

Division Races Won By Marines

In the division whaleboat races of the U. S. S. *Mississippi* held this week the Marines' crew lived up to their reputation and came out on top after three successive victories. In the first elimination races the 2d, 4th, 6th, 7th, Repair, and Engineers' divisions were victorious. In the semi-finals the 4th beat the 2d, the Marines led the 6th, and the Engineers left open water between them and the Repair division as they crossed the line.

The finals were between the Fourth division, the Marines, and the Engineers. This race was rowed with the finish line off the stern of the *Mississippi* so that all hands might have a good view of the race. The usual high wind and choppy seas were very much in evidence, but a race in San Francisco harbor would not be a race if it were rowed in smooth water. After maneuvering for quite a while for a favorable starting position, the race started. The Marines took the lead from the start and were never in danger of losing it. The 4th led the Engineers for a short distance, but the pace was too much for them and the Engineers finished second, with a great deal of open water between them and the Marines. The Marines' crew looks good—is good, and in the next fleet regatta will let the Marines' crew of the Fleet know that they are among those present.

In their present form they will be a hard crew to beat—*The Mississippi Bulletin*.

NAVY RELIEF HAS BED FOR CHILD AT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

The Navy Relief Society has a bed in the Children's Hospital at Washington, D. C., for the use of all children of Navy and Marine Corps, whether parents are going or dead. A child can have the use of the bed in case of sickness, at no cost. The money was raised, \$5,000, through the efforts of Mrs. John O. Nicholson and some of the ladies of the District of Columbia Chapter.

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Board to Examine Candidates for Commission Will Convene Dec. 19

Some 57 enlisted men of the Marine Corps, who have been under instruction at Marine Barracks, this city, for six months, preparatory to examination for appointment as probational second lieutenants in that Corps, will undergo the examination commencing on December 19. The examining board will consist of Lieut. Col. R. Y. Rhea and Capt. George K. Shuler and Arthur Kingston, with First Lieut. Miller V. Parsons as recorder.

Originally 65 men were sent to the barracks for the course of instruction, but 8 of them have dropped out for one reason or another. The course included spelling, grammar, composition, rhetoric, United States history, outline of ancient, medieval and modern history, geography, arithmetic, elementary algebra, plane geometry and plane trigonometry.

Twelve graduates of distinguished military colleges also were selected for examination for appointment as probational second lieutenants in the Corps. They were appointed second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve, placed on an active duty status and sent to Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., for preparatory instruction for six months commencing in October. The examination in their cases will not occur until next spring.

After appointment of those of them that are found qualified, no further appointments to the commissioned personnel of the Marine Corps will be made until the commissioning of the graduates of the Naval Academy next June that are assigned to that Corps. It is not intended to open the competition for commission in the Corps to civilians. There now are about 160 vacancies in the grade of second lieutenant in the Corps.

Farmer (to boy who is helping him drive a bunch of cattle)—Here, boy, hold this cow a minute, will you?

Boy—No; I don't mind being a director in this company, but I'm darned if I want to be a stockholder.

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MARINE CORPS ORDERS,
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¶60 Paragraphs 5, 749, and 754 (1), Marine Corps Orders, are hereby amended to read as follows.

5 Enlisted men will, at all times, wear the hair neatly and closely trimmed. The hair may be clipped at the edges of the sides and back but must be so trimmed as to present an evenly graduated appearance, and must not be over 1 inch in length on top of the head and above the forehead. The back of the neck must not be shaved.

749 The L. C. Smith & Brothers Typewriter Co. no longer guarantees its work in repairing typewriters, nor does the Underwood Typewriter Co. guarantee repairs to typewriters used for stencil cutting. In future when repairs to typewriters are necessary, competition should be obtained from reliable typewriter repair companies in the vicinity, as well as from the Underwood and the L. C. Smith & Brothers Typewriter Cos., before award is made. No award for repairs to typewriters will be made unless the expense is approved on open-purchase requisition.

754 (1) Commanding officers are authorized to rate privates and privates first class as specialists, in numbers and ratings not to exceed the allowance prescribed for their respective commands, except that in computing such allowance for any class of specialists a result including 50 per cent or more of one will be taken to allow the next higher whole number; thus, a command having an authorized strength of 50 privates and privates first class and an authorized allowance of third class specialists of 1 per cent of such strength would be allowed one third class specialist. Cooks, bakers, and messmen will not be rated as specialists.

JOHN A. LEJEUNE,
Major General Commandant

Marine—Look at all the fish I've caught, and you haven't even one bite.

Gob—Aw, this worm I have ain't even half trying; he's stalling for a draw decision.
—Our Navy Magazine

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