

NEW MARINE — Women Marines look on as Laguna Mayor William D. Martin officially declares Feb. 13 Women Marines Day in celebration of their silver anniversary. From left to right are Major Joanne Kilday, Miss Susan Roley, Lt. Col. Martha

Cox and the mayor. Miss Roley, a Lagunan, enlisted as a Woman Marine Nov. 10 and will take nine weeks training at Quantico, Va., this summer as officer candidate.

*Women's Day Marine Celebration  
Important to Lagunan*

Monday, February 12, 1968

2 DAILY PILOT

Laguna Beach will be well represented Tuesday when 2,700 Women Marines celebrate a twenty-fifth anniversary.

A resident of Laguna Beach for more than 20 years, Lt. Col. Ruth Broe, 703 Browncroft Road, has been recalled to active duty at Marine Headquarters in Washington D.C.

She will be helping prove that 1968 is "The Year of the Women," Marines that is.

This year marks a trio of anniversaries for the skirted Marines: Feb. 13 is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Marine Corps Women's Reserves; June 12 is the anniversary of the acceptance of women into the regular Marine Corps; and Aug. 12 is the 50th anniversary World War I Marinettes.

Col. Broe's assignment is to spearhead the celebration. She joined the Corps during World War II and was later released to inactive duty.

A former newspaper writer, Col. Broe was active in the Laguna Playhouse and the Business and Professional Women's Club prior to her departure to Washington D.C. in 1955. Her husband, also a Marine

was transferred there.

Following in the tradition, another Lagunan, Susan Roley, 20, enlisted in the Marine Corps Nov. 10. She will continue her studies at Fullerton and go to Quantico, Va., next summer for nine weeks training.

Miss Roley, daughter of Marine Colonel and Mrs. William Roley intends to go to law school after graduation and become an attorney in the Marines.

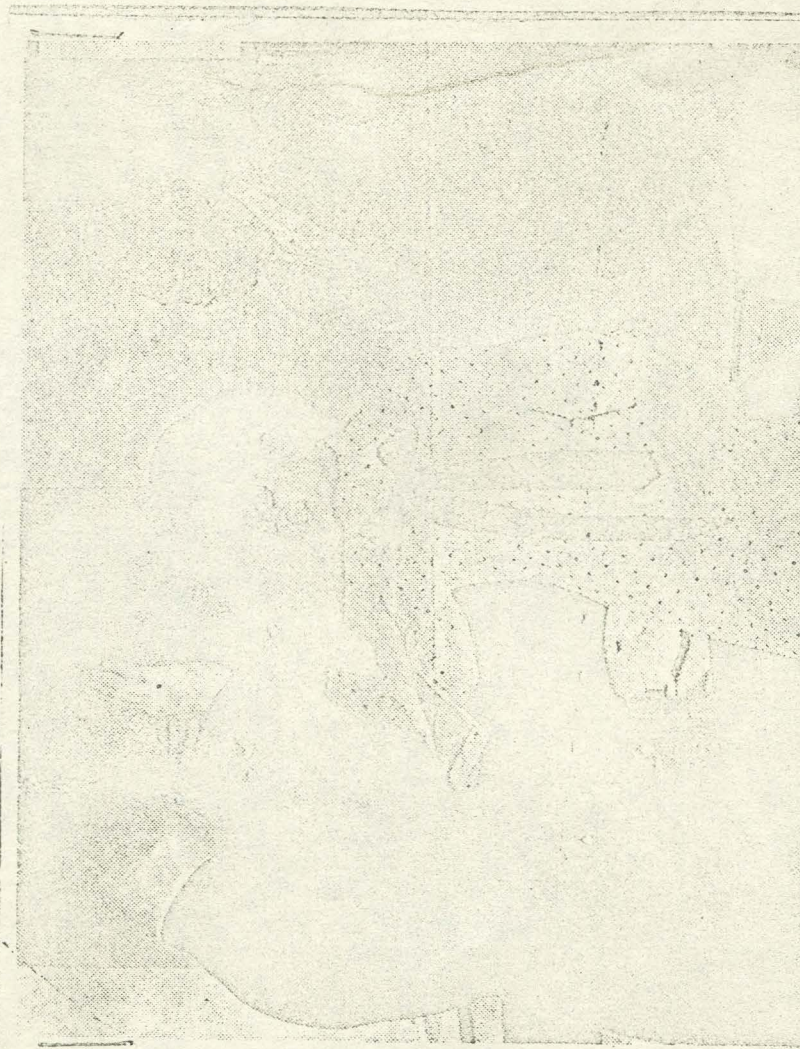
Her admiration for the corps, apparently started at an early age. The early years were spent in Ewa, Hawaii while her father flew between China and the Marine Corps base.

She returned to Laguna Beach to continue her schooling and later lived in Maryland while her father was stationed at Andrews Air Base.

On his retirement, the family returned to Laguna.

