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Camp Kercer Becomes Headquar-ters of the 5th Forestry Sub-Division District

This month of May marks an epooh in the history of Camp Mercer. And added mark of distinction has been placed on this Camp. Camp Mercer has become the Headquarters of the Fifth Forestry Sub-Division District.

Captain John L. Murphy, (2nd Inf.) was transferred to Camp Mercer on Way 10 from the Sports CCC

District - Sparta, Wisconsin to become the District Commander.

This District is composed of eight camps, which are namely:

Camp Wineral Lake, Warenzo, Wis.; Camp Brinks, - Washburn, Wis.; Camp Upson, -Upson, Wis.; Caro Orystal' Lake, Star Lake, Wis.; Camp Phelos, -Phelps, Wis.; Camp Nine-Wile, - Eagle River, Wis.; Camp Star Lake, - Star Lake, Wis.; and Camp Mercer, -Manitowish, Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant Robert A. Ermentrout (Field Artillery Reserve) was transferred from the Sparta CCC District, Scarta, Wisconsin on Fay 17 and was assigned to Camp Mercer also.

Recollection

If you will recall your dear old school days and try to remember the events that went on during oer the events that went on during the year, I think you will all the year, I think you will all the favorite athlete of Camp Meragree with me and consider the the favorite athlete of Camp Meragring of the year as the best part oer is none other than the Heavyweigh of the school year. It seemed as of the year had everything to do with one's abbittion. There was always something for one to do after school. If you were a bookworn, you would spend the evenings at home enjoying yourself with good books. If you were interested in gardening, you would take care of all garden-

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I W T E R E S T I M G F A C T S P M E R C E R

This is the last of the statistice gathered concerning the men of Camp Mercer.

ACTRE 98: The favorite actress of the fellows proved to be Jean Harlow, the Platinum Blonde'. Jean was given Next in line of cooularity 18 voter. was the famous was West of 'Come Up and See Ve Sometime' fame. Vae received a total of 15 votes. "he following were also listed in the order given:

Shirley Temple-12 Joan Blondell-2 Ginger Rogers- 10 Sylvia Sidney-1 9 Toby Wing-Janet Gaynor-Joan Crawford-7 Kay Francis-Greta Garbo-5 Norma Shearer-1 Clara Bow-4 Myrna Loy- ~ 1 Loretta Young- 3 Frances Dee-Gloria Swanson- 2 Evelyn Brent- 1 Thelma Todd- 2 Jean Parker- 1 Claudet Colbert-2 Nancy Carroll-1 Thelma Todd-Marion Nixon-3 Marlene Dietrick-Constance Bennett-1

And 'strange as it may seem' there is 66 men of the Camp who have no cinema actress who could be classified as their favorite.

ACTOR: The favorite movie actor of the Camp is Clark Gable. He poled 18. votes. The next favorite was Hobert Youtremery with 11. The following are in the order in which they were named.:--

Wallace Perry ... 6 Lyle Talbot-Will Rogers-6 Richard Aden-Dick Powell-6 Gene Raymond-James Carney-5 Stepin Fetchit-1 Buck Jones-5 George Arliss- 1 mom MixLionel Barrymore4 Slim Summerville-1
Joe E. BrownJoe E. Brown Richard Dix-3 Jackie Coogan-Richard Barth-Ed. G. Pobinson- 1 3 Frederic Verch-1 meles-Wm. Powell-2 Lew Ayres-Ping Croeby-2 Eddie Cantor-John Barrymore- 2 Boris Karloff-Gary Cooper-2 Jack Cakie-Warner Baxter-2 Lee Tracy-

Ken Waynard - 1 Seventy-five men have no favorite actor.

thou h the climate during that part star pitcher for the St. Louis Oardsnals ran a close second with 24 votes. The following are in the order in which they were voted .: --Babe Ruth-13 Haz Schmeling-Jack Dempsey-6 Jimmy Foxx-Ralph Vetcalfe- 3 Red Grange- 3 Al Simmons- 3 Glan Gunningham-3 Schoolboy Rowe- 3 Pug Lund-

