ISSUANCE OF CARBINES TO "SEABEES," FEBRUARY 1943

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NAD, Puget Sound	NT1-13/S76-2/ NT1-9, MAD Puget Sound, Bremerton, Wach. Ltr. 1-28-43	300 Mk. 6 Depth Setting Wrenches 300 Mk. 6 Extender Testing Tools 300 Mk. 6 Detonator Holder Wrenches 500 Inlet Valve Cover Knobbed, Dr. 204052 8-9-10 500 Mk. 6 Safety Forks Knobbed 300 Mk. 6 Extender Springs 500 Mk. 6 Extender Springs 500 Mk. 6 Brass Screws 25 Mk. 6 Booster Spindles 50 Mk. 2-2 Bellows 300 Mk. 2-2 Locking Balls (Partial)	
Anti-Aircraft Training Center, Facific Beach, Calif.	B0S0 57894	2,000 rds., 20 mm Mavy HE AA Non-Tracer, Practice 2,000 Shells HE MAS w/fuse PD MAS for 75 mm Pack How.	
QM 9th Marines, Re- inforced, FMF, via Base Depot, FMF, San Diego	BOSO 59322		
QM 21st Marines, Re- inforced, FMF, via NAD, Fallbrook	BOSO 54742	5,616 Shell HE M71 w/fuse MT M43A3 for 90 mm AA Gun (Partial)	
Ebon-68 via Naval Meg., Port Chicago	BOSO 54765	1,000 6"/47 H.C. Proj., L&F, Mk. 34 and Mods, w/tra., Mk. 5 Orange (Partial)	
MAD, Mare Island Commanding General, FMF Units, San Diego Area, via NAD, Fallbrook	BOSO 59900 BOSO 54847	10,000 lbs. Black Shell Powder 2,115 Lights, Signal, Very, Mk. 11 (Assorted)	
52nd Construction Bn., via MSD, Seattle	BOSO 59355	15,000 Carbine 30 Ml	
21st Marines 4th Raider Bn., via Base Depot,	BOSO 54840	2,700 Lights, Signal, Very Mt. 11 (Assorted) 3,200 Signals, Ground (Assorted)	1-

Don Hillhouse has found this 4 February 1943 document that refers to the transfer of 15,000 carbines to the 52nd Naval Construction Battalion. The 52nd underwent advanced training and cold weather gear issue at the Advance Base Depot, Port Hueneme, California in January before shipping out to their first wartime assignment to various posts in the Aleutian Island chain, Alaska.

Carbine Club newsletter 384 features an in-depth analysis of carbine issuance by the US Navy in WWII.