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Foreword

Oral history is essentially spoken history, the oral recall of eyewitness impressions and observations recorded accurately on tape in the course of an interview either by a historian or an individual employing the methodology of historical inquiry coupled with the techniques of journalism. The Marine Corps Oral History Program first became an integral element of the Marine Corps Historical Program in 1965. Expanded through the years, the program is now one of the largest of its kind and is widely recognized as having amassed a large body of important documentary evidence which will assist scholars working in Marine Corps history.

This *Oral History Collection Catalog* lists accessioned interviews conducted with retired distinguished Marines, most of whom held high-level command and staff billets during the course of their careers. The interviews listed represent well over 3,000 years of Marine Corps experience and lessons learned on all levels in both peace and war. Collectively, these memoirs provide a reservoir of material to be used profitably by both military and civilian researchers.

The Marine Corps Oral History Program takes a broad view of what constitutes oral history. We believe that taped presentations, briefings, debriefings, speeches, and the like possess varying degrees of historical value and, being "spoken history," therefore fit within the corpus of oral history. For this reason, such types of recordings have been accessioned into the collection, together with those interviews conducted by and for the program. Reflecting this view of what comprises oral history, presentations and briefings by senior Marine officers are listed in this catalog as well as interviews.

Those abstracts marked with the letters "VN" represent interviews specifically conducted to support on-going writing projects concerned with the history of Marine Corps operations in Vietnam. A number of retired prominent Marines interviewed for this purpose were later interviewed in depth to record their careers in whole, and still others will be interviewed at length in the future.

This expanded second revised edition of the *Marine Corps Oral History Collection Catalog* represents not only an increase in the size of the collection, which now contains over 41,000 pages of transcription, but also reflects the passage of time in which a number of our older interviewees have died. In one case, this resulted in the opening of a previously closed interview.

Accessioned into the collection but not yet cataloged are several groups of issue-oriented interviews which should prove valuable to future researchers. To obtain background material for her *A History of the Women Marines, 1946-1977*, Colonel Mary V. Stremow, USMCR, interviewed 42 former and serving women Marines, including all but one of the former and serving Directors of Women Marines. These interviews have not yet been transcribed.

A second valuable and unique group of interviews is that which Professor Martin Russ obtained under the provisions of a Marine Corps Historical Foundation Research Grant in support of his study of the Marine Corps pacification program in Vietnam. Under the terms of his grant agreement, these interviews were released for public use in September 1979. Included in this group of 34 are interviews with former Commandants of the Marine Corps Generals Wallace M. Greene, Jr.; and Leonard F. Chapman, Jr.; such senior Marine commanders in Vietnam as General Lewis E. Walt, Lieutenant General Herman Nickerson, Jr., and Major Generals Fred E. Haynes and Jonas M. Platt; and other individuals closely connected to the United States effort in Vietnam, such as Robert Komer, William Colby, and Major General Edwin Lansdale, USAF (Ret).

A third large group accessioned contains nearly 1,200 interviews conducted by Marine Corps Information Services personnel during the period 1965-1971, primarily in Vietnam. Popularly known as "Joe Blow" interviews, which were to be released much in the nature of hometown news stories, this group complements the combat-related interviews conducted in the field for the Marine Corps Historical Program.

There are several other groups of issue-oriented interviews which have not yet been accessioned into the collection. The first of these contains the interviews related to the Marine deployments in Beirut, Lebanon, 1982-1984. They were conducted by the Head of the Oral History Section to support his writing of *U.S. Marines in Lebanon, 1982-1984*. He also has begun a series of interviews related to the employment of Marines in the Persian Gulf. Another group of issue-oriented interviews were conducted with members of the Marine Security Guard (MSG) Battalion, "State Department" Marines, who are responsible for the internal security of U.S. embassies and missions abroad. With the exception of the interviews with Colonels Cooper and Koppenhaver, Lieutenant Colonel Knepp, and Captain Wolfertz, which are abstracted in this catalog, none of the other 61 MSG interviews has been transcribed. They were conducted by the Head of the Oral History Section and Mr. Danny Crawford, Head of the Reference Section, who was tasked with writing a history of the MSG program, a future effort.

We have noted with interest and considerable pride and pleasure the increased use of the Marine Corps Oral History Collection by researchers visiting the Marine Corps Historical Center since its opening in Building 58, Washington Navy Yard, in May 1977. Here researchers can find a "one-stop" research center holding not only this collection and the Marine Corps Museum, but also Marine Corps operational records, art, and personal papers collections, in all, a comprehensive repository of Marine Corps historical artifacts and papers.

The Head of the Marine Corps Oral History Program almost from its inception has been Mr. Benis M. Frank. A pioneer in oral history and a long-time member of the History and Museums Division, Mr. Frank has been associated with the Marine Corps in enlisted, commissioned, and civilian status for 46 years. As indicated in this catalog, he conducted the majority of the listed interviews, while most of the remainder were conducted by his former associates in the Oral History Section, Majors Lloyd E. Tatem, Thomas E. Donnelly, and Jack K. Ringler, as well as his colleagues in the History and Museums Division, Mr. Henry I. Shaw, Jr., Chief Historian; Dr. Graham A. Cosmas; Lieutenant Colonels Gary W. Parker and Lane Rogers; and Mr. Jack Shulimson. Where appropriate, the names of other interviewers are noted following interview/briefing abstracts. This catalog was computerized, laid out, and indexed by Mrs. Meredith P. Hartley, Editor, Oral History Section.

This edition supersedes all previous editions of the catalog.



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Preface

In an attempt to supplement the written record of Marine operations in Vietnam with tape-recorded interviews obtained from individual Marines returning from the war in that country, the then-Historical Branch, G-3 Division, established the Marine Corps Oral History Program in 1965. The recordings thus garnered were to be and are, in fact, being used by Marine historians as they write accounts of the Marine Corps' role in Vietnam.

Within a short time, this program was expanded to contain three elements: interviews conducted by major Marine Corps interview centers, interviews conducted by major Fleet Marine Force commands at the scenes of crisis actions, and interviews with individual distinguished Marines. Because of the time frame in which they were conducted, interviews developed by the first two elements of the program were primarily concerned with Vietnam. As a result of the effort and time expended on behalf of the program by individuals conducting these field interviews, the History and Museums Division now holds over 6,000 Vietnam-related interviews which cover the entire spectrum of the Marine Corps effort in the country.

In addition to the interviews listed in this catalog and the field interviews, which are listed elsewhere, the collection contains a number of tapes concerned with diverse Marine Corps-related subjects. In this group are, for example, the classified and unclassified speeches, interviews, and briefings of General Wallace M. Greene, Jr., for the period of his commandancy, 1964-1967; of General Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., for 1968-1971; and of General Robert E. Cushman, Jr., for 1972-1975. A listing of these and others in the miscellany grouping is available in the Oral History Section.

Unlike interviews with retired distinguished Marines, few of the field interviews have been transcribed, but a complete listing of all such classified and unclassified interviews accessioned into the Oral History Collection is available at the Oral History Section and the James C. Breckinridge Library, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, Virginia. In addition, the Oral History Section has compiled a by-name index of all Marines who have been interviewed for the Oral History Program as well as an index of the units whose operations in Vietnam are represented in the field interviews.

An innovation which appeared in the first edition of the catalog and which will be followed in this and subsequent editions is an index to the catalog's abstracts, which should prove to be a finding aid of great value to researchers.

It should be pointed out to the potential user of oral history interviews that while the material contained in tapes and transcripts represents primary source material, as other such material it cannot be used alone and unsubstantiated by additional documentation. Also, it is a matter of fact that the perceptions of individuals concerning combat may very well be faulted because of the "fog of battle," while the memoirs of long-retired Marines sometimes may be self-serving or inaccurate, but not necessarily purposely so. A time-distance factor tends to diminish the memory as far as precise facts are concerned in many cases. Nonetheless, joined together with other primary source documentation, oral history interviews very often provide the fillip that gives life to history and fleshes out the bare bones of the printed word.

All of the memoirs appearing in this listing, including field interviews, briefings, presentations, speeches, and the miscellany group are deposited in the Marine Corps Oral History Collection, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps, Washington, D.C. Many of the accessioned memoirs have been bound and are available for research in the Breckinridge Library at Quantico. A number of these memoirs are also deposited in Special Collec-

tions, Butler Library, Columbia University, New York City, and the Oral History Collection, U.S. Naval Institute, Annapolis, Maryland. In a few instances, where the interviewee is a graduate of a civilian university or college, a copy of the transcript has been deposited in the library of the interviewee's alma mater.

While we have attempted to ensure that these interviews are made available for as widespread use as possible, the interviewees retain the prerogative of imposing a degree of restriction on the use of their memoirs. If the interview is classified "Open," the transcript may be read by qualified individuals upon presentation of appropriate credentials. When the interview is classified "Permission Required to Cite or Quote," the user may read the transcript, but must obtain permission in writing from the interviewee before citing or quoting from the interview. Permission must also be obtained in writing from the interviewee to read the transcript if the interview is classified "Permission Required." An interview classified "Closed" means exactly that, and the transcript will be sealed for the period of time specified by the interviewee.

Under the terms of custodianship and in view of the proprietary rights of individual interviewees, the History and Museums Division cannot reproduce interview transcripts or duplicate tape recordings of the interviews themselves. However, the interview transcripts can be borrowed by means of interlibrary loan.

To assist researchers and to ensure that they correctly cite the Marine Corps Oral History Collection, and give appropriate credit to the collection, the following sample citations are provided:

a. Bibliographies

Gen Edwin A. Pollock, USMC (Ret), interview 11-14 May 1971 and 14 April 1973 (Oral History Collection, Marine Corps Historical Center, Washington, D.C.).

MGySgt Norman D. Epkin, USMC, interview NO. 6342, 8 December 1977 (Oral History Collection, Marine Corps Historical Center, Washington, D.C.).

b. Footnotes

Gen Edwin A. Pollock intvw, 14Apr73, pp. 297-99 (OralHistColl, MCHC), hereafter *Pollock intvw*.

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For further information concerning the Marine Corps Oral History Program and use of the collection, please write to: Commandant of the Marine Corps, Code HDH-3, Marine Corps Historical Center, Building 58, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C. 20374-0580.



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Colonel; b. 1925; USMC Service 1942-1981

At the time of his retirement in 1981, Colonel Aichele was designated "Chief Engineer of the Marine Corps," in recognition of his many years of enlisted and commissioned service as a Marine engineer. In his early Marine Corps years, Colonel Aichele served in the infantry and was a machine gunner at Guadalcanal. In 1941, he was a member of the party which surveyed the land which became Camp Pendleton. Of his 39 years in the Corps, 16 were spent on Okinawa, where he played a major role in Marine Corps military construction on the island. He also was very closely involved with the planning for and events surrounding the reversion of Okinawa to the Japanese. All of this is chronicled in his interview.

48pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Sergeant James S. Lyonais, II

ALLEN, Chester Robinson

Major General; b. 1905, d. 1972; USMC Service 1929-1963

Education, University of Florida, 1925-1929; early Marine Corps training, seagoing and barracks duties; 6th Marines, Shanghai, 1938-1939; barrage balloon program, 1941-1943; ordnance supply/quartermaster duties, 1943-1946; occupation of Japan; MCSD, Barstow, California, 1947-1951, supply support for Marine operations in Korea; 1st Marine Division Supply Officer, Korea, 1951-1952; duty at HQMC successively as Head, Operations Branch, Supply Department; Director, Marksmanship Training Division; Quartermaster General of the Marine Corps, 1954-63. Impressions of Marine Corps logistics planning and operations, personalities.

383 pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Major Lloyd E. Tatem

ANDERSON, Norman John

Major General; b. 1913; USMC Service 1936-1972

Education, UCLA, 1930-1934; post-graduate studies, Stanford University; Marine Aviation Cadet, flight training, Reserve duty, 1936-1940; pilot, American Airlines, 1940-1941; return to active duty, flight instructor, Pensacola, 1941-1942; OpsO, MAG-25, Solomons, 1942-1943; CO, VMB-423, 1943-1945, (Philippine operations); duty at El Toro, 1945-1947; student and instructor, AWS, Junior Course, 1947-1949; ExO/DepGroupCO, MAG-33; Korean War, carrier operations; Pacific Fleet Evaluation Group, 1951-1952; National War College, 1952-1953; Hd, AirSec, Tactics and Techniques Board, MCS, 1953-1957; Chief, Policy Analysis Div, HQMC, 1957-1959; CO, MAG-11, Japan, 1959-1961; DepAC/S, G-3/Asst DC/S (Plans)/DC/S (Air), HQMC, 1961-1964; CG, MCAB, Eastern Area/CG, MCAS, Cherry Point, 1964-1966; CG, 2d MAW, 1966-1967; DepCdr for Air, III MAF/CG, 1st MAW, Vietnam, 1967-1968; DepCdr,

FMFLant, 1968-1969; Dep C/S, CinCLant, 1969-1972; comments on single management of air assets in Vietnam.

272pp. Open. 1983.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ANDERSON, Vernon

Rear Admiral, DC, USN; b. 1913; USN Service 1941-1974

This short interview highlights Adm Anderson's service as a dental officer with Marine Corps units during the course of his career.

31pp. Open. 1986.

Interviewer: Major General Norman J. Anderson

ARMSTRONG, Alan James

Major General; b. 1920; USMC Service, 1941-1973

CG, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing/DepCG, III MAF, Jul70-Apr71, personnel aspects of redeployment of III MAF; other problems arising in redeployment; 1st Marine Aircraft Wing/MACV and 1st MAW/Seventh Air Force relationships, 1970-1971; Marine air/ground relations re: helicopter employment; comments on Army warrant flight officer program; employment of helicopters on Lam Son 719; comments on single management of air resources in Vietnam; Operation Mixmaster; Marine Corps helicopter vs fixed-wing aircraft controversy; comments on various aircraft types; the mix of fixed-wing aircraft in Marine Corps aviation; personnel problems in Marine Corps aviation. (VN)

72 pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank, Lieutenant Colonel William R. Falls

BAKER, Warren Paine

Colonel; b. 1916; USMC Service, 1939-1965

History of Center House, Marine Barracks, 8th and I Streets, SE, Washington, D.C.; background to renovation; revision of ceremonial parades at 8th and I; selection of ceremonial unit personnel; background to OJT of Marines in Vietnam in pre-1965 period; job orientation-related trips for field grade officers and above to Vietnam. (VN)

55pp. Open. 1974.

Interviewers: Captain Robert H. Whitlow, Mr. Richard A. Long, and Mr. James S. Santelli

BAKKE, John H.

Boot camp, Mare Island, 1922-1923; duty in Guam, 1923; duty at Cavite; sea duty, USS Huron; liberty in China; embassy duty in Peking.

42pp. Open. 1978.

Interviewer: Colonel John H. Rogers, USMCR, Ret.

BANKS, Charles Louis

Brigadier General; b. 1914, d. 1988; USMC Service, 1936-1959
Background and education, Virginia Military Institute, 1932-1936; early Marine Corps training, artillery school and assignments, amphibious assault training, 1936-1941; staff, Amphibious Corps, Atlantic Fleet, 1941-1942; combat assignments with 4th Raider Battalion and 1st Raider Regiment in Pacific operations (New Georgia, Emirau), 1943-44; inter-war training and assignments; 1st Service Battalion and staff of 1st Marine Division in Korea, 1950-1951. Impressions of outstanding Marine Corps figures.

47pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BARE, Robert Osborne

Lieutenant General; b. 1901, d. 1980; USMC Service, 1924-1957
Early life in Iowa; Naval Academy, 1920-1924; expeditionary duty in China, 1925-1927; barracks, school, and sea-going assignments, 1927-1938; Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth; Instructor, Marine Corps Schools, pre-war fleet landing exercises, 1938-1941; duty with Commander, Naval Forces, Europe; observer, Normandy landings; C/S, 1st Marine Division, Okinawa operation; Staff, Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet; Naval War College; Director, Amphibious Warfare School and Director, Marine Corps Education Center, Quantico, 1948-1951; ADC, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1952-1953; Director, Marine Corps Development Center; Director of Personnel, HQMC, 1955-1956; CG, 1st Marine Division, Marine Corps tactical developments, personnel planning, personalities.

140pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BARROW, Robert Hilliard

Major General, b. 1922, USMC Service 1943-1982
Dep G-3/AC/S, G-3, FMFPac, 1964-1967; FMFPac/III MAF/MACV
relations; personality of General Krulak and role as CG, FMFPac
in the Vietnam War; concept of SLF operations; CO, 9th Marines,
Jul68-Apr69; Operation Dewey Canyon, Jan-Mar69. (VN)
81pp. Open. 1973.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BATTELL, William F.

Major General; b. 1906, d. 1980; USMC Service, 1927-1965
Education, Iowa State College; enlisted service, USMC; commissioned
1930; company officer, Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., 1931-
1932; duty in Peiping, China, 1932; detachment officer, USS
Saratoga, 1933-1934; student Army Signal School, Fort Monmouth,
New Jersey, 1935-1936; communications officer, Quantico, 1937-
1938; CO, Marine Detachment, USS New York, 1938-1939; Officer in
Charge, Signal Supply Division, Depot of Supplies, Philadelphia,
1939-1941; communications duty, Bureau of Ships, Navy Department,
1941-1944; wartime communications equipment; duties at USMC Depot
of Supplies, San Francisco, 1946-1951; supply officer, Marine
Corps Schools, Quantico, 1952-1954; Base Supply Officer, Camp
Pendleton, 1954-1955; CO, 3d Service Regiment, 1956-1957; typhoon
damage on Okinawa; Director of Material Division, Supply
Department, HQMC, 1956-1958; CG, MCSC, Albany, Georgia, 1958-1962;
Quartermaster General of the Marine Corps, 1963-1965; reflections
on DOD influence in supply matters, and automation of the Marine
Corps supply system,
306pp. Open. 1971.
Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

BEANS, Fred Dale

Brigadier General; b. 1906, d. 1980; USMC Service 1930-1948
Enlisted service, USN, 1924-1926; education, Naval Academy, 1926-
1930; Guardia Nacional, Nicaragua, 1932; sea duty on board USS
Tuscaloosa, 1934-1935; duty in China in Shanghai, Peiping, and
Tientsin, 1937-1940; CO, 2d Defense Battalion, Tutuila, Samoa,
1943; CO, 3d Raider Battalion, Noumea, Guadalcanal, Bougainville,
1943; observations on raider battalion concept and employment;
EXO and CO, 4th Marines, 1944-1946; Okinawa campaign; occupation
of Yokosuka and Tsingtao; postwar problems in Division of Plans
and Policies, HQMC, 1946-1948.
199pp. Open. 1971.
Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

BERKELEY, James Phillip

Lieutenant General, b. 1907, USMC Service 1927-1965
Early years, memories of father (MajGen Randolph C. Berkeley,
Medal of Honor recipient), enlisted service, 1927-1930; China duty,
Peiping, 1932-1934; formation of Fleet Marine Force, prewar
communications training, procedures, and equipment; World War II
communications personnel procurement; Iwo Jima operation,

occupation of Japan; duty in Office of the Secretary of the Navy, Joint Army-Navy Secretariat; Advisor, Argentine Naval War College, Argentine Marine Corps; student and instructor, Armed Forces Staff College, Naval War College; CO, Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., 1953-1954; C/S, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1954-1955; AC/S, G-1, HQMC, 1955-1958; personnel matters in period; subsequent commands of Department of the Pacific, 2d Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, FMFLant, 1955-1965; major Marine Corps events, decisions in period, personalities.

479pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BERKELEY, James Phillip

This short transcript contains Gen Berkeley's comments on the Commandancy of Gen Pate.

43pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BETHEL, Ion Maywood

Major General; b. 1900, d. 1985; USMC Service 1918-1958

Early years and schooling in Texas, Texas A&M, 1925; World War I enlisted service, 1918-1919, commissioned 1925; match rifle and pistol competition during career; duty in China, 1927-1929; sea and barracks duty in early 1930s; assignment to Civilian Conservation Corps; China duty, 1935-1937; textile engineering course, Lowell Textile Institute, 1937-1939; procurement/supply duties, Marine Corps Supply Depot, Philadelphia, 1939-1942; World War II, Supply Officer, 3d Marine Division and Island Command, Peleliu; OIC, Procurement Section, MCSD, Philadelphia, 1945-1950, and at HQMC, 1950-1952; CG, MCSD, Philadelphia, 1952-1953; CG, MCSD, Albany, Georgia, 1955-1956; Quartermaster General of the Marine Corps, 1957-1958; Marine Corps supply and procurement procedures, personalities.

115pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BLACK MARINE INTERVIEWS

These interviews with five former Marines who were among the first blacks to enlist during World War II, were conducted to support the research and writing for Blacks in the Marine Corps, published by the History and Museums Division in 1975.

DARDEN, Herman, Jr.

former PFC, USMC Service 1943-1946

51st Defense Battalion; Montford Point; Funafuti; Marshall Islands; Eniwetok

HALL, Obie

former Cpl, USMC Service 1942-1946

51st Defense Battalion; Montford Point; Nanomea; Funafuti; Eniwetok

JOHNSON, Alex, Jr.

former GySgt, USMC Service 1942-1946
52d Defense Battalion; Montford Point; Kwajalein; Guam;
Eniwetok

LITTLE, Robert

former Sgt, USMC Service 1943-1946
3d Ammunition Company; Montford Point; Hawaii; Saipan, Tinian;
Okinawa

SNEED, Norman

former Sgt, USMC Service 1943-1946.
4th Depot Company; Montford Point; Noumea; Banika; Guam.

169pp. Open. 1972.

Interviewer: Mr. Henry I. Shaw, Jr.

BLAKE, Robert

Major General; b. 1894, d. 1983; USMC Service 1917-1949
Education, University of California, 1913-1917; World War I
service, Verdun, Belleau Wood, Chateau Thierry, Soissons, Meuse-
Argonne, Army of Occupation in Germany; military schooling, sea
duty in 1920s; anti-banditry activities, Nicaragua, Nicaraguan
Electoral Mission, 1928-1930; Spanish language studies, Spain,
1931-1932; instructor, Marine Corps Schools, 1932-1935; duty in
Latin American Section, Office of Naval Intelligence, 1937-1940;
Naval War College; CO, 5th Marines, 1941-1942; 10th Defense
Battalion, Solomon Islands, 1942-1943; C/S, 3d Marine Division,
Bougainville and Guam operations; Island Command, Guam, 1944-1945;
CG, Occupation Forces, Truk and Central Caroline Islands, 1945-
1946; President, Marine Corps Postwar Reorganization Board and
Inspector General of the Marine Corps, 1946-1949.

119pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BLANDFORD, John Russell

Major General; b. 1918; USMC Service 1941-1945; USMCR 1945-1976.
Education, Hobart College, 1935-1939; Yale Law School, 1939-1941,
1945-1946; PLC Program, 1937-1941; 6th ROC, 1941-1942; artillery
officer, 11th Marines, Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester operations;
Reserve matters/duty, 1945-1946; counsel for the House Committee
on Armed Services.

59pp. Open. 1978.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BLAZ, Vincente Thomas

Brigadier General; b. 1928; USMC Service 1949-1980
Childhood in Guam, experiences under Japanese occupation in World
War II, recapture of Guam by Marines beginning with invasion on
21 July, 1944.

44pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

BLEASDALE, Victor France

Brigadier General; b. 1895, d. 1984; USMC Service 1915-1946
Enlisted service, Haiti, France, 1915-1918; commissioned in combat,
World War I; battles of Belleau Wood, Soissons, St. Mihiel, Blanc
Mont; occupation of Germany; mail guard duty, 1921; 2d Marine
Brigade, Santo Domingo, 1921-1922; Nicaragua, 1927-1929;
instructor, MCS, Quantico, 1930-1933; Marine Detachment, USS
Oklahoma, 1933-1934; instructor, MCS, Quantico, 1934-1936;
Inspector-Instructor, 13th Marine Reserve Battalion, Los Angeles,
1937-1940; ExO, Marine Defense Force, Dutch Harbor, Alaska, 1940-
1941; C/S, 2d Marine Brigade, Samoa, 1941-1943; C/S, Training
Center, Camp Lejeune, 1943-1944; CO, 29th Marines, Okinawa
operation, 1944-1945; DepChief of Military Government/CO, Naval
Military Government Unit, Guam, 1945-1946.
302pp. Open. 1984.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BOARDMAN, Eugene Powers

Lieutenant Colonel; b. 1910, d. 1987; USMC Service 1941-1948.
Prewar Japanese language training; Guadalcanal operation; Tarawa;
Saipan-Tinian operations; employment of language personnel;
recruitment of Chinese language personnel; war crimes trials.
43pp. Open. 1982.