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<u>RATINGS</u>

The follswing received ratings starting Pay 1: Ole Leum - from Assistant Leader to Leader . Joseph Bratina - Assistant Leader anxious and determined to learn Edgar Remer - . Clifford Haynie

has caused the inhabitants of Camp marks the progress of these elf-Mercer to have the wavy locks, which footed individuals. adorn their honorable craniums, to be sheared off. It appears that one of the 'Rooks' started this fad, which is now spreading like wildfire throughout the Company.

VanRens, the Company barber, seems to be taking great delight in bringing about this change in their appearance. One would think, that he would consider his future business. It is almost certain, that it will be somewhat detrimen-

tal to his trade.

One would be amazed at the quanity of hair, which is scattered about the floor of the barber shop after the berber has finished his days toil. There really would be enough to stuff the upholstery of any modern car. If Vankens would be wise to himself he could make a very pleasing and gratifying sum of side-money by selling this shear ed hair to some large car or furniture factory to be used in stuffing furniture or other articles.

Possibly this move may be a secret plan to revive the old Hermit Club, which thrived and flourished during the winter months. If so they certainly are getting off to a good start. The Lover's Club had better beware, if they

wish to remain in power.

If any one wishes to have a good model for his forthcoming hair and all. cut, we suggest thay they pick either Urmanski or Oberg as fitting

examples for their coiffure.

DISCHARGES

Rienhold Prast alias Hungry' left Camp, Fay 4; to accept a job on a farm near his home at Tauseu.

Waxon Thomas and Harlow Cart-wright of Taupaca, Visconsin left on Pay 6. Thomas accepted a ton on is soing to do carpentry work in his sport. home-tom

All three of these men had been in Camp Fercer for approximatley

four months.

Best of luck in your future undertakings, fellows.

THAT DEXT ? ?

Barrack two has been the ecens of an unusual nightly performance for the past few weeks. It appear that some of the fellows are quite It appears how to dance.

Almost every night when one of the well-known dance orchestras comes on the air, this groups of dancing enthusiasts clear a space by moving their bunks and begin to go through their paces. You would Some unknown force or influence be surprised at the rapidity, which

> Why these fellows should show such marked enthusiasm for dehoing at present is quite problematical. Possibly it is in the air (Springtire generally gets a young fellow

sooner or later it seems.)

For possibly en hour or longer, feet scrape the floor until the atmosphere seems to be permeated with a stifling cloud of dust. Reads of persoiration stand out on the visible parts of each individuals anatomy, but still they persist with their new found recreational activity. Certainly this should be quite conducive to some fevorable result in one from or another.

we believe that anyone from any of the other barracks, tho is interested in taking up dancing would be well paid in attending one of these nooturnal sessions. Anyone wishing to take up dancing should apply in person to Frank Koehrke, the instructor. He will soon tell you if you have any tendencies to be graceful on a ballroom floor. If you haven't already heard, we believe we might venture to say, that insaid Moehrke Camp Mercer has

a second Fred Astaire.
Drop around so setime and join in with the merrymaking. You are cordially invited to do so by one

(continued from page 2) 1 Art Shires-Elmer Layden-Walter Johnson- 1 Romers Hornsby-1 Lefty Gomez- 1 Lefty Grove-Lou Gehrig- 1 Kiki Cuyler-Strangler Lewis-1 Bud Foster-Burleigh Grimes-1 Gene Tunney-Malcolm Campbell Bobby Poser-Jim Thorps-1.

There is sixty-seven men in the Camp, who have no favorite athlete. on Fay 6. Thomas accepted a toh on This may seem quite strangs as most his father's farm, while Carturight everyone is interested in form of is going to do corner to work in his

> If you haven't already dome it, the best thing to do is fall in love with your work.



