

American Legion



Notes

By F. W. Lowrie

There will be a pot luck dinner at the Groves-Walker Post, Home for the members and their families on Thursday, March 18. A program has been worked out that should please everyone.

We are sorry to learn that John Aland is confined to his home, ill with lumbago.

The 17th District Meeting will be held on Friday, April 2. It will be held at the Farmington High School Auditorium at 8:00 o'clock. This is a joint meeting of the Legion and the Ladies Auxiliary.

Do your part for Victory. Buy more Bonds and Stamps - save your scrap - and don't be an absentee from your War work.

WEST FARMINGTON

Mrs. Sarah Knapp

The West Farmington Extension Group met at the home of Mrs. Arthur Green, 37800 Fourteen Mile Road on Thursday, with 27 ladies attending and getting the lesson on buying fabrics for clothing. The lesson was brought to the group by their leaders, Mrs. Selma Johnson and Mrs. Watkins. Plans were made for Achievement Day, which will be held in Pontiac. The group presented Mrs. Alden Green, their leader, with a nursery scales at the March meeting.

Mrs. Edith Graham, who has been very sick, is a little better.

Mrs. Nick Sarantides of Detroit spent a few days last week with her niece, Mrs. William Knapp.

Mrs. Rena Drew of Beaverton is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Halsted.

SERVICE NOTES

Bill Plink writes his mother from his station in Miami, Florida, of his experiences in doing his own washing. It seems he was wet from head to toe and finally gave up and sent it to the laundry.

Harry Barnes reports for his medical examination on March 25.

Pfc James Ryall writes his mother that he has been released from the hospital and is now assigned to administrative duties in Australia.

The Henry Debanhes have received word that their son, Henry Debanke, Jr., is now a Private First Class.

Henry O. Hatch, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. Hatch of Alyce Kay Road, left Thursday for the Army.

Camp Robinson March 14, 1943

Gentlemen: I have been receiving your paper regularly each week on Sunday morning, and want to thank you very much. I really appreciate it.

It really means a great deal to me and to other men in the service to read about the home town and familiar places.

I like especially the columns "Around the Block" and "Service Notes."

I am now receiving basic training and will be transferred to a regular outfit in two weeks.

Very Sincerely Yours, Private Kenneth L. Jones

Corporal Glen Tracey of Gulfport, Mississippi, is visiting his brother, Harvey Tracey on Green, left Boulevard.

Technical Corporal Barbara Ryall is spending a fourteen day furlough with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Ryall, Barbara is stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. She received word of her promotion on Tuesday.

Richard Seebaldt, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Seebaldt of Edward Avenue, who enlisted in the service, left for Fort Custer.

Wednesday, March 10, to begin his training.

Private William Roland, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Holker on Twelve Mile Road, is located in Oregon at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mathews of Tuck Road received word from their son, Corp. Gordon C. (Bud) Mathews that he has been moved from Blythe, California, to El Paso, Texas, for further training.

Roger Gladfelter of St. Francis reports to his induction center at Pontiac on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scullard of Randall have received word from their son, Private Wilfred J. Scullard, that he has been moved from St. Petersburg, Florida, to Sacramento, California, where he is preparing for a lieutenancy in the Army Air Forces.

Private Peter Munn of Twelve Mile Road, who left for service recently, is training in the Engineers at Camp Swift, Texas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Munn.

Ray Mahoney, stationed at Inglewood, California, has been promoted from Private First Class to Corporal.

Private Hugh A. Schulkins, the son of Mrs. C. Schulkins of Florida Drive, has written home that he is in Tacoma, Washington.

Candidate Thomas Brown is attending Officers Candidate School at Camp Davis, North Carolina. Private William Brown is in Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, where he was employed as an Aircraft Mechanic by the Wayne County Airport at Romulus.

Private James J. Adams, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Adams on Twelve Mile Road, is at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, where he is receiving training with the Link Trainer instructor.

