

RESERVE

William "J"

AT:.....Cleveland, O.

AT: Detroit, Mich.

3 Jul 36- 2 Jul 40-USMCR-INACTIVE

9th Res. Dist. Cl 3 b

Re-Appointed

FIRST SERGEANT

WARR

FIRST SERGEANT

1d GENERAL SERV. UNIT 7 th RD

JD MD. NAS Miami, Fla.

active duty fr. 4/1/41 to

Jd Co. "E" Ting Center MB. Quantico, Va.

Jd 11 th Prov Mar Qd

MB. Quantico, Va

AT MB. NAS, Quonset Pt., R. I.

---Bks. Det.

Jd. MA. MAC, Quonset Pt., R. I.

Jd MB.NAS.Cape May, N.J.

Jd MB, NYd, Charleston, S. C.

Carlo, to

A/O CD to acc T. W. as MCM

"TEMPORARY"

SERGEANT MAJOR

Bes en/ Status

Settle.

TEMPORARY
SERGEANT MAJOR LINE

Bes enl Status Bka. Det.

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169161
RESERVE

FERGUSON

William "J"

BORN: 25 July 1898

AT: Cleveland, Ohio

NEXT OF KIN: Mrs. A. Walsh Ferguson (WIFE)

6017 Grayton Rd., Detroit, Mich.

APPLIED: July 3, 1936

AT: Detroit, Mich.

ENLISTED: July 3, 1936

AT: Detroit, Mich.

19 Apr 17- 24 Jun 19- USMC-EXCELLENT

29 Oct 20- 28 Oct 22- USMC-EXCELLENT

15 Jul 27- 14 Jul 31- VMCR-EXCELLENT

14 Jun 32- 13 Jun 36- FMCR-EXCELLENT

CRA UTILITY SQD -6 - Air 3 - CL.VI.

RE Appointed 1st Sergt. JUL 3 1936 AVIATION

JOINED Aviation Unit 9th RD SEP 1, 1937

TRANS. TO Class 3rd USMOR (V) JUL 1 1938

DISCHARGED EXP OF ENL

1st. SGT.

7/2/40.

Aviation Unit

9th RD

RECEIVED

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FERGUSON,

William "J"

BORN: 25 July 1898

AT: Cleveland, Ohio.

NEXT OF KIN: Aloise G.W. Ferguson-WIFE
905 Merton Rd., Detroit, Mich.

APPLIED: May 14, 1932.

AT: Detroit, Mich.

ENLISTED: June 14, 1932.

AT: Detroit, Mich.

19 Apr 17-24 Jun 19-USMC-EXCELLENT.

29 Oct 20-28 Oct 22-USMC-EXCELLENT.

15 Jul 27-14 Jul 31-USMC-EXCELLENT.

Serv. Sqdn. 7, Detroit, Mich. CL. IV.

Re Appointed Sergeant JUN 11 1932

Appointed 1st Sergeant MAY 9 1933

JOINED AVIATION SERVICE CO. 1-M JUN 5 1933

JOINED SERVICE Sqdn. Seven 6/20/33

JOINED SQUAD. 6 - DIV. 3, JUN 26 1934

and TRANS TO CL -6-

DISCHARGED EXP OF ENLISTMENT 1st. SGT.

6/13/36

UTILITY SQD. -6-, DIV. 3-MR.

CENTRAL RES. AREA

169161

NAME CHANGED AUTH MGC 8-15-27

FERGUSON, "J"

William Jay

BORN: 25 July 1898

AT: Cleveland, Ohio.

NEXT OF KIN: Aloise G. Ferguson-WIFE
392 Manistique St., Detroit, Mich.

APPLIED: July 15, 1927

AT: Detroit, Mich.

ENLISTED: July 15, 1927

AT: Detroit, Mich.

19 Apr 17-24 Jun 19-USMC-EXCELLENT

29 Oct 20-28 Oct 22-USMC-EXCELLENT

Central Reserve Area, Co. "M" 9th Regt. July 15, 1927

PRIVATE (INACTIVE)

Re-Appointed Sergeant JUL 15 1927

JOINED Co. "L" 9th Regt. 5/1/28

DISCHARGED EXP OF ENLISTMENT SERGEANT

7/14/31

Co. "L" 9th Regt.

CENTRAL RES. AREA

CHAR. EXCELLENT

File
K. H. H. H.

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NAME CHANGED AUTH MGC 8-15-27

FERGUSON,

"J"

William Jay

BORN: 25 July 1898

APPLIED: October 29, 1920

AT: Cleveland, O.

ENLISTED: October 29, 1920

AT: Cleveland, O.