('Heck')

Why do they call Mauritz, 'Desert Ret'?

Where was Mosur last Saturday

night? Out steeping?

Why are the Rooks' having their hair cropped so short? Is the weather getting too hot for them? If so, they should have been here last sunder.

How come Sutton had quite a bit of difficulty in getting up one of the past mornings? Was it

a big might, Don?

Red haver secred to be having a great time setting up a certain bench, which had a tendency to fall down quite often at has of the past Religious Services. "as his face red? Yeah, just li'c.

his hair! That is something.
Sprig has cub", as a fellor with a severe cold in his hord would say. One positive sign has appeared. The Dispensery Force is again sporting their ice-cross. slacks. We wonder if they are not a trifle premature.

Through a very reliable source, we understand that Bill Survers and his crew are in the market for porcupines. How sot

Doesn't. Kornels know how to handle an axe since he started driving a truck? Eust have lost

the old technique. And then there is the !Rook! the thinks that the Percer Konitor is a daily publication. First thing we know we will be running competition with the Chicago Tri

This actually harpened ---Strelow gets up from his bunk and turns off the station, which has been on for the past half-hour, on the redio in the Overhead Parraok. -

Higgins-What's the matter Stre-That's "Moon Indico". Stralow-I don't care who it is. I don't like him.

Why does Wike McCerthy weigh lineal everyment! Are you los-

Bruss and Bergschultz have a new way of sawing lore. Putting one over on Hanger Tapket

How are the fish biting, Hall?
We wonder if the 'Chinks' in
Barrack & will ever learn to quiet down after Taps.

Does anyone know by chance, who the office boy is? He rates ! cause he's the only fellow that goes to work in his Army slacks.

possibly you haven't noticed the difference, but isn't it strange that ever since Perr and Ames left there has been no baby talk? Parrac two isn't the same old clace.

If you are looking for trouble, just ask Noziska why he doesn't care for rold digrers. The results you will find to be very surprising.

Thy does Gross comb his hair;

causing him to appear like a bush-

The big questionie still unsolved! That nationality is Friday? Bud, you are the one who should know. Help us out.

Some of the 'Rooks' certainly have some very occuliar nicknames. We monder where and why they so-quired them. Here is a few of the most outstanding ones: -- Alky Zimmerman, 'Wadam' Klainschmidt, and 'Sluger' Hatton. here does 'Seldom' get all of

his pep and energy?

Why does Hether call his 'Rook' <u>Chunderbolt?</u>

L'Allier to Grandma: -- Lazy men all die first!

Kin to L'Allier: -- You will be dead in a few days, if that is true. Leuthner rete the first deer of the car. How fast was you going Lutett

<u>Kurlinski</u> zets a keen hair out



FISHERMAN Ital L

Batt- and Gatt (3)

Olson-Tho bought the cas station; Did you hear?

Alery-No, but I judge it is a gootchman. The first thing he did was to take the Pree Air' sign down.

She was onl a doctor's daughter, but she surely sent the blood surging through your veins!

And then there's the old-fashioned lady who had prunes every morning-now she has a daughter who has dates every night.

Sweet Young Thing Do you realize that you have not kissed me so far this night?

Davis-(absentminumly)-No? Then whom have I been kissing?

Clerk-Check your bag, sir? Yan-Yes-and put it onice.

McDonald-What keeps the moon from falling?

Neuman-It must be the beams.

Golla says-I can't understand thy they make holes in the Swiss when it is the Limburger that needs ventilating,

Urmanski-what do they feed swine in order to get pig iron?

Strelow-The same stuff they feed sheep to get steel wool.

Coxey-What's your Dad's business? Leum-He's a worm imitator. Coxey-What?

Laum-Yah, he makes worm holes in antique furniture.

The meanest man in the world is the one who hired a fellow that stuttered, and then gave him a job selling Chrysanthemums.