Interviewer: Dr. Edward M. Coffman

BOURKE, Thomas Eugene

Lieutenant General; b. 1896, d. 1978; USMC Service 1917-1946.
Early years, education, St. John's University, 1913-1917; World
War I service in Virgin Islands; American Legation Guard, Managua,
Nicaragua; Marine Corps Institute, 1924-1927; Artillery School,
Fort Sill, 1927-1928; Field Officers' Course, Quantico, 1930-1931;
duty in Operations and Training Department, HQMC, 1931-1935; Army
War College; prewar artillery techniques and training in FMF,
1935-1938; duty at Marine Barracks, Pearl Harbor, 1939-1940; CO,
10th Marines and Division Artillery Officer, 2d Marine Division,
1940-1943, Tarawa operation; Corps Artillery Officer, V Amphibious
Corps, 1944-1945, Leyte and Iwo Jima operations; CG, 5th Marine
Division, occupation of Japan; Inspector General, FMFPac.
44pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

BOWSER, Alpha Lyons

Lieutenant General; b. 1910; USMC Service, 1932-1967.
Naval Academy, 1928-1932; early Marine Corps training and
assignments; artillery schooling, staff and command assignments;
World War II, 12th Marines, 3d Marine Division, Bougainville,
Guam, and Iwo Jima operations, artillery techniques and
innovations, pre-invasion planning; Head, Records Branch, HQMC,
1945-1946; naval gunfire instructor/academic inspector, MCS,
Quantico, 1946-1949; Force Naval Gunfire Officer, FMFPac, 1949-
1950; Operations Officer, 1st Marine Division, 1950-1951; planning
for division deployment to Korea, Inchon landing, Chosin Reservoir

operations; staff officer, Plans Branch, SHAPE Hq, Paris, 1952-1954; National War College; staff, Amphibious Force, Pacific Fleet, 1955-1956; CG, Recruit Training Command, San Diego, 1956-1958; ADC, 1st Marine Division; CG, Force Troops, FMFPac, Twentynine Palms, California; AC/S, G-1, HQMC, 1960-1963; personnel policies; CG, FMFLant, 1965-1967; Marine Corps doctrine, training, contingency planning, personalities.
434pp. Permission Required to Cite or Quote. 1970.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BREWER, Margaret A.

Brigadier General; b. 1930; USMC Service, 1952-1980
Education, University of Michigan, 1948-1952; Communications Officer, MCAS, El Toro, 1952-1953; I&I, USMCR, Brooklyn, New York, 1953-1955; CO of WM Companies at Norfolk and Camp Lejeune, 1955-1958; Woman Officer Selection Officer, Lexington, Kentucky, 1958-1959; Camp Pendleton, 1959-1963; ExO/CO, Woman Officer School, Quantico, 1963-1966; PAO, 6th District, Atlanta, 1966-1968; DepDir Woman Marines, HQMC, 1978-1971; SpecAsst to Div Chief, Support Dept, Education Center, Quantico, 1971-1973; Dir, Woman Marines, HQMC, 1973-1977; expanded role of women Marines in Marine Corps; DepDir/Dir, DivInfo, HQMC, 1977-1980.
222pp. Open. 1980.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BRICE, William Oscar

General; b. 1898, d. 1972; USMC Service, 1921-1956
Education, The Citadel, 1918-1921; training and early assignments; aviation duties at Quantico and on Guam, 1924-1927; early air races; Scouting Squadron 15-M, USS Lexington, 1931-1933; Marine Barracks, Quantico, 1933-1936; student, Army Air Corps Tactical School, Montgomery, Alabama, 1936-1937; instructor, Pensacola, 1939-1941; duty at U.S. Army maneuvers in Louisiana, 1941; aviation in the Pacific, 1942-1944; postwar staff assignments; CO, Marine Air Reserve Training Center, Glenview, Illinois, 1949-1951; Deputy Force Commander, FMFPac, 1951-1952; Director, Marine Corps Aviation, Assistant CMC, 1952-1955; CG, FMFPac, 1955-1956.
96pp. Open. 1971.
Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

BROWN, Leslie Eugene

Lieutenant General; b. 1920; USMC Service, 1940-1978
Vietnam-related matters; responses to questions about Vietnam experiences as G-3 of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and commander of MAG-12, 1965-1966; comments on specific, named combat operations and the operation of both fixed-wing and rotor-type aircraft in Vietnam. (VN)
39pp. Open. 1975.
Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank, Mr. Jack Shulimson, and Major William J. Sambito

BROWN, Wilburt Scott

Major General; b. 1900, d. 1968; USMC Service, 1918-1953. Enlisted service, World War I, duty in France with 5th Marines, St. Mihiel, Champagne-Blanc Mont campaigns; Naval Academy; early Marine Corps officer training and assignments; Marine Mail Guard, 1926-1927; anti-banditry activities, Nicaragua, 1927-1929; post and station assignments in early 1930s; artillery and base defense weapons training; 8th Defense Battalion, Samoa, 1942-1943; staff, Amphibious Corps, Pacific Fleet, 1943-1944; CO, 11th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Okinawa campaign, occupation of north China, 1944-1946; staff, Air University, Maxwell Field, 1946-1949; CO, 10th Marines, 2d Marine Division, 1949-1951, preparations for Korea; CO, 1st Marines, 1st Marine Division, central Korea operations, 1951-1952; staff, Field Artillery School, Fort Sill; CG, Force Troops, Camp Pendleton, 1952-1953; post-retirement education and activities to include obtaining a Ph.D. in History, and time as member of faculty, University of Alabama, 1953-1968; anecdotes, personalities, Marine Corps achievements. 314pp. Open. 1967. Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank.

BRUNELLI, Austin R.

Brigadier General; b. 1907, d. 1989; USMC Service, 1931-1962. Education, Colorado College and Naval Academy, 1927-1931; Naval Prison Det, Parris Island, 1932-1934; Marine Detachment, USS Lexington, 1934-1935; flight training, Pensacola, 1936; staff, 1st Marine Brigade, 1936-1937; aide to Generals Lyman and Breckinridge, Quantico, 1937-1938; CO, MD, USS New Orleans, 1938-1940; aide to CMC, Gen Holcomb, 1940-1943; description of HQMC in war time; AWS, Junior Course, 1943; CO, 3d Battalion, 24th Marines, Kwajalein operation, 1943-1944; ExO, 24th Marines, Saipan and Iwo Jima operations, 1944-1945; CO, Service Troops, 4th Marine Division, 1945; AWS, Senior Course, Quantico, 1946-1947; Marine Corps Schools, 1947-1950; staff, Amphibious Force, Pacific Fleet, 1950-1951; Korean War; C/S, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1951-1952; staff, Amphibious Force, Pacific Fleet, 1952-1955; staff, Joint Chiefs of Staff, 1955-1956; ADC, 2d Marine Division, 1956-1958; CG, MCB, Camp Lejeune, 1958; CG, Landing Force Training Center, Amphibious Training Command, Atlantic Fleet, 1958-1962. 86pp. Open. 1984. Interviewer: Major General Norman J. Anderson

BUCHANAN, William Walter

Brigadier General; b. 1914; USMC Service, 1934-1958. Education, University of Georgia, 1931-1934; early Marine Corps training and assignments; genesis of defense battalion concepts; prewar landing exercises, amphibious warfare doctrine; instructor, Base Defense Weapons/Artillery Courses, MCS, Quantico, 1941-1943; formation of Marine Corps Women's Reserve; Naval Gunfire Officer/Aerial Observer/Operations Officer, 4th Marine Division, 1943-1945, Roi-Namur, Saipan-Tinian, Iwo Jima operations; development of naval gunfire techniques in Pacific war; Fleet

Marine Officer, Sixth Fleet, 1950-1952; CO, 9th Marines, Japan, 1952-1954; Army War College; Project Officer, Long Range Objectives Group, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, 1955-1956; duty at MCS, 1956-1958; Director, AWS, Senior Course; C/S, Marine Corps Educational Center; President, Tactics and Techniques Board, Landing Force Development Center.
115pp. Open. 1969.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BURGER, Joseph Charles

Lieutenant General; b. 1902, d. 1982; USMC Service, 1925-1961. Education, University of Maryland, 1921-1925; early Marine Corps training and assignments; Marine Corps football teams in 1920s; China duty, 1927; development of amphibious warfare doctrine in early 1930s; China duty, 4th Marines and Peiping Embassy Guard, 1935-1937; duty as aide to Gen Lyman; operations planning in the South Pacific, I Marine Amphibious Corps, 1942-1943; Military Secretary to Gen Vandegrift, CMC, 1944-1946; Marine Corps developments during inter-war period; CO, Basic School, 1949-1950; C/S, FMFPac, 1950-1951, role of FMFPac in Korean War; DepCO/C/S, MCB Camp Pendleton, 1951-1951; ADC, 3d Marine Division, 1952-1953; ADC, 1st Marine Division, 1952-1954 (Korea); Director of Reserve, HQMC, 1954-1956;

BURKE, Arleigh A.

Admiral; b. 1901; USN Service, 1923-1916. This is an interview with the former Chief of Naval Operations, who was joined in the interview by retired BGen Samuel R. Shaw and Col Donald J. Decker. In this interview, Adm Burke reminisced about Navy-Marine Corps relations during the post-World War II unification struggle and in the JCS, as well as his recollection of his relations with Commandants Shepherd, Pate, and Shoup.
178pp. Open. 1983.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BUSE, Henry William, Jr.

Lieutenant General; b. 1912, d. 1988; USMC Service, 1934-1970. Education, Naval Academy, 1930-1934; Basic School, 1934-1935; early assignments, USS Oklahoma, 1935-1936; 5th Marines, 1936-1937; early days of Fleet Marine Force; Marine Barracks, Pearl Harbor, 1937-1939; 1st Marine Brigade/1st Marine Division, 1940-1944, prewar exercises and landings, preparations for and Guadalcanal invasion, Cape Gloucester/Talasea; CO, Co D, 1/5; 1st Tank Co/1st Scout Co; 1st Tank Bn; D-3 Operations in 1st Marine Division; CO, 3/7; 5th Marines; Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1944-1946, postwar Marine Corps development, unification controversy; AC/S, G-4, FMFPac, 1947-1949, postwar roll-up in the Pacific, China Marines; Armed Forces Staff College; MCS, Quantico, 1949-1950, 22d Marines, Schools Troops; CO, 6th Marines, 1950-1951, AC/S, G-3, and C/S, 2d Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, 1951-1952; C/S, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1952-1953; Asst G-3, HQMC, 1953-1954; G-2/C/S, Parris Island, 1954-1956; C/S, FMFPac, 1956-

1957; FMFLant, 1958, Lebanon landing; USMC Liaison Officer to D/CNO(Op09M), 1958-1961; AC/S, G-3, HQMC, 1961-1962; CG, 3d Marine Division/CTF 79, 1962-1963; pre-Vietnam situation in western Pacific; SpecAsst to CMC, 1963; DepC/S(P&P) and C/S, HQMC, 1963-1968, innovations in Marine Corps Plans and Programs systems, support of Marine operations in Vietnam; CG, FMFPac, 1978-1970. 319pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

BUTCHER, Joseph Orville

Major General; b. 1912, d. 1988; USMC Service, 1936-1968.

During the period April-December 1966, Gen Butcher served as Senior Member, United Nations Command Component, Military Armistice Commission, Korea. This interview concerns his 9-month tour of duty and his experiences while filling this billet.

45pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank



CARL, Marion Eugene

Major General; b. 1915; USMC Service, 1938-1973
Education, University of Oregon; flight training, 1938-1939; VMF-1, Quantico, 1939-1940; VMF-221, 1941-1942 (prewar training, tactics, and preparations, Battle of Midway); VMF-223/MAG-12, 1942-1944 (Guadalcanal-Solomons operations); test pilot/senior Marine liaison officer, Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, 1945-1947; CO, VMF-122, 1947-1948 (Harmon Trophy, transition to jets); OpsO, MAG-14, 1948-1949; test pilot, Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, 1949-1952; OpsO/ExO, MCAS, Quantico, 1952-1953; AWS, Senior Course, 1953-1954; CO, VMJ-1, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1955-1956; CO, MAG-33/AC/S, G-3, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1956-1958; student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, 1958-1959; J-3, JCS/AssDirAvn, HQMC, 1959-1963; C/S/CG, 1st Marine Brigade, 1963-1965; AWC, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Vietnam, 1965-1966; Commander, Air Bases East/CG, MCAS, Cherry Point/CG, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1966-1970; Inspector General of the Marine Corps, 1970-1973. The first portion of this transcript is concerned with the deployment of the 1st Marine Brigade to Vietnam in 1965; the Da Nang/Chu Lai landings; early Marine ground and helicopter operations in Vietnam; helicopter testing and evaluation; and observations on Marine Corps aircraft.

173pp. Open. 1973 and 1978.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Major Gary W. Parker

CATES, Clifton Bledsoe

General; b. 1893, d. 1970; USMC Service, 1917-1954
Education, University of Tennessee, 1912-1916; commissioned, 1917; World War I duty in France, 1918-1919 (Chateau Thierry, Belleau Wood, Argonne Forest campaigns, Army of Occupation in Germany); duty as aide to Gen Barnett, CMC, and CG, Department of the Pacific, San Francisco, 1920-1923; sea duty, 1923-1925; recruiting assignments, 1926-1928; duty in China with 4th Marines, 1929-1932; MCS, Quantico, 1933-1935; War Plans Division, Reserve Training Program Board, Equipment Board, HQMC, 1935-1937; 4th Marines, Shanghai, 1937-1939 (observations of Sino-Japanese War); Army War College; Director, Basic School, 1940-1942; CO, 1st Marines, 1st Marine Division, 1942-1943 (Guadalcanal operation); Commandant, Marine Corps Schools, 1943-1944; wartime training program; CG, 4th Marine Division, 1944-1945 (Tinian, Iwo Jima operations); President, Marine Corps Equipment Board and Commandant, Marine Corps Schools, 1946-1947; Commandant of the Marine Corps, 1948-1951 (unification fight, support of Marine Corps operations in Korea); Commandant, Marine Corps Schools, 1952-1954; post-retirement activities with USO.

254pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

CHAISSON, John Robert

Lieutenant General; b. 1916, d. 1972; USMC Service, 1940-1972
This is a collection of the late Gen Chaisson's speeches, remarks, debriefings, and structured interviews (which were specifically

selected because they represent his thoughts) and the presentations he gave related to the Vietnam War while he filled important billets during the period of the conflict. The collection consists of the following: FMFPac debrief, 8Nov66, following tour as AC/S, G-3, III MAF; HQMC debrief, 1Aug67; remarks on 192d Marine Corps Birthday celebration in Saigon, 10Nov67; radio station WBOR, Brunswick, Maine, interview, 1Jan68; HQMC presentation, 2Jan68; FMFPac debrief May68, following tour as Head, Combined Operations Center, MACV; speech to Basic School graduating class, 11Sep68; speech at Basic School Mess Night, 4Feb69; HistBr, HQMC interview, 19Mar69; speech to Basic School graduating class, 11Feb70; speech, "Dilemma '70," Southwestern University, Memphis, Tennessee, 13Mar70; speech at Basic School Mess Night, 17Nov70; HistDiv interview, 3Apr71; remarks to Secretary of the Navy's Advisory Committee on Naval History, HQMC, 23Mar72; remarks to CMC Advisory Committee on Marine Corps History, HQMC, 27Jul72.
413pp. Open. 1974.

CHAMBERS, Justice M.

Colonel, USMCR; b. 1908, d. 1982; USMCR Service, 1932-1946
Early years; government service; Washington Marine Corps Reserve in the 1930s; prewar training with the 1st Marines; preparation for Guadalcanal; preparing 3/25 for war; Roi-Namur, Saipan-Tinian, and Iwo Jima operations; postwar unification battle.
710pp. Open. 1978.
Interviewer: Mr. Paul Chambers

CHEATHAM, Lieutenant Colonel Ernest C., Jr.

CHRISTMAS, Major George R.

DOWNS, Major Michael P.

MEADOWS, Major Charles L.

A panel discussion at Marine Corps Development and Education Command, Quantico, concerning combat in a built-up area, using the January 1968 Battle for Hue City as a case study. Cheatham was CO, 2/5 during the operation; Downs, CO, Co F, 2/5; Meadows, CO, Co G, 2/5; Christmas, CO, Co H, 2/5.
75pp. Open. 1973.

CLOUD, George Harlan

Major General; b. 1904; USMC Service, 1927-1964
Education, University of Texas; enlisted service in China, 1927-1930 (in 4th, 6th, and 12th Regiments); appointed 2dLt, 1930; Marine Detachment, USS New York, 1932-1934; Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., 1935-1935; Marine Detachment, Texas Centennial Exposition, Dallas, 1936; 4th Marines, Shanghai, 1937-1939; Purchase and Finance Officer, and quartermaster duties, Marine Barracks, Parris Island, 1939-1941; 4th Defense Battalion in Guantanamo, Pearl Harbor, New Hebrides, 1941-1943; ExO, 1st Base Depot, Noumea, 1943; quartermaster duties at Parris Island and 1st Marine Division, 1943-1945; quartermaster on Sixth Army Staff, Japan, 1945; CO, Supply School, Camp Lejeune, 1947-1949; Chief, Admin Branch, Supply Department, HQMC, 1949-1952; C/S, Marine

Corps Supply Center, Albany, Georgia, 1952-1956; G-4, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, 1956-1958; CG, MCSC, Barstow, 1958-1963; Senior Member, Military Armistice Commission, Korea, 1963. 115pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

COE, Robert Wood

Captain, CHC; b. 1913; USN Service, 1940-1970

This is another in the series of interviews with chaplains who served with Marines. Chaplain Coe's service with Marines includes the following: MAG-24, 1942 (Bougainville operation); 2d Marine Division, 1950-1952; FMFPac, 1957-1958; 1st Marine Division, 1958-1960; Camp Pendleton, 1967-1970.

129pp. Open. 1982.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

CONDON, John Pomeroy

Major General; b. 1911; USMC Service, 1934-1962

Education, Naval Academy, 1930-1934; Marine Detachment officer, USS Pennsylvania, 1935-1936; student naval aviator, Pensacola, 1936-1938; Service Squadron 1-M, Quantico, 1938-1940; flight duty with 1st Marine Brigade, Guantanamo Bay, 1940-1941; VMF-121, Quantico, 1941-1942; duty with MAG-12, 2d MAW in New Hebrides, Solomons, Australia, 1943; CO, Fighter Command, Forward Echelon, 1st MAW, 1943-1944; Marine Fleet Air, West Coast, 1944-1945; CO, MAG-14, 1945 (Okinawa); CO, VMF-311, El Toro, 1948-1949; student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, 1949-1950; Advance Weapons Systems, Secretary of Defense, 1950-1952; CO, MAG-33 and MAG-12, 1st MAW, 1952-1953 (Korea); member, Advanced Research Group, Quantico, 1953-1954; C/S, Marine Corps Education Center, 1954-1956; C/S and AWC, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1956-1958; DepDir for Ops, J-3 Div, CinCEur, 1958-1961; CG, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1961-1962; CG, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1962.

171pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

COOLEY, Albert Dustin

Lieutenant General; b. 1900, d. 1976; USMC Service, 1921-1954

Enlisted service, 1921-1924; commissioned, 1924; early officer assignments; aviation training, Marine Corps aviation in the 1930s; Guadalcanal operation; organization of Marine Corps carrier groups in World War II; duty as Director of Aviation, HQMC.

52pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

COOPER, James L.

Colonel; b. 1928, d. 1984; USMC Service, 1946-1984

Colonel Cooper commanded the Marine Security Guard Battalion at the time the American Embassy in Teheran was captured by the Iranians and American diplomatic personnel and the Marine Security Detachment were made prisoners in 1979. In this interview, he relates his role in the recovery of the Marines and the events

which transpired upon their return first to Germany and then to the U.S.

54pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Mr. Danny Crawford

COX, Otto T.

Master Sergeant; b. 1885, d. 1972; USMC Service, 1905-1923
Early years; recruit training, Mare Island, 1905; duty in Philippines, Olongapo, Cavite, 1905-1907; personalities (Hiram Bearss, Holland M. Smith, Smedley D. Butler, John T. Meyers); sea duty, USS Pennsylvania, 1907-1909; Marine Barracks, Bremerton, Washington, west coast recruiting duty, 1909-1913; Guam, 1915-1917; advent of WWI on Guam; 11th Separate Battalion, Quantico, 1917-1919; Mare Island, Guam, 1919-1923; Guam Insular Patrol; civilian life on Guam; Japanese POW, WWII; return to Guam.

99pp. Open. Not dated.

Interviewer: Sergeant Major John C. Cole

CRAIG, Edward Arthur

Lieutenant General; b. 1896; USMC Service, 1917-1951
Commissioned, 1917; early assignments, 8th Marines, Galveston, Texas, 1917; Haiti, Santo Domingo 1911-1921; foreign and sea duty, Olongapo, P.I., Shanghai, Peking, 1923-1926; duty as aide to CMC, Gen Lejeune, 1926-1929; anti-banditry activities, Guardia Nacional, Nicaragua, 1929-1931; Nicaragua Electoral Mission, 1932; early Fleet Marine Force activities, fleet landing exercises, development of amphibious warfare doctrine and techniques, San Diego, 1931-1937; staff, Aviation Battle Force, Pacific Fleet, 1939-1941; World War II, 3d Marine Division, CO, 9th Marines, Bougainville, Guam operations; OpsO, V Amphibious Corps, Iwo Jima operation; inter-war assignments; ADC, 1st Marine Division, occupation of North China, 1947; CG, 1st Marine Brigade, 1947-1950 (deployment to Korea, Pusan Perimeter, Inchon Landing); Director, Marine Corps Reserve, 1951; personalities, major events in Marine Corps history in period.

201pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

CRAVEN, John Harold

Captain, CHC, USN; b. 1915; USMC Service, 1933-1935; USN Service 1942-1973

Enlisted USMC service, 1933-1935; duty as a chaplain with the Marine Corps: 4th Marine Division, 1943-1945 (Kwajalein, Saipan, Tinian, and Iwo Jima operations); Camp Pendleton, 1945-1946; Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, 1948-1950; 2d Marine Division, 1950; 1st Marine Division, 1950-1951 (Korea); Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, 1959-1962; Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, 1964-1967; Chaplain of the Marine Corps, HQMC, 1968-1973.

144pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

CREWS, T. G.

This interview is one conducted by the North Texas State University Oral History Program for its "Texas POW" project. Mr. Crews was a member of the Marine Embassy Guard at Peking when World War II began, and he became a prisoner of the Japanese. In this interview, he tells of his four years of captivity in China and Japan.

84pp. Open. 1972.

Interviewer: Dr. Ronald E. Marcello

CROFT, Frank Cornelius

Major General; b. 1903, d. 1985; USMC Service, 1928-1959
Education, Naval Academy, 1923-1928; early Marine Corps aviation training, aircraft, carrier qualification, fleet landing exercises, development of air-ground tactics and techniques in 1930s; duty in Bureau of Aeronautics, 1930-1943; Marine air operations in South and Central Pacific areas, Marianas operation, 1943-1945; duty at Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, and in Division of Aviation, HQMC, 1945-1951 (Marine aviation build-up for Korea); Allied Air Forces, South Europe, 1951-1953; C/S and AWC, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, and CG, Cherry Point, 1953-1955; CG, Marine Air Reserve Training Command, 1957-1959.

167pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

CROIZAT, Victor John

Colonel; b. 1919; USMC Service, 1940-1966
Ecole Superieure de Guerre, Paris, 1949-1950; French military personalities; background to Vietnam War; Vietnam in post-WWII era; formation of Military Advisory Group, Indo-China, 1953-1954, and assignment to same; evacuation of Haiphong; Advisory Training and Operations Mission, Vietnam, 1954; origin of Vietnamese Naval Forces and Vietnamese Marine Corps, 1955; relations with French in Vietnam; comments on personalities (Gen O'Daniel, President Ngo Dinh Diem); C/S, TF 79, 1960; contingency planning; Military Advisors Representatives Committee, SEATO; deployment of forces to Thailand; early years; Basic School; development of LVTs, techniques and tactics; LVTs in Guadalcanal, Roi-Namur, Saipan, Tinian, and Iwo Jima operations; observer, French operations in Algeria; Marine Advisory Group, Haiti; National War College, 1960; CO, 9th Marines, 1964.

343pp. Open. 1970 and 1981.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

CROWL, Philip A.

Dr. Crowl is the co-author, with the late Jeter A. Isely, of The U.S. Marines and Amphibious War, published by Princeton University Press. In this interview, Dr. Crowl relates how the Princeton

Marine Corps History Project began, how the history was written, and the relationship between and the Marine Corps with respect to the history.

56pp. Open. 1982.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

CURTIS, Donald

Brigadier General; b. 1896; USMC Service, 1917-1949

Family background; Naval Academy, 1914-1917; World War I, balloon training; barracks assignments and sea duty, 1919-1927; expeditionary force maneuvers in 1920s; duty in Office of the Judge Advocate General of the Navy; 4th Marines, Shanghai, 1930-1931; evolution of the Fleet Marine Force, development of amphibious warfare doctrine in the 1930s; CO, 2d Battalion, 4th Marines, Shanghai and the Philippines, experiences in POW camps, liberation, 1942-1945; Military Secretary to CMC, Gen Vandegrift, 1946-1948.

117pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

CUSHMAN, Robert Everett, Jr.

General; b. 1914, d. 1985; USMC Service, 1935-1975

Education, Naval Academy, 1931-1935; 4th Marines, Shanghai, 1936-1938; Marine Detachment, World's Fair, 1938-1941; USS Pennsylvania, 1941-1942; ExO/CO, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines, 1942-1945 (Bougainville, Guam, Iwo Jima operations); Marine Corps Schools, 1945-1948 (AWS, Senior Course); Amphibious Warfare Branch, Office of Naval Research, Navy Dept, 1948-1949; Central Intelligence Agency, 1949-1951; Amphibious Plans Officer, Staff, CinC Naval Force, Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean Fleet, 1951-1953; student/instructor, Armed Forces Staff College, 1953-1956; CO, 2d Marines, 1956-1957; aide to Vice President Nixon, 1957-1961; ADC/CG, 3d Marine Division, 1961-1962; AC/S, G-2/G-3, HQMC, 1962-1964; CG, MCB, Camp Pendleton/4th Marine Division/5th Marine Division, 1964-1967; DepCG/CG III MAF, Vietnam, 1967-1969; DepDir, Central Intelligence Agency, 1969-1971; Commandant of the Marine Corps, 1972-1975. The first portion of this transcript consists of Gen Cushman's responses to questions prepared by members of the Historical Branch, History and Museums Division relating to his tour in Vietnam.

532pp. Open. 1984.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

CUSHMAN, Robert Everett, Jr.

This interview was done by The Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library. It begins with a brief review of Gen Cushman's Marine Corps assignments leading up to his appointment as Vice President Nixon's special assistant. The bulk of the interview concerns Gen Cushman's comments regarding his duties and experiences as

Mr. Nixon's assistant, and observations of personalities in the Eisenhower presidency and of those who were on Mr. Nixon's staff. 45pp. Open. 1977.

Interviewer: Dr. Thomas Soapes

CUSHMAN, Thomas Jackson

Lieutenant General; b. 1895, d. 1972; USMC Service, 1917-1954
Education, University of Washington, 1913-1917; World War I
enlisted service, pilot training, 1917-1918; commissioned, 1918;
early days of Marine Corps aviation, 1919-1930; expeditionary
duty in Nicaragua, Haiti, 1929-1931; development of Marine air-
ground tactics and techniques in 1930s; World War II, Marine air
operations in the Pacific; CG, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1949-
1951 (deployment to Korea); Deputy Commander, FMFPac, 1953.
31pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

DABNEY, William H.

Colonel; b. 1934; USMC Service, 1960 to present

This is a wide-ranging interview conducted with Col Dabney by the historians in the History and Museums Division. The primary theme of the interview is Marine operations in Vietnam--essentially the Pacification program, the Khe Sanh interlude, Operation Lam Son 719, and comments on the war in general.

90pp. Open. 1982.

Interviewers: Marine Corps Historical Branch staff

DARDEN, Colgate W., Jr.

Governor; b. 1897, d. 1981; USMC Service, World War I

This interview with former Virginia Governor Darden was conducted for the Naval Institute Oral History Program by its director, Dr. John T. Mason. The first session covers Governor Darden's experiences as a World War I Marine flyer. The second session deals with Governor Darden's experiences in the House of Representatives in the 1930s and early 1940s as a member of the House Naval Affairs Committee.

79pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Dr. John T. Mason

DARRON, Robert Roy

Lieutenant Colonel; b. 1931; USMC Service, 1953-1975.

Covers concept, dimensions, and results of "Nite Panther Project," which were experiments conducted in Vietnam 1967-1968 with the use of drone helicopters for surveillance; involvement with Lam Son 719. (VN)

114pp. Open. 1976.

Interviewers: Dr. Graham A. Cosmas and Mr. Jack Shulimson

DAVIS, Raymond Gilbert

General; b. 1915; USMC Service, 1938-1972

Early years, education, Georgia Tech, 1938; Basic School, 1938-1939; sea duty, USS Portland, 1939-1940; Base Defense Weapons School, 1940-1941; CO, 1st Special Weapons Battalion/1st Battalion, 1st Marines, 1st Marine Division, Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester, Peleliu operations, 1941-1944; Tactical Inspector/Instructor, Infantry Section, Marine Corps Schools, 1945-1947; Asst G-3/AC/S, G-4, 1st Marine Brigade, Guam, 1947-1949; Inspector-Instructor, 9th Infantry Battalion, USMCR, Chicago, mobilization of Marine Corps Reserve, 1949-1950; CO, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines/ExO, 7th Marines, Korea, Inchon landing, Chosin Reservoir, experiences leading to decoration with Medal of Honor, 1950-1951; Head, Operations Section, G-3 Division, HQMC, 1951-1953; Student/Asst Director and Director, AWS, Senior Course, MCS, 1955-1957; AC/S, G-2, HQMC, 1957-1959; student, National War College, 1959-1960; Chief, Analysis Branch, J-2, CinCEur, 1960-1963; ADC, 3d Marine Division/CG, 9th MEB, 1963-1964 (status of Marine forces in WestPac, contingency planning); Asst Director of Personnel/AC/S, G-1, HQMC, 1964-1968; DepCG, Provisional Corps, Vietnam/CG, 3d Marine Division, Vietnam, 1968-1969 (various operations in

country); Director, Education Center/CG, Marine Corps Development and Education Command, innovations at MCDEC, 1969-1970; Asst CMC, HQMC, 1971-1972. The opening portion of this transcript contains Gen Davis' responses to questions specifically relating to his Vietnam tour. The final portion of these memoirs consists of the transcripts of an interview conducted with Gen Davis in Vietnam prior to his return to the United States and his debrief at Hq, FMFPac a short time later.

363pp. Open. 1977.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

DAWSON, Marion Lindsay

Major General; b. 1905; USMC Service, 1927-1962

Education, Naval Academy, 1923-1927; patrols and bandit skirmishes in Nicaragua, 2d Brigade, 1928-1929; student naval aviator at Pensacola, 1929-1930; early aviation assignments in 1930s (Scouting Squadron 14-M, USS Saratoga, USS Langley, USS Ranger, Observation Squadron 8-M, Bombing Squadron 1-M); parachute training school, Lakehurst, New Jersey, 1940-1942, and at San Diego, 1942; duty in Solomon Islands with 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1943-1944; Deputy C/S, Naval Air Training Command, Pensacola, 1944-1945; CO, MAG-12 and MAG-24, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, China, 1946-1947; Division of Aviation, HQMC, 1947-1949; Director, AWS, Junior School, Marine Corps Education Center, 1951; CG, 2d Marine Aircraft wing, 1953; CG, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1955-1957; CG, AirFMFLant, 1957-1960; Senior Member, Military Armistice Commission, Korea, 1960; CG, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, 1960-1962.

140pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

DAY, Karl Schmolsmire

Lieutenant General; b. 1896, d. 1973; USMC Service, 1917-1957

Education, Ohio State University; World War I, pilot training, Army Aviation School, I Marine Aviation Force, duty in France with Northern Bombing Group, types of aircraft, missions, 1917-1919; Marine Reserve aviation activities, 1932-1941; early airline experiences with American Airlines; staff, Air Battle Force, Pacific Fleet, development of navigation training for carrier pilots, Marine bomber pilot training, 1941-1944; Air Base Commander, Island Command, Peleliu, 1944-1945; Marine Reserve activities, Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association, unification controversy, 1945-1957.

89pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

DEAKIN, Harold Osborne

Brigadier General; b. 1913; USMC Service, 1934-1957

Education, Naval Academy, 1930-1934; early Marine Corps training and assignments to barracks and sea duty, 1934-1939 (development of amphibious warfare doctrine in period); World War II, observer Salerno operation, infantry battalion commander, 1st Marine Division, Cape Gloucester operation, division operations and

personnel officer for Peleliu and Okinawa operations; Planning Officer, U.S. Navy Group, American Aid Mission to Greece, 1947-1949 (Greek civil war); special assignment to Secretary of State, 1954-1956; Head, Detail Branch, Personnel Department, HQMC, 1956-1957.

103pp. Permission Required to Cite or Quote. 1968.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

del VALLE, Pedro Augusto

Lieutenant General; b. 1893, d. 1978; USMC Service, 1915-1948
Family background, Naval Academy, 1911-1915; expeditionary duty, Santo Domingo, 1915-1917; World War I, sea duty, 1917-1923 (surrender of German fleet); Naval War College; duty with Garde d'Haiti, 1926-1928; student and instructor, Field Officers Course, Quantico, duties in early development of amphibious warfare doctrine, duty with 1st Marine Brigade in Nicaragua, Nicaragua Electoral Missions, 1928-1933; Squadron Marine Officer, Special Services Squadron, 1933-1934; Revolt of the Sergeants in Cuba; Assistant Naval Attache, Rome, observer with Italian forces, Italo-Ethiopian War; duty in Office of Naval Intelligence, 1935-1937; Army War College; duty in Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC; 1938-1941; evolution of Fleet Marine Force and fleet landing exercises, prewar contingency planning, development of amphibious tractor; World War II, CO, 11th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Guadalcanal operation, 1941-1943; President, Marine Corps Equipment Board, 1943-1944; Corps Artillery Officer, III Amphibious Corps, Guam operation, 1944; CG, 1st Marine Division, Okinawa operation, 1944-1945; Inspector General of the Marine Corps and Director of Personnel, HQMC, 1945-1948.

245pp. Open. 1966.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

DENIG, Robert Livingston

Brigadier General; b. 1884, d. 1979; USMC Service, 1905-1945
First Director of Public Information; prewar Marine Corps public relations; development of Marine Corps Combat Correspondent Program; personalities; beginning of career, School of Application; 'round the world cruise with Great White Fleet, 1907-1909; experiences in World War I; service with Nicaraguan and Dominican Republic Guardias.

281pp. Open. 1967 and 1979.
Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank, Mr. Alvin Josephy, Jr., and Brigadier General Robert L. Denig, Jr.

DESSEZ, Lester Adolphus

Brigadier General; b. 1896, d. 1981; USMC Service, 1917-1948
Family background; World War I, enlisted and commissioned service; duty as aide to Generals Doyen and Catlin, 1918; assignments in Haiti, Peking, Cavite, 1918-1921; sea duty, experiences in Siberia, 1921; aide to American High Commissioner to Haiti, General Russell, 1925-1926; establishment of Marine Corps Institute; aide to Commandant of the Marine Corps, General Fuller, 1930-1934; Asst

Naval Attache, Paris, observer with French Army units, Ecole Superieure de Guerre, 1934-1937; World War II, CO, 7th Defense Battalion, Samoa; duty in Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, 1945-1946; CO, Marine Barracks, Guam, 1946-1947 (Japanese war criminals); Office of National Defense, Joint Staff/JCS. 246pp. Open. 1970.
Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

DEVEREUX, James Patrick Sinnot
Brigadier General; b. 1903, d. 1988; USMC Service, 1923-1948
Family background; enlisted service, 1923-1925; commissioned 1925; early assignments, schooling, Marine Mail Guard, duty in Nicaragua, 1926-1929; China duty, 4th Marines, Shanghai, and Mounted Detachment, American Legation, Peiping, 1930-1932; Fleet Marine Force artillery training, units, landing exercises in prewar period; World War II, defense of Wake Island, experiences as a prisoner of war, liberation, 1941-1945; reminiscences of post-retirement activities as a Member of Congress. 208pp. Open. 1970.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

DOWNES, Major George R. See under CHEATHAM.

DOYLE, James H.
Vice Admiral; b. 1897; USN Service, 1916-1953.
This is the recorded presentation Admiral Doyle gave to students and faculty of the Naval War College concerning the Inchon landing of 15 September 1950. An experienced amphibious forces commander, Admiral Doyle was Commander, Task Force 90 (Attack Force Commander) for the Inchon operation. 46pp. Open. 1974.

DULACKI, Leo John
Lieutenant General; b. 1918; USMC Service, 1941-1974.
C/S, 3d Marine Division/AC/S, G-2, III MAF, Jul65-May66; intelligence in early period of Marine deployment to Vietnam; comments on Operation STARLITE, the SLF, origin and organization of CAPs; AC/S, G-3 and C/S, III MAF, Jan69-Jun70; changing role of III MAF; planning for III MAF redeployment; command relationships with ARVN; racial, disciplinary, and drug problems in III MAF; early years; Basic School; sea duty, World War II, USS Hornet, USS Belleau Wood; Language School; Asst Naval Attache, Helsinki, 1949-1952; CO, 1/7, Korea, 1952-1953; Asst Naval Attache, Moscow, 1958-1961; Joint Staff, JCS, 1961-1962; Defense Intelligence Agency, 1962-1964; ADC/CG, 5th Marine Division, 1968-1969; CG, 4th Marine Division, 1970-1973; DepC/S (Manpower), HQMC, 1973-1974. 333pp. Open. 1974 and 1986.
Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Dr. Graham A. Cosmas

DWYER, Ross Thomas, Jr.

Major General; b. 1919; USMC Service, 1942-1974.

This is one of the series of interviews conducted to support the ongoing Vietnam history writing program. General Dwyer was questioned about his tour in Vietnam as CO, 1st Marines, Jun-Aug68; ADC, 1st Marine Division Aug68-Feb69; CG, Task Force Yankee, Dec68-Feb69; AC/S, G-3, III MAF, Feb-Jun69. General Dwyer also commented on certain Marine Corps matters relating to both his service as aide to the Secretary of the Navy and as a general officer of the Marine Corps. (VN)
68pp. Open. 1977.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

DYER, Edward Colston

Brigadier General; b. 1907, d. 1975; USMC Service, 1929-1959

Education, Naval Academy, 1925-1929; early ground and aviation training; duty in Bureau of Aeronautics, 1934-1936 (air frame and engine design); U.S. Naval Postgraduate School and University of California, Berkeley, postgraduate studies in aviation communications, 1936-1939; naval air observer of British combat operations in England and Middle East, 1941; comments on British air defense and night fighter techniques; World War II, Officer in Charge, Air Communications Systems, Division of Aviation, HQMC, 1941-1944; development of Marine air defense concepts; duty in Pacific, 1944-1945; member, Special Helicopter Board, HQMC, 1945-1946; pioneer on development of vertical assault doctrine; CO, Marine Helicopter Squadron 1, 1947-1949; OpsO, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, deployment to Korea, 1950-1951; National War College; CG, 1st Marine Air-Ground Task Force, 1954-1956 (development of Marine Corps air-ground force-in-readiness).

293pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ELWOOD, Hugh McJunkin

Lieutenant General; b. 1915; USMC Service, 1932-1973

In this interview is General Elwood's written response to a series of written questions relating to his tours in Vietnam as AWC, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Apr-Nov66; C/S, III MAF, Dec66-Apr67; and AC/S, J-3, CinCPac, Aug68-May71. He also comments on various matters concerning Marine Corps aviation and aircraft.

18pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ENGLISH, Lowell Edward

Major General; b. 1915; USMC Service, 1938-1969

Education, University of Nebraska, 1938; Basic School, 1938-1939; sea duty, USS Nevada, 1939-1940; 7th Defense Battalion, Samoa, 1940-1942; CO, 3d Marine Division Military Police Company/ExO/CO, 2d Battalion, 21st Marines, Guam, Iwo Jima operations, 1942-1945; CO, Guard Battalion, Training and Replacement Command, Camp Pendleton, 1945-1946; Psychology and Leadership Instructor, Naval Academy, 1946-1949 and U.S. Military Academy, 1949-1952; Armed Forces Staff College, 1952-1953; CO, 3d Battalion, 1st Marines/ExO, 1st Marines/Liaison Officer to Eighth Army, 1953 (Korea); AC/S, G-3 and C/S, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, 1954-1957; CO Training and Testing Regiment, MCS, Quantico, 1957-1958; CO, Basic School, 1958-1960; Army War College, 1960-1961; Policy Planning Staff, Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Planning, 1961-1963; C/S, CincNEM, 1963-1964; Dep J-3, U.S. Strike Command, 1965-1966; ADC, 3d Marine Division, CG, Task Force X-Ray, Vietnam, 1966-1967; CG, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, 1967-1969. The first portion of this interview deals specifically with General English's tour in Vietnam and concerns 3d Marine Division operations, personalities, and command relationships in the period 1966-1967.

127pp. Open. 1974 and 1977.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ENNIS, Thomas Gates

Major General; b. 1904; USMC Service, 1928-1962

Education, Naval Academy, 1924-1928; student naval aviator, Pensacola, 1929-1930; Observation Squadron 9-M, 1st Brigade Marines, Haiti, 1932; duty with Observation Squadron 7-M, Quantico, 1933-1935; duty with Bombing Squadron 4-M, San Diego, 1935-1937; aviation instructor, Pensacola, 1937-1939; duty with MAG-1, 1st Brigade, Guantanamo, 1940-1941; Camp Kearney, 1941-1942; aviation duty in Pacific, Noumea and Espiritu Santo, 1942-1943; Division of Aviation, HQMC, 1943-1945; CO, MAG-32 in Philippines and China, 1945-1946 (napalm strikes in Philippines); C/S, Marine Air Reserve Training Command, Glenview, Illinois, 1946-1948; CO, MAG-31, 1st MAW, El Toro, 1948-1949; student and instructor, Industrial College of Armed Forces, 1949-1952; CO, Marine Corps Air Station, Miami, 1952-1954; AWC, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1954-1955; AWC, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1955-1956; Director, Division of Reserve, HQMC, 1956-1957; CG, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing, El Toro, 1957-1959;

Inspector General of the Marine Corps, 1959-1960 (changes in inspection procedure); CG, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, 1960-1962.

140pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

ERSKINE, Graves Blanchard

General; b. 1897, d. 1973; USMC Service, 1917-1953

Family background, education, Louisiana State University, 1913-1917; World War I, duty in France with 6th Marines, Chateau Thierry, Belleau Wood, Bouresches, Soissons, St. Mihiel offensive, 1918; sea and foreign duty, Haiti, 1921; Santo Domingo, 1922-1924; duty in Nicaragua, 1928-1930 (personal bodyguard to President Moncada, anti-banditry activities with Guardia Nacional); CO, Basic School, 1930-1932; Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth; China duty, American Legation Guard, Peiping, 1935-1937; instructor/section head, Marine Corps Schools, 1937-1940 (amphibious warfare concepts and doctrine in prewar period); World War II, C/S, Amphibious Force/Corps, Atlantic Fleet, Amphibious Corps, Pacific Fleet, training Army and Marine Corps units, Attu and Kiska operations, 1941-1943; C/S, V Amphibious Corps and FMFPac, Kwajalein operation, reminiscences of General Holland M. Smith; CG, 3d Marine Division, Iwo Jima operation, Guam mop-up, 1944-1945; Administrator, Retraining and Reemployment Administration, Department of Labor, 1945-1947; CG, 1st Marine Division, 1947-1950 (reconstitution/retraining of division in inter-war period); Special Joint State-Defense survey mission to Southeast Asia, 1950; CG, FMFLant, planning, involvement with NATO, SACLant. Personalities, major Marine Corps events occurring during career. 573pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

FIELDS, Lewis J.

Lieutenant General; b. 1909, d. 1988; USMC Service, 1932-1970
Education, St. John's College, Annapolis, 1931; National Guard,
1925-1932; enlisted service, 1932-1935; Basic School, 1935; sea
duty, USS Quincy, 1936-1937; CO, Battery F, 2d Battalion, 10th
Marines, 2d Brigade, San Diego, 1938-1939; duty as aide to CG,
Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, 1939-1942; 1st Marine
Division, in Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester, and Peleliu operations,
Australia and New Zealand; 1942-1944; aide to CMC, 1945-1947;
impressions on postwar demobilization; Atlantic Ocean Regional
Planning Group, 1950-1951; Chief, Plans Branch, HQMC, 1951-1953;
duty with SHAPE, life in France, 1954-1956; AC/S, G-3, FMFLant,
1956-1957; Marine Corps Liaison Officer to CNO and Office of Joint
Staff, JCS, 1957-1960; CG, Force Troops, FMFPac/Marine Corps Base,
Twentynine Palms, 1960-1962; Director of Personnel, HQMC, 1962-
1965; relationships with senior officers and other services; CG,
1st Marine Division, 1965-1966 (comments on activities in Vietnam);
CG, 5th Marine Division, 1966-1967; CG, Marine Corps Base, Camp
Pendleton, 1967-1968; life in the Ranch House and relationships
with surrounding towns; CG, Marine Corps Development and Education
Command, Quantico, 1968-1969.

284pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

FONTANA, Paul John

Major General; b. 1911; USMC Service, 1936-1973
Basic School, 1936-1937; flight training, 1939; CO, VMF-112,
Guadalcanal, Strike Command, Solomon Islands, 1942-1943; AsstOpsO,
2d Marine Aircraft Wing/Tactical Air Force, Tenth Army, Okinawa
operation, 1944-1945; Air War College, Maxwell AFB, 1948-1949;
DepCO, MAG-12/CO, MAG-33, Korea, 1950-1951; AC/S, G-3, AirFMFPac,
1951-1952; National War College, 1952-1953; Operations and Training
Branch, Division of Aviation, HQMC, 1953-1955; Overhaul and Repair
Facility, MCAS, Cherry Point, 1955-1957; CO, MAG-13/C/C, 1st Marine
Brigade, 1957-1960; Joint Staff, JCS, 1960-1962; CG, 2d MAW, 1963-
1964; CG, 1st MAW, Japan and Vietnam, 1964-1965; Dir, Education
Center, MCDEC, Quantico, 1965-1968; DepCG, FMFPac, 1968-1970; CG,
MCAS, Cherry Point, 1970-1973.

131pp. Open. 1983.

Interviewer: Major General Norman J. Anderson

FRIBOURG, Leonard Earl

Brigadier General; b. 1920; USMC Service, 1942-1974
AC/S, G-5, III MAF, 1965-1966 (County Fair and CAP programs,
deployment of 3d Marine Division from Okinawa to Vietnam,
conditions at Camp Butler, support role of Camp Butler in a period
of combat); ADC, 3d Marine Division, Oct69-Apr70 (redeployment of
the division to Okinawa, problems encountered, attainment of combat
readiness); CG, Marine Corps Base, Camp Butler/DepCG, Marine Corps
Bases, Pacific (Forward), Sep72-Jun74 (activation of 11th Marine

Expeditionary Brigade, effect on Marine Corps activities of reversion of Okinawa to Japan). (VN)

51pp. Open. 1974.

