



## 1/3 Completes Training With 3-day Riot Exercise

by Sgt J.L. Midgette Jr.



AIMING IN - Private Donald Buckridge of 81mm Mortar Platoon, checks his mortar's sights during a training exercise at PTA. (photo by Sgt. E.G. Woods)

K-BAY - Confronting rock throwing mobs and receiving letter bombs in the mail cannot be called routine training, but for members of 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines, it was all in a day's work.

Last week, the unit, formed into a battalion landing team (BLT), (with support units attached), ended 30 days training at Pohakuloa Training Area, on the Big Island, with a three day civil disturbance/counter rebellion exercise.

The exercise began with a U. S. Consul General (played by Lieutenant Colonel D. R. Berg, executive officer, 3rd Marines) requesting U.S. Armed Forces assistance to protect U. S. citizens lives and property.

The BLT, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel L. R. Gaboury, arrived at the trouble area and sealed it off with barbed wire and roadblocks, which were manned by Headquarters and Service Company, Alpha, Bravo and Charlie Companies established areas of responsibility around the area.

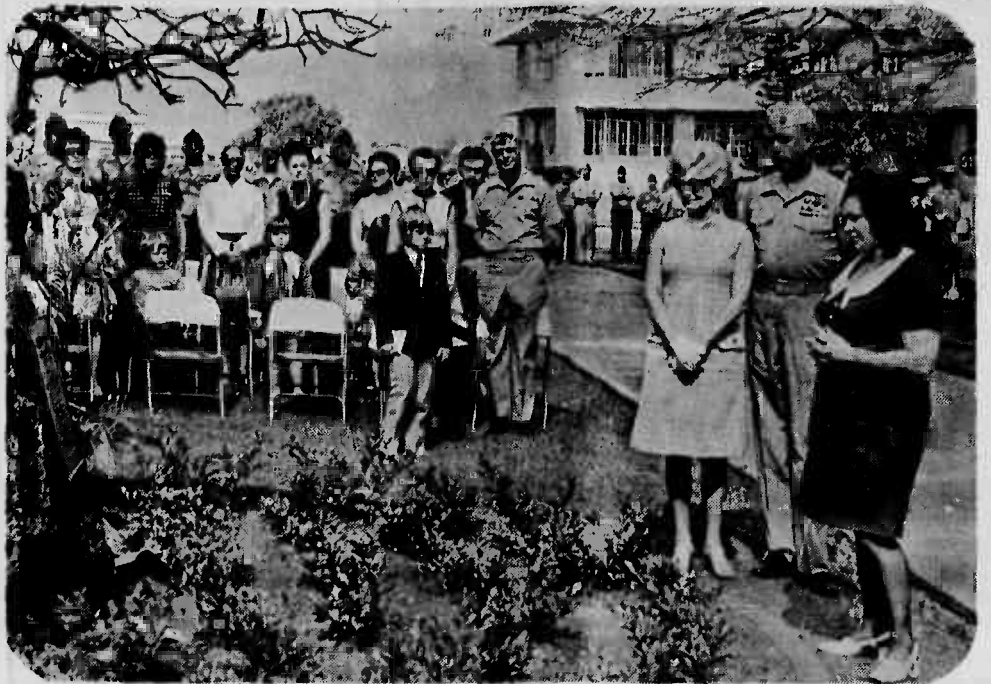
During the exercise, Marines of the BLT were harassed and threatened by a rebellious local populace (played by Marines of 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines). Simulated letter bombs, intended for LtCol. Gaboury, were intercepted in the mail.

An evacuation of U. S. citizens was accomplished on the second day, when the political situation worsened. On the third day, Alpha and Bravo Companies detached from the BLT and attacked the rebel's command post, wiping out organized opposition. A tactical withdrawal from the trouble area ended the exercise.

On Saturday, after all gear was packed for return to K-Bay, the BLT held a field meet. It included: pugil stick fighting, tug of war, three mile run, 10 mile force march and volleyball. Charlie Company won the meet, with Bravo Company placing second.

The BLT was ferried back to K-Bay by Air Force C-141 Starlifter air transports on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

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NEW NAME - Mrs. Jo Ann Smith (right), widow of Medal of Honor winner Major Stephen W. Pless, views the plaque which is part of a permanent display outside of Dining Facility One which was named Pless Hall. Looking on are Mrs. Nancy Pless, mother of Major Pless, and Brigadier General W.L. Smith, Commanding General, 1st Marine Brigade. (photo by Cpl. M. Lane)

## Dining Facility Named For Major S.W. Pless

K-BAY - A dining facility here was named Pless Hall in ceremonies at 10:30 a.m. yesterday.

Marine Major Stephen W. Pless (deceased) received the Medal of Honor for his part of a daring rescue of four American soldiers on August 19, 1967, while serving as a helicopter gunship pilot in the Republic of Vietnam.

Major Pless (then a captain) monitored an emergency radio message that stated the soldiers were stranded on a nearby beach and were being overwhelmed by a large Viet Cong force.

Seeing one of the wounded soldiers gesture for assistance, he maneuvered his helicopter into a position between the wounded men and the enemy, providing a shield which permitted his crew to retrieve the wounded.

While serving at Pensacola, Florida, Major Pless died in a motorcycle accident on July 20, 1969.

At the dedication ceremony were his widow, Mrs. Jo Ann Smith of Pensacola, Fla.; four children, Paul, Tina, Cynthia, and Stephen; and his mother, Mrs. Nancy Pless, of Washington, D.C.

At the dining hall, a permanent display will be established. It will include a large photograph of Major Pless and a copy of the citation he received when awarded the Medal of Honor. A bronze plaque will also be mounted in a stone monument near the entrance of the facility.



Major S.W. Pless

At the scene, he observed 30 to 50 enemy soldiers in the open. Some of the Viet Cong were bayoneting and beating the downed Americans. Major Pless displayed exceptional airmanship as he launched a devastating attack against the enemy, killing and wounding several and driving the remainder back into a treeline.

His rocket and machine gun attacks were made at such low levels that the aircraft flew through debris created by explosions from its rockets.

## Phantom Jet Still Missing

K-BAY - An F-4 phantom jet of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-235 was reported missing while on a training flight Tuesday afternoon.

The pilot is identified as First Lieutenant Harry F. Perkins, who is single and a native of Honolulu. The radar intercept officer is First Lieutenant Jerry L. Provost, who is married and resides in Kailua.

The aircraft was practicing an instrument approach to Maui airport when radio contact was lost with it at 2:20 p.m. An air search was immediately undertaken with Air Force, Coast Guard and Marine Corps aircraft participating.

At press time (Thursday afternoon) no trace of the aircraft was found.



WOUNDED - During civil disturbance training, a corpsman renders simulated first aid to a demonstrator at PTA. (photo by Sgt. E.G. Woods)

## Evening Workers Needed

OAHU - The Aloha Lounge at the Honolulu International Airport needs volunteer workers to assist in its operation. There is a particular need for an evening shift of either four or eight hours. Off-duty servicemen and women as well as qualified dependents can be volunteer workers and are urged to participate. Those interested may obtain more information by calling the USO Aloha Lounge director at 847-2551.

## MAG-24 Celebrated 31st Anniversary Yesterday

by LCpl. Bob McManus

K-BAY - Marine Aircraft Group-24 celebrated its 31st anniversary here yesterday, marking the end of an eventful year with prospects of continuing challenges for the most versatile aircraft group in the Marine Corps.

Spring of 1972 saw the deployment of two Group squadrons, Marine Fighter Attack Squadrons' 122 and 212. These combat-ready aviation units of the 1st Marine Brigade saw action in Southeast Asia during North Vietnam's major offensive in the South.

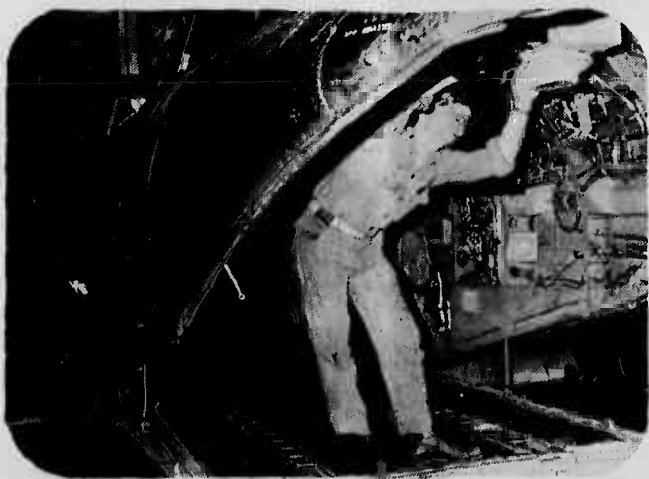
Last Month MAG-24 entered the age of the computer when it became the first of nine aircraft groups in the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific to receive a Universal Automatic Computer (UNIVAC) system.

The UNIVAC-1500 system, monitored by MAG-24's Management Information Services Office, is a general purpose computer housed in two 8' x 8' x 20' mobile van which can be transported by aircraft or truck and set up anywhere Marines are the first to go.

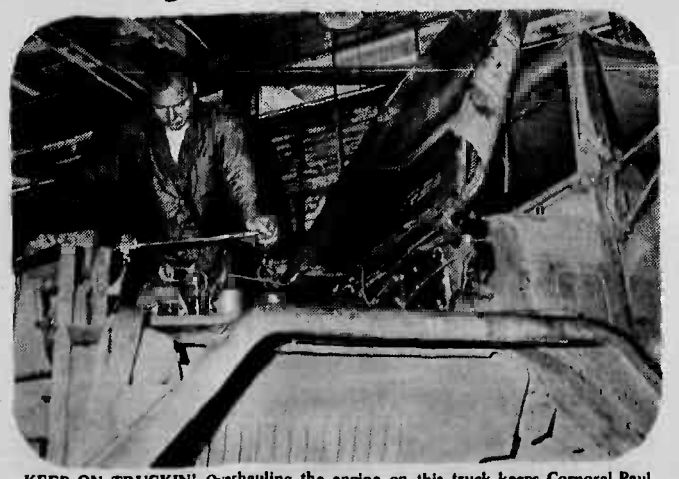
More recently, Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron (HMH)-463 has been undergoing training at Subic Bay, Philippines in preparation for mine-clearing operations in North Vietnamese waters.

