

### Pickin' Pears

News and Notes  
From Camp White

editor's note: This is the second in a series pertaining to volunteers and their services to the veterans of the domiciliary.

Did you ever have a bad dream in the dark of the night in which some one chased you with knife in hand and you couldn't run or call out for help? Maybe that's the way some of the people feel who have had strokes or other accidents which deprive them of the use of their limbs or speech.

To help a small group in this sort of predicament, the two very dedicated Red Cross workers, Mrs. Almee Deuel and Mrs. Bertha Bardwell, have for nearly 10 years worked with these men to alleviate their helplessness.

Every Wednesday morning Mrs. Deuel comes to the domiciliary, and for an hour and a half, conducts a class, 9:30 to 11 a.m. For an hour and a half, month in and month out, year in and year out, she gives her time and energy to three or four men, who are trying to read and write and talk again.

Last Wednesday she put on the board, "Dissensions like small streams are first begun; scarce seen, they rise, but gather as they run.—Samuel Garth."

Charles read this selection of wisdom out loud. Then Roy read it. And Leo from the Philippines read it too. Mrs. Deuel praised the three men for the capable way they had each read aloud the quotation she had put on the board.

Next came a little book written for children on animals. One read about the Panda. It developed as the men read, that the Panda was not a bear after all, but a member of the raccoon family. Another read of the hippopotamus. At last it came Roy's turn. He read the last paragraph about how fierce was the "hippo" when she fought for her young.

Practical, carefully planned thought-provoking questions on geography and arithmetic followed. Mrs. Deuel who is co-chairman of the Red Cross, has been doing this work for several years, and many men at the domiciliary have known the great benefit of her patient efforts and capable instructions.

Did you try smiling lately? It works like magic.

Mrs. Bertha Bardwell who for 16 years was chairman of the Red Cross Grey Ladies, also came smiling to the domiciliary Monday morning and for an hour and half, gave her time to three men who were trying to read, write and talk again.

She is small and volatile and in her Grey Lady uniform generates great energy and pleasantness among the men. The class at once felt her neat appearance and cheerful attitude.

She comes every Monday morning and for nearly 10 years has never failed to keep her appointment at the domiciliary to help this project.

Three members were present in the little room, where a blackboard stood. She had different assignments for each to do. One did a puzzle. One wrote in a notebook. Another shook dice and used hand and brain in a spelling game. Mrs. Bardwell went from one to the other, and encouraged each man, as he slowly performed his task. Her praise was effective as she told each man how pleased she was when his particular problem was mastered.

It was suddenly apparent that the men were quite proud of what had been accomplished.

At this point, Mrs. Bardwell introduced a note of solemnity and read a prayer, "Teach us, O God, to examine our lives in the light of the cross of Calvary. Strengthen us to cast away all this is unworthy. Help us to place our trust in Him who alone can give us a life. Thus enable us to love and serve Thee. In Jesus' name. Amen."

Immediately following she read a thought for the day, "I will make the King of Kings the Lord of my life."

The class had become thoughtful. Mrs. Bardwell went to the board and wrote a quotation from David Storer Jordan, "Wisdom is knowing what to do next, skill is knowing how to do it, virtue is doing it."

To everyone's surprise, Roy did not agree with the quotation. He pointed out why he thought it was wrong. Whether he was right or wrong, Roy seemed to win the argument. The Red Cross worker laughed infectious. The class had lost its serious mood and was in high good humor. "Why do you teach these veterans?" Mrs. Bardwell was asked.

"It is fascinating," she said. "I like to do it. In fact, I like to be with the men. Being a widow I would stay home all week probably, if it were not

for my Red Cross assignment at the domiciliary."

Her class apparently was very gratified at the answer she had made.

She began a spelling drill. She asked each member to spell a word for her. "Charles," she said, looking at a man with a stricken arm, "spell this word for me." He met the challenge successfully. So did Leo and Roy.

These men often feel they are doing their best spelling as a special favor to her. Mrs. Bardwell is not happy when they fail. But on the other hand, her personality is smiling and rewarding when they win.

Another member came in. There were four. She asked each one to tell something about himself. Leo was born and raised in the Philippines. Charles was born in Missouri. Roy in Iowa. Mike in New Jersey.