Interviewers: Mr. Henry I. Shaw, Major Gary Telfer, and Major Curtis G. Arnold

FRASER, Angus Malcolm

Colonel; b. 1913, d. 1985; USMC Service, 1940-1964

Early years; Marine Corps Reserve, 1936-1940; 8th Marines, Samoa, 1942-1943; OpsO, 29th Marines, 1944-1946 (Okinawa operation, occupation of North China); Amphibious Training Command, Atlantic Fleet, 1946-1949; Joint Services Training Command, London/Asst Naval Attache, London, 1949-1951; Joint Landing Force Board, Quantico/Camp Lejeune, 1951-1953; Senior Advisor, 2d Korean Marine Regiment/ExO, Advisory Group, 1st Korean Marine Corps Brigade/ExO, 7th Marines, Korea, 1953-1954; Secretary of the General Staff/Policy Analysis Division/Strategic Plans Section, G-3 Division/Special Projects Officer, HQMC, 1954-1958; National War College, 1958-1959; Chief, Tactics Section, Marine Corps Tactics and Techniques Board, Quantico, 1959-1960; Senior Marine Advisor, Chinese Marine Corps, Taiwan, 1960-1962; CO, 1st Service Battalion/1st Marines/C/S, MCB, Camp Pendleton, 1962-1964.

183pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

FRIS, Edward S.

Lieutenant General; b. 1921; USMC Service, 1943-1975

Education, Missouri School of Mines, 1939-1943; Reserve Officers Course, Quantico, 1943; Naval Training Schools at Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Radar Maintenance Course, Camp Murphy, Florida, 1943-1944; Air Warning Squadron 9, 1944-1945; occupation of Japan; flight training, 1946-1947; VMF-312, 1947-1949; MCAS, El Toro, 1949-1950; AWS, Junior Course/MCAS, Quantico, 1950-1951; postgraduate electrical engineering courses, Annapolis/Monterey, 1951-1954; jet transition training, 1954; Wing Electronics Officer, 1st MAW, 1955, 2d MAW, 1956-1957; Aviation Electronics Branch, HQMC, 1957-1960; Marine Corps Liaison Officer, Litton Industries, 1960-1961 (development of Marine Tactical Data System (MTDS)); CO, Marine Air Control Squadron 3, 1961-1965; duty in Navy Bureau of Ships, 1965-1966; MTDS Program Coordinator, HQMC, 1966-1968; CO, Marine Air Control Group 18, Vietnam, 1968-1969; Inspector General of the Marine Corps, 1969-1970; Asst Dep C/S, Plans, HQMC, 1970-1971; DC/S, Aviation, HQMC, 1972-1974; CG, MCDEC, 1974-1975. The first portion of this interview is devoted to a discussion of the origin and development of the MTDS.

278pp. Open. 1980 and 1981.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

GARRETT, Francis Leonard

Rear Admiral, CHC, USN; b. 1919; USN Service, 1944-1975

This is another in the series of oral history interviews conducted by the Chaplain Corps, USN. Chaplain Garrett served with Marines as follows: MCAS, Ewa, Territory of Hawaii, 1946; Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, 1962-1965; Vietnam, 1965-1966.

155pp. Open. 1984.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

GASPAR, Walter Scott

Lieutenant Colonel; b. 1888, d. 1982; USMC Service, 1914-1945

Pre-World War I service; deployment to France and combat with 76th Company, 1st Battalion, 6th Marines at Belleau Wood, Soissons, Chateau Thierry, St. Mihiel; march to the Rhine and occupation of Germany; Adjutant, 2d Battalion, Composite Regiment, Third Army in victory parade; duty in Santo Domingo, China, and on recruiting service in 1920s; assignment to Guardia Nacional, Nicaragua, 1931-1933; duty with Civilian Conservation Corps, 1933-1934; retirement in 1939 and recall to active duty in 1940 for service at Mare Island and Moffett Field.

92pp. Open. 1975.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

GOLDBERG, Joshua Louis

Captain, CHC, USNR; b. 1896; USA Service, 1917-1920; USN Service, 1942-1960

This interview was conducted by the historian of the Chaplain Corps, U.S. Navy and deals with Capt Goldberg's career as Third Naval District Chaplain, during which time he ministered to Jewish active duty and Reserve Marines in the district.

86pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

GOOD, George Franklin, Jr.

Lieutenant General; b. 1901; USMC Service, 1923-1958

Education, Naval Academy, 1919-1923; Marine Barracks, Quantico and Parris Island, 1923-1926; 1st Brigade, Hawaii, 1926-1928; Guardia Nacional, Nicaragua, 1930-1932; student, AWS, Junior Course, Marine Barracks, Quantico, 2d Battalion, 5th Marines, aide to Major General Commandant, 1932-1937; USS Pennsylvania, 1937-1939; 3d, 4th, and 5th Defense Battalions, Iceland and Ellice Island, 1941-1943; C/S, 2d Marine Division, 1944-1945 (Okinawa operation, occupation of Japan); CO, Basic School, Quantico, and duty with Marine Corps Schools, 1945-1948; 2d Marine Division, 1948-1950; Troop Training Unit, Atlantic, 1950-1952; Liaison Officer to CNO, 1952-1953; CG, 2d Marine Division, 1953-1954; CG, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, 1954-1957; CG, Department of the Pacific, 1957-1958.

141pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Major Thomas E. Donnelly

GRAHAM, Paul G.

Brigadier General; b. 1922; USMC Service, 1944-1975

Upon retirement in June 1975 as commander of Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, General Graham was recalled to active duty to become military coordinator for the Refugee Center, Camp Pendleton, supervising the Marine Corps' responsibility with respect to the thousands of Vietnamese and Cambodian refugees who poured into the camp following the fall of South Vietnam. In this interview, General Graham relates the many problems and their solutions incident to this unique project, which ended with the closing of the camp in November 1975.

33pp. Open. 1975.

Interviewer: Brigadier General Edwin H. Simmons

GRAVEL, Marcus J.

Lieutenant Colonel; b. 1930; USMC Service, 1952-1977

Tactical considerations in the Battle for Hue City, January, 1968; combat in a built-up area; problems in command and control under such conditions; ordnance employed in the fighting; personalities; air support; medical services. Gravel was CO, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines in the battle. (VN)

74pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewers: Major Richard P. Carlisle and Mr. Benis M. Frank

GRIFFITH, Samuel Blair II

Brigadier General; b. 1906, d. 1982; USMC Service, 1929-1956

Education, Naval Academy, 1925-1929; early assignments, Guardia Nacional, Nicaragua, 1931-1933; Chinese language studies, Peiping, 1935-1938; development of amphibious warfare doctrine in prewar period; British commando training; World War II, formation of Marine raider battalions; ExO/CO, 1st Raider Battalion, Tulagi, Guadalcanal, and New Georgia operations; postwar duty in China, comments on events, withdrawal of Marines from North China; Naval War College; C/S, FMFLant, 1951-1953; duty with American Advisory Group, Greece; special intelligence assignments, 1953-1956.

212pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

HANNEKEN, Herman

Brigadier General; b. 1893, d. 1986; USMC Service, 1914-1948
This is one of a number of "issue-oriented" interviews in the
Collection. In this interview, General Hanneken recounts his
service with the Haitian Gendarmerie and his exploits which led
to the attack on and death of the Haitian bandit, Charlemagne
Peralte, and Hanneken's decoration with the Medal of Honor.
39pp. Open. 1982.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

HART, John Neely

Major General; b. 1902, d. 1970; USMC Service, 1925-1955
Education, Naval Academy, 1921-1925; duty in Tientsin, China,
1927; student naval aviator, Pensacola, 1927-1928; Fighting
Squadron 5-M, Observation Squadron 6-M, Marine Barracks, Quantico,
1928-1929; Aircraft Squadrons, 2d Marine Brigade, Nicaragua, 1929-
1930; Naval Air Station, Pensacola, 1930-1934; Scouting Squadron
14-M, USS Saratoga, 1934; Marine Barracks, San Diego, 1934-1937;
Observation Squadron 8-M, USS Langley, Ranger, Saratoga; National
Air Races, Los Angeles, 1936; aviation instructor, Quantico, 1937-
1941; VMSB-231, Ewa, Oahu, Hawaii, December 1941; VMO-251, MAG-
21, 1942; Guadalcanal operation; Naval Attache, Havana, Cuba,
1943-1946. (General Hart died before completing the interview.)
192pp. Open. 1970.
Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

HATCH, Norman T.

Major; b. 1921; USMC/USMCR Service, 1939-1969
Early years, recruit training; prewar Marine Corps; March of Time
training; wartime photo training; 2d Marine Division, New Zealand,
Tarawa operation; War Bond tour; preparations for Iwo Jima, Iwo
Jima operation; the Joe Rosenthal photo; postwar Marine Corps;
occupation of Japan; assignment to HQMC; peacetime Marine Corps
photography; Reserve service; civilian career in DOD; Vietnam
coverage.
288pp. Open. 1983.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

HAYES, Charles Harold

Lieutenant General; b. 1906; USMC Service, 1930-1965
Education, Colorado A&M, Naval Academy, 1926-1930; early
assignments, Nicaragua Electoral Mission, aviation training, 1931-
1934; development of Fleet Marine Force aviation techniques in
prewar period; World War II, airfield operations in Guadalcanal
campaign; Staff Air Officer, Amphibious Force, planning for Green
Island, Emirau, Leyte, Luzon, and Palau operations, 1943-1945;
occupation of Japan; Naval War College, duty in Strategic Plans
Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, 1949-1952;
OpsO, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in Korea; Marine Corps Liaison
Officer, Office of the Vice Chief of Naval Operations; CG, 1st
and 3d Marine Aircraft Wings, 1957-1959; DepC/S, Plans and

Programs, HQMC, 1961-1963; Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, 1963-1965.

239pp. Permission Required to Cite or Quote. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

HENDERSON, Frederick Paul

Brigadier General; b. 1911; USMC Service, 1935-1959

Education, Purdue University; Basic School, 1935-1936; battery officer, 1st Battalion, 10th Marines, 1936-1937 and 1938-1940;

reenactment of the Battle of Manassas: Artillery School, Fort Sill, 1937-1938; CO, Marine Detachment, USS San Francisco, 1940-

1942 (early World War II operations); Asst D-3/Naval Gunfire Officer, 2d Marine Division, 1942-1943 (end of Guadalcanal operation); Asst Corps Artillery Officer/Corps Artillery

Officer/AC/S, A-3, I Marine Amphibious Corps/III Amphibious Corps, 1943-1945 (Bougainville, Guam, and Okinawa operations); Director, Artillery School/Chief, Artillery Section, Marine Corps Schools, 1945-1948 (member, Marine Corps Gazette editorial board/member, Marine Corps Schools Academic Board); ExO, 11th Marines, 1st Marine Division; OpsO, UN Palestine Mission, 1948-1949; Asst G-3, Artillery/Naval Gunfire Officer, AC/S, G-3, FMFPac, 1950-1952; CO, 11th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1952; instructor/Marine Corps Liaison Officer, Fort Sill, 1952-1955; Advanced Research Group, MCS, Quantico, 1955-1956; member, FMF Organization and Composition (Hogaboom) Board, 1956-1957; Head, Development Branch, G-4 Division, HQMC, 1957-1958; member, Joint Staff, JCS, 1958-1959; post-retirement association with the Marine Corps. General Henderson is a prolific writer and 19 of his articles on Marine Corps matters published between 1939 and 1971 have been appended to this two-volume transcript.

526pp & articles. Open. 1974-1976.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

HERMLE, Leo David

Lieutenant General; b. 1890, d. 1976; USMC Service, 1917-1949

Education, University of California; World War I, 6th Marine Regiment, duty in France, Verdun, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, Argonne Forest, Army of Occupation in Germany, 1917-1919; barracks assignments and sea duty; duty in office of Judge Advocate General of the Navy, 1921-1923; Garde d'Haiti, 1930-1934; Army War College; World War II, CO, 6th Marines, duty in Iceland; 2d Marine Division, Tarawa operation; ADC, 5th Marine Division, Iwo Jima operation; Island Commander, Guam; CG, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego. 91pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

HOFFMAN, Carl W.

Major General; b. 1919; USMC Service, 1942-1978

Education, Drake University; Basic School, 1942; American Samoa; 8th Marines, Guadalcanal, 1942-1943; Tarawa, 1943; Saipan-Tinian, 1944; Infantry School, Fort Benning/Instructor, Marine Corps Schools, 1945-1948; Historical Section, HQMC, 1948-1951 (production

of World War II histories); recruiting duty, New York/Boston, 1951-1954; CO, 3d Battalion, 1st Marines/Asst G-3, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1954-1955; Joint Plans Officer, CinCPac, Hawaii, 1955-1957; Armed Forces Staff College, 1957-1958; G-2, 1st Marine Division, 1958-1960; duty in Policy Analysis Division and as Military Secretary for General Greene, CMC, 1965-1968; the Greene Commandancy; ADC, 3d Marine Division/CO, Task Force Hotel/AC/S, G-3, III MAF, Vietnam, 1968-1969; CG, Force Troops, FMFPac/Twenty-nine Palms, 1969-1971; CG, MCRD, Parris Island, 1971-1972; Deputy Director, Personnel/Director, Personnel Management Division, HQMC, 1972-1974; Director, Education Center, MCDEC, 1974; CG, III MAF, Okinawa, involvement in operations FREQUENT WIND and EAGLE PULL, 1974-1975; CG, Camp Pendleton, 1975-1978 (brig riots, racial problems).
341pp. Open. 1983-1985.
Interviewers: Lieutenant General Alpha L. Bowser and Major General Hoffman

HOOPER, Edwin B.

Vice Admiral; b. 1909, d. 1986; USN Service, 1931-1976
This is an issue-oriented interview conducted to support the writing of U.S. Marines in Vietnam: The Advisory and Combat Assistance Era, 1954-1964. In the early 1960s, Admiral Hooper commanded the Seventh Fleet's Amphibious Force in the western Pacific and, as such, was prepared for the many contingency plans involving Marine Corps units.
13pp. Open. 1974.
Interviewer: Captain Robert H. Whitlow

HUFF, Edgar Richard

Sergeant Major; b. 1919; USMC Service, 1942-1972
Prior service background; enlistment in Marine Corps and experiences at black boot camp at Montford Point, 1942; description of recruit training and services as field sergeant major of recruit training, 1943-1944; overseas service on Okinawa and in North China with 5th Depot Company, 1945-1946; postwar experiences at Montford Point in recruit training and at Naval Ammunition Depot, Earle, N.J., 1946-1951; combat service with 2d Battalion, 1st Marines in Korea, 1951-1952; service in the 2d Battalion, 8th Marines as first sergeant and sergeant major, 1952-1955; experiences at Marine Barracks, Port Lyautey, Morocco as first black Marine sergeant major, 1955-1957; experiences as Sergeant Major of the following: 2d Force Service Regiment (1957-1959), Landing Force Training Command, Atlantic (1959-1960), 3d Force Service Regiment (1960-1962), 1st Infantry Training Regiment (1962-1965), Base Material Battalion and Camp Pendleton, (1965-1967); experiences as the first black Marine to hold these positions; service in Vietnam with 1st Military Police Battalion and as Sergeant Major, III Marine Amphibious Force, 1967-1968; duty with 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1968-1970; Vietnam service as Sergeant Major, III MAF, 1970-1971; Marine Corps Air Station, New River, 1971-1972; general observations on the service of black Marines

and specific references to his own service as the first black Marine to complete 30 years active duty.

193pp. Permission Required to Cite or Quote. 1972.

Interviewer: Mr. Henry I. Shaw, Jr.

HUNT, Frederick D.

Mr. Hunt is a former foreign service officer who was serving in the U.S. Consulate in Shanghai when the 4th Marines left China in November 1941. In this interview, he clearly recalls the events leading up to the departure of the Marines and the scene at the Bund when they boarded lighters to take them to their transport anchored mid-stream in the Whangpo River.

107pp. Open. 1985.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

HUTCHESON, Richard G., Jr.

Rear Admiral, CHC, USN; b. 1921; USN Service, 1945-1974

This is another in the series of interviews conducted by the Chaplain Corps historian with chaplains who have served with Marines. In 1952-1953, Chaplain Hutcheson served with the 11th Marines in Korea and was present when the cease fire went into effect.

95pp. Open. 1983.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

JACK, Samuel Sloan

Major General; b. 1905, d. 1983; USMC Service, 1927-1961
Education, Naval Academy, 1923-1925; early Marine Corps ground
and aviation training; anti-banditry activities in Nicaragua;
postgraduate work in aeronautical engineering at Naval Postgraduate
School and CalTech, 1935-1938; duty in Engineering Section, Bureau
of Aeronautics, Navy Department, 1938-1940; World War II, fighter
operations in Guadalcanal campaign; CO, Marine Aircraft Group
33, Okinawa, final air operations against Japan; air station
duties, Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, 1946-1949; National
War College; C/S, 1952-1953 and CG, 1955-1956, 1st Marine Aircraft
Wing in Korea; CG, AirFMFPac, 1958-1961.

85pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

JOHNSON, Gilbert Hubert

Sergeant Major; b. 1905, d. 1972; USMC Service, 1942-1956
Prior service background in Army and Navy; enlisted in Marine
Corps, 1942; experiences in black boot camp at Montford Point;
physical description of Montford Point Camp; description of black
recruit training and services as Sergeant Major, Recruit Depot
Battalion, 1943-1944; Sergeant Major, Montford Point Camp, 1945;
overseas service as Sergeant Major, 52d Defense Battalion on Guam,
1945-1946; black experiences in postwar period, service at Montford
Point and Naval Ammunition Depot, Earle, NJ, 1946-1947; service
in Korea with 1st Marine Division, 1952; service with Force Troops,
FMFLant, 1953-1954; final tour with 3d Marine Division in Japan,
1955-1956; general comments on black Marines during this period
of service; background on the organization and functioning of the
Montford Point Marine Association and its New River chapter.

114pp. Open. 1972.

Interviewer: Mr. Henry I. Shaw, Jr.

JOHNSON, Joseph Everett

First Lieutenant; b. 1906; USMC Service, 1925-1957
Enlisted service, 1925-1942; boot camp, Parris Island, 1925-1926;
Mare Island Naval Prison, 1927-1928; Guam, Shanghai with 4th
Marines, 1929-1932; 4th Marines, Shanghai, 1932-1937 (Asiatic
Division Rifle and Pistol Matches, 1935); Marine Detachment,
American Embassy, Peiping, 1937-1940; Marine Barracks, Boston
Navy Yard, 1940-1942; promoted to Marine Gunner, 1942; Marine
Barracks, Vieques and Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, 1943-1944;
5th Field Depot, 1944-1945 (Guam and Okinawa operations); duty in
Tientsin, 1945-1946; Marine Barracks, Boston, 1946 (reversion to
Master Sergeant); Military Police Detachment, Tsingtao, 1947-1949;
Marine Barracks, Boston and Wakefield Rifle Range, 1949-1951;
Military Police Company, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1951-1952;
MAG-11, 1952-1954; Marine Barracks, Boston, 1954-1957.

118pp. Open. 1977.

Interviewer: Colonel Joseph B. Ruth

JONES, Glyn

Captain, CHC, USN; b. 1915; USN Service, 1942-1965

This interview was conducted by the head of the Naval Institute Oral History Program with Chaplain Jones, who spent a good part of his career with Marine units from Guadalcanal to Korea, with stops in between at Camp Lejeune, Parris Island, and Camp Pendleton. Chaplain Jones speaks meaningfully about Marine personalities with whom he had served and with whom he participated in combat operations.

390pp. Open. 1978.

Interviewer: Dr. John T. Mason, Jr.

JONES, Louis Reeder

Major General; b. 1895, d. 1973; USMC Service, 1914-1949

Family background, education, enlisted service; World War I duty as a company commander and quartermaster with 6th Marines, France and Germany, 1917-1919; 2d Brigade of Marines, Santo Domingo, 1922-1924; duty with 4th Marines, San Diego, 1924-1927; quartermaster of 4th Marines in Shanghai, China, 1927-1928; recruiting officer in Cleveland, Ohio, 1929-1930; student, Field Officers' Course, Quantico, 1930-1931; CO, Marine Detachment, USS Texas, 1932-1934; various assignments, Marine Corps Base, San Diego, 1934-1935; director of Marine Corps Correspondence School, 1935-1939; Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC, 1939-1942; CO, 23d Marines, Roi-Namur, Saipan-Tinian, 1944; ADC, 1st Marine Division, Okinawa operation, Tientsin and Peiping, China, 1944-1946; President, Marine Corps Equipment Board, Quantico, 1946-1949.

163pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

JONES, William Kenefick

Lieutenant General; b. 1916; USMC Service, 1936-1972

Director, Combat Operations Center, MACV, Dec65-Dec66 (joint nature of MACV staff, duties in the COC); personalities, Generals Westmoreland and Walt, Ambassador Lodge; history of Marine House, Saigon; SLF operations; pacification effort in Vietnam; Khe Sanh; the Barrier Plan; CG, 3d Marine Division, Apr-Nov69 (Marine redeployment planning, redeployment/relocation problems on Okinawa; CG, FMFPac, Jul70-Sep72 (CinCPac-FMFPac relations); Marine Corps activities/FMFPac concerns in the Pacific, Marine Corps drug, racial, and disciplinary problems. (VN)

90pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

JORDAHL, Russell Nelton

Brigadier General; b. 1903; USMC Service, 1926-1958

Family background, Naval Academy, 1922-1926; expeditionary duty, Nicaragua, 1928-1930; 4th Marines, Shanghai, 1932-1935; instructor, Basic School, 1936-1939; World War II, Personnel Officer, HQMC, 1941-1944; Personnel Officer, FMFPac, 1944-1947; Post Inspector and Operations Officer, MCRD, Parris Island, 1947-1950; CO, 1st

Combat Service Group, Korea, 1951-1952; Personnel Officer, HQMC, 1952-1954; C/S and Deputy Base Commander, Camp Lejeune; CG, Landing Force Training Unit, Pacific. Marine Corps administrative and personnel matters in World War II and Korea, personalities.

202pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

KARCH, Frederick Joseph

Brigadier General; b. 1917; USMC Service, 1940-1967

Early years, Naval Academy, 1936-1940; Basic School; 10th Marines, 1941-1942 (prewar conditions, Iceland Expedition); 14th Marines, 1943-1945 (Kwajalein, Saipan-Tinian, and Iwo Jima operations); instructor, Royal Canadian Army Staff College, 1949-1951; 10th Marines and staff, 2d Marine Division, 1951-1953; Secretary, Joint Landing Force Board, Camp Lejeune, 1952-1955; J-2 Div, Joint Hq, Far East Command, 1955-1957; AWS, Senior Course; CO, 10th Marines and G-3, 2d Marine Division, 1958-1961; Army War College, 1961-1962; G-1 Div and Asst DC/S (Programs), HQMC, 1962-1964; ADC, 3d Marine Division/CG, 9th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, 1964-1965; contingency planning, Da Nang landing, Vietnam; Director, Command and Staff College, Marine Corps Educational Center, 1965-1971; summing up a 31-year career.

93pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Jack K. Ringler

KEATING, James J.

Brigadier General; b. 1895, d. 1978; USMC Service, 1917-1919 and 1940-1955; USMCR Service, 1930-1940

Early years, World War I; inter-war Reserve activities; ExO, 1st Battalion, 11th Marines, CO, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines, prewar preparations, Guadalcanal operation, 1942; CO, 1st 155mm Battalion, III Corps Artillery, Bougainville and Guam operations; Intelligence Section, Division of Plans and Policies, Division of Reserve, HQMC, 1944-1947; CO, Camp Catlin/AC/S, G-2/Force Inspector, FMFPac, 1947-1949; Post Inspector/OIC, Post Schools, Quantico, 1949-1951; Director, Administrative Division, HQMC, 1951-1955.

35pp. Open. 1978.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

KELLER, Robert P.