19 Apr 17-24 Jun 19-USMC-"EXCELLENT"

Retained, Cleveland, O. October 29-20.

~~Appointed Private, 1 cl JAN 15 1921~~

~~Appointed Corporal ★ FEB 18 1921~~

JOINED Key West, Fla. JAN 10, 1921

Quitting post before being prop. relvd. 3/12/21

Marksman 7-1-21 M.Q.O. 23 Series 1921

~~Appointed Sergeant OCT 29 1920 re-ent.~~

Appointed Private, 1 cl JAN 15 1921

PROB. REG.

Appointed Corporal ★ FEB 18 1921

Appointed Sergeant DEC 29 1921

To rank from 11/6/18 #1

Furlo Jan 1-15/22.

FURLO 2-25-22 TO 3-14-22.

Parris Island

CLOSED FOR DISCHARGE OCT 20 1922

NO TIME LOST

DISCHARGED EXP OF ENLISTMENT SERGEANT

HQ DET. TRAINING STA.

OCT 28 1922

Parris Island

CHARACTER EXO

Awd. G.C. Med. No. 2/7/8

FILE - G.C.W.

82428

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NAME CHANGED AUTH MGC 8-15-27

FERGUSON,

"J"

William Jay

BORN: July 25, 1898

APPLIED: April 12, 1917

AT: RS Cleveland, O.

ENLISTED: April 19, 1917

AT: MB Port Royal, S. C.

PRIOR SERVICE.

MB Port Royal, April 12, 1917

17th Co Quantico Va

on Henderson Jul 31, 17 ashore FRANCE AUG 2 2 1917

SERVING WITH ARMY FROM AUG 2 2 1917

A. W. O. L. 1130 pm 11/1/17 TO 7:15 am 11/11/17

Temporary foreign warrant.

Appointed Corporal.

APR 23 1918

Awarded Croix de Guerre JUN 10, 1918

For Bravery in action June 6-9, 1918.

Temporary warrant

Appointed Sergeant

★ NOV 16 1918

Shown Missing fr. line of march
to remain with ex laureate man 12/1/18.
Trans. to Pay Dept. by S. R. Dec 14/18.
Repl Batt

= 17th, Co. JOINED JAN 9 1919

FURLO FEB 24 1919 TO MAR 3 1919

Med. D. S. C. 3/14/19 (see Mar. 20/19)
1st Reple Depot. MAR 24 1919

Cas. Co. 3912

On America

At Quantico Va fr May 8 19

FURLO MAY 19 1919 TO

Disch. Conv. of Govt.,

Sergeant

Jun 24, 19

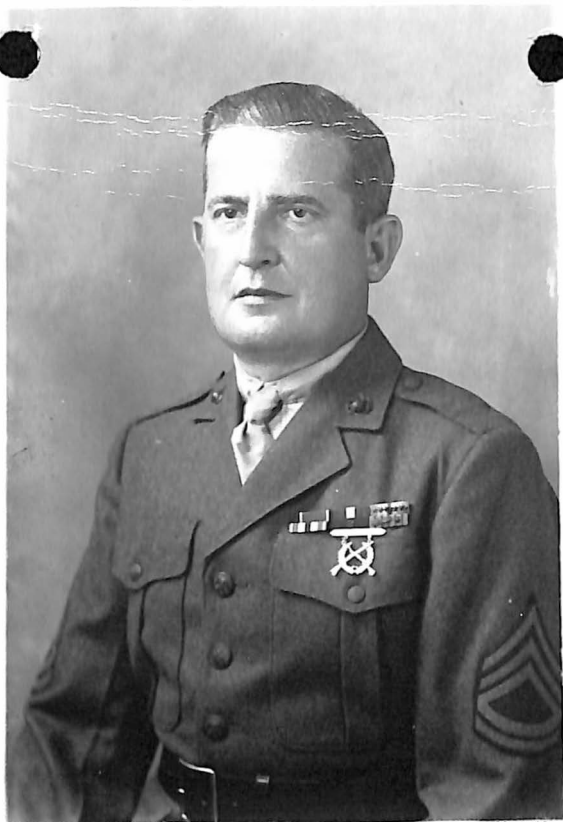
Casual Co. 3912, Quantico, Va.,

Char. "Ex."

4-1323

Good Conduct Medal No. 21718

169161 V



NAME: FERGUSON, William "J"
Enl.: 12 July 1940

Memo to Pay Clk.

Pay should be cr on
DSC #2699 awd Jan.4,1919.
at \$2. per mo.

169161
AG-jfb

November 15, 1922.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find the following insignia, awarded you: Good Conduct Medal Bar No. 21718, for your 2nd enlistment.

