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Leatherneck log

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"Dear Blabby"

Dear Blabby,

We are most concerned about a couple of Marines aboard the Bennington. (As you can well understand they are worth being concerned about!!). Now we admit that it is our job via letters and any other means we can conjure up, to keep them thinking of us. But your photographers are disturbing their thinking process with those certain pictures (the girlie ones) in the "Huk-Ster."

Please advise as to what can be done to put an end to this unfair competition.

Puddin' Heads
San Fernando, California

Dear Puddin' Heads,

In answer to your deeply touching and, in some parts, controversial letter, it is my understanding that the Huk-Ster staff tries to administer certain ingredients in the monthly edition, which will help boost the morale of sailors and Marines on board.

Since it is highly unlikely that you might come to Japan to express your concern to your marines personally, I suggest you submit pictures of yourselves, suitable for printing, to the Huk-Ster office. And if, through much technical screening and scrupulation, your pictures are found acceptable, they will be published as "Barns! Bunny" of the month. Thank you for writing and I hope I have brought out a satisfactory and fair way for you to compete with the Huk-Ster morale boosters.

Dear Blabby,

This is my first visit to Japan, and I am simply amazed and flabbergasted at the things that go on in various night clubs. The first night I went over I witnessed absolutely unbelievable sights. I spent 10,000 yen, and felt I did fairly well in controlling my monetary status. The second night I went over I was more careful, and only spent 9,000 yen, but I was still shocked by the goings-on. I have been over several times now, and I just can't understand why sailors continually return to these... these labyrinths of vice. By the way, when is the next liberty call?

Knot A. Fish

Dear Fish,

Why don't you extend for a few months over here, the Japanese economy could use more people like you. I too am surprised at some of the things that I have witnessed, unfortunately I have no choice but to go over at every opportunity due to the work I am involved in. Tsk Tsk, I am not sure exactly when the next liberty is, however just follow me around for awhile, and when liberty call goes, you'll be the second one off.

What a calamity! Pvt. L. J. Pond reported aboard Benn at Pearl Harbor, and was promoted to PFC by Capt. J. P. Senik on April 1st. I didn't even mention it in the last HukSter! No thanks, no blindfold, just fire when ready!!

The ranks of the Crossed Rifle Clan have been strengthened by three more additions. These lucky, black-and-blue, Marines are LCPL's G. E. Conner, F. E. Chisholm and D. M. McGinnis. Gracing the NCO Quarters with his presence is newly promoted Cpl. D. W. Woods who received his new red trouser stripe on April 1st from Capt. Senik. Try a sewing machine, Woody, it's easier and a lot less painful.

On the athletic side, one stout and persistent Marine has really turned to on Judo. PFC J. A. Russe is hot on the sport, and has shown considerable improvement since he began a month ago. Keep up the good work!!

Musically, LCPL's D. B. Camp and D. J. Lewandowski have the field in MarDet sewed up. With a little more practice, the passageways around the Marine area will wail with sound.

The Seamen Guards have returned! Every day at 0730, 18 sailors muster in the Marine Guard Office for guard duty. Now that they have been well indoctrinated in the age-old traditions of General and Special Orders, the white hats have turned into efficient watch-dogs for Benn. Ask any bluejacket who has had duty with the Marines about his General Orders and more than likely you'll know them yourself by the time you finish talking to him.

Time to bid all you faithful "LEATHERNECK LOG" readers a fond Sayonara until the next issue of the HukSter.