Lieutenant General; b. 1920; USMC Service, 1940-1974

Early years; University of California; World War II, VMF-212; VMF-223, Midway; night fighter training, combat CO, VMF(N)-533, Okinawa; post-war China; AWS, Junior Course; VMF-214, Korea; 1st MAW Liaison Officer to Joint Operations Center, Seoul; Division of Aviation, HQMC, 1956; Armed Forces Staff College; staff, CinCSouth, Naples, 1956-1958; ExO, MAG-16, Japan, 1958-1959; AC/S, 1st MAW, Iwakuni, 1959-1960; faculty, Armed Forces Staff College, 1960-1963; AC/S, G-5, AirFMFPac, 1963-1964; CO, MAG-15, 1964-1965; office of the Joint Planning Group, DC/S, Plans and Programs, HQMC, 1965-1966; Asst Wing Commander, 1st MAW, Vietnam, 1967-1968; CG, 4th MAW/Marine Air Reserve Training Command, 1968-1971; AC/S, J-5, Pacific Command, 1971-1972; CG, Marine Corps Development and Education Command, 1972-1974.

133pp. Open. 1987.

Interviewer: Major General Norman J. Anderson

KHANG, Le Nguyen

Lieutenant General; b. 1931; Vietnamese Marine Corps Service, 1954-1972

Early history of Republic of Vietnam Marine Corps, training, operations; USMC advisors and assistance; the 1963 coup; Diem assassination; political situation in Vietnam; duties as head of Marine Corps, commander of Capital District, Military Governor of Saigon, member of National Leadership Committee; Tet Offensive, 1968; Marine Corps involvement in coup of 1960; comments on General Thi, Buddhist uprisings, Lam Son 719; evaluation of USMC advisors; views on "Vietnamization"; comments on fall of Thieu government, fall of Da Nang, last battles of Marine Corps; flight from Vietnam. (VN)

102pp. Open. 1976.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank, Colonel Raymond Damm, and members of Histories Section, History and Museums Division

KILMARTIN, Robert C., Jr.

Brigadier General; b. 1896; USMC Service, 1917-1949

Early years, 1st Officers Training Camp, 1917; personalities; Marine Barracks, Washington Navy Yard, 1917-1919; duty with Navy Judge Advocate Corps, 1919-1920; 2d Marine Brigade Legal Officer, Santo Domingo, 1921-1923; personalities of Dion Williams, Smedley Butler, Alexander A. Vandegrift; Marine Barracks, Quantico, 1923-1925; Company Officers Course, 1925; Hawaii Exercise; duty as Butler's adjutant; instructor, Basic School, Philadelphia, 1925-1928; 2d Battalion, 5th Marines, Nicaragua, 1928-1930; Navy JAG office, 1930-1934; Butler court-martial, establishment of selection boards; Marine Barracks, Pearl Harbor, 1934-1937 (Massie case); comments on John T. Selden, Holland M. Smith; Marine Barracks, Quantico, instructor, AWS, Junior Course, 1937-1940; CO, 2d Battalion, 5th Marines/CO, 5th Marines, 1940-1941; D-1, 1st Marine Division, 1941-1942 (prewar preparations, preparations for Guadalcanal); Guadalcanal-Tulagi operations; Personnel Section, HQMC, 1942-1944; College Training Program; CO, Marine Barracks, Washington Navy Yard, 1944-1945; CO, Marine Detachment, Marianas area, FMFPac, 1945; Legal Officer/Deputy Inspector General, FMFPac, 1945-1947; planning officer, Dept of Public Relations, Navy Dept, 1947-1949; Retired Officers Association; Vinson Hall.

402pp. Open. 1979.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

KNEPP, Donald

Lieutenant Colonel; b. 1933; USMC Service, 1953-1980

This is one of the issue-oriented interviews conducted to support the writing of a proposed history of the Marine Security Guard Battalion, the "State Department" Marines who serve at American embassies and consulates abroad. LtCol Knepp joined the MSG in 1975 as OIC of the MSG School. In 1977, he became ExO of the MSG Battalion. LtCol Knepp speaks of Marine Corps-State Department relations; MSG training; the Teheran hostage-taking event; MSG detachments in San Salvador, Ethiopia, and Pakistan; women Marines

in the MSG program; special interest detachments in Hawaii; Beijing detachment; Taipei detachment.

126pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Mr. Danny Crawford

KOPPENHAVER, Howard M.

Colonel; b. 1931; USMC Service, 1949-1982

This is an issue-oriented interview conducted with Col Koppenhaver, CO of the Marine Security Guard Battalion, 1976-1979, to support the writing of a proposed history of the MSG. Col Koppenhaver speaks of Marine Corps-State Department relations; the Iranian takeover of the American Embassy in Teheran; training of MSG Marines; women Marines in the MSG program.

56pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Mr. Danny Crawford

KRULAK, Victor Harold

Lieutenant General; b. 1913; USMC Service, 1934-1968

Education, Naval Academy, 1930-1934; early assignments, sea duty, 4th Marines, Shanghai, 1937-1939 (observations of Sino-Japanese War); duty with 1st Marine Brigade, aide to General Holland M. Smith, development of amphibian tractor, prewar landing exercises; staff, Amphibious Force/Corps, Atlantic and Pacific Fleets; parachute training, CO, 2d Parachute Battalion, Choiseul diversion; G-3, 6th Marine Division, Okinawa campaign and Tsingtao occupation; staff, Marine Corps Schools, 1945-1949 (unification controversy, development of vertical envelopment concept, helicopter employment); CO, 5th Marines, preparations for deployment to Korea; G-3, FMFPac, Inchon landing, Chosin Reservoir operation; Secretary of the General Staff, HQMC, 1951-1955 (the Shepherd Commandancy); CG, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, changes in Marine recruit training; Special Assistant for Counterinsurgency Matters to Secretary of Defense McNamara, 1962-1964 (development of counterinsurgency planning, training in Services; CG, FMFPac, 1964-1968 (comments on Vietnam). Reminiscences of important Marine Corps developments, events, and personalities.

285pp. Permission Required to Cite or Quote. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

KRULAK, Victor Harold

This interview session with General Krulak was originally classified and sought to obtain information to support the research and writing of a planned one-volume history of Marine Corps operations in Vietnam. Specifically, General Krulak responded to questions about the following matters: state of readiness of FMF units prior to Vietnam; installation of short airfield for tactical support at Chu Lai; the single management issue; role of Marine Corps in ROLLING THUNDER; the Combined Action Program, pacification; establishment of the Force Logistic Command; role of the Special Landing Force; command relationships of FMFPac with CinCPac, CinCPacFlt, MACV, and III MAF; the Da Nang landing;

relations with General Westmoreland; comments on deployment of Marines in the Delta; and comments on the McNamara Line. (VN) 41pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

KRULEWITCH, Melvin Levin

Major General; b. 1895, d. 1978; USMC Service, 1917-1956
Family background, early years, education, Columbia University, Columbia Law School; World War I enlisted service, recruit training, Parris Island, service in France with 6th Regiment, Belleau Wood, occupation duty in Germany; commissioned, 1927; background of Marine Corps Reserve program in 1930s; World War II, duty at Boston Navy Yard; assignment to 4th Marine Division, Marshall Islands, Saipan-Tinian and Iwo Jima operations; Marine Corps Reserve in inter-war period; personalities, events. 125pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

KUHN, Gerald Edwin

Rear Admiral, CHC, USNR; b. 1926; USN Service 1951-1954; USNR Service, 1954-1980

This is one of the interviews conducted by the Chaplain Corps historian. All of Chaplain Kuhn's active service was spent with Marine units: 2d Marine Division, 1951-1952; 1st Marines, Korea, 1952-1953; and Marine Barracks, Camp Pendleton, 1953-1954. 76pp. Open. 1984.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

KYLE, Wood Barbee

Major General; b. 1915; USMC Service, 1936-1968
Education, Texas A&M, 1932-1936; early assignments, 6th Marines, Shanghai, 1937-1939; sea duty, World War II, 2d Marines, Tulagi-Guadalcanal, Tarawa, and Saipan operations; student and instructor, Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth; Asst G-3, FMFPac, 1947-1949; inter-war duties/posture of Pacific Marines; Division of Reserve, HQMC, 1949-1952; mobilization of Reserves for Korea; Army War College; Joint Plans Branch, J-3, CinCEur, 1958-1961 (Lebanon operation); CG, 3d Marine Division, nature of Marine operations in Vietnam. 226pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

LARSON, August

Major General; b. 1904, d. 1981; USMC Service, 1928-1963
Family background, education, enlisted service, 1928-1931;
extensive experience with Marine Corps Rifle and Pistol Team as
shooter and coach; 4th Marines, Shanghai, China, 1933-1934; 5th
Marines, Quantico, 1936-1938; reenactment of the Battle of the
Crater, Petersburg, VA, April 1937; student, AWS, Junior Course,
1938-1939; CO, Marine Detachment, USS Wasp, 1940-1942; CO, Officer
Candidate Class, Quantico, 1942-1944; G-4, 6th Marine Division
for Guam and Okinawa operations; ExO and CO, 22d Marines, Okinawa;
CO, 5th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Tientsin, China, 1945-1946;
G-4, U.S. Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, VA, 1946-1949;
Technical Plans Section, Office of CNO, 1950-1952; first Marine
Liaison Officer to JCS, 1952-1953; member, Advanced Research Group,
Marine Corps Education Center, 1953-1954; Asst Base Commander,
Camp Pendleton, California, 1955-1957; ADC, 3d Marine Division,
Far East, 1957-1958; Director of Personnel, HQMC, 1959-1962.
225pp. Open. 1970.
Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

LASSWELL, Alva Bryan

Colonel; b. 1905, d. 1988; USMC Service, 1926-1956
Enlisted service, 1926-1929; commissioned, 1929; Japanese language
training, cryptographic/communications intelligence training in
the prewar period; breaking the Japanese code; World War II,
communications intelligence work at Pearl Harbor, the Battle of
Midway; postwar demobilization; occupation of North China.
62pp. Permission Required to Cite or Quote. 1968.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

LEE, William Andrew

Colonel; b. 1900; USMC Service, 1920-1950

PULLER, Lewis Burwell

Lieutenant General; b. 1898, d. 1971; USMC Service, 1918-1955
Small unit action in Haiti, Nicaragua, and Santo Domingo; Guardia
Nacional de Nicaragua; development of small wars doctrine in the
field; anecdotes of Marine Corps activities in the "Banana Wars";
Lee and Puller on POWs in World War II, Lee on his capture at
Chinwangtao in 1941, on prison camp life; Puller on life in prewar
China, on readiness for Korea; Lee/Puller comments on infantry
weapons; Puller on machine guns at Pearl Harbor in the 1920s, on
readiness at Pearl for World War II.
152pp. Open. 1961.
Interviewers: Colonel John H. Magruder III, Colonel Roger Willock

LEEK, Frederick Everett

Lieutenant General; b. 1914; USMC Service, 1935-1971
Education, University of California; Basic School, 1935-1936; sea
duty, USS Tennessee, JUn36-Jun37; 6th Marines, China, Oct37-Apr38,
San Diego, May38-May39; language student and Asst Naval Attache,
Mexico City, Jun39-May42; flight training, Jul42-Jul43; CO, VMJ-

152/OpsO, MAG-12, Dec43-May45; ExO, Marine Corps Air Station, Ewa, Apr46-Nov47; Reserve Section, Division of Aviation, HQMC, Jan48-Jul50; DepC/S, FMFLant, Aug50-Jul52; Naval War College, Jul52-Jun53; AsstC/S, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing/CO, MAG-26, Jul53-Feb56; CO, MAG-16, Apr56-Apr57; C/S and CG, Marine Air Reserve Training Command, Jul57-Dec60; ADC/CG, 1st Marine Division, Jan61-Jun63; CG, 3d Marine Division, Aug63-Sep66; AsstDepC/S (P&P), HQMC, Oct66-Aug69; CG, FMFLant, Aug69-Jun71.
109pp. Open. 1975 and 1977.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

LEONARD, John P., Jr.
Colonel; b. 1917; USMC Service, 1939-1965
Education, LaSalle College, 1934-1938; Philadelphia Marine Reserve units, 1935-1939; active duty with 10th Marines, 1939; 1st Special Weapons Battalion 1941-1944 (Guadalcanal and Cape Gloucester operations); Field Artillery School, Quantico, and Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, 1944-1945; CO, 2d Battalion, 10th Marines, Japan, 1945-1947; CO, Marine Barracks, Navy Mine Depot, Yorktown, VA, 1947-1950; Quantico, 1950-1954 (AWS, Senior Course, Marine Corps Education Center); ExO, 11th Marines/AC/S, G-1, 1st Marine Division, Korea-Camp Pendleton, 1954-1956; Comptroller, MCRD, Parris Island, 1956-1959; student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, 1959-1960; Personnel Dept, HQMC; Joint Staff, JCS; G-4 Division, HQMC.
173pp. Open. 1980-1981.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

LOOMIS, Francis Butler, Jr.
Major General; b. 1903; USMC Service, 1926-1954
Education, Naval Academy, 1920-1922/Stanford University, 1922-1924; early aviation training; expeditionary duty in Haiti, China; genesis of defense battalion concept; World War II, defense battalion commands, G-4, III Amphibious Corps, Okinawa operation; duty in Office of CNO as Marine Corps Liaison Officer for Ground Missiles and Atomic Energy; CG, Force Troops, FMFLant.
149pp. Open. 1970.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

LUCKEY, Robert Burneston
Lieutenant General; b. 1905, d. 1974; USMC Service, 1927-1963
Education, University of Maryland, 1923-1927; expeditionary duty, Nicaragua, 1929; early assignments to barracks and sea duty, artillery training; U.S. Embassy Guard, Peiping, 1936-1938 (memories of China in period); duty as aide to General Breckinridge, 1938-1939; World War II, 11th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Guadalcanal and Cape Gloucester operations, 1942-1944; CO, 15th Marines, 6th Marine Division, Okinawa operation and occupation of Tsingtao; Marine Corps in the inter-war period; CO, Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., 1949-1951; C/S, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico/member, Hogaboom Board, 1953-1954; CG, Force Troops, FMFLant, 1954-1955; new developments in amphibious warfare

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operations; G-3, HQMC, 1955-1957; CG, MCRD, Parris Island, 1957-1959; CG, 3d Marine Division, 1959-1960 (the situation in the Far East); CG, Camp Lejeune, 1960-1961; CG, FMFLant, 1961-1963 (contingency planning); personalities, reminiscences, major Marine Corps developments.

238pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MACHO, Dean C.

Colonel; b. 1923; USMC Service, 1942-1975
CO, MAG-12, 27Apr72-Apr73; deployment from Iwakuni to Bien Hoa during North Vietnamese Easter 1972 offensive; types of aircraft employed, nature of missions; comments on aircraft types, base defense of Bien Hoa from rocket attack. (VN)

34pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MAHLER, Walter Albert

Captain, CHC, USN; b. 1908; USN Service, 1939-1962

This is another of the Navy Chaplain Corps interviews with retired chaplains who served with the Marine Corps. Chaplain Mahler served three tours at MCRD, San Diego: 1942-1944, 1946-1947, and 1954-1957. His last Marine Corps tour was with FMFLant, 1957-1959.

71pp. Open. 1985.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

MANGRUM, Richard C.

Lieutenant General; b. 1905, d. 1985; USMC Service 1928-1967
Comments on World War II histories, autobiographies; early days of Aviation Cadet Program; comments on Marine air in the Guadalcanal operation; MAG-23 at Guadalcanal.

34pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

MARINE CORPS NAVAJO CODE TALKERS

This is a collection of cameo interviews conducted with former Navajo code talkers during the first reunion of Navajo Code Talkers of World War II at Window Rock, Arizona, 9-10 July 1971. Basically these tapes contain interviews concerning the activation of the Marine Corps Code Talker Program, recruiting, training, and combat experiences in the Pacific operations of the Marine Corps. In addition to the interviews conducted by Mr. Frank for the Marine Corps Oral History Program, this group contains a number of interviews conducted by the staff of the Duke Indian Oral History Project, University of Utah, directed by Dr. C. Gregory Crampton.

Marine Corps: John Benally, 32pp; Judge W. Dean Wilson (William Dean Yazzie), 20pp; Paul Blatchford, 27pp; Sidney Bedoni, 13pp; Alex Williams, Sr., 21pp; Carl Gorman, 3pp; Wilfred Billey, 13;;, and Jimmy King, Sr., 36pp.

Duke Project: Dan Akee, 16pp; Sidney Bedoni, 29pp; Thomas Claw, 27pp; Teddy Draper, 42pp; Harold Y. Foster, 14pp; Rev. R. O. Hawthorn, 29pp; Samuel T. Holiday, 20pp; Dennis Hosteen, 31pp; William McCabe, 56pp; James Nahkai, Jr., 34pp; Pete Sandoval, 29pp; Samuel J. Smith, Jr., 45pp; George B. Soce, 44pp; Frank Thompson, 20pp; Raphael Yazzie, 61pp.
Open. 1971.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank, Mr. Ernest L. Bulow, Mrs. Nanette Bulow, Mr. John D. Sylvester, Mr. Benjamin Lee, Dr. C. Gregory Crampton, and Mrs. Virginia Lee.

MASTERS, John Hilary

Major General; b. 1913, d. 1987; USMC Service, 1936-1969
Education, Naval Academy, 1932-1936; early training and
assignments; CO, Marine Detachment, USS Tuscaloosa, 1940-1942;
convoy duty in North Atlantic and heavy losses to German
submarines; duty with Sino-American Cooperative Organization in
China, 1942-1944 (comments on General Tai Li and Commodore Milton
Miles); duty as aide to General Vandegrift, 1944-1945; duty as
aide to General Cates; duty at Marine Corps Schools, 1949-1952;
CO, 8th Marines, 1952; Camp Pendleton, 1954-1955; Legislative
Assistant to CMC, 1960-1962 (Marine Corps relationships with the
Congress); ADC, 3d Marine Division, 1962-1962; Asst Quartermaster
General, 1963-1965; CG, MCSC, Barstow, 1965-1967; DepC/S, CinCLant,
1967-1969.

193pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

MCCA HILL, William Paul

Colonel; b. 1916; USMC/USMCR Service, 1941-1976
Division of Information, HQMC, 1941-1942 (establishment of Marine
Corps Combat Correspondent Program); Public Relations Officer,
Marine Corps Base, San Diego, 1942-1943; PRO, 4th Marine Division,
1943-1944 (Roi-Namur and Saipan-Tinian operations); PRO, Marine
Section, CinCPac, 1944-1945; Division of Information, HQMC, 1945-
1946; Reserve activities, 1946-1976; VTU activities, preparation
of Marine Corps Reserve History.

155pp. Open. 1982.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MCCUTCHEON, Keith Barr

General; b. 1915, d. 1971; USMC Service, 1937-1971
Not too long before his death, General McCutcheon responded to
questions relating to his role as J-3, CinCPac, in the initial
planning for deployment of U.S. forces to Vietnam in 1965. In
this interview, he talks about the early recognition (1963) of
the problem of coordination of air resources in a joint operation
and lack of a clear joint doctrine on this matter. General
McCutcheon also speaks of his initial tour in Vietnam, first as
Assistant Wing Commander and then Commanding General of 1st Marine
Aircraft Wing, 1965-1966. He discussed the roots of the USAF-
USMC controversy regarding single management of air resources.
Finally, he compares conditions, problems, and experiences of his
first and second (1970) tours in Vietnam. (VN)

35pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

MCDONALD, Richard L.

Private; b. 1895; USMC Service, 1915-1919
Pre-World War I recruit training; service in France with the 6th
Machine Gun Battalion, Belleau Wood; comments on Generals James

Harboard, Clifton B. Cates, Smedley D. Butler, Lemuel Shepherd, Jr., and GySgt Dan Daly.

19pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Gunnery Sergeant Richard Albright

MCLAUGHLIN, John E.

Lieutenant General; b. 1918; USMC Service, 1941-1977

Education, Emory University, 1937-1941; 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester, and Peleliu operations, 1941-1944; Marine Corps Schools, Army Infantry School, 1945-1948; Amphibious Training Command, Coronado, 1948-1950; advisor, 5th Cavalry Regiment; Asst G-3, X Corps, Korea, Chosin Reservoir, 1950; POW, North Korea, 1950-1953; Marine Corps Schools, 1953-1956; CO, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, 1956-1959; Fleet Marine Force Officer, Sixth Fleet, 1959-1961; Marine Corps aide to Undersecretary of the Navy/Liaison Officer to CNO, 1961-1964; National War College, 1964-1965; CO, 6th Marines/C/S, 2d Marine Division, 1965-1967; Deputy J-5, U.S. Strike Command, 1967-1968; ADC, 1st Marine Division/CG, Task Force X-Ray, Vietnam/Deputy J-3, MACV, 1968-1969; CG, MCRD, San Diego, 1969-1973; CG, 4th Marine Division, 1973-1974; C/S, HQMC, 1974-1975; CG, FMFPac, 1975-1977. The first portion of this transcript consists of General McLaughlin's responses to questions prepared by members of the Histories Section, History and Museums Division, relating to his tour in Vietnam and Marine Corps operations in Vietnam.

178pp. Open. 1978.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MCQUEEN, John Crawford

Lieutenant General; b. 1899, d. 1985; USMC Service, 1921-1958

Family background, education; Naval Academy, 1917-1921; early Marine Corps training and assignments; expeditionary duty, Haiti, 1923-1925; officer, Guardia Nacional, Nicaragua, 1930-1932; Marine Corps Schools, student and instructor, 1932-1936, 1939-1940 (development and refinement of amphibious warfare doctrine in period); military observer, London, 1940-1941; World War II, Operations and Training Section, Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1941-1942; Force Intelligence Officer, Amphibious Force, Pacific Fleet, 1942-1943 (Attu-Kiska operations); Operations Officer, V Amphibious Corps, Kwajalein, Guam, and Saipan-Tinian operations, 1943-1944; C/S, 6th Marine Division, Okinawa operation, occupation of Tsingtao, 1944-1946; C/S, Troop Training Unit, Atlantic, 1946-1948 (postwar development and training); Director, 12th Marine Corps Reserve and Recruitment District, San Francisco, 1948-1950 (postwar reserve and recruiting problems, mobilization of Reserves for Korea); Director of Information, Director of Reserves, HQMC, 1950-1954; MCRS, San Diego, 1954-1956; Chief, Military Assistance Advisory Group, The Hague, 1956-1958.

161pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MEADOWS, Major Charles L. See under CHEATHAM.

MEEHLING, Frederick William

Captain, CHC, USN; b. 1899; USN Service, 1933-1954

This interview is another conducted by the Navy Chaplain Corps historian. In his 21 years of active service, Chaplain Meehling served with Marines at Quantico, 1937-1939; the 3d Marine Division in the Marianas and at Iwo Jima; at Quantico again, 1945-1947 and 1953-1954.

107pp. Open. 1982.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

MEGEE, Vernon Edgar

General; b. 1900; USMC Service, 1919-1959

Family background, education, Oklahoma A&M; enlisted service 1919-1922; commissioned, 1922; expeditionary duty, Haiti, 1923-1925; duty in China, 3d Brigade, 1927-1928; early aviation training and duty, Marine aircraft, 1927-1933; student and instructor, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, 1933-1935 (development of amphibious warfare/close air support concepts); prewar Fleet Marine Force aviation exercises; U.S. Aviation Mission to Peru, 1940-1943; World War II, Marine aviation operations in Pacific, development of air support control techniques, Iwo Jima and Okinawa operations; member, Joint Amphibious Operations and Doctrines Committee, 1945-1946; C/S, FMFLant, 1947-1949 (formation of FMFLant, postwar organization of Fleet Marine Force, the Marine Corps Board, preparation of Joint Action of the Armed Forces; Deputy Director for Intelligence, Joint Staff, JCS, 1950-1951; CG, AirFMFPac; CG, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Korea, 1953 (Marine air operations in Korea, differences with Air Force); Deputy CG, FMFPac, 1953-1955; Assistant Commandant/C/S, HQMC, 1955-1957, the Pate Commandancy; CG, FMFPac, 1957-1959.

377pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MERRILL, John Espy

Lieutenant Colonel; b. 1911; USMC and USMCR Service, 1941-1966

An issue-oriented interview, this one concerns Japanese language officer training in the Marine Corps in the prewar and World War II era; Pearl Harbor on 7 Dec 1941; Camp Elliott Language School; interrogating POWs in Noumea; Rendova and Vella Lavella operations; 3d Marine Division; 8th New Zealand Brigade, Treasury Island operation; Green Island operation; 1st Marine Division, Peleliu and Okinawa operations.

