

"To the Shores--



Melvin F. Griffin

ball in 1936 and 1940. In 1936 the Norse hosehidiers also copped the Southern California title.

League basketball crowns were won in 1933, 1937, 1941 and 1942. All but the '33 team won the Southern California title. His 1942 team carried off the state championship while the 1941 squad came back with runnerup honors.

Mel Griffin Joins U. S. Marine Corps

Melvin F. Griffin, Viking basketball and baseball coach for the 13 years, was sworn in January 13 in Los Angeles as a first lieutenant in the United States Marine Corp Reserve. He will be an aviation volunteer specialist.

The Viking casaba coach will finish the present semester and will be called up for active duty sometime after February 1.

Kansas graduate

Griffin was graduated from the University of Kansas in 1924 where he won his freshman numerals and three varsity letters in both football and track.

In his senior year Kansas finished the season unbeaten and unscored upon.

Griffin was picked on the All-Western team for an end post in his last year. He is a member of the relay team that holds the record for the mile relay in the Kansas Invitational Indoor track meet and shares the record for the 440.

Before coming to Vikingville coached for three years at McPherson high school and three years at Lawrence high school. At both Kansas schools he was director of athletics. At Lawrence his football teams suffered only one defeat in three years.

Comes to Long Beach

Since coming to Long Beach Junior College the Viking mentor has won championships in base-