THE CAPITAL TIMES, Thursday, Aug. 15, 1968

Milwaukee, Wisconsin



She may be the only Marine in a polka dot dress, but 18 year-old Pvt. Virginia Dieterle, Milwaukee, was sworn into the Marine Corps recently by state Marine recruiting officer, Maj. B. W. Gardner. Shown here with Gov. Warren Knowles at ceremonies in

the Capitol, Pvt. Dieterle will represent Wisconsin in a "Governor's Platoon" of women Marines on Parris Island, S.C. this month. The event commemorates the 25th anniversary of the women Marines. (Marine Corps Photo)

THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL

Sunday, August 11, 1968

## Woman Marine From City Will Represent State

An 18 year old Milwaukeean has been selected to represent Wisconsin in a "governors' platoon" of woman marines at the recruit depot at Parris Island, S. C., this month.

Miss Virginia A. Dieterle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Dieterle, 4638 N. 42nd st., a June graduate of Custer high school, will be sworn in by Gov. Knowles in Madison Monday and then will become part of the special platoon for recruit training with representatives of other states.

The platoon was named in honor of the 25th anniversary of the woman marines in World War II and the 50th anniversary of the "Marinettes" of World War I. It will train from Aug. 21 to Oct. 9.



Gazette Staff Photo

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CALIFORNIA

erald, Friday, July 19, 1968



### MARINE GOVERNOR'S PLATOON FORMED

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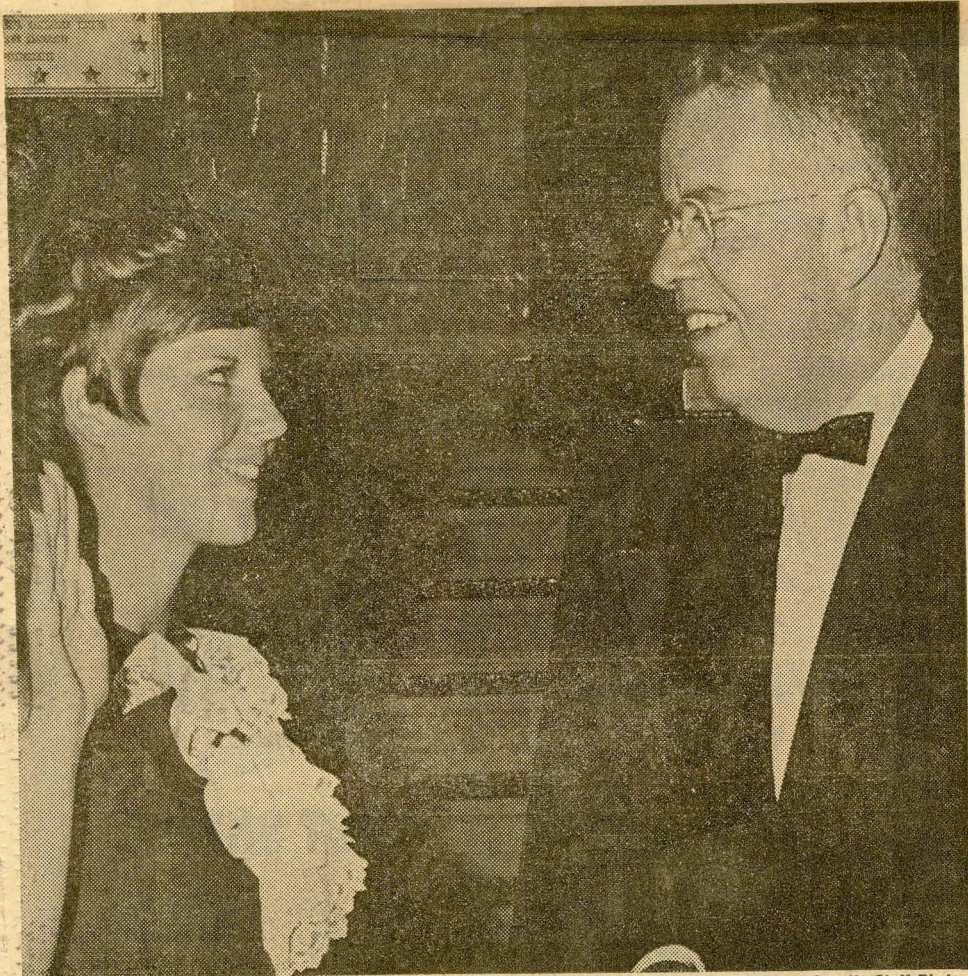
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'GOVERNOR'S PLATOON'

# Young Woman Follows Family Military Tradition

Barbara Alice Bell doesn't much care for those young men who seek to evade the draft.

And there are several reasons and a bit of history behind her thinking.

SHE WAS sworn in as a member of the "Governors' Platoon" by Governor Williams in the Capitol today.

Miss Bell will represent Arizona and join young women representing 49 states in recruit training at Parris Island, S.C. The platoon is an honorary unit commemorating the silver anniversary of the women's Marines.