Private Albert Lowell Ryall is home on furlough. He wishes to express his appreciation to the Blue Star Mothers for the lovely gift box which he received from them. Private Ryall will leave early on March 22, to return to his post at Luke Field, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Schweizer have received a letter from their son, Kenneth, who is in the Air Corps, stationed at Altus, Oklahoma, that he and eight of his buddies are in quarantine for measles.

Ruth M. Kripko, WAAC, has been promoted to the rank of Corporal. She is stationed at Wilmington, North Carolina.

John Orofino, president of the Farmington High School graduating class of 1942, will be inducted into service on March 22.

Dear Sir: I received two of the papers you sent me, and I am glad to receive them. It seems good to know what's going on in Farmington. I suppose it is getting warm up there.

The weather is nice sometimes down here, but it gets bad on the other days. It rains and snows sometimes and the ships are

grounded until the weather clears. As you probably know, I am a mechanic on aeroplanes. I get up at 5:00 a.m. every morning, go to lunch at 11:30 a.m., go back to work at 12:30 p.m. and go to dinner at 5:30 p.m. After dinner I go in the day room and play pool or tennis. You see every squadron has a day room. It is like a recreation room. We have magazines, a pool table and table tennis.

Yours very truly, Private Fred Humphrey.

Private Ray Goers has completed his basic training and has been transferred to the Teaneck Army, New Jersey, for advanced training in anti-aircraft. He telephoned his parents from New Jersey on Saturday night.

Two Farmington men have entered the Navy as apprentice seamen and are undergoing training at the U. S. Naval Training Station at Great Lakes, Illinois. The new recruits are Frank G. Church, 49, son of Frank Church, 28860 12 Mile Road, and William J. Hart, 18, son of Mrs. Jennie Hart, Vista Villa Estate.

Private John L. Weinberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Weinberg, 499 Henry Street, Detroit, stationed at the Romulus Army Air Field at Romulus, Michigan, has recently been promoted to a Sergeant. Prior to entering the service he was employed as an Aircraft Mechanic by the Wayne County Airport at Romulus.

An Island in the South Pacific February 2, 1943

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It was almost seven months ago that I last said "Hello" to you. And if you remember, I said that I was saying goodbye to the Hawaiian Islands. As I recall now I said the following day to where? Your guess is just the answer, for I'm not allowed to say I've been down here on these islands now for over six months.

But first, before I start to wander around, I wish to thank you for all the lovely Christmas and birthday cards. I have enjoyed reading every one and wish to report the arrival of the Farmington Enterprise. Sometimes three or four at a time, but I get great enjoyment in reading them.

There isn't much that I'm allowed to write about down here. But I think I can describe these islands with two words—coconut trees and jungle. So I'll try and tell you a few other interesting things that are of no military value.

One day a short time after arriving here at this island, I took my clothing to some natives, to have them washed. I also took a bar of soap, knowing that they wouldn't have any. I handed them the soap and clothing, but before I could turn around and start walking they had the soap gone. Yes, they had eaten it.

I think that all of you have heard or read about this next one, but never seen them. I am speaking of climbing fish. Fish that actually climb trees. Along the bay where the trees hang out over the water, there is a fish climbs on the trunks and branches of the trees.

Then one more thing that seemed very odd to me, was a sensitive

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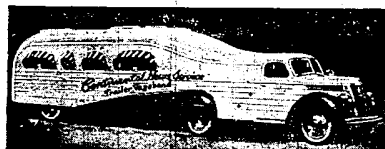
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"TRAILER VAGABOND"



By WARREN BAYLEY

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Most of us take our movies for granted. We enjoy one or we don't, but we do not take into consideration the almost unbelievable ingredients that go into its making.

On lot 1 at this studio there is a two-story concrete building which houses the make-up department, microscopes, cameras, and a host of other things. Here the famous Jack Dawson and his corps of experts can, in one hour, make 1200 people appear to be what they are not. Wigs, this have come the celebrities who plastic make-ups, beards, moustaches and other mediums do the trick. Dawson is a sculpture as well as an artist.

