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HOME INTEREST IN UNIT

Staff Sgt. K. W. Langford, Secretary of The Perth County Veteran's Social Club writes to our C.O.

The Perth County Veteran's Social Club was organized a little more than one year ago. One of their chief interests is seeing that we, The Perths, are kept supplied with smokes. We should like to take the opportunity at this time of thanking the Organization for the wonderful work they are doing and they have our sincere good wishes for luck in any of their future undertakings.

Old Tom Soper, the hard bitten R.S.M. who was with us in England was one of the chief characters in the forming of this Club on his return to Canada. Tom knew what the score was in regards to the needs of overseas soldiers and he didn't waste any time in letting the folks back home know what they were. R.S.M. Soper when last heard from was serving under Lt. Col. E. M. Ansell as Camp Sgt. Major at the 4th Infantry Training Battalion in Chatham Ontario.

Last week the C.O. received a letter from the secretary of the Veteran's Social Club, S/Sgt. K. W. Langford. The letter is published hereunder for your interest.

Dear Colonel:

Well at last I have taken the time to write you a letter which I should have written long ago. We received your letter of 24th July 1945 and were both pleased and happy to know that the Regiment was in good spirits and enjoying the best of health.

Regarding the sweaters, we have ordered them from Ballantyne's and they should be ready most any day now. As soon as they are finished, we will forward them to you P.D.Q. We had quite a time trying to get them as the wool can only be managed on a priority basis, however, through some red tape wangling we were able to secure them. Hope they will be O.K. and that your Soccer Team keep up the good work.

Now about our little Organization, or rather, about your Organization. We were formed one year ago on the 5th of August, since that time, our activities have been for the Overseas Tobacco Fund and we have put in more than two thousand dollars. We try to hold a little get-together once a month in the Armouries and these Socials have proven a great success. The Ladies Auxiliary

held a very nice social evening last Friday for the returned men and their lady friends. There were about 125 people there and a lot of old acquaintances were renewed.

Our Club, the Canadian Legion, the Army, Navy and C. N. R. War Vets held a Street Dance and Carnival at Downie Street and Market Square. This was on V. J. Night and was held in aid of the Tobacco Fund. We realized a profit of over one thousand dollars so you can see, the good work is still going on.

Bill Ewart is our new President this year and is doing a wonderful job.

Col. Little and Col. Jose were over to the Social last Friday and seemed to enjoy themselves very much. C. S. M. Dyke returned home the other day and made a call. He is looking very well. We receive a copy of the Perthonian each week and sure do look forward to getting it. Accept our congratulations on such a fine paper.

The Officers and Members of the Club wish to be remembered to you and wish the Officers and Men of the Perth Regiment the best there is as you are deserving of everything.

So-long for now.

K. W. LANGFORD, S/Sgt.
Secretary.

P.S. Don't forget, keep on sending The Perthonian.

PERTHS HONOUR FALLEN

Commemorative Service Held At Sneek Cemetery

Special:— On Thursday the 30th August 1945 the Sneek Committee for the Preservation of Canadian Military Graves held a short but impressive ceremony at the local cemetery.

The Sneek Troop of Boy Scouts under the supervision of Scoutmaster Boot are the attendants of the six graves occupied by fallen heroes of The Queen's Own Rifles. The Scouts are to be complimented on the wonderful care they have taken and are showing daily for our dead comrades.

The ceremonies took place under the direction of the Rev. Nauta of Sneek. After the Perth Guard of Honour and the Boy Scouts had taken their places about the graves, Rev. Nauta opened

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Perths Honour fallen

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the service with a commendable address about the tie which now held our two countries together.

The H/Major Phillips, Chief Protestant Chaplain of 5 Can. Div. added a few words of kindness to the Dutch people for their respect of our dead soldiers and encouraged the relationship of the Dutch and Canadians which now exists in Holland.

Rev. Dr. De Vos, the President of the Contact Committee, Canada, Sneek and Scoutmaster Boot also made short addresses about the sacrifices our country has made for the liberation of all liberty loving countries. As Scoutmaster Boot closed his address, two Scouts broke and unfurled the Canadian Flag from a post, centre and behind the graves. The ladies of the Committee attending then came forward and deposited flowers on each grave, the Boy Scouts dipped their colours and the Perth Guard of Honour presented arms in a General Salute.