Leonard-Late hours are not good for one.

Anklam-But fine for two.

Havnie-Why the deuce do I struggle with this piffling job?
Conred-Don't be discouraged think of the mighty cak. It was once a nut like you.

Crearching-They say people with opcosite characteristics make the happiest marriage. Salaman-Yes, that is why I'm looking for a girl with money. Saeri-That's the technical term for rehoring?

Schampers-I dunno. Saari-Sheet music.

Piermier-Do you file your finger neils?

Cross-No; when I cut mine off I just throw them away.

Andrist-(stumbling into the barrack at 2 A.M.): The old gray mare ain't what she used to be--.

Sackman-No; but the white mule still is!

Horses and cows live 30 years, They never touch licker, wine, or beers.

Sheep and goats are dead at 20, They drink no licker but water plenty.

At ten the cat has lost 9 lives; No beast that long on water thrives At 5 most all the birds are dead, They look noton the wine that's red.

A few days only bugs stay on earth, But a*ful, wicked, rum-scaked men, Live on for three-score years and tan.

W. Smith-(Sr.): And there, soneyou have the spry of your dad and the Great Wer.

W.Smith-(Jr.): Yes, Dad, but why did they need all the other soldiers

Seemer-Is she your best girl? PCDonald-No, "necks" best.

Robinson-What kind of stew is this? Hall-Rabit stew. Robinson-I thought so; I found a few hairs in it.

If we print jokes, people say we are silly,

If we don't print them, they way

If we print original matter, they say we are dull.

If we publish things from other capers, they say we can't write if we don't print all the contribu-

If we don't brint all the contributions, we don't know good

If we do wrint a'l the contributions, the paper is full of junk.

Like se not some fellow will say we swived this.

And so we did.

A Delicious Recipe How to so about frying fish by 'Bubbles'.

to the river and catch your fish. Then take your catch out by the ball diamond and clean them (wash slightly). Fut in old tin can and keep there-for one day under the Wess Hall. Next take a frying can and put/two tablespoons full of lard and salt fish slightly. Put fish in the hot grease, fry very little. Then add two tablespoons of malt, a little sugar and if there is no cheese put in a few chips of laundry soap. Last but not least-put in a couple of grasshopmers to give it a kick'. Throw away two fish and try and eat one. (Contributed by one, who observ-

ed Bubbles doing this cooking

Ъу (Fred Haag Sr., Forestry Supt.)

The work in the field is progressing satisfactory, most of the men are employed on hazard removal work and roadside clearing.

'Mr. Westedt and Fisk with their crews have just finished the spring planting program; having planted 170,000 white pine and 35, 000 norway pine which were all 3rear old seedlings. The were planted on a total of 200 acres.

Mr. Summers and Evenson

and crews have put the finishing touches on the Mercer Ranger Station and surrounding landscape. They are justly proud of the work.

King has again set up his side cam; at Ox-Bow and will be ready in the near future to move out there.

A number of changes have taken place in the Forestry Personnel. Mr. Prince has taken a Junior Ranger position in District #3 and is stationed at Percer. Mr. Papke was also appointed Ranger and is stationed in District #10 at Black River Falls. We are sorry to see these men go. They are both fine fellows and were well-

liked by everyone.
As I'm writing these lines my own connections with this Camo are severed. After being with this Camp for a period of 18 months, Tocan truly say that I hate to leave. It has been a wonderful opportunity for me and I shall mise the Officers, the men and my fellow-Rangers. I want to take this oppor-tunity to thank each and everyone for the co-operation given me while I have been here. I have always been proud of this damp and everyone in it. Not only has this been great opportunity for me, but it

is or should be for every man connected with this Camp. It has given us the chance to be self-sup-Cooks Take Notice i porting and not on relief like so First, of course is to to down many others. I hope that you will be supported to the course the cour forget the little disagreeable things, the bumps and knots, and you will make a better man of your self. Everyone pull together and make Camp Vercer the best camp possible.

