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FOREWORD

In 1967 the Marine Corps Museum implemented a program designed to acquire and preserve the personal papers of former Marines for future students of history. A substantial number of collections were subsequently located and acquired, and the program continues to expand apace. Many of the Manuscripts have an appeal beyond the confines of Marine Corps history, and it is toward these that the Museum addressed its initial efforts. In order to introduce the collections to the academic community so that they may be exploited to add to the body of knowledge of the development of our country, the Register Series was begun. It is hoped that this series will stimulate scholars to investigate this virgin field of military manuscripts in the pursuit of authenticity, accuracy, and involvement.

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Accessions Information:

The George C. Reid papers were donated to the United States Marine Corps Museum in 1961 by General Reid's sister, Mrs. Florence Reid Bush.

Physical Description:

One (1) diary and approximately one hundred forty (140) items, including incoming and outgoing correspondence, mounted and loose newspaper clippings, commissions, membership certificates, insurance policies, pamphlets, photographs, and miscellaneous records.

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INTRODUCTION

The George C. Reid papers were received by the Marine Corps Museum in 1961 and provide a representative insight into the career of a Marine Officer during the "golden years" of the Corps. The collection is relatively small, occupying some three archives boxes, and somewhat miscellaneous in content, but it supplements the Museum's other more substantial holdings relating to the period and in this aspect it is particularly useful.



BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

George Croghan Reid was born at Lorain, Ohio on 9 December 1876 to Captain and Mrs. C. C. Reid. Captain Reid was the master of a lake vessel navigating the Great Lakes. George completed high school and subsequently attended Oberlin College. At the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, young Reid volunteered for the Marine Corps and was commissioned a second lieutenant for the duration of the conflict. He was honorably discharged on 20 February 1899 but less than two months later he was appointed a second lieutenant in the regular Marine Corps. From May 1899 until May 1902 Reid served on the Asiatic Station. During this tour he participated in the relief of Peking from the besieging Boxers and then commanded a company of the 1st Marine Brigade which was engaged in suppressing the Philippine Insurrectionaries.

The ten years after his return from Asian duty saw Reid stationed at a variety of posts in the United States and Latin America. On 23 May 1904 Reid married Mary Calhoun, the woman with whom he was to spend the next 56 years. In November 1912, he again saw combat when he took part in the assault and capture of Coyotepe and Barranca, Nicaragua, during the early counter-insurgent operations in that country. From Nicaragua, Reid returned to the peacetime activities of a Marine Officer and was stationed first at the new naval station at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and then at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

In January 1914 he joined the Advanced Base Force (the predecessor of the Modern Fleet Marine Force) for maneuvers at Culebra Island in the Caribbean. In April of the same year, Reid took part in the capture and occupation of Vera Cruz, Mexico, and for his distinguished service in this action, he was awarded the Medal of Honor.

During the first World War, Reid served at Quantico, Virginia and Galveston, Texas. In June 1919 he joined the 2d Provisional Brigade in the Dominican Republic where for part of his two year tour he was the Commanding Officer of the Dominican National Guard. In 1921 he

attended the Naval War College at Newport, Rhode Island, and the following year he was assigned as Commanding Officer of the Marine Barracks at the New York Navy Yard. In 1924 and 1925 he added further to his military education by attending the Army War College at Washington, D. C.

In 1925 Reid took command of the Marines on Guam, a post he held until he retired on 1 September 1930. Although Reid was a Colonel at the time of his retirement, he was advanced to the retired grade of Brigadier General for having been specially commended for bravery in action.

Brigadier General George C. Reid died at the United States Air Force Hospital, Harlingen Air Force Base, Texas on 19 February 1961.

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DESCRIPTION

DIARY, 23 MAY 1904 - 1 SEPTEMBER 1930

1 VOLUME

This small, notebook type diary was evidently kept by Mrs. George C. Reid with the first entry being the date of their marriage. Notations are generally their moves while in the Marine Corps and his assignments and promotions. The last entry was made on the date of his retirement.

CORRESPONDENCE 1899 - 1960 and Undated

Of the approximately 100 items of correspondence, nearly all are official letters, i.e. orders, appointments, etc.

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1	1899-1902
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MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Folder 10. Memberships. 1 item.

Certificate of Life Membership in the National Rifle Association of America dated August 11, 1907.

COMMISSION

Folder 11. Commission. 1 item.

Commission as Commandant, Dominican National Guard 1919.

NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

Folder 12.