Rev. Nauta then spoke a few words in closing and the H/Major Phillips said the Lord's Prayer and the Benediction. The Guard of Honour, under the command of Capt. J. M. Dent, Lieut. M. Storey and Lieut. T. Harris marched off to their forming up point followed by the Boy Scouts.

The Honoured Dead of the Queen's Own Rifles were:

Cpl. A. Cockburn
 Cpl. Fr. R. Shepherd
 Rfm. H. H. Pennell
 Rfm. W. Jackson
 Rfm. G. W. Ouderkirk
 Rfm S. W. Wite

After the completion of the ceremony, Major Phillips conveyed sincere admiration for the soldierly fashion in which the Guard had carried out their duty at the burial grounds. He mentioned his being present at many similar affairs but to his knowledge he had never seen a better turned-out group of well sized men. To the men who participated in this Guard go our appreciation for a task well done.

G. O. C. TAKES SALUTE

Special;— Tuesday 4th September 1945, marked the sixth anniversary of the mustering of the Perth Regiment for Active Service. The day was set aside by the Commanding Officer for the purpose of commemorating the service and sacrifice of all ranks associated with the Regiment in this war.

At 1030 hours there were seven hundred smartly turned out Perth soldiers on the Sport Field awaiting the arrival of the Acting G. O. C., Brigadier I. S. Johnston. The G. O. C.'s vehicle pulled into the field exactly on time and after taking the General Salute, he asked the men to move around his jeep so that all could hear the few words he had to say. He congratulated the troops on their splendid appearance then he gave a brief resume of the glorious history of the Perths. He stressed the importance of making use of the present period to cement old friendships, form new ones and to become steeped in the Perth tradition of co-operation and comradeship and to use this tradition as a buffer against the selfish individualism and dollar worship which is peacetime normaly and which had forgotten.

The G. O. C. then proceeded to the Town Hall and there took the salute as the Battalion marched past.

In the afternoon our Regimental softball stalwarts defeated the 69th Fd. Tpt. Coy. R. C. A. S. C. in the opener of the Army semi-finals. The final score of a remarkably well played game was: Perths 5, 69th Fd. 1.

A street dance was held for the troops in the evening while the Sergeants and Officers enjoyed the festivities in their own messes.

HE'S GOT PULL

Special— This will serve to introduce our new Dental Officer, Capt. S. Harrison hails from Detroit, he graduated from the University of Detroit in 1939 and crossed the Canadian border in September of 1942 to enlist with the Canadian Army, Active Force.

He spent considerable time at the Barriefield Camp, later becoming a member of the staff of No. 2 General Hospital. He came overseas with this hospital in September of 1943, July of 1944 found him sweating it out in Italy with PLDGs, after a few short months with No. 1 Convalescent Depot in Salerno. Capt. Harrison was with PLDG's until March, 1945 when he left them as they returned under command of 1st Division, this was at Olsene, Belgium. He was then attached to 5 CAB W/S who were then at Rowlers, Belgium. From the Workshops he went C.O.F. that was early in July. He returned from C.O.F. on August 28th and is he ever happy about it.

Being a "Yank" he should be an expert at pulling teeth and has given us his promise that he will get to the root of things. To Capt. S. Harrison, we say, "welcome". We sincerely hope your stay with us will be a long and happy one. Of course we may change our minds once we see you in operation.

IN THE DOG-HOUSE YOU'LL APPRECIATE THIS

D Coy: — Shorty and slim are really in the Dog House these days, could it be that Shifty Mike is laid up in a snarl from drinking his own steam and can't run off any brews.

Dog Company "Hunt Club" has been cut down a notch. One of the "Gluers" broke it's neck from all reports. It couldn't have died from old age?

Staff is seen going around these days with love light burning in his eyes. ANYTHING TO IT BILL?

We want to congratulate Captain Dooley on his promotion. Those three new shining pips sure lighten our Office these mornings.

Doc. has been doing a rushing business lately in Dog Coy. If you have any spare time Stub drop in some time for a few lessons in Chemistry.

We wonder if Sgt. Major Woodward's blood pressure has declined as yet. He was certainly boiling over the ball game we had with "A" Coy, last week. We admit it "Woody", the rain saved us that day.

Despite Dave the Dooley's third pip he still can't beat Capt. Hider down to the Coy. Office in the mornings. Better try eating Wheaties Capt. Dooley. Also your batman.

There's going to be some changes made in "D" Coys. lunch stand. No longer will there be seen three tables of Bridge going on every morning there. The two cooks are going to have to learn to play Cribbage.