Another building contains the wardrobe department where the clothes make the man and the woman. Hanging row upon row are costumes, uniforms of every nationality, period clothes from Colonial battles to the grass skirts of African battles. This department handles as many as 5000 players in a day. Here Irene, the famous designer, creates those gorgeous gowns of Hedy Lamarr, Joan Crawford, Greta Garbo, Eleanor Powell and many other feminine stars.

A research department, which answers an average of 500 questions a day, assures authenticity in every detail in every picture. Files range the walls, containing data and photographs, books and documents covering every known subject. The researchers could, if they had the time, baffles any quiz program on the air.

A music department, with a personnel consisting of distinguished composers and song writers, is constantly creating the melody for pictures. The library carries more than 2,000,000 items. Classic or swing, it's there. The M-G-M music department is appropriately called Hollywood's Tin Pan Alley. Nearly all of the noted Broadway

songs are there. Along with these departments on this lot of varied interest are the cutting rooms, the hope in despair of ambitious. On the cutting room floor are the discarded celluloid likenesses of those who fail. It has to be that way, tragic as it sounds. Not every aspirant is a potential star. Skilled metal can, steady the film with microscopic care. A hopeful youngster is tested before the cameras and the result is flashed hour, make 1200 people appear to be what they are not. Wigs, this have come the celebrities who plastic make-ups, beards, moustaches and other mediums do the trick. Dawson is a sculpture as well as an artist.

Far back on the lot are the film vaults—concrete pit boxes—now protected behind great piles of sandbags. In these vaults is buried treasure—the negative film of triumphant pictures, each in its metal can, sealed and inanimate, yet strangely throbbing with life. There is a story in these vaults—the story of Hollywood that has not yet been written.

Then, traveling to the back lot—where exteriors are filmed, we come to the streets of New York and Chicago, London and Paris—just around the corner a mining town and beyond quaint New England village with its white-spired church. There is a jungle, and a few yards farther on Carvel, the town where the famous Fiey family, of the screen, lives those stories which to many millions follow with avid interest, in another section there stands a gray, forbidding prison; some distance away a railway station; and—believe it or not, in the most remote corner of the lot, a zoo, with lions, elephants, water buffalo and other pictures, a couple of camels and several American buffalo. Certainly it isn't too much of an exaggeration to say of this movie wonderland—it has everything.

(To be continued)

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ELECTION NOTICE

To the qualified electors of the City of Farmington, County of Oakland, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that a Biennial Spring Election will be held in the City of Farmington, in the County of Oakland and State of Michigan on April 5, 1943, from 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing the following officers:

State Justices of the Supreme Court. Regents of the University Superintendent of Public Instruction

Member of the State Board of Education Members of the State Board of Agriculture State Highway Commissioner

City Mayor for a term of two years. Clerk for a term of two years. Treasurer for a term of two years. Assessor for a term of two years. Three Commissioners for a term of two years, to fill vacancy.

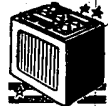
Two Commissioners for a term of two years, to fill vacancy. Two members of the Board of Review for a term of two years. One Justice of the Peace for a term of four years.

Two Constables for a term of two years. Notice is hereby given that March 25, at 8 o'clock p.m. will be the last day to file petitions.

Harry W. Moore, City Clerk. March 11-18

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to say hello again. Pfc Homer F. Middlewood.

Clifford Desmaroux, 22315 Shawnee will leave Thursday for Fort Custer.

Jim Barrons, stationed at Scott Field, Ill., has been promoted to Private First Class.

Staff Sgt. Eugene McKelvey, quartermasters corps at Air Base in Colorado Springs, Colo., is enjoying a 14 day leave with his parents on Fremont St.

LOCALS

Mrs. Margie Catherman has been visiting friends in Port Huron.

Nancy Banks has been ill at her home this week.

Mrs. Clare Grubbs (Mary Jane Schroeder) entertained Mrs. Raymond Fendt, Mrs. Rodney Mahoney and Mrs. Gwen Lancaster at luncheon Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Charles Diamond, who underwent a major operation at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital is reported to be in satisfactory condition.

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