In this 148 page notebook, only about 50 pages contain clippings. In some instances dates are missing; in others also the title of the newspaper is missing. The period is generally that of 1912 through 1914, i.e., landings in Nicaragua and Mexico. Only those clippings which refer to Colonel George C. Reid or to Mrs. Reid are noted below:

- P. 1 Appointed First Lieutenant. Cleveland Young Man Enroute to the Philippine Islands. April 17, 1899.
- P. 6 Marines and Machine Guns to Nicaragua. PRAIRIE Starts for Nicaragua this Afternoon. August 1912.
- P. 7 & 22 Scenes at League Island prior to departure of the Cruiser PRAIRIE for services in Nicaragua. August 24, 1912.
- P. 8 Four Marines Killed, 5 Hurt in Nicaragua. American Officers in Nicaragua. (Pictures of S. D. Butler and G. C. Reid) October 6, 1912.
- P. 12 4 Marines Killed in Nicaraguan Fight. 1912.
- P. 19 Hydro-Aeroplane Which May Be Seen In Action in Mexico. 1914.
- P. 20 Seeing The Boys Off For Mexico, 1914.
- P. 23 Scene when 800 Marines on Board MORRO CASTLE left Navy Yard here to join thousands upholding Flag's honor at Vera Cruz. 1914.
- P. 29 Brave Wives of Navy Men Suffer in Silence While Husbands Fight For Flag. 1914.

- P. 29 Navy Wives Hear From the Front. 1914.
- P. 30 Spartan-Like Wives Await Battle News, 1914.
- P. 31 "Eminent and Conspicuous Courage" Officers' Tribute, June 8, 1914.
- P. 32 Fletcher Praises Valor of Ohioans. June 7, 1914.
- P. 32 Fletcher Praises Officers and Men. June 7, 1914.
- P. 38 Philadelphia Men Head List of Heroes. 1914.
- P. 39 Officer in Charge of Marines in Landing at Vera Cruz is Well Known in Detroit. 1914.
- P. 40 Think American Action Has Quelled Troubles. June 11, 1912 (?)
- P. 41 Major Reid Unharmed in Attack on Vera Cruz. April 23, 1914.
- P. 42 Major Reid Stationed Here. April 22, 1914.
- P. 43 Born in Lorain, Is Major Of Marines At Vera Cruz. 1914.
- P. 44 Marines Honor Colonel G. C. Reid as He Retired. 1930
- P. 44 Colonel Retired. 1930
- P. 44 Retired; Colonel G. C. Reid; USMC. 1930.
- P. 45 Marine Corps Retiree (clipping cut as to title). 1930.

SUBJECT FILES

Folder 13. Pamphlets. 7 items.

These have been arranged alphabetically by titles.

Fleet Marines on Shore . . . at . . . Vera Cruz,
Mexico. April 21st to April 30th, 1914.

History of 115th Engineers

Instruction in Equitation

Island of Guam

Rifle and Pistol Ammunition Hand Book

Souvenir Programme Ninth Regiment Minstrels.

Souvenir and Roster Third Brigade United States
Marines

Folder 14. Poems. 5 items.

"A Few Words for 'Der Kaiser'"

"Leathernecks" (2 copies; one typed, one from news-
paper)

"The Marines are Always in the Way" (4 copies)

"Me - Und Gott"

"The Toast" (4 copies)

Folder 15. From THE NATION, Vol. 121, No. 3137,
Pages 206-208.

"Thou Shall Not Whistle & _____ on Guam"
by Arthur Warner.

Folder 16. Muster roll of Marine Barracks, USNT,
Newport, R. I. November 1898.

Folder 17. Medical History of George C. Reid.

Folder 18. Handwritten and unsigned recommendations for Pack Equipment.

BUSINESS RECORDS

Folder 19. 4 items.

Automobile Operator's License granted to Colonel George C. Reid for year 1927.

United Services Automobile Association insurance identification cards for the years 1933, 1935 and 1936.

Certificate of Passenger Car Registration for year 1934 issued to George C. Reid.

Agreement reinvesting funds between Major G. C. Reid and The Guardian Savings and Trust Company of Cleveland, Ohio.

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS

Folder 20. Maps. 5 items

Island of Guam (no date)

Islands of the Pacific (1921)

Maryland, Delaware, and District of Columbia (1925)

North America (1924)

Western Theatre of War (1918)

Folder 21. Photographs. All of General Reid

Folder 22. Photographs. Mrs. Reid, Friends and group photos.

Folder 23. Photographs. Units and miscellaneous.

Folder 24. Photographs. Miscellaneous.

Folder 25. Postcards. Miscellaneous.

APPENDIX A

A Partial Chronology of the Life of George Croghan Reid

Information in this chronology has been abstracted from a biographical sketch.