This year added one more chapter to the impressive history of the Group.

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JUST ONE MORE BOLT AND... Corporal Scott Hackman of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron (HMMS)-262, tightens one last bolt, finishing a minor repair on a CH46-F chopper. (photo by Cpl. Mike Lane)



KEEP ON TRUCKIN' - Overhauling the engine on this truck keeps Corporal Paul Neal busy, but there's plenty more to do once that's finished. Cpl. Neal works in the Motor Transport Section of Marine Air Base Squadron (MABS)-24; he's part of the crew that keeps MABS trucking. (photo by Cpl. Mike Lane)

# Capsule Briefs and Bennies



**OPEN HOUSE** - Captain John Shinnick, a radar intercept officer with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-235, gives his son Greg an opportunity to try out the pilots seat on an F-4 Phantom during the unit's open house on Saturday (photo by Cpl. T.W. Olson)

## '235 Has Open House

K-BAY - Marines of VMFA-235 hosted their annual Open House Saturday at Hangar 103.

The aim of the show was to acquaint relatives and guests with the day-to-day operation and maintenance of a fighter squadron as well as to just have a good time. Capt. Al Thaut, assistant maintenance officer and project coordinator, organized the various displays to keep the spotlight on his star attraction, the versatile F4J Phantom.

In one portion of the hangar, 1st.Lt. Glenn Denkler, assisted by crew members, simulated an actual flight by demonstrating the operation of the landing gear, flight controls, arresting hook, refueling probe and the associated systems of the aircraft. Mounted on three 20-ton jacks, and powered by ground units, the F4J was put through its paces by Denkler who explained each step of the flight which never got more than four feet off the ground.

To show the offensive punch of the Phantom, Capt. O.B. Dean's Ordnance Section provided two static displays. One featuring an impressive array of bombs, rockets, 20mm cannon and flares for air to ground work while the other highlighted the Sparrow and Sidewinder air-to-air missiles which make the Phantom one of the Free World's most formidable interceptors.

S.Sgt. Calvin Guntherberg's Safety Equipment Shop provided a display of what the well-dressed aviator wears in a survival situation and how he makes that "nylon descent."

The open house was not completely education oriented; in fact, most of it was directed toward the kids. 1st.Lt. John L. Sullivan traded his NOMEX flight suit for an apron and scooped out scores of snow cones while 1st.Lts. Doug Tyler and Al Aitken added to the delight of the younger set with over 200 gas-filled balloons.

1st.Lt. Dan Mossman and 2nd.Lt. Phil Fellows were on hand with a camera to provide the youngsters an instant snap shot of themselves in the cockpit of Red Nose fighters as a memento.

There was also a sky diving and helicopter recovery demonstration, but, by far, the most popular event was the ride on a crash truck, complete with siren and display of modern fire-fighting techniques.

In short, the Maintenance Department of VMFA-235, headed by Major C. Helverling, provided a thoroughly entertaining experience for the dependents and guests of the squadron. It gave the Marines and their families just that much more pride in being able to call themselves "Death Angels."

### UNIFORM PRIVILEGES AMPLIFIED

CHNAVPERs has announced that the option for first class petty officers to wear the new dress blue uniform also includes authorization to wear all other items of the new uniform package. This means the combination cap and white cap cover will be worn with the tropical white long uniform and with the winter working blue uniform. In all cases the silver belt buckle and black shoes will be worn.

### '74 SELECTION BOARD

The Line Selection Board (of Fiscal Year 1974) to recommend officers in the grade of captain on active duty for promotion to the grade of rear admiral is now scheduled to convene on March 13. For reference, see BT UNCLASS, NO. 1421.

### MAJOR GENERAL PROMOTIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The president has approved the following named officers of the Marine Corps for temporary promotion to the grade of major general. They are: Kenneth J. Houghton, Frank C. Lang, Robert D. Bohn, Edward J. Miller, James R. Jones, Charles D. Mize and Norman W. Gourley.

### DEATH PAYMENTS UP

WASHINGTON, D.C. Beneficiaries of life insurance policyholders throughout the nation received \$7.9 billion in death payments during 1972, according to year-end estimates by the Institute of Life Insurance. These payments were

about \$452 million, or 6 per cent higher than 1971.

The increase mainly reflects the nation's rising level of life insurance protection and the growing number of Americans covered.

### "WONDER CEMENT"

WASHINGTON, D.C. - At many Veterans Administration hospitals, veterans are getting new hip and knee joints with the new "wonder cement" methylmethacrylate, which bonds to bone with tremendous strength.

At the Livermore, Calif., VA hospital, for example, three of the operations have been done, all with promising results.

The artificial knee joint being used permits the full movement of a natural knee, in contrast to older methods which allowed only forward and backward movement.

Dr. Lillian Rachlin, chief of surgical service at the Livermore hospital, said the operation is being used for patients with disabling arthritis of the knee joint.

She said these patients are walking on their own or with the aid of a cane in about two weeks after the surgery.

### CHAMPUS BENNIES

WASHINGTON, D.C. CHAMPUS benefits under the Basic Program are not available when the required services constitute domiciliary or custodial care. Domiciliary or custodial care is defined as that type of care designed essentially to assist the individual in

meeting his activities of daily living. These include services which constitute personal care such as help in walking and getting in or out of bed, assistance in bathing, dressing, feeding, preparation of special diets, and supervision over medication which can usually be self-administered and which does not entail or require the continuing attention of trained medical or paramedical personnel.

### COMPUTER M.D.

WASHINGTON, D.C. - A computer system that gives a physician the benefit of years of clinical experience has been developed by the

Veterans Administration and Yale University in a program at VA's West Haven, Conn., hospital.

The system permits a doctor to carry on a "conversation" with the computer about a specific patient. The computer quickly responds with all the accumulated data on similar cases and indicates the probabilities with regard to the patient being "discussed."

The doctor guides the computer by giving it commands; the system acts merely as an efficient electronic tool for rapidly examining and sorting the information.



**S-4 CHIEF RETIRES** - Col Kenneth S. Foley, Camp Smith Commander, (left) presents the Camp S-4 NCOIC, MSgt Emmett Phillips, with the "Top's" orders to be transferred to FMCR. Looking on is Emmett's wife, Reni. The Top plans to retire in Atlanta, Ga., after completing close to 20 years of service in the Marine Corps.

## Chaplain's Column

# Justice with Charity

by Chaplain P. J. Ferreri

In rebuilding a sound religious and moral foundation for America, a special difficulty arises from the varied racial and national origins, there will undoubtedly always be tensions and some misunderstandings. But these differences will not constitute insurmountable barriers to national peace and cooperation if we are faithful to the moral principles which are the foundation of our traditions, particularly if we complement justice with charity. This is true of the racial issues which continues to rise and plague our country; it is true of other issues which divide us.

Our moral responsibility, however, transcends the limited circle of our individual lives and confining borders of our country. Our interests and our obligations are world-wide - indeed our horizons are no longer confined to this earth: they have been projected into the uncharted seas of space.

In its earlier years, our nation, young in its freedom and confident in the nobility of its democratic ideals, stood as an inspiration to all those who suffered in bondage and hoped for freedom. Country after country, encouraged by the success of our endeavors, threw off their shackles and asserted their independence. Millions flocked to our shores as to the haven of freedom and hope.



## Club Jottings

### CAMP SMITH CLUB

FRIDAY: The Snack Bar is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and the Bar from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. The Sugar n' Spice entertain from 8 p.m. to midnight.

SATURDAY: The Snack Bar is open from noon to 10 p.m. and the Bar from noon to midnight.

SUNDAY THRU WEDNESDAY: The Snack Bar is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and the Bar from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

THURSDAY: The Snack Bar is open from 8 a.m. to 1 a.m. and the Bar from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Salt and Pepper entertain from 8 p.m. to midnight.

### STAFF CLUB

FRIDAY: Friday Night First! Buffet for the whole family. Come on out from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. for Happy Hour.

SATURDAY: The Fantastic Rick & Sandy are returning here for another terrific show. Buffet from 6 to 9 p.m.

SUNDAY: Buffet today. Please support the buffet or we will be forced to discontinue them.

MONDAY: Happy Hour at the Bar. SNCO Wives business meeting at 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY: Game Night. Come on out you may be lucky.

WEDNESDAY: Ladies night, all drinks half-price. Come on down and dance to the jukebox. We'll play the music. Noon, Go-Girl today.

THURSDAY: Just resting today, but have you tried some of our new cook's delicious meals?

### K-BAY

FRIDAY: Happy Hour on the Lanai from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Come try our Friday night menu - New York Steak, Shish-Ke-Bab or Mahi Mahi from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The Variety Etima will be on stage from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

SATURDAY: Come in and try our gourmet food prepared by our Chef from 7 to 9 p.m. Reservations please.

SUNDAY: Brunch is served from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and it is excellent! Then from 6 to 9 p.m. the ever popular Crabley and Steak Buffet is served.

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY: Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. with hot sandwiches, salad plates and a Special of the Day.

WEDNESDAY: Pizza Night on the Lanai.

THURSDAY: Bring the family for Pot Luck Dinner from 6 to 8 p.m. All you can eat: adults, \$2.25; teens, \$1.75; and children under 12, \$1.00. Reservations please.

## Liberty Transportation Changes

CAMP SMITH - The liberty bus run from Camp Smith to Fort DeRussy will be discontinued starting March 12. However, the City of Honolulu now provides bus transportation from Nimitz Gate at Pearl Harbor to Fort DeRussy and a bus will leave from the Post Office ramp in the rear of the main building going to and from Nimitz Gate. A schedule of runs will be posted at the Post Office Ramp.

The cost of the bus tickets to the Manana Housing Area has been raised to 30 cents round trip due to the rising cost of maintenance and operations.

