



## Corps Cuts Discharge Scores

### BULLETIN

Marine Headquarters, Washington, has ordered the release of all reserves and inductees with 18 months active duty effective "immediately," it was learned officially here at press time. There was no immediate indication of the number of men at MCB affected by the new proviso.

Cutting the previously announced schedule of demobilization, Corps Headquarters late last week again modified discharge orders, making additional thousands of reservists eligible for the separation mill.

Men affected by the latest declaration were in the 18- and 15-month service groups. According to the new proviso, contained in AIMar 107, dated July 1946, reservists and inductees completing 18 months' active duty are eligible for discharge Aug. 15, while reservists and selectees with 15 months' active service are to be eligible for discharge on Sept. 1.

This new pronouncement from Washington modifies instructions issued in June, which would have seen the release of reservists with 18 months service on Sept. 1. No provision had previously been made for reserve personnel with service less than a period of 18 months.

### RECRUITING SUCCESSFUL

Although no reason for the stepped-up schedule was announced, it is generally believed that the wide success of the recruiting campaign now going on was the chief contributing factor. On July 26, it was estimated that the strength of the Marine Corps was 141,085. A break-down showed 8,944 male officers, 91 female officers, 130,499 male enlisted, and 1,581 female enlisted. This strength is well above the figure of 100,000 enlisted and 7,000 officers proposed to be reached between September and October.

Speculation was rife on the Base this week on the fate of the remaining reservists and inductees in the Corps. Many suggested that, with the present recruiting program and the present strength of the Corps, the last reservist and inductee would be on his way to separation by the first of October.

## Navy Unit Citation Awarded New Units

The Navy Unit Citation has been awarded to additional Marine organizations for the defense of Guadalcanal, New Georgia and Guam. It was learned from a bulletin received here this week.

According to the bulletin, AIMar 100, "... the Secretary of the Navy has approved the award of the Navy Unit Citation to ... the 9th Defense Bn. (for) Guadalcanal (from) Nov. 30, 1942, to May 20, 1943, (and for) ... Rendova-New Georgia Area (from) June 30, 1943, to Nov. 7, 1943 (and to the) ... 10th and 11th Defense Bns. (and) Tank Platoons attached (for) ... Guam (from) July 21, 1944, to Aug. 20, 1944."



**FULL GENERAL** Gen. H. M. "Howling Mad" Smith, former Pacific FMF chieftain, retired as a four-star general this week in a military ceremony at Camp Pendleton. Gen. Smith is the third Leatherneck officer to attain full generalship. (Official USMC photo)

## Gen. H. M. Smith Retires As Third Four-Star General

Gen. Holland M. Smith retired as a four-star general in a military ceremony at Camp Pendleton Wednesday morning, drawing to a climax his 41-year career as a Devil Dog officer.

Lt. Gen. Harry Schmidt, CG, MT & RC, San Diego Area, read retirement orders for the colorful Leatherneck officer, who becomes the third Corps officer to attain full generalship. His predecessors were Gen. Thomas P. Holcomb, former commandant and pioneer in amphibious warfare, who received the fourth star upon his retirement from military life,

and Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, present Corps Commandant.

### OUTSTANDING TACTICIAN

Gen. Smith, who has been an outstanding tactician in the field of ship-to-shore operations since he accepted a commission as a second lieutenant in the Corps in 1905, was CG, MT&RC, SDA, prior to starting his terminal leave in May.

Before this command, the general was chieftain of FMF units operating in the Pacific. In this capacity, he was over-all commander of the Gilberts, Marshalls, and Iwo Jima campaigns.

Gen. Smith directed the training of many Marine brigades, divisions, and corps, besides directing various Army and Navy units in amphibious warfare. The Army troops invading Attu and Kiska in the Aleutians were trained by Gen. Smith.

### WORLD WAR I

The general had a distinguished record in France during World War I, when he was a captain, and trained and commanded Marine units in the occupation of Haiti in the troublesome '20's. He has also served in the Philippines, and commanded many posts and stations in the continental United States. The fiery native of Alabama has also held many posts at Marine Corps Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

Gen. Smith plans to live in La Jolla, and his announced intention is to "settle down in a cottage by the side of the road, and be a friend of man—to raise flowers, and, I hope, grandchildren."

## General Strategy

Col. Edwin O. Hammond will be detached from duty at San Diego and ordered to duty with FMF, Pacific.

