

AROUND THE JOBS.

In the seven weeks that he has been at 4th Gen. Sgt. Fred Watts has developed that Rexona Girl complexion that is going to make him Glamour Boy No 1 at our big dance. Sgt. Chas. Rye is making a magnificent effort to build up a he-man " front ", Sgt. Lin Lipanovic is doing his best to put vim into his step and young Clark and Reid are back^{ing} their Oomph to carry them into the front rank. What none of them quite realise is that Fred Watts has that " natty " finish which gives him a flying start. It is that something about him a woman cant help noticing...and paying attention to. It impressed me when I paid a visit to Sgt. Watts, Sprs D. Holwell, J. Burling, F. Sayers, G. Stribling, A Thurston, L. Innes, J.Fowlie, and T.Innes at 4th Gen on Tuesday. They are all in fine fettle and have been putting in some good work there. At least that is what one WAAC told me....now dont misunderstand. I mean that they " boys " have been putting up some mighty useful buildings and putting everything they dive into the work. One week-end they worked right through, despite the heavy rain which sent other workers to the cover of tents. The camaraderie which is in evidence among the lads is a fine tribute to Fred's leadership.

From 4th Gen.to BRCH was a fair step to L/Cpl H.Page, Harry Stringer, J.Olsen, C. Hayward and F. Britton who have made some mighty fine bures. Harry is getting fatter than ever and looks like taking up thatching for a livelihood. Writing pads were the main requests. They all agreed that " Writing to Mum " was most important.

Another long ride brought us to Sgt. Jack Mathoson who was just a job and looking forward to moving on to another. He was just finishing a cup of tea, so we butt-
-onholed him for information. We've seen little of the Warehouse Party since they constructed thieir first building here; but seven hefty warehouses now constructed show that they have not been idle. A systematic method of erection works something like this: Sprs L.Clark and W.G.Smith who specialise in concrete piles for the buildings are the first to get busy; while this is going on all the sorting has to be done, that is, sorting out the various parts of the building, which is in the hands of Spr. E. Bradley. Cpl. Lane is the man in charge of the " sides ", who works in with Cpl. G. King who has charge of the " hoisting ". Roofing is handled by Cpl. M.Watson. With him is Spr. Swift who is sd.d to move like a cat across the roof. Sprs. J.Fox and J.Woods are the " door kings "...apparently they put them up quicker than most of us close them. From doors we come to windows where we find Spr A. Williams. Afterthe windows we bump into difficulties. We have notes that are all mixed. We've been on the roof, round the walls through the doors and poked our head through the windows and still have men who are experts on all parts. We can hardly add another roof, or an extra wall, though that would help us out. So perhaps we had better compromise by saying that all the men we mentioned are nearly as important as M.Pasco, J. Ellery, N. James, J. Coneybeer, E. Whitehouse, W. Goddard, R. McCosh, F.J.Culling, W. Apperley, H. Cole, T. Orr, R. Croskerry, E. Sheffield, G. Nicholson, A. Neal, and L. Wilson.

L/Cpl Lane we were not able to contact. We shall try to get in touch with him and his party next week. Liout. W. Wise we just saw. Ho had a mass of plans spread out before him and was in conference with an officer. L/Cpl. A. Wagner did not have time to give us the news, but promised to have something to say next week.

" A pile driver " was the laconic description of the queer looking contraption in the course of construction with which Liout. R. Gilmour answered my question :- What is that thing ?. Perhaps he thought the reference to the pile driver as a "thing" deserved the answer, though I suspect he was too engrossed in the details of the new bridge Sgt. C. Bishop and party are working on. What priority the old one has in " Security " we do not know, but judging from the " pile driver " the new bridge is going to give all the security needed. L/Cpl. T.F. Bluck and Spr. R.N. Cossill are the advance bush party for the pile driver. Our L/Cpl. has developed what is described as " bush fungi " on the upper lip. We hop it is nothing of any consequence.

BOXING.

Tuesday night saw some good boxing by A. Toner and L. McGregor. The former has the making of a good heavyweight with a wallop in both hands. Mac is fast for a welter, carries the medicine in his right. Both are inclined to leave themselves too open and do not make use of their weight. C. Goffin, L. Day and A. Ward have greatly improved. Goffin fights much better since he discarded the " southpaw stance " !

The proposed match against Field Bakery may not eventuate, but the Sec. of the EOD sports committee advises that he may be able to arrange for a team of boxers from his club to visit us.

PING PONG

G. Laurie's " game " continues to prove attractive. His frequent visits to the Canteen for " small change " suggest good business. It is well conducted.

A PING PONG PRACTICE TONIGHT IN THE Y.M. AT 7, O'clock. ROLL UP !