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| 1876 Dec 9 | Born in Lorain, Ohio |
| 1898 May 20 | Appointed a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps for War with Spain. |
| 1899 Feb 20 | Honorably discharged. |
| 1899 Apr 8 | Appointed First Lieutenant in regular Marine Corps |
| 1899-1902 | Served on Asiatic Station. Promoted to Captain in 1900. |
| 1904 | Duty on the Isthmus of Panama. |
| 1906-1908 | Philippine Islands |
| 1908-1912 | Duty in United States. Promoted to Major in 1909. |
| 1912 | Expeditionary duty to Nicaragua. |
| 1914-1916 | At sea as Division Marine Officer of the Atlantic Fleet. |
| 1917-1919 | Served at Quantico, Virginia and at Galveston, Texas with the Third Brigade of Marines. |
| 1919-1921 | On duty with the 2d Provisional Brigade of Marines in the Dominican Republic. |
| 1921 | Took course of instruction at Naval War College in Newport, R. I. |
| 1922-1924 | Served as Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, New York |

APPENDIX B

Preliminary Calendar of Correspondence

Folder 1.

1899 8 April. A. S. Crowninshield, Chief of Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department to George Croghan Reid, Washington, D. C.

Appointment as 1st Lieutenant, USMC, from 9 April 1899.

10 April. Brigadier General Commandant Charles Heywood to Reid, Washington, D.C.

Proceed to New York for duty with Battalion being organized for service in the Philippines.

1900 2 February. (?) Cowles, Acting Chief of Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department to Reid, Cavite, P. I.

Appointment as of 8 April 1899 with commission dated 29 January 1900.

19 July. John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy to Reid, Tientsin, China.

Promotion to Captain on 23 July 1900 contingent upon successfully passing examinations and securing Senate confirmation.

24 July. G. C. Remy, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Naval Force on Asiatic Station to Reid, 1st Regiment, Tientsin, China.

Report for examination for promotion on 30 July 1900.

7 December. G. C. Remy, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Naval Force on Asiatic Station to Reid, 1st Regiment, Cavite, P. I.

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1900 Detached from 1st Regiment and ordered to report to Commanding Officer, U. S. S. ALBANY in command of Marine Guard.

1901 2 January. Captain J. E. Craig, USN, U.S.S. ALBANY, Hong Kong, China to Reid, U.S.S. ALBANY.

Ordered to Commanding Officer, 1st Regiment, U.S. Marines, Cavite, P. I. for examination. (Date of 1900 on letter is in error)

11 January. G. C. Remy, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Naval Force on Asiatic Station to Reid, Marine Brigade, Cavite, P. I.

Orders to stay with Marine Brigade until U.S.S. ALBANY returns.

16 January. G. C. Remy, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Naval Force on Asiatic Station to Reid, 1st Brigade, Cavite, P. I.

Orders to join U.S.S. ALBANY at Hong Kong at earliest opportunity; cancels orders of 11 January 1901.

7 March. Brigadier General Commandant Heywood to Reid, U.S.S. ALBANY.

Qualified for promotion to Captain as of 6 March 1901, with rank from conditionally qualifying date of 23 July 1900.

15 March. A. S. Crowinshield, Chief of Bureau of Navigation to Reid, U.S.S. ALBANY.

Appointed Captain as of 23 July 1900, with commission dated 9 March 1901.

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1901 2 July. Rear Admiral L. Kempff, Junior Squadron Commander, U. S. Naval Force on Asiatic Station to Reid, U.S.S. ALBANY.

Detached this date to report at once to Commandant, Naval Station, Cavite, P. I., for treatment at Naval Hospital there.

1902 5 April. Colonel J. Forney, Commanding Officer, 1st Brigade, Cavite, P. I. to Reid, 1st Regiment, Cavite, P. I.

Detached from Company "G" for duty under Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, 1st Regiment with Company "C".

29 April. Colonel J. Forney, Commanding Officer, 1st Brigade, Cavite, P. I. to Reid, 1st Regiment, Cavite, P. I.

Detached from Company "C" for duty under Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 1st Regiment with Company "E" as its Commanding Officer.

14 May. Rear Admiral F. Wildes, Junior Squadron Commander, Commanding Southern Squadron, U. S. Naval Force on Asiatic Station to Reid, 1st Brigade, Cavite, P. I.

Detached as of 16 May to report to Commanding Officer, 1st Brigade, U. S. Marine Cavite, P. I., for duty with detachment of Marines to leave for the United States in Army Transport KILPATRICK.

28 July. Major General Commandant Heywood to Reid, Marine Barracks, New York.

Detached from Marine Barracks, New York to proceed to home, reporting arrival by letter to Headquarters.

