

Pickin' Pears

News and Notes
From Camp White

This column pays tribute to Tick Malarkey who died in the Portland VA Hospital Thursday. The column was really his "baby," although it is no longer an infant, having grown to become not only a feature of this newspaper, but a unique means, not duplicated elsewhere in any part of the country, for conveying to the public the happenings of a VA domiciliary center.

"Tick" was not a newspaperman, strictly speaking. But he had a personality that understood human nature and he had the gift of telling about the veterans whom he knew so well in a way that captured widespread interest.

He left a mark in the Rogue River valley, not only as a columnist but as a staunch promoter of this part of the state of Oregon. This writer has a high regard for L. J. "Tick" Malarkey who gave his personal endorsement to the transition, when he decided to retreat to the Ashland woods during the summer of 1952, where he kept a lookout for forest fires in the forestry department.

In all of the intervening period "Tick" accepted the change with a graciousness that was distinctive about the man. He accepted his fate in the same spirit, and he made a great but losing fight to regain his health.

Last summer he tried to stage a comeback and wrote several of his best columns before he was called to Portland. "I will only be gone for a short check-up," he said in a note. But he had to stay until the end.

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH
Marie Rehling, the Red Cross worker, has found a new interest in a show. It is a collection of colored slides of places here and abroad which she has visited.

The traveling idea seems to have been overlooked lately as an attraction, due possibly to the cold war.

When Marie had shown half of the collection she brought along at the Red Cross party last week, she asked the audience if they wanted to see more of the views and received spontaneous approval. Another showing will be held next month.

Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, France and Italy were countries visited by this means. Miss Rehling has managed to take the unusual type of picture, giving the effect of freshness of viewpoint.

She also gives an informal account of the place, the people and the occasion. She has her own rapid fire projector and took the shots with her own color camera. The men look forward to her Oregon "roundup" of places visited.

Marie Rehling was born in Denmark, and it so happens that Denmark was in the ascendant that night. For over in the VFW meeting, Hans Sorenson, another Dane, was playing his "squeeze box" and singing, while a bevy of Miss Pat's girls in native costume danced around the hall.

The Camp White correspondent must be slipping in keeping up with the news. On Checking with Jim Adam in the coffee shop concerning the new continuous hours from 6 to 8 during week days, he learned that they had been in effect for a month.

It is an added convenience offered by Canteen Manager Bryan, enabling visitors as well as members to eat an early dinner.

The food department meals, and the new machine-made donuts are now as much of an attraction as the five cent cup of coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ty Teorey were here renewing old ties last week. Ty was a special services technician who could MC a show or show members how to use tools in arts and crafts. The Teoreys have returned to Medford from high Colorado, where Ty, a watchmaker by trade, was employed.

World war veterans are noted for being a little careless in handling their money. A story that tops them all is one about a home member who drew a \$500 certified check out of the bank, carried it around a few days, and then tore it up when he found he had no further use for it.

Notices made out by section leaders and delivered to members' beds for "appointments" are called "Butterflies." Henry Huls received one the other day which had him guessing. It called for a meeting with Bill Cody, the fire chief and director of fund raising campaign. The place was specified as the conference room.

Now there are several conference rooms at Camp White—one in the administration building, one in Building 218, the Veterans Hall and the Green Room. After much wheeling around, Henry learned he was to meet Bill Cody at the doctors conference room, where he was "drafted" to assist in the United Fund drive this year.

An evacuation drill was held recently and Bill Cody reports that all of the buildings were emptied in seven minutes, a record accomplishment. The time for the last drill of the kind was 10 minutes. "We still have a few kinks to iron out on procedure," Assistant Manager Ruffin states.

Logger Killed in Crash of Airplane

Goldendale, Wash.—(U.P.)—Guy Adams, 49-year-old Klickitat logger, was killed outright late Friday when his light Aeronca Chief plane caught its landing gear on a power line and crashed while attempting to land at a private airfield south of Klickitat.

Sheriff E. C. Kaiser said the plane nosed into the ground, driving the engine into the cockpit. The craft did not burn.

Insurance Company President Succumbs

Portland—(U.P.)—Raymond R. Brown, president of the Standard Insurance company here since 1947, died yesterday of a heart attack. He was 57.

Brown came to Portland in 1919 and spent his entire business career with Standard. He long had been active in heart disease research organizations. Survivors include the widow and two children.

WEATHER By United Press
Northern California: Fair in central California Sunday but increasing cloudiness north portion, light rain coastal sections Fort Bragg northward Sunday. Local fog on coast, cooler north interior Sunday, variable winds 8-16 mph near coast.



"AN UNFORGIVABLE THING TO DO," is way Mrs. Ruth Berg (right), Mira Loma, Cal., characterized kidnaping of baby Robert Marcus from San Francisco hospital by daughter, Mrs. Betty Benedicto (left) who is in custody after returning child. (International)

Anti-Gambling Drive Slated in Lane County

Eugene—(U.P.)—District Attorney Eugene Venn Saturday announced his office will wage an all-out campaign to rid Lane county of gambling devices.

Venn said he has sent letters to local fraternal organizations and other private clubs giving them 10 days to get rid of any gambling devices.

The district attorney warned that after 10 days anyone possessing gambling equipment will

be prosecuted.

Portland—(U.P.)—James Minor was doing some excavating at the Oregon Steel Mills here when he dug up a \$20 gold piece minted in 1902. The coin was in good condition and is worth about \$35 as a collector's item.

Weed Tolerance in Seeds Announced

Salem—(U.P.)—The State Department of Agriculture has estimated the maximum number of certain noxious weed seeds which may be present in agriculture and vegetable seeds sold in Oregon. The tolerances become effective Saturday.

The noxious weed seeds for which limits are set are those which the 1955 Oregon seed law classes as "restricted." The law also names another group as "prohibited" noxious weed seeds not one of which is permissible in planting seeds sold in this state.

For the restricted group the allowable maximum of alkali mallow and Deathweed or Sumpweed is 45 per pound of vegetable of agricultural seed; Buckhorn, Plantain, Sheep Sorrel, Corn Cockle and the Docks, 360 per pound; St. Johnswort or goatweed, 180 per pound; blue lettuce, Puncture Vine and the Star Thistles, 18 per pound. The tolerance in this group is tightest on the dodders, only nine of which are allowable in a pound of seeds—sold for planting purposes.

Gasoline Sales in State Set Record

Salem—(U.P.)—Oregon motor vehicle fuel sales rose 13 per cent in August to break all previous records for a single month, the secretary of state's office said Saturday.

The total was 63,899,023 gallons, up 7,513,225 gallons over August a year ago.

State gasoline taxes for the month amounted to \$3,833,941, about 11 per cent of which will be refunded for vehicles operated on private lands.

In terms of street and highway travel, the August gallon-

OUT ON BOUNDS

Wichita, Kan.—(U.P.)—Summer heat brought acceptance of Bermuda shorts by University of Wichita students, both men and women, but they avoided the air-conditioned Morrison Library while wearing them. "Just too cold," one explained.

age indicated Oregon drivers rolled some 731,000,000 miles during the month, an all-time high.

Traffic fatalities in August reached 39 for a rate of 5.3 deaths in 100,000,000 miles of travel. The rate was 5.2 in August a year ago.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

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