It is requested that the enclosed receipt card therefor be signed and returned to this office in the accompanying franked envelope, which requires no postage.

Very sincerely,



F. A. BARKER,
Major, Assistant Adjutant & Inspector.

Enclosures: 3.

(GREEN COPY)

Mr. William J. Ferguson,
3206 West 97th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.



IN REPLYING
REFER TO NO.

HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS,

169161
AG-63-1tr

WASHINGTON,

June 30, 1922.

NO

From: The Major General Commandant.
To: Sergeant William J. Ferguson, Marine
Barracks, Naval Operating Base, Key West,
Florida.
Via: The Commanding Officer.
Subject: Distinguished-service cross container and
lapel button.

1. There are being forwarded to you under
separate cover one distinguished-service cross container
and lapel button, receipt for which should be acknowledged
by endorsement hereon.

Macker Babb

MACKER BABB,

By direction-

First endorsement, Office of the Commanding Officer,
Marine Barracks, Naval Operating Base,
Key West, Florida, July 5, 1922.

From: The Commanding Officer.
To: Sergeant William J. Ferguson, U.S.M.C.

1. Forwarded.

Second endorsement. C. A. WYNN
Marine Barracks, Naval Operating Base,
Key West, Florida, July 5, 1922.

From: Sergeant William J. Ferguson, U.S.M.C.
To: The Major General Commandant, Headquarters,
Marine Corps, Washington, D.C.
Via: The Commanding Officer.

1. Received, this date.

William J. Ferguson
WILLIAM J. FERGUSON

ADJUTANT GENERAL OF OHIO

72207

Service Record is requested for:—

169161

Name **Ferguson, William J.**

Serial No. 116677

Enlisted or Inducted **April 19, 1917-Paris Island, S. C.**

Born in

Organizations **Marine Corps.**

Grade

Hon. Discharged **June 24, 1919**

169161
AG-68-1tr

June 30, 1932.

From: The Major General Commandant.
To: Sergeant William J. Ferguson, Marine
Barracks, Naval Operating Base, Key West,
Florida.
Via: The Commanding Officer.
Subject: Distinguished-service cross container and
lapel button.

1. There are being forwarded to you under
separate cover one distinguished-service cross container
and lapel button, receipt for which should be acknowledged
by endorsement hereon.

HACKER BABB,

--By direction--

Case # 169161

FERGUSON, William J.

116,177

Corporal

17th Co

SECOND DIVISION CITATION (*)

General Order # 88, page 89

" These men rendered great assistance to their commanding officer by advancing in front of the line to determine whether a machine gun in their front was held by friendly troops or by the enemy. Corporal Ferguson and Private Naegle succeeded in silencing the enemy machine gun, which proved to be hostile, thereby saving many of their comrades from being killed or wounded. In attempting a similar mission Private Budde lost his life. He showed little, if any, regard for his personal safety thinking only of the welfare of his comrades."

This in the ARGONNE-MEUSE, November 11, 1918.

Awarded December 31, 1918.

JOHN A. LEJEUNE,
Major General, U.S.M.C.,
Commanding.

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Case No.
169161

FERGUSON, William J.

Corporal

17th Co. 5th Reg.

Croix de Guerre (BRONZE STAR) Order No. 11,549-D.

Translation:

by Colonel John W. Barker , U.S.A.

French Army,

November 15, 1918.

"During the attack from June 6th to 10th, 1918, marched with the most generous ~~in~~ valor to an attack outside his sector, to support and relieve comrades of the 116th French Infantry."

69 27

Case # ~~82423~~

169161

FERGUSON, William J.

Sergeant

5th Rgt

SECOND DIVISION CITATION ()

General Order # 64, page 4

The above-named is cited for gallantry in action against the enemy in

CHATEAU-THIERRY

Awarded June 25, 1919.

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JOHN A. DEJEUNE,
Major General, U.S.M.C.,
Commanding.

169161

November 11, 1920.

My dear Mr. Ferguson:

I take great pleasure in forwarding to you herewith Navy Cross, together with citation for which this decoration has been awarded you.

The records show that at the time of the performance of the act for which this decoration is awarded, you were detached from the Navy and temporarily serving with the Army.

Please accept my heartiest congratulations, as the Commandant of the Corps you so faithfully served, upon being the recipient of this, another token of appreciation of the splendid service rendered your country during the World War.

Kindly execute and return to this office the enclosed receipt card, using the accompanying envelope which requires no postage.

Very sincerely,

John A. Lejeune
Major General Commandant.

Enclosures (4).
Gift

Mr. William J. Ferguson,
3208 W. 97th St., C
Cleveland, Ohio.

FILE J. P. S.

November 11, 1920.