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1902 13 September. Major General Commandant Heywood to Reid, Cleveland, Ohio.

Proceed to Navy Yard, League Island, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and report to Commandant of that station for duty at Marine Barracks.

Folder 2.

1903 8 May. Major General Commandant Heywood to Reid, Marine Barracks, League Island, Pennsylvania.

Detached from Marine Barracks, League Island, Pennsylvania to report to Commandant Navy Yard, Boston, Massachusetts for duty at Marine Barracks there.

25 September. Colonel George C. Reid (Sr.), Acting Commandant (Adjutant and Inspector) to Reid, Marine Barracks, Boston, Massachusetts.

Detached from Marine Barracks, Boston, Massachusetts to report to Commandant, Navy Yard, New York to command company of Marines being organized for service on U.S.S. DIXIE.

15 October. Brigadier General Commandant G. F. Elliott to Reid, Marine Barracks, New York.

Order of 25 September 1903 is revoked; detached from that station to report instead to Commandant, Navy Yard, Boston, Massachusetts to command Marine Guard of the U.S.S. CHICAGO.

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1903 18 November. Colonel George C. Reid, Adjutant and Inspector to Reid, Marine Barracks, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Forwarded this date the West Indian Campaign Medal awarded him for participation in the Battle of Manzanillo, Cuba, 12 August 1898 while attached to the 1st Marine Battalion.

30 November. Brigadier General Commandant G. F. Elliott to Reid.

Detached from U.S.S. CHICAGO when it is placed out of commission; to report to Commandant, Navy Yard, Portsmouth, N.H. for duty at Marine Barracks. This duty to continue until 1 April 1904 unless otherwise directed.

21 December. Brigadier General Commandant Elliott to Reid, Marine Barracks, Portsmouth, N. H.

Detached from Marine Barracks in Portsmouth, N.H. to proceed immediately to Commandant, Boston, Massachusetts to command Provisional Company "A" now being organized at Marine Barracks there.

25 December. Lieutenant Colonel A. C. Kelton, Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, Boston, Massachusetts to Reid.

Orders to take command of Provisional Company "A" (comprised of a 2nd Lt., 12 NCO's and 82 enlisted) and proceed with them to Navy Yard, League Island, Philadelphia, Pa. via Fall River Line and Central RR of New Jersey; report to Commandant, Navy Yard there for duty with Provisional Battalion of Marines being organized. Transportation and subsistence for all personnel is furnished.

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1904 13 May. Brigadier General Commandant Elliott to Reid, U.S.S. DIXIE, League Island, Philadelphia, Pa.

Detached from U. S. S. DIXIE to take charge of detachment of 50 privates from Marine Battalion on that ship; take that unit to Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Boston, Massachusetts; report to Commandant there for duty; transportation and subsistence will be furnished; this duty to continue until 1 April 1905 unless otherwise changed (This order has 22 endorsements)

27 May. Reid, Marine Barracks, Boston, Massachusetts to The Assistant Quartermaster, Philadelphia, Pa.

Accounts for trip made under above orders (13 May 1904); returning some unused funds but unable to give full accounting since some receipts were misplaced.

31 May. Major C. S. Radford, Assistant Quartermaster, Depot of Supplies, Philadelphia, Pa. to Reid, Marine Barracks, Boston, Mass.

Acknowledgement of receipt of Captain Reid's account of unused funds. (Note on opposite side of order referring to lost equipment)

6 December. Brigadier General Commandant Elliott to Reid, Marine Barracks, Boston, Massachusetts.

Detached to command Provisional Company "C" (comprised of 1 officer, 13 NCO's and 81 privates) from Boston to join Marine

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1904 6 December Cont'd.

Battalion being organized at Marine Barracks, League Island, Philadelphia for service on the Isthmus of Panama; report to Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks and to Lieutenant Colonel T. N. Wood, Commanding Officer of the Marine Battalion being formed. Transportation and subsistence to be furnished.

Folder 3.

1905 1 April. Lieutenant Colonel T. N. Wood, Commanding, Marine Battalion, Camp Elliott, Empire I. C. Z., Panama to Reid.

Relieved from duty to take charge of detachment of 2 officers, 30 NCO's and 81 privates to embark on U.S.S. DIXIE; to report to Commanding Officer of that ship for transportation to Guantanamo. One company from this unit will go from Guantanamo to board the U.S.S. YANKEE for such orders as its Commanding Officer may direct.

8 June. Brigadier General Commanding Elliott to Reid, U.S.S. DIXIE, League Island, Pennsylvania.

Detached from that ship after all Marines and their stores are removed; report to Commandant, Navy Yard for duty at Marine Barracks, League Island, Pa. Tour to continue until 1 April 1906 unless otherwise directed.

