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Terminal Leave Bill Awaits House Approval



(Photo by PFC. C. A. Walker)

AWAITING DISCHARGE. Waving their physical examination slips, these veterans of the 6th Marine Regiment stand by for complete check-ups at the Recruit Depot dispensary.

Pacific Vets Await Discharge Here

Discharge machinery was thrown into high gear at Base 1st Separation Co. this week as a record of nearly 1400 Marines either had been, or were soon to be, returned to civilian life.

The number of men being discharged this week, Maj. N. P. Hyl-dahl, 1st Separation Co. CO said, is greater than any number released during a single week this year, and equals several of the November and December records of 1945.

Base separation company plans to follow its usual two-to-three-day schedule of processing, the Major said, even though the unit's per-

sonnel has been greatly reduced in the past few months.

Men being discharged are chiefly of the veteran 6th Marine Regiment, which returned here last week from the Orient. Others being discharged this week, he said, are a few men getting out on dependency and medical discharges.

Marines scheduled for discharge Aug. 1, under the demobilization plan, he said, should not cause any jam of facilities. Although 1st Separation Co permanent personnel is greatly reduced from its peak, the routine has been established to such a degree that the same discharge schedule is being followed.

Base Marines looked toward the nation's capital today, hopefully awaiting House passage of the terminal leave bill, which will grant an estimated \$2,000,000,000 to \$3,000,000,000 to enlisted men in the armed forces, and those already discharged, for accrued leave over the last six years.

Upon House passage, the bill, which will grant enlisted men equal leave privileges with officers, will need only President Truman's signature to become law.

The Senate approved the measure on a voice vote last Tuesday and returned it to the house—which had passed a similar bill unanimously—for consideration of changes. The chief of these is a plan, sponsored by President Truman, which provides for most of

the payments to be made in bonds instead of cash.

FORMER G.I.'S BENEFIT

Enlisted men now discharged would receive compensation up to 120 days pay, on the basis of 2½ days' leave for each month of service as officers already receive.

Before final action, the Senate shouted down two amendments by Sen. Pepper (Fla.) which would have made it possible for the veterans to get their payments in cash, or in bonds cashable in six months.

The Senate instead provided for making the bulk of the payments in interest-bearing, non-transferable five-year bonds instead of the cash allotments the House had approved.

Major provisions of the terminal leave pay bill are:

1—Provides two and one-half days paid leave for each month of active service from Sept. 8, 1939, for all military personnel, with the total which may be accumulated limited to 90 days after Aug. 31.

2 Authorizes payment, on scale of base pay plus allowances, for unused leave up to 120 days in the case of enlisted men discharged before Sept. 1 if application is made within one year of that date. Leave up to 90 days is carried over for those who reenlist, with payments for all accumulated over 90 and up to 120.

Marine Dads Out By August 1

Base Marines eligible for discharge Aug. 1 may be out of the Corps a few days prior to the end of this month, it was learned this week from a 1st Separation Co. official, but because of an overflow of Pacific veterans now being processed for separation at the center, it is not likely that many of the eligible men will be out ahead of schedule.

Speculation over early discharges was brought about by a Base memo this week that announced the date change for outgoing Marines.

The memo said, in part, selective service and reserve Marines designated to become eligible for discharge on Aug. 1, may be discharged any time in advance of that date provided their services can be spared within the command in which they are now serving.

The Base Personnel office said some eligible Marines may be transferred into Base separations the latter part of this week, but they will not go on schedule until later.

General Strategy

Maj. Gen. Earl C. Long, former MCB commander, has been detached from duty with the Department of the Pacific and on discharge from the U. S. Naval Hospital, Treasure Island, Calif., will be ordered home to be relieved from active duty.

* Dere Top!?



Now with the old Core getting back on a piece-time bases, I am wondering, Top, if some of the younger peons realize what that probably will mean in the way of promotions—or lack of promotions.