Tem coing to return to my official station at Trout Lake as Rancer and Wr. Summers is attroing into m place here. I'm sure that you will all support him and rive him faithful service.

Good-bys and Good-luck.

John Van of Middle Inlet, Wis, left Camp Mercer Pay 10 to accept a job as a muck driver in Marinette. Van Had been a member of this Camp for approximately 13 months. Best of luck in your future undertakings, Van.

Robert 'Bob' Avery, who had been in this Camp for about a year and a half left on May 15. He was transferred to Camp, where he will again be working under Fajor Roberts: formerly of this Camp. Tith the transfer of Pob, we are losing a Tith the dependable First-Aid man plus an excellent reporter for the Camp Pa-per. He will long be remembered hereabouts for his canny ability at ping-long and pool. Best of luck, Avery.

Anthony 'Tony' Betonti of Hurley was transferred to Camp Mercer from the Clam Lake Camp on May 2. We wish to take this op.ortunity of extending to 'Tony' our heartiest

Norman 'Norm' Gullikson of Nelsonville, Wisconsin left Camp May 20 to accept employment in his home town. He had been a member of this Camp for about nine months. 'Norm' will always be remembered for his basketball abilit. He being one of the mainstage of our past winter's basketball team. Best of luck in the future, Form.

Licutement Schangen left Camp Percer last Friday to enjoy a leave

at home.

Vr. Marshall the District Educational Adviser visited Camp Mercer

Chaplain Eli D. Richards new District Chaptain of the Pisth Forestry Sub-District Division conducted services in the Recreation Hell Sunday Nay 19. Approximately thirty men attended the service. Chaplain Richards is stationed at Camp Crystal Lake - Star Lake, Wis. Rudy! Salsaan returned to Camp after a short leave, Wednesday.

About thirty-five candidates answered the first call for baseball practice the first part of the month. However, the weather was unfavorable most of the time and the men were not able to get into the stride until the early part of last week.

The newly enrolled men have contributed quite a bit of material to the team. The team is made up of the following men: -- pitchers Zimmerman, Dietrick, and Brei; catchers-Kleinschmidt and Wajesky; infieders-Peterson, Coxey, Rozner, and Betonti; outfielders-Stuplick,

Hatton, Moziska, and Weirzba. Enthusiasm has been running high and there is a general feeling that we are about to enjoy a

successful season.

The baseball season was opened Saturday, May 18, with a game at Camp Blue Lake. It was a typical first game and was exceedingly helpful in bringing to light many of the weak points.

However, there were flushes of brilliant play, but the opposition showed the results of more experience and we finished on the short cod of the score, 'Alky' Simmerman did a fine job on the mound, but was hindered by faulty support. He struck out ten men and allowed eight hits. The final score was 8 to 2.

On Sunday, way 19, Camp Mercer was host to Camp Star Lake. They sent the visitors home with a defeat by the score of 11 to 2. Dietrick gave a brilliant exhibition on the mound allowing five hits and striking out fourteen men in seven innings. This time it was the home team that was at an advantage as far as experience was concerned, Star Lake having had only a few nights of practice. 'Madam' Kleinschmidt got three hits out of four times at bat, While Camp League. The interest shown Bob Dietrick had a perfect day bat getting four out of four times at but.

at but.

This Saturday there is a game of the most pupular forms of athscheduled with Camp Upson at Upson. the results of the last four games:

Also on last Sunday, the Mercer kittenball team played a game sarrack (5) 14 Barrack (6) 15
with the Star Lake team. Gullikson Barrack (3) 11 Barrack (3) 13
who pitched for Mercer gave a very nifty tob of pegring. Although nifty job of pagging. Although each team garnered about the same number of hits apiece, Kercer came were closer than one would think, out on the short end of the soote

On Fay fifth, an announcement was made before dinner to the effect that the Mercer Fire Department had challenged this Camp to a water fight to be staged that afternoon at Norton's Resort near Mercer. Immediately after dinner, amidst much hustle and bustle the men made ready to defend the honor of the Camp. Four trucks went up for the event.