Col. Frank P. Fyzick has been detached from duty with the Department of the Pacific and ordered to duty at San Diego.



**Col. HARRY B. LIVERSEGE** ... takes Frisco post

## President Okays Funds For Furlough Pay Bill

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (A.P.)—President Truman yesterday evening signed into law an appropriation bill carrying \$2,431,708,000 for enlisted men's terminal-leave pay. The president has not yet signed the terminal-leave pay legislation itself. This is on his desk for action.

The bill signed today also carries \$30,000,000 to buy especially fitted autos for veterans who have lost their legs.

It also provides \$26,000,000 for QPA, in addition to \$75,000,000 appropriated earlier.

The terminal-pay bill awaiting action would make an estimated 18,000,000 past and present enlisted men eligible to be paid for furlough time they didn't receive.

As it went to Truman, the legislation contained the "bottled-in-bonds" provision which house members have announced they will try to knock out early next year.

Estimated to cost as much as

\$2,700,000,000, most of which now has been appropriated, the law requires payment to enlisted personnel who have served at any time since Sept. 8, 1939, for accrued furlough time up to 120 days.

The time accrues at the rate of 2 1/2 days for each month of service, minus any furlough time actually received.

Payments will be at the rate of base and longevity pay received at the time of discharge, plus a minimum of 70 cents a day for subsistence.

Payments of less than \$50 will be in cash, or if the recipient was discharged prior to Jan. 1, 1942. Cash payments will be made also to estates of discharged men who have died.

All other payments will be in bonds cashable five years after the date of discharge of the individual receiving them.

## MCB Bandsmen Play Sonoma Fair

Festive Californians attending the 1946 Sonoma County Fair last week were entertained by the Marine Corps Base band.

The 44-piece unit, ordered to Santa Rosa, Calif., by the office of the Commandant, was on hand from Aug. 2 to Aug. 8, during which time members participated in parades, special shows and recruiting drives. Twelve members of the larger MCB band also formed a dance band. The smaller unit was used for special evening performances.

Band members left this area from MCAD, Miramar, Aug. 2 aboard a Marine plane. At Santa Rosa, where the craft landed, they were billeted at the Naval air station.

CWO. F. A. Locke, Base Band Officer, went along with the musicians, Sgt. V. F. Lorella, a band member who remained here said. Also at Santa Rosa were MTSgt. C. J. Mulligan, band master, and MTSgt. J. P. Raubhof, drum major and former prisoner of the Japanese. Sgt. Raubhof was among Marines who made the death march on Bataan.

## QM, Paymaster Becomes One

WASHINGTON, D. C. — In a recent Headquarters memorandum it was announced that in conformity with the President's reorganization plan, the present Paymaster and Quartermaster Departments of the Marine Corps are to be consolidated into one organization known as the "Supply Department of the United States Marine Corps." The head of this new department, whose existence became effective on July 16, 1946, will be the "Quartermaster General."

The office and title of Paymaster General are abolished and its duties will be executed by the Disbursing Branch, Supply Department.

In spite of the change, personnel of each department will carry on their duties as usual.

Correspondence formerly addressed to the Paymaster General will be sent instead to the Quartermaster General (Disbursing Branch).

## Marine Corps Demobilization

### REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 26

(Prepared by the Director, Division of Public Information)

#### OFFICERS

Male Officer Separations	170
Total Male Officer Separations, Aug. 17, '45, to July 26, '46	28,703
Female Officer Separations	2
Total Female Officer Separations, Aug. 17, '45, to July 26, '46	685

#### MALE ENLISTED

Discharged (reasons other than demob. plan)	550
Discharged (in accordance with demob. plan)	3,902
Total Discharged During Week	4,352
Total Discharged, Aug. 17, '45, to July 26, '46	356,458
Enlistments and Reenlistments (July 26 to 26, '46)	2,107
Departed U.S. for Overseas	190
Arrived U.S. from Overseas	1,080

#### FEMALE ENLISTED

Discharged (reasons other than demob. plan)	9
Discharged (in accordance with demob. plan)	42
Total Discharged During Week	51
Total Discharged, Aug. 17, '45, to July 26, '46	15,938

#### PROGRESS

Planned Discharged Quota, Week July 20 to 26	5,431
Actual Number Discharged, Week July 20 to 26	4,675
Planned Discharged Quota, Aug. 17, '45, to July 26, '46	404,433
Actual Number Discharged, Aug. 17, '45, to July 26, '46	401,784



(Official Marine Corps photo)

**GUADALCANAL FLAG.** Two years ago the first United States flag raised on Guadalcanal was raised again—by Marines—over the nation's capitol while thousands stood at attention. This month, the fourth anniversary of the landing of Marines in the lower Solomons is commemorated.