We were all sorry to hear that we had lost our popular dental Officer Capt. Riskin, who left for Canada last week. Now we are anxious to see how the new "Jaw-Breaker" will be. Who wants to volunteer to find out for us?

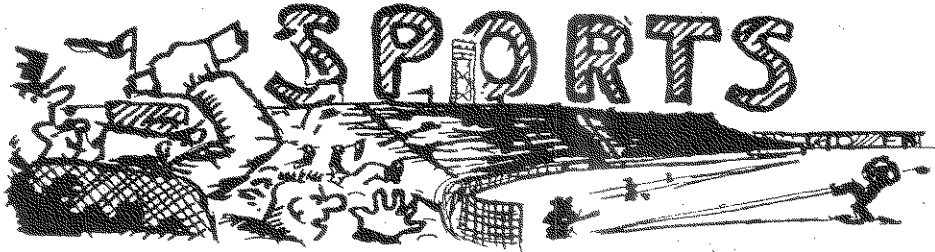
Incidentally have you heard about the Canary that got caught in the lawn-mower and came out Shredded Tweet.

Special:— The PERTHONIAN, commencing with our 6th Anniversary Number, which was last Friday, will be issued free. No longer will you have to reach deep into the ol' kahki to extract 25 Dutch cents to pay for your copy.

Profit from our EFI sales makes this possible and we are quite sure this new arrangement will not make you too unhappy. I believe we owe a vote of thanks to Maj. H. A. Snelgrove for bringing this about. He has always worked a hundred percent for the succes of The Perthonian and this turn of events should make the paper even more popular. Thank you Maj. Snelgrove. Now that future issues will be free it might be well to give a word to the wise. Be sure you are on hand when the copies for your Company are being handed out.

BOOZIE PAL'S





CORP'S SCORE SOAR CHIT AND CHATTER

Special:— The Officer's softball team, (commonly known to all as "The Corps") are doing great guns nowadays. After a smashing triumph over other entries in the Divisional Officer's schedule, they are now starting the second round. Out of their first six efforts, the Corps came out on top with five wins. The Calgary Tanks were the victors in the losing tilt but only by a two run margin.

The original schedule was layed on so that each team would meet one another only once. This schedule was completed, and the Perths rated top honours. This however, evidently did not please some of the higher ups, for a few days ago out comes another schedule, a true copy of the original. The Corps naturally being good sports accepted this turn of events and bit hard into the opening games to prove their real worth. At the moment they operate like a well oiled machine (do not misunderstand the word oiled), and they will have to meet a much stronger club before they realize defeat. The final score of their game against The Three Rivers Rgt. last Thursday was a very decisive 28 runs to 4.

The Corps lines up something as follows:-

Position	Name	Nick name
Catcher	Getty	Dynamite
Pitcher	Scott	Endurance
First B.	Dooley	Drooly
Second B.	Gallagher	G. A. Gargoyle
Short S.	Dent	Gate
Third B.	Thompson	House
R. Field	Cowie	Muscles
C. Field	Cree	Feet
L. Field	Childs	Basket
Bat Boy	Chamberlain	Bomber
Scorer	Hider	Short Stuff

Substitutes are: Wainman, Pattison, Cousins, Fryer, Fleming, Harris and others too numerous to mention.

The stellar performance of "Hands" Pattison at the hot corner during the absence of "House", have not gone unseen and a large bouquet of thanks goes out to him from other members of the Corps.

Cpl Art Gale is going great guns in his tennis playing, these days. Last week he played Lieut. Falconer on the Leeuwarden court and won. Don't let his grey hair fool you 'cause he's got a smooth style of playing and wins consistently. Keep it up Art!!!

B.COY:— The Provost Sergeant was in a quandry last week. He couldn't ride a Motorcycle and a Jeep was not available. What to do? Grasping the bull by the horns, he obtained a motorcycle and taking himself down to the sportfield, where, incidentally, there are wide open spaces, he commenced to learn to ride. He's doing very well and rides like a veteran now. It is reported he feels much safer these days since being issued a pistol. The equipment retrieving business he's running lately puts him in some rather risky spots. Best be careful, Sarge!!!

"B Coys" "Don juan" L/Cpl. is having blonde troubles these days. There are Majors, Sgts, Cpls and Privates all making eyes at his girl. She's a pretty slick chick so you can't really blame them. From all reports he's still All in her heart and he's to be envied. What are those bells we hear in the distance. Crooksie???