11 July. Reid to Rear Admiral J. E. Craig, Commandant, Navy Yard, League Island, Pa.

Request by Captain Reid that a survey be made by officers appointed by Admiral Craig of articles accountable to Captain Reid.

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1905 14 July. Brigadier General Commandant Elliott to Reid.

Acknowledgement of receipt of Captain Reid's check of 20 June 1905 of unexpended balance of fund of Company "D", Marine Battalion, Isthmus Canal Zone, Panama.

20 July. Reid to Captain E. A. Jonas, Assistant Quartermaster, Marine Barracks, League Island, Pa.

Transfer of certain articles of equipment from Captain Reid.

5 September. Major C. L. McCawley, Assistant Quartermaster, Washington, D. C. to Reid.

Regarding Captain Reid's letter of 31 August; states check for quarters for 10-30 June 1905 was sent to him on 25 July.

21 November. W. W. Brown, Auditor, Office of Auditor for Navy Department, Treasury Department to Reid.

Regarding Captain Reid's letter of 17 November; requests certified copies of orders detaching him from service on Isthmus in 1903 and 1905. Captain Reid had sent only the orders for such service and Mr. Brown must also have the orders detaching him.

14 December. Brigadier General Commandant Elliott to Reid.

Detached from Marine Barracks, League Island to proceed to Mare Island, California;

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1905 14 December Cont'd.

report to Commandant Navy Yard to command detachment of Marines; then proceed in such command to San Francisco to take passage in U.S. Army transport sailing on or about 5 January 1906 to Manila, P. I.; there to report with detachment to Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Fleet or to Senior Naval Officer present, for duty with 1st Brigade, U.S. Marines. Transportation and subsistence to be furnished. (Captain Reid notes on second page of these orders that he sailed on 5 January on U. S. Army Transport THOMAS, arriving in Manila, 1 February)

1906 3 January. W. W. Brown, Treasury Department to Reid.

Appears from Captain Reid's orders of 25 February 1904 that he was previously detached from shore duty on Isthmus and that on that date he was on duty on U.S.S. PRAIRIE. Requests copy of orders transferring him from shore duty to PRAIRIE.

5 January. Colonel F. L. Denny, Quartermaster, Washington, D. C. to Reid, Headquarters, 1st Brigade of Marines, Cavite, P. I.

Money matters of transportation; requests Captain Reid's orders of 13 May 1904; request for a refund by Captain Reid.

22 August. Reid, Navy Yard, Cavite, P. I. to Major L. C. Lucas, Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, Cavite, P. I.

Request for suitable quarters for himself and family.

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1906 31 August. Mayor (?) Botolan, P.I. to Major E. K. Cole, Commanding Officer, Field and Staff, 2nd Regiment of Marines, Naval Station, Olongapo, P.I.

Requests some assistance regarding two Americans, King and Rose. (Written in long-hand in Spanish)

29 October. Rear Admiral J. H. Dayton, Commander-in-Chief, Philippine Squadron, U.S. Asiatic Fleet to Reid, Marine Barracks, Naval Station, Cavite, P.I.

Appointed a member of a general court-martial ordered to convene at 1000, Thursday, 1 November 1906, Cavite, P.I.; to report to Commander J. G. Quinby, USN, the presiding officer.

1 November. Captain W. H. Clifford, Commanding Officer, American Legation Guard, Peking, China to Colonel C. A. Doyen, Commanding Officer, 1st Brigade of Marines.

Transmits check for \$230.51 as due men whose names are on enclosed list from PX at the Peking Legation. Each man is entitled to \$2.59 mex (gold value was cited as \$121.25); requests receipt for money sent. (Typed copy of original. List is attached)

15 November. Major L. J. Magill, Assistant Adjutant and Inspector, Headquarters, 1st Brigade, Manila, P.I. to Major L. C. Lucas, Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, Naval Station, Cavite, P.I.

Enclosing check for \$61.31 as pro rata share of PX business for enlisted men formerly of the Legation Guard, Peking but now at Olongapo, P.I. List of men attached.

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1906 31 December. Major E. K. Cole, Commanding Officer, 2nd Regiment, and Post Commander, Naval Station, Olongapo, P. I. to Reid, Marine Barracks, Naval Station, Olongapo, P.I.

Detailed as PX Officer.

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1907 12 February. Brigadier General Commandant Elliott to Reid, 1st Brigade, Headquarters, Manila, P.I.

Censure of Captain Reid, and of Captains H. C. Davis and H. I. Bearss, and 2nd Lieutenant E. H. Conger for the first three failing as PX council members and the last named to conduct their audits carefully. About \$2854.28 was lost.