Tickets may be purchased at the Provost Marshal's Office, building 19. Lack of participation in this service may lead to the discontinuation of this service also.

## at the flicks

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## Idea Earns Cash Award

K-BAY - A \$50 incentive award was presented to Staff Sergeant Larry G. Buchanan, of Headquarters and Service Squadron-24, for modification suggestion on the memory core wiring of a printed circuit for the F-4 phantom aircraft.

His suggestion has been forwarded to the Commandant of the Marine Corps via Commanding General Fleet Marine Force Pacific, for further consideration. If his idea is accepted an additional cash award will be presented.

A cash prize could be yours if you have an idea such as: eliminating excess material; combining operations; improving safety, office procedure, field operations, equipment or morale;

## Have You Seen This Painting?

K-BAY - The CEC/Seabee Museum at Port Hueneme, Calif., is trying to locate a painting presented to the Station in 1943 by a Seabee attached to the 56th NCB.

The painting depicts a Seabee stepping over islands and carrying a transit under one arm and a crane under the other arm. This painting was apparently hung at some facility on the Station and is, presumably, still here. The museum is developing a "Seabee Art Gallery" and would like to correspond with the custodian of the painting for its release to the museum.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts or who have any information concerning this painting is urged to write LCDR. Hark Ketels, CEC, USN, (Ret.), Director, Naval Construction Battalion Center, Port Hueneme, Calif. 93041.



SSgt. Larry G. Buchanan

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# Uppers • Downers • The Beginning of a Drug Merry-Go-Round

This is the second in a series of articles on drugs and their legal aspects written by Captain T. O. Tottenham who is assigned to the office of the Staff Judge Advocate, MCB, Quantico, Va.

**OAHU** — The second major classification of drugs which is currently being abused are the depressants. The depressants belong to a large family of drugs manufactured medically to relax the central nervous system. Of these, the best known are the barbiturates. Medically, barbiturates are perhaps the most versatile of all drugs. They have been used successfully for epilepsy, high blood pressure, insomnia and in the treatment and diagnosis of mental disorders. Chronic misuse of barbiturates is accompanied by the development of tolerance and both psychological and physical dependence. Physical dependence appears to develop only with continued use of doses much greater than those customarily used in the practice of medicine. Withdrawal from barbiturates can be a more dangerous process than withdrawal from the opiates. Delirium or convulsions are sometimes encountered.

## INTOXICATION

Dependence is not the sole risk attributable to

barbiturates. An intoxication much like alcohol intoxication can occur. Accidental overdose may also lead to death because earlier doses may cause a state of confusion or drowsiness during which additional doses are unwittingly taken. This problem is made more acute when the use of barbiturates is accompanied by the use of alcohol. The results may then be by accidental overdose which sedates the brain so severely that the centers controlling respiration and heartbeat stop functioning, and death results.

## THE TRANQUILIZERS

The third major classification of drugs is the tranquilizers. Two major groups of tranquilizers exist: the "major tranquilizers" and the "minor tranquilizers." Medically, the major tranquilizers include primarily the phenothiazine and reserpine-type drugs. These drugs are used primarily for their anti-psychotic activity and their abuse is practically non-existent. The second major group of tranquilizers is widely used in the treatment of emotional disorders characterized by anxiety and tension, and as muscle relaxants. The minor tranquilizers are the most abused drugs of the tranquilizer classification. Abuse of these drugs may

result in the development of psychological and/or physical dependence. Symptoms during misuse and following abrupt withdrawal closely resemble those observed with barbiturates. To date, however, abuse of tranquilizers has been infrequent and has not become a "street problem."

## THE STIMULANTS

The fourth major classification of drugs are the stimulants. This group includes drugs that directly stimulate the central nervous system. Cocaine and amphetamines are the two major drugs found in this broad class. Cocaine hydrochloride was first prepared in 1884 from the leaves of a bush, Erythroxylon coca, of Brazilian origin. Medically, cocaine was once employed as a local anesthetic. However, today newer, less toxic drugs have replaced it in the medical world. The abuse of cocaine is precipitated by its stimulating effect which results in excitability, talkativeness, and a reduction in the feeling of fatigue. Cocaine abuse does not produce physical dependence. Tolerance does not develop and abusers seldom increase their customary use. While it may produce no withdrawal symptoms, its continued use causes

mental deterioration, digestive disorders, nausea, emaciation, sleeplessness, and tremors (as does the prolonged, excessive use of alcohol, a drug not discussed here). Strong psychological dependence does exist, and a desire to re-experience the intense stimulation that cocaine produces leads to its chronic misuse (again, applicable to alcohol), though it is medically classified as a depressant).

## AMPHETAMINES

Amphetamines, first produced in the 1920's for medical use, are central nervous system stimulants and are best known for their ability to combat fatigue and sleepiness. Medically, amphetamines are prescribed for narcolepsy (overwhelming attacks of sleep), depression, and to control weight and

fatigue. The chronic abuse of amphetamines does not produce physical dependence, and there is no characteristic abstinence syndrome upon abrupt discontinuance of use. However, psychological dependence is common and is an important factor in the continuance of and relapse to amphetamine abuse.



"HOW WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR STEAK" could be what Noroyama Kazo, manager of Manno's Japanese Steak House is relating to Sgt. Toby L. Hawkins. He received a free dinner at Manno's as part of his reward for being selected as Pearl Harbor, Marine Barracks' "Marine of the Month." He also received a weekend stay at the Holiday Inn on Nimitz Highway near the airport. Hawkins is a member of the Wahiawa/Kunua Marine Guard Detachment.

## Interested in a New Job?

**K-BAY** - The Personnel Office here on many occasions is tasked with identifying personnel with special talent/skills for assignment to a specific job requiring a special background or skill. For example, a sergeant or below, who is a licensed radio operator, may be considered for assignment to the Mars Radio Station, or a corporal who is a qualified swimmer may be needed for the Station swimming pool or Fort Hase beach.

The problem is finding individuals to meet the qualifications. The Service Record Books contain a wealth of information, but they don't

begin to describe a man's varied skills, hobbies or interests.

In view of this, the Personnel Office has initiated a new program of voluntary registration of skills talents by the individual Marine. All station personnel including those attached under Fleet Personnel Assistance Program (FAP) are eligible. Registration is voluntary and can be accomplished at the individual's convenience. Stop by the Personnel Office at the bottom deck of Bldg. 279 and fill out a registration card. Who knows? It may get you a reassignment and a new job!

## Correspondence Courses

**K-BAY** — An ancient rule of the marketplace is "caveat emptor"—buyer beware. Enrolling in a commercial correspondence course is buying instruction or training in a particular subject or skill—and never should the buyer be so aware as when he is contemplating this type of education.

Correspondence courses are long-established, recognized and important form of education. Many colleges and universities conduct successful extension courses through correspondence. In the Armed Forces, many Service schools have correspondence programs and some Services have extension or correspondence institutes to help service personnel advance their military training. The U.S. Armed Forces Institute (USAFI) has provided opportunities to hundreds of thousands of servicemen and women since World War II by offering correspondence courses in a wide range of academic subjects at a nominal fee.

## COMMERCIAL COURSES

However, there are also a wide variety of correspondence courses available from private, commercial correspondence firms, and a large number of service personnel select these commercial courses without sufficient investigation or counseling. In doing so, these students or potential students often lose out—not only in money and time expended but in

further educational benefits no longer available to them through the VA.

## DROPOUTS ENORMOUS

Many persons who have studied or received training through commercial correspondence courses have succeeded in achieving their goals. But many more are likely to drop out after taking a few lessons. Among service personnel the percentage of dropouts is 75 per cent on the average.

## UNDER GI BILL

In addition, service personnel who have signed up under the GI Bill, and drop out, also lose a valuable and often substantial part of their education benefits. The service member's number of months of education entitlement is reduced; and, whether the course is completed or not, it is considered a program objective. The serviceman is then permitted only one change of program without VA counseling. Any additional change will require VA counseling.

## DoD's ENDORSEMENT

The Department of Defense does not endorse any company, product, or service. This includes correspondence courses and commercial enterprises. Before enrolling in a correspondence course you should be aware of: (1) The financial responsibility you assume by contracting for commercial courses; (2) If VA benefits are to be used, the impact of their commitment on your entitlement; (3) The

availability of alternate training and educational opportunities; (4) The new requirement to consult with an education officer before enrolling in a course for which you expect to receive VA benefits.

## STEPS TO FOLLOW

In deciding on whether to take a commercial correspondence course, you should:

**Consult your education officer.**

This should be your first and first stop. It is essential that you get reliable information and experienced guidance and assistance in selecting a correspondence school. The Education Officer may provide aptitude testing to help you decide if the course is appropriate for you. He can check the school's accreditation. He can give reliable educational advice.

**Consider other options.** Is correspondence study the best way to achieve the goal? For many, it is not.

**Resist advertising and sales pressure.** Beware of the high pressure salesman who claim to be "career" or "guidance" counselors. Salesman or field representatives are merely salesmen, and most of them are employed on a commission basis. Beware of advertisements, especially claims like, "Graduates earn top income to start," "Anyone regardless of educational background, experience or ability can succeed in the field," etc.

**Make general inquiries.** Schools, courses, fees and refund policies

should be compared before choosing the school or course that best fits your educational objectives. Here, too, the education officer can help.

**Ask for references.** Ask the school or salesman for a list of several students, preferably in the area, who have completed the course. Pick out a few of these students and obtain their opinion about the school, its courses and the services rendered to the student. If possible, consult with employers who hire people in the trade to obtain their opinions about different schools and their graduates.

**Check the Contract.** A contract or enrollment agreement should be signed only after the school has been carefully investigated by the student and the contract has been thoroughly reviewed. The education officer and legal assistance officer are available to assist in these areas. In addition, the new GI Bill amendments provide that the contract for training must fully disclose the obligations of the training institution and prominently display the provisions for affiliation, termination, refunds and the conditions for VA payments. In addition, a 10-day "cooling-off" period is required. The contract then becomes effective only if the student affirms in writing to the school and to the VA. If the contract is not affirmed, the student is entitled to full refund from the school.