S I R:-

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the NAVY CROSS to

WILLIAM J. FERGUSON, Corporal, USMC.,

for service during the World War as set forth in the following citation:

"For extraordinary heroism in action near Villemontry, France, November 10, 1918. Corporal Ferguson and a companion went out ahead of the line and silenced a machine-gun which threatened to hold up the advance of his company".

For the President.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS
Secretary of the Navy.

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FILE J.P.S.

169161
W. J. #

File No. ~~83428.~~

FERGUSON, William Jay
Corporal, Co. A., 5th Regt.
GOWD # 32, page 32, 1919.

(ARMY)

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS No. 2699

" FOR EXTRAORDINARY HEROISM IN ACTION NEAR VILLEMONTY, FRANCE,
NOVEMBER 10, 1918. CORPORAL FERGUSON AND A COMPANION WENT OUT
AHEAD OF THE LINE AND SILENCED A MACHINE GUN WHICH THREATENED
TO HOLD UP THE ADVANCE OF HIS COMPANY. "

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August 4, 1920.

Sir:

Enclosed you will find the following insignia, awarded you:

Good conduct medal and certificate #21718 for your enlistment from April 10, 1917 to June 24, 1919.

It is requested that the enclosed receipt therefor be signed and returned to this office in the accompanying envelope which requires no postage.

Very respectfully,

C. B. CATES,
First Lieutenant,
Hico-de-Camp.

Encl.

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Mr. William J. Ferguson,
3208 W. 97th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

FILE - W. H.

No. 21718



Headquarters U. S. Marine Corps,

Washington, D. C., JULY 14 1920

SERGEANT WILLIAM JAY FERGUSON, U. S. M. C.,

being distinguished for OBEDIENCE, SOBRIETY, INDUSTRY, COURAGE, CLEANLINESS,
and PROFICIENCY, and having been duly recommended is, in accordance
with U. S. Navy Regulations and by direction of the Major
General Commandant, awarded a medal for good
conduct during his FIRST enlistment from APRIL 19 1917
to JUNE 24 1919

H. LAY

Lieutenant Colonel, Asst. Adjutant
and Inspector, U. S. Marine Corps.

4-5088

[SEAL]

FILE - W. H.

TOILET KIT ISSUED

1917 APR 19

CAPTAIN, A. Q. M., U. S. M. C.

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| S. R. Book Rec'd | JUL 15 1919 |
| Initial Correctly | Pass Along |
| Disch | Mks. Chkd |
| Med | Cap. Sec |
| Des | Ent. Reg |
| Retired | Mis. Postg |
| Accts. Id | Voc. Cds |
| Proms | C.M. |
| Retg | F.P. Sec |
| Q. M. Clo | Str & Dis |
| Medals | M. R. C. L. M. P. |
| | Trans |

FILE

J. L. W.

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(FOR USE IN ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR'S DEPT.)

82428
U. S. MARINE CORPS.



SERVICE-RECORD BOOK

OF

116177

Ferguson
SURNAME.

William Jay
CHRISTIAN NAME.

RANK.

Private
Corporal
Sergeant

APR 19 1917

DATE OF ENLISTMENT.

DATE OF DISCHARGE.

DATE OF DISCHARGE, EXTENDED ENLISTMENT.

REASON OF DISCHARGE.

CHARACTER GIVEN ON DISCHARGE.

FOR USE IN ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR'S DEPT.

N. M. C. 109.
4-25-16-75c.

FERGUSON, William Jay
(Name: To be typewritten, surname to the left.)

Enlisted **APR 19 1917**, 191

Marine **Barracks**
Port Royal, S. C.
(Place.)

Under the provisions of the act approved August 22, 1912, relating to the payment of six months' pay (less deductions to defray expense of interment) to the widow or children or dependent relative of any officer or enlisted man on the active list of the Marine Corps who dies from wounds or disease not the result of his own misconduct, I give below the name and address of my wife and the name and address of each of my children:

NONE

(Full name of wife; if not married, so state.)

NONE

(Address of wife.)

(Full name and address of each child; if none, so state.)

In the event of my leaving no widow or child, or of their decease before payment is made, I then designate as my beneficiary under said act the following dependent relative, my

Father

(Relationship.)

J. S. Ferguson

(Name in full.)

3207 W. 97th St.

(Address.)

Cleveland, O.

(Not at present dependent.)

*(State briefly wherein dependency consists, such as "allotments registered," "monthly contributions by Government check," etc.)

(SEE REVERSE SIDE.)

4-2951

SERVICE RECORD

OF

11-3-9
17070-2341

12-14
Name **Ferguson William Jay**

Enlisted as **Private**

At **M. O. Port Royal S. C.**

APR 19 1917, 191, to serve **four years.**
(during minority.)