She was selected over 40 applicants, who to qualify must be 18-28, of high morals and integrity, be a high school graduate and pass three Marine Corps tests.

IN HER family, the mili-

tary and duty to country are more than a tradition — they are almost a way of life.

Her father, Oliver C. Bell, is a chief master sergeant in

the Air Force and is serving in Vietnam with the 483 Tactical Air Wing.

Barbara's mother, Mary Jeanne, served in the Woman's Army Corps during World War II.

Also part of the family are twins Donald, serving on the USS Providence, off the coast of South Vietnam, and Donna, a seaman serving in Norfolk, Va., in the anti-submarine warfare department.

HER YOUNGER sisters and brother — Paula, 15, David, 13, and Laura, 12, are also planning military futures.

Barbara, who decided to join the Marines because she heard they are the best, hopes to work in mass communications while serving her country.

She is a 1968 graduate of Westwood High School Mesa.

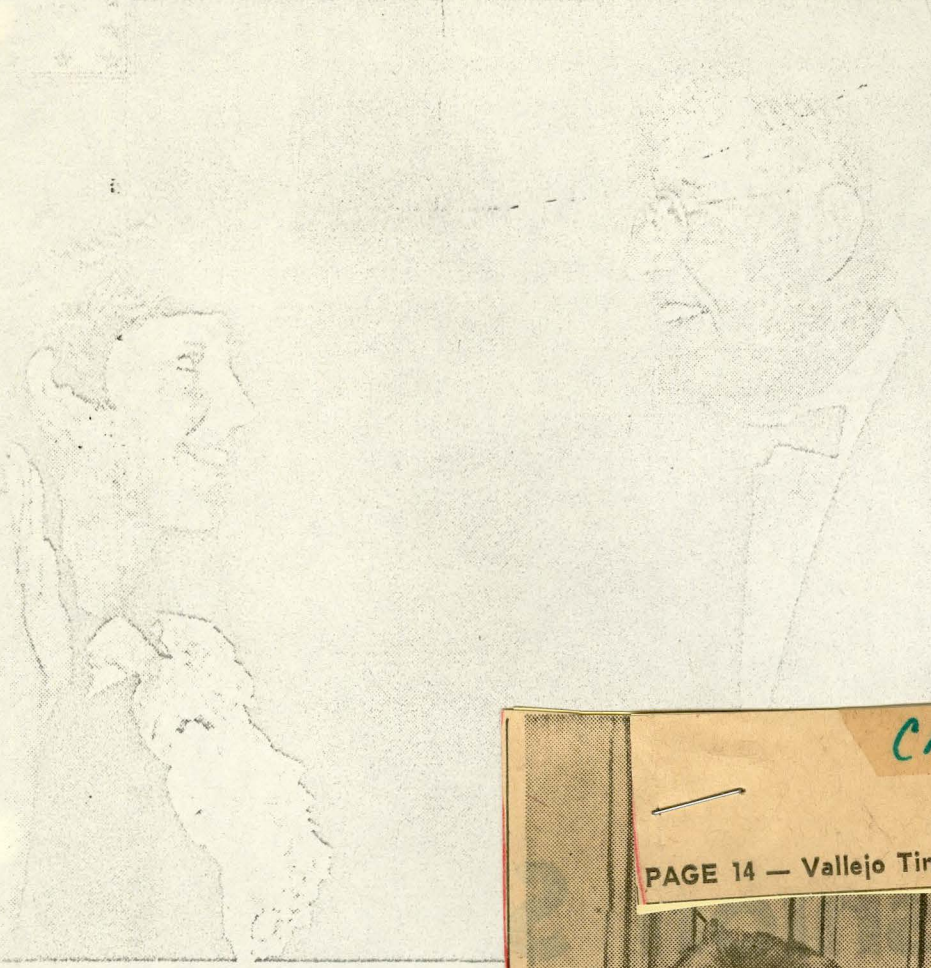
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CALIFORNIA

PAGE 14 — Vallejo Times-Herald, Friday, July 19, 1968



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SILVER ANNIVERSARY BRUNCH GROUP

DACOWITS members at Brunch given by Women Marine Officers, with the Commandant and Mrs. Chapman; former Commandant, General Wallace M. Greene, and Mrs. Greene; former DACOWITS Chairman, Mrs. Esther Van Wagoner Tufty, President of Tufty News Service; and Colonel Ruth Cheney Streeter, first Director of Marine Corp Women's Reserve

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(Above)  
COMMEMORATIVE DIVINE SERVICES

The Commandant and Mrs. Chapman pause with Chaplains, L. M. Lindquist, R. W. Black and R. Ecker, following Services at Henderson Hall, Arlington, Va.  
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SILVER ANNIVERSARY BALL  
"Marinettes", Mrs. Marie Buttell  
Miss Carrie Linkins, with Col.  
William P. McCahill, USMCR, the  
Executive Secretary of the Presi-  
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for the Handicapped.