## EDITORIAL

### Anniversary Tribute

When Marines get together, when the "know-jobs flow, arguments always center around what Marine division was "the best" and who had "the roughest duty."

When the arguments are over, when the last beer is drunk, none of the participants has convinced the others—and each Marine goes his way still with that his division was "the best" and that he and his outfit had "the roughest duty."

Each Marine campaign has had its own particular kind of hell. Some were short but murderous; others were long and arduous. Heat and disease figured in many; cold and wet were others.

But though every Marine who has fought can rightfully claim special laurels for his own division, in the minds of the civilian population one Leatherneck invasion will remain uppermost in their memory in the years to come, when the men who fought tell their children—"Kiddies, when your daddy was with the Marines on . . ."

That invasion was the five-month campaign for what most people call Guadalcanal—the islands of Gavutu, Tanambogo, Tulagi and Guadalcanal.

In good-natured rivalry, the men of the other Marine divisions must credit the men of the 1st Division, Raiders and Paramarines who splashed ashore four years ago to launch America's first offensive against the Jap with a tremendous job well done.

From Guadalcanal on, Marines have gone in after the Jap backed by many things learned at the expense of the 1st Division. In addition, later Marine invasions had the backing of complete sea and air domination and superior fire power and modern equipment.

The first blood-curdling Jap-screaming "Banzai!" was a horrible thing when Marines first heard it in the Solomons. The lessons so painfully learned there were passed on by those fighting men to the other divisions. For those things all must be grateful.

Not to lessen credit for the equally difficult and courageous accomplishments of the other fighting units, but to give credit when credit is due is the purpose of this anniversary tribute to the men who took Guadalcanal.

### Corps Casualties During War

Washington gave total figures of Marine Corps casualties in World War II this week, both overseas and U.S., computed into July, 1946. According to the bulletin, 16,343 Marines were killed in action, 3,258 died of wounds, 261 died of disease, 81 died of other causes, and 1,760 had accidental deaths. Total overseas deaths—22,473.

Overseas 83,819 Marines were wounded in action and 39 are still listed as missing.

Marine casualties in the U.S. for the same period are: died of disease, 794; accidental deaths, 1,649; died of other causes, 72.

Grand total of Marine deaths during the war—22,473.

# Driving Tests Scheduled For Base

More than 100,000 military and civilian drivers of Navy and Marine Corps vehicles, including a number of admirals and generals, will undergo rigorous safe driving tests during the month of August.

The tests, claimed by their planners to be more rigorous than any existing examinations of their kind in the United States, are expected to result in a large scaledown of accidents.

In the 4th Naval District where the plan was first started in December, 1943, 36 per cent reduction in accident rates was made in the first year, and greater reduction

All Base drivers, both civilian and Marine, will take the new safe driving tests and examinations before Sept. 1, the Base Motor Transport Office revealed this week. Special equipment needed for the examinations has not yet been obtained, it was learned, but the Base has placed its order with the 11th Naval Dist. for the required testing gear.

was made in the second year. In 1944, Navy and Marine Corps driv-

ers in the 4th District had one accident for every 15,000 miles. In 1945, the ratio dropped to one accident for every 105,000 miles.

#### BEFORE SEPT. 1

An order which directs all Navy and Marine Corps activities to require a passing mark for all motor vehicle drivers before Sept. 1, 1946, was signed by Asst. Sec. Navy W. John Kenney. It is in line with President Truman's plea before the National Highway Safety Conference on May 7, 1946, urging examinations and licenses for all motor vehicle drivers.

#### EXPERTS USED

Two civilian safety experts head the Navy safe driving program. They are Rufus Jasper, a former member of the National Safety

Council and former State Transportation Engineer for the state of Maine, and Professor Amos B. Neyhart, head of the Institute of Public Safety, Pennsylvania State College. Under their direction 450 representatives of 240 Navy and Marine activities have been trained to conduct the tests. The 450 representatives, in turn, have trained their own staffs.

