

MUTTERINGS OF AN OLD-TIMER

By H. B.

At Crater Lake, Oregon's blue water, a soldier may see the peace which has followed a war of fire and ice—a war that wrecked a mountain said to have been loftier and more massive than any now existing on this continent.

I saw it last week. For the first time, since arriving here in June, I passed a night away from camp, staying in a cabin on a plateau of the Cascades, and seeing a little girl chase a bear to take his picture, and dropping in on the 36 Adair men who are tearing apart a C.C.C. camp between Ft. Klamath and the lake.

As one who has climbed Mt. Vesuvius and crossed Death Valley and seen the glaciers of the Alps and looked on Niagara Falls and down into the Grand Canyon I wish to say that Crater Lake is a wonder spot of our earth and to express a hope that many of us will manage to go there during our stay in this section.

The guest of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fisher, of Corvallis, I was taken to the rim in an hour when mists hid the surface of the lake. It was, on that morning, not at all like the picture cards that we have been sending home. Instead of being a fantasy in vivid hues, the lake and its so-called crater were a chaos of grays and whites, with no more than a hint of color, in pastel shades, when the mists shifted to reveal part of a thousand-foot cliff, a broken crag, the worn ribs of the mountain, or the uncertain outline of a shore, far below.

Height, depth and contour were confused. I thought not of the gorgeous picture cards but of those sombre, imaginative engravings in the old Family Bible, the ones depicting the Creation, the Ark on the Flood, the Tower of Babel. Lines from Genesis and Job came to mind:

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Darleen Griffin (above), 21, a war worker employed in an aircraft plant at Los Angeles, was chosen by the National Progressive Chiropractic association in 20th annual convention at Los Angeles as its "victory venus." She beat out several hundred other competing beauties.

1,000 to 2,000 feet above the surface.

From points all around the rim, visitors look on rocks ground by ancient rivers of ice, on huge cones of cinder and slag, distant lava fields and farther away the towering crests which still support glaciers and are white with everlasting snow. And as they see fragments of a mountain that exploded, the imagination strains to conceive of that gigantic shape—that ghost mountain—which once rose in this place, dwarfing all the rest. Scattered rock and embers remain, now, as the last reminders of the catastrophe and these remnants of an awesome past, a disaster deep in the mystery of time, are today mere items in the setting of Crater Lake.

As if on sentry duty, guarding the lake from any harsh encounter with forces which destroy, gnarled white-barked pine hold the heights about the serene water and detachments of Alpine pine and Douglas fir are on patrol around the rim itself. Pressing down the ridges, filling the mountain valleys and marching in green array all down the vast slopes, is a formidable army of cedar, spruce and hemlock.

Instead of the dazzling snow and glittering ice and lurid flames that were the colors of ruthless warfare in a period long gone, we see today the quiet shades of leaf and fern moss, in dells of green twilight, and we note the ruddy hue of pumice desert and the constant rocks, in pale lavender, fawn, silver gray and ashes of roses, and flowers of an exquisite delicacy.

For nature, as with us, warfare sometimes may be the way to true peace. Cataclysmic might and violence incredible, by human standards, precede the serenity of mountain and lake that we hold dear. Cosmic upheavals in the ocean bed bring into being those glamorous islands that adorn the sea.

This, surely, is the lesson of Crater Lake, especially for today's soldier as he enters a war so stupendous that it may take the best years of his life and carry him to some remote region of a globe whirling incessantly on its hazardous path among the stars.

Camp C.W.S. Admits Getting Along Okey

The Chemical Warfare section of SCU 1911 has finally come into its own! It now boasts a total of five enlisted men in its complement, the two latest additions being Privates Joe Kenally and Ray Salvaño, formerly of the old DEMIL section and now Hq. Co. The remaining men, all graduates of Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, are Sgt. Bob Nastre, and Privates John McCormick and Charlie Fabich.

However, Sgt. Nastre will soon be returning to Edgewood for the Officer Candidate school and it seems that the CWS section will never reach its full quota of six men.

Col. Ferch Speaker At Corvallis Legion

Adm. Officer Tells 'em Must Wake Up to War

The need for the people of Corvallis to become aware of the seriousness of the present world conflict was cited by Col. George C. Ferch, executive officer of Camp Adair, when he addressed members of American Legion Post No. 11 last Friday night.

Only one person in 10 in Corvallis, in the colonel's opinion, is really fully aware that there is a war on and he said that a concrete example of this is the property owners who have property to rent.

Colonel Ferch pointed out that it is the patriotic duty of veteran organizations, such as the American Legion, to impress upon the public mind the seriousness of the present war.

In an effort to dispell the idea that the soldiers stationed at Camp Adair are merely a bunch of "gunners," the officer reported that they are a fine group of men. The troops are entitled to some fun while off duty, and he said that they are no more difficult to handle than college students after a big football game and are less trouble than adults attending a convention.

Colonel Ferch is a past commander of both the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts.

Chow Hounds Concoct Exquisite Dreams as Mess Sgt. Gets Raise

Headquarters company agreed, in toto, Consensus, with much sagacious nodding of nogzins, was that "he got his just desserts."

Occasion was the announcement on Friday of the promotion of Mess Sgt. Lester W. Bowman to the grade of staff sergeant. "Pop," as S Sgt. Bowman is more familiarly known, came to Camp Adair from Ft. Lewis, before the tall, tall grass of Tent city was trampled by marching feet. In other words,

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Although S/Sgt. Bowman was not available for a direct statement, or to receive the congratulations of the press, it is taken for granted that headquarters' mess will be improved proportionately. Demi-tasse will replace the present coffee mug and tea as well as table spoons will soon grace our board.

Rumor that "Pop" whipped up the now infamous S.O.S. breakfast special is of a malicious nature and has no basis in fact.

Sgt. Sees Green Shrubs; Turns Green With Envy

M/Sgt. Gillis Narramore called at the Hdq. Co. orderly room to sign the payroll. (Sure, even master sergeants do that.) He puffed up the steps, wide-eyed over the sight of the rose bush in bloom, the green trees and shrubs, and the tiny blades of grass coming out of the ground. Then, having caught his breath, after such exertion, he remarked:

"Where did you ever get all of the trees and beautiful things?" "From a nursery," replied 1st Sgt. Ray Atkins, always willing to help a fellow needing a lift, or a push.

"Fine," said Sgt. Narramore, "but I, too, have a nursery."

"Sure," Sgt. Atkins acknowledged, "you mean the M.P. barracks, but although your plants are green, they won't grow."

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Robert L. (Bob) Ball, camp photography concessioner and artist, has just received word of his selection among 15 Master Photographers of the nation. Selection was made by Charles Abel, publisher of "The Professional Photographer," and executive manager of the Photographers' Association of America.

Mr. Ball is humbly pleased with this section and says it is the highest honor his profession could confer. He has been a portraiture artist in Corvallis for years and

carries on the Ball studio, started by his father many years ago.

The camp studio is about ready to open. Films and amateur work are now accepted at any post exchange, and soldiers will meet Mr. Ball in connection with his work here in camp.

Capt. O'Shea Is New Camp Judge Advocate

Capt. John F. O'Shea, who recently arrived here from Fort Douglas, Utah, has been appointed

Camp Judge Advocate. Lt. Arthur W. Kirschenmann, who had served in that capacity temporarily, has been reassigned as Assistant Camp Judge Advocate.

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