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30 Sep 1968

Mrs. Marie Snow McClintock  
Box 222, Blue Hille

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30 Sep 1968

Fine Furniture from Forslund  
122 East Fulton Street  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of a clipping received recently from Mrs. Marie Snow McClintock of Blue Hills, Maine. Mrs. McClintock, a former Women Marine, did not give us the names of the two Women Marines pictured; perhaps she did not know them; but, she did furnish the address of your company for our further inquiry.

If you have the names of the two Women Marines pictured - or if you could furnish a copy of the picture for publication in one of our service magazines - we believe we can answer the question posed in the final lines of the clipped article.

In any event, your publication of this feature in your house organ - or catalog, perhaps - is most fortuitous at this time, since 1968 - marking the Silver Anniversary of the Women Marines of World War II and the Golden Anniversary of those who served in World War I - has been designated (and in many States, proclaimed) The Year of The Women Marines. Among the publicity angles which we have exploited during this Anniversary Year are the "Then and Now" pictures we could collect of interesting events repeating themselves. Wouldn't a "Then and Now" including that Martha Lee coffee table purchased in 1943, together with Mr. F. and the until-now unidentified Women Marines, make another interesting comparison shot? With your assistance, perhaps we can manage to find the "characters" (including the table) and stage the "Now" side of the comparison for photographic purposes.

One further item - would it be possible to send us a copy of the publication in which this latest article appeared? We would like to add it - complete - to our historical records here at Marine Corps Headquarters.

Thank you very much for your assistance, and for having already "contributed" to The Year of the Women Marines.

Sincerely,

RUTH BROE  
Colonel, USMCR  
Division of Information (AGB)  
Special Projects Officer

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*Copy to: Mrs. McClintock*

*Publicity*

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30 Sep 1968

Mrs. Marie Snow McClintock  
Box 222, Blue Hill  
Maine, 04614

Dear Mrs. McClintock:

Thank you so much for responding to our request for your new address. We have changed our records and forwarded the information to the National Secretary of the Women Marines Association for updating of the Association mailing list.

Thank you, even more, for the clipping showing two Women Marines "Buying Grand Rapids Furniture for their Mothers;" and for the note telling us where to write for more definite information about the publication in which it appeared. This is a most valuable addition to our Anniversary Year project history, because it represents an entirely new facet of WM publicity - namely, the house organ of a major manufacturing activity. I am writing to Fine Furniture from Forslund at the address you thoughtfully furnished, to inquire for additional copies and any information they may have in files regarding the identification of the two Women Marines pictured.

Perhaps, since you saw and sent us the clipping, you might have some information as to the identity of the two. If so, we would greatly appreciate your letting us know who one or both of them is. We believe a follow-up story - giving the answer to the question posed in the last paragraph of the clipping - would lead to additional exposure of the WM story in the same magazine.

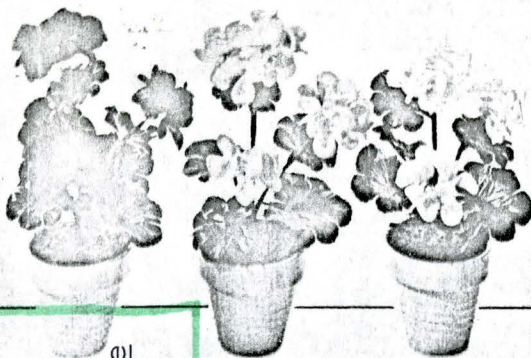
Thank you again. Your interest and assistance is most appreciated.

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RUTH BROE  
Colonel, USMCR  
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Special Projects Officer

*Encl: Copy of letter "fine furniture"*

*Publicity*



CARL FORSLUND, (Father and  
Three Sons)  
122 EAST FULTON STREET - - - - GRAND RAPIDS

Furniture  
2, MICHIGAN

President of FINE FURNITURE FROM FORSLUND (Grand Rapids, Michigan) responded to inquiry regarding clipping (top of opposite page) from 1968 Catalog, with zeroxed copy of local newspaper (1943) and offer of cooperation in locating Women Marines pictured. (They have been located and will be featured, again, in 1969 catalog, together with picture of the original Martha Lee coffee table still in use in home of Lieutenant McKenna (now Mrs. John Murrin's) parents in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Monday afternoon  
October 7 1968

Sunny skies but Autumn breezes --

Colonel Ruth Broe, USMCR  
Department of the Navy  
Headquarters United States Marine Corps  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Colonel Broe:

How pleased we are to have your letter and it really set us digging way back in our files .

We managed to come up with an old and yellow clipping from our local newspaper of that day and are enclosing a couple photostats of it - you'll note it wasn't in very good condition but we patched it up a bit so we could get it in our machine. And we were pleased to note that it even gave the girl's names - perhaps you know them!