Due to the lack of ability in handling a fire hose as a means of defense, the boys were decisively defeated. They were rolled, tossed and thrown all over the lot. Even though they were conquered, they did not lack in spirit or pep. After having lost to the Fire Department, they clamored for more. When they could not get competition from any outside source, they staged a battle royal between themselves for the entertainment of the crowd. Muring this battle Barrack two defeated Barrack seven.

All you big burly water fighters prepare yourself for the coming conflict on July fourth between this Camp and the Fercer Fire Department. Let's give them the works this Time:

('Moose' Allord)

Through the efforts of Mr.Kelton and a large group of 'Rooks' many noticeable improvements can be noticed in regard to athletic encouragement.

A tennis court has been started, a new kittenball diamond has been constructed, and the baseball diamond and volleyball courts have been worked over and improved.

KITTENBALL

Kittenball started with a bang at the beginning of the week with seven teams entered in the Interin this support up to this time is an indication that it will be one

Although the scores possibly don't indicate it; these games

ILLETS William

Up to the present time, Yoward Hall, Lieutenant Johansen, and Joseph Brating are the ranking fishermen of this Camp in the order ramed. Hall has the edge over Lieutenent Johansen by a small margin, While Bratina is running a close second.

Out of approximately four hundred men, who have rassed through Camp Lercer since I have been here, there has been only one real kitchen mechanic. "hat one is 'Alky' Zimmerman.

I have noticed that the moscui-. toes are enjoying themselves immensely at meal fixes. The fellows are get ing plent, of exercise in trying to keep them a ay.

what will the waiters do when we get the smaller tables. They seem to be unable to find their tables now. Possibly I will have to furnish them with a compass.

Infirmary Infections Art Ahles and Bob Eidsaune

Dr.G.C. Wood of Chicago was transferred from CCC District Headquarters at Starta to this Camp on May 9 to replace Major Roberts as Camp Surgeon.

Robert E. Bob' Eidsaune has again been promoted to his old po-sition as First Aid Fan since the transfer of Robert Avery.

Ten fellows of this Camp, who had the measles within the last six months are going to sparta on Thursday of this week to take a blood test.

Our prize patient, Edward Jellen is now on the road to recovery after being sick for guite some

Lieutenant Gray, Medical Reserve Officer, of Chiaogo spent several days in Camb last week after having been sent here from Sparta to be placed in a camp in this District by the District Commender. He was sent to the GOO Camp at Mineral Lake.

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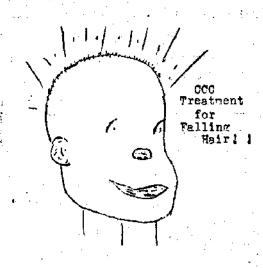
ing around the house or perhada ake a few cents working on the sale thing for other centa. If you were interested in athletics you would spend most of the time

Year after year the same things seem to go on. Even at Camp Vercer Cof abundant success the same things occur. You can make Camp just as mics as Home. It

is un to you. If you are interested in sports, you can enjoy yourself in a nice ware of softball or any other sport. There are other ranes beside basebell in which you can enjoy vourself. Get into some kind of sport and you will find that you will have a good deal here pleasure out of Camp life. Try to devote at least one hour a day for some kind of sport. When it becomes dusk, enjoy yourself with a rood book.

You are all living in Wisconsin's rost beautiful land. I know of no other camp's location, which could compare more favorably than that of Camp Wercer's. If you want to make camp life pleasant, take advantage of the things I have mentioned and at the end I think you will agree with me.