11 March. Lieutenant Colonel T. C. Prince, Assistant Quartermaster, Washington, D. C. to Reid.

Request to furnish Headquarters original order for authority for travel from Empire to Colon, Panama, 1 April 1905, when in command of 2 other officers and 104 enlisted men; order is required for endorsement and should be accompanied by two certified copies to support voucher in favor of Panama RR for \$330.60.

15 March. Memo regarding "Men indebted to Post Trader, Marine Barracks, Washington, D. C." Officers named are Captains Reid and Shaw, M.J.

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1907 23 April. Captain (??), Post Adjutant, Headquarters, 1st Regiment Naval Station, Olongapo, P. I., to Reid, PX Officer, Marine Barracks, Naval Station, Olongapo, P.I.

Copies of order convening board to investigate shortage in cash of PX Council for March 1907; report of said board and convening authority's approval of Board report.

15 April. Lieutenant Colonel J. E. Mahoney, Commanding Officer, 1st Regiment and Post, Marine Barracks, Naval Station, Olongapo, P.I. to Major E. K. Cole, Senior Member of PX Council.

Three officers appointed to investigate shortage of \$15.38 in cash actually on hand in PX as reported by PX Council for March 1907 to include besides Major Cole, Captains M.J. Shaw and A. J. Mathews.

20 April. Major E. K. Cole to Lieutenant Colonel J. E. Mahoney, Commanding Officer of 1st Regiment and Post.

Report of himself and Captains Shaw and Mathews as per order of 15 April 1907. Error due to handling large sums on payday and thus some wrong amounts of change were rendered.

23 April. Lieutenant Colonel J. E. Mahoney to Reid.

Shortage of money in cash account of PX and suggests what he proposes to do in view of PX Council's recommendation that he pay \$19.43.

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1907 10 June. Brigadier General Commandant Elliott to Reid.

Reply to Captain Reid's letter of 10 April 1907 regarding letter of censure sent date of 12 February; Commandant refuses to remove said letter of censure. This letter of 10 June 1907 ends the matter.

12 June. Rear Admiral J. N. Hemphill, Commander-in-Chief, 3rd Squadron, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Olongapo, P. I. to Reid, Marine Barracks.

Appointed member of general court-martial to convene, Naval Station, Cavite, P.I. at 1000, Friday, 14 June 1907; report to presiding officer Lieutenant Commander John R. Edie, USN.

12 July. Court of 1st Instance, City of Manila, P.I., Bureau of Justice, Government of the Philippine Islands to Commanding Officer, Olongapo, P.I.

Regarding a case involving the U.S. and one E. M. Bachrach. (Written in Spanish)

30 November. Reid, Marine Barracks, Naval Station, Olongapo, P. I. to Brigadier General Commandant, Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

Request to be detached as of 1 February 1908 and ordered to the United States; will have completed 2 years of service ashore in P. I.

Folder 5.

1908

6 January. Colonel W. P. Biddle, Commanding Officer, 1st Brigade, Manila, P.I. to Reid.

Report on 11 January at Manila, P. I. to Brigade Commanding Officer for duty as observer at the Division Athletic Meet; to report to present station on 20 January and submit report of observations.

8 March. Captain W. A. Clifford, Adjutant, Headquarters, 1st Regiment, Naval Station, Olongapo, P.I. to Reid.

Orders to take Company "D", 1st Regiment to Rifle Range, Maquinaya, P.I. for target practice, leaving on U.S.S. PANAY 9 March.

4 April. Reid, Marine Barracks, Naval Station to Commander, 3rd Squadron, U. S. Pacific Fleet (U.S.S. RAINBOW), via Official Channels.

Request for leave of absence from 15 to about 30 April, providing he can get transportation on U. S. Army Transport SEWARD to the Southern Islands.

31 August. Major M. J. Shaw, 1st Regiment, Naval Station to Reid.

Relieved as PX officer, Marine Barracks, Naval Station, Olongapo, P.I.; to turn over all funds, books, stores, papers, etc. to 1st Lieutenant E. S. Yates receiving a receipt from him.

31 August. Major J. A. Lejeune, Commanding Officer, 1st Brigade, Manila, P.I. to Reid.

By direction of Commander, 3rd Squadron, Captain Reid is detached from duty with

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1st Regiment and from 1st Brigade; to proceed to the States via U.S. Army Transport SHERIDAN, scheduled to sail from Manila about 14 September; upon arrival in San Francisco to report by telegraph to Major General Commandant.

29 September. Sharpshooter's Certification No. 250. Qualified on 4 April 1908. Signed by the Major General Commandant, G. F. Elliott.