"A" Coy is all smiles and chuckles since getting Captain Pattison as their new 2 i/c. Of course he's a "B" Coy. man and will likely bring "A" Coy up to the same high standard of efficiency that prevails in "B" Coy. You sure are lucky "A" Coy.

Major R. S. Chamberlain M.C. has returned to take over his Company after a few weeks as acting 2 i/c. of the Regiment. He seems quite optimistic about getting us home and its to be hoped he is on the right track. Capt. Child has taken over as "B" Coy. 2 i/c and all in all the Coy is well supplied with Officers.

Cpl Sam Moffatt is in a downhearted condition and we in "B" Coy are trying to cheer him up. It seems as how his name is always spelled with one "T" instead of two in the Sports writeup. Sam sends the paper home to his "Frau" etc. and it's discouraging. Sportswriter please take notice before Sam goes into a slump. He's been doing swell up to now.

One of the main events of the Queens Birthday celebration was the volley ball game "B" Coy vs "Sneek". The game is new to the "Sneekers" but they sure put their hearts into the sport and "B" Coy fully expect to take a beating in the near future. The "Canadese" winners were each presented with a silver token from the Sneek Sports Committee and will treasure it as a remembrance of the Sneek Team and people.

UP AND DOWN STATION STREET

WHAT COOK'S WITH DUFF'S BOYS

A COY :— As though it was not monotonous enough riding from Calais to Nijmegen on the Toonerville Trolley. We had to put up with that Beau Brummel from the Y Pte Darby bragging about the 8 quids of perfume that he was bringing back to Sneek. Can that be the Coffee we smell at the casino these nights or darbs rain water from Suchiehall St.

There are two big Reds we all know of. One is more familiar as Man of War retired now in Kentucky. The other is the Captain of our softball team just tired in Sneek. Who is the other big Red seen around the Mess Hall Red?

St. Jean was missed by the ball team last Thursday. He was seen in the vicinity of the Amicitia though with his bat. Was the tea room closed boy.

Isn't it disturbing Sgt. Ward, when some one knocks on your door, especially when you are so busy "polishing brass".

The honour of soldier of the "weak" GOES TO OUR Montreal cavalero PTE Hatch. When the C. S. M. asked for volunteers for a guard of honour. He was the first man to step out and offer his services. And did you beef Hatchie.

Would you chaps in "A" Coy save your cigarette cartons for Tommie Shields. He was in dire need of these essentials a week or so ago. (What nice legs you have Tommie).

L. Sgt. Westlake reports he spent a quiet leave at Brighton fishing and ? Oh Yeah.

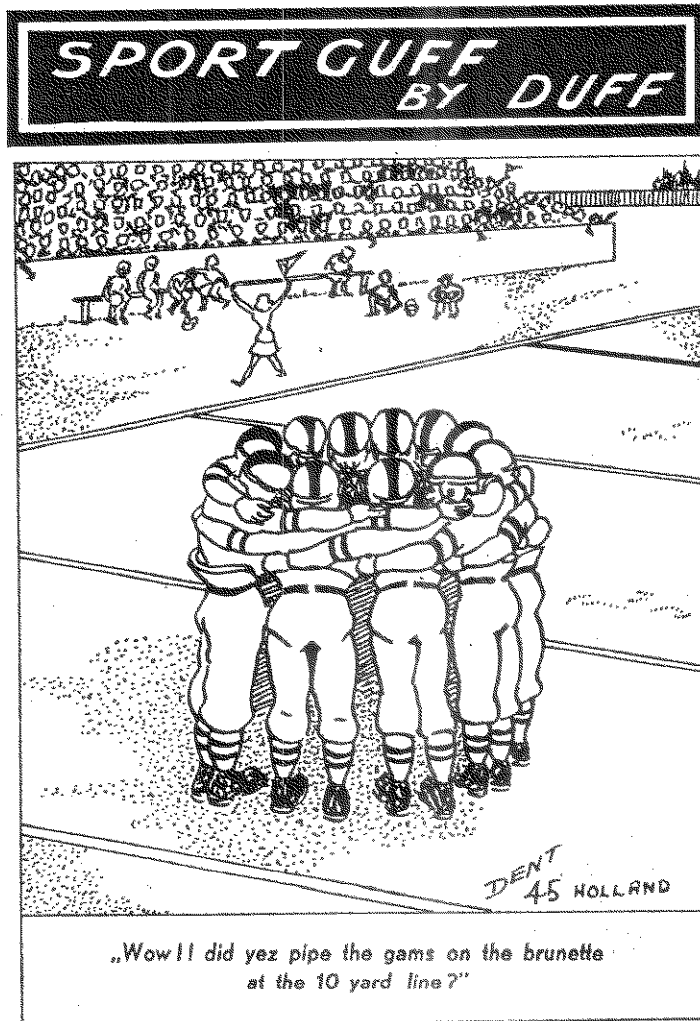
Lets have the playoffs next year in the mornings so that "DOG" Company can stop at three o'clock for their cup of tea or would you rather play in the rain Galan?