#### FOUR COURSES

The test is divided into four courses. A psycho-physical test, which uses instruments similar to those employed by the air forces, concerns vision, reflexes and coordination. The second course examines the driver's knowledge of safe-driving rules and regulations; the third tests his driving skill at close quarters; and fourth test the driver's ability in regular traffic.

## Colonel Bone Assigned to Base; Commands Recruit Depot Units

Col. Bert A. Bone, a Marine officer for 29 years, recently assumed command of Marine Base Recruit Depot, replacing Lt. Col. J. H. Tinsley, who has been named to the post of RD Executive Officer.

The new RD CO, a native of San Diego, was assigned here from Pearl Harbor, where he was Deputy Chief of Staff for Service Command, FMF, Pacific. He was also at Pearl Harbor during the first days of the war.

Col. Bone was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve in May, 1917, after his graduation from the University of California at Berkeley. Ordered to Marine Barracks, Mare Island, Calif., he transferred into the regular Corps in September, 1917.

His first foreign duty was with the American Legation Guard, Peking, from July, 1917, to September, 1919, where he commanded the famous China "Horse Marines" for about a year. On returning to the U.S., the colonel served in the San Diego area into mid-1924.

Other duty stations of Col. Bone include Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va.; Navy Dept., Washington, D. C., and aboard the warships Nevada and Tennessee.

At the outbreak of the war he

was commanding officer of the 1st Defense Bn, with his units distributed between Wake, Johnston and other Pacific islands.

While with the 5th Phil. Corps, Col. Bone made the landing at Leyte, and was awarded a Letter of Commendation by the SecNav for his service in the operation. He later served as artillery officer in the 2nd Mar. Div. before assignment back to Pearl Harbor.

### Skeet Range

Announcement that the skeet range at Camp Matthews, located at the right rear of B Range, and a Trap Range, located at the 75-yard line of D Range, are open at specified hours for the recreation of all Leathernecks in the San Diego area is made in a recent Base Memo.

The ranges are open and operated by Special Services personnel as follows: Skeet Range, Tuesday afternoons from 1300 to 1530; Trap Range, Thursday afternoons from 1300 to 1530.

The ranges will be available to any organization or group of individuals by appointment for hours other than those specified. It was announced. Complete details are contained in the Memo.

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### Officer Transfers Deadline Set

All Corps officers, reserve or temporary, planning to apply for transfer to the regular Marine Corps in a commissioned status, must submit their applications in or before Oct. 15, according to a recent AINav. This AINav applies to officers on terminal leave or on inactive duty, as well as to those on active duty, the bulletin declared.

Officers exempted are those who will have completed less than one year's service as an officer on Oct. 15 and those who receive their first commissions subsequent to Oct. 15.

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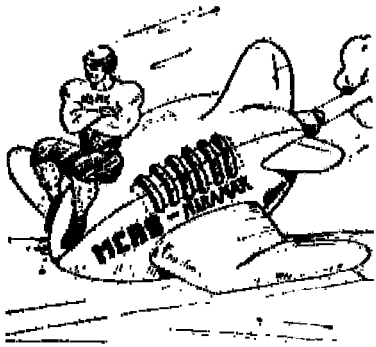
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**NEW RD COMMANDER.** Col. Bert A. Bone, a veteran Marine officer of 29 years service, has been appointed Recruit Depot commander to replace Lt. Col. J. H. Tinsley. Col. Bone (center) in the above photo congratulates a foot-platoon honor man.

## 'U-Name-It'



## RD Boxing Resume

By PRD. Art Castle

### Bout No. 1

**Hugh Satterwhite / Donald McKinnon.** Good, fast first round with Don landing some solid blows and Satterwhite retaliating with a few good blows on his own account. Second round dominated by Satterwhite. McKinnon evened things up in the final round to end the tussle in a well-contested draw.

### Bout No. 2

**John Ott/Eddie Gorgiat.** Ott suffered from inexperience, and, as a result, experienced much punishment in a three-round biker marathon a la Louis-Pastor. Gorgiat all the way.

### Bout No. 3

**Allen Templeton / Wayne White.** A real battle, which brought the house down with cheers of approval. Both boys slugged it out with grim determination and with much resultant bloodshed. Templeton won a decision that could have gone either way. The fans would appreciate a return go for this pair. One of two best bouts of the evening's card.