16 October. Telegram from Major General Commandant Elliott authorizing Captain Reid delay of one month enroute to Washington, D. C.

19 November. Colonel C. H. Lauchheimer, Adjutant and Inspector, Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps to Reid, Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps.

Detached from Headquarters; proceed to Philadelphia and report to Commandant, Navy Yard for duty at Marine Barracks; unless otherwise ordered this duty to continue until 1 April 1909.

1909 14 January. Colonel C.H. Lauchheimer, Adjutant and Inspector, Headquarters to Reid, Marine Barracks, Philadelphia, Pa.

Proceed to Marine Barracks, Washington, D. C.; report at 1000 Monday, 18 January to Colonel L. W. T. Waller, president of an examining board for promotion to next higher grade.

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1909 28 January. Major General Commandant Elliott to Reid, Marine Barracks, Philadelphia, Pa.

Notification that he has qualified for promotion.

28 January. T. H. Newberry, Secretary of the Navy to Reid, Headquarters, Marine Corps.

Proceedings of examining board dated 20 January 1909 disclosed several serious matters against his record. This letter will be on file. Promotion granted with "greatest reluctance."

2 February. Reid to Secretary of the Navy.

Acknowledges receipt of 28 January letter from Secretary.

13 February. Telegram from Headquarters, Washington, D. C. to Reid to take charge of Philadelphia Recruiting Office in absence of Major Butler.

16 February. Captain N. R. Usher, USN, Assistant to Bureau Head, Navy Department to Major Reid.

Appointment to Major from 16 January 1909 with commission enclosed, and dated 15 February 1909.

13 April. Major General Commandant Elliott to Reid, Marine Barracks, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Detached; proceed to Detroit, Michigan to take charge of Recruiting District there. Unless otherwise notified this duty will continue until 1 April 1910.

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1909 2 August. Insurance agreement between Major G. C. Reid and the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia for \$10,000; policy dated 28 July 1909.

27 December. Colonel L. W. T. Waller, Marine Barracks, Norfolk, Virginia to Reid.

Ordered with Captain S. Williams to comprise a board to inventory personal effects of Quartermaster Sergeant E. Lindsay.

Folder 6.

1911 8 March. Rear Admiral W. A. Marshall, USN, Commandant, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Virginia to Colonel L. W. T. Waller, Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks.

Transfer of Marine Detachment of 2nd Regiment, Provisional Brigade for temporary duty at Guantanamo. (Comprised of 4 officers, Reid was senior, 36 NCOs, 6 field musics and 140 privates); unit to report to Lieutenant Colonel F. J. Moses, Commanding Officer, 2nd Regiment, Provisional Brigade for embarkation on U.S.S. DIXIE by 1200, 11 March 1911.

12 April. Reid, Battalion Commanding Officer, 2nd Regiment, Camp Meyer, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba to Regimental Commanding Officer.

Report of maneuvers on 11 April 1911.

22 April. General Orders No. 6. Headquarters, 2nd Regiment, 1st Provisional Brigade, Deer Point, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

30 April. Circular No. 6.

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- 1911 30 June. Major General Commandant W. G. Biddle, to Reid, Marine Barracks, Norfolk, Virginia.

Report of inspection of Marine Barracks, 18-24 April 1911, by which poor accounting was in evidence of possessions of unit.

- 11 July. Reid to Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Explanation of above situation - 4 pages.

15 September. Captain P. F. Archer, Assistant Quartermaster, Headquarters, Washington, D. C. to Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, Norfolk, Virginia.

Tracer on quarters furniture; to Reid for reply.

- 1913 30 May. Special Order No. 155. Headquarters, Expeditionary Force, U. S. S. PRAIRIE at sea. Refers to ending the Force on 1 June and what will be done to return men and equipment to parent organizations.

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- 1914 7 January. A humorous document concerning a court-martial of friends.

20 April. Regimental Order No. 1. 2nd Regiment, 1st Advanced Base Brigade, U.S.S. PRAIRIE, Vera Cruz, Mexico as of 1500 hours.

21 - 30 April. Narrative of events. (Roughed copy with typed smooth) It covers such topics as ship detachments, date and hour of

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1914 21 - 30 April Cont'd.
landing, locality of landing, line of advance, method of advance, nature of opposition encountered, halts, shelter, retirement, position later, casualties suffered, ammunition expended,

23 April. A penciled memo, unsigned, concerning a complaint by an Italian, Roberto Raffo, an engineer in the Mexican Navy, whose room was broken into this morning by Marines and 600 pesos were taken from a table drawer, along with his sword.