"And by the grub were gettin' lately, not too much".

After confining most of the girls to their homes, Dench has finally mastered the art of dancing, this feat enables him to sit at the table with the rest of the jive hounds and act silly. Brownie often called the "always tipsy soldat" by the girls is also a member of the band. To become associated with this mob you have to know one Carb. Friend Parky will help you out.

If you see Robinson continually wiping his mouth, don't ask him why, his face might turn a flushy red.

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CLUB 61 CALLING "H Q" TID BITS

Sgt's. Mess:— The sign painter has been busy working for a certain fellow who want's signs prominently displayed on all roads leading to Sneek. The signs read: "OUT OF BOUNDS TO 4th A/TK.

No fooling gang, all the characters were there in fine "spirits", for was it not the day of the EFI issue!!!

What C.Q. is in the well known doghouse over a little tardiness on Wednesday evening?

Does Peggy. — (you know who) — meet all the trains?

S.Ms. are renowned for getting other folks into trouble but how about one of our most esteemed members who is always in Dutch himself? Very uplifting, these choral concerts.

Sunday last, being the first good day in August, everyone hid themselves to Sneeker Meer for a spot of zelyachting. But what of the two couples who wen't reed sailing? What's wrong Chris, are you a dry land sailor? We might ask Bill the same question.

Since "Squire" has found the Barber Shop, he can now get along without using bobby-pins.

Who had the dream the other night? Ask Mr. Jack!! That was a rum trick, "Nifty".

Why does "Muscles" alias "Sinatra" always sing "My Dreams Are Getting Better All The Time"? Those midnight strolls sure must be invigorating. — — what do you think Bill?

Every morning "Limpy" strolls around to the Theatre to see how the roof is holding out. He says, "Those ack ack gunners are going to hit the roof sometime. They've been practising all week". So far there has been no damage and the show changes tonight, so he can breathe easier.

The Boss seems to have found his appetite again after losing the same completely for almost a week.

"THE FACE ON THE BAR ROOM FLOOR".

'T was a balmy August evening,
And a goodly crowd was there,
When I strolled into the „Amicitia”,
But it wasn't on the square.

For they soaked me half a guilder
For a snort of home grown booze,
And the Belgium beer they sold me,
Nearly paralyzed my flues.

I coughed and choked and snorted,
Till I was feeling weak,
Then loosed my hold upon the bar
And turned to make a "Sneek".

But that liquor overcame me,
And before I made the door,
I dropped and gently placed
My face on the bar-room floor.

H. Q. COY:— We want to take this opportunity to thank Andy and his (satellites) for the swell job of slinging up the hash for the Coy. He evidently believes in the old axiom „The way to a man's heart is by his stomach". All the boys love you Andy.

It is rumoured that "PAL" and "BUTCH" have a sure fired method of getting rich quick. What is the secret chums? Is it via the old army game "Crown and Anchor"? We hear that their theme song is „ANCHORS AWEIGH". Ask Jake, he takes all the gravy.

"MITCH" says that there has never been a man in his office yet that he couldn't confuse with the amount of material at his command. Seems as though he would like to hold night classes for the ladies just to keep his hand in.

Some of the recent promotions seem to have the boys a little leery. It took a bottle of old JOHN BARLEYCORN to get one of the lad's nerve up before wearing his "dog-legs". Don't you trust your own CR's JOHN?

The artist of the "bone-crushers" is doing his level best to keep the guys on the straight and narrow but some of them just won't be convinced. His latest, "Beware of Women" should really apply. Don't you ever practise what you preach "MEL".

Its gets pretty hot around some of the offices in the old school these days but the rooms with a southern exposure get warmer and warmer, particularly in the evenings. Some of those acquittance rolls must surely smoke when they see a certain clerk garbed only in his undies dashing madly through the corridor trying to get his homework done.