Also enclosed are some cuts of the same picture that you sent us - and another showing the Martha Lee table which we are still making . *Page 84.*

We hope we are doing the right thing in enclosing everything with the catalog and marking it First Class ! Thank you for the address sticker. And if we can be of any further help in your project do let us know - and do hope you locate those pretty girls!

Sincerely,

*Blake Forslund*

BLAKE FORSLUND, PRESIDENT  
CARL FORSLUND INC.  
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PS: Dad is in Europe right now for a six weeks trip but I will see that he has your letter when he returns home.

## Our Quaint American Furniture is Timeless

Way back in the war years (1943, in fact) this smiley gent with hair (the hair's gone but the tummy remains) was Mister F, obviously enjoying himself. These two pretty Ladies were stationed in Grand Rapids, recruiting for the Marine Corps. They came into the shop to buy a "Martha Lee" coffee table (you can see the top is pictured in the newspaper photograph) for the mother of one of the girls. A reporter happened to hear about it, got their press photographer and ran a story about "Two Marine Corps Ladies Buy Grand Rapids Furniture For Their Mothers".

Then, like always, in our local paper, they cropped Mister F entirely out of the published photo so not to offend other competitive local furniture dealers. Anyway, here is proof indeed, we were selling this same Martha Lee coffee table back 24 years ago and continually ever since.

We feel that our "Quaint American" Solid Cherry is quite lasting style and not a bit faddish, don't you agree?

Also—for the record, Mister F has never sold a thing that he can't believe in—it must be good.

But, gracious, wonder where and how those two pretty Marine Ladies are today?



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## Marine Recruiters Send Folks at Home Some G. R. Furniture

Combining a recruiting visit in Grand Rapids with a bit of Christmas shopping, Sergeant Merry McGarraugh, left, and Lt. Nancy McKenna, both in the Detroit procurement office of the marine corps women's reserve, are inspecting Grand Rapids-made tables they have bought for presents to their parents.

McGarraugh is sending a table to her mother, Mrs.

E. A. McGarraugh in Omaha, Neb., and Lt. McKenna's parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. McKenna of Pittsburgh will receive two end tables.

The two marine recruiters will remain in Grand Rapids through Saturday, and any woman in this vicinity who is interested in enlisting in the women's reserve of the corps can contact them at the local office, 605 Gilbert building.

## Dombrowski Appeal Made

Asks Freedom from  
Prison in State  
Bribe Conviction

LANSING (AP)—Counsel for State Rep. Stanley J. Dombrowski Friday appealed for his liberation from prison, where he is serving a sentence on his plea of guilty to perjury before a grand jury investigating the legislature.

Circuit Judge Charles H. Hayden said he would hand down a decision Monday or Tuesday on the motion to set aside the sentence and grant a new trial.

Frank G. Schemanske, defense attorney, challenged the prosecution to analyze three widely conflicting stories Dombrowski has told, one of them under oath, and establish which if any of them is true. He contended that until the truth is known, Dombrowski could not logically be said to have committed perjury.

Serving a 3½ to 15-year sentence in the state prison of southern Michigan, Dombrowski was not in court Friday.

The warrant to which Dombrowski pleaded guilty charged that he repudiated sworn testimony he had given to the grand jury that he accepted a bribe from Maj. Charles F. Hemans, former regent of the University of Michigan. It charged that subsequently he visited Circuit Judge Leland W. Carr, who is conducting the inquiry, and reported his grand jury testimony was false. Still later, Judge Hayden said Dombrowski dictated to him a statement that part of the grand jury testimony was true.

"The prosecution must set up which is the true story and show which are false," Schemanske argued.

Harry W. Jack, attorney general, said at the time of the conviction that "justice would be served by the state's case against Dombrowski."