I know that a lot of the recruits still hav the words of the recruiting sarjunt still ringing in their ears—"Yes, son, you'll go up fast in the Marines. You'll probably be a sergeant before you ever get out of boot camp." But do you not think it is time for those who may hav been dazzled by the mass of stripes seen during the war be told the bear facts, Top? So that their parents will not be disappointed when their sons do not become master gunnry sarjunts after the third week in the Core?

I think so indeed. An for that reason I am explaining a few things that I believe you should pass on to the younger peons in your command.

Explain to them, Top, that in the pre-war Core any man who made PFC in less than two years wuz immediately suspected of having too frendly relations with the furst sarjunt. An for a Marine to make sarjunt before his furst crews—well, a man that would do that would do anything—even go out with doggies.

You will remembur our old master gunny, don't you, Top, who felt pritty embarrassed making his sixth stripe after only 27 years time? He sed he hoped none of his frens would accuse him of ear-banging for getting it before his 30 years were up.

Of course, even during the war it wuz pritty hard to get many stripes unless you were either in the post exchange, quartermaster, paymaster, a headquarters company or a office stooge. You usually had to wait for someone to git knocked off. I often wonder if that is why Moonhead wuz always telling his platoon sarjunt how good he would look when the F.S. got gack to the states if he had TWO clusters on his Putpall Hart insted of jist ONE?

Civilyan life is a lot like military life, except it is dollars that count insted of stripes. The bigger show you put on, the more noise you make around the office, the better chance you hav to git a raise.

I personally will not stoop to ear-banging. Jist because I carry a little clothes brush with me to brush the dandruff off the boss' coat collar a coupl of times a day is no sign I am seeking a raise. It is jist that I envy anyone with enuff hair to hav dandruff.

In some other ways, too, Top, being a civilyan is a lot like being in the servias. Now that they are selling Quonsit suits to vetrans for homes sort of makes the resemblance even more so. The vetrun now lives in a GI house, buys a jeep if he wants any transportation, buys a spot made from GI cloth, an draws \$20 a week Unemployment Compensation for doing nothing—jist like getting paid in the servias.

Well, that's all for now, Top. I hav got to go an warm up my amphibious traekter as I am taking Broomhead out for a ride. We probably will do a little fishing on the side.

Off we go into the deep blue yonder
(Thaxk to Army Surplus) to fish for flounder.

Ex-SARJUNT HEINEMANN

Marines to Stay On China Duty

WASHINGTON (A.P.)—Acting Secy of State Dean Acheson said recently that United States Marines will have to stay on guard in China until order is assured, even though about 1,000,000 Japanese troops have been evacuated from that country.

At present there are more than

21,000 Marines in China, mainly guarding supply lines from coal producing areas to the great coastal cities.

In a restatement of American policy on China, Acheson said that evacuation of Japanese troops without allowing a civil war to break out in China was a great accomplishment.

Local Marine Families Hit As Rent Prices Skyrocket

A substantial measure of protection to Marine and Navy families against unreasonable and hasty eviction from non-naval housing is available under the Soldier's & Sailor's Civil Relief Act, a Base Memo stated this week, in an effort to combat GI hardship cases brought about by the removal of rent control.

"The removal of Federal Rent Control," the memo said, "... will doubtless work a hardship on some Navy families who may be faced with unreasonable rent increases or threatened eviction. In many instances, moderate increases in rent will not be contested, and

indeed cannot be contested in the absence of Federal, State or municipal rent control legislation. However, increases out of all proportion to the value of the premises may well amount to enforced eviction."

The memo also reported that where rent is paid monthly, at least one month's notice of rent increase is required under state law. In most cases, a notice of eviction must also be served on the tenant before possession can be demanded.

Further information may be obtained by persons concerned at the Base Legal Office.



Marine Hero of Plane Wreck

Hero of the crash of a new super-fast photographic plane which sent its pilot, Howard Hughes, millionaire plane manufacturer and movie producer, to the hospital with critical injuries was a flying Marine attached to MCAS, El Toro. It was reported this week.

