



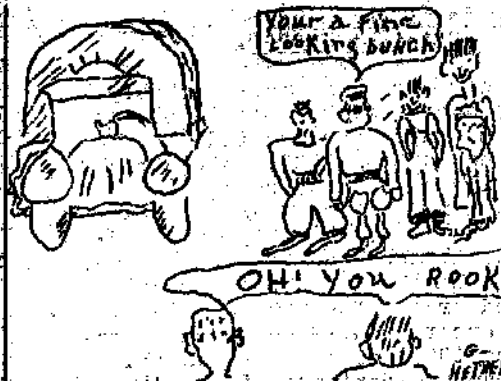
# MERCER MONITOR

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## MANY NEW "ROOKS" ARRIVE IN CAMP VIA TRUCK

One of the biggest consignments of men Camp Mercer has ever received arrived via truck on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, July 1-3. In all, 105 men were recruited. Seven-teen from Merrill, 17 from Medford, 35 from Wausau, 11 from Siren, 21 from Balsam Lake, and 5 from Spooner. Left quite desolate with the discharge of so many veterans, Camp Mercer is contrastingly in a teeming state. The camp, with a population of 259 men, is way above com-



### "Rooks" Pleased With Their New Home

We rookies, who arrived in Camp last week, are more than satisfied with our new environment. We think the food, recreational activities, and other facilities are luxuries for a CCC camp and really hadn't expected to find conditions this pleasing. We surely enjoy Watson's cooking, as we are the last ones to leave our tables after eating. We sure like his pies!!

Two things we are impatient about are our "shots" and a chance at some good hard manual labor or K.P. on Sundays??

We claim, that we never slept more soundly in all our lives than we do now. When we fall asleep we don't awaken until that confounded bugler blows out of bed. We believe we have gained several pounds already.

Without question we had a grand and glorious initiation on the Fourth of July. (A Rookie, E.W.H.)

pany strength, and a new barrack would no

would not be amiss. The mess hall is filled to capacity during meals, and all available sleeping space is taken up. In fact, for the space of a few days, classes have had to be disbanded and the recreation hall turned into sleeping quarters.

With the completed physical conditioning of them, segregation of the new men will no longer be necessary, and they will be distributed among the veterans.

### Captain Henry Holds Open Forum

Thursday afternoon Captain M.H. Henry had an assembly of the newly discharged men. They were made acquainted with the camp officers, routine, regulations, and privileges. Lieut's R.S. Johansen, C. Oