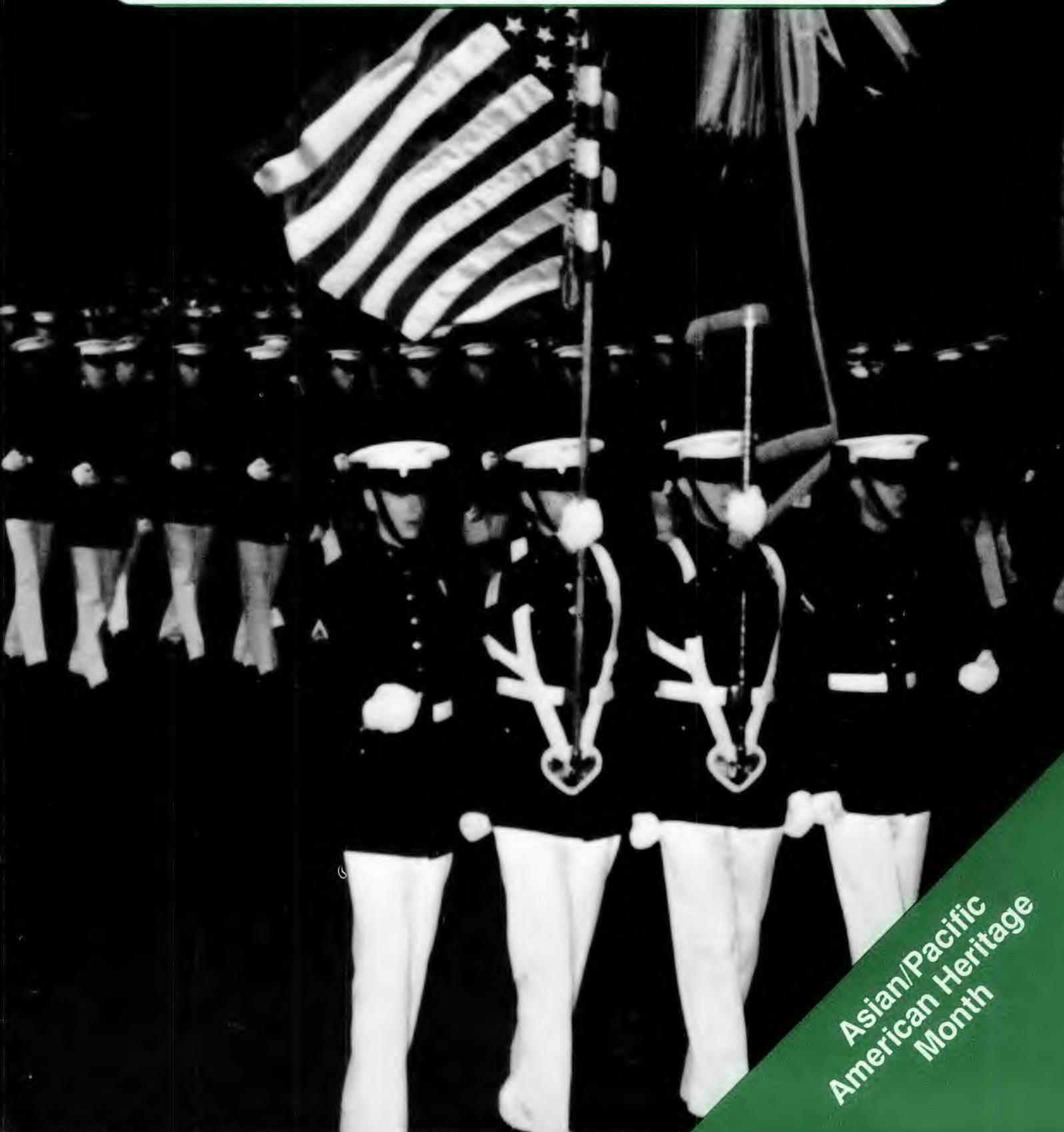


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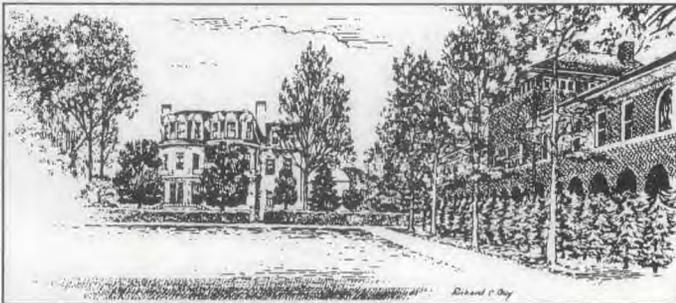
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On the cover: *The Color Guard passes in review during the first 1992 Evening Parade. (Photo by Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe)*

Back Cover: *Pictured is a copy of a lithograph drawn by Richard C. Guy.*
Inside Back Cover: *U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps performs during the parade. (Photo by SSgt. T.J. Freeman)*

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From the Commanding Officer...



Col. J.C. Flynn, Marine Barracks Commanding Officer.

I have received several letters from our new brigadier generals expressing their praise and appreciation for your performance during the honors ceremony at the Barracks on April 13. Brigadier General Peter Pace, former Barracks Commander, was especially impressed with your performance so early in the season. Thanks for your efforts; the evening was an overwhelming success and a memorable experience for those officers.

Our first parade, dedicated to our families and honoring the area military commanders and our neighbors was exceptionally well received by all. The efforts of all — from the reception catered by MWR, to the hosters, to the marching units — were superb and kicked off the season in fine fashion. Though our first public parade was rained out, I'm confident we're ready for the remainder of the season. We now need

to focus our energies on preparing for the Sunset Parade season. These are busy days and the tempo seems to be increasing. Maintain your spirit of excellence and good sense of humor.

Kudos to those who assisted in the cleanup of the Ellen Wilson project in late April. It was a monumental task but your assistance made a difference. Thanks also to the Guard Detachment Marines for their assistance during the Capitol Hill Cluster Schools annual 10K race and 3K Fun Run — your efforts were fully recognized and appreciated by the community. And a special thanks for a job well done by our Marines who served so well as "Docents" in the Commandant's House on May 10 during the Capitol Hill Historic Homes tour. You handled yourselves exceptionally well and General and Mrs. Mundy were very grateful.

Traditionally, the number of deaths and injuries on our nation's highways is especially high during and following Memorial Day weekend. All too often these accidents are the result of driving while overly tired or while under the influence of alcohol. I urge each of you to think and act responsibly — whether on the roads, boating, or participating in the multitude of activities associated with the weekend. You all perform important roles at the Barracks and we want you back with us safe and sound. *Semper Fidelis.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.C. Flynn".

J.C. Flynn
United States Marine Corps
Commanding

LOCAL NEWS

USO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

USO-Metro has a constant need for volunteers to help out in outreach centers and in other capacities throughout the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. Clerical assistants, home visitors, babysitters and craft instructors are a few of the volunteer opportunities available.

For more information, contact the volunteer coordinator at (202) 783-8117.

CREDO RETREATS

The Credo Norfolk Spring Personal Growth Retreat is offering sessions for teens, personal growth, marriage enrichment and a 72 hour session on "Faith and Hope."

Sessions are available to military personnel and their dependents.

For more information on the next available sessions, call the Barracks Chaplain, Lt. Deaton at (202) 433-6201.

FREE TUITION

Strayer College is offering special scholarships to military members. These scholarships provide \$200 per course for active duty personnel receiving tuition assistance. With the scholarship, the portion of tuition paid by the student is virtually nothing. For more information about this and other programs for off-duty education, contact the Barracks Education Officer at (202) 433-4492.

COUPON TRIVIA

Did you know you can save up to \$4,000 per year by using the coupons found in your newspaper each week?

If you would like to learn more about couponing, ways to maximize your savings and effective use of coupons, a free informational booklet called *Clipping Sense* is available. For your copy, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Valassis Inserts, c/o Public Relations, 36111 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150.

MESS HALL PARADE MEALS

The Barracks Mess Hall will serve a special pre-parade meal on Fridays.

The menu will consist of entrees such as steamship round and catfish, as well as a variety of vegetables, salad bar and desserts.

The meal will be served from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Normal price (\$1.90) will apply, and a \$3.60 sur-charge will be added for guests and service members not from this command.

MOTEL DIRECTORY

Henderson Hall MWR has *QUEST*, a motel directory and discount book. Military members can save up to 50 percent off most motel rates. The \$19.95 book is available at the Ticket Sales Window in the Henderson Hall Exchange.

VOTING — A FAMILY AFFAIR

Your vote, and those of your spouse and dependents, are crucial. For information or to request an absentee ballot contact Capt. Phelps, Barracks Voting Officer at 433-4492. Pre-recorded messages from candidates and information on local elections can be obtained by calling the Voting Information Center at AUTOVON 223-6500 or Commercial (703) 693-6500.

NMCRS FUND DRIVE NOW UNDERWAY



Your car needs major repairs...A family member dies and you can't afford emergency leave expenses...You're transferred unexpectedly and having trouble getting out of your lease... Who can you turn to?

For many service members the answer is the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS). This year the society's annual fund drive runs until June 6. The money collected is for loans and grants which benefit sailors, Marines and their families.

"Many people think NMCRS works like a bank or credit union, enabling us to loan them money to buy a car or pay off their credit cards," said Cheryl Rickards, NMCRS Staff Assistant.

"We just don't function like that. We try to deal with a service member's emergency situation and teach them to go from there."

The primary function of NMCRS is to provide loans or grants to those with a real need. Other services include budget counseling, providing infant layettes for E-5's and below and an education program.

Contributions may be made all at once or through allotments. For more information contact the Barracks NMCRS Officer, 1stLt. Bilas, at 433-3583.

Story by
JO3 Stephanie J. Bain-Head

Corps' senior enlisted Marine speaks

SgtMaj. Overstreet addresses future changes

The Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps addressed Barracks Marines about the direction of the Marine Corps as the guest speaker at a Prayer Breakfast here April 28.

Sergeant Maj. Harold G. Overstreet said the three most common questions Marines ask him are:

Where is the Marine Corps going in terms of end strength?

If I am retained, will I get promoted?

If I make it through the current difficulties, what are the chances of it happening again on down the line?

The answer, according to SgtMaj. Overstreet, is "I don't know. The Congress, before we went into Saudi, had

determined the Marine Corps would go to 177,000 (total strength). You've heard other numbers — 159, 131 — we think we're going to do better than that."

He bases his reasons on feedback he has received from the other armed services. They say their primary issues are benefits and privileges.

"I genuinely believe Marines are more mission-oriented than that," he said, noting it is that attitude which has caused the other branches of the military to reassess their opinion of the Marine Corps.

The top enlisted member of the Corps said since Desert Storm, the other services have praised the Corps for their actions there.

"The Marine Corps still has a mission," the sergeant major emphasized, noting that mission can't be accomplished without the support of the Navy.

"We need the Navy. That's how we get where we're going, he said, noting that if the Navy/Marine Corps team is to remain effective, the two sister sea services must work together.

"We have billed ourselves as the 9-1-1 for the nation. If there's a problem anywhere in the world, you dial 9-1-1. Who shows up? The Navy/Marine Corps Team."

Story by
SSgt. Hal Freeman

'B' Company Marine selected for OCS

"I don't ask for luck, I just asked for opportunities." This is what Cpl. Ricardo Player, "B" Company, says he lives by. He was recently selected for the Enlisted Commissioning Program and will report to the Officer Candidate School June 8.

Player, a 24-year-old from Cleveland, enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1989, shortly after receiving a degree from Ithaca College, Ithaca, N.Y., in Corporate Communications.

"Know yourself and seek self improvement," is the one thing that drove me, as well as assistance from the officers that I work for," said the Gulf War veteran.

Although Player knew there are several ways to become an officer, he realized this would not be an easy evolution. He admits that in order to be a competitive applicant there were a few areas that needed improvement. Over the course of one year he enrolled in a GT enhancement course and worked on attaining a 300 PFT.

Player says the Marines at the Barracks are fortunate to have so much interaction with the officers here, as well as with the surrounding community. He explained that this interaction should be used as a learning experience.



Cpl. Ricardo Player, "B" Company, is congratulated by Col. J.C. Flynn, Barracks Commanding Officer, for his recent selection to attend OCS. (Photo by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)

"I've always been really aggressive and looked at everything that happens to me as a learning experience. I just want to tell the other Marines here that the opportunities are there. You just have to want it bad enough. Seek opportunity and seize the day."

Story by
Sgt. Debbie Scott

Young Marines demonstrate skills

Dignitaries, families observe displays

Approximately 250 boys and girls, ages eight to eighteen, from the Washington area Young Marines programs displayed their military training for an audience of parents, guests, and media May 6, at Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C. The Young Marines were from the Metropolitan District of Washington, the Nation's Capital Marine and the Montford Point Young Marines chapters from the District, Maryland and Northern Virginia.

Hundreds of parents and spectators gathered to watch these Young Marines strut their stuff, including the Under Secretary of the Navy, the Honorable J. Daniel Howard, Deputy Assistant Secretaries of Defense for Drug Enforcement Policy, Michael A. Wermuth and Robert W. Kelly, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower) Doctor Daniel R. Heimbech, Ph.D., the National Director for the Young Marines, Lamar Golden and the Commandant of the Marine Corps League, Ronald Hess.

This was probably one of the most important crowds they've demonstrated their training for, but nervousness was not the order of the day.



Young Marine SSgt. A. Wallace prepares to rappel from the ramparts during a demonstration of skills, May 6. (Photo by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)

These Young Marines recited the creed that drives their organization, as well as the pledge of allegiance and the Marine Corps Hymn. Immediately following, the platoon commanders conducted inspections of their troops.

The events continued with battalion physical training, close-order drill and drug control talks. But the highlight of the evening was when the youngsters repelled from the ramparts of the barracks.

The Young Marines made their way down, two at a time, much to the surprise of many spectators. But the Young Marines didn't seem to mind what they

were doing. In fact, one of them even stopped midway down and waved at the crowd that gathered below.

The smiles on their faces seemed to display their sense of pride and achievement. These Young Marines undergo a closely-supervised 14-week "boot camp" conducted by active duty Marines and Marine Corps League volunteers from the local area.

The Young Marines Program encourages respect for authority and discipline, completion of education, physical and mental fitness and development of a drug and alcohol-free lifestyle.

*Story by
Sgt. Debbie Scott*

On Centerwalk

Honoring excellence among Barracks Marines

Cpl. Paul M. Herring

Unit Security Company
Hometown Villa Park, Ill.
Entered Service March 22, 1988
Occupation 8151; Marine Security
Guard
Billet Sergeant of the
Guard
On Centerwalk for Sustained superior
performance

*“It’s an honor for all
Security Company Marines to
protect the President of the
United States.”*



LCpl . Stephen M. McClellan

Unit Marine Band
Hometown Hemet, Calif.
Entered Service Nov. 8, 1989
Occupation 8911; Band Stage
Crew
Billet Crew Chief
On Centerwalk for Sustained superior
performance

*“Working with ‘The
President’s Own’ is an
experience I’ll always
remember.”*

Information and photos compiled by LCpl. Joey D. Benford

Barracks sharpens focus on community

New program to stress more volunteer involvement

But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart to him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not live in word or speech, but in deed and in truth. I John 3:17-18

Violence, drugs, abuse... Violence, drugs, abuse... a never-ending and often inescapable tragedy children face in many parts of Washington, D.C., including the Barracks' back yard. Children of all ages who are often raised by a single parent on drugs face daily lives of misery and instability.

Barracks Marines can join the fight to improve the plight of these youngsters whose lives are virtual wells of hopelessness and despair. Marines here don't have to deploy to Iraq, Bangladesh or the Philippines to lend help to those in need because opportunities to brighten lives here are boundless. The community is constantly asking for Marines to help with projects and events.

In an effort to better integrate the Barracks into the surrounding community, Col. J.C. Flynn, Barracks Commander, has initiated a more aggressive and pro-active stance on community relations.

"I want to fully support efforts as much as we can in all aspects of community life. We can do this by showing we care. I want it to be done within our operational capability and I want it to be a volunteer effort," said Col. Flynn.

The new approach will be initiated with three primary focal points, he explained.

The first focal point consists of a centralized approach with the Barracks as a whole initiating periodic community projects. These projects will be coordinated through local community agencies, but will be scheduled when



Col. J.C. Flynn, Barracks Commanding Officer, addresses a local anti-crime seminar. He is initiating a stronger emphasis on Marine participation in the local community. (Photo by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)

the Barracks can provide the best support. The first of these events will be a Neighborhood Cleanup, which is scheduled for early June.

The program can include all kinds of projects to help improve the appearance, safety and welfare of the surrounding community, and is "only limited to our imaginations," Col. Flynn said.

The second focal point is a decentralized approach in which individual units and sections will assist with community projects or events. This will also include special recognition of Marines who distinguish themselves through extensive community participation. Though the details have not been finalized, recognition may entail a special party, privileges or an on-post parking space for "Volunteer of the Quarter."

The third focal point of the plan entails a consistent maintenance phase which ensures the new program will be sustained at a constant level.

Probably some of the best assistance Marines can provide in the community is to provide positive role models, male and female, for area children who are faced daily with drugs, violence and a poor home life.

"These kids have a will to survive," said Farid Williams, Acting Director of TEEM (Talented, Educated and Makin' It), a local drug abuse prevention action group which works with children in grades three through six. He explained these children most often lack positive role models (males in particular) in their lives and any positive influence helps.

The Barracks is probably the only base-sized duty station in the United States that is located directly in the center of a major city, according to Col. Flynn. "Part of our job is to get to know our neighbors and help the community help itself," he said.

Whenever possible, the Barracks-wide projects will be conducted during work hours, said the Barracks

Commander. When projects are carried out during off-duty hours, participants will be compensated with time off to the extent possible.

Not only will Marines benefit from tangible incentives to become active in the community, but they can also feel the pride of helping someone in need—even if it isn't the result of a national or international crisis.

Lance Cpl. Ricardo A. Carloss, a "B" Company Marine from Los Angeles, is a frequent volunteer for community events. Working within the community "makes me feel wonderful," he said.

"I do it because I enjoy being close to the community and enjoy any chance to help out," said Carloss.

Colonel Flynn emphasized the new program will not just be for Barracks Marines, but will be organized in such a way that neighbors in the community will be an integral part of the effort.

He related a story which took place a couple of months ago in which concern of a Barracks neighbor could have helped a Marine stay out of trouble.

"I got a call late at night from a neighbor who said some Marines were in front of a local establishment and looked like there might be a problem. I had the officer-of-the-day and staff duty noncommissioned officer check the situation out. There was no trouble, but maybe our Marines won't get into trouble because someone in the neighborhood takes the time to call us," said Col. Flynn, emphasizing the new program focuses on the Barracks "being a good neighbor."

Projects may include tutoring, coaching or organizing sports, clean-ups of specific areas and anything else which may benefit the community and not interfere with the Barracks' mission. Perhaps through the same hard work and compassion with which the Marine Corps has distinguished itself worldwide, some of the inner-city cycles can be interrupted and a flicker of hope instilled in a few fragile lives.

Story by
Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe

Barracks Motor 'T' moves to new facility after 14 years of waiting



The new Motor Transport Section building at Naval Station Anacostia awaits the move-in of Barracks Marines following a ribbon-cutting ceremony by Col. J.C. Flynn, Barracks Commanding Officer, May 6. (Photo by Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe)

Barracks Motor Transport Marines will move their facilities to Building 29 at Anacostia after 14 years of searching for a new building.

First Lt. John P. Raymond, Barracks Motor Transport Officer explained that Motor Transport moved to their current location in 1974 because there weren't any other buildings available that could support their needs at that time. The present location was condemned shortly after the Marines moved in.

"The current building was a hanger used by the Park Service and looks like it was built in World War II when Anacostia was an air station," said Raymond.

According to Raymond, every Motor Transport Officer since 1974 has been in search of a new building. In November of last year, MSgt. Alfred F. Hickmott, Motor Transport Chief, and Raymond noticed a building across from their facility that was vacant.

Colonel J.C. Flynn, Commanding Officer, wrote a letter to Headquarters,

U.S. Marine Corps and the Naval District of Washington requesting the building. The Naval District of Washington recognized the Marine Corps' need for the building and decided in favor of Motor Transport over other prospective candidates.

The building was commissioned by Col. Flynn in a ribbon cutting ceremony, May 6. Once phone, electrical and computer lines are in place, Motor Transport Marines will begin moving in.

Raymond has noticed an increase in morale since the Marines were told about the move.

"I am looking forward to moving, said LCpl. Frederick Williams, Motor Transport Driver. "The new building is better equipped to store and maintain our equipment."

In addition to a better working environment, the new facility will provide much needed bulk storage space for the supply section.

Story by
Cpl. Valerie A. Stroschein

HARRIER CRASH

MCNEWS — Two AV-8B Harrier pilots from Marine Attack Squadron 211, MCAS Yuma, Ariz., were listed in stable condition with minor injuries after ejecting from their aircraft during an aviation mishap April 12.

Lieutenant Col. Francis S. Durtche, 39, of Dayton Valley, Nev., and Capt. Dino Peros, 36, of Brooklyn, N.Y., were taken to Yuma Regional Medical Center after the accident via the air station's search and rescue helicopter.

The mishap occurred 15 miles east of the air station during a routine training mission over the Barry M. Goldwater Bombing Range, part of the 2.5 million acres of ranges the air station trains on in California's Chocolate Mountains and southern Arizona's Kofa Mountains and Sonoran Desert. The mishap is currently under investigation.

NNOA CONFERENCE

The National Naval Officers Association (NNOA) will hold its 20th Anniversary conference in Washington, D.C. from 7-12 July at the Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill. The 1992 conference theme is: *Twenty Years of Professionalism — Developing Leaders for the Future*. For registration or general information call toll free 1-800-772-NNOA.

NAVAL INSTITUTE ESSAY CONTEST

The U.S. Naval Institute will award cash prizes of \$1,000, \$750 and \$500 to the authors of the three winning essays in its Marine Corps Essay Contest. Marines of all ranks are invited to submit.

Essays must be postmarked and be received no later than June 1, and should be directed to: Editor-in-Chief, "Proceedings" (USMC Contest), U.S. Naval Institute, 118 Maryland Ave., Annapolis, MD 21402-5035.

For more information contact Jennifer Paytas at (410) 268-6110

MODERN DAY MARINE EXPO

The 12th Annual Modern Day Marine Military Exposition, sponsored by the Marine Corps League and the Capital Marines Detachment, is scheduled Aug. 25 through 27, at the Sheraton Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Highlights include the Enlisted Awards Luncheon, the Marine Corps Report to Industry and the Reception and Grand Banquet. For more information, contact Jim Bracken, Capitol Convention and Exposition company, 12658-B Ridge Dr., Lake Ridge, Va., 22192, or call (703) 490-1708.

INSURANCE BENEFITS

Eligible U.S. military personnel departing from active service now have insurance coverage available for up to one year for pre-existing medical conditions under a contract recently negotiated between the Department of Defense and the Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company.

The coverage is designed to soften the expensive transition between military and civilian health coverage for involuntarily separated individuals and their dependents who separate under the special separations benefit program.

For more information, call (402) 978-2119.

U.S. Celebrates Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month

AFIS — More than 6 million Americans trace their ancestry to Asia and the Pacific Islands. This year's theme is "Asian/Pacific-Americans Effectiveness — Empowerment — Enhancement."

"We selected this theme trying to describe how Asians and Pacific Islanders are effective, and through their effectiveness, they become more recognized and gain more influence. That's empowerment. Through all of our efforts, society as a whole will be enriched," said Ruth Sing Wong, executive director of the Asian/Pacific-American Heritage Council for the Washington, D.C., area.

The annual observance began as an informal week-long celebration in May 1979.

"During the Reagan administration, I was a volunteer inside the White House, and we were able to get the first official recognition by the president in a signing ceremony in 1987," said Wong. Congress and President George Bush extended the observance to a month in 1991.

"The World marvels at the wealth of ancient art and philosophy, the fine craftsmanship and the colorful literature and folklore that have sprung from Asia and the Pacific Islands," Bush said in his proclamation.

"Whether they trace their roots to places like Cambodia, Vietnam, Korea, the Philippines or the Marshall Islands or cherish their identities as natives of Hawaii and Guam, all Asian- and Pacific-Americans have worked hard to reap the rewards of freedom and opportunity."

Story by
Rudi Williams

CMC White Letter emphasizes PME

'It is one of my highest priorities,' writes Corps' leader

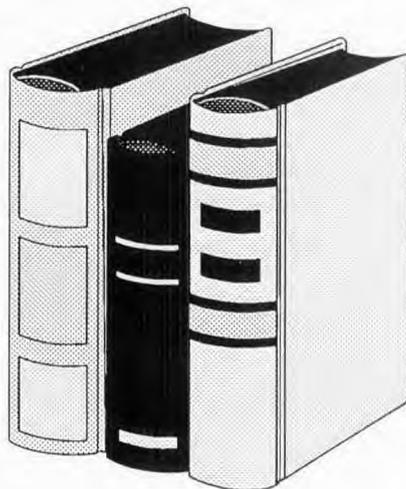
MCNEWS— In white letter number 6-92, Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. C.E. Mundy, Jr. outlines the importance of the Marine Corps' Professional Military Education (PME) program to all general officers, commanding officers, and officers in charge.

"I view PME as profoundly important to our institutional soundness and to the development of a professional Corps capable of leading and fighting in decades ahead; thus, it is one of my highest priorities," said the Commandant in his white letter.

According to the white letter, significant changes are taking place in the resident enlisted PME programs. NCO basic courses are now formalized and being consolidated at six sites under the cognizance of the Marine Corps University. Permanently assigned personnel are being staffed at the schools and TAD funding is being centralized through the Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Com-

mand (TE-33). Additionally, evaluation of an 11-day total force curriculum at all resident enlisted PME courses is underway with a reserve integration plan to be published soon.

The current reference for the formal PME program is MCO P1553.4. The order outlines the philosophy, goals,



programs and requirements of PME, to include resident and nonresident PME, professional reading, and alternative avenues of professional self-study.

"While the PME program promises great value to our Corps, any system by itself does not guarantee a high quality product. Only if our programs are developed and presented by the highest quality faculty will they be rendered a truly educational experience," said the Commandant. "To that end, I call upon all commanders to support the ongoing faculty recruitment programs of our PME schools.

"Excellence in professional military education must be the norm throughout the Corps. I task each of us to do our part; our collective efforts are needed to keep our professional education standards as high as possible and to provide the best PME opportunities to all Marines. Our Corps and each of us will benefit directly from this effort.

Marines remember victims of 1983 Beirut bombing

MCNEWS — On a rainy, wind-swept hillside near Haifa, Israel, sailors and Marines gathered with 80 Israeli

children recently for a tree planting ceremony honoring the Marines killed during the Oct. 23, 1983 terrorist bombing of the Marine barracks in Beirut, Lebanon.

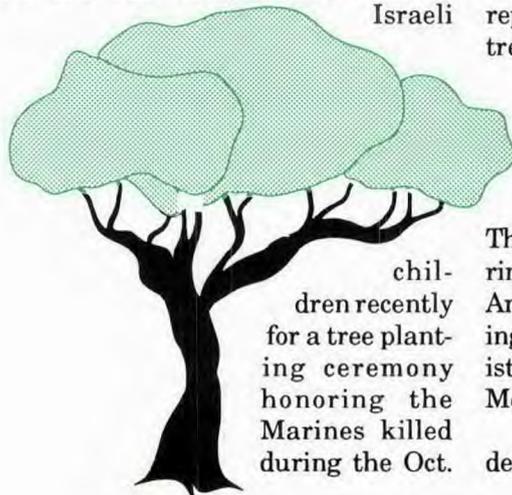
More than 250 sailors and Marines representing the 24th MEU planted trees with children from the Degania and Realy Schools of Haifa.

The site is located in the Mt. Carmel National Park, overlooking the Mediterranean Sea and the southern border of Lebanon. The site was selected because the Marines and sailors of the 24th Marine Amphibious Unit (MAU), the unit serving in Lebanon at the time of the terrorist attack, arrived from ships in the Mediterranean.

"The memories are of a tragic incident that took 241 lives from our ranks.

We plant these trees in their memory. But, we also dream as these trees grow, they will grow with generations of mankind whose hopes of a future filled with peace and freedom will be realized," said SgtMaj. W. E. Hatcher, of the 24th MEU, during the ceremony.

Clustered around and under a long, ancient, twisted carob tree on the hillside, the Marines and children listened as Hatcher spoke. "It is our prayer that these trees will see the end of a long period of tension, and see the coming of life giving peace and prosperity to this entire region."



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**Story by
SSgt. N.H. North**

Urban force-in-readiness

Marines help quell civil unrest in riot-plagued L.A.

LOS ANGELES — Camp Pendleton, Calif., Marines were ordered to Los Angeles May 1 as part of a joint task force formed to help restore order after riots devastated large areas of the city.

Joint Task Force Los Angeles was made up of 1,500 Marines, 2,000 soldiers from the 7th Infantry Division at Fort Ord and 10,000 National Guardsmen from throughout California. The Marines were led by BGen. Marvin T. Hopgood Jr., Assistant Division Commander, 1st Marine Division.

The joint task force formed when President Bush ordered federal troops to support law enforcement officials fighting violence on the streets of Los Angeles, sparked by the acquittal of white Los Angeles police officers accused of beating Rodney G. King, a black motorist.

Authorities reported that the arson, shootings and random assaults left 59 dead and 2,744 injured after one week of violence. Among the injured were 10 firefighters and 71 law enforcement officers. Arrests by all agencies totaled 14,620. Damage estimates for what officials described as perhaps the worst civil insurrection in American history since the Civil War climbed to more than \$717 million in property

damage. There were 5,946 buildings damaged or destroyed, including at least 1,600 severely damaged or burned businesses. Businesses that are affected by rioting or looting total 3,100.

The unrest eclipsed the 1965 Watts riots as the costliest and deadliest urban disorder in Los Angeles history. The worst previously recorded rioting in the United States occurred in Detroit in July 1967, leaving 43 dead, more than 2,000 injured and \$200 million in property damage.

The Posse Comitatus Act (18 USC 1385) prohibits the use of federal troops to enforce civil law unless authorized by the president. Marines are not law enforcement personnel and do not have arresting authority. They were deployed as a presence, and to support law enforcement personnel and free them to perform their duties. Marines' duties included crowd control, protection of property and security.

President Bush said that the joint task force would "help restore order" amid random terror and lawlessness in the nation's second largest city.

The federal

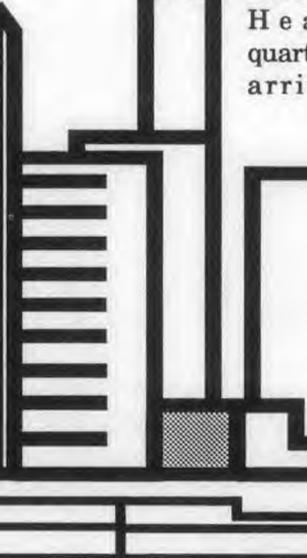
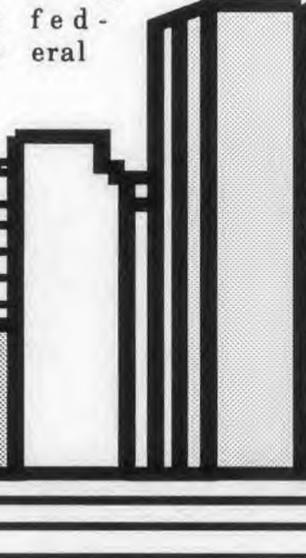
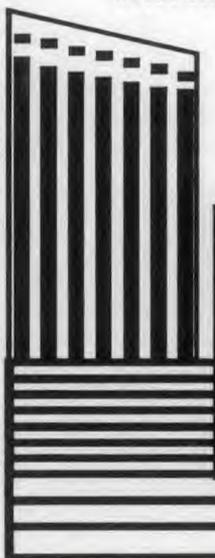
force was assisted by 1,000 federal agents, including the FBI, SWAT teams, U.S. Marshals and special border patrol units, who were dispatched to Los Angeles May 1.

Marine units making up the Special Purpose Marine Air/Ground Task Force - LA were: 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines; 1st Light Armored Infantry Battalion; Combat Service Support Detachment-11; elements of the Headquarters, 1st Marine Regiment; 1st Combat Engineer Battalion; Military Police Company.

"Our 1,500 Marines and sailors have performed magnificently in support of the local law enforcement agencies and play an important role in restoring normalcy to south central Los Angeles and Long Beach," BGen. Hopgood said. "I have received many comments from numerous police officials expressing their thanks and praise for our efforts."

The operation went into effect 6:30 a.m. May 1, when Marine Expeditionary Force Marines were alerted for deployment. At 4 p.m., the force's command element (elements of the 1st

Marine Division Headquarters) arrived



at Marine Corps Air Station Tustin, Calif. One hour later, the task force's ground combat element, air combat element, and combat service support element arrived at MCAS Tustin. While awaiting further orders there, Marines sharpened their riot control techniques.

Early May 2, local authorities requested their help, and Marines deployed to forward staging areas in and around Los Angeles. More than 700 troops moved into the streets to relieve National Guard units.

While commanders based themselves in Compton, the Marines were deployed throughout the city in the following locations: about half of the Marines were based at the National Guard Armory in Compton; 160 were deployed at the Fashion Mall in Compton; 100 were sent to a large mall in Carson City, 70 were posted at Florence Avenue and Alameda Street; others were dispatched to patrol Long Beach Boulevard and the Alameda freeway.

Marines received no resistance as they moved into the city, he said. It was a historic moment - the first time in two decades U.S. troops were ordered into an American city to quell domestic violence. In 1968, shortly after the murder of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., President Lyndon B. Johnson ordered 26,500 federal troops to quell rioting in Baltimore, Chicago and Washington.

Based on intelligence and reconnaissance reports, violence in the affected areas continued

to be random and sporadic on Sunday. The public mood had shifted to contemplation, and there was a desire to return to normalcy.

At 7:20 p.m., May 3, Marines were fired upon in a drive-by shooting incident at a Firestone station at 71st and Compton Avenue.

The Marines did not return fire and sustained no casualties.

Tensions remained high May 4 on the first night after a dusk-to-dawn curfew was lifted. The Marines were instructed to appear less aggressive and to blend into the shadows of the buildings they defended, according to Col. Cliff Stanley, Commanding Officer of the 1st Marine Regiment.

"It's a very conscious effort to look like you're not a threat," Stanley said. "The most challenging thing here is that there is no enemy, so to say, at least not like in Southwest Asia. The biggest danger is indiscriminate shooting."

Tuesday, curfews for Long Beach and Signal Hill were lifted.

"It was a relatively quiet night," said LtCol. Fredrick C. Peck, deputy director for the Joint Information Bureau. "We had a couple drive-by incidents by young males in cars shouting threats. Other than that, it was a calm night."

"The speed with which the Marine task force deployed to Los Angeles is a tribute to the professionalism of our Corps," LtGen. Robert B. Johnston, Commanding General, I MEF and Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton said.

"Our Marines demonstrated the traditional high state of readiness to respond to any kind of crisis. The performance of our Marines in Los Angeles reinforces the confidence the American people have in us - that we can perform any mission.

"The bottom line is that if you need help — call for the Marines," LtGen. Johnston said.

*Story by
Sgt. Kelley S. Hughes
Camp Pendleton*

Marine recruiting stations damaged by rioters

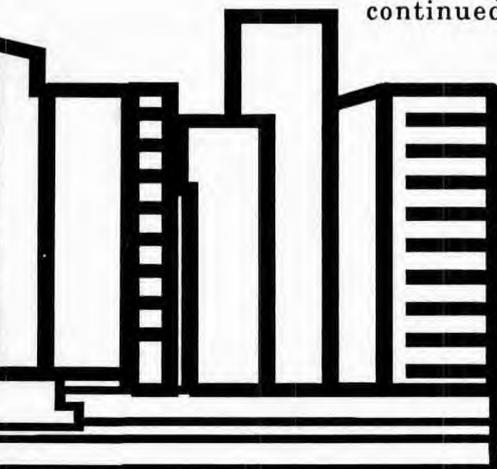
RS LOS ANGELES — On Monday, water still poured from the burned-open doors which used to stand at the Military Enlistment Processing Station at Los Angeles in the aftermath of the racial violence last week.

Near the MEPS site and the Headquarters for Armed Forces Recruiting, looters entered a Thrifty Drug Store and adjacent Trak Auto Store. In the early morning hours as unsuspecting people slept, the looters turned arsonists and "fired up" the building.

A small mall located on Crenshaw Blvd. contained a liquor store, donut shop, clothing store and...a Marine Corps Recruiting Substation. As looters broke into windows and stole clothes, the recruiting office was also broken into and damaged. Uniforms, memorabilia and office furnishings were either taken or destroyed.

The recruiting substations in Huntington Park and Boyle Heights were also damaged by their proximity to other stores and commercial buildings.

*Story by
GySgt. Bob Torres
RS Los Angeles*



Parade Season '92

Marines march to a familiar tune as another ceremonial summer begins



ABOVE: *The Silent Drill Team awes the crowd with its striking precision. (Photo by SSgt. T.J. Freeman.)*

RIGHT: *Units are in position for the 1992 season. (Photo by PH1 Doug Cassatt)*



The swords and M-1
Garand rifles glisten in the dimmest of lights. The grounds are shaped to perfection. Marines are dressed in sharply creased ceremonial uniforms, and the stage is once again set for the 1992 Parade Season.

This is the scene that set the stage May 1 as the first parade of the 1992 Parade Season was held in honor of the Marine Family.

Last year, Marines were deployed in support of the Gulf War and the normal drill routine was changed to accommodate lack of personnel.

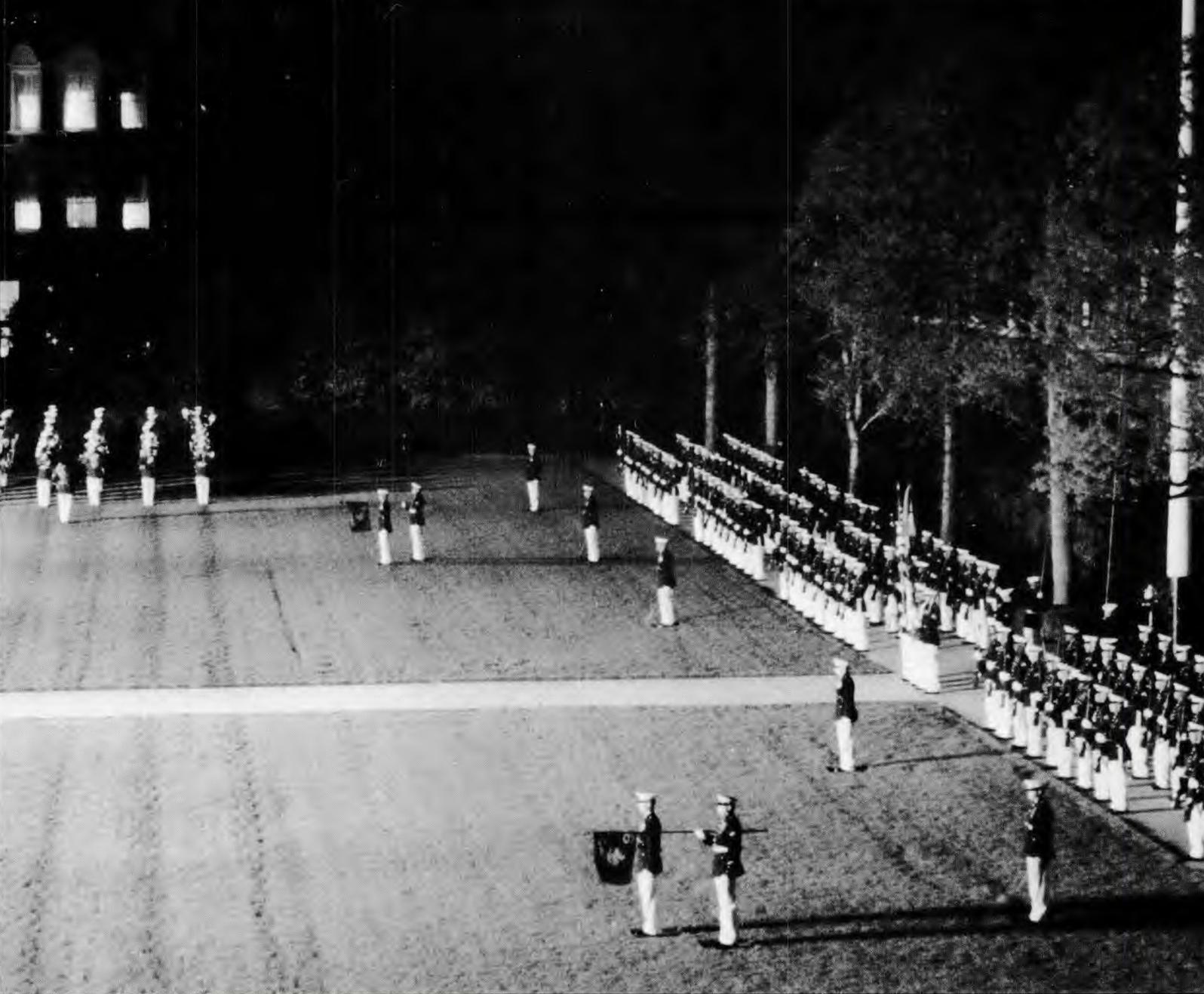
"Having seen last year's parades, I believe we are more prepared for this year's season because we practiced as a battalion and didn't have to worry about Desert Storm," said Maj. Terry M. Lockard, Operations Officer and Parade Commander.

"My most rewarding experience of the first parade was just before I gave the command 'Forward March' for Pass in Review." Lockard noted at that moment he experienced the pride of being part of the 200 year-old tradition.

Each parade season brings familiar faces. But in the midst of those veterans are a few new faces. This year's most recognizable is SgtMaj. Michael D. Nicolai, a former Silent Drill Team platoon sergeant.

"It's great to be back on the deck after 15 years. I enjoy spending time with the drill, and the Marines have been working hard to perfect the drill movements."

Preparation for the parade season began seven months ago. This time is required to ensure the show is near perfection.



However, for some, months of drilling didn't quite prepare them for the experience of performing in front of an audience.

"When I appeared in front of the crowd, I felt the pride of being one of the world's finest," expressed LCpl. David E. Hamman, "A" Company, first platoon.

There are a number of other Marines who play significant roles in the parade.

These Marines in the shadows help with parking, provide security, enhance the parade grounds and welcome the public.

Their roles are just as much a part of the success of each parade. Each Marine that comes in contact with one member of the public is important to our overall image.

"I believe the first impression is a lasting impression, so it's important we represent the Marine Corps well and make the guests feel welcome on this post," said LCpl Allen C. Horman, Parade Information NCO.

Sergeant Maj. Nicolia commended the performance of all Marines, both in front of and behind the scenes.

Every Marine here, whether on the deck or behind the scenes is vital to maintaining this tradition for another parade season and for seasons yet to come.

Story by
Cpl. Valerie A. Stroschein

Corregidor falls to Japanese

Island's demise gives enemy control of Philippines

This is the second of a two-part series on the heroic defense of Corregidor during the Japanese seige of the Philippine Islands during the first five months of 1942. It is part of the continuing monthly commemoration by Pass in Review of Marine action 50 years ago this month during World War II.

With the surrender of 75,000 American and Filipino military forces on the Bataan Peninsula April 12, 1942, Japanese might concentrated on the Garrison at Corregidor. For nearly a month, weary forces which had been under heavy bombardment and artillery fire since December were subjected to even stronger barrages in preparation for a May 5 assault by Japanese forces.

Life for the men of the 4th Marine Regiment became a living hell as virtually every defense fortification became obliterated by the intense shelling. Virtually all defense guns were destroyed and many of the nearly 4,000 men defending the small island suffered from shell shock after five intense months of constant pounding. Nearly everyone suffered from malnutrition, malaria and other diseases, but

still they fought to the bitter end.

That end came 11 hours after the Japanese landing at 11 p.m. May 5, but not until a vicious, often hand-to-hand battle ensued in which Marines, soldiers, sailors and Philippine

Philippines, was in some ways a fate which had been sealed 20 years earlier.

In 1922 the United States signed the Washington Naval Treaty agreeing not to reinforce the Philippines and other islands in the Pacific more than they were at that point. At the time, Corregidor and three other islets in Manila Bay were armed to protect the Philippines from a sea-borne attack, not one from the Bataan Peninsula or other points in the bay.

Forts on smaller islets in Manila Bay — Fort Hughes on Caballo, Fort Frank on Carabao and Fort Drum on El Fraile Island — supplemented Corregidor with coastal defense guns of various sizes. Fort Drum, known as the “Concrete Battleship,” was an entire island covered with reinforced concrete and armed with four 14-inch guns in armored turrets (Fort Drum was able to provide firepower while taking 1,000 hits each day during the final assault on Corregidor).

Though heavily armed, these islands could only provide limited firepower to protect Corregidor from assault forces crossing from the Bataan Peninsula.

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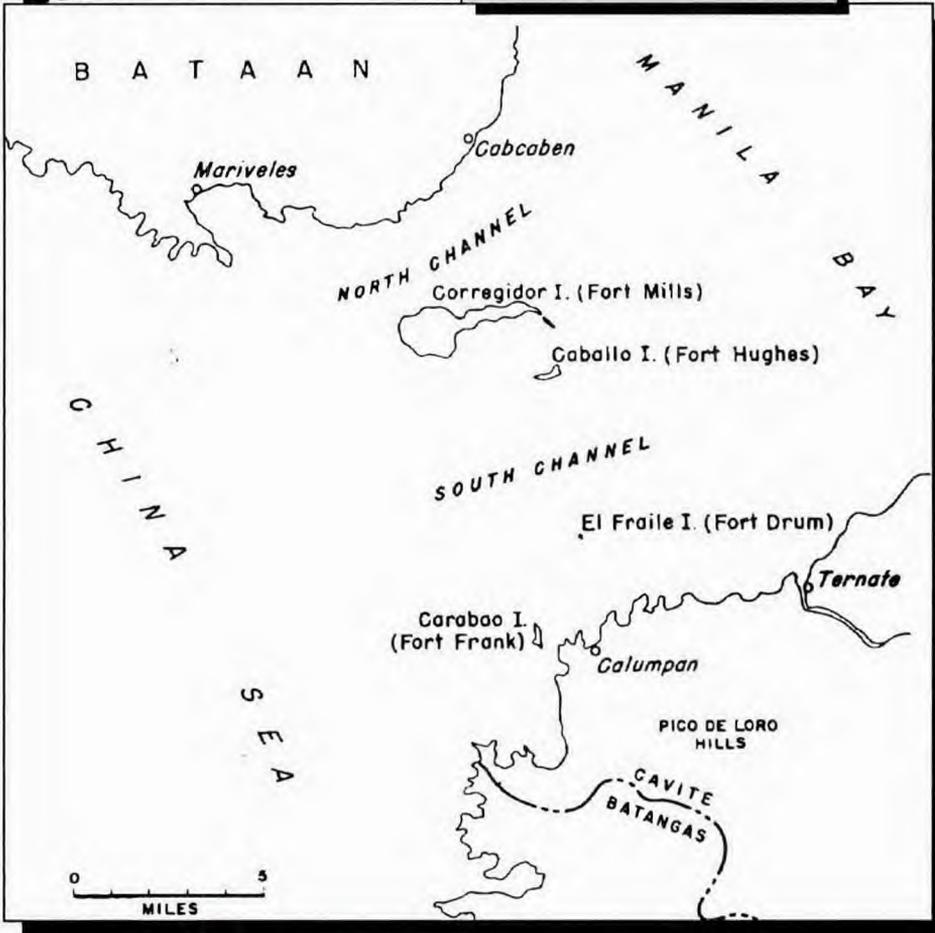
— A Marine defending Corregidor Island

forces bravely fought through the night against insurmountable odds. The surrender by U.S. Army LtGen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, Commander of United States Forces in the

PHILIPPINES

With most of this massive firepower directed toward the sea against an outdated threat of attack with ships, the isles' defenses weren't adequately prepared for invasion from the main

Located in the mouth of Manila Bay, Corregidor (see map below) controlled the shipping lanes to Manila. When Japanese forces overwhelmed the Americans and Filipinos defending the Bataan Peninsula and Corregidor, the Philippines were in their hands.



result, many had lost 20 pounds or more and were in a reduced state of combat readiness.

One Marine wrote: "For supper, we had a sort of stew which consisted mainly of rice and a couple of pieces of bread, and maybe a little jam," quotes Louis Morton in *The Fall of the Philippines*.

When the long-anticipated Japanese assault came, the weary forces fought through the night and into the morning, and in many cases, were successful in stopping the Japanese advance.

All beach defenses had been destroyed by the daily intense shelling and bombing of the island by 80 to 150 artillery

island (Luzon) or air attacks. When the Japanese actually assaulted the island, small arms and a couple of smaller guns which hadn't yet been knocked out by artillery attacks were all the Marines and other defenders on Corregidor had to fight with.

Of the 4,000 men attached to the 4th Marine Regiment

defending the island, fewer than 1,500 of them were Marines. The remainder were Army, Navy or Philippine service members. Companies were designated by letters all the way up to "T," and one Battalion had a Marine complement of six in its staff. All the defenders had been on half rations for five months, and as a

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batteries and bombers which flew overhead almost at will because anti-aircraft batteries on Corregidor had been knocked out. At one point the beach defenses consisted of more-than 20 miles of barbed wire, mines and tank traps. After the bombardment, though, machine guns and a pair of 75mm guns manned by Filipino forces were the only major weapons left on the island. The Japanese landing was successful, though the death toll in the first waves was estimated at 50 to 75 percent.

The defenders weren't going to give up their real estate without making the Japanese pay a price. Supporting fire from Forts Hughes and Drum "churned the channel between Bataan and Corregidor into a surging froth, whipped by shell fragments and explosions," states *Pearl Harbor to Guadalcanal; History of Marine Corps Operations in World War II*. Meanwhile, forces on the beaches riddled Japanese invaders with lead as they landed on the island.

"The boat had already sprung several leaks when we finally came within landing distance of Corregidor...If it had not been for the fact that it was the dark hour before the dawn, pitch black, I doubt if any of us would be alive today to tell the story," according to a Japanese

lieutenant's statement in *Pearl Harbor to Guadalcanal*.

The next morning General Wainwright surrendered his forces when Japanese tanks, against which Americans and Filipinos had no defense, threatened the more-than 1,000 wounded in Malinta Tunnel which housed the hospital.

The surrender was Wainwright's decision, but according to *Battles Lost and Won*, by Hanson W. Baldwin, Col. Samuel L. Howard, the Washington, D.C. native who commanded the 4th Marine Regiment, agreed with the decision.

Throughout the defense of the Philippines, support in America for the last struggling forces in the Pacific was strong

— particularly for those on Corregidor. The men who fought to defend the tiny outpost were heroes at a time when America was still struggling to get its war machine rolling.

"Words are so often ill used that even the best of them will sound stale in the commemoration of Corregidor. The history of our country is the nobler for this last stand. What Horatius at the Sublican bridge over the Tiber was to Rome, what Thermopylae was to Greece, so Corregidor — and that means Bataan as well — is to America," wrote an editor in the May 7, 1942 *Washington Post*.

Story by
Cpl. Thomas J. LaPointe

Bataan/Corregidor Epilogue...

NNS — Fifty years after the Bataan death march, 41 survivors were awarded Prisoner of War medals during an April 11 ceremony at Capas Tarlac, in the Philippines, ending a week-long celebration honoring Filipino and American World War II veterans.

Earlier in the week, Philippine President Corazon Aquino, along with Japan's Ambassador to the Philippines, Hirokazu Arai, and U. S. Ambassador to the Philippines, Frank G. Wisner participated in a wreath laying ceremony at Bataan's Mount Samat, where the Bataan death march began. The homage was to the more than 75,000 defenders who fought and died to keep invading Japanese forces from over-running the Bataan Peninsula and attacking U.S.-held Corregidor Island.

After the fall of Bataan in April 1942, some 10,000 prisoners of war died during a grueling 60-mile march, many at the hands of their guards.

Lateral moves diversify careers

Program offers hope for Marines in tight occupations

With Fiscal Year 1992 rapidly coming to a close, and FY-93 soon upon us, many first term Marines will try to reenlist or make lateral moves.

There are three primary steps in the lateral move process:

- The Marine must meet all the minimum Armed Forces Classification Test. The main four test scores used to determine MOS eligibility are the GT, MM, CL, EL.
- There must be an available school seat, or on-the-job-training opening.
- All interviews must be completed prior to submission of the request if one is required.

The biggest problem for most Marines attempting lateral moves is meeting test score requirements. With such high competition in the Marine Corps for a limited number of occupations, Marines must be able to compete on a more intellectual level.

If a Marine's test scores under 100, it is highly recommended he or she retake the AFCT (most commonly referred to as the ASVAB test). Most MOS's require a score in the 110+ range.

Cpl. Jermal L. Rogers, "A" Company, pictured with his company commander, Capt. Stephen R. Dinauer, reenlists for MSG duty. (Photo by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)

There are two ways to take the AFCT test: either at the Barracks or at Henderson Hall. To take the AFCT here all you have to do is set up an appointment with the Career Planner. To take the test at Henderson Hall, Marines must submit an Administrative Action form to be processed through both the S-3 and S-1 offices.

Whether a score goes up or down, Marines will have to wait six months before they can retake the AFCT.

The available school seats for FY-93 will be sparse, and the number of requests to fill them will be high. The Corps is in the middle of force reductions and will only be retaining the

highest-quality Marines. At this point in the year it is not known which MOS's will be open or which school seats or OJT spaces will be available. However, with proper planning, Marines' requests can be processed now for the future.

Some MOS's require interviews prior to submitting a lateral move request to HQMC. Marines in this situation should start working on interviews as soon as possible.

The bottom line is this: **PLAN.** Don't wait until the last minute to decide your future, because that luxury is no longer available to Marines

*By SSgt. Steve Smith
Barracks Career Planner*



Barracks Salutes

Awards

"A" Company

Navy Achievement Medal

Cpl. J.S. Adams

Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. J.S. Adams
Cpl. S.R. Dieckman
Cpl. G.M. Patton
Cpl. D. Rodriguez
LCpl. A. Jordan
LCpl. W.A. Wade

Certificate of Commendation

LCpl. L.D. Garms Jr.

Meritorious Mast

LCpl. L.D. Garms Jr.
LCpl. J.I. Hartung
LCpl. T.A. McKenney
LCpl. R.E. Stephens Jr.

Letter of Appreciation

Sgt. D.R. Keck
Cpl. M.R. Schroeder
LCpl. L.D. Garms Jr.
LCpl. J.I. Hartung

"B" Company

Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. R. R. Bacci

H&S Company

Navy Commendation Medal

Cpl. R.T. Tulanowski

Good Conduct Medal

Cpl. E.L. Pitt
Cpl. R.T. Stone
Cpl. T.N. Tolbert
LCpl. O. D. Franklin

Marine Corps Institute

Navy Achievement Medal

SSgt. J. J. Rudd

Security Company

Navy Achievement Medal

Cpl. J.R. Bell

Letter of Commendation

Cpl. C. Sullivan

Promotions

Capt. A. J. Vuillemont
GySgt. B. B. Widenhouse
Sgt. D. A. Arthurs
Sgt. D. L. Hayes
Sgt. M. A. Sullivan
Cpl. E. E. Benz
Cpl. R. T. Gaston
Cpl. D. W. Hyrkas
Cpl. B. M. Marx
Cpl. T. D. McDaniel
Cpl. T. L. McFadden
Cpl. M. A. Patton
Cpl. R. W. Strahl
LCpl. A. C. Blaine
LCpl. M. T. Boyd
LCpl. T. M. Brooks
LCpl. M. A. Carpenter
LCpl. J. F. Chance
LCpl. E. N. Chisolm III
LCpl. J. R. Crossen
LCpl. G. B. Garibay
LCpl. C. T. Gunlickson
LCpl. G. I. Harstad Jr.
LCpl. D. W. Hays
LCpl. C. M. Johnson
LCpl. W. S. Katschke
LCpl. D. A. Marshall
LCpl. M. J. McCauley
LCpl. P. V. Murphy
LCpl. S. L. Ring
LCpl. D. W. Scott
LCpl. J. C. Taylor
LCpl. T. E. Williams
LCpl. D. O. Williamson

Welcome Aboard

GySgt. W. V. Johnson
SSgt. M. E. Janiszewski
Sgt. R. M. Kuhn
Cpl. R. A. Sanchez
LCpl. R. Altamirano Jr.
LCpl. A. C. Blaine
LCpl. K. M. Cox
LCpl. G. J. Jasinskis
LCpl. W. A. McCall
LCpl. M. J. McCauley
LCpl. C. M. Pierce
LCpl. R. V. Pruitt
LCpl. M. S. Roberson
LCpl. M. D. Stanze
PFC C. G. Cannon
PFC D. J. Carlson
PFC K. J. Carvey
PFC C. K. Frazier
PFC M. T. Gikis
PFC S. M. Glennon
PFC A. R. Johnson
PFC T. J. Krywucki Jr.
PFC R. A. Workman

SCUTTLEBUTT

Birth: Amber Lynn was born to Capt. John D. Foldberg and his wife, Carrie, May 13. She weighed 8 lbs., 11 oz. at birth.



Congratulations to Cpl. Clay C. Draud (above left), Grounds Chief, from Ft. Thomas, Ky., for earning Barracks NCO of the (2nd) Quarter honors, and LCpl. Brian R. Sadowski, MCI Computer Programmer from Dearborn, Mich., for earning Marine of the Quarter. (Photos by LCpl. Joey D. Benford)

MWR Activities Line

"Your ticket to entertainment"

The Buddy Holly Story at the Kennedy Center through June 14. For ticket information, call the Kennedy Center at (202) 467-4600.

Crosby, Stills & Nash at the Wolf Trap on June 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in house and \$15 for lawn seats. For information call the Wolf Trap at (703) 255-1860.

The National Symphony Orchestra performs an all Gershwin Evening on June 18

at 8 p.m. and an all Tchaikovsky Evening on June 19, at 8 p.m. at the Wolf Trap. For more information call (703) 255-1860.

The Spirit of America performs June 11-14 at the Capital Centre. For more information, call (202) 475-0685.

For more information on any of these events, stop by MWR or call 433-2112.

HARRY WHO by SSgt. E.A. Temple Jr.



A Time to Plant

"For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted." Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

Springtime is planting season. There is hardly a place you can go where you don't see garden seed, shrubs for sale, or lawn care tools. Home gardens are being cultivated, weeded, and fertilized. The soil is being prepared to receive the seed which has been carefully selected and plans have been made with the harvest in mind. The quality of the outcome depends greatly upon the environment that the seed is placed in, and entirely upon the type of seed that is placed in that garden.

The life of a child is a cultivated field. The outcome of this young life may greatly



depend upon the quality of their environment. When a child grows up in a home with love and acceptance he or she gives love in return. When a child experiences the nourishment of encouragement and the warmth of joy and laughter, tremendous growth is certain.

The seeds which we plant in these young minds germinate slowly. Yet they will take root

and spring up to reflect the original source. Those planting the seed must take loving care to plant that which they want to see spring up in this life. Always being careful not to plant the weeds of anger, humiliation, and guilt. If weeds should sprout the gardener must be careful not to damage the roots of the desired plant. The will of the child must be shaped without breaking the spirit of the child.

The "worthy woman" described in Proverbs 31 is a parent described this way: "Strength and dignity are her clothing; And she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom; and the law of kindness is her tongue...her children rise up and call her blessed."

This is the time to plant, knowing that the good harvest will continue for generations to come.

Lt. Paul R. Deaton, CHC, USN

Worship Opportunities

NAVY YARD	Catholic Mass	9 a.m. Sundays
	Protestant Service	10:30 a.m. Sundays
NAVAL ANNEX FORT MYER	Catholic Mass	7:30 a.m. Daily
	Catholic Mass	5 p.m. Saturdays
<i>Old Post Chapel</i>		9:30 a.m. Sundays
	Protestant Services	12:30 p.m. Sundays
<i>Memorial Chapel</i>		10:30 a.m. Sundays
	Protestant Services	11:30 a.m. Sundays
		8:15 a.m. Sundays
		11 a.m. Sundays