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# February



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## Be A Woman Marine

1 Operation PRAIRIE II Cam Lo area Vietnam began 1967

2 1st day at sea - 3d Bn 1st Mar Transplacement Bn to OKinawa 1961

3 M16E1 introduced to III MAF RVN 1967



4 3rd Engineer Bn moved from JAPAN to OKINAWA 1955



5 1958 new CG 1st Mar Div Maj Gen E.W. Snedecker

6 Continental Marines help defend Charleston from the British 1780



7 Roanoke Isle, N.C. is seized by Marines & Soldiers in battle with Confederates 1862

8 Marines aid 300,000 refugees escape Viet-Minh forces North Vietnam 1955

9 30 Miles south of Da Nang, RVN. operation INDEPENDENCE 1-9 Feb 66

10 Marines on active duty after 31 Dec 60 authorized Nat'l Defense Service Medal

11 Maj Gen J.H. Russell became "Ambassador Extraordinary" to Haiti 1922

12 9th Marines activated at Camp Elliott - part of 2nd Div 1942

13 WM's 25th ANNIVERSARY 1943

14 Midway was garrisoned by 3rd Defense Bn - 1941

15 28 Marines killed when battleship USS MAINE blows up in Cuba - 1898

16 Lt Col M.A. Edson organized the 1st Raider Bn - 1942

17 "DECKHOUSE VI" 1st full day 1967

18 Battle of Winton, N.C. 1862

19 Phase II operation "Double Eagle" Vietnam 1966

20 40 Marines guarded ordnance stores at Mound City, Illinois 1864

21 Dr. Bernard Fall (AUTHOR) died - patrolling with 1/9 - operation "CHINOOK" 1967

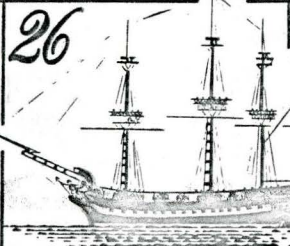
22 WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY



23 FLAG raised on Mount Suribachi 1945

24 Marines & Seamen protected Americans during revolt in Nicaragua - 1899

25 - Vietnam - SSgt Peter S. Connor's act of Gallantry earns Medal of Honor - 1966



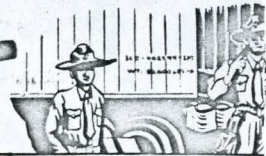
27 Leathernecks of USS "United States" helped capture British ship off of Martinique - 1799

28 1st regular platoon of women recruits formed at Parris Island - 1949

29 1st Oahu, T.H. garrison established 9 Feb 1904

## Be a Woman Officer!

# AUGUST



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## Marine Corps

4 Marine Corps League incorporated by Congress 1937



5 Battle of Mobile Bay, Ala 1864



6 Operation by 5th Marines in Vietnam "COLORADO" 6-22 Aug 66

11 1st Marine Aviator Killed in Korean Conflict 1950

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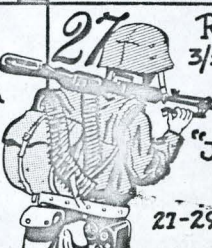
19 Major R.C. Mangrum prepared VMSB-232 for Guadalcanal duty-1942



20 "Operation Allegheny" in Quang Nam-15 miles S.W. of Da Nang, RVN - 20-29 Aug 66

25 V Amphibious Corps joined Fleet at Pearl Harbor 1943

26 2d Airdrome Bn prepared to land at Ellice Islands 1943



27 RVN 3/5-3/1 Op. "Jack-Son" 27-29 Aug 66

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7 Ouida Craddock assumed duty as SgtMaj of Women Marines 1966



2 Airfield Cherry Point, N.C. first designated "MCAS" 1 Dec 41

3 Provisional rebarbed Pusan, Korea inv Lu

3 Operation "Prairie" began in Quang Tri Province RVN 1966



8 Commodore Perry's Marines landed in Liberia-1843

9 1st Mar Div relieved by Army Forces Guadalcanal 1942

10 "Price Co" at each, 48

10 HMR-261 Helicopters assisted during the Taiwan Typhoon clean-up - 1959

15 3rd Battalion arrived at Cavite, Philippines 1899



16 Some 1,000 Marines left Hampton Rds, Va. for World Cruise 1907

17 4th of Mar Div by was d at 1943

17 Elements of the 2d Raider Bn raid Makin Island - 1942

22 Marines in joint operations forced surrender of Pirates... Amelia Isle, Fla. 1817

23 WAKE Atoll fell to Japanese Forces-1941

24 Marines from wa to Chinese ts at 1958

24 Marine artillery participated in the Battle of Bladenburg, Maryland 1814

29 7th Fleet Marines helped Flood victims - Ceylon, India 1958

30 Hqs of 4th Marine Base Defense Air Wing was established at Tarawa-1943

31 Marines at a Naval suKa. rnecks n WWII

31 3rd Marines left San Diego bound for American Samoa 1942

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25 V Amphibious Corps joined Fleet at Pearl Harbor 1943	26 2d Airdrome Bn prepared to land at Ellice Islands 1943	27 RVN 3/5 - 3/7 Op. "Jack-Son" 27-29 Aug 66	28 1st & 2d Bn 7th Marines left Pago Pago for combat 1942	29 52nd ANNIVERSARY of Marine Corps Reserve 1916	30 4th Marines landed at Kurihama Naval Base - Yokosuka. 1st Leathernecks in Japan in WWII 1945	31 3rd Marines left San Diego bound for American Samoa 1942

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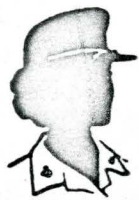
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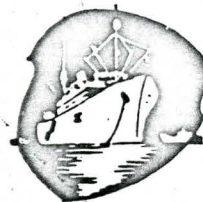
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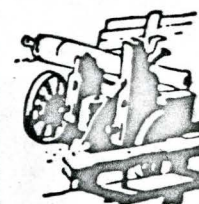
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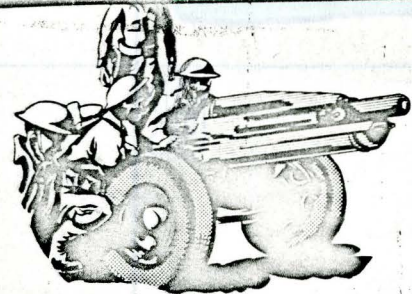
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EXAMPLE OF COOPERATION CONTINUED INTO 1969 and PROMISED FOR FUTURE ANNIVERSARIES