# Food Services Keeps Them Eating

by SSgt William N. Goff, Jr.

**K-BAY** — Everyone has to eat and Marines are no exception.

For that reason, Food Services has been and will always be a part of the Marine Corps scene. Here there are two dining facilities—Anderson Hall and Pless Hall. Both prepare the subsistence needed by Marines to carry out their missions. Everyone from the "grunt" to the "pencil-pusher" eats in

the dining facilities when in garrison and is involved with the dining facilities, even when he isn't in garrison.

The dining facilities serve three main meals each weekday (breakfast, 6-7:15 a.m.; dinner, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; and supper, 4:30-5:45 p.m.). On the weekends and holidays there are two main meals (brunch, 7-11 a.m.

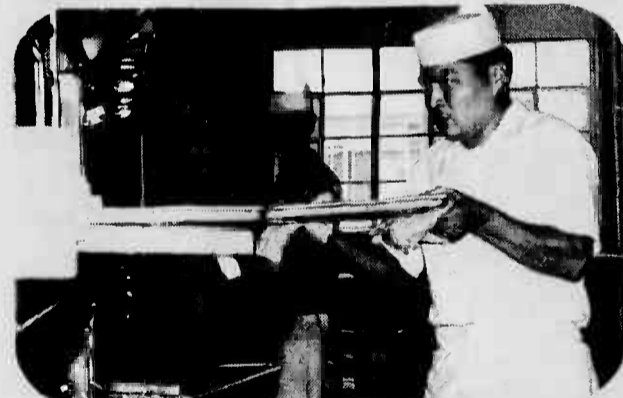
and dinner, 3-5 p.m.). Now, add to this the early supper period on the weekdays (3:30-3:45 p.m.), and the midnight meals every evening from 11 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. for watchstanders, and one has a full day of food service. But that isn't all. The snack bar is open from 6 to 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the weekdays, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekends and

holidays. Then include the sack lunches, prepared meals for the Correctional Custody Facility, field subsistence and picnics and one might understand why it doesn't taste like Mama's home cooking. Of course Mama didn't have to prepare 1,500 rations a day either (which will feed approximately 2,400 Marines daily).

Even though it isn't home, Captain R.E. Stewart, food services director, said they are doing things to make eating in the dining facilities more pleasant. "We're featuring foods from every part of the world. We're also trying to get carpeting, air conditioning, soft ice cream machines and pizza ovens. We have a steak fry every other weekend and enlisted dependents are authorized to eat in Pless Hall every Sunday evening," he said.

How does the dining facility managers find out if the projects are working? "We run semi-annual customer evaluation surveys," said Capt. Stewart. "The most recent indicated that there is an overall satisfaction with the operation." Another way they decide how things are going is the suggestion boxes placed in the messes. "If the Marines have any complaints, we want to know about them," he continued.

Food Services wouldn't be Food Services without the people that make it work. There are 69 cooks and bakers rated for both messes, as well as one Messman for every 25 rations fed. These Messmen are not permanent personnel, but are on duty in the messes for a month at a time. They assist in preparing food, do the cleaning and mopping, bus tables and wash dishes. Some Marine Corps dining facilities are hiring civilians to take the place of the messmen, but K-Bay still has the military man doing the "messy" jobs.



**TENDING OVENS** — Cpl. A.H. Charley, a cook in Dining Facility One, (front) and LCpl J.L. Hawkins, HMM-262 messman, tend to the oven as chow is being prepared. It takes a lot of food cooked in a lot of ovens to prepare 1,500 rations each day.



**DISHING IT UP** — LCpl R.E. Jacobs, a cook in Dining Facility One, serves hamburgers and cheeseburgers to the troops using the Snack Line. The dining facility instituted the Snack Line for those Marines who didn't want a full meal.



**KEEPING THE LINE STOCKED** — Sgt. E. Van Onstrand (left), vegetable preparation NCO, dishes out the jello at Dining Facility One. LCpl Ron Belasco (right), PSB maintenance messman, restocks the line during chow at Anderson Hall. It is important that the lines stay well-stocked to expedite the serving of almost 4,000 Marines eating in the dining facilities here daily.

# Eight Marine Runners Schedule 26-Mile 'Jog'

by Cpl Bill Harraman

CAMP SMITH — Eight Marines, six from Camp Smith and two from K-Bay, placed in their divisions in last Sunday's Tantalus Mountain Run.

In the Joggers Division of the grueling 10.3 mile event, 5.4 miles up and 4.9 miles down, Captain Tom Miller, CO of HqCo, 11&S Bn, was first with a time of 1:04:21; GySgt. Gerry McGath, K-Bay, was second at 1:06:07 and Sgt. Larry Sebert, HqCo, was third at 1:13:50. They were

followed by GySgt. Paul Everest, Camp Smith Legal, sixth; Cpl. Gary Bogan, Camp Smith Security, seventh; and Sgt. Kim Morgan, FMFPac HAD, ninth. Their times were 1:15:49, 1:16:05, and 1:19:17 respectively.

In the Age 40 and Over Division, MSgt. Carlos Mora, K-Bay, came in first at 1:04:25 followed by Maj. Hal Jensen, FMFPac HAD, in fourth place with a time of 1:13:13.

The Hawaii Marines will send

approximately 15 Marines to the Oahu Marathon Sunday at Kapiolani Park. This is a 26-mile event that will go from Kapiolani Park to Hawaii Kai and back. The outcome of this race will determine which runners will represent the Hawaii Marines at a run in Maui April 8. In order to be eligible for the Maui run, the Marines' time must be under four hours.

The runners will leave Kapiolani Park at 7 a.m. Anyone interested in watching the race should make plans to be there at that time. Your support would be appreciated by the participants.

## One Team Signs Up

CAMP SMITH — As of press time, only one team has submitted a roster for the forthcoming intramural softball season scheduled to get underway April 16, but spring training has arrived here.

Friday night, the Staff Over the Hill Gang held their first training session at Bordelon Field.

Monday night, the action again was at Bordelon Field and the Staff Gang were trying to work out or "sweat out" the long lay-off after finishing last season somewhat out of the picture.

CINCPAC Commanders captured the 1972 Intramural Season when they beat the Grunts in a playoff game, 5-2. Both teams finished the regular season with records of 11 wins against one loss.

Neither the Commanders or Grunts have submitted a roster to Camp Special Services for this season but the deadline for submission is still over a month away.

The first reports from the Staff training camp indicate that pitchers are no problem but the other eight positions are up for grabs. Harold Grimes and Mitch Kowalski will be on the mound for the Staffs.

Returning from last season will be hard-hitting A.J. Chauvin, Warren Downs, Mike "Steamer" Stanley, Ernie Yanssens and Bob Carlton. Coaching and managing duties for the Staff Gang will be handled by A.J. Chauvin. Homer McKinney will take over the duties as trainer/medic.

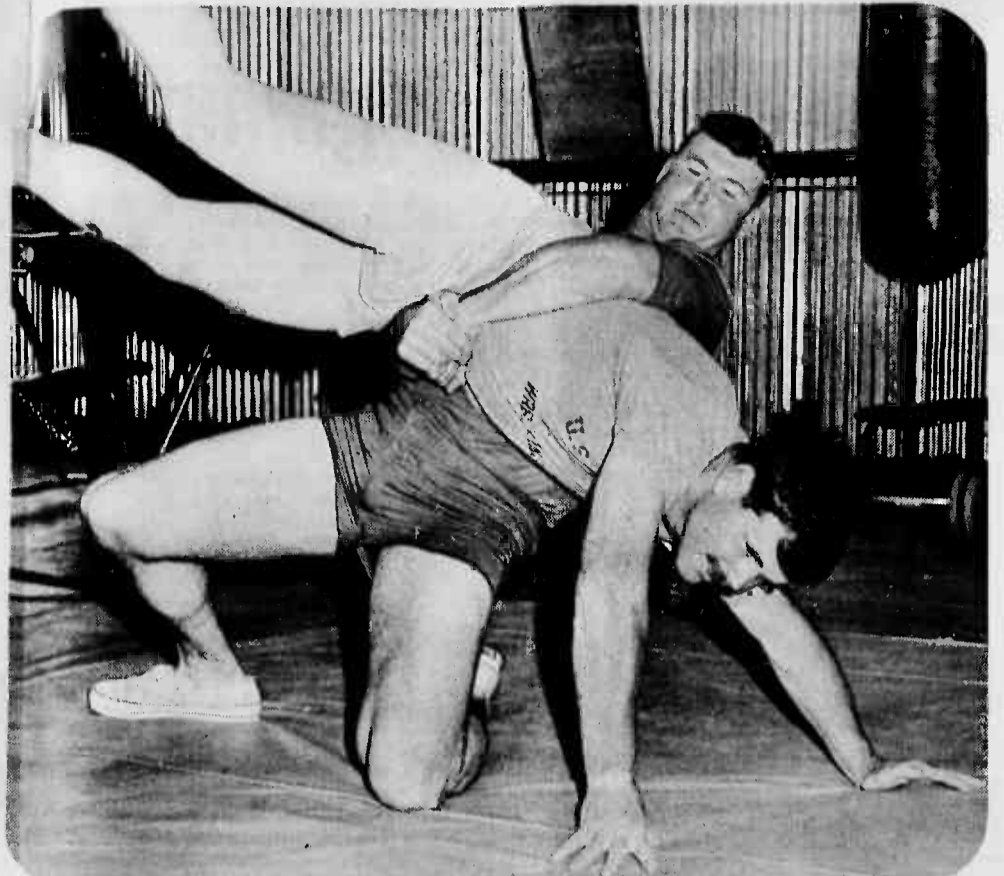
The only team that has submitted a roster is the "Green Machine" or Battalion/Camp players. The team is under the direction of Fred Lash of little league fame.

"We have every position filled but we are two players shy and I'm hoping to find two more pitchers," stated the Green Machine's coach.

On the mound for the Green Machine will be Juan Moreno and Paul Everest. Juan pitched for Guard last season. Paul is a runner, however, his pitching ability is unknown at this time.

When Coach Lash was asked about his pitching, he replied, "We hope that when the final scores are tallied, we will have more runs than our opponents. I know that we are going to give up a few runs but the name of the game is fun and enjoyment."

Remember, all military personnel attached to Camp Smith are eligible to participate in this program. Teams will be limited to 15 players and all team rosters must be submitted to Camp Special Services Athletic NCO no later than April 4.



GETTING BACK INTO STYLE — Mike Lynch, "E" Co., 2/3, tries to pin Charles Constance, "C" Co., 1/3 in one of their practice matches at the K-Bay mini-gym. Both men have been picked to compete in the All-Marine Wrestling try-outs at Quantico, Va. Richard Lepley, Maint. Co., PSB was also selected for the try-outs. (photo by Cpl Mike Lane)

## Eight Marines Picked to Wrestle In All-Marine Tourney Try-Outs

OAHU — A total of eight Marines in the Pacific area have been chosen to participate in the All-Marine Wrestling try-outs at Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Va. The try-outs began yesterday and will continue up to March 30.

Three Marines that were selected from K-Bay are 1st Lieutenant R.C. Lepley, Maintenance Company, Provisional Service Battalion; Sergeant M. Lynch, Company "E," 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines and Sergeant C.L. Constance, Company "C," 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines.

1st Lt. Lepley is a newcomer to the try-outs weighing in at 148 pounds. Sgt. Lynch weighing 255 pounds has been to the All-Marine try-outs for the past two years. Unfortunately, last year he suffered a broken wrist which kept him from making the team. An injury the preceding year also kept him out. Sgt. Constance, 220 pounds, has participated for the past three years. He has made the All-Marine Team every year winning the AAU Championship last year in his weight class.

The other five Marines selected for the try-outs are: Sergeant R.M. Stewart, Company "C," Marine Support Battalion, Guam; Corporal J.B. Borja, Marine Air Group-36, Marine Corps Air Station Futema, Okinawa; Corporal S.J. Johnson, Lance Corporal B. Blackmon, and Lance Corporal R.O. Ciccone of 1st Marine Air Wing, Iwakuni, Japan.

At the conclusion of the All-Marine Wrestling trials, an All-Marine Corps Team will be organized by the Marine Corps Development and Education Command, MCB Quantico, Va. The team will consist of a maximum of four wrestlers (two free style and two Greco-Roman) in each weight class. The total team cannot exceed 20

Based on their performance in the All-Marine trials and the inter-service championship, personnel may be selected by the Commandant of the Marine Corps in the National AAU Championship in either free-style or Greco-Roman, or both.

## SPORTS



As I See It



LEAN AND MEAN — The FMFPac Regional Boxing Team has stopped in Hawaii while enroute to the All Marine Boxing Championships that are to be held March 19 through 23 at Camp Lejeune, N.C. While here the team will compete in the Hawaii State Golden Glove matches that are scheduled for Monday at 6:30 and Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the HIC. Tickets will sell for half price to military personnel showing their ID card. The team is from left to right (front row) Capt Rachal, OIC of the team; PFC D. Price, PFC Hogan, PFC Falcon, LCpl Owens and Maj Waters, an F/Special Services Officer. (Second row) Sgt Harris, PFC D. Sanchez, PFC J. Sanchez and PFC Provo. (Back row) Sgt Price, Trainer; Sgt Stankowski, LCpl Johns, Manager; LCpl Price and SSgt Carter, Coach. (photo by MSgt Jim Fraley)

## Pearl Challenges H&MS-24 For Island Championship

K-BAY — Sports enthusiasts who read the Feb. 23 issue of the Hawaii Marine know of the great injustice done to Pearl Harbor. But in case you missed it, here it is again.

H&MS-24 was named the intramural basketball "Island Champions" after their last game, defeating Camp Smith. Pearl Harbor never got a shot at the championship and have challenged H&MS-24 for

their newly held title. H&MS-24 accepted and now the ball is bouncing once again.

It will be a two out of three game contest. The first two games will be played here at K-Bay and the third at Pearl Harbor if it ends up in a one way tie. The games are scheduled to go in Hangar 103, March 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Good luck to both teams and the winner of this match should be undisputedly the "Island Champions."

## Volleyball Team Splits Matches

CAMP SMITH — The Hawaii Marine Volleyball team split two league matches Thursday, Feb. 22, at Barbers Point. After losing the first match to the Central YMCA, the Marines squeezed by Navy 13-15, 15-13 and 16-14 behind the hard hitting of Fano Ropati (Hq Battery, 2/12).

Then last Friday and Saturday the Marines finished fifth out of 15 teams in the Central YMCA Annual Invitational Tournament won by the University of Hawaii.

The Leathernecks are in second place in the Hawaii "B" League with a 6-2 record and are 12-4 overall for the season.

## Marine's Son Makes All-Stars

CAMP SMITH — Solomon Brockington III, son of GySgt Solomon Brockington Jr., was the only junior selected to the first team for the Honolulu Advertiser's All-Star Basketball Team of the Oahu Interscholastic Association West.

Sol is a junior attending Radford High School and heads the All-Star team. He was credited with being the mainstay behind the Radford team which captured the High School Division Championship.

Sol's main goal is to become a professional basketball player and has been contacted by the Air Force Academy and University of Hawaii. His father will be leaving the Island this year but his son will remain here to complete his basketball season.

Sol was named the outstanding player of the division, after edging Rick Wagner out in a close race. He was considered the sparkplug of the Radford team and turned the tide for them in many of their games, leaving their final win-loss record at 15-1.

Sol's father works at the Copy Service Center at Camp Smith.

## K-Bay Golf Standings

TEAM	W	L	T
VMFA-212	7	0	0
SOMS	6	1	0
MCAS 1	4	1	1
MCAS 2	4	2	0
HQ. CO. BDE.	3	2	1
FMFA-235	3	2	1
RADIO BDE.	3	2	1
MABS-24	3	3	1
HQ. CO. 3rd MAR.	3	4	0
H&MS-24	2	4	0
2/3	1	3	1
MACS-2	1	3	2
COMM. SUP.	1	4	0
1/12	1	6	0
DENTAL	0	6	0

## 1st Brigade Needs Officer Shooters

K-BAY — If you're an officer and think you know how to shoot, why don't you put your aim to use?

The Brigade Rifle and Pistol Team is looking for several officers (already have an overabundance of enlisted men) to represent the Brigade in upcoming rifle and pistol matches.

If you meet the qualifications, you could participate in the Western Division Matches at Camp Pendleton, Calif., in April; and if you're as good as you say you are, you might even make it to the National Matches.

Prior competition experience is asked but not necessarily needed. For further information and tryouts, contact Major Lehrack, Ext. 72963 DWH or S.Sgt. Stewart, AWH, 254-2846.



THAT'S MY BALL! — During a practice game Saturday, the K-Bay Soccer Team was out-kicked by the Tahiti International Soccer Team, losing 5-1. Two K-Bay players, S.E. Spanbauer (far right) and J.A. Neubarth (second from left), both of Comm. Spt., close in to steal the ball from their opponents. The soccer season begins Sunday at Kapiolani Park, 10:30 a.m., where K-Bay will meet the Honolulu International Soccer Team. Support your team. (photo by Sgt. Rick Saylor)

K-BAY IN YOUTH BASKETBALL, the Road Runners (girls division) who were undefeated for the season have been named the Hawaii Military Youth Athletic Association Champions. They will now participate in the championship games tomorrow. In an excitingly close game played Saturday, the K-Bay Warriors lost to the Barbers Point Tigers, 27-26. In other games played last weekend, the K-Bay Lakers beat Fort Shafter 51-41. The undefeated K-Bay Bulldogs triumphed over the Barbers Point Intruders, 40-20, and the K-Bay Airdales stomped the Barbers Point Jets, 35-6. In one other game, the K-Bay Green Machine (girls division) defeated Fort Shafter 20-14. A 26 MILE MARATHON will be held Sunday morning at 7. The course will begin at Kapiolani Park (opposite zoo) to Hawaii Kai Beach Park and then return. Anyone interested in running should contact Col. Thomas J. Ferguson, Ext. 863626 or Capt. Charles Hydin, Ext. 861086. Entry fee will be \$1. TRACK MEET TODAY at 2:15. If you're interested in participating, contact your unit special services officer. VOLLEYBALL CLINIC will be held for all coaches March 14 in Hangar 103 at 7:30 p.m. THE OVER 30 BASKETBALL season will end March 7 and the championship games will be played March 8. ENTRIES for the upcoming Handball Tournament March 19 must be in by March 12. CG points will be awarded. SOFTBALL AND TENNIS seasons begin this month. Rosters are due early, so contact your unit special services officer now! DURING THE ACE DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT held Thursday, Ruth Brown came up on top with a low net of 73, Gean Wallace followed with 70, Sally Clifford took the low gross with a 88, and Adele Stewart took low putts with a 32.

CAMP SMITH AFTER FOUR WEEKS OF BOWLING in the Thursday Night Male SNCO bowling league it looks like any given team can beat the other. In last week's action the Seafarers continued on their winning ways by taking three hard fought games from the Goodguys. The Kingpins showed why they are presently tied for first place as they took three close games from the Bar Rats. Last but not least, the Magnificent Busters took three highly contested games from the Red Moustaches. Joe Lobb was the big man once again for the Seafarers as he rolled a 209/530 series. This week Joe has plenty of help as Jack Spitzer rolled a 198/527 series and Roger Green came through with a 170/503 series. Warren Downs was not to be denied though as he had a 193/543 series for the Goodguys. Bill Nickerson was also in there battling fired a 191/527 series and Ed Green also had a hot hand as he tossed a 189/514 series. Walt Williams was the man of the hour for the Kingpins when he fired a 221/526 series. Walt had all the support he needed though as the rest of the Kingpins came through with a real fine team effort. Bill Hough had the hot hand for the Bar Rats as he fired a 168/484 series. Jim Fegley rolled a 194/517 series for the Magnificent Busters followed by a 195/515 series fired by Ken Armstrong. John Saxton had a 186/495 series for the Red Moustaches. CAMP SMITH SPECIAL SERVICES is sponsoring a scuba diving class which begins tonight at the Camp Smith Pool. Swim Qual's will start at 6 p.m. 1st Sgt. D. Vehon will instruct all classes. Classes will normally be held in the S-3 classroom after the first night. For every two hours of classroom instruction there will be two hours in the water. Upon completion of the course you will receive a card making you a certified scuba diver through the National Association of Skin Diving Schools (NASDS). The cost for this class is only \$10 for Camp Smith personnel, all CINCPAC personnel and dependents must pay \$20 for the course. If you snorkle around the Island, you know what beauty lies beneath the sea. Join this exciting, educating class and take a closer look at what most people only see on television.

# Hawaiian Trail and Mountain Club Adventure

story by I.Cpl. Greg Gerding

photos by I.Cpl. Ed Buchanan

**K-BAY** — They say you will never know the real Hawaii unless you have experienced hiking and camping into its heartland, away from civilization and most traces of it.

If you like being outdoors and enjoy the beautiful scenery it provides you with, the Hawaiian Trail and Mountain Club is just the thing for you.

The club, oldest of its kind on the island, consists of servicemen from all branches, teachers and students; mainly just anyone who enjoys the outdoors.

The club's last campout was on Mokualeia, the weekend of Feb. 17. Ten club members met at the Iolani Palace, near the Honolulu YMCA that morning and soon after were on their way. The club hiked several miles

before reaching the destination they had planned for their campsite. Along the way, running across different fruit trees and animal life, a fresh water stream was found where they filled their canteens.

After the long, strenuous climb the campers reached their destination and set up the campsite. Some pitched tents but many simply just cleared an area for their sleeping bags.

From there the members explored the area and hiked along the ridge line looking over into the Makua Valley. The sights were unbelievable!

It was nearing chow time so everyone headed back to the campsite to eat. This was one of the things enjoyed the most. Cooking over an open campfire seemed to complete the day. Of course, this is the downfall of

many campers since you have to eat the food you cook.

With nightfall coming on fast, they got ready to bed down. The huge campfire was the next scene as everyone crowded around it. Some told stories and other just laid their heads on the fire, forgetting all their worries. Ah! The peace of mind it brings you. Soon after that, exhausted from the day's adventures, everyone sacked out.

The morning brought tired faces but all in good spirits. Breakfast was first on everyone's agenda, then a good police call was held.

Other club members met the group at the campsite Sunday morning to continue on with their journey. Traveling several more miles they stopped for lunch and then found a new campsite, redoing the happenings of the day before.

One of the club's other recent hikes was through Diamond Head. This hike started inside the crater, passing by old fortifications of the thirties, then ascending through tunnels, stairways, and a ladder to the high point, overlooking Diamond Head Light.

Another hike was through the Waiawa Ditch. The club had to get special permission to hike into this verdant valley. The abandoned ditch trail is very overgrown and slushing through a 500-foot dark water tunnel was quite an awesome experience for many.

This Sunday the club plans to hike the Puu Pii. The trail ascends the steep ridge by natural stair steps that provide spectacular views of the ocean and of many valleys. This is one of the club's best hikes for photographers.

Interested? It doesn't take that much to join. All you have to do is attend three hikes with the club and then you are eligible to join. Visiting hikers are always welcomed. The club activities are for everyone to enjoy and there is only a 25 cent fee for non-members 16 years of age or older. Children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Hikes and camping trips are usually scheduled a month in advance and are always lead by experienced leaders.

For more information on the Hawaiian Trail and Mountain Club, call 734-5515, 247-3922 or 488-1161. Give it a try, the club is here to make you familiar with one of the most beautiful spots on the earth.



**LOOK WHAT I FOUND** - Ed Buchanan didn't find gold but seems to be looking for flowers for his girlfriend. Now where's a girl?



**CAMOUFLAGE?** - Not really but Connie Brase needed some protection from the sunshine during her long hike up to the campsite.



**THIS IS THE LIFE** - Connie Brase relaxes in her hammock which was a welcomed relief after several hours of backpacking. Some people just couldn't leave the comforts of home at home.



**HOME AWAY FROM HOME** - Upon reaching the destination, one of the first things to accomplish was setting up camp. Diane Doerlberger and her husband pitch their pup tent.



**AND I WANTED OUT OF THE KITCHEN!** - This could be Joyce Ruml's thoughts as she prepares a feast that she journeyed a long way to enjoy. Preparing and eating meals was one of the most enjoyable parts of the whole journey.



**NO, SHE'S NOT PRACTICING FOR BALLET** - Sisi Aloilima finds it much easier to walk across a water pipe during her climb that leads to the Mokuale Trail. This was one of the many landmarks that was passed along the way.

## Manana Chargers Continue Wins Against Local Swimming Teams

by Lynn Sheldon

**CAMP SMITH** — The Manana Chargers continued their onslaught against ten local swimming teams last Saturday in a "B" Meet held at the Aquatic Club in Aiea.

Although they didn't bring back any first place ribbons this time, they did figure in all other categories and the competition gave them the experience needed for future events.

The team, coached by Sandy Gardner and Pat Caffey, was formed recently and plans are underway to maintain practice sessions year-round. Application has been accepted by the AAU for the "Chargers."

The club still has several important offices that need to be filled

and there are committees to be headed and staffed which include Swim Meet Committee, Public Relations and Awards Chairman. A few parents are filling these positions temporarily and they could use your cooperation.

If you would like to help these young swimmers please come to the Parents Club meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13th, at the Scout Hut near the Seven Day Store.

In the meantime, parents of these swimmers who desire to act in an official capacity for the team are urged to call Coach Sandy Gardner at 456-2629. **PARENTS YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.**



**AIR COMBAT TACTICS**—Brigadier General W.L. Smith, commanding general, 1st Marine Brigade, presents Colonel W.G. Crocker, MAG-24 commanding officer, a certificate designating him as a fully qualified instructor of Air Combat Tactics in the F-4 Phantom. Looking on are CWO E.S. Holmberg (far left) and LtCol. M.P. Sullivan (far right), Air Combat Tactics instructors from Marine Air Weapons Training, Pacific. According to LtCol. Sullivan, this achievement is a first for a group commander.



**GySgt R. Knight**  
K-Bay  
PSB  
Letter of Appreciation

**Sgt W. Stamper**  
K-Bay  
I/3  
Merit Promo

**Sgt G. Huffman**  
K-Bay  
Viet. Cross of Gallantry

**Sgt J. Hanner**  
K-Bay  
H&MS-24  
Merit Promo

**Sgt R. Shippey**  
K-Bay  
HqBde  
Merit Promo

**Cpl R. Willers**  
K-Bay  
H&MS-24  
Merit Promo

**Sgt R. Gittings**  
K-Bay  
1st Radio Bn  
Merit Promo

**Sgt R. Eisenhower**  
K-Bay  
1st Radio Bn  
Marine of Month

**Cpl J. Salazar**  
K-Bay  
I/12  
Merit Promo

**Cpl R. Nelson**  
K-Bay  
H&MS-24  
Merit Promo

**Capt G. Halloran**  
K-Bay  
I/3  
Viet Cross of Gallantry

**Sgt R. Reynolds**  
K-Bay  
VMFA-212  
Merit Promo

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**CAMP SMITH**

**SOMS**

Sgt. D. G. Osmer was recently awarded a Meritorious Mast.

**H&MS**  
GySgt G. R. Morrison was promoted to his present rank.

**MACS-2**  
Cpl R. W. Kraft received a letter of commendation.

**HQ 3RD MAR.**  
Sgt W. L. Parker, LCpl J. R. Albert and Sgt R. D. Pickett were awarded their first Good Conduct Medal.

The following Guard personnel were promoted to PFC: James T. Hastings Jr., David J. Nassar, Keith G. Baird, Dennis L. Wagner, David W. Coleman, David A. Rogers, Paul P. Moffa, Donnie Maynard and Larry W. Kopp.

**PEARL HARBOR**

LCpl M. S. Delaney of Marine Barracks was promoted to his present rank.

The following Marine Barracks personnel have been promoted to the

# Little Leisure Lines

**K-BAY MEETINGS**  
Wives of VMFA-235 and 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines will be the hostess units for the St. Patrick's Day party at the Officers Club, Saturday, March 17.

Wearing of the green and free green beer all evening will be only two of the highlights. The fun begins at 8 p.m. with music by the Cavaliers from 9-2. Special guest star will be Miss Connie Haynes.

At 11 p.m. Irish songs by members of the various KMCAS units will add to the excitement. All groups wishing to enter the competition are asked to call Jean Whipple at 254-1441.

Cost for this social meeting will be \$5 per couple, which includes medium pupus, 1 free drink per person and the free green beer. Reservations will be made through the O'Club. Song sheets for group singing will be

provided and chances for the door prizes will also be available.

The next Photo Club meeting will be Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the MAG-24 Classroom, Bldg. No. 302. The topic is a presentation by Bob Frost, Nikkon School. Please bring your photos of field trip to this meeting. For further information call Doug Collard, 72391.

**EDUCATION NOTES**

A new class in Auto Mechanics will be starting Wednesday. For more information or to enroll contact the Joint Education Center.

**E'CLUB BULLETIN**

Our dining room is open! We will be serving a gourmet menu six nights a week with a buffet every Thursday. The hours of operation for the Pizza Pit are: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily and dinner, Fri-Sat. 4-10 p.m., Sun-Thurs. 5-10 p.m. The Dining Room's hours are: Dinner, Fri-Sat. 4-10 p.m. and Sun-Thurs. 5-10 p.m.

**SPECIAL SERVICES**

Book of the week at the Station Library is Zane Grey Outdoorsman, edited by George Reiger. While Zane Grey is most often remembered as the author of high spirited westerns, he was equally accomplished as an outdoorsman and pioneer conservationist. One hundred years after the birth of this American storyteller, his tales of hunting, fishing and camping have been published in an illustrated volume that offers exciting reading for today's sportsmen.

A traveling dentist turned author, Zane Grey's life was as adventurous as anything found in his popular novels. Whether recounting bear hunts in Arizona or explaining how to catch a 1000 lb. fish on rod and reel, Zane Grey writes with humor and suspense.

The E'Wives next meeting will be March 13. This is election night for new officers so all members are urged to be there. Also all membership dues

must be paid in order to vote. There will be a guest speaker from the Provost Marshall's Office.

March 27 is the date of a social to be held at 10 a.m. in the E'Club with a guest speaker from the Hawaiian Electric Company.

All wives of sergeants or below are welcome and urged to attend any of our functions. If you are in need of transportation it will be provided by calling 261-5654.

The Child Care Center is half price for members attending meetings.

## Used Cribs Needed

**K-BAY** — Family Services is in need of used cribs. If you have a crib you no longer want and would like to donate it, please take it to the Thrift Shop. These cribs will be used by non-command sponsored personnel during their tour at KMCAS.

# Island Spotlight



**Cpl D. Nanna**  
K-Bay  
PSB  
Merit Promo

**Cpl D. Henry**  
K-Bay  
I/12  
High School Diploma

**Cpl C. Babie**  
K-Bay  
MVFA-212  
Merit Promo

**Cpl J. McCleary**  
K-Bay  
HqBde  
Merit Promo

**Cpl T. Martin**  
K-Bay  
PSB  
Merit Promo

**Mrs. S. Renten**  
K-Bay  
Red Cross  
Volunteer of Month

**HMCJ. Elliot**  
K-Bay  
Hq 3rd Mar  
Cert of Accom

**Cpl R. Vavra**  
K-Bay  
HqBde  
Merit Promo

rank of Lance Corporal: James L. Beck Jr., Kevin T. Graham, William E. Stagles, Donald K. Lampley, Melvin B. Reano, Leonardo Calvillo Jr., Gregorio A. Cuellar, Richard R. Dorfschmidt Jr., Donald N. Potter Jr., Britton C. Shaffer.

Sgt. Gertier Y. Skelton Jr. has been promoted to his present rank.

The following Marine Barracks personnel have been promoted to PFC: James D. Kestner Jr. and Frank S. Allen.

L/Cpl John W. Gauntt and PFC's John P. Russo, Edward A. Fimbres and Walter R. Carson have been presented Defensive Driving Certificates by the 14th Naval District, Naval Base, Pearl Harbor.

The following Marine Barracks personnel have completed MCI courses: Sgt D.W. Bowen, NBC

Defense for the Marine; L/Cpl D. C. Douglas, The Marine NCO; Cpl P.D. Ruest, Engineer Equipment Operator; Cpl R.C. Jones, The Marine NCO.

**K-BAY**

High shooter on the rifle range (KD course) is SSgt R.L. Kibiloski of 1st Radio Bn. He fired a 242.

High pistol shooters were SSgt J.A. Youmens and SSgt Schietzelt of

## Job Opportunities Open

**K-BAY** — Family Services needs volunteers for its Foster Home. There will be a monthly salary and in an emergency, you will be required to babysit until other means can be arranged. If you are interested, please submit your resume to Family Services, Bldg. 455.



**SSgt Furnie Lambert Jr.**  
Camp Smith  
S-3  
Cert of Completion

**MSgt W. R. Gardner**  
Camp Smith  
Comm Ctr  
1000-Mile Trophy

**Cpl P. T. Kavanaugh**  
Camp Smith  
PMO  
1000-Mile Trophy

**1stSgt D. Vehon**  
Camp Smith  
HqCo  
1000-Mile Trophy

**Cpl M. O. Vanderpool**  
Camp Smith  
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**Capt E. D. Dimaio**  
Camp Smith  
ASC  
1000-Mile Trophy

**Mrs. Shirley Dement**  
Camp Smith  
Staff Club  
Cert of Recognition

**Maj W. M. Easer**  
Camp Smith  
HAD  
1000-Mile Trophy

## Most Military Deaths in U.S.

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — Sixty-nine per cent of military service deaths occur in the United States, 13 per cent in Vietnam and 18 per cent elsewhere throughout the world, a survey of insurance claims reveals.

The Veterans Administration reports that of the 13 per cent death due to service in Vietnam, about half are attributable to hostile actions. The remaining 87 per cent of in-service

deaths elsewhere result from such causes as illness and accidents.

These and other findings are based on a random sampling of Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) claims which were paid during July, August and September. Under the SGLI program, administered by an insurance company and supervised by VA, military personnel may be insured up to \$15,000.

Servicemen's premiums pay the cost of the program, except for extra costs arising from the hazards of military service, which are paid by the Federal Government, VA officials said.

The SGLI survey further indicated that the Army, with the most personnel, ranks highest in death casualties—47 per cent. The Marine Corps has the lowest rate, 8 per cent. Approximately 99 per cent of servicemen who die are insured under the SGLI program, and practically all carry the maximum \$15,000 coverage.

# Classified Ads

## For Sale

1971 FORD PINTO, excellent condition. Four speed and FM tape deck. Make offer. 1967 CADILLAC Coupe DeVille, 2 dr vinyl top, all power and air, excellent condition. Make offer. Call 73149 DWH, 254-3347 AWH.

1971 VW BUG conv, \$2050/offer. Call 73291 DWH, 254-3796 anytime.

1967 REBEL Rambler hardtop, good condition. Call 72220 DWH, \$700/\$650.

1969 HONDA 350, Class PMTC, mileage 25,300, looks good and runs good. Has 1973 tags and safety sticker. Bargain at \$325. Can see anytime at 1910B McLennan Drive, KMCAS. Call 254-2838 anytime.

HONDA 71 1/2 450. Very good condition, \$800 or best offer. Call 73648 before 4 p.m.

1967 OLDS 98 convertible, \$500. 1959 Karmann Ghia, \$400. See Jerry at Credit Union, KMCAS. Call 254-1334 DWH, 239-8033 AWH.

1972 YAMAHA 175 Enduro. Battered and scratched, but fine running. Fully stock, except dents, asking \$510 or best offer. Call 72428 and ask for Pete.

1968 VW Squareback, excellent condition, \$1100. Call 262-7088 anytime.

1966 DODGE OART 270, good condition, \$650/offer. Call 284-1117 AWH, 257-3520 DWH.

**SALE:** There will be a sale at the Staff Wives' Thrift Shop beginning March 1. All Thrift Shop Property is on sale for 10 cents. Baby items, clothing, uniform items, household items, and miscellaneous, all reduced! Come one, come all!

MAYMIAL/SEKOR DTL 1000; 400 mm lens and case, camera accessories and carrying case. \$250. Call Sgt Bingham DWH 72962.

EMBLEMS, 2 monkey pod Marine Corps emblems, new. Sell by each or pair, \$6.50 each. \$12 pair. Wall plaques, approx. 10" long. Call 254-2690 anytime.

MAGNAVOX B/W 21 Inch TV, \$60 or best offer. Westinghouse B/W 12 inch portable TV. \$25/best offer. Call 235-4077 anytime.

SINGER Featherweight sewing machine and Accordion. Call 254-1207 anytime.

RC 5 Channel radio, RC planes, cars and engines. Give me an offer. Call 72074 DWH or 254-1104 AWH.

AKAI X-300 stereo tape player w/2 large speakers, 10 1/2 inch reel capacity. Professional model, 50w out put echo chamber also 2 mikes. Tape player alone sold for \$795. Will sell all plus many tapes for \$275. Call 72727 DWH or 254-1723 anytime.

GARRARD SL-72 turntable, \$30; mini refrigerator, \$50. Call 254-1117 AWH, 73520 DWH.

TOSHIBA Boston stereo, very good condition, \$185; Maple bunkbeds; springs and mattresses, \$60; Big "DUKE" board, the MAUI, \$25; 3 chests of drawers, \$25, \$20, \$15. Call 254-2605 anytime.

**GREAT DEAL ON STEREO EQUIPMENT:** A Craig stereo cassette record/playback unit, matching speakers, excellent condition, with \$30 worth of unrecorded

Memorex tapes, \$165 worth of equipment and tape for just \$80. Also a Scott 342 stereo tuner/amplifier. \$275 originally, very good condition, just \$100. A set of two Muntz 20 watt bookshelf speakers, walnut grain, \$30. A Realistic 10" turntable, with Elac cartridge, new diamond needle, just \$40. Call 72120 DWH, 261-3059 AWH.

RECORD ALBUMS for sale, Led Zeppelin, Deep Purple, Eric Clapton, etc. Very good condition. Also have a few cassette tapes. Call 72044 DWH, 72566 AWH.

**DEADLINE:** 12 p.m., Friday prior to publication (10 a.m. at Camp Smith).

All ads are typed early Friday afternoon and delivered to the publisher prior to 4 p.m. Ads received after the deadline will be run the following week.

All ads must be signed and none will be accepted over the telephone. Ads received via the U.S. Mail will be verified as to authenticity of the sponsor's relation to the military prior to publication.

All persons must be active duty or retired member of the Armed Forces, a dependent of same, or a civilian employee of a Department of Defense organization. Dependents will indicate their sponsor's name and rank.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **RANK:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(If dependent, write sponsor's name and rank)

**TELEPHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(During work hours After work hours Anytime)  
(Your Hawaii Marine representative will spot check ads for accuracy, and, in case of ads received in the U. S. Mail, for authenticity)

**DATE AND TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Remember, ads must be in prior to 12 p.m. at KMCAS and 10 a.m. at Camp Smith)

**ADVERTISEMENT:** [Keep it short] and legible—if you can't read it, neither can we!

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(ad submissions must be signed)

LEAVING ISLAND - Crib w/mattress. \$7; Sylvania SG-9 Sun Gun Movie Lamp (5 yr guarantee) used once, \$5; High chair, \$2; Argus movie editor, \$15; used playpen & mattress, \$2; 5 gallon salt or fresh water aquarium w/stand, lid and light cover, \$12; baby stroller, \$3. Call 254-2439 anytime.