30 April. Field Orders No. 3. Headquarters, 3rd Regiment, Marine Brigade, Vera Cruz, Mexico. This is a congratulatory message from the Regimental Commander, Major A. W. Gatlin.

4 May. Division Marine Officer, 1st Division (on board U.S.S. UTAH) Vera Cruz, Mexico to Fleet Marine Officer, Atlantic Fleet.

Report of operations of a Battalion of Marines ashore at Vera Cruz, Mexico, 21 through 30 April 1914.

12 June. J. Daniels, Secretary of the Navy to Reid, via channels.

Commendation for conduct with landing force in April 1914 at Vera Cruz, Mexico, as an extract from report on Reid and three others (Major R. C. Berkeley, USMC and Lieutenant R. Wainwright and G. W. S. Castle, both USN).

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1914 30 July. Reid, U. S. S. ARKANSAS, Vera Cruz, Mexico to Major General Commandant, through channels.

Survey on equipment.

1915 23 February. Daily routine of the day, Deer Point, Cuba, signed by Reid, commanding.

27 February. General routine for the entire camp at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Unsigned.

15 June. Reid, Navy Yard, New York to Quartermaster, Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

Survey on 3 aluminum cups. (This is the 15th endorsement. Previous or later endorsements are missing)

Folder 8.

1920 28 September. L. Feland, Commanding General to Military Governor.

Appointment of Colonel J. C. Breckinridge as Commandant, Guardia Nacional Dominicana, relieving Colonel G. C. Reid. This was approved by the Military Governor, Thomas Snowden, the same day; relief will take place 4/5/October 1920.

1921 6 May. Military Governor of Santo Domingo to Reid, via Commanding Officers of 2nd Brigade and 15th Regiment.

Detached and proceed to U.S. This set of orders also includes endorsements by Commander, U.S.S. KITTELY and Acting President, Naval War College and Commandant of the Marine Corps.

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- 1921 15 May. Thomas F. Norris to Mrs. George C. Reid, San Pedro De Macoris, Santo Domingo, Republic Dominica.

Gift for Colonel Reid from his Marines. They seek her advice since through no fault of their own something went wrong with their present for him.

- 1922 May. Diploma awarded Colonel George C. Reid from the Naval War College.

- 1925 13 June. W. D. Clark, Jr., Deputy Collector of Taxes, Washington, D. C. to Reid.

Income tax adjustment.

- 1927 15 March. Major General Commandant J. A. Lejeune to Reid, Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, Naval Station, Guam, via Captain (?) L. S. Shapley, USN, Commandant, Naval Station, Guam.

Commendation on personnel and material of Marine Barracks during inspection by Commanding General, Department of the Pacific on 16 November 1926.

- 1927 31 March. Reid to Chief of Naval Operations.

Report of destruction (?) of classified documents. (Form is for destruction but notation at bottom records receipt of cited documents)

Folder 9.

- 1932 7 December. Statement of Account and Receipt for Care and Treatment of Foreign Seamen or Other Pay Patients. This concerned treatment of 8/12 November 1932.

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1933 15 April. Department of the Navy, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery to Public Health Service, Treasury Department.

Claim by Colonel G. C. Reid, USMC (Retired) for treatment.

25 April. Assistant Surgeon General, US Navy to Surgeon General, U.S. Navy.

Payment of bill of Colonel G. C. Reid, USMC (Retired)

28 April. Department of the Navy, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery to Reid.

Treatment received by Colonel Reid will have to be paid by him and sent to the Public Health Service.

1938 24 November. (Unidentified former Marine) to Reid.

Writer asks Colonel Reid to write some letters of reference for him.

1943 11 September. Brigadier General J. W. Page, US Army, State Director of Selective Service, Austin, Texas to Reid, Chairman, Cameron County Local Board No. 2, San Benito, Texas.

Expresses regret that Colonel Reid cannot be kept on the Local Board because of a ruling by the State Attorney General concerning a so-called dual office holding act.

1953 30 March. General L. C. Shepherd, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps to Reid, General, USMC (Retired)

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1953 30 March (Cont'd)

Letter of thanks for donation of Major Waller's Tientsin Proclamation; it will be made a permanent exhibit in the Marine Corps section of the Smithsonian Museum.

1960 29 March. Major General A. F. Binney, Director of Aviation, HQMC to Reid.

Holders of the Medal of Honor can ride free in government air-transportation other than MATS on a space available basis within the U.S. As a retired member of the Armed Forces can also travel on a space available basis with MATS or MSTs. Overseas trips with either MATS or MSTs, please notify CMC first.

Undated. Major George C. Reid, USMC to The Major General Commandant.

Proposed post exchange regulations for use in the Marine Corps.

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