# FEBRUARY

THE HISTORICAL CALENDARS



- 1Feb1941 -- 2d Marine Division formed of the 2d, 6th and 10th Marine Artillery Regiment.
- 2Feb1944 -- 4th Marine Division participated in Battle of Iwo Jima.
- 3Feb1911 -- William P. Biddle appointed 11th Commandant of the Marine Corps.
- 4Feb1941 -- Marine airfield established at Ewa, Hawaii one day earlier.
- 5Feb1777 -- Marine sharpshooters of USS Reprisal Swallow during Revolutionary War.
- 6Feb1943 -- Members of 2d Marines arrived in Wellington; New Zealand for rest, reorganization and training after the Guadalcanal campaign.
- 7Feb1832 -- Battle of Kuala Batee, Sumatra.
- 8Feb1943 -- "Total and complete defeat of Japanese forces on Guadalcanal . . . ." reported to Marines by allied commander there.
- 9Feb1799 -- Seagoing Marines of USS Constellation fought against the sailors of the French ship L'insurgente - during French Naval War.
- 10Feb1862 -- During Civil War, Marines took part in Battle of Ft. Cobb, N.C.
- 11Feb1968 -- Grunts of 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines took part in search and destroy action along Cua Viet River during operation "Badger Catch" - Vietnam.
- 12Feb1915 -- Marines prepared to establish a model Camp at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco.
- 13Feb1943 -- Women Marines 26th Anniversary.
- 14Feb1968 -- 2d Battalion, 5th Marines and 1st Battalion, 1st Marines participated in the assault on Hue, Vietnam" 31Jan-21Feb1968.
- 15Feb1942 -- Recruit Training at Parris Island, South Carolina raised.

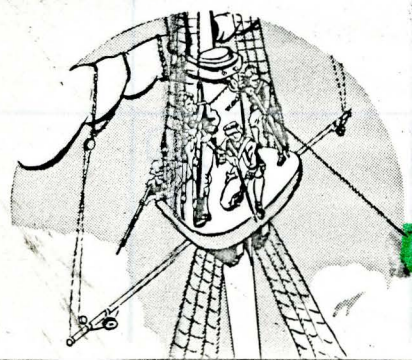
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26 Feb 1968

Colonel William P. McCahill, USMCR  
Commanding Officer  
Public Affairs Unit 4-1  
2761 North Wakefield Street  
Arlington, Virginia 22204

Dear Colonel McCahill:

The attached work request in connection with distribution of Press Kits compiled for the 25th Anniversary observance of the Women Marines is forwarded for assignment to a member of your unit, with the concurrence of the Director of Information.

This assignment should be completed as expeditiously as possible.

Very truly yours,

*Ruth Broe*

RUTH BROE  
Lieutenant Colonel, USMCR  
Division of Information (AGB)  
Project Director

Encl: Work request involving typing of transmittal letters  
and mailing labels

*Sgt Madson*

*You are assigned this project  
& will work w/ Col Broe. WPM Cahill*

*2/26/68*

*Project completed*

*3/7/68*

*80 letters  
mailed*

*3/9/69*

Letter from Miss McClanahan, under date of March 15, promising cooperation. See following page for articles subsequently published in the monthly magazine of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women, Inc., NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMAN, May 1968 and December 1968.

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2761 North Wakefield Street  
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Miss Mabel McClanahan, President  
National Federation of Business and  
Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.  
2012 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Miss McClanahan:

The enclosed Press Kit was compiled and is being circulated in observance of the 25th Anniversary of the Women Marines. Its purpose is to acquaint the public, through all available media, with the history, traditions, and accomplishments of the women of the Marine Corps in the past quarter century. My thought in sending it to you is that you might be interested in its contents, and would certainly be in a position to assist in spreading our Women Marines' story; namely, that among the many challenging careers open to young women of America, none offers greater opportunity for personal satisfaction and achievement than service to one's Country as a Woman Marine.

President Johnson's tribute, so aptly expressed when he signed the Equal Promotion Opportunities Bill last November 8, points up the esteem in which the leaders of our Government hold America's women in military uniform. Treasured by every woman who serves her country in that uniform, are the President's words: "Our Armed Forces literally could not operate effectively or efficiently without our women."

Any assistance you can give in getting our message across to the public will be deeply appreciated.

