

Pickin' Pears News, Gossip, Comment From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH
Mothers day and Hospital day were both remembered here with garlands and bouquets of flowers for the chapel and infirmary. A huge floral offering of wild azaleas was brought in Saturday from the Jerome Prairie Garden club under sponsorship of Mrs. Edward Ganvung of Grants Pass. They were distributed in a highly decorative manner.

Aspecial incident in the infirmary was the arrival on May 12 of a brand new refrigeration unit for preserving the penicillin and other medicinals. It had been on order and was delivered, appropriately, on Hospital day.

In view of the restricted character of hospitalization at Camp White, and as a special review on this occasion, Manager Paul A. Hatton consented to clarify the situation prevailing in these words:

"The Veterans Administration's predominant function at Camp White is the furnishing of domiciliary care for those suffering from permanent and chronic disabilities which are disabling and not susceptible of cure or improvement by hospitalization.

"However, in order to provide proper care to domiciled members it is necessary to operate on a permanent basis a medical division composed of a professional staff of doctors and nurses, an infirmary, an x-ray department, a dental clinic, a surgery, a medical laboratory, a dietitian, a social service department and such other auxiliary medical personnel as may be required.

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One new feature of the program at Camp White is the establishment of a complete physical medicine rehabilitation department which, according to Hatton, "will begin as soon as trained personnel to operate the department can be recruited." Preparations for this set up have been under way for some time. The special educational therapy and corrective therapy in addition to physiotherapy treatment presently given.

Some idea of the number of people who visit Camp White daily is shown in a recent tabulation based upon a count by the guards at the entrance. An average of 223 cars and 48 trucks daily was reported.

A crew of men is busy putting the new cemetery near Eagle Point in condition for the dedication exercises to be held as a special feature of Memorial day. In connection with Memorial day, when service organizations receive deserved attention, recognition of the newest order in this fraternity of men who have met the test of war, is appropriate.

The American Legion, the VFW and DAV find a fourth member group well established at Camp White. It is called the Veterans of World War I, with national status and headquarters at Cleveland, O.

Barracks 14 of the World War veterans came into being at the domiciliary Sept. 25, 1951. It now has an enrollment of 100 members and bears the distinction of having the first wheel chair handicapped commander in the country—quiet, easy going Jim Almond. George I. Tallmadge, another quiet, soft spoken gentleman, is adjutant. And Tommie Thompson, poet laureate of Camp White, is in charge of publicity.

Other officers include Arthur Medinnus, senior vice-commander and secretary; Valentine Flohs, junior vice-commander; John Foley, chaplain; Carroll D. Moody, sergeant at arms, and Allen V. Brockmuhl, trustee.

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month during the summer and twice a month during the remainder of the year. At present, a move is under way to establish an auxiliary. While patterned along the lines of other service organizations, World War I veterans are unique in confining membership to those who saw service in this armed conflict. Service pension at the age of 55 is the principal objective in national legislation.

Among visitors for a day at

Probe Asked on Mac's Proposal For Korea Truce

Washington — (U.P.) — Rep. Charles J. Kersten, R-Wis., wants Congress to investigate a report that Gen. Douglas MacArthur proposed a truce in Korea last year because he knew the Communists could not hold out much longer.

Brig. Gen. Bonner Fellers, psychological warfare chief under MacArthur, said that MacArthur asked the Chinese field commander to "talk truce or a cease fire" after his forces intercepted a Red message to Peking saying the Communist position was "untenable."

He quoted the Communist message as saying: "Get us a cease fire until we can build up."

Kersten said in a statement placed in the congressional record that Fellers' "sensational information... calls for swift and thorough investigation."

"General MacArthur," he said, "knew that to fall for such a

Camp White:
Charley Mack, screen star of Universal International Pictures in a return engagement celebrating his honeymoon with his Central Point bride.

G. R. Shaw, service officer of the American Legion, Department of Oregon, meeting Wednesday with veterans needing assistance of the kind provided by the Legion in handling special problems.

growths of subterranean clover. From there, the tour will proceed to the G. E. Ousterhout place near Camp White to observe a field of Burnet.

Prior to World War II, green coffee auctions were held four times a week in London's Mincing Lane.