OFF THE RECORD

Leeuwarden on the "Profanity" Special.

(Fare — "Nil")

C.COY:— It is apparent to all but some, that the passengers on the bus are most often, both male and female; and while both languages are not expressed in perfection, the majority know a little of each. Some of the girls on these trips speak darn good english and understand even more. With the Soidaten the lingual accomplishments lean more to english and profane, especially profane, and the other evening on the way home a few thoughtless characters proceeded to go into the history of profanity and its vulgar uses from some time B. C. up until the present day and in general put on a very disgusting performance in front of what women were aboard. Something should be done about this, the Jokers in this Regt., know better, so wake up, some of you lads. Zippers are at a

premium, so efforts are being made to obtain soap and tooth brushes.

That was quite a "Hog-wrastle" the Cpls put on at the Casino when they invited the W.O's and Sgt's. Things were quite in order in my humble opinion, a little noisy, Yes' but not disorderly. Lets have another sometime soon, only without the puritanical bouncers and chaperones; we weren't treated as children when the war was on! **WHATS THE CHANCES OF A TRANSFER TO THE BOY SCOUTS?**

It looks like open season on "Amsterdam Quail", a certain Louie that you and I know, trapped a "Lulu" and took it along to the show. What about it Boss? — No more U.K. leaves?

Who is that "Slick chick" that has a certain portly individual attached to "C" Coy's culinary dept., doing nip-ups. Remember the last time, Chubbie! and try not to hurt this one, eh Norm.

A young man whose name rhymes with aw
Awaits in the stock yard, I have saw
He prowls there each day, for with girls
he would play

But they are all very young, so say Naw.

What Cook's With Duff's Boys

Red McDonald the Gaspe flash and regimental entertainer is a busy man. Almost any night Red has his hands full escorting his friends into

When he is sober, the cinema and dances. Since Shnozz Mathewson has taken over his new position, the boys have been looking pretty flashy. According to Shnozz, Squire Martin gives him the most trouble, only the other day Squire asked him to put pleats in his underwear.

Comrade Mahood's outfit is off to a flying start. Ashburn the soft shoe artist finds it hard to lie down, when everyone begins to work.

Wanted one comb. Guess who, Curly Mac Laren.

In reference to last weeks article about Snarl traking a course. The subject is "How to win friends by speaking the Dutch, linguo or don't get gyped when you're dealing with the natives.

C. O. C. Culligan sends his warm invitation to the old boys to dine with him any evening. Remember Casino mountain, so you'll know what you're in for.

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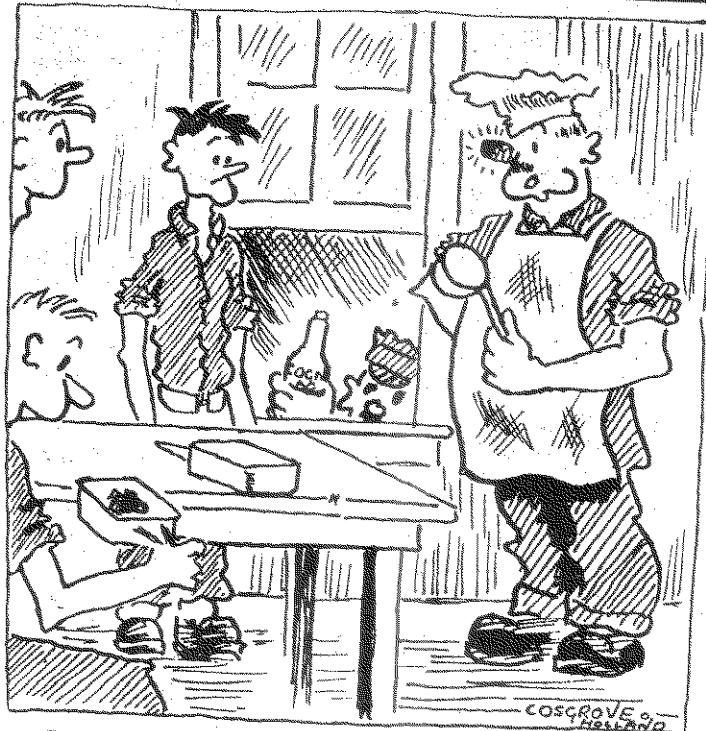
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