Most sincerely yours,

WILLIAM P. McCAHILL  
Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve  
Commanding

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WINNER OF THREE FREEDOMS FOUNDATION AWARDS  
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## OF INTEREST TO AND ABOUT WOMEN

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WOMEN FILL 25 PER CENT of all full-time positions in the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture. And only a tenth of them work in the Washington, D.C. headquarters office. The largest number holds support staff jobs in the clerical field. But professional positions in administrative and scientific fields are also open to qualified women, as are careers in such fields as forest recreation, range conservation, landscape architecture and engineering.

THE LADY IS A TEAMSTER becomes a growing reality as the number of distaff truck drivers steadily

increases. Latest estimates place the total somewhere between 7,000 and 8,000, excluding the women who drive family-owned farm and pickup trucks. They drive all sorts of trucks, some in interstate commerce: logging trucks, livestock haulers. "A good many drive school buses, which require the training and skill of a truck driver, plus the patience and stamina of a madonna," says Barbara Ireton, director of women's activities for the American Trucking Associations, Inc. What the distaff teamsters lack in comfortable rest facilities, designed primarily for men, is more than compensated for by the almost universal acceptance they have

won from their brothers on the road in this erstwhile "men-only" field.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THE WOMEN MARINES is in order not once but three times in 1968. February 13 marked the 25th anniversary of their founding in 1943. June 12 will be the 20th anniversary of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act, which first authorized admitting women to regular status in a peacetime Marine Corps. Then August 12 will mark the 50th anniversary of World War I's Marinettes who, in 1918, enlisted in the Corps to free men for front-line duty in France.

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Among other honors that she cherishes are the first prize she received from the American Institute of Banking for the Public Relations program for the Northern Vermont Chapter AIB in 1960, and the "Certificate of Appreciation" from the Vermont Road Builders Association. The latter was in recognition of her outstanding contributions as executive secretary of the Association from 1956 to 1960.

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California. It was 24 hours filled with great public pomp and great personal joy, climaxed as she stepped forward to receive the rank of full colonel in the Marine Corps Reserve from the Commandant of the United States Marine Corps, General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr. The scene was the Commandant's office in Washington headquarters, where Colonel Broe is now on active duty.

Colonel Broe was one of the first three women in the Marine Corps to be tapped for the rank of colonel. As such, like other Women Marine colonels, she will be assigned interchangeably with male colonels, except in certain specialized billets and those which require field duty.

The whole year, in fact, was a season never to be forgotten by Ruth Broe. For her active duty assignment at Marine Corps headquarters has been Project Director for the Anniversary Year of the Women Marines.

Perhaps the year reached its high point on July 26, when Colonel Broe represented the Marine Corps Commandant at the fifth biennial convention of the Women Marines Association in San Francisco. That was more than a regular meeting. It was the occasion for the first day ceremonies for a Commemorative Postal Card issued by the Post Office Department to honor the Women Marines.

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Ruth Broe might well be called a charter member of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve. She was employed in the news and editorial rooms of the Fairmont (West Virginia) Newspaper Publishing Company, publishers of *The Fairmont Times*, when the news of its establishment came over the wire. That very day, February 13, 1943, she applied for admission and was accepted for enlistment in a little over five months.

Before that first year was out, she had completed officer candidate class at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina,

and had been commissioned a second lieutenant.

Promotions came to her in quick order, to first lieutenant in March, 1945, and to captain, in November, 1945, to major in 1958 and to lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps Reserve with permanent rank dating from September, 1962.

Since her marriage in 1951, she has maintained her home in Laguna Beach with her husband, Richard W. Broe, going from there to active duty assignments. During several years in which she has been on inactive status, she has been employed in various civil service capacities, some of the time at Marine Corps installations.

While often concurrently a member of the Volunteer Marine Corps Reserve from 1946 through 1967, Colonel Broe added significantly to an already long list of achievements.

Chief among these was co-authorship of the *Official History of the Marine Corps Reserve*.

Before her newspaper days in West Virginia, she followed in the footsteps of her mother, Mrs. L. O. Heltzel, and taught secondary school, following graduation from Fairmont (West Virginia) State College, graduate work in library science at West Virginia University in Morgantown and business education at West Virginia Business College in Fairmont. She is the fifth generation of her family in West Virginia.

With all of her career responsibilities, Ruth Broe found time all along the way for civic affairs. She is a 16-year member and past officer of the Laguna BPW Club, and an active member for ten years in the Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association, during which time she has been a

member of its national council, board of directors and, currently, its national secretary.

She is one of only two women to receive the Association's highest honor in its 42-year history—the "non Sibi, Sed Patriae" award, given for service "not for self, but for country."

Ruth Broe, through the years, has also found time for relaxation and avocations. One avocation dear to her heart which she has shared with her husband for many years is active participation in the Laguna Beach Community Playhouse and Festival of Arts. She has twice received that group's Best Acting Award.

What will be next for Colonel Ruth Broe? Whatever it is, hers will be a most interesting career to watch. With such a background of achievement, there are bound to be many others. □

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