1808A S. LAWRENCE, Saturday March 3, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Baby playpen, carseat, carbed, walker, hairdryers, hand mixer, curling, table cloths, children's, ladies' and men's clothes, bike, combination

carbed/bassinet, movie camera, needs repairs and equip. Toys, curtains, bathroom shelves, etc., motors, Papoose (baby back carrier).

TOY CHINESE PUG, male, 8 weeks old, AKC registered with shots, \$225. Makes excellent house dog. Call 262-4735 anytime.

1960 TRIUMPH TR-3, \$400. Some spare parts. Runs good. New starter, practically new tires, year old battery, new battery cables. Can be had for \$300 on special deal. Call 477-5053 DWH, 689-6371 anytime.

1ST MARINE BRIGADE PLAQUES, hand painted, one or a hundred, \$6 each. Call 262-7855 anytime.

REFRIGERATOR, \$35; crib & mattress, \$10; stroller, \$15; cradle, \$25. Call 239-9892 anytime.

**Free**

DOG, medium size, 5 months old, free to good home. Call 254-2860 anytime.

**Lost**

BROWN TOY POODLE, answers to "Kako." Call 254-2128 anytime.

GLASSES, child's prescription, white pearlized frames in a dark blue and white cotton case. Call 72118 DWH, 254-3068 AWH.

**Wanted**

TOYS FOR TOTS may be left at 403B O'Neal near the Credit Union. Call 72821 DWH, 254-4538 anytime.

BABYSITTER WANTED, 5 days a week after school hours for 2 children ages 3 and 5. For further information contact Joint Special Services, at 73108 or 73135.

available on request. Interviews conducted daily. See the Brigade Career Planning Officer, or phone 73244 or 72403.

DEDICATED, aggressive men and women to pursue a career with old established organization. Known and respected throughout the world; job placement, location, wages and benefits information

## Avoid Worry

**WORRY** — affects everyone and differs from anxiety only in degree. It is more transitory and disappears with the removal of the causal factor. **WORRY** — concerns a past act or a future possibility about which nothing is being done at present. Individuals worry often because they are unprepared to meet situations adequately. **WORRY** — can be alleviated. To do so the individual must take positive action. Don't worry about your future. Come to the K-Bay Joint Education Center and plan for it.

## After Hours

**K-BAY** — If you need to contact Family Services after hours, please call the O.D., 73278 or 73234.

# Another Chapter Added to MAG-24's History

(Continued from pg. 1)

MAG-24 was conceived in the early days of World War II, three months after the attack on Pearl Harbor. It was commissioned March 1, 1942, at Ewa Field on the coral flatlands 17 miles from Pearl Harbor.

In a career that has taken it halfway around the world, the Group has earned two Navy Unit Commendations.

Since its inception, the Group saw duty in California, Hawaii, New Hebrides, the Russell Islands, Bougainville, Luzon, Mindanao and China while evolving from a training group to a fighting team.

Later, MAG-24 served as an occupation force, progressing from anti-submarine patrols and surface vessel escort to pinpoint, dive-bombing and close air support.

#### FIRST MISSION

MAG's first mission, under the command of Major Ira L. Kines (now a retired brigadier general), was to help prepare and operate a strip at Vila on the New Hebrides Island of Efate.

The Group was recalled to the United States two months later and based at Santa Barbara, Calif., prior to returning to Ewa in January 1943 to join the Fourth Marine Aircraft Base Defense Wing.

It was there that they attained the new strength of a Headquarters and Service Squadron, two Fighter Squadrons and two Dive-bombing Squadrons.

#### BACK TO WAR

In September 1943, the Group moved to the First Marine Aircraft Wing at Banner Field on Efate—the same field which the Group helped prepare for anti-submarine patrol and surface vessel escort.

Their next move was to the Russells in late 1943, and to the Solomons in 1944, where Group pilots helped develop close air support tactics in the battle of Bougainville.

After spending a short time at Cape Torokina on Bougainville, MAG-24 camped north of Piva Bombing Strip which was being used as a staging field for the refueling of aircraft making strikes on the Rabaul, New Britain area. Amid the fury of artillery bombardments, the Marines patched, landed and kept every available plane in the air with one hand, while holding off the enemy with the other.

In January 1945, the Group combined with MAG-32 as part of the Army Air Force's 308th Bomber Wing to furnish close air support to the 6th Army, guerilla forces, and the 1st Cavalry Division, whose entire left flank was exposed during the 100-mile dash to Manila.

By April, the action on Luzon had subsided and the Group was ordered to Mindanao to join MAG's 12 and 32 occupying the Malabang airstrip at Zamboanga. The Group first used aircraft rockets in addition to regular bomb loads while lending close air support to the Army's 24th and 41st Infantry Divisions in the Philippines.

MAG-24 remained at Zamboanga until the end of the war when it was

ordered to occupation duty in China and, later, in Guam in mid-1947.

#### RETURN TO U.S.

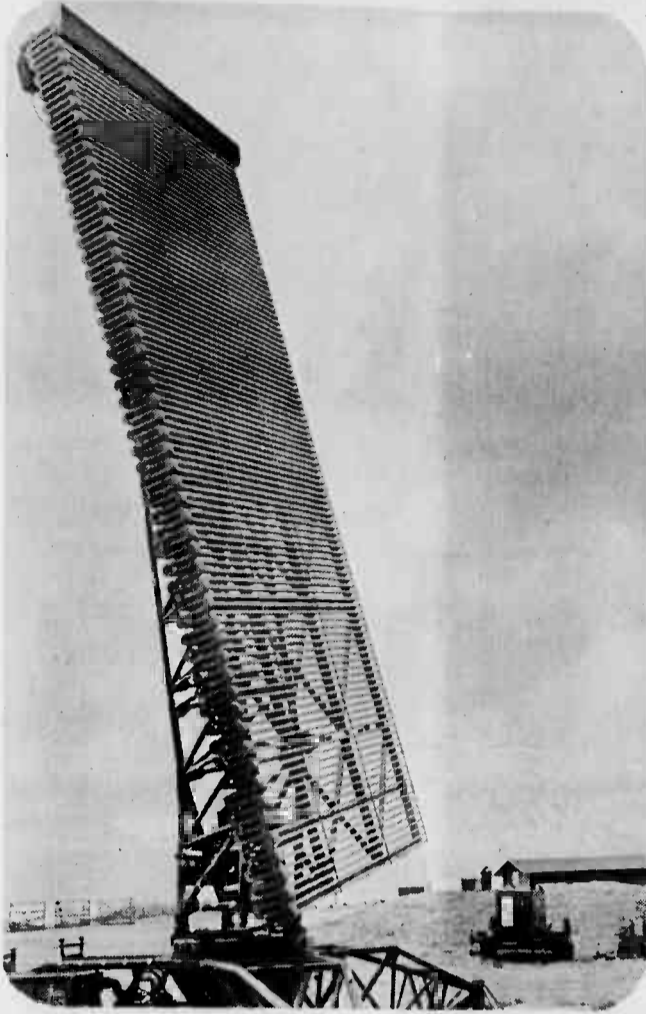
Returning to the United States in 1949, the Group joined the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing at Cherry Point, N.C., where it remained until April 1968 when MAG-24 joined the 1st Marine Brigade here as part of the Fleet Marine Force Pacific.

Since September of 1970, the Group has joined the following units returning from Vietnam: Marine Fighter Attack Squadron (VMFA)-122, Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron (HMM)-262, Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron (MHM)-463, and detachments of Marine Light Helicopter Squadron (HML)-367 and Marine Observation Squadron (VMO)-6.

With the addition of these units, MAG-24 became the most versatile aircraft group in the Marine Corps, providing the original Air Ground Team with unprecedented versatility in aviation support.

#### 1973 PLANS

Plans for this year include a 30-day training exercise for Marine Aircraft Control Squadron (MACS)-2 at Kahuku Training Area in March, and training for helicopter elements with the 3d Marines at Pohakuloa this summer. A detachment of the new J model, twin-engine Cobras from Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron-369 are expected to arrive this spring. MAG-24 is one of four Marine aircraft groups celebrating their anniversary this week and, because of the Group's complex organization and myriad capabilities, is considered to be the "foremost" of the four.



**3-D RADAR TRACKING** — This three-dimensional (3-D), AN/TPS-32 radar is the latest addition to Marine Air Control Squadron-2's tracking facilities. The radar, equipped with an internal computer system, records the range, bearing and altitude of aircraft. It is entirely mobile and can be deployed as an early-warning/ground control interception site. One of six in the entire Marine Corps, MACS-2's radar has been operational since June. (photo by Cpl Mike Lane)



**ALWAYS READY** — Corporal Dennis Tirsbeck, a plane captain with Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-235, makes a routine check in the cockpit of one of the squadron's phantoms. As Cpl Tirsbeck would tell you, when your slogan is "a force in readiness," no check is routine. (photo by Sgt Rick Saylor)



**ALL ABOARD** — Captain Bill Murray (in cockpit) of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron (VMFA)-212 prepares to strap in with the helping hands of plane captains Lance Corporal Gordon Heughan (left) and Sergeant Donald Hicks. VMFA-212 demonstrated its combat readiness in Southeast Asia where it deployed during North Vietnam's recent offensive in the South; continual training maintains this "force in readiness." (photo by Sgt Rick Saylor)



**SUPER FIELD DAY FOR SUPER H&MS-24** — Sergeant Don Heil of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-24, washes down one of the squadron's Hueys. Aircraft "field days" are just one part of maintenance and, according to Sgt Heil, are probably the easiest part. (photo by Sgt Rick Saylor)

## WAR IS HELL



**LEATHERNECKS IN ACTION** — A 105 team of 1st Battalion, 12th Marines (left), gives supporting fire during PTA training. 3.5 rocket launchers (above) fire supporting fire for Alpha Company, BLT 1/3, while securing an objective during training at Pohakuloa. A member of 3d Shore Party (right) uses arm and hand signals to bring in a CH-46 from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-262.



Photos by Sgt. E.G. Woods