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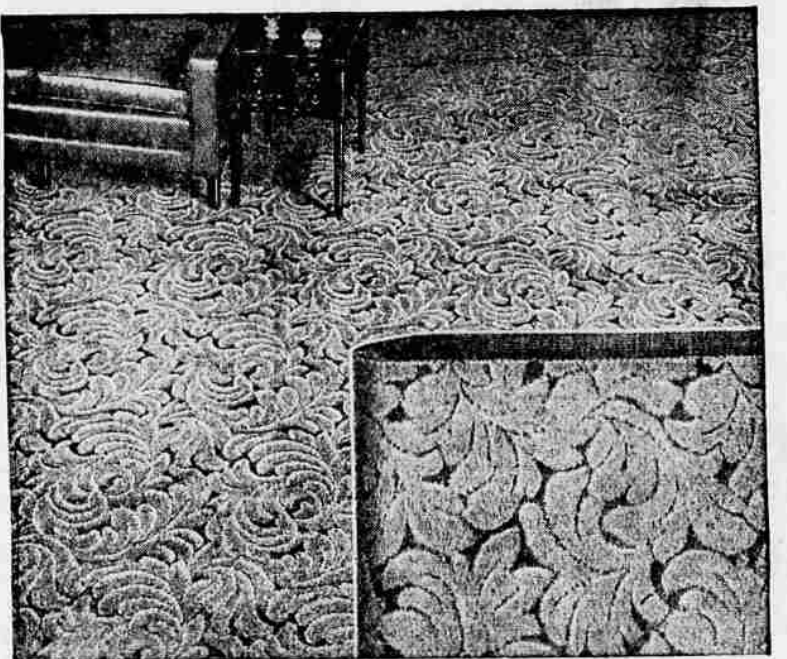
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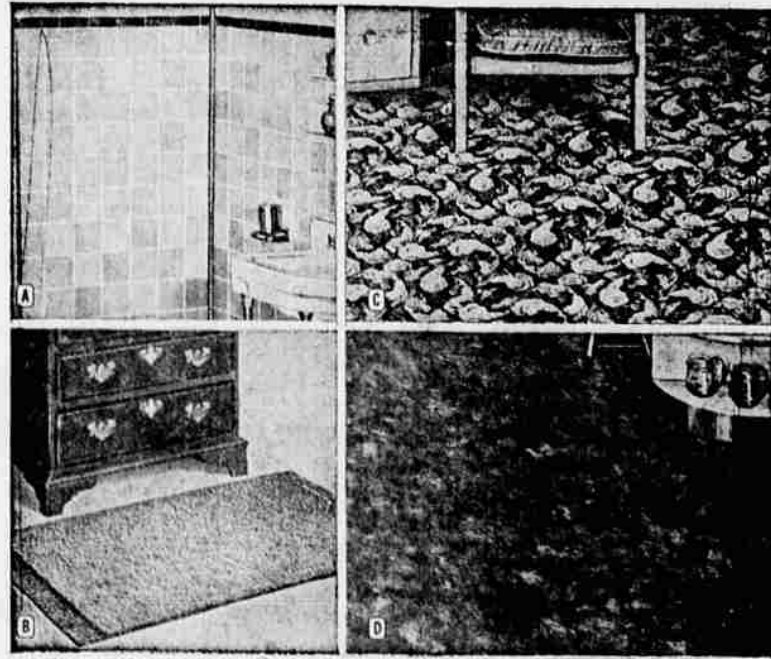
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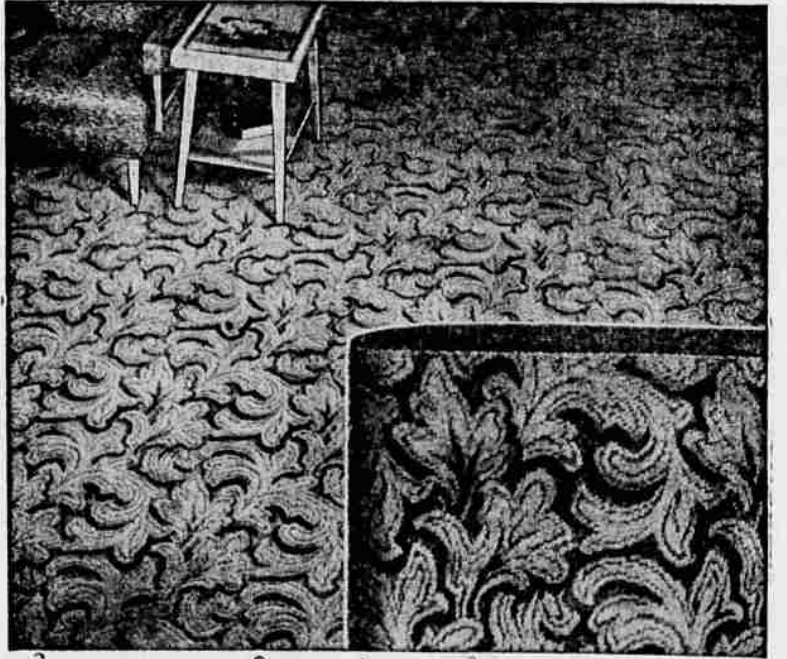
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