Eight minutes after the plane's take-off from Culver City, the craft apparently had engine trouble and crashed into a swank home in the residential district of lush Beverly Hills. Hughes was pinned hopelessly in the wreckage of his new plane, but fate, in the person of MTSgt. William G. Durkin, stopped it to save the handsome 40-year-old sportsman. Durkin was visiting friends nearby, and at the crash, raced to the scene of the accident. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, the overseas vet rescued the apparently doomed pilot.

Hughes' doctors declared this week that the sportsman's chances of surviving the injuries sustained in the crash are "considerably improved."

Report On: Demobilization

Report for Week Ending July 12

OFFICERS

Officer separations	152
Total officer separations, Aug. 17, '46, to July 12, '46	28,871

ENLISTED

Total discharged during week....	4,522
Total discharged, Aug. 17, '46, to July 12, '46....	263,653
Enlistments and reenlistments during week....	2,506
Departed for overseas....	None
Arrived from overseas....	2,322

PROGRESS

Planned discharge quota for week	3,463
Actual number discharged	4,677
Planned discharged quota, Aug. 17, '46, to July 5, '46....	293,014
Actual number discharged.....	393,526

LOCAL BATHERS WARNED

California Marines who plan to go bathing this summer were warned to be on the lookout for Jap mines. The Navy advised that Jap mines are likely to wash ashore and explode on California beaches.—SEA.

RD Boxing Resume

BY PFC JOHN O'NEILL

Ralph Roggenback/Bob Dahl—A short bout with Ralph taking over from the opening bell Dahl was unable to answer the bell for the second round and the fight went to Roggenback on a TKO.

Johnney Payne/Gerard Kiewetter—Fast three rounds of boxing with the decision to Kiewetter.

Bob Cozzallo/Jimmy Hronesh—Another short one. A good first round but Bob ended it in a hurry on a TKO in 1:34 of the second round.

Dick Roscoe/Bob Denman—Best fight of the evening. Dick, a boy to watch, was dangerous at all times and fought a great fight but Bob was just too good for him and took the decision.

Jimmy Stewart/Don Niederkorn—Stewart the better boxer by far. Took his time and went on to take a well-earned decision.

Dick Moss/Floyd Perotti The less said the better. A TKO for Moss in 1:41 of the first round.

Jerry Swindler/Dick White—Evenly matched bout. Both boys fought hard. The bout went the route; decision to White.

Gene Lewis/Don Smith—After both boys slugged it out in the first, Gene came through with two hard lefts and rights, ending the fight in 1:30 of the second round.

Bob Hendricksen/Floyd King—Nicely fought three rounds ending with both boys slugging it out in the center of the ring. Hendricksen lost the judges' nod, earning his second win out of three starts.

Neddy Hamilton/Gene Churches—Churches tried hard but Hamilton was just too clever. Caught him with a flurry of lefts and rights ending the bout on a KO in 1:37 of the second round.



"The men OFFICERS have to go to work, too?"

THE CHEVRON Sports

Softball Combine Needs Men

CySgt. Thomas Farrell, manager of the Sea School softball combine, sent out another plea this week to Marine Base personnel interested in trying out for the squad.

"We were fortunate to get four or five promising players in the last few days," Farrell declared, "but our mound corps is still badly in need of bolstering. I'd like to build the squad up to full strength—and do it with a number of good, steady hurlers. That is the only thing holding us back now. I think we have a pretty fair team of ten to put on the field as it is, and we'll

need it in facing other local clubs."

The Marine softball pastimers have been working out often in order to become a well-oiled machine. The club is vying with San Diego ball teams, and has a schedule through the summer months.

Personnel interested in trying out for positions on the team are asked to contact CySgt. Farrell at the sergeant major's office at Sea School. According to Farrell, experience is not necessary in applying. Farrell announced that all men reporting would be given an equal and fair chance for permanent positions on the squad.

Swift Swede



Lemert Strand, Sweden's successor to Haegg and Andersson, who easily outdistanced America's top runners at the National AAU championships at San Antonio, Texas, and at the track and field carnival at Randall's Island, N. Y., is pictured breaking the tape far ahead of the field in the 1500 meter run.