Date of birth **July 25th**, 18**98**

Place of birth **Cleveland Ohio**

Accepted for enlistment at **R. S. Cleveland Ohio**

Occupation prior to entering military or naval service

Clerk

Former residence **Cleveland, Ohio**

Citizenship **U. S.**

Holds G.-C. medal No. _____ and _____ bars.

Name, relationship, and address of person to be notified

in case of emergency **Father**

J. S. Ferguson

3207 W. 97th St. Cleveland, Ohio

Knowledge of Foreign Languages, with Degree of Proficiency in Each.

| LANGUAGE. | SPEAKING. | READING. | WRITING. |
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PREVIOUS ENLISTMENTS.

| ENLISTED. | DISCHARGED. | REGIMENT, CORPS, ETC. | NO. DAYS A. W. O. L. | CHAR. |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------|
| None claimed | | | | |
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Foreign service:
(See Par. 67, M. C. Orders.)

W. R. Deady
Captain, U. S. M. C.,
Recruiting Officer.

William Jay Ferguson
SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT IN FULL.
NUMBER OF RIFLE **572463**

MARKS, SCARS, ETC.

(Marked in red ink by Medical Examiner.)

LEFT HAND.

Rolled imprint of thumb and each finger.

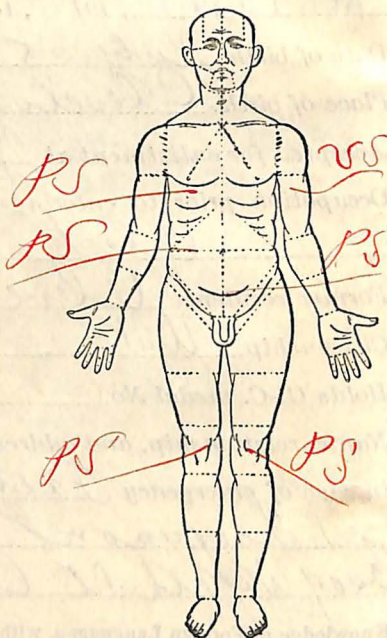
6. THUMB.

7. INDEX.

8. MIDDLE.

9. RING.

10. LITTLE.



RE-EXAMINED.

ACCEPTED

APR 18 1917

Examined, _____, 19

Eyes, BrownHair, Dark BrownComplexion, FairHeight, 68 inches.Weight, 125 pounds.

LEFT HAND.—Plain imprint of Four Fingers taken simultaneously.

MARKS, SCARS, ETC.

(Marked in red ink by Medical Examiner.)

RIGHT HAND.

Rolled imprint of thumb and each finger.

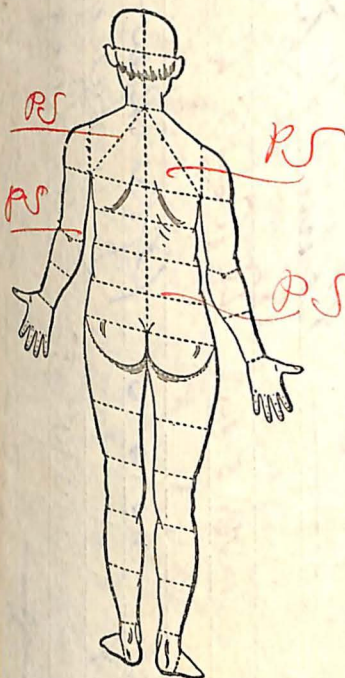
5. LITTLE.

4. RING.

3. MIDDLE.

2. INDEX.

1. THUMB.



Date and nature of any waiver.

6 lbs. Underweight
 waived by G.C. Tel.
 #20010 Apr. 12, 1917
 Meeberge
 Surgeon.

RIGHT HAND.—Plain imprint of Four Fingers taken simultaneously.

PROFESSIONAL AND CONDUCT RECORD.

The following shall be executed and signed semiannually and whenever the marine is transferred, retired, discharged, deserts, or dies, or the book is closed for discharge; also (without markings) when he joins, surrenders, or is apprehended. (0, Bad; 1, Indifferent; 2, Fair; 3, Good; 4, Very Good; 4.5 to 5, Excellent.) Semiannual markings and markings "For Discharge" shall be entered in red ink. (See Instructions Par. 4.)