(Fred PunteCobio)

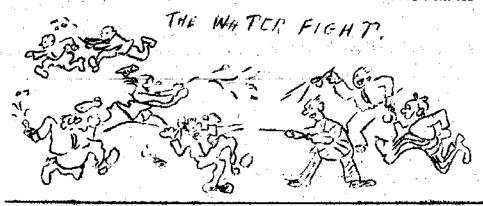


The Pan Who Looks Up I admire the man who strives to look up When the best of his plans go wrong: The kind of a man who says, "I will win, And brighten my road with a song."

It is often said that the world loves a lover, But the world loves a brave heart, too; And no one commands a greater respec Than the man who will start life

wo, honor the man who strives to lrok un; Tho can take hard knocks with a in athletics such as tennis, svi - for he has the spirit that claims a leastid

(Vaurios Hill)



Mr. Haag Leaves Replaced by William Summers

Mr. Fred Haag, Forestry Camp ucational Adviser from Sparta, vi Superintendent for the past 18 mon- ited this Camp May 16 and 17. Mr. ths at Camp Mercer resigned May 15, Marshall was well-placed with our 1935 to enter the State Forest Ser- Educational set-up and left some vice at Trout Lake.

Mr. Haag made an excellent Superintendent, and was well-liked by everyone in Camp. He became very much attached to this Camp during his residence here and expressed the fact that he had always had pleasant and helpful dealings and congenical connections with the Personnel of this Camp. He was sorry to leave. We wish him happiness and success with his new work.

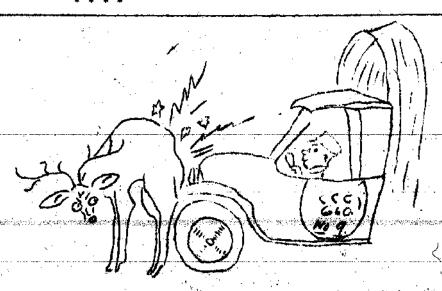
Mr. William Summers replaced Mr. Haag as Camp Superintendent. I am sure everyone will give Mr. Summers the same fine cooperation they gave Mr. Haag and he is deserving of it, because we know he will work for the best interests of this Camp and everyone in it. We were very fortunate to such a fine fellow as 'Sill' Summers for our Superintendent.

Mr. Marshall Visits Camp

Mr. Marshall, the District Educational Adviser from Sparta, visited this Camp May 16 and 17. Mr. Marshall was well-placed with our Educational set-up and left some very helpful suggestions to improve our present program. We hope that the next time Mr. Marshall visits this Camp, he will find a birger and better program.

Educational Department Takes Medical Department in Bridge

The Department of Education was again on the long end of a 1406-1322 bridge score. The Medical Department furnished excellent Competition, but were unable to solve their organished radical bidding. We look for many interesting tames from this Department in the near future.

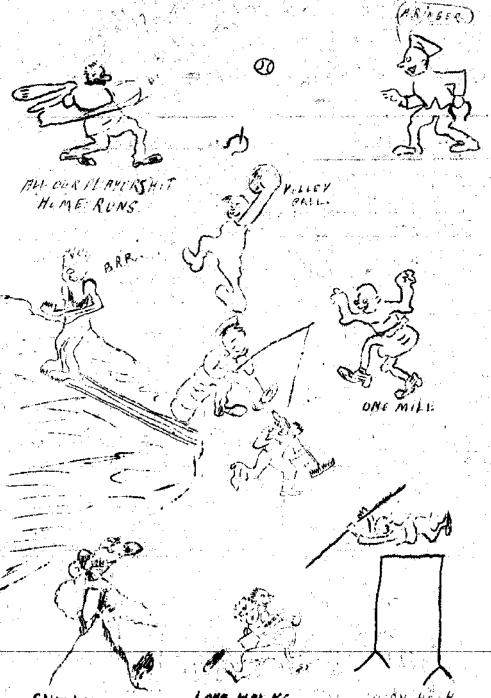


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