### Bout No. 4

**Bornell Guy / Cecil Galloway.** Quite a come-down from the previous crowd-pleasing affair, but Guy nonetheless came through with a fine exhibition of boxing and hard punching to take the bout by a KO in 1:50 of the second round.

### Bout No. 5

**Ray White/Nowell Kenneth.** Not much to write about, as White put away his man quickly in 1:55 of the first round, which is fast, efficient work.

### Bout No. 6

**Lloyd Sunblad / Bill Mordorf.** Mordorf was the more aggressive fighter, but Sunblad landed the more effective punches, as he coolly punched his way to a decision.

### Bout No. 7

**Charles French / Doug Arndt.** Poorest fight on the bill, with French winning a slow decision.

### Bout No. 8

**William Buchanan / Bill Corbett.** Two Texas lads looked like windmills in their attempts to stir up a windstorm. Even the referee was involved in this melee, and there is no telling what could have happened if any of the round-house punches had landed. No tempest was stirred up, and the bout ended in a draw.

### Bout No. 9

**John Mattison/Augustine Ithanz.** Another fast bout as Mattison floored his opponent for the count with a vicious right to the jaw in 1:23 of the first round.

### Bout No. 10

**Bob Denman / Joe Exendine.** A lot of good, clean in-fighting characterized the finale on the evening's program. Denman gave an excellent demonstration of boxing at its best. Denman won the main fracs handily to cop the trophy for the evening's best benders.

## Miramar Flyers Plan New Football Team

MCAS, MIRAMAR—Undeterred by the demobilization program, the Flying Marines at this station are busily making plans for a 50-man football squad to contend with other Corps, Army, and Navy combines this fall.

With plans nearing completion, the Leatherneck football team to be coached by Lt. Col. W. E. Clasen, Lt. J. D. Hill, and Lt. Jim Tompa will start daily workouts soon. A tentative schedule has been lined up, and the official schedule is set for release Monday.

### FIVE GAMES SET

Home games for the local eleven will be played at Balboa Stadium, according to officials here. To date, five games have been tentatively listed on the calendar—two of which will be played on the local gridiron.

Seventy men are expected to turn out for the initial workouts. Head Coach Clasen will carry a 50-man squad and daily practice is expected to start Aug. 20, with an inexperienced team to whip into shape before the season starts early in October.

All personnel at the air station interested in trying out for the squad are encouraged to call Lt. J. D. Hill at Miramar extension 21.



Lt. Col. W. E. CLASEN  
... instructs grid hopefuls

and leave their names and extent of football experience.

### NAME BY CONTEST

At present, a contest is underway at the station to determine

## Recruit Depot Paces Base Bowlers

Base bowling enthusiasts continued to have their innings this week, as the Keglers' tourney went into its fourth week. This week saw the entry of new combine—soldiers from the Troop Training Unit—who took over where the old Thunderers left off.

The classy bowlers from Recruit Depot continued to lead the pack, outdistancing the Dispensary, which dropped from a first place tie of last week to a battle for fifth position with Base Headquarters this week. The boys from Bootville are trailed by the Sep. Pay Office, R&R Officers and R&R Nationals, who are knotted in a three-way tie for second place.

Standings:

	Won	Lost
Recruit Depot	15	4
Sep. Pay Office	14	6
R&R Officers	14	6
R&R Nationals	14	6
Base Headquarters	13	8
Dispensary	12	8
Pay Office	12	8
R&R Americans	12	8
Indians, Base Troops	8	12
Sea School	8	12
Semper Parv	7	13
Maintenance	7	13
Guard Co.	7	13
TTU Thunderers	6	14
Base Shop	6	14
Sep. Recruiters	6	15

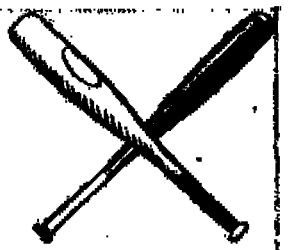
a name for the team. The contest will end Sept. 6, and the name of the winner will be announced Sept. 12. The person selecting the name adjudged best will be taken on all trips with the team. All entries should be addressed to the Special Services Office, MCAS, Miramar. Entries are restricted to personnel at Miramar.

### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Oct. 5—NAS, Seattle, at Seattle.  
Oct. 20—NAS, North Island, Balboa Stadium.  
Oct. 27—NAS, Alameda, Balboa Stadium.  
Nov. 2—Moffett Field, at Moffett Field.  
Nov. 23—MCAS, El Toro, at El Toro.



## NATIONAL Baseball ROUND UP



By Sgt. Mervin J. Hartman  
Just what's wrong with the Yankees?

During spring training, the club burned up the grapefruit circuit. In conceding the pennant to the Bronx Bombers, the "experts" figured that the one possible weak link in the Yankee line-up could be their mound staff. Spud Chandler was the only twirler who had proven his mettle against the pre-war sluggers. After him—well, that was the big question mark!



Stepping into the mantle of Marce Joe McCarthy, skipper Bill Dickey has become a party to one of the biggest hoaxes in the annals of baseball. Rated by almost every sports scribe as the team to beat in the American League race, the once vaunted Yankees have failed to live up to pre-season expectations and are fighting to retain the runner-up slot to the pace-setting Beantowners from Boston.

The New Yorkers' fielding ability was an established fact. Wasn't this the same team that had set new defensive records and had dominated the junior loop for so long a time that the cry "break up the Yankee!" echoed throughout the land. This part couldn't miss.

What about the Yankee offense? With fellows like Joe DiMaggio, Charlie Keller, Johnny

Ludell, Aaron Robinson, Joe Gordon and Nick Etten terrorizing opposing hurlers—here was the last and least worry. Why, DiMaggio and Keller were easily .325 hitters and any member of the team was capable of breaking up a tight game by belting one out of the park.

On paper the club looked like the murderous Yanks of old. However, a look at the standings shows the fiery Hose from Boston setting the pace—the Yanks a poor second. And it is the general consensus that if the team continues to play their present brand of ball, they will eventually wind up at the tail end of the first division.

With the season past that halfway mark, the team is far below the cellar-dwelling Athletics in the batting table. Outside of Charlie Keller, the club as an average is "hitting" in the low 200s.

The puzzling question among fans throughout the country is: "What happened to the once vaunted Yankee attack?" There is no doubt that the extensive pre-season trip through Panama took its toll. The team returned to the States in mid-season condition, too far ahead of any training schedule. Whether this mistake will be repeated next year remains to be seen, but it aptly explains the entire situation.

This amazing reversal of form had Joe McCarthy baffled before he decided to call it quits. It now has Bill Dickey in a dilemma shuffling line-ups daily in the hope of finding a combination that will win games on consecutive days. With the Beantowners piling up an almost impossible lead, the Yanks must resign themselves to a first division berth and take up that old Brooklyn chant of: "Wait 'til next year!"

A few weeks back, the nation's faithful were claiming that the St. Louis Cardinals were being mismanaged and that Eddie Dyer was a minor league pilot in whom Sam Breadon had mis-

placed his confidence. Today, Dyer is being acclaimed a master of psychology and a great strategist.

Six-and-a-half lengths behind the pace-setting Dodgers on the traditional Fourth-of-July, the Redbirds have since regained their confidence and stride and are now battling it out with Lippy Lee's charges for pennant honors. Much has been said and written about the effect of the Mexican League on the morale of the Cardinals. Dyer's handling of



The baseball spotlight has been focused on freshman manager Eddie Dyer. For with the return of their pre-war stars, the Redbirds from St. Louis were supposed to do what the Bronx have accomplished in the junior circuit. After a shaky start, Dyer's charges seem to have hit their stride and have served notice in the rest of the league that they are ready to move forward in high gear.

this delicate situation reflects nothing but credit on his ability as a major league manager.

The fact does remain that the Cards have found themselves and are offering the Flatbush fellows some stiff opposition. Once again the St. Louisians are the best bet in the upside-down National League race with Eddie Dyer a good nomination for manager-of-the-year honors.—CNS.



**CROWD PLEASER.** As winner of the main beak-bending contest at Recruit Depot last Saturday, Bob Denman clutches the trophy symbolic of triumph. The classy lowan earned a decision over Joe Exendine in a crowd-pleasing battle.  
(Photo by Pvt. J. R. Whittington)

# \* Dere Top!?

How good it is, Top, to see the old world gitting back to normal—every one at home beating their gums about the high cost of living and the Marines in China getting shot at. I wonder what kind of a campaign ribbon the peons will git for that duty over there for perserving the peace.