| | STATION OR VESSEL. | JOINED, SURR., APP., TRANSF., SEMI-AN., FOR DIS., FINAL M., DESERTED, DIED, RETIRED, DISCHARGED. | DATE. | RANK. | MILITARY EFFICIENCY. | OBEDIENCE. | SOBRIETY. | AVERAGE STANDING. | SIGNATURE OF COMMANDING OFFICER. | |
|----|---|--|---------------|---------|----------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| 1 | Co. "G" M. B., PORT ROYAL, S. C. | JOINED | APR 19 1917 | Private | | | | | <i>E. Miller</i> CAPTAIN | U. S. M. C. |
| 2 | | TRANSFERRED | JUN 29 1917 | Pvt. | 3 | 5 | 5 | 4.3 | <i>E. Miller</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 3 | 17 th Co | Semi-d | JUN 30 1917 | " | | | | | <i>Robert L. Dring</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 4 | 17 th Co | Semi-an | JUN 30 1917 | " | 3 | 5 | 5 | 4.3 | <i>Robert L. Dring</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 5 | 17 th Co | Semi-an | Dec. 31, 1917 | " | 4 | 4.8 | 5 | 4.6 | <i>Le Roy P. Hunt</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 6 | 17 th Co | Semi-an | June 30, 1918 | Cpl | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | <i>Robert L. Dring</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 7 | 17 th Co. 5 th Regt | Transf | Dec. 21, 1918 | Sgt. | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | <i>R. Hansen</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 8 | 17 th Co. 5 th Regt | Joined | Jan. 9, 1919 | Sgt | | | | | <i>J. A. Lang Jr</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 9 | 17 th Company | Transf | Mar 24, 1919 | " | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | <i>J. A. Lang Jr</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 10 | Casual Co. # 3912 | Disch | June 19, 1919 | Sgt | | | | | <i>M. D. Silfillan</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| | Casual Co. # 3912 | Joined | May 24, 1919 | Sgt | | | | | <i>M. D. Silfillan</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 11 | Casual Co. # 3912 | Disch | June 24, 1919 | Sgt | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | <i>M. D. Silfillan</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 12 | Casual Co. # 3912 | Discharged | June 24, 1919 | Sgt | 4.5 | 5 | 5 | 4.8 | <i>M. D. Silfillan</i> | U. S. M. C. |
| 13 | | | | | | | | | | U. S. M. C. |
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WHERE, AND DATES FROM AND TO WHICH SERVED; OFFENSES COMMITTED, GIVING HOUR AND DATE FROM AND TO WHICH ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE; COURTS MARTIAL; PUNISHMENTS AWARDED; REWARDS OFFERED IF A DESERTER, ETC.

While serving with Co. **G**

Marine Barracks, Port Royal, S. C.

From **APR 19 1917** to **JUN 29 1917**

NO OFFENSES

While serving **17th Co.**

from **JUN 30 1917** to **JUN 30 1917**

NO-OFFENSES

While serving **17th Co**

from **July 1-17** to **DEC 31 1917**

A.O. from 11-30 P.M. Nov. 10 to 7-15 A.M. Nov. 11 for which warned.

WHILE SERVING WITH

17th Co
Jan 1, 1918 to **June 30, 1918**

NO OFFENSES!

Robert Blake
Brigadier General

4-516

While serving with **17th Co 5th Regt** from **July 1, 1918** to **Dec. 21, 1918**.
Dec. 1, 1918. missing from line of march, detailed to remain with exhausted men.

While serving with **17th Company** from **January 9, 1919** to **March 24, 1919**.
No offenses.

While serving with **Casual Co #3912** from **May 24, 1919** to **June 24, 1919**. No offenses.

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EXPEDITIONS, DISTIN

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& VANUX17th
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Aug. 23
France

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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,
Headquarters, 5th Regiment,
Expeditionary Force.

France, November 16th, 1918.

-----WILLIAM J. FERGUSON, (116177)-----
is hereby appointed a --SERGEANT-----

Temporary Foreign Warrant, in the UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, and
he is therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duties of
that position by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto
belonging. I do strictly charge and require all Noncommissioned
Officers and others under his command to be obedient to his orders
and he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time
to time as he shall receive from his Commanding Officer and other
Superior Officers set over him according to the rules and discipline
of the Army.

For duty with Company "A", 5th Regiment, Marine Corps.

-----*Robert Leland*-----
Colonel, U.S.M.C., Comdg.

No. 15
Lowest number of
same date takes
rank.

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DETAILED AS—

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EXPEDITIONS, DISTIN

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Aug. 22
FranceAMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
Army Gas School

Record of Course Pursued at Army Gas School, A.P.O. 714, American E.F.

Name Ferguson, 116177, W.J.

Rank Opl.

Org. Co. A 8 Marines

Attended course in DEFENSIVE MEASURES AGAINST GAS from Oct. 14 to 19

Rating on graduation; Excellent : Very Good **R** : Good : Deficient

REMARKS:

Approved: H. A. SMITH,
Brigadier General
CommandantA. W. Gauger,
Captain, C. W. S.
Director

Date Oct. 22, 1918.