NATIONAL Baseball ROUND UP



By PFC Paul E. Bragdon

Ted Williams, the Splendid Splinter of the Boston Red Sox, was coming into his own this season after a cruise as a Marine flyer. In recent weeks Terrible Theodore has (a) smacked two home runs (including Rip Sewall's feared uncatchable blooper ball), (b) poked two one-base blows, and (c) batted in five runs against Senior Loop hurlers in the All-Star game at the Fens in Boston. (d) hit three home runs in one jam-breeze against the hapless Cleveland Indians, (e) hit for the cycle in a Sunday outing against St. Louis, while collecting seven hits in one trip in a double header, (f) assumed the lead in the American League for batting runs batted in, and home runs, and (g) given nightmares to rival managers.

"The terrific pace set by the lean one caused one local paper to inaugurate a new daily feature on its sports page: "Keeping Tabs on Teddy."

Rival managers had varied comments on the Williams case. One proclaimed that Williams was and is a one-man ball club. Jovial Steve O'Neil, bossman of the third-place Detroit Bengals, suggested that Teddy be loaned out to other clubs for periods of one week. Charley Grimm, spirited Cub manager and Na-

Base Pugilists On 'Y' Card

Representing MCB at the newly revived Tuesday evening boxing amateur at the Army-Navy Y, were three teams from Recruit Depot.

Entered to uphold the honor of the "Red and Gold" were Dick White and Chuck Van Cleave. Fighting in a rematch, these boys put on a lively, hard-fought bout. In their last encounter, the fight ended in a crowd-pleasing draw, but this time, however, Dick came through to win a tough, third-round decision.

Bob Hendricksen, after flooring Scotty Hamilton for a count of nine in the third round, failed to follow up his advantage and the decision went to Hamilton.

Bob Spencer, a hard-hitting, go-getter, won a TKO in the second round of his bout with a full-blooded Indian, Floyd Jones.

LIBERTY LEADS

FRIDAY, JULY 26

Dancing at the Army-Navy Y, starting at 2000. Judo class at 1945.

SATURDAY, JULY 27

Beach and swim facilities, Coronado Strand, open at 0900 (Sunday top) . . . Fresh water fishing trip - leave the Y at 1300. 75-cent fee includes tackle, bait, transportation and permits. . . Salt water trips every second Saturday. The next on July 27. \$3.75 fee includes everything. Contact Y activities office. Stage show, "Broadway Brevities," at 2000.

SUNDAY, JULY 28

Stage show at the Coronado Strand, 1945. Movies at 2015. . . Army-Navy Y: Beach picnic; leave at 1130. Zoo trip, courtesy passos, at 1230. . . Dancing, Mexican orchestra at the Guadalupe USO, 1818 Newton Ave.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

Dance at Coronado at 2054; drawing for cash prize.

MISCELLANEOUS

At the Army-Navy Y: boxing smoker each Tuesday at 2000; all servicemen are invited to attend. Fencing classes each Tuesday and Thursday at 1900. Self defense Judo class Wednesdays and Fridays at 1945 (or at city Y, 8th and C, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1930). Coached by an ex-Marine, holder of the Black Belt. Navy Athletic Field Swimming Pool is open to naval personnel daily except Monday, from 1000 until 1800. Boxing at the Coliseum every Fri-

day at 2030. Motorcycle racing at the Balboa Stadium Saturday at 2000. . . Horse Racing at the Hippodrome De Tijuana every Sunday beginning at 1200. Servicemen admitted free.

BASE RECREATION

Base swimming pool open daily from 1200 to 1345, and 1600 to 1745. Sunday 0900 to 1645.

Bowling alley is open daily including Sunday for Marines, their families and friends, from 1130 to 3100.

Al Wager Revue Base Favorite

Al Wager's newest variety show, which played here Wednesday, brought plaudits from two capacity audiences at the Base Theater. The show apparently lived up to the good reputation Wager's previous revues established with Base Leathernecks.

Sensation of Wager's current revue was the finale sparked by Ciro Roque and his Latin-American band, with featured show-stopper; singers and dancers. The audience repeatedly recalled the colorful act for encores.