93pp. Open. 1979.

Interviewer: Captain Richard E. Des Lauriers

METZGER, Louis

Lieutenant General; b. 1916; USMC Service, 1939-1973

CG, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade/Seventh Fleet SLF, Jan-May67, status of SLF, SLF operations (DECK HOUSE V); MACV/FMFPac/III MAF attitudes toward SLF; ADC/CG, 3d Marine Division, May67-Jun68 (comparison of Hochmuth and Tompkins command styles); comments on

Khe Sanh, the Barrier Plan, the fighting at Con Thien, Korean Marines, supply problems. (VN)
117pp. Permission Required. 1973.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MILLER, Ivan "W"

Brigadier General; b. 1898; USMC Service 1920-1951
Education, Naval Academy, 1917-1920; student naval aviator, Pensacola, 1920-1921; 2d Brigade, Santo Domingo, 1922; advanced aeronautical engineering training, Naval Postgraduate School and MIT, 1922-1924; HQMC, Bureau of Aeronautics, 1924-1925; 1st Brigade Marines, Haiti, 1926-1928; Naval Air Station, San Diego, 1928-1930; 2d Brigade Marines, Nicaragua, 1932-1933; 1st Brigade Marines, Haiti, 1933-1934; aviation duties at Quantico and San Diego, 1934-1943; aviation duty in Pacific, 1944-1945; CG, Marine Corps Air Stations, El Toro and Cherry Point, 1945-1949; Dep CG, FMFPac, 1950-1951.

69pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

MILLER, John Carroll, Jr.

Brigadier General; b. 1912; USMC Service, 1935-1965
As senior Marine officer on the staffs of the twin naval commands, Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces, European and Mediterranean (CinCNELM) and Commander in Chief, Specified Command of the Middle East (CinCSpecComME), General Miller was in a particularly good position to view the events leading to the Lebanon Crisis of 1958 and the Marine landings at Beirut. His observations are a unique addition to the collection.

23pp. Open. 1975.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MILLER, Loyd, G.

Master Sergeant

This is an issue-oriented interview conducted to support the writing of a proposed history of the Marine Security Guard Battalion. Master Sergeant Miller was NCOIC of the Marine Detachment at the American Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan, when it was attacked on 21 November 1979, and set afire. Through Master Sergeant Miller's heroic efforts and leadership the lives of American diplomatic personnel and Marine Security Guards were saved. This is an account of the event.

90pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Mr. Danny Crawford

MILLIN, Richard Bardwell

Private; b. 1892; USMC Service, 1918-1919

Recruit training at Parris Island during World War I; training at Quantico; deployment to France; 45th Company, 3d Battalion, 5th Marines, St. Mihiel Offensive, 12-16Sep18; Meuse-Argonne (Champagne) Offensive, 1-9Oct18 and 1-14Nov18; march to the Rhine,

17Nov-12Dec18; occupation of Germany, 13Dec18-18Jul19;
personalities, combat narrative, photos.
128pp. Open. 1974.
Interviewer: Gunnery Sergeant Donald C. Williams

MITCHELL, Ralph Johnson

Lieutenant General; b. 1891, d. 1970; USMC Service, 1915-1948
Education, Naval Academy, 1911-1915; early assignments, Guam,
Galveston, Quantico; aviation training and duty; early carrier
operations; expeditionary duty, Nicaragua; Director of Aviation,
HQMC, 1939-1943; World War II, Marine air operations in the
Pacific.
30pp. Open. 1969.
Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

MOORE, Withers McAlister

Rear Admiral, CHC, USN; b. 1926; USN Service, 1953-1980
During the course of his career, Chaplain Moore served at MCRD,
Parris Island during the Korean War; with the 3d Marine Division
in Japan; and at MCAS, Cherry Point.
147pp. Open. 1981.
Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

MULCAHY, Francis Patrick

Lieutenant General; b. 1894, d. 1973; USMC Service, 1917-1946
Family background, education, University of Notre Dame, 1910-1914;
World War I service, pilot training, Marine air operations in
France; early Marine Corps aviation units and equipment;
expeditionary duty, Haiti, 1920-1921 and 1923-1925, and Nicaragua,
1931-1933; aviation duty with East and West Coast Expeditionary
Forces in 1930s, development of Fleet Marine Force air techniques
in period; military observer with British air units in Middle
East, 1941-1942; World War II, Marine air operations at
Guadalcanal; CG, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, Okinawa, 1945.
169pp. Open. 1967.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

MUNN, John Calvin

Lieutenant General; b. 1906, d. 1986; USMC Service, 1927-1964
Education, Naval Academy, 1923-1927; company officer and supply
officer, 2d Brigade of Marines, Nicaragua, 1928-1929; student
naval aviator, Hampton Roads, VA, and Pensacola, 1930-1931;
Scouting Squadron 14-M, USS Saratoga, 1931-1934; Bombing Squadron
4-M, USS Langley, Ranger, and Lexington, 1934-1936; Naval Attache,
(Air), Bogota, Colombia, 1938-1941; W-2 of 1st Marine Aircraft
Wing, Solomon Islands, 1942-1942; Office of CNO, 1943-1945; CO,
MAG-31, AirFMFPac, 1945-1946; staff, CinCPacFlt, and CinCPac,
1946-1948; C/S, AirFMFLant and 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1949-1950;
student, National War College, 1951; JCS, Joint Strategy Plans
Group, 1951; Asst Director, Division of Aviation, HQMC, 1952-1953;
C/S, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1953-1954; Dep CG, AirFMFLant,
1954-1956; Marine Corps Liaison Officer to CNO, 1956; CG, 2d Marine

Aircraft Wing, 1956-1958; Director, Division of Aviation, 1958-1960; Asst CMC 1960-1963.

106pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

MURRAY, Raymond Leroy

Major General; b. 1913; USMC Service, 1935-1968

The 1975 portion of this interview (pp 1-62) is primarily concerned with General Murray's tour in Vietnam as Deputy Commander, III MAF and covers the period October 1967-February 1968. The remainder of the interview concerns General Murray's career in depth: education, Texas A&M; 6th Marines, China, 1936-1937; Marine Detachment, American Legation, Peking, 1938-1940; 2d Battalion, 6th Marines in World War II, Iceland, Guadalcanal, Tarawa, and Saipan operations, 1940-1944; instructor, AWS, Senior Course, Quantico, 1944-1946; G-3, 1st Special Marine Brigade, 1946; Deputy C/S and Force Inspector, Marine Garrison Forces, Pacific, 1946-1948; G-4/CO, 3d Marines; ExO and CO, 5th Marines, Korea, 1949-1951; National War College, 1951-1952; CO, Basic School, 1952-1954; CO, 1st Infantry Training Regiment, 1954-1955; C/S, Camp Pendleton, 1955-1957; 1st Marine Division, 1957-1958; C/S, Camp Lejeune, 1958-1959; ADC, 1st Marine Division, 1959-1960; CG, Camp Pendleton, 1960-1962; CG, MCRD, Parris Island, 1962-1964; Inspector General of the Marine Corps/G-3, HQMC, 1964-1967; Dep CG, III MAF, 1967-1968.

285pp. Open. 1975 and 1985.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

NICKERSON, Herman, Jr.

Lieutenant General; b. 1913; USMC Service, 1934-1970
CG, 1st Marine Division, Vietnam, Oct64-Nov67; impressions of
Vietnam; relations with ARVN/ARVN commanders; the move to Da Nang;
Task Force X-Ray operations; comments on Korean Marines, the SLF,
mine and booby trap problem, Kit Carson Scouts; DepCG, III MAF,
Jun-Oct67; civic action and Combined Action programs; CG, III
MAF, Mar69-Mar70; changes in Vietnam; command and control problems;
single management of air resources problem; comments on withdrawal
of 3d Marine Division; comments on M-16 rifle; early years; Basic
School; China duty with 2d Battalion, 4th Marines; 2d Defense
Battalion, Samoa; III Amphibious Corps in China; MCRD, Parris
Island, 1947-1949; Military Observer with United Nations Mission
in Palestine, 1949; Marine Advisor, Far East Command, 1950-1951;
CO, 7th Marines, Korea, 1951; Inspector, FMFPac, 1951-1952;
Director, Advanced Base Problem Section/Director, AWS, Senior
Course, Quantico, 1952-1956; AC/S, G-3, FMFPac, 1956-1957, FMFLant,
1958; Fiscal Director, HQMC, 1958-1962; CG, 1st Marine Division,
1962-1963; CG, MCSC, Barstow, 1963-1965; CG, MCB, Camp Lejeune,
1965-1966; CG, 1st Marine Division/Dep CG, III MAF, Vietnam, 1966-
1967; AC/S, G-3/Director of Personnel/DC/S (Manpower), HQMC, 1967-
1969; CG, III MAF, Vietnam, 1969-1970.
266pp. Open. 1973 and 1978.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

NIMMER, David Rowan

Major General; b. 1894, d. 1975; USMC Service, 1912-1947
Enlisted service, 1912-1918; commissioned, 1918; World War I
service in France with Machine Gun Battalion, 5th Brigade, Army
of Occupation in Germany; early assignment to barracks and sea
duty; duty with 4th Marines, China, 1927-1929; Russian language
training, Harbin, 1931-1932; Asst Naval Attache, Moscow, 1934-
1935 (recognition of Soviet government, opening of U.S. Embassy);
student and instructor, Marine Corps Schools, 1935-1938; OpsO,
1st Marine Brigade and Division, 1939-1942 (prewar amphibious
exercises); CO, 9th Defense Battalion, 1942-1943 (Guadalcanal
operation); staff, Chief of Naval Operations, 1944; CG, Corps
Artillery, III Amphibious Corps, 1944-1945 (Okinawa operation);
CG, 1st Special Marine Brigade, Camp Lejeune, 1946-1947 (postwar
Fleet Marine Force).
117pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

NOBLE, Alfred Houston

General; b. 1894, d. 1983; USMC Service, 1917-1956
Education, St. John's College, World War I service, 6th Marines,
France, Chateau Thierry, Soissons, Champagne-Blanc Mont, Argonne
Forest, Army of Occupation in Germany; early training, assignments
to barracks and sea duty; student and instructor, Field Officers'
Course, Quantico, 1929-1932 (genesis of amphibious warfare
concepts); duty in Haiti; duty in Adjutant and Inspector's
Department, HQMC; battalion and regimental commander, 5th Marines,

1939-1941 (prewar exercises, training, and build-up); World War II, Director of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1941-1942; Chief of Staff, 3d Marine Division, 1942-1943; C/S, I Marine Amphibious Corps, 1943-1944; ADC, 3d Marine Division, 1944 (Guam operation); CG, Training Command, Camp Lejeune, 1944-1946; ADC, 1st Marine Division, China, 1946; CG, Troop Training Unit, Pacific Fleet, 1947-1948 (postwar training); CG, MCRD, Parris Island, 1948-1950; CG, MCB, Camp Pendleton, 1950-1951; CG, Department of the Pacific, San Francisco, 1951-1952; Chief, Military Assistance Advisory Group, The Hague, 1952-1954; CG, MCB, Camp Lejeune, 1954-1955; CG, FMFLant, 1955-1956.

111pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

OTOTT, George E.

Major; b. 1929; USMC Service, 1946-1948, 1952-1970

As Physical Fitness Coordinator for the Marine Corps, Major Otott was a pioneer in establishing, in the early 1960s, a Marine Corps-wide physical fitness program. He headed the Physical Fitness Academy established at Quantico. Major Otott discusses the rationale for the program, the program itself, the course at the Academy, the pitfalls and obstacles placed in the way of the program's success despite the substantial support given it by the Commandant, General Greene.

49pp. Open. 1970.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

PAIGE, Henry Reid

Major General; b. 1904, d. 1989; USMC Service, 1927-1961
Education, Naval Academy, 1923-1927; early Marine Corps training
and assignments; expeditionary duty, Nicaragua, 1929-1932; duty
in the 3d, 4th, and 5th Defense Battalions, 1939-1942 (genesis of
defense battalion concept, duty in Iceland); World War II,
instructor, Artillery Course, Quantico and Camp Lejeune, 1942-
1943; CO, 7th Defense Battalion, Palaus operation; Antiaircraft
Artillery Officer, FMFPac, 1944-1945; Logistics Planning Officer,
Office of CNO, 1945-1948; C/S, Troop Training Unit, Atlantic,
1949-1950; ADC, 1st Marine Division/Navy Member, UN Military
Armistice Commission, Korea, 1954-1955; G-4, HQMC, 1957-1959; CG,
1st Marine Division, 1959-1961.
128pp. Open. 1970.
Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

PALM, Edward F.

Captain; b. 1947; USMC Service, 1968-
This is an issue-oriented interview conducted to support the
Vietnam history writing project. In this interview, Captain Palm
talks of his experiences as an enlisted Marine assigned to the
Combined Action Program in Vietnam, 1967-1968.
84pp. Open. 1985.
Interviewers: Mr. Jack Shulimson and Mr. Robert Klyman

PARADIS, Don V.

Gunnery Sergeant; b. 1896, d. 1982; USMC Service, 1917-1919
Early years, recruit training at Parris Island and Quantico;
personalities; assignment to 80th Company, 2d Battalion, 6th
Marines; deployment to France; combat at Belleau Wood, Soissons,
Chateau Thierry, St. Mihiel, Blanc Mont, Meuse-Argonne; the
Armistice; march to the Rhine; occupation of Germany,
demobilization. Appended to the transcript are letters Paradis
wrote home to his family during the period 16Jun18-25Jun19, as
well as a representative selection of period photographs chosen
from an album he presented to the Marine Corps Museum.
274pp. Open. 1973.
Interviewer: Mr. Don V. Paradis.

PEATROSS, Oscar Frank

Major General; b. 1916; USMC Service, 1940-1971
CO, 7th Marines, Jul65-Apr66; deployment to RVN via Okinawa,
preparations for and problems during; Operation STARLITE,
preparations for and conduct of; operations with 2d ARVN Division;
effect of 1966 RVN political crisis on military situation;
operations in the Chu Lai area; DepC/S, 1st Marine Division, Apr-
May66 (pacification efforts in the Chu Lai area); mine and booby
trap problem in 1st Marine Division Tactical Area of Operations;
comments on World War II experiences with Carlson's Raiders, raider
training, Makin Island raid; CG, MCRD, Parris Island, Nov68-May71

(comments on Marine Corps recruit training and Marines in general).
(VN)

95pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

PECK, DeWitt

Major General; b. 1894, d. 1973; USMC Service, 1915-1946
Family background, education, Naval Academy, 1911-1915; Garde
d'Haiti, 1916-1917; World War I, sea duty; 5th Regiment in France,
Champagne-Blanc Mont, Army of Occupation in Germany; barracks
duty in 1920s; expeditionary duty with 1st Brigade, Haiti, 1922-
1924; student, Field Officers' Course, Quantico, 1926-1927; Fort
Leavenworth, 1927-1928; Director, Correspondence School, Quantico,
1928-1919; Squadron Marine Officer, Special Service Squadron,
1929-1931 (showing the flag in the Caribbean); instructor, Field
Officers' Course, Quantico, 1931-1935 (genesis of amphibious
warfare doctrine in period); Naval War College, 1935-1937; San
Diego, 1937-1939; CO, 4th Marines, Shanghai, 1940-1941 (prewar
tensions in China); World War II, duty in Operations, Office of
CNO, 1941-1942; Chief, War Plans Section, staff of Commander,
South Pacific, 1942-1943 (early Allied operations in South Pacific,
Guadalcanal, major naval engagements); Director, Division of Plans
and Policies, HQMC, 1943-1944; Assistant to the Commandant, 1944-
1945; CG, 1st Marine Division, occupation of North China, 1945-
1946 (first U.S. confrontation with Chinese Communists, Chinese
Civil War).

162pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

PFEIFFER, Omar Titus

Major General; b. 1895, d. 1979; USMC Service, 1917-1950
Education, University of Minnesota, 1913-1917; World War I service,
barracks and sea duty; expeditionary duty, 2d Provisional Marine
Brigade, Santo Domingo, 1919-1921; legal officer duties throughout
career; expeditionary and sea duty in China area, 1926-1927; War
Plans Officer, Marine Barracks, Quantico, 1937-1941; Fleet Marine
Officer/War Plans Officer, staff, CinCPacFlt, 1941-1943 (attack
on Pearl Harbor, personalities--Admirals Kimmel, Nimitz, et al,
Marine build-up in the Pacific); War Plans Division, Office of
the Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet, 1943-1946 (high-level naval
planning for conduct of war, personalities--Presidents Roosevelt
and Truman, Admirals King and Cooke, etc); Fleet Marine
Officer/Plans and Operations Officer, Staff, Commander, Seventh
Fleet, 1946-1947; CG, Fleet Marine Force, Western Pacific, 1947
(conditions in China, rise of Chinese Communist power); Chief of
Staff, Marine Training and Replacement Command, Camp Pendleton,
1948-1950 (pre-Korean War posture of the Marine Corps).

346pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

PLATT, Jonas M.

Major General; b. 1919; USMC Service, 1940-1970
Education, Norwich University, 1936-1940; World War II, sea duty, USS Washington, Atlantic and Pacific Theaters, Murmansk Convoy runs, Guadalcanal, Tarawa, and Kwajalein operations; 1st Marines, Peleliu and Okinawa operations; CO, Provisional Marine Guard, United Nations, 1945-1946; Edson Board, unification fight, HQMC, 1946-1948; Quantico, 1949-1952 (Tactics Section Chief, Basic School, Instructor Orientation Course); CO, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, Korea, 1952-1953; Personnel Dept, HQMC, 1953-1956 (Hump legislation, WO program); staff, CincNELM, Suez invasion, Lebanon planning; CO, Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., 1958-1960; National War College, 1960-1961; CO, 6th Marines, 1961-1963; CO, The Basic School, 1963-1965; ADC, 3d Marine Division/C/S, III MAF, Vietnam, 1965-1966; AC/S, G-1, HQMC, 1967-1970. The first part of this interview consists of questions and answers relating to General Platt's experiences in Vietnam as ADC, 1st Marine Division and C/S, III MAF.

244pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

POLLOCK, Edwin Allen

General; b. 1898, d. 1982; USMC Service, 1921-1959
Early education, The Citadel, 1921; Company Officers Course, Quantico, 1921-1922; 2d Brigade Marines, Santo Domingo, 1922-1925; 4th Marines, San Diego, 1925-1926; 2d Brigade, Nicaragua, 1927; sea duty, USS Galveston, 1928-1930; aide to Brigadier General Randolph Berkeley, Quantico, 1930-1931; instructor and student, Marine Corps Schools, 1931-1934; sea duty, USS Salt Lake City, 1934-1936; OIC, Publicity Bureau, Philadelphia, 1937-1939; student and instructor, AWS, Senior Course, MCS, 1939-1942; CO, 2d Battalion, 1st Marines/ExO, 1st Marines, 1942-1943 (Guadalcanal operation); AC/S, G-3, 1st Marine Division 1943-1944 (Cape Gloucester operation); Army and Navy Staff College, 1944; AC/S, G-3, 4th Marine Division, 1944-1945 (Iwo Jima operation); CO, Basic School/ExO/C/S, Marine Corps Schools, 1946-1948; Military Secretary to CMC, General Cates, 1948-1949; Director, Plans and Policies Division, HQMC, 1949-1951; CG, 2d Marine Division, 1951-1952; CG, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1952-1953; CG, Marine Corps Education Center, Quantico, 1953-1954; CG, MCRD, Parris Island, 1954-1955; CG, Marine Corps Schools, 1956; CG, FMFPac, 1956-1957; CG, FMFLant, 1957-1959.

323pp. Open. 1971 and 1973.

Interviewers: Major Thomas E. Donnelly and Mr. Benis M. Frank

POWELL, Thomas J.

Lieutenant Commander, USN; b. 1913; USN Service, 1932-1958
This is a "Do-It-Yourself" oral history prepared by a retired naval officer who spent most of his career as an enlisted man and officer in naval gunfire. His first experience in World War II with naval gunfire in support of troops occurred off Guadalcanal in late 1942. He served as a naval gunfire officer supporting

the landings at Attu, Kiska, Makin Island, the Marshalls, the raids on Truk, on the Palaus, the Marianas landings, and at Okinawa. The remainder of his service, for the most part, was with Marine units.

19pp. Open. 1984.

Interviewer: Lieutenant Commander Thomas J. Powell

PRICE, Bem

Mr. Price was an enlisted combat correspondent and a commissioned Public Affairs Officer in World War II and in the Korean War. In between wars and after the Korean War, he was an Associated Press correspondent and later a reporter for U.S. News and World Report. In this interview, he speaks about recruit training at Parris Island and the Combat Correspondents program in World War II; USMC press relations in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam; the 1968 Tet Offensive; comparison between Dien Bien Phu and Khe Sanh; and the Ribbon Creek affair.

55pp. Open. 1983.

Interviewer: Dr. Victor K. Fleming

PULLER, Lewis Burwell. See under LEE, William Andrew.

PURYEAR, Bennet, Jr.

Major General; b. 1884, d. 1982; USMC Service, 1904-1944 School of Application, 1905-1906; 1st Provisional Marine Regiment, Cuba, 1906-1909; Marine Officers School, Port Royal, SC, 1909-1911; Quartermaster's Dept, HQMC and Department of Supplies, Philadelphia, 1911; 1st Brigade of Marines, Philippines, 1911-1914; Post Quartermaster, Marine Barracks, Mare Island, 1914-1917; 5th Regiment, France, Belleau Wood, Soissons, Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne; occupation of Germany; supply matters, HQMC, 1919-1925; Garde d-Haiti, 1925-1928; Quartermaster's Department, HQMC, 1930-1936; Force Quartermaster, FMF, San Diego, 1936-1937; Post Quartermaster, Quantico, 1937-1942; Quartermaster General, HQMC, 1942-1944 (building Marine Corps bases, supplying the FMF, logistics role of the Quartermaster General).

98pp. Open. 1979-1980

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

RENNER, Joseph Niel

Colonel; b. 1912; USMC Service, 1935-1964

A World War II fighter pilot, Colonel Renner was one of the early Marine Corps jet flyers. He became a helicopter pilot in 1953 and, following assignments to the first Advanced Research Group in Quantico, was deeply involved with the development of long-range helicopter planning in the Marine Corps. These are the matters discussed by Colonel Renner during this interview.

26pp. Open. 1975.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ROBERTS, Carson Abel

Lieutenant General; b. 1905, d. 1983; USMC Service, 1929-1964

Education, University of Wisconsin, 1929; training at Pensacola, 1931, 1935; infantry duty, Haiti, 1932-1934; description of normal duties of Marine Corps aviators on both the east and west coasts in the years before World War II; OpsO, 4th Marine Base Defense Aircraft Wing, Pacific area, 1942-1944; AsstOpsO, Shore-Based Air Force, Forward Area, Central Pacific, 1944; comments on the "lost squadron," VMF-422; mobilization of Marine Air Reserve, 1950; projects of the Advanced Research Group, Quantico, 1953-1954; Director, Office of Armed Forces Information and Education, 1957; relations with news media and Hollywood producers; Deputy C/S, Plans, HQMC, 1957-1958; comments on tours of duty as CG of both the 1st and 3d Marine Aircraft Wings, 1959-1961; comments on tours of duty as CG of both AirFMFPac and FMFPac, 1961-1964.

116pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

ROBERTSON, Donn John

Lieutenant General; b. 1916; USMC Service, 1938-1972

Education, University of North Dakota, 1938; Basic School, 1938-1939; sea duty, USS West Virginia, 1939-1940; 6th Marines, 1940-1941; 1st Battalion, 2d Marines, 2d Marine Brigade, 1941; Defense Force, Samoan Group, 1941-1942; ExO/CO, 3d Battalion, 27th Marines, 1944-1945 (Iwo Jima operation); ExO, 27th Marines, 1945-1946 (occupation of Japan); CO, Marine Barracks, Naval Air Station, San Diego, 1946; AC/S, G-1, 3d Marine Brigade, 1946-1947; AC/S, G-1, 1st Marine Division, 1947-1948 (the Erskine years); OIC, Enlisted Detail Section, Personnel Department, HQMC, 1948-1951; ExO/CO, Marine Barracks, Guantanamo Bay, 1951-1953; AWS, Senior Course, 1953-1954; Senior Advisor, Korean Marine Corps/Senior Advisor, Naval Advisory Group, Korea, 1954-1955; Head, Plans Branch, G-3 Division, HQMC, 1955-1958; DepDir, Fiscal Division, HQMC, 1965-1967; CG, 1st Marine Division, Vietnam, 1967-1968; CG, 4th/5th Marine Divisions, 1968-1970; Director, Division of Reserve, HQMC, 1970; CG, III MAF, Vietnam, 1970-1972. The first portion of this transcript consists of questions and extensive answers relating to General Robertson's Vietnam experiences as CG, 1st Marine Division and later as CG, III MAF, with emphasis on Marine

operations in Vietnam, personalities, and problems incident to the withdrawal of Marines from Vietnam.

339pp. Open. 1973-1976.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ROBINSON, Ray Albert

General; b. 1896, d. 1976; USMC Service, 1917-1957

Education, University of Southern California; enlisted service, commissioned, 1917; duty in France; aide to General Butler; early assignments to barracks and sea duty; the Marine Mail Guard, 1924; duty in China, 3d Brigade, 1927-1930; Marine Corps Schools, 1935-1939 (development of amphibious warfare doctrine and techniques); CO, Marine Forces in North China, Peiping, 1939 (prewar situation in China); World War II, Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1941-1944 (HQMC planning and activities); C/S, 3d Marine Division, 1944 (Guam operation); C/S and ADC, 5th Marine Division, 1944-1946 (Iwo Jima operation and occupation of Japan); Fleet Marine Officer, Staff, Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet, 1946 (postwar planning and problems); C/S, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, 1946-1947 (reorganization of Marine forces in the Pacific); Director, Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1947-1949; Inspector General of the Marine Corps, 1949-1950; mobilization for Korean War; CG, Department of the Pacific, 1952-1954; Chief, Military Assistance Advisory Group, The Hague, 1954-1956; CG, FMFLant, 1956-1957.

136pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ROGERS, Ford Ovid

Major General; b. 1894, d. 1972; USMC Service, 1917-1946

World War I aviator; Marine aviation in the 1920s; aviation assignments at Parris Island, Santo Domingo, and Peru; Air Defense Command at Okinawa; CG, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing; Island Commander at Peleliu; Japanese surrender of Palaus.

108pp. Open. 1966.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ROGERS, William Walter

Major General; b. 1893, d. 1976; USMC Service, 1917-1946

Education, Miami University, 1910-1914; World War I, enlisted service; commissioned, 1918; combat duty in France with 6th Marines, Belleau Wood, Soissons, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, occupation of Germany; normal assignments to barracks and sea duty; American Legation, Managua, 1924-1925; Guardia Nacional, Nicaragua, 1928-1930; Marine training, exercises, and innovations in the 1930s; Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1943-1944; World War II, C/S, 4th Marine Division, Kwajalein and Saipan-Tinian operations; C/S, V Amphibious Corps, 1944-1945 (Iwo Jima operation, occupation of Japan); CG, Service Command, FMFPac, 1945-1946.

99pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

ROLL, George Arthur

Brigadier General; b. 1913; USMC Service, 1935-1959
Education, University of Pittsburgh, 1931-1935; early Marine Corps training and assignments; artillery and defense battalion organization/developments in prewar period; World War II, instructor, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, 1941-1944 (officer training in early war years); G-2, 6th Marine Division, China, 1946; Inspector-Instructor, Cleveland Reserve units, Division of Reserve, HQMC, 1946-1949 (reconstitution of Marine Corps Reserve in inter-war period); duty at MCRD, Parris Island, 1949-1951; G-2, 3d Marine Division and CO, 9th Marines, 1953-1954; ExO, Office of Manpower Management, Office of the Secretary of Defense, 1954-1957; CO, 4th Marines and C/S, 1st Marine Brigade, 1957-1959; staff, Net Evaluation Subcommittee, National Security Council, 1959.

196pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ROSENTHAL, Joseph

b. 1911

In a four-hour interview, Mr. Rosenthal, winner of the Pulitzer Prize and other professional awards for his world-famous photograph of the Iwo Jima flag raising, tells about the factor which led to the capture on film of that epic event. He also discusses his other experiences in the Pacific War as an AP photographer as well as how his life has been affected for having taken that picture.

87pp. Open. 1975.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

ROSSELL, Joseph

Colonel; b. 1882, d. 1968; USMC Service, 1902-1945

In 1903 a detachment of Marines was assigned as escort for an American diplomatic mission to Addis Ababa to negotiate a treaty with Emperor Menelik II of Ethiopia. In this interview conducted 65 years later, Colonel Rossell, who was an enlisted Marine and a member of the detachment, recalled his experiences on this mission together with other events which led to his commissioning. He also comments on his experiences in Haiti and Nicaragua, where his heroic acts later merited him the award of a Navy Cross.

23pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Gunnery Sergeant Richard Albright

ROTRIGE, Henry John

Rear Admiral, CHC, USN; b. 1912; USN Service, 1942-1972

This is one of the series of Chaplain Corps interviews with a chaplain who served with the Marine Corps. Chaplain Rotrige served at MCRD, Parris Island in 1955, and as FMFLant Force Chaplain, 1961-1963.

131pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

ROY, J. Frederick

Lieutenant Colonel; b. ca 1895, d. 1980; USMC Service, 1912-1920, 1942-1944

These are the rambling reminiscences of Lieutenant Colonel Roy, who was commissioned in 1917 and attended the 2d Officers Training Camp with Basil Gordon, who was General Barnett's stepson.

Lieutenant Colonel Roy was very close to the Barnetts, which gave him entree to Washington Marine Corps society of the time. He speaks of the relief of General Barnett as Commandant and the role of General Smedley Butler in this relief. Lieutenant Colonel Roy was recalled to active duty in 1941 to become aide to General Holcomb whom he knew socially.

59pp. Open. 1976.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SALMON, Ronald D.

Brigadier General; b. 1909, d. 1974; USMC Service, 1930-1960
Education, Naval Academy, 1926-1930; early Marine Corps training
and assignments in aviation; flying off USS Langley, Ranger,
Saratoga, and Lexington, 1937-1939; HQMC and Bureau of Aeronautics,
Navy Department, 1940-1943; aviation build-up during World War
II; W-3, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing for Peleliu operation, Aug-Dec44;
staff assignments, Pacific area, 1944-1945; Naval War College,
1947-1948; CO, Marine Corps Air Station, Edenton, NC, 1948-1949;
staff, CinCNELM, London, 1952-1953; W-3, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing,
1953-1954; CO, Marine Wing Service Group, 1st Marine Aircraft
Wing, Itami, Japan, 1954; Asst Director, Division of Aviation,
HQMC, 1954-1956; Director, Marine Corps Development Center,
Quantico, 1956-1958; CG, Marine Corps Air Bases, West, El Toro,
1958-1960.

278pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

SALZER, Robert Samuel

Vice Admiral, USN; b. 1919, d. 1988; USN Service, 1940-1974
This interview was conducted for and by the Naval Institute Oral
History Program. In the course of the interview, Admiral Salzer
relates his association with Marine units, especially during his
tours in Vietnam in 1966-1968 in the Mekong Delta area, and as
Chief, Naval Advisory Group, MACV, 1971-1972.

712pp. Open. 1977.

Interviewer: Dr. John T. Mason, Jr.

SANDERSON, Lawson Henry McPherson

Major General; b. 1895, d. 1979; USMC Service, 1917-1951
Education, University of Montana; 1913-1917; enlisted service
1917-1919; commissioned, 1919; early aviation training and
assignments, aircraft; Marine Corps football program in 1920s;
World War II, command and staff assignments, Guadalcanal operation.
63pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

SANTELMANN, William Frederick

Lieutenant Colonel; b. 1902, d. 1984; USMC Service, 1923-1955
Son of a famous director of the United States Marine Band, and
himself director, 1940-1955, Lieutenant Colonel Santelmann's
service with the band coincided with the Coolidge, Hoover,
Roosevelt, Truman and Eisenhower administrations. This interview
was conducted for the American Bandmaster Association and is a
very brief review of the history of the band together with a few
personal anecdotes.

30pp. Open. Circa 1973.

Interviewer: Mr. Arthur Brandenburg

SANTELMANN, William Frederick

For the commemoration in 1975 of the 121st anniversary of the
birth of John Philip Sousa, Lieutenant Colonel Santelmann spoke

on "The Crisis in John Philip Sousa's Life," at the Sousa Exhibit set up by the Museums Branch, History and Museums Division, in Building 198, Washington Navy Yard. In this talk, Lieutenant Colonel Santelmann spoke of Sousa's decision to leave the Marine Band to form his own, his reasons for doing so, and subsequent successes.

39pp. Open. 1975.

SCHILT, Christian Frank, Jr.

General; b. 1895, d. 1987; USMC Service, 1917-1957

Family background, education, Rose Polytechnic Institute, World War I, enlisted service, 1917-1919; 1st Marine Aeronautical Company in the Azores, commissioned, 1919; pilot training, expeditionary duty, Haiti, 1920-1921, Santo Domingo, 1921-1922; early Marine Corps aircraft; international air races in 1920s; expeditionary duty, Nicaragua, 1927-1929 (awarded Medal of Honor); duties as a test pilot, 1930-1932; role of aviation in development of amphibious warfare concepts; World War II, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, preparations for overseas deployment to combat zone, Guadalcanal operation; Commander, Marine Air Reserve Training; 1946-1949 (reorganization of air reserve program in postwar period); CG, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, operations in Korea, 1951-1952; CG, Aircraft, FMFPac, 1952-1953; Director of Aviation, 1955-1957.

136pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SCHWABLE, Frank H.

Brigadier General; b. 1908, d. 1988; USMC Service, 1929-1959

Naval Academy, 1925-1929; flight training, 1930-1931; duty in Nicaragua, 1932-1933; pre-World War II flying assignments; naval air observer, Cairo and London, 1941-1942; Marine Corps night fighter training in VMF(N)-531 and MAG-53, Cherry Point, 1942-1943; night fighter operations from Bougainville, 1943-1944; Division of Aviation, 1946 and 1950-1952; C/S, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Korea, 1952; POW, North Korea, 1952-1953; Aviation Safety Officer, AirFMFLant, 1955-1959. Appended to this interview is a 79-page history of VMF(N)-531, Lieutenant Colonel Schwable's squadron, the first Marine night fighter squadron in World War II, written by Major William W. Moore when a Command and Staff College student.

309pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SCHWENKE, Adolph G.

Lieutenant General; b. 1922; USMC Service, 1944-1982

Enlisted duty, 1942-1944; aide to Lieutenant General LeRoy P. Hunt, occupation of Japan, occupation duty, China, 1946; Marine Barracks, Norfolk, 1947-1949; Marine Corps Institute, 1949-1952;

7th Marines, Korea, 1952-1953; Naval Attache, Rome, 1957-1959;
CO, 27th Marines, Vietnam, 1968-1969.

22pp. Open. 1982.

Interviewer: Lieutenant Colonel Edward M. Condra III

SCHWYHART, Robert Marion

Captain, CHC, USN; b. 1908; USN Service, 1937-1968

During the course fo his career, Chaplain Schwyhart served with
Marines in the Island Command, Guam, 1944-1945 and with the 1st
Marine Division, 1949-1950, participated in the Inchon landing
and the withdrawal from the Chosin Reservoir.

105pp. Open. 1983.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

SHAPLEY, Alan

Lieutenant General; b. 1903, d. 1973; USMC Service, 1927-1962

Education, Naval Academy, 1922-1927; athletic record at Academy;
duty at Quantico, 1927-1928; Marine Barracks, Pearl Harbor, 1929-
1931; aide and athletic duties at Marine Corps Base, San Diego;
1931-1934; CO, Marine Detachment, USS San Francisco, 1934-1936;
aide and student, AWS, Junior Course, 1936-1938; aide and staff
assignments, Department of the Pacific, 1938-1940; CO, Marine
Detachment, USS Arizona, 1940-1941 (life aboard the Arizona and
the Pearl Harbor attack, 7Dec41); Assistant Corps Personnel
Officer, Amphibious Corps, Pacific Fleet in California and South
Pacific, 1942-1943; CO, 2d Raider Battalion and 1st Raider
Regiment, 1943-1944 (Bougainville operation); CO, 4th Marines,
Guam and Okinawa operations, 1944-1945; office of Inspector
General, 1945-1946; student, National War College, 1946-1947; G-3,
FMFLant, 1947-1949; member, Hogaboom Board, MCS, Sep-Oct 1948;
G-1, MCRD, San Diego, 1949-1951; C/S, 1st Marine Division, 1953;
Senior Advisor, Republic of Korea Marine Corps, 1954; CG, Troop
Training Team, Amphibious Group, Western Pacific, 1954-1955; ADC,
1st Marine Division, 1955-1956; CG, Recruit Training Command, San
Diego, 1956; CG, 3d Marine Division, 1956-1957; Director, Marine
Corps Reserve, 1957-1959; CG, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton,
1959-1961; CG, FMFPac, 1961-1962.

161pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Major Thomas E. Donnelly

SHEPHERD, Lemuel Cornick, Jr.

General; b. 1896; USMC Service, 1917-1956

Family background, early Norfolk, education, Virginia Military
Institute, 1913-1917; commissioned, 1917; World War I service,
France, 5th Marines, Chateau Thierry, Belleau Wood, St. Mihiel,
Meuse-Argonne, Army of Occupation in Germany; mapping World War I
battlefields; duty as aide to CMC, General Lejeune, 1920-1922;
sea and barracks duty in 1920s; 3d Brigade, China, 1927-1929;
Garde d'Haiti, 1930-1934; ExO, Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C.
and Director, Marine Corps Institute, 1934-1936; Naval War College;
CO, 2d Battalion, 5th Marines, 1937-1939 (prewar exercises,
development of amphibious warfare concepts, development of light

tank); Director, Correspondence School, Chief, F-3 Section, and Commandant, Marine Corps Schools, 1939-1942; World War II, CO, 9th Marines, 3d Marine Division, 1942-1943; ADC, 1st Marine Division, 1943-1944 (Cape Gloucester operation); CG, 1st Provisional Marine Brigade, 1944 (Guam operation); CG, 6th Marine Division, 1944-1946 (Okinawa operation, occupation of Tsingtao); CG, Troop Training Unit, Amphibious Training Command, Atlantic Fleet, 1946 (postwar amphibious planning, training); Assistant to CMC, 1946-1948 (unification controversy, postwar HQMC operations); Commandant, Marine Corps Schools, 1948-1950 (postwar professional education, development of vertical envelopment concept, helicopters); CG, FMFPac, 1950-1951 (Marine operations in Korea, Inchon landing, General MacArthur and the Marine Corps); Commandant of the Marine Corps, 1952-1956 (role of CMC in Joint Chiefs of Staff deliberations, outstanding developments during period of commandancy); retirement; Chairman, Inter-American Defense Board, 1956-1959.

517pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SHOUP, David M.

General; b. 1904, d. 1983; USMC Service, 1926-1963

This interview was conducted for the John F. Kennedy Library Oral History Program. It deals with General Shoup's relationship with President Kennedy, his involvement with the Bay of Pigs invasion, the Marine Corps role in the Cuban Missile Crisis, and his views of the CIA.

47pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Joseph E. O'Connor

SHOUP, David M.

This interview was conducted by a representative of the Oral History Research Office, Columbia University. It deals with General Shoup and the Eisenhower administration, General Shoup's selection to be Commandant, and the Eisenhower administration and the Marine Corps.

29pp. Open. 1972.

Interviewer: Mr. John Luter

SILVERTHORN, Merwin Hancock

Lieutenant General; b. 1896, d. 1985; USMC Service, 1917-1954

Family background, education, University of Minnesota, 1913-1917; World War I, enlisted service, 1917-1918 (duty in France, 5th Marines, battlefield commission, 1918, Chateau Thierry, Belleau Wood, Champagne-Blanc Mont, Army of Occupation in Germany); Garde d'Haiti, 1923-1926; barracks officer, Marine Barracks, Quantico, 1926-1930 (remembrances of General Butler); Marine Barracks, Guam, 1930-1932; student and instructor, AWS, Senior Course, Marine Corps Schools, 1935-1938 (doctrinal development, concepts); Naval War College; Force Marine Officer, Pacific Fleet, 1939-1941 (prewar planning, exercises); staff, Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet (Admiral King), Liaison Officer to General Headquarters, U.S.

Army, member, U.S. Joint Strategic Committee, 1941-1943 (high level war planning, personalities); C/S, I Marine Amphibious Corps/III Amphibious Corps, 1944-1945 (Guam, Peleliu, and Okinawa operations, preparations for invasion of Japan, occupations of Japan and North China); C/S, FMFPac, 1945-1946 (demobilization problems, reorganization of Marine units in Pacific); CG, Troop Training Unit, Amphibious Training Command, Atlantic Fleet, 1946-1947 (direction of postwar amphibious doctrine, techniques); Head, Marine Corps Subsection, Strategic Planning Section, Office of CNO, 1947-1949; Director, Division of Reserve, HQMC, 1949-1950 (mobilization of Reserves for Korea); Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps/C/S, HQMC, 1950-1952 (the Cates commandancy); CG, MCRD, Parris Island, 1952-1954.

479. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SIMLIK, Wilbur Frank

Major General; b. 1921; USMC Service, 1942-1975

This interview is concerned primarily with General Simlik's tour in Vietnam as the commander of the 3d Marines (1969) and AC/S, G-4, III MAF (1970), and contains his observations on 3d Marines operations, logistical matters, and planning for and conduct of withdrawal of Marines from Vietnam.

31pp. Open. 1977.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SIMMONS, Edwin Howard

Brigadier General; b. 1921; USMC Service, 1942-1978

General Simmons has contributed three Vietnam-related recordings of significant importance to the collection:

a. A press conference held by Major General Lewis W. Walt and General Nguyen Chanh Thi at Da Nang on 12 December 1965 following Operation HARVEST MOON. Then-Colonel Simmons, AC/S, G-3, III MAF, also briefed the press on the operation.

b. Colonel Simmons' Headquarters Marine Corps debrief, July 1966, following his tour of duty in Vietnam as AC/S, G-3, III MAF, and CO, 9th Marines.

c. As ADC, 1st Marine Division, in 1970-1971, General Simmons gave orientation talks to newly joining company grade officers related to the following matters of concern to the division: the role of the company grade officers in RVN and leadership problem areas; racial tension; drug abuse; venereal disease; malaria; crimes of violence; accidental discharges; motor vehicle accidents; and non-battle casualties. This recording was made 10 January 1971. (VN)

120pp. Open. 1965, 1966, 1971

SIMPSON, Ormond Ralph

Lieutenant General; b. 1915; USMC Service, 1936-1973

CG, 1st Marine Division, Vietnam, Dec68-Dec69; mine and booby trap problem in division TAOR; comments on the SLF, Korean Marines, the Da Nang rocket belt, pacification program; Operation DURHAM

PEAK and the 5th Marines in the Que Son mountains; comments on the Combined Action Program; single management of air resources, the McNamara Barrier Plan; Basic School, 1936; 8th Marines, Samoa, 1940-1944; Asst G-4, Hq SWPA/SCAP, Nov44-Jan46 (the Philippines campaign, duty on an Army staff, personality of General MacArthur, planning for invasion of Japan); instructor, MCS, Quantico, 1946-1949; Div of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1949-1951; CO, 6th Marines/AC/S, G-4, 2d Marine Division, 1951-1952; CO, 1st Marines/AC/S, G-3, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1953-1954; Army War College, 1954-1955; Secretary of the General Staff/Military Secretary to the Commandant, HQMC, 1955-1958; the Pate commandancy; C/S, MCS, Quantico, 1958-1960; ADC, 3d Marine Division/CG, 3d MEB, Okinawa, 1961-1962 (Laotian crisis); Asst Dir of Personnel/AC/S, G-1, HQMC, 1962-1965; CG, 2d Marine Division, 1965-1967; CG, MCRD, Parris Island, 1967-1968; CG, 1st Marine Division, Vietnam, 1968-1969; CG, Marine Corps Supply Center, Albany, GA, 1970-1971; Dir of Personnel/DepC/S (Manpower), HQMC, 1971-1973.

692pp. Open. 1973 and 1981.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Dr. Terry Anderson

SMITH, Edna Loftus

Lieutenant Colonel; b. 1923; USMC Service, 1943-1963

World War I service as a Navy Yeomanette; naval aviation in the 1920s and 1930s; duty in Bureau of Aeronautics, World War II; Marine Corps aviation personalities; woman Marine training in World War II; Robert Sherrod and History of Marine Corps Aviation in World War II.

63pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SMITH, Julian Constable

Lieutenant General; b. 1885, d. 1975; USMC Service, 1909-1946
Education, University of Delaware, 1905-1909; commissioned, 1909; the pre-World War I Marine Corps; expeditionary duty, Haiti, Santo Domingo, 1915-1916 (anti-banditry activities; sea and barracks duty; Bureau of the Budget, 1923-1927 (disposing of war surplus); Marine Corps match shooting in the 1920s and 1930s; expeditionary duty, Nicaragua, 1930-1934 (anti-banditry activities, Sandino); Director, Basic School, 1934-1935; Director of Personnel, HQMC, 1935-1938 (genesis of the Fleet Marine Force, prewar personnel problems/preparations); CO, 5th Marines, 1938-1939 (prewar training and exercises); C/S, 1st Marine Brigade, 1939-1941; military observer in London, 1941 (British amphibious equipment, planning, and operations); CG, Training Center, New River, 1941-1942 (establishment of Camp Lejeune); CG, 2d Marine Division, 1943-1944 (Tarawa operation); CG, Administrative Command, FMFPac, and CG, Expeditionary Troops, Third Fleet, 1944 (establishment of FMFPac, Peleliu operation); CG, Department of the Pacific, San

Francisco, 1944-1946; CG, MCRD, Parris Island, 1946; personalities, major Marine Corps events.

354pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SMITH, Oliver Prince

General; b. 1893, d. 1977; USMC Service, 1917-1955

Family background, education, University of California, 1912-1916; commissioned, 1917; World War I, Mare Island, Guam; sea duty; Personnel Section, HQMC, 1924-1928; Garde d'Haiti, 1928-1931 (duty, conditions in Haiti); Fort Benning, 1931-1932; Marine Corps Schools, Quantico; 1932-1933, Ecole Superieure de Guerre, 1934-1936; World War II, CO, 1st Battalion, 6th Marines, 1941-1942 (expeditionary duty in Iceland); Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1942-1944 (HQMC operations during period); CO, 5th Marines, 1st Marine Division, 1944 (Talasea operation); ADC, 1st Marine Division, 1944 (Cape Gloucester and Peleliu operations); Marine DepC/S, Tenth Army, 1944-1945 (Okinawa operation, joint staff operations); Commandant, Marine Corps Schools and CG, 1st Special Marine Brigade, 1946-1948 (the Marine Corps in the postwar era, new developments, unification fight); Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, 1948-1950 (the Cates commandancy); CG, 1st Marine Division, 1950-1951 (the Inchon landing, Chosin Reservoir operation, relations with Generals MacArthur, Almond, Shepherd); CG, FMFPac Troops, Camp Pendleton, 1951-1953; CG, FMFLant, 1953-1955; major personalities, events.

337pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

SNEDEKER, Edward Walter

Lieutenant General; b. 1903; USMC Service, 1926-1963

Education, Naval Academy, 1922-1926; expeditionary duty, Nicaragua, Haiti, 1927-1933; communication training and techniques, developments in Fleet Marine Force in 1930s; World War II, 1st Marine Division, 1941-1943 (Guadalcanal operation, G-3, I Marine Amphibious Corps, Bougainville operation); CO, 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Okinawa operation; duty at HQMC and Marine Corps Schools, 1946-1949; C/S, 1st Marine Brigade, Korean operations, Pusan Perimeter, Inchon landing, Chosin Reservoir, 1950-1951; CG, 2d Marine Division, 1954-1955; G-3, HQMC, 1955-1958; CG, 1st Marine Division, 1958-1959; Commandant, Marine Corps Schools, 1959-1963. 122pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Major Lloyd E. Tatem

SOBEL, Samuel

Captain, CHC, USN; b. 1916; USN Service, 1945-1975

During his 30 years as a chaplain, Captain Sobel served a number of tours with Marine units: 2d Marine Division at Camp Lejeune, 1951-1952; 1st Marine Division in Korea, 1951-1953; MCRD, Parris Island, 1953; Chaplain of the Marine Corps, HQMC, 1973-1975. 91pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

SOULE, Karl Thayer

Lieutenant Colonel, USMCR; b. 1917; USMC/USMCR Service, 1941-1958

A professional movie photographer, Lieutenant Colonel Soule was directly commissioned in the Marine Corps in 1941 to train movie photographers for employment in combat. In this interview, he speaks of the following: early World War II Marine Corps photography program; assignment to the 1st Marine Division; Guadalcanal operation; 1st Marine Division personalities; Photo School, Quantico; 3d Marine Division, Iwo Jima; FMFPac.

45pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

STEWART, Joseph Lester

Brigadier General; b. 1915; USMC Service, 1937-1965

Family background, education, Auburn University, 1933-1937; commissioned 1937; early Marine Corps schooling and assignments, artillery training; World War II, staff, Amphibious Corps, Pacific Fleet, V Amphibious Corps, and FMFPac, 1943-1945 (Kiska campaign, Saipan-Tinian and Iwo Jima operations, occupation of Japan); instructor, Marine Corps Schools, 1946-1949 (new developments in amphibious warfare doctrine, training, vertical envelopment, helicopters); Asst G-3 and CO, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1949-1951 (Inchon landing, Chosin Reservoir); Asst G-3, FMFPac, 1951-1953; duty in G-4 Division, HQMC, 1953-1956 (joint logistics planning); National War College; staff, SACLant-NATO, 1957-1958; G-3, FMFLant, 1958-1959; Director, AWS, Senior Course, 1959-1962; CG, Force Troops, FMFPac, 1962-1964; Director, Marine Corps Reserve, 1964-1965.

112pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

STREETER, Ruth Cheney

Colonel, USMCR; b. 1895; USMC Service, 1943-1953

This in-depth interview with Colonel Streeter, conducted for the Columbia University Oral History Program, deals with her life before and after her tour as Director of Women Marines (pp 206-85). In this section, Colonel Streeter talks of the formation of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve, her selection and duties as Director of Women's Reserve, personalities, events, training and assignments of women Reservists.

366pp. Open. 1979.

Interviewer: Dr. John T. Mason, Jr.

SWANSON, Eugene Samuel

Captain, CHC, USN; b. 1919; USN Service, 1945-1976

During his career, Chaplain Swanson served twice with the Marine Corps. His first tour, 1957-1959, was at MCRD, San Diego. He next served with Marine units in Vietnam: III MAF, Jul68-Mar70 and 1st MAW, Mar-Jun70.

100pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN

TAXIS, Samuel G.

Brigadier General; b. 1907, d. 1984; USMC Service, 1931-1959
Naval Academy, 1927-1931; 4th Marines, China, 1932-1934; Artillery,
1st and 2d Brigades, 1935-1937; Coast Artillery School, 1937-1938;
3d Defense Battalion, 1940-1943; digging in at Wake Island;
Guadalcanal operation; 2d Marine Division, 1944-1946 (Okinawa
operation, occupation of Japan); Command and General Staff School,
Fort Leavenworth, 1946-1947; Asst Dir, Amphibious Warfare School,
1947-1949; National War College, 1949-1950; Navy General Board,
1950-1951; UN Truce Observer/Israeli/Syrian Mixed Armistice
Commission, 1951-1953; Director, National Strategy Division,
National War College, 1953-1956; Head, Europe-Africa-Middle East
Branch, Division of Politico-Military Policy, Office of CNO, 1956-
1958; Special Assistant for Middle East Affairs, CIA, 1958-1959.
327pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Benis M. Frank

THOMAS, Gerald Carthrae

General; b. 1894, d. 1984; USMC Service, 1917-1956
Family background, education, Illinois Wesleyan University, World
War I, 6th Marines, enlisted service in France, Verdun, Belleau
Wood, Soissons, Meuse-Argonne, battlefield commission, 1918, Army
of Occupation in Germany; early assignments and training;
expeditionary duty, Haiti, 1919-1921 (anti-banditry activities);
Washington Disarmament Conference; 1st Brigade, Marines, Haiti,
1928-1931; Embassy Guard, Peiping, 1935-1937; Special Presidential
Mission to Middle East with Captain James Roosevelt, 1941
(observation of British operations, major personalities); World
War II, OpsO-C/S, 1st Marine Division, 1942-1943 (Guadalcanal
operation); C/S, I Marine Amphibious Corps, 1944 (Bougainville
operation); Director, Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1944-
1947 (the Vandegrift commandancy, unification controversy); CG,
Fleet Marine Force, Western Pacific, 1947-1949 (Marine occupation
of and withdrawal from North China, Chinese Civil War); C/S, Marine
Corps Equipment Board; CG, Landing Force Development Center,
Quantico, 1949-1951 (tactical/technical innovations); CG, 1st
Marine Division, 1951-1952 (fighting in central Korea, Army
personalities); Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, 1952-
1954 (the Shepherd commandancy); Commandant, Marine Corps Schools,
1954-1956.

989pp. Open. 1966.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

THOMAS, Gerald Carthrae

This is an issue-oriented interview conducted to support the
preparation of a biography of General Alexander A. Vandegrift.
It deals with Marine Corps personalities, the reorganization of
HQMC in 1952-1953, comments on Commandants General Thomas had
known: Lejeune, Holcomb, Neville, Fuller, Russell, and Cates.
41pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

TOMPKINS, Rathvon McClure

Major General; b. 1912; USMC Service, 1935-1971
CG, MCRD, Parris Island (comments on Marine Corps recruit training in the Vietnam War period); CG, 3d Marine Division, Nov67-May68 (Khe Sanh, 3d Marine Division operations, the McNamara Barrier Plan and preparations of same); MACV-III MAF relations; the Combined Action Program; comments on personalities; DepCG, III MAF, May-Dec68 (comments on activation of MACV (Forward) headquarters). (VN)

95pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

TORREY, Daniel Wellington, Jr.

Brigadier General; b. 1904; USMC Service, 1927-1959
Family background, education, University of Maine, 1923-1927; commissioned 1927; early aviation training; Marine air reserve in the 1930s; World War II, CO, MAG-22, Okinawa operation, occupation of Japan; Marine aviation activities at Cherry Point, 1946-1952; Assistant Naval Attache for Air, London, 1952-1954; CO, NROTC, Tufts College, 1957-1959.

81pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

TOWLE, Katherine A.

Colonel; b. 1898, d. 1986; USMC Service, 1943-1946, 1948-1953
This interview was conducted with Colonel Towle for the Regional Oral History Office, University of California, Berkeley, and,, in the main, covers the years of her association with that university until her retirement in 1965 as Dean of Students and Vice Chancellor for Student affairs. Of particular Marine Corps historical interest in this memoir are Colonel Towle's reminiscences of her two tours of Marine Corps duty. In 1943, she was one of eight prominent women commissioned directly from civilian life and assigned to key posts in the women's reserve of the Marine Corps. She served until 1946, returning to Berkeley. In 1948, when new legislation permitted women to become members of the regular establishment of the services, she was recalled to active duty to become the Director of Women Marines. She served in this capacity until 1953, when she again returned to Berkeley and increased responsibilities.

309pp. Permission Required to Cite or Quote. 1970.

Interviewer: Miss Harriet S. Nathan

TROWER, Ross Henry

Rear Admiral, CHC, USN; b. 1922; USN Service, 1945-1983
During his 38-year career as a chaplain, Admiral Trower served with Marines three times, twice in combat. He was with the 1st Marine Division in Korea in 1951, and then served a one-year tour with the 2d Marine Division at Camp Lejeune, 1952-1952. During the Vietnam War, he served with the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in

country, 1968-1969, when he ministered not only to the lines but also to Combined Action Platoons.

202pp. Open. 1984.

Interviewer: Commander H. Lawrence Martin, CHC, USN.

TWINING, Merrill Barber

General; b. 1902; USMC Service, 1923-1959

Family background, education, Naval Academy, 1919-1923; early Marine Corps training and assignments; duty in China with 3d Brigade, 1928; legal training, editor of Leatherneck, duty in office of Judge Advocate General of the Navy, 1929-1932; CO, Company D, 5th Marines, 1937-1939 (prewar Fleet Landing Exercises); instructor, Marine Corps Schools, 1939-1941; World War II, OpsO, 1st Marine Division, Guadalcanal operation; ExO, Marine Corps Schools, member, Marine Corps Board, 1945-1947 (unification controversy, development of helicopter program, vertical envelopment techniques and tactics); C/S, FMFPac, 1947-1948; Fleet Marine Officer, Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet, 1948-1949; senior member, Marine Corps Board, 1949-1950; CG, Training and Replacement Command, Camp Pendleton, 1950-1953 (training and deployment of Reserves for Korea); DepC/S, HQMC, 1953-1954 (Marine Corps member, Joint Plans and Procedures Board, JCS); CG, 1st Marine Division, Korea, phaseout of division from Korea; Commandant, Marine Corps Schools, 1956-1959.

374pp. Closed. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

UNDERHILL, James Latham

Lieutenant General; b. 1891; USMC Service, 1913-1946
Education, University of California, 1909-1913; commissioned,
1913; sea and barracks duties, 1913-1918; World War I, CO, 8th
Special Battalion, AEF; Marine Detachment, American Legation,
Managua, 1919-1921; Marine Barracks, Cavite, Philippines, 1924-
1926; CO, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines, China, 1927-1928; Division
Marine Officer, Battleships, Battle Force, U.S. Fleet, 1934-1936
(fleet exercises in mid-1930s); CO, 1st Battalion, 6th Marines,
1936-1938 (China duty, Fleet Marine Force build-up in late 1930s);
ExO, Adjutant and Inspector's Department, HQMC, 1939-1942 (build-
up of Marine Corps for war); ADC, 4th Marine Division, 1943-1944
(formation of division, Kwajalein, Roi-Namur, and Saipan-Tinian
operations); Island Commander, Tinian; President, Marine Corps
Postwar Personnel Reorganization Board, 1945-1946.
204pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

VAN RYZIN, William John

Lieutenant General; b. 1914; USMC Service, 1935-1971

Education, University of Wisconsin; Basic School, 1935-1936; China duty, American Embassy, Peiping, 1936-1938; 15th Marines/1st Defense Battalion, 1939-1942 (Palmyra Island at outbreak of World War II); CO, 3d Defense Battalion/14th Defense Battalion/18th AAA Battalion, 1943-1944; ExO, 1st Provisional AAA Group, 1944-1945; CO, 3d Battalion, 12th Marines/ExO, 12th Marines, 1945-1946; China occupation, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines, 1946; G-1 Section, Division of Plans and Policies, HQMC, 1946-1949; AWS, Senior Course, 1949-1950; staff, Commander, Amphibious Forces, Atlantic Fleet, 1950-1952; Chief, Supporting Arms Section, Marine Corps Schools/member, Advanced Research Group, Quantico, 1952-1954; Chief, Advance Base Problem, 1954-1956; C/S, 3d Marine Division, 1955-1956; Chief, Operations Branch, J-3 Division, U.S. Fleet Activities, Yokosuka, 1956-1957; Director, Policy Analysis Division/Secretary of the General Staff/DepAC/S, G-3, HQMC, 1957-1960; C/S, CincNELM, 1960-1963; CG, 2d Marine Division, 1963-1965; AC/S, G-4, HQMC, 1965-1968; DepCG, III MAF, Vietnam, 1968; C/S of the Marine Corps, HQMC, 1968-1971. The first portion of this transcript consists of General Van Ryzin's responses to questions prepared by members of the Histories Section, History and Museums Division relating to his tour in Vietnam and Marine Corps operations in Vietnam.

231pp. Open. 1975.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Dr. Graham A. Cosmas

VEST, Francis Neville

Mrs; b. 1899, d. 1983

Mrs. Vest was the daughter of the 13th Commandant of the Marine Corps, Major General Wendell C. Neville, and the mother of a now-retired Marine colonel, Wendell Neville Vest, who carried both his grandfather's sword and his grandfather's nickname, "Buck," as a serving Marine. The wife of Captain John Vest, USN (Ret), Mrs. Vest was interviewed in 1983. Her interview is a delightful and interesting memoir of a gracious lady who recalled her younger days as a Marine junior when she acted as hostess for her Commandant father, her mother being ill at the time. The interview is replete with such famous Marine names as John Lejeune, Frank Goettge, Harry Liversedge, Smedley Butler, Lemuel Shepherd, and her godfather, George Barnett, amongst others. In this interview, she recalls the social life at Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., in a quieter, less hectic time in history for the Marine Corps.

82pp. Open. 1983.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

WALLACE, William Jennings

Lieutenant General; b. 1895, d. 1977; USMC Service, 1918-1952
Education, Washington College, 1914-1918; commissioned, 1918;
expeditionary duty, Santo Domingo, 1919-1921, 1922-1924; flight
training and early aviation assignments; 3d Brigade, China, 1928-
1929; carrier training and Fleet Marine Force aviation in 1930s;
World War II, ExO, MAG-21, Ewa, Territory of Hawaii, attack on
Pearl Harbor; CO, MAG-23, Marine air at Guadalcanal; CG, Air
Defense Command, Tenth Army, 1945 (Okinawa operation); Marine
aviation during inter-war period; CG, Air, FMFLant, 1947-1948;
Director of Aviation, HQMC, 1948-1950; CG, Air, FMFPac, 1950-1952.
127pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

WEBB, James

Mr. Sherrod interviewed Mr. Webb, former Administrator of the
National Aeronautics and Space Administration, for a history of
NASA he was writing. In the course of the interview, Mr. Webb,
who was a pre-World War II Marine Reserve aviator, tells of his
Reserve and active service experiences. Mr. Webb served as
commander of the 1st Marine Aircraft Warning Group.

48pp. Open. 1971.

Interviewer: Mr. Robert Sherrod

WEEDE, Richard Garfield

Lieutenant General; b. 1911, d. 1985; USMC Service, 1935-1969
C/S, MACV, 1962-1964 (duties in this billet); relations with the
Army staff; Westmoreland-Harkins relationship; estimate of the
military situation in Vietnam, 1962-1964; status and effectiveness
of the Vietnamese Marines; effect of political situation on the
military situation in Vietnam; comments on North Vietnamese
infiltration into South Vietnam; comments on the SHUFLY operation.
(VN)

50pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewer: Captain Robert H. Whitlow

WESTMORELAND, William L.

General, USA, Retired

This is the transcript of a round-table discussion in which General
Westmoreland gave his oral comments on the draft manuscript of
U.S. Marines in Vietnam, 1970-1971. Participating in this
discussion were also Brigadier General Edwin H. Simmons, Director
of Marine Corps History and Museums, and the members of the
Histories Section then currently writing histories of Marine Corps
operations in Vietnam. In the end, the discussion involved General
Westmoreland's entire tour as head of MACV.

58pp. Open. 1983.

Interviewers: Historical Branch staff

WILKINSON, Frank R., Jr.

Colonel; B. 1917; USMC Service, 1941-1969

Senior Marine Corps Advisor to the Vietnamese Marine Corps, 1958-1960; organization of the Vietnamese Marine Corps, its locations, training, and operations; major problems facing the Vietnamese Marine Corps in its early years, personalities, political pressures, and the role of Vietnamese Marines in political crises; USMC training of Vietnamese Marines; general and specific problems facing USMC advisors in 1958-1960 period. (VN)

39pp. Open. 1974.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

WILLIAMS, Robert Hugh

Brigadier General; b. 1907, d. 1983; USMC Service, 1929-1956

Ohio State University, 1925-1929; duty on USS Arkansas; China duty, 4th Marines; duty as White House aide; reminiscences of President Roosevelt and family; aide to CMC, Gen Holcomb; CO, 1st Parachute Battalion/1st Parachute Regiment, Guadalcanal, Vella Lavella, and Bougainville operations; ExO, 28th Marines, Iwo Jima operation, occupation of Japan; Joint Services Staff School/School of Combined Operations, England; CO, 3d Marines, Japan; CO, Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C.

296pp. Open. 1980.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

WILSON, Louis H.

General; b. 1920; USMC Service, 1941-1979

Education, Millsaps College, 1937-1941; 6th Reserve Officers Course; 9th Marines, 1942-1944 (Bougainville and Guam operations); awarded the Medal of Honor; Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., 1944-1946; FMFPac, aide to General Turnage, 1946-1948; recruiting duty, New York City, 1949-1951; instructor and staff, Basic School and AWS, Senior Course, 1951-1954; Asst G-3, 1st Marine Division, return from Korea to Camp Pendleton/CO, 2d Battalion, 5th Marines, 1954-1956; G-3 Division, HQMC, 1956-1958; CO, Test and Training Regiment, Quantico, 1958-1960; CO, Basic School, 1960-1961; National War College, 1961-1962; AC/S, G-3, HQMC, 1962-1964; Director, 6th Marine Corps District, 1966-1967; Legislative Asst, HQMC, 1967-1968; C/S, FMFPac, 1968-1970; CG, I MEF/3d Marine Division, Vietnam, Okinawa, 1970-1971; Director, Education Center, Quantico, 1971-1972; CG, FMFPac, 1972-1975 (Operations EAGLE PULL and FREQUENT WIND, Mayaguez affair); Commandancy, 1975-1979 (issues, LHA program, women Marines, F-18 decision, Twentynine Palms, congressional testimony, budget issues, SALT II, Haynes Board, relations with President Carter, Marine Security Guards, the JCS). There is an annex to the interview transcript which contains the Marine Corps Posture Statements General Wilson made to the Congress each year of his Commandancy.

464pp. Open. 1979-1980, 1984.

Interviewers: Brigadier General Edwin H. Simmons and Mr. Benis M. Frank

WINN, Joseph

Mr. Winn was a member of the Marine garrison stationed in Panama while the Canal was being built. In this issue-oriented interview, Mr. Winn speaks of his two-year tour, 1908-1910, in Panama and gives a description of Marine service in Panama at this time.

97pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewer: Miss Carol Rodriguez

WISMER, Ralph M.

Colonel; b. 1911; USMC Service, 1931-1966

Marine Corps Reserve, 1931-1940; Eastern Signal School, Fort Monmouth, 1940; CommO, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines, 1941-1943 (prewar communication activities, Guadalcanal); Signal Officer, 1st Marine Division, 1943-1944 (Cape Gloucester operation); Communication Officers School, Quantico, 1944-1945; 6th Marine Division, Okinawa operation, 1945; CommO, III Amphibious Force, 1945-1946 (surrender ceremony and occupation of Japan); Troop Training Unit, Pacific, 1946-1948; CommO, G-3 Section, Plans and Policies Division, HQMC, 1948-1951; Comm-Electronics Officer, 1st Marine Division, Korea, 1951-1953; ExO, 2d Combat Service Group, 1955-1957; CO, 8th Communications Battalion, 1957-1958; CO, 1st Service Battalion, 1958-1959; AC/S, G-4, 1st Marine Division, 1959-1961; Landing Force Development Center, 1961-1963; Director, Extension School, 1963-1964; CO, Marine Barracks, Fort Meade, 1964-1966.

58pp. Open. 1979.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

WOLFERTZ, Robert T.

Captain; b. 1930; USMC Service, 1966-

This is a debrief of the former S-3, Marine Security Guard Battalion, 1977-1980 in which he discusses the following: training, the Teheran siege episode, the Cuban Interest Section Guard, the Beijing Embassy Guard, Marine Corps-State Department relations, use of deadly force, women Marines in the program.

51pp. Open. 1981.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank, Mr. Danny Crawford

WOODS, Louis Ernest

Lieutenant General; b. 1895, d. 1971; USMC Service, 1917-1951

Education, Syracuse University, 1913-1917; commissioned, 1917; sea duty; assignment to aviation and early flight training; expeditionary duty, Haiti, 1924-1926; Marine aviation in the 1920s and 1930s, development of amphibious warfare doctrine, close air support concepts; World War II, C/S, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1942-1943 (preparations for deployment overseas, Guadalcanal operation, Marine air in the Solomons; Director of Aviation, HQMC, 1943-1944; CG, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, 1945 (final Marine air operations against Japan, return of POWs); CG, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1945-1946 (occupation of North China); CG, Marine Corps

Air Station, Cherry Point, 1949-1951 (preparation for and support of Marine air operations in Korea).

355pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewers: Mr. Benis M. Frank and Major Lloyd E. Tatem

WORNHAM, Thomas Andrews

Lieutenant General; b. 1903, d. 1984; USMC Service, 1926-1961
Education, Naval Academy, 1922-1926; early assignments to sea and barracks duty; 3d Brigade, China, 1927-1929; expeditionary duty, Haiti, 1930-1933; instructor, Marine Corps Schools, 1936-1939; World War II, Detail Section, Personnel Department, HQMC, 1941-1944; CO, 27th Marines, 1944-1945 (Iwo Jima operation, occupation of Japan); C/S, Troop Training Unit, Amphibious Command, Atlantic Fleet, 1947-1949 (Marine Corps training in the inter-war period); CO, 1st Marines, Korea, 1951; C/S, FMFPac, 1951-1952; CG, 3d Marine Division, 1955-1956; CG, MCRD, San Diego, 1956-1959; CG, FMFPac, 1959-1961.

127pp. Open. 1968.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

WORTON, William Arthur

Major General; b. 1897, d. 1973; USMC Service, 1917-1949
Family background, Massachusetts Naval Militia; Quantico; World War I, 6th Marines, Verdun, Belleau Wood; expeditionary duty in Santo Domingo; Chinese language officer, Peiping and Tientsin in the 1920s and 1930s; sea duty; World War II, CO, 2d Battalion, 6th Marines, defense of Iceland, 1941; C/S, Marine Corps Schools, 1942-1944 (training and preparation for amphibious operations); C/S, 3d Marine Division; ADC, 5th Marine Division; C/S, III Amphibious Corps, 1945-1946 (occupation of North China, surrender of Japanese); Marine Corps Liaison Officer to CNO, 1947 (unification controversy); CG, Landing Force Training Unit, Atlantic, 1948; retirement, 1949; Police Chief, Los Angeles; impressions of Chiang Kai-shek, Madame Chiang, Chou En-Lai, and many U.S. military officers.

328pp. Open. 1967.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

WORTON, William Arthur

In the period 1935-1936, then-Major Worton was detached from the Marine Corps to conduct a special mission for the Office of Naval Intelligence. For this mission, he was to go to China under a pseudonym and set up a network of agents, an undercover establishment controlled by ONI. In this interview, General Worton discusses what he did during this two-year period and whom he saw and recruited.

98pp. Open. 1969.

Interviewer: Mr. Benis M. Frank

YOUNGDALE, Carl Albert

Major General; b. 1912; USMC Service, 1936-1972

AC/S, J-2, MACV, Jan64-Aug65 (rationale for senior Marine assignment to MACV staff); politico-military situation in South Vietnam, 1946; comments on North Vietnamese infiltration, Communist efforts in South Vietnam, 1964-1965; the Battle of Binh Gia; description of MACV facilities, 1964-1965 (life in Saigon for service personnel during this period); comments on reorganization of MACV staff in 1964; on-the-job training of Marine Corps advisors 1964; comments on the Marine landing at Da Nang, 1965; CG, 1st Marine Division, Jan-Dec68 (changes in Vietnam since previous tour in country); assessment of military situation in the 1st Marine Division Tactical Area of Responsibility in Dec68; comments on the SLF and its effectiveness; DepCG, III MAF, Dec68-Jul69 (comments on III MAF/XXIV Corps relationship); Operation DEWEY CANYON; comparison of Generals Cushman and Nickerson as commanders; I Corps preparations for Tet '69 offensive; comments on III MAF role in Marine withdrawal from Vietnam. (VN)

85pp. Open. 1973.

Interviewer: Captain Robert H. Whitlow

ZORTHIAN, Barry

Colonel; b. 1920; USMC/USMCR Service, 1942-1946, 1946-1980

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