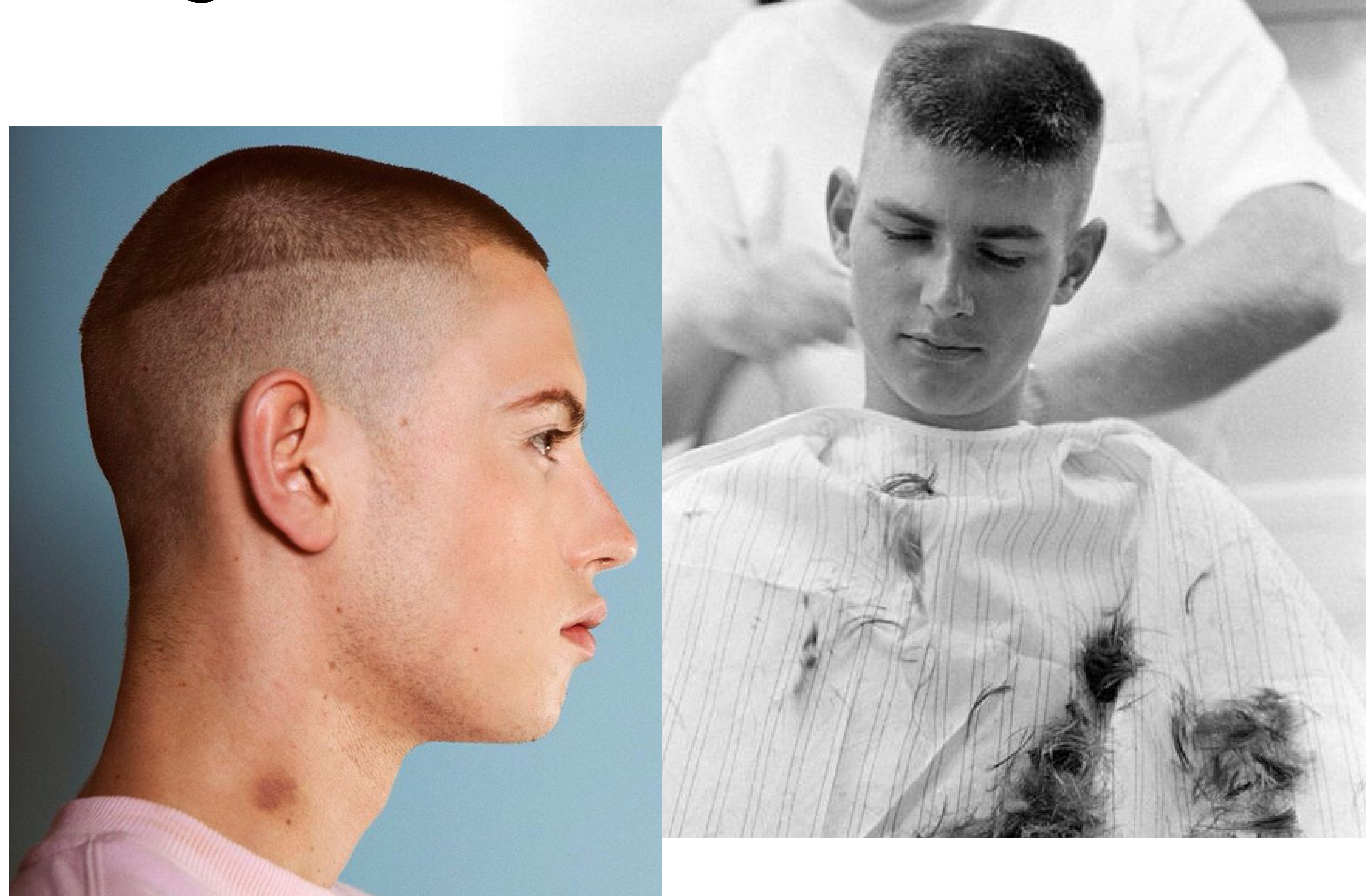


HIGH AND TIGHT



The high and tight is another type of fade haircut. It consists of very short sides and back, with a distinct patch of longer hair right on the top of the head. The sides are clipped above the temples (hence the “high” element of the name) using a guard number 1 or even no guard at all (and it is this closeness of the cut which the “tight” refers to). The sides could also be shaved. The hair on top goes straight round the crown and to the front hairline in a horseshoe shape. This patch of hair is clipped to one even length, using a guard size from 2 to 5. The crown of the head is spared the closest shaving to safely accommodate the weight of a combat helmet.

The high and tight started in the 1960s and took off in the 1980s. It is particularly popular with US Marines, once they have earned the right to wear their hair like this, of course.

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