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1 copy to Regimental Commander, (thru Division Commander)
1 copy to Chief of Chemical Warfare Service.Students marked "Q" are not considered qualified to act as Gas
Officers or Gas N. C. O.'s.

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to positions of higher rank or greater responsibility.

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OFFENSES, ETC.—Continued.

July
Pa. Left continent
of United States Aug. 7, 1917
for service in France. En-
gaged with enemy submarine
craft Aug. 20, 1917. Disembarked
Aug. 23, 1917 at St. Nazaire
France. **Robert L. Denig**
Captain, U.S.M.C.

17th Co. 5th Regiment, France,
July 10, 1918.

6-6-18 and 6-21-18 to 6-26-18
took part in the attack against
the enemy in BOIS de BELLEAU -
BOURESCHES sector northwest of
CHATEAU THIERRY.
Robert Blake
Captain, U.S.M.C.,
Commanding.

7-17-18 to 7-20-18 participated
in the Allied Drive against the
Germans in the region of the
FOREST DOMANIALE DE RETZ, CHAUDUN,
& VAUX CASTILLE.

Robert Blake
1st Lieut., USMC.,
Comdg. 17th Co.

Meuse River. 15th to 30th
participated in the march
of the Allied Armies towards
the Rhine River, via
Belgium and Luxemburg,
following the evacuation of
the German Army.

R. P. Hunt
Capt. USMC.
Commanding

9-18 to 10-10-18 parti-
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main in the MOSELLE and FOI
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AL in CHAMPAGNE.

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Captain, U.S.M.C.,
Commanding Co. "A"

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13-18 to 9-16-18, participated the
in the American drive against the
St. Mihiel salient, France.
Le Roy P. Hunt
Capt., U.S.M.C.,
Comdg. 17th Co.

*The Goshawk while
in the 6th to 9th 1918
18 Per with Regt. Condr*

Nov. 1st to 14th Incl.
participated in the offen-
sive operations in the
Argonne Forest, the capture
of Landres et St. Georges,
Landreville, Heights of
Bayonville (Hill 299),
Foret de Jaulnay, Buzancy,
Vaux, Foret de Limon and
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the German Army.

R. H. Lipseu
Capt. USMC.
Commanding

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DRIVE against
the ARGONNE FOREST
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R. P. Hunt

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mans in the ARGONNE FOREST; be-
tween the MOSELLE and FOREST of
ARGONNE in the vicinity of BLANC-
MONT IN CHAMPAGNE.

Le Roy P. Hunt

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Captain, U.S.M.C.
Commanding Co. "A"

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Robert L. Denig

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promoted to rank of CPL Apr 23, 1918. L.F.W. #12
 awarded Cross de Guerre by
 for personal bravery displayed
 fighting against the German
 promoted to rank of Sgt. L.F.W. #12

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SMALL ARMS RECORD.

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Qualification Course—Army Small Arms Firing Manual.

| Where Attached. | Range. | Day. | Month. | Year. | Score. | Estimat'g Distance. | Final Qualifications. | Signature and Rank of Verifying Officer. | No. and Date M. Q. Order. | Date Insignia Deliv'rd. |
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| MARINE BARRACKS, PORT ROYAL, S. C. | MARINE BARRACKS, PORT ROYAL, S. C. | 14 | JUN | 1917 | 95 | 87 | unqualified | <i>W. Smith</i> | | |
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Other Entries Required by Par. 3689, Naval Instructions.

Record of Navy Qualification (see Pars. 49 and 57, Small Arms Firing Regulations, U. S. Navy, 1917).

| Navy Qualification. | Score. | Date. | Where Attached. | Range. | Team credits which contribute to qualification of Expert Team Rifleman. |
|---------------------|--------|-------|-----------------|--------|---|
| Marksman | | | | | |
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Gun Pointer or Gun Captain (enter classification, qualification and date thereof).
Date of detail and date of revocation through transfer or otherwise.

Small Arms and Gunnery Prizes (enter character of Prize, date, and amount of award).

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August 22, 1919.

My dear Mr. Ferguson:

I take pleasure in sending you under separate cover a DSC Certificate of citation awarded you.

Please fill in the attached receipt card and return it to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

Respectfully yours,

WILLIAM C. WISE, Jr.
Major, Asst. Adjutant & Inspector

FILE-I. J. O.

Mr. William J. Ferguson,
3206 West 97th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS,
Headquarters, 5th Regiment,
Expeditionary Force.

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France, November 16th, 1918.

