

Pickin' Pears

News, Gossip, Comment
From Camp White

By L. J. "Tick" Malarkey
So many darn nice things had been said about the young fellow who is running Fitchner's garage—this was a guy we ought to know. For instance, a member of company A, where the fellows don't always track so hot, missed his bus and another one wouldn't be along for hours.

"Come on, I'll take you out," said Warren Fitchner. Fitchner spent 37 months down under in the south Pacific with the 41st division, slugging it out most of this time with the Japs. Kid Warren was a foot soldier—one who marched with the thumping, bumping, tramping infantry.

He has a lot of "lettuce," too, on the old uniform. Medals of one kind and another, and a purple heart. Pretty nearly lost his right arm in June, 1944, when a slug tore through just above the elbow and gangrene set in. The doctors fixed him up and he went back into combat and was lucky the rest of the trip.

Wife Gloria and he have a sprout by the name of Wallace, going on three. In addition to running Fitchner's garage he is commander of the Medford post, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"Make this your home anytime you are over town," was the way he said s'long.

Frances Flynn—Her maiden name used to be Perry and whose brother is Manager Allen Perry of the U. S. National bank. Vera Humphrey made the introduction after the Junior Red Cross had put on a splendid birthday party for 46 of the members who's birthdays came in May. The festivities were held out of doors in the plot now known as "Sears Half Acre."

Frances Perry Flynn graduated from Oregon in 1925, and is proud of the fact that she is a grandma now. Lives in town, but there is a peach and pear orchard out Jacksonville way. We talked about Mary Cellars Phipps, Dolph's wife, and a lot of the other girls who are on the campus when the war drums began to beat in '17. It was fun to go down "memory lane" while the remains of the Red Cross party were getting put away.

Charlie Paschal, company 1, member of Camp White.

The ex-marine is a "re-tread" of the corps. Was doing a hitch when WW I got into production and in the St. Mihiel drive in 1918, the shell that took the lives of 18 of his buddies broke his jaw and for him the war was over. For 15 years Charlie counted the time until they called him back after Pearl Harbor. A medical discharge ended his WW II hitch. He followed railroad work until a year ago, leaving the job only after he was physically unable to hold up his end of the load. So to the plains of White came the leatherneck.

We went to feed his pair of Angora cats. They make their home about a mile from the station in some abandoned heating boilers some one bought from the army and left across the road from the station entrance. Seemed that "Jeff" the prospector found this pair of kittens starving in one of the vacant buildings where they had been forgotten by the former tenant. He broke a window, got them out and began to feed them. "Jeff" went to the hills to again search for ore and Charlie inherited the kittens.

They are full grown now. Tom will weigh 15 pounds; Mom a lot smaller. Twice a day they are fed and watered and will have nothing to do with company when Charlie brings friends to what he calls "Operation Cats."

"I just don't like to see helpless animals go hungry," he said. Maybe feeding them is my hobby. I know what it is like to be hungry—I've been that way a time or two myself.

Quite a bit of friend Paschal's pension money goes to a fancy food for his two pets and if he gets well enough to go back to railroad work it is a safe bet that Tom and Mom will go with him. Today they are contented cats—the old leatherneck gunner sergeant sees to that.

"We can bake 100 loaves of bread a day in our ovens here. In the meantime we are getting the rest of our bread from Roseburg." This is the way the baker's strike hits out here. Hot biscuits and corn bread are coming along to reinforce the situation. And the boys all want some of that homemade bread out of Camp White's ovens.

Fools Creek

Fools Creek, June 2—Mrs. L. J. Cowie gave a party May 23 in honor of her daughter, Judy Kay's, seventh birthday. Attending were Susie Towel, Sylvia Adams, Louise, Kathy and Carolyn Patch, Marilyn and Jimmie Doolittle, Johnny Drapp and Bobby Cowie and their mothers. Games were played and refreshments of birthday cake, ice cream, pop and coffee served.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Snelling have a new grandson, born to their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Snelling of Glendale, at a Grants Pass hospital, May 21, and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Howard have a new granddaughter, born to their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Howard of Dunsmuir, Cal., at a Medford hospital, May 22.

Mrs. Cora Taylor of Redding, Cal., came, May 25, to spend several weeks with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McLallen. Mr. and Mrs. A. Adams were hosts at a weiner roast at their ranch home on the right fork of the creek Saturday evening, May 27. The occasion was their 11th wedding anniversary and the 14th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Cowie. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brice, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tweist, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bigman, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bacon, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Grubbs, Mrs. Mary Drapp, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Cowie and Mr. and Mrs. A. Adams.

Serving on the election board at the Community hall, May 19, were Mrs. Laura Daily, Roy Cameron, Mrs. Letsy Miller, Mrs. Beth Potter and Mrs. Simmons.

The Grange

Butte Falls Grange will hold its anniversary meeting, June 5, at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium. It is hoped that all members will be present and all charter members are especially urged to come.

Sams Valley Grange H.E.C. held the regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Juanita Gamsby on May 26. It was decided that the ladies of the group will get together on June 7 and clean the ground around the grange building. A festive note will be added to the occasion by having a weiner bake at conclusion of work. It is hoped that this will have its usual effect on the men of the community and attract enough to help make the clean up job a pleasant holiday. Leona Huston tendered her resignation as publicity chairman and Juanita Gamsby was appointed to the place. Next meeting will be at the home of Leona Huston on June 30.



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