

Wilson
Box 43
Folder 16
Marine Corps
1958-1959

A collection of letters, official notices, Resolution, Fact Sheet, news clipping, office note & memo. **Examples are:** a 2 page copy of Acquisition Project No. 284 (n.d.) for acquiring Marine Corps Auxiliary Air Station, Yuma, AZ by "the transfer of Vincent Air Force Base, Yuma . . . to the Department of the Navy" to replace Marine Corps Aux. Air Station, Mohave, CA & details on acreage, costs, etc.; a letter (4/17/58) from General R. McC. Pate (Commandant, USMC) to Congressman Wilson re/ invitation to attend the ceremonial parades at the Marine Barracks, 8th & Eye Streets, Southeast, Washington, D.C.; a letter (7/30/58) from Erwin Sklar (Mayor, City of Oceanside), the City's Resolution No. 58-60 & Wilson's reply (8/1/58) re/ "urging Congress to reinstate the two million dollars asked for by the Marine Corps for the construction of permanent barracks at Camp Pendleton;" letter (n.d.) from General Pate (Commandant, USMC) to Congressman James B. Utt re/ "Your inquiry to the Naval Liaison Office about an undated letter pertaining to Marine Corps personnel stationed in the Far East" – this is a 4 page response and covers several topics about the Far East; a letter (8/14/58) from Captain Patricia A. Maas (Commanding, Company D, HQ Battalion, Washington, D.C.) to Wilson re/"On behalf of all the Women Marines who toured the Capitol last Saturday, I wish to express our sincere appreciation to you for the honor you payed us by speaking to us in House of Representatives;" Fact Sheet & Supporting Details (4 pages) re/ "For fiscal year 1956 Congress appropriated sufficient funds to maintain the Marine Corps at 215,000. The Pentagon impounded over 37 million dollars of these funds and kept the Marine Corps at 200,000" – more details for 1958 and 1959 and discussion of these cuts & historical background showing graph illustrating Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Air Force details; a letter (3/20/59) from General Pate to Wilson extending "heartiest congratulations and best wishes from the United States Marine Corps on your forty-third birthday;" Memorandum (4/1/59) From Commanding General To All Marine Officers, Washington, D.C. re/ "Sunset and Evening Parades; Evening Color Memorial Ceremony;" news clipping from *The San Diego Union* (2/11/59 – b-2) re/ editorial and cartoon stressing "For Limited Warfare – Strong Marine Corps Vital;" letters, office note (1959) & 1954 DOD Instruction re/ Wilson's comment that "participation of the San Diego Marines in the National Championship Baseball Tournament in Wichita, and have been advised that they will be unable to participate this year;" letters (4/59) re/ a problem of Civil Service members moonlighting in off hours and taking union jobs – the letter to Wilson stressed --"Enclosed are copies of letters regarding a problem in Camp Pendleton area submitted to Jim Utt. We hope that the two of you will endeavor to give us some relief in this matter;" office note (5/22/59) re/ O.W. Todd, Jr. (President, Stanley Andrews Sport Goods Co .) "Re-commendation of Tom Wornham as new commandant of Marine Corps;" Memo to Boss & letter (7/14 & 7/21/59) re/ "The 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, has not been invited to participate in the Naval Air Station ceremony;" letters (8/26 & 9/1/59) & news clipping re/ Wilson's congratulatory message to Major General David M. Shoup's nomination as Commandant of the Marine Corps. "Since arriving in Congress . . . [Wilson had] joined the Marine Corps Reserve in which I serve as one of the oldest living Captains."