cincinnati. "I kicked when I thought I had a justifiable squeak," said Pinelli, "but I was no little kicker. I let it with a black ball right off

Case's sternest opposition for the sack-swinging crown will come from four players, George Stronwies, Yankee shortstop, Therman Tucker of the Chicago White Sox, and George Mott and Mickey Vernon, former teammates on the Washington Senators.



COME AND GET IT. Pictured above are some of the 1300 hungry picnickers attending the Headquarters and Service Battalion outing held at Oak Park, El Monte, last Sunday.

With 89 per cent of the platoon passing qualification, Recruit Platoon led the field at the Camp Malheur rifle range May 2 on the standard M-1 rifle course, according to a release from authorities there. A member of the same platoon, Pvt. Len J. Rose, Salem, Ore., also topped high-score honors for the week with a 320 expert score out of a possible 340.

Pvt. 48 gained second honors with qualification percentage of 87.7, while third-place laurels went to Pvt. 44, posting an 86.2 qualification percentage.

A report from the range tabulating the number of qualifications for the calendar year revealed that 3182 recruits out of 3724 firing have attained the standards required for Leatherneck riflemen. This is a qualification percentage of 84.6.

Refreshments, including soft drinks for the children, were served throughout the day.

How to Read

WEDNESDAY—Rearguard, Evelyn Keyes-Williams (arch), A. Meyer

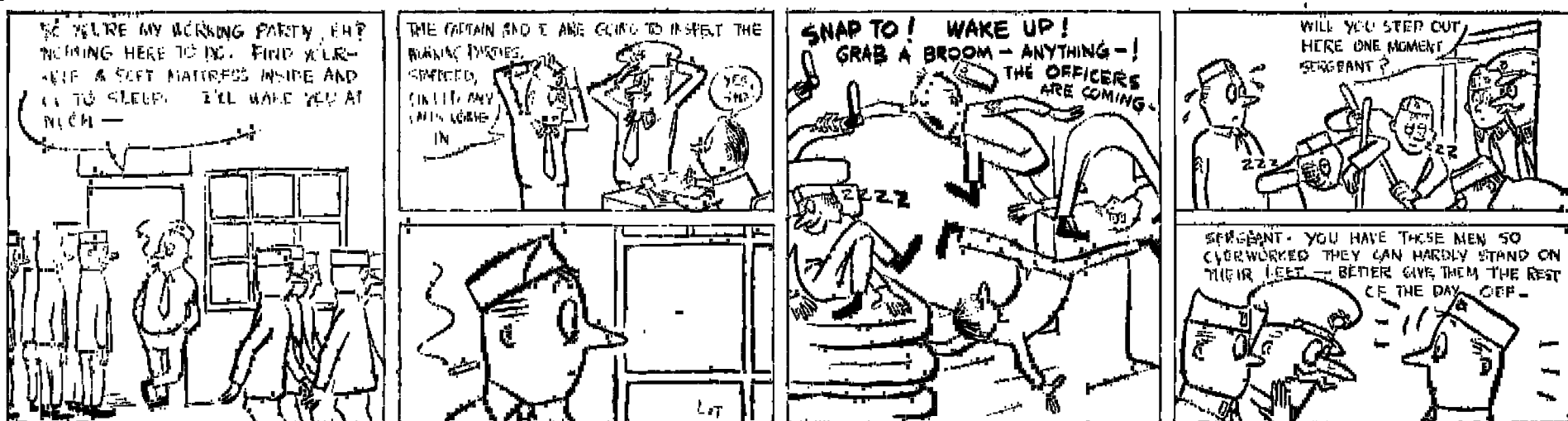
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THIS WEEK

NEWS FOR MARINES OVERSEAS

LLAO-LLAO, Argentina—When the Hotel Trovador missed its tame puma, an attendant sallied into the forest, wondering why the puma he caught acted so annoyed, fainted dead away when he discovered that in his absence the pet had come back.—Time.

WASHINGTON (SEA)—A Montana woman, who fell for a rumor that a ceiling was to be put on the number of babies allowed wrote to the OPA to ask to whom she should apply for permission for offspring No. 6.

CHICAGO (SEA)—Succumbing to a life-long urge to be a postman, street car conductor John P. Clark jumped into a "one man" street car and drove it off as its operator gaped over a cup of coffee in a nearby restaurant.

CHICAGO—While Mason James Anderson hurried groundward from a 14th-floor scaffold, co-worker Philip Walsh twirled a rope, lassoed him in mid air, deposited him on the sidewalk practically unhurt.—Time.

SANTA MONICA (SEA)—A 1,000-pair woman's Nylon sale for men only by a local department store brought out a block-long line of masculine hose buyers hours before the store opened.

LE LOUP, Kan. (SEA)—A title suit in county court disclosed that the town of Le Loup had been living under an alias. All legal documents contain the name Ferguson.

RACINE, Wis. (SEA)—Coast Guardsmen rescued Clayton Connolly, cab driver, from a watery grave in the middle of the street when his car was stalled in a flooded underpass.

HARTFORD (CNS)—A motorist who parked his car outside the police station while he paid a \$1 fine for illegal parking, returned to find a ticket for illegal parking.

LONG BEACH (SEA)—Elsie the Cuban Woman who died from a snake bite was found to be a man. Her husband for the past 18 years said she was such a nice wife the revelation of her sex "didn't really" make much difference.—Time.

MADISON, Wis.—Veteran-on-campus David Stimple brought his baby to class because his wife was sick, had note-taking trouble when baby insisted on 1) sitting on his notebook, 2) shouting down the professor.—Time.

FRANCE—In the department of Charente-Inferieure, France, the prefect viewed with alarm a new hunting technique; digging up German land mines, re-burying them in deer-filled woods.—Time.

WAUKESHA, Wis.—Three-year-old Gerakline McClurg asked her aunt how to catch a bird, was told to sprinkle salt on its tail, set out with a fistful, returned with a bird.—Time.

WINTER PARK, Fla.—A car parked in a garage 1) caught fire, 2) coughed into action, 3) neatly backed itself out, 4) burped up, 5) left the garage unscathed.—Time.

BRISTOL, England—The Midland Bank got a choked-up letter, on its envelope a faintly apologetic note from the post office: "Halted by snails in the letter box."—Time.

RIO DE JANEIRO, S. A.—Two widows met for the first time at a funeral parlor, had a short talk, then a good cry. Reason: They mourned the same man.—Time.

DETROIT (SEA)—Scoring 87 with a sling shot on a pistol range where the police average is 70, John Milligan won a place on a pigeon-shooting posse.

CLEARFIELD, Utah—Fred Stewart tried to start his car, got only a grinding sound, looked under the hood, found an ex-cat in the fan.—Time.



HONESTY, This week we were foiled in our crusade against that blot on the American scene, the pin-up. It's this way, fellas: the lissom lass above in the gam-erous pose is Esther Williams, an MGM litrelling. But the swim suit is not just a prop for Esther's finer points. Before performing her chores for Leo the Lion, she was a swimming champ. So, since we couldn't think of any reason off-hand for objecting to the customary swim-suit, we decided to publish the thing, but we still think nasty thoughts in regard to cheescake.