The program was well-balanced, and every act brought approval from those in attendance. The Marine Doubles girls, a featured group of go-go girls dancers, added zest to the show, while the master of ceremonies, Eddie Ross, lent his talents to the general smoothness of the show.

US KEEPS AZORES BASES

Under an agreement with Portugal, the United States and Great Britain will continue to use bases in the Azores. Maintenance of occupation forces abroad will be aided by use of the Atlantic Islands. SEA.

Church Services

SUNDAY SERVICES - PROTESTANT: Base Chapel 1015 Morn. Worship; 1100 Holy Communion (last Sunday in each month).

Recruit Depot, 0915 Morn. Worship; 0945 Holy Communion (last Sunday in each month). Camp Matthews, 1030 Morn. Worship.

ROMAN CATHOLIC: Recruit Depot (Chapel), 0800 Mass; Base Chapel, 0915 Mass; Camp Matthews, 0900 Mass.

LATTER DAY SAINTS: Recruit Depot (Room 123), 0800 Morn. Worship. Camp Matthews 1100 Afternoon Worship.

JEWISH: 0915—South Chapel Naval Training Center (for personnel of the Base). 1015—Camp Matthews (for personnel of Camp Matthews).

Some Angle-er



International Patricia Alphin, Universal starlet, is sure bait and the odds are Mr. Trout will have a tough time resisting her angling. Perhaps there are other reasons besides the catch, why fishing is one of the most popular outdoor sports.

BEAR A HAND

For Sale

BURRIS BICYCLES, new. Size 6-1. Bargain price. Phone 5-9920, ask Ed Magee.
 RINGS, engagement and wedding set. Bargain price. W-1275.
 PURSUITERS, like new. Only six months old. Available Aug. 8 or 10. Call LFC E. W. Hausmann, Base extension 361.
 RADIO, 7-tube table model Sonora. Practically new. Perfect condition. Attractive. Excellent reception. \$15. PBC Wygant or PFC Dragoon, Base extension 633.
 PLYMOUTH COACH, 32 model. New tires and battery; good condition. See Lt. (jg) Ben E. Kluffman, Base Dental Dispensary 'C' or 4510.
 MOTORCYCLE, Harley-Davidson '38. Model 74. In good condition. Call Jackson 5198.

'Till the End of Time' Will Play Base

"Till the End of Time," an RKO film with a studio reviewer's mark of 'excellent,' is scheduled for the Base Theater next Tuesday, July 28.

It's filmgoer's idea of what a veteran Marine must go through in his "reconversion" to civilian life.

The Motion Picture Herald's reviewer reports of the film.

"A serviceman returns to his home in a small town, finds it difficult to readjust to life there. He becomes involved with two women (this is very indicative of something); the girl next door, and a widow he picks up in a bar. Eventually, through the influence of a former Marine buddy, he gets squared away and settled down to normal living."

WEEKLY SCREEN GUIDE

**BASE THEATER
2000**

FRIDAY - The Unknown. Karen Morley-Jim Bannon. Mystery murder-drama. A chiller-diller with a rating of fair.

SATURDAY - The Big Sleep. Humphrey Bogart-Lauren Bacal. Smoothly handled who-dope-it with Bogart starred as tough private detective. Excellent.

SUNDAY - Danger Woman. Brenda Joyce-Don Porter. They've finally done it; they've plunked the atomic bomb right in the lap of an action-murder drummer. Fair.

MONDAY - Partners in Time. Pamela Blake-John James. Another of the Edm and Abner screen series. Fair.

TUESDAY - Till the End of Time. Dorothy McGuire-Guy Madison. Story of a Marine's readjustment to civilian life. Part of this one was filmed on the Base. Best movie of the week.

WEDNESDAY - Sing While You Dance. Ellen Drew-Robert Stanton. Musical comedy. Varn of the tribulations of a female song plunger. Average.

THURSDAY - Monsieur Beaucaire. Bob Hope-Juan Caulfield. Hope plays the part of a barber in the court of Louis XVI, for a rip-roaring, fast-moving comedy. Excellent.

(Camp Matthews films will precede the above schedule by our day.)

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