Then the teacher greatly surprised her class. She was born in Niagara, N.D.

Infinite patience marks her work to aid these disabled men. Years of energy and effort have been donated by her, to improve in the very slightest way, the attitudes and happiness of the small group that attends the class. Because of the dedicated service, these men have an opportunity of learning and conversing with a person of Mrs. Bardwell's ability, charm and feminine understanding.

In addition to her traveling time, she devotes over 5 hours a week in the preparation of the work she brings to the class. Besides these volunteer duties, Mrs. Bardwell is also VAVS representative of the domiciliary and for the Red Cross of Jackson county.

Some of the results obtained have been slow, but starting just the same. Four years ago, Charles began making the letter "N" on a notebook. He had lost the use of his right arm. Charles still comes to the Red Cross class, but can now write in a plain and legible manner with his left hand.

Leo can talk and make people understand. Roy is almost well, apparently. At any rate he can argue philosophy effectively.

When asked, to comment on the several years of work she had devoted to the project, Mrs. Bardwell smiled again. "I get more out of it than I give," she replied.

The class which meets regularly has a close association with each other and it gives them an incentive to keep alert, Mrs. Deuel said. The preparation of the class work has been a stimulus and great motivation for both Mrs. Bardwell and Mrs. Deuel to give their best to the project.

The men who regularly attend and receive the benefits, are sincerely hopeful that these two dedicated Red Cross workers who are successfully teaching them to read and write and talk again,



IT AIN'T LOVE—"Blinky" the owl and "Boots" the cat appear to be engaged in a smooching session at West Palm Beach, Fla., but these natural mortal rivals aren't as friendly as indicated. The tame owl is inside of a house looking out; the cat was placed on the window sill, and by smearing a trace of hamburger against the glass, the photographer struck pay dirt. (UPI Telephoto)

### Over 100 Scouts Attend Camp McLoughlin Session

The final week of scouting at Camp McLoughlin got off to a start with 100 campers checking in on Sunday afternoon.

Several of the campers had just returned from the National Jamboree held at Colorado Springs. After getting settled in their various campsites, the Scouts were taken on a tour of the camp to get them acquainted with the different areas which were opened to them on Monday afternoon.

The evening meal of ham and baked potatoes was welcomed by all of the campers, staff, and guests. After the meal, a rousing cheer was given for the cook, Mrs. Frances Throne, Gold Hill. Later in the evening, after a water-front demonstration, the group held their first central campfire of the week. An impressive opening ceremony was held by the staff when they came walking into the campfire circle singing the song "Scouting We Go."

The big event that everyone will remember was the annual Water Carnival which was held Saturday afternoon. The grand finale of this event was the watermelon scramble in which the troop that came out of the water with the watermelon got to eat it. King Neptune's blessing was bestowed on all of the winners.

A Sunday morning church service and the noon meal brought the 1960 camp season to a close. Camp director George Brennan declared the camp season a success. He also extended an invitation to those troops who were in attendance and those who were not to attend the bigger and better Camp McLoughlin in 1961.

Don Chilcote, Activities Director.

### Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

What Could Be Better Than Being Knee-Deep in Clover? Any grazing animal that stands "knee-deep in clover" occupies an enviable position; it is like wading in sweetness and fragrance. The farm boy could ask for no greater joy than to lie in a field of red clover and occasionally suck the sweet nectar from the florets of an egg-shaped blossom; it leaves in his mouth the sweetness of honey and the fragrance of summer.

Of the 300 odd varieties of clover, the Red, White and Alsike are probably the most important. Of these three the champion would seem to be the so-called Red, or Honey-suckle clover. These plants are classed as legumes, members of the pea family, and of course a valuable "soil improver." In fact soil is actually enriched just for the reason that clover has been nurtured in it; doubly enriched if the clover crop is turned under.

The flower of the clover is a dense, soft, rounded head. In the red variety the head is decidedly egg-shaped. White clover is a favorite of the honey bee, and the source of the very delicious "white clover honey." The white clover is the best lawn cover.

