C. D. D. JOSEPH DALE PROBST of Chicago

Chief Devil Dog Jos. D. Probst, Chicago advertising man, is the national commander of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, fun and honor society of the Marine Corps League. He is a veteran of the first World War. He served at the Boston Navy Yard in 1918, and in Hingham Naval Ammunition Depot in 1919. In 1947, President Truman appointed him to the Marine Corps Memorial Commission, on which he still serves as chairman. The Commission is planning a Memorial Armory in Chicago.

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The
Military Order of Devil Dogs

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On the battlefields of France, Marines were called “Devil Dogs” by the Germans because of their courage and tenacity of attack. In the first World War, the Marines took part in five operations as part of the famed Second Division of the A. E. F. — Bailleul Wood, Soissons, St. Mihiel, Champagne, and the Meuse-Argonne. Marine units were decorated six times by the French during these campaigns.

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MILITARY ORDER of the DEVIL DOGS

The Fun and Honor Society
of the Marine Corps League

The Military Order of the Devil Dogs was formed just ten years ago, right here in the Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, during the 1939 National Convention of the Marine Corps League. The Order is a secret fraternal society within the League, to provide relaxation to those hard-working Leaguers who have been selected for membership by the Devil Dogs. Membership is by invitation only through the sponsorship of a full-fledged Devil Dog. A Marine Corps Leaguer must have been an active member of the League for at least two years before he can take his initiation at a National Convention only. Before this he can become a Mongrel in a local Pound and then a Pup at the State Pack Convention. In addition to the hilarious fun of Devil Dog affairs, the Order also engages in rendering service to the League and promoting Marine Welfare Programs.

THE TITLE

The name “Devil Dogs” was applied to the Marines by the Germans during the first World War, because of their ferocious fighting at Belleau Wood and Chateau Thierry, where the gallant Fifth and Sixth Regiments were spearheads of the Allied counter-attack that smashed the German drive on Paris and from which Jerry never recovered. That’s why he cursed the Marines as “Teufel-Hunden.”

COMMENDATION

Just twelve years ago, Chief Devil Dog Joe Probst returned to France with the Foreign Pilgrimage and attended the dedication services for the new memorial erected on Hill 204 at Chateau Thierry, October 7, 1937. Many Allied Generals, headed by “Black Jack” Pershing were there. Army General Harbord, of the Second Division, in dedicating the monument said, “It is idle now to conjecture what might have happened if the enemy had not been stopped at the Marne. Certainly there would have been no St. Mihiel and no Meuse-Argonne . . . Here, within sight of this memorial, the Fourth Brigade of the Second Division, made up of two Marine Regiments, took part in one of the most agonizing struggles of the War and in 25 days of the intense fighting, captured the village of Bourges, pushed back the Germans and cleared them from the Bois de Belleau . . . This memorial testifies our faith that we, to whom they passed their torch, can uphold and will maintain the principles for which these men died. Time will not dim the glory of their deeds.”

EARNED FUN

And so we glory in the title of “Devil Dog,” won for us by our comrades of the immortal Fourth Brigade, carrying on the fierce tradition of “Esprit de Corps” which characterizes Marines from the Shores of Tripoli to the thrilling flag-raising on the hot rock of Mount Suribachi on Iwo Jima. And we revel in the devil-may-care spirit of intrepid Sgt. Dan Daly, CMH, who “goaded his Leathernecks forward with his classical yell, “Come on, you so and sos, do you want to live forever?”. Be tolerant of our antics . . . they are merely outward manifestations of our exuberant spirits in again meeting with our former comrades-in-arms . . . the happy relief of coming back alive, and our ageless boyishness in enjoying a bit of harmless horse-play to relieve the tensions of our serious business sessions, in which we strive to formulate ways and means to alleviate the unpleasant lot of some of our buddies, and their families, less fortunate than we. And THAT is the meaning of our slogan — “SEMPER FIDELIS”, Always Faithful!
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VICE DEVIL DOG

Orville W. Snyder

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