-----WILLIAM J. FERGUSON, (116177)-----

is hereby appointed a --SERGEANT--

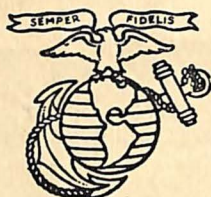
Temporary Foreign Warrant, in the UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, and
he is therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duties of
that position by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto
belonging. I do strictly charge and require all Noncommissioned
Officers and others under his command to be obedient to his orders
and he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time
to time as he shall receive from his Commanding Officer and other
Superior Officers set over him according to the rules and discipline
of the Army.

For duty with Company "A", 5th Regiment, Marine Corps.

No. 15
Lowest number of
same date takes
rank.

Temporary warrant

Regau Feland
Colonel, U.S.M.C., Comdg.



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS.

I, William Jay Ferguson Born July 25th, 1898,
in Cleveland, in the State of Ohio.

and by present occupation a clerk, desiring to enlist in the UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS for the term of FOUR YEARS, do declare that I have neither wife nor child; That I am of the legal age to enlist, and believe myself to be physically qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied marine; that I am of good habits and character in all respects; that I have never been convicted by a civil court of any offense; that I have never deserted from the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or Revenue-Cutter Service, or been discharged therefrom or from any other service, except with good character, and for the reasons given by me to the recruiting officer; and that I am a citizen of the United States.

I agree to accept from the United States such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing as are or may be established by law, and if discharged by sentence of general court-martial I agree to surrender uniform in exchange for civilian clothing.

Given at RS., Cleveland, Ohio., this 12th day of April, 1917.

*WITNESS

1st Lieut., U. S. M. C. Retd.

Signature of applicant, in full.

Examined and accepted at RS., Cleveland, Ohio. April 9th, 1917.

1st Lieut. Retd., U. S. M. C.

DATE AND NATURE OF ANY WAIVER.

Marine Corps, Washington, D.C., Apr. 12, 1917. Marine Recruiting,
Cleveland, 20010 Authorized 16312. Marcorps. (16 pounds under
weight.0).

Accepted, April 12th, 1917, at RS., Cleveland, Ohio.,
and transferred, April 12th, 1917, to MB, Port Royal, S.C.

I, William Jay FERGUSON, DO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE to have voluntarily enlisted as a **PRIVATE** in the UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, for a period of FOUR YEARS, unless sooner discharged by proper authority. And I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America; that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles for the Government of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States. And I do further swear (or affirm) that all statements made by me, as now given in this record, are correct.

Signature of recruit, in full.

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me at MB Port Royal, S.C.,
this Nineteenth day of April, A. D. 1917, and

I CERTIFY that I minutely inspected the above-named man previous to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that, to the best of my judgment and belief, he fulfills all legal requirements; that, after fully informing him of the nature of the service he is to perform, I have enlisted him into the service of the United States under this contract of enlistment as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied marine, and in doing so have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service; also that the prior service as shown on the reverse side has been verified by me personally from the man's discharge certificates, and that I am satisfied that his status as to citizenship is US.

Captain, U. S. M. C., Recruiting Officer.

Name and address of person to be notified in case of emergency, giving degree of relationship; if friend, so state:

J.S. Ferguson, 3207 W. 97th St., Cleveland, O.

Father.

Name.

Address, including name of street and number of house.

Relationship.

*To be signed by the officer or noncommissioned officer accepting the applicant on probation.
†Native born, use initials U. S.; naturalized, N. U. S.; alien, intention declared, A. D. I.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.

Name, FERGUSON, William Jay.; born, July 25th, 1898,
at Cleveland, O.; former residence Cleveland, O.
trade or occupation prior to entering the military or naval service, clerk.

I CERTIFY that I have this ninth day of April, 1917,
at RS., Cleveland, Ohio., carefully examined the above-named man agreeably to the
Regulations of the Navy; that he has stated to me that he has no disease, and in my opinion he is free from all
bodily defects and mental infirmities which would in any way disqualify him from performing the duties of a
marine, and that his personal description is as follows:

brown eyes, dk. bro. hair, fair complexion; height. 68 inches
 weight. 125 pounds, mean circumference. 31 1/2 inches, expansion 3 inches,
 vision (Snellen) right, 20/20, left, 20/20, indelible or permanent marks upon his person:
 s. 1/2" L. cheek, v.s. L. arm.

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Examining Surgeon.

Reexamined APR 18 1917, 1917, at MARINE BARRACKS, PORT ROYAL, S.C.

ACCEPTED

Surgeon, U. S. Navy

Surgeon, U. S. Navy.

DATES OF FORMER ENLISTMENTS AND DISCHARGES.

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