Fortunate it is indeed that it is the old Core on dooty over in China instead of the Armeec. When a dogface gits shot at he immediately thinks that there is a war going on. But if we went to war every time a membr of the Core wuz shot at this country would be fighting all the time.

Which reminds me of how Moonhead used to git shot at regularly in Samoa when he wuz courtin' that ditsky sarong deal. It wuz lucky indeed her old man wuz such a poor marksman. He did nick Moonhead with a machetey once an our old bald-headed fren tried to put in for the Purple Hart. Claimed it all came under the heading of "wounded while in ackshun." He told his wife that he received that scar while repelling a Banzai charge single-handedly. Wunder if Moonhead did not know that even she could tell you did not git wounded where he wuz when you FACED the enemy, eh Top? Ha ha.

Gitting back to the China incident, glad to see the peons over there gitting us a littul publicity. I wuz beginning to think maybe the old Core wuz dead. If there is anything a Marine hates worse than publicity it is a cold glass of brew.

Truely, tho, Top, I think more should be done to place the Marines back in the public eye. Why, up here in Lost Angeles on week-ends you NEVER see a wearer of the Green Soot in any barroom brawls. The local police blot- ters are a disgrace to the Old Core; not a Leatherneck in the clink week-end after week-end. It sometimes makes me almost ashamed to hav ever worn The Green. What are they doing to the peons down at the Base, Top, trying to teach them to be gentleman?

Well, enuff about the New Core, Top. What I want to inform you about is some of the hot informashun I am feeding the Congressional committee exposing these big War Skandals. I hav formed a list of very incriminating questions that I gathered thru my days in World War II—AND I WANT THEM ANSWERED! I expect indeed that this probabully will blow the lid right off the Capital doam.

Here are the questions; let the fips fall where they may:  
I. The C RATION QUESTION—Who is responsibull for calling it food? Why wuz lemon drops included in the can insted of peppermint? What wuz the stuff they called coffee? What dog food company had the contract for the cookies?

II. The COMBAT PACK QUESTION—What strait-jacket company had THAT contract?

III. The PROMOTION SKANDAL—How did Peabrain git promoted to PFC after only three years of serviss?

(Tip to investigators; check on the gala parties that he used to throw in Nupnea for membrs of higher rank when he got that package of six bottles of Aqua Velva from homie.)

I hated to turn stewl-pigon, Top, but those are some things that will hav to be brought out into the open if we are to keep faith in the Armored Servisses.

There is one other skandal that should be investigated as it probabully wuz due to subversiff aektivitee on the home front. And that is—"Who told our mothers and gurl friends that all the boys overseize liked fruit cake?"

Moonhead wants Congriss to investigate the Vetrans Administrashun for turning down his applicashun for burglar tools, but I do not think we should turn the whole country upside down jist at this time. Things are going pretty ruff for a lot of peepull right now. I notiss that the Hollywood movie peepull are back to lighting their cigarets with \$1 bills insted of fives.

Let's hope and pray  
There'll come a day  
When finances are liver,  
So you and me  
And Joel McCrea  
Can light up with a "five."

EX-SARJUNT HEINEMANN

## Liberty Leads

FRIDAY, AUG. 9  
Dancing at the Army-Navy Y, starting at 2000. Jude class at 1945.  
SATURDAY, AUG. 10  
Beach and swim facilities, Coronado Strand, open at 0900 (Sunday too) . . . Dance at 2030 . . . Fresh water fishing trip—leave the Y at 1900. 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. . . Informal dancing, Old Town USO, at 2000.

SUNDAY, AUG. 11  
Stage show at the Coronado Strand, 1915. Movies at 2015. . . Army-Navy Y: Beach picnic; leave at 1130. Zoo trip, courtesy passes, at 1230. Movie: "Caribbean Mystery," at 2100.

THURSDAY, AUG. 12  
Dance at Coronado at 2030; drawing of cash prize. Snack supper at 2100.

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 1800. Self defense Jude 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 Friday at 2030. Motorcycle racing at the Balboa Stadium Saturday at 2000. . . Horse Racing at the Hipodrome 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 2100.

## New Base Film Shows Great Promise

By the Backstage Dope  
"A Scandal in Paris," movie scheduled to play the Base Theater next Tuesday, has promise of being a top-grade film—probably the best for the week.

