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Former President Nixon shook hands at the Camp Pendleton Marine Corps base

Nixon Visits Marines

Camp Pendleton

Former President Richard Nixon, yesterday attended parade ceremonies at this huge military base to commemorate the Marine Corps 200th birthday.

Mr. Nixon showed no signs of the plebitis that hospitalized him last year and, in a suit that appeared to fit him snugly, looked as though he had gained weight.

He arrived at this sprawling Marine Corps base with his wife, Pat, after a 25-

minute freeway drive from their San Clemente home. He shook hands with individual marines and their families before and after the two-hour parade ceremony.

The former President refused to comment about his current or future plans, other than to remark on the ceremony.

"I am proud to be here," he told John Hana of KGTV television, San Diego. "I thought the rine Corps put on a splendid, moving ceremony."

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