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TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE MARINE CORPS:

To Marines November 10, 1941, signifies one hundred and sixty-six years of Marine Corps history.

This history has been made not by time nor by chance but by men who were Marines.

It is well that we Marines of 1941 should observe the anniversary by considering the achievements of those who served before us; from their deeds to take our inspiration; from their faith, our ideals.

The Major General Commandant congratulates the Marine Corps on the development of its stature and its strength, and confidently joins in the eagerness of Marines to live and to fight by the tradition that is the history of the Corps.

T. HOLCOMB,

Major General Commandant.