Feature parts are taken by George Sanders, Signe Hasso and Carole Landis.

A United Artists' production, the film is based on the life of Eugene-Francois Vidocq, a criminal. George Sanders, as Vidocq, is a suave and polished person who devoted 28 years of his life to petty crimes and is about to enter the big crime circuit. Akim Tamiroff, a former cellmate, is his assistant.

Signe Hasso plays the part of the girl who influences Sanders to give up his life of crime.

Carole Landis, as a night-club entertainer, sings "Flame Song," which is one of the highlights of the film.

Sanders, whose petty crimes include stealing a ruby garter from Miss Landis, has himself appointed perfect of police and while holding this position he plans to rob the Bank of Paris. However, he alters his plan and becomes a champion of law and order and wins the hand of Miss Hasso.

## Beaux and Arrows



TARGET FOR TONIGHT. We aim to please our readers, and we suspect that there are innumerable archery fanatics among that illustrious group. This is not a good view of marksmanship, for all the arrows have missed the bullseye. Well, not everyone can make one. The refreshing center of the target is the body of Universal's Pat Alphin. She has blue eyes.

## WEEKLY SCREEN GUIDE

### BASE THEATER 2000

FRIDAY—Sister Kenny, Rosalind Russell-Alexander Knox. Biographical drama. Life story of Nurse Kenny, who developed treatment for polio. Excellent seeing. Bring the wife.  
SATURDAY—Step by Step, Phil Rosen-Anne Jeffreys. A Marine vet's life hero in this one. Story's about Nazis in the U.S. during war years. Fair.  
SUNDAY—The Cockeyed Miracle, Frank Morgan-Keenan Wynn. Comedy-drama that should be well worth seeing. Filmplay concerns worldly troubles and a cockeyed, sea-going spirit.  
MONDAY—Shadows Over Chinatown, Sidney Toler-San Yung. A Charlie Chan murdermysterydrammer. In this one Charlie uncovers a murder ring with the aid of a couple of torsos, one dead and one otherwise.  
TUESDAY—A Scandal in Paris, George Sanders-Signe Hasso. A well-made crime drama. Our guess is that it is the film of the week.  
WEDNESDAY—Crack-Up, Pat O'Brien-Claire Trevor. Mysterydrammer. Crime thriller concerning the theft of a number of famous paintings. Fair.  
THURSDAY—Personality Kid, Anita Louise-Michael Duane. No dope on this one.  
(Camp Matthews films will precede the above schedule by one day.)

## Enlistments

Two-year enlistments in Marine aviation were discontinued by the Corps Aug. 1, a Base Memo revealed this week.  
"Effective Aug. 1," the memo said, "enlistments for duty with aviation units will not be accepted for two years with the following exception. Applicants who have submitted written application prior . . . (Aug. 1) may be accepted for two-year enlistments up to and including Aug. 15, 1946."

## 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 (Bldg. 122), 0900 Mass; Base Chapel, 0915 Mass; Camp Matthews, 0900 Mass.  
SOUTH CHURCH: Recruit Depot (Bldg. 122), 0900 Morn. Worship; Camp Matthews, 1400 Afternoon Worship.  
JEWISH: 0915—South Chapel. Naval Training Center (for personnel of the Base). 2015—Camp Elliott (for personnel at Camp Matthews).  
CATHOLIC: Base Chapel, 1145 Confessions, duty Mon. through Sat.; 1200 Mass, daily Mon. through Sat. Recruit Depot (Bldg. 122), 1800 Confessions. Sat.

NAVY CROSS WINNERS  
During World War II 760 Navy Crosses were awarded Marines. 341 went to officers, two to warrant officers, and the remainder to enlisted Marines.

## BEAR A HAND

For Sale  
HOUSE, 2-bedroom, kitchen, dinette, living room. Completely furnished. Frame. Lot 50x100 ft. one-car garage. Laundry trays, outside work-shop, bathhouse, fruit tree, chicken house, lot. See Mrs. Kelly at 4661 Bermuda St., Oceanside, Calif. or call B-7885.  
There are two Marine generals from Texas, Brig.Gen. O. P. Smith of Menard and Brig.Gen. F. O. Rogers of Waco.

## We Can't Replace Miss Lace