The so-called zig-zag clover is a native of Europe and a valuable livestock food. "Rabbit-foot" clover, sometimes called "old field" clover, has an artistic value because of its grayish-white spikes. It grows wild along roadsides and waste fields. The shamrock of Ireland is said to be a form of clover.

In the evening of each day, after the sun has gone to rest, and the first coolness of the summer night flows across the meadows, the clover plants "go to sleep." The leaflets fold downward, the leaflets on the side fold, like a pair of hands clasped in prayer, the end one folded over the top, and the clover plant is asleep. The white clover too goes to sleep; by folding of the leaflets, their sensitive surfaces are protected from the cold, by radiation.

Once Imported The Australians once imported red clover seed and planted it in the "land down under." The plants flourished and so did the livestock that fed on it; but the following year there was no seed. There were no bumblebees in Australia, and the clover needs the attention of these insects. Pollination without the bumblebee is not possible. Its weight on the keel of the flower is adjusted by nature to be just right, and the long tongue of this insect can reach the sweet.

By so doing it can be dusted with the pollen that must be carried to another waiting clover plant. So, the bees were brought in, and lo, it worked; the following year the bees and the clover flourished. It is a strange but very important affinity that exists between the bee and the clover plant.

As valuable as clover is, and as desirable, it's rather strange that it was at one time considered to be a "mystic plant." Various forms of good and bad luck were thought to be the reward, or punishment, for those that carried a clover leaf of more than three leaflets. Some still believe "we will be in clover" if we find a four-leaf clover. (Released by The Register and Tribune Syndicate, 1960)

Accident Involves Truck and Train Ashland - A logging truck and trailer rig narrowly missed serious damage when it collided with a switch engine just outside of Ashland, Friday.

The truck skid 102 feet, but only extended six inches over the track when the switch engine, pulling three locomotives and about 85 cars, struck it.

Clifford Cusack Hord, Redding, Calif., was driving his truck on Crowson rd. toward Highway 99 when he spotted the train. The engineer was Harry A. Stone, Dunsmuir, Calif.

The train was not able to stop in time to avoid a collision. Both vehicles were able to leave the scene under their own power.

Hord was advised by police that a complaint for failure to stop at a railroad crossing would be filed in Ashland justice court.



MISS INTERNATIONAL BEAUTY — Stella Marquez, representing the country of Colombia, was named Miss International Beauty in Long Beach, Calif., late Friday in the final judging of the International Beauty Congress pageant. The attractive young lady, who is 5 feet, 7 inches tall, weighs 126 pounds and measures 37½-24½-37½, won out over the five finalists from England, India, Iceland and the USA. (UPI Telephoto)

### Letter To Request Names For Streets

A letter will be sent by the city planning commission to the Southern Oregon Historical society to request a list of suitable names for city streets, if possible, according to action at Thursday's commission meeting.

The problem is in re-naming a length of street between Highland and Ellendale drs. in the proposed Crestview subdivision. In the interest of consistency in street naming, the planning office has recommended that the east-west street be changed so as to extend the existing Crestbrook rd. east of Ellendale dr. west into the new subdivision.

Developers in the area, the Seventh Day Adventist church, have suggested one name for the street, Maranatha st. Acceptance or approval of the name has not been made pending further ideas.

### Car Stolen as Owner Attends Festival

Ashland—A car stolen from two Shakespearean Festival visitors, Friday night, was recovered in Grants Pass at 12:15 a.m. Saturday, Ashland police reported.

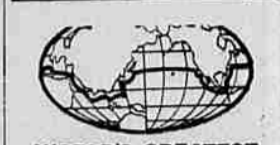
The two Seattle visitors were watching a production of "The Tempest" when the car was taken from its parking place in downtown Ashland. The thief was not apprehended.

### Division Chairman Appointment Told

Dr. Douglas P. Philips, Medford veterinarian, has been appointed chairman of the special events division of the 1960 United Medford Crusade campaign. UMC officials have announced.

Dr. Philips, a member of St. Mark's Episcopal church, Medford Kiwanis club and Elks lodge is health and safety chairman for the Big Pines district of the Boy Scouts of America.

A graduate of Medford High school and Washington State university, he lives at 125 Willamette with his wife, Molly, and daughter, Teresa.



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