

LETTERS OF COMMENDATIONS

4 June 1941

From: The Major General Commandant.
To: First Lieutenant Guy E. Tannyhill, U.S.M.
C.R., Second Marine Division, FMF, Marine
Corps Base, San Diego, California.
VIA: The Commanding General, 2d Marine Division, FMF.
Subject: Letter of commendation.

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2. These reports indicate that you were a passenger on the plane from which Lieutenant Osipoff was making the jump; that you, the pilot, the co-pilot, crew and other passengers of the plane displayed skill, coolness and resourcefulness in the emergency and that all functioned efficiently and displayed the highest type of discipline. It is apparent that Lieutenant Osipoff's successful rescue could not have been effected had not those qualities been so effectively demonstrated.

3. Your conduct on this occasion fully measures up to that high standard of cool, efficient action under strain of emergency which is characteristic of the best type of Marine officer, and it is a pleasure to commend you.

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VIA: The Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station.
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