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Col. Cunningham, Marine Air Hero, Honored by Navy

A Navy tribute to Lieutenant Colonel Alfred A. Cunningham, of Chicago, was paid last week by ceremonies held on the flight line of the Marine Air base here.

Colonel Cunningham was the first to be killed in action in the Pacific theatre during the war. He was killed on the Solomon Islands in the early stages of the campaign.

Colonel Cunningham's remains were returned to the states last week and are now at the family home in Chicago. They will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

Marines' Mop-Up of Peleliu Pockets Like Fantastic Wild West Battle

By SERGEANT A. D. HAWKINS

WHEREAM, Palau Islands, Dec. 7 - Through the bravery and perseverance of the 1st Marine Division fighting force, the Peleliu story now looks like a fantastic Wild West battle.

The story of the Peleliu battle has been relatively quiet in recent weeks. But now the Marines are moving to clean up the pockets of enemy resistance that remain.

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Cash Bond Sales

Record Sought in Dec. Drive

Hopes for a record cash War Bond sale at Cherry Point personnel during a Pearl Harbor Week drive, are expressed in the near future, according to Lieutenant Colonel E. L. Dickey, chairman of the Safety Bond drive committee.

Lieutenant Colonel Dickey further said he hopes the drive will surpass by far the drive held by Chesapeake and Lafayette, where the first drive had $3,000,000 in bonds sold.

Supplement Ablation

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Auto Industry Has Jobs For Veterans After War

By Camp Newspaper Service

Returning servicemen will find an "untrapped job bonanza" in the sale of cars and trucks, said a director of corporate sales at the National Motor Car Company. At the present time, according to the director, the average selling price of a new automobile is at least $1300, with a minimum of $1000 in the sale of trucks and other vehicles. In the past year, the company has sold over 200,000 new automobiles and over 100,000 new trucks.

The company is currently engaged in a national advertising campaign to attract veterans to its sales force, and is offering competitive salaries and benefits to those who qualify. In addition, the company is providing special training programs for veterans, including on-the-job training and classroom instruction. These programs are designed to help veterans transition from military service to civilian employment.

For more information, veterans are encouraged to contact their local dealership or visit the company's website. The company is committed to helping veterans find successful careers in the automotive industry.
Tough Job Ahead

As the United States Marine Corps begins its 71st year of service, the war picture is undeniably brighter for Allied arms than in the dreary, death-filled days which saw the fall of Singapore, Corregidor and Manila.

American, British and Russian troops are smashing ahead with renewed vigor on the Rhine Peninsula and Italian fronts, drawing ever nearer to the German heartland and the opening of the new Russian front. Hitler’s dreamed of a “Greater East Asia Co-Prosperty Sphere” is overshadowed by the knowledge that bloody campaigns lie ahead before the last German is captured.

Last three thoughts seem overly-pessimistic, consider the words of Navy Secretary Forrestal.

“Jap realism will become fiercer than ever as we approach their homeland,” he declares. “The farther we drive into the enemy’s perimeter, the better off he will have from land-based aircraft.”

“We are apt to assume that the Japs will succumb to intellectual argument as the German soldiers did,” he continues. “But fighting with the Japs, we’re dealing with fanatics, not rational men. They’ll fight with greater savagery the closer we come to the heart of their empire.”

And Lieutenant General Alexander Vandegrift, the Commandant, is just as blunt in his summation of the enemy under the hopeless handicap of the Jap casualities.

“Some people,” he declares, “would like to believe there is some sporadic, violent, short cut by which we can pour troops and ships and planes into Japan overnight.”

“This is a very pleasant dream indeed. Unfortunately, however, it violates the only widely-accepted axiom— protection to the reality of the cold facts. The Allied forces will close in on Japan over roads as direct as possible, but if there are any short-cuts, we have a long way to go to get them.”

General Vandegrift backs up his opinion with the cold, harsh reality of Marine casualty lists. Since the first bomb fell on Pearl Harbor, 6,867 Marines have been killed and 23,000 wounded. War was no easy victory for them, nor for their families.

It was fitting, therefore, that, in his message on the birthday of the Corps, the Commandant should pay this tribute to the Marines who have fallen in battle—a tribute of which itself emphasizes that victory will be no easy matter:

“We honor the memories of the men who have fallen in the advance. They fell going forward. Long after the total victory for which they died is won, they will remain heroically alive in the minds of their comrades and in the legends of the Corps.”

Leatherneck Wings Are Strong

No greater emphasis could be placed upon the importance of the special training given to the Marine Corps aviation arm in this war than the Navy Department commendation of the Cherry Point air station.

Situated at Cherry Point on the North Carolina coast, this station is one of the largest Marine Corps installations. It is the home of the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing and the 2nd Marine Air Group, for which Cherry Point was named.

Cherry Point Mark an important milestone in Marine Corps aviation history, it is an outstanding monument to American ingenuity. In the Marine Air Corps, which has been born from the womb and has learned the secret of the American Miracle, the Japanese have met another blow. Japan will remember.

Today, Marine aviation has become as much a part of the American household as the automobile, as commonplace a sight on this continent as the horse and buggy was a century ago.

Today Marine aviation has become a part of the American way of life, proudly proud of the outstanding achievement of the last four years, in which the Corps has become a powerful force in the nation’s defense.
Rare Tropical Fish Boon
In Changing Marine Diet.

By CTV, NED THOMAS
(Public Relations Officer, USMC)

AN ADVANCED PACIFIC BASE—A Japanese community, being mailed here with the old famous First World War battle hymn, "Onward Christian Sol.-lars," was distributed to the old countryman who was asked what he did all day, replied, "Sometimes I sit and think and sometimes I just sit." There are a great many other Japanese who think this, and it is particularly true when it comes to personal problems and questions. The war has changed many of the Japanese, and a lack of interest in the future may be very definite. However, there are many who still believe in the future and are working in the factories and in the fields. The war has also brought some changes in the families of the Japanese. Although they are still poor, many of them have succeeded in saving money and buying food. The war has also brought some changes in the families of the Japanese. Although they are still poor, many of them have succeeded in saving money and buying food. 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ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

THE BOATHOUSE AREA, Mecca of the station's "off-duty" Marines.

FRIENDSHIP HOUSE, Club
Years Ago, Biggest Marine Air Base

ASSEMBLY AND REPAIR SHOP. Where Marine warplanes are restored to combat "fitness."

OPERATIONS control all flying activities.

COMBAT SWIMMING POOL. The grim business of keeping afloat under enemy fire is no novelty to the Marines who learn their swimming here.
THE WINDSOCK

November 18, 1944

Marines Face Blockbusters Today

Game Considered A Toss-up: Season Records Of Teams Poor

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Waltz (12)

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Garner (7)

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Point Cagers Open
Against Oak Grove

Spurred by three veteran Cherry Point cagers who all saw their time last year boosted their squad up to the title ranking service team over out of Marine, the Flying Dragons 1944-45 basketball season by selecting the Oak Grove Marines on the home court Thursday night.

Captained by Pvt. Bill Van Breda Koff, former Philadelphia star, the Flyers have a powerful aggregation of talent of both the offensive and defensive lines, but it will be the team of the season will be the combination of the older and younger elements. Joe Whitney, a two-year veteran, and Pvt. Joe Whitney, a two-year veteran, and Pvt. Joe Whitney, a two-year veteran, and Pvt. Joe Whitney, a two-year veteran, will lead the Flyers as they attempt to win the title.

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similar to those used in the communi-
ty service clubs, and includes a well-
appointed Bar for relaxation. Heat and
hot water will be supplied in the entire
building. A large heating plant and
Thermal Electric Fans ensure comfort.

Specifications for the new the-
atre have been prepared and con-
tact is expected to be let early next month. Construction of brick and
steel will be on the north side of the
angular corner of Roosevelt Boule-
vard and Oak Street. The building is
from the street in accordance

Completed plans call for a square box-
like building, 150 by 150 feet, with a
lighted stage on the south side. Light-
ing and stage props, including dressing rooms, will accommodate local talent and visiting companies.

Herein, all athletic and recreation events have been presented in the recreational build-
ing auditorium since its construc-
tion late in 1942. Completion of the
WR recreation building last year
served to expand the original

The new- the-
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Samplers A Sampled especially prepared by his assistant is an apparently pleasant task for Capt. McLaughlin, manager of Cherry Point's B.O.Q. His assistant is First Lieut. Vincent E. Sar- ured in the Mid-West are the No-

New General Offensive Looks Like Big Momentum for Gen. Ike

This looks like the big moment for which we've been waiting -

General Eisenhower's all-out at-

tack to crack the formidable Rhine-

river defenses and accomplish the
crushing of the German Army.

It shouldn't be long now be-

cause we've got the allies already out

there - we have a good idea of how much steel is

involved in the Nazi hordes. The

German Field Marshal von Rup-

pen, the real commander in chief, is

at the front - the Rhine river is a
terrific obstacle. The Allies are

advancing over the bridgehead gained

at Remagen. The battle line that stands

there is a cruel route through

the Rhine valley which in times

past was a key to victory. If there's no

success won't be long.

We'll see the Rhine in our sights,

and电工 for the moment, then

General for the moment, then

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Sergeant Stony Craig, USMC

If We Don't Make the Beach, These Girls Won't Die, Lieutenant Melody and the Sandwiches

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Headquarters, Air Station, Ewa

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ADVANCED COMMAND POST, November 23, 1944

A young American sailor during a raid by Japanese planes, who killed him by a 50-caliber bul-let, was buried in Okinawa yesterday. His burial was attended by thousands of Japanese civilians, who showed their respect for the fallen soldier by laying wreaths on his grave. The burial ceremony was simple and dignified, with only a few Japanese officials present. The sailor's body was wrapped in American military fatigues and placed in a wooden casket. A small American flag was placed on top of the casket. The sailor's name was not released, as his family had requested privacy. The burial was a somber reminder of the sacrifices made by American soldiers in the Pacific War. The sailor's death was one of many senseless acts of violence committed by Japanese civilians during the war. The American military was determined to bring peace and stability to the region, and this burial was one small step towards achieving that goal.

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Gen. Ike Nearly Swaps His Shoes

November 22, 1944

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower is in the hospital with a severe case of gout, but the soldier commander of the Allied forces in Europe is expected to make a full recovery. Eisenhower, 60, was admitted to the hospital late last night with a high fever and severe pain in his left foot. Doctors said that the gout has been present for many years and has flared up due to stress and overwork. Eisenhower has been leading the Allies in Europe since December 1943, and has been under constant pressure to succeed. His son, Lt. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who is commanding the Pacific theater, has been critical of Eisenhower's leadership. The general has been known to be a tough taskmaster, and has come under fire for his handling of the D-Day invasion of Normandy. Eisenhower has been the target of much media attention, and his health has been a major concern. The general's hospitalization has caused concern among his colleagues and the public, who hope for his quick recovery. The general's absence has been felt at the highest levels of the Allied command, and there are fears that the military could be left vulnerable to German attack. The general has been a mainstay of the Allied forces since the war began, and his leadership has been crucial to their success. His recovery is expected to be complete, and he is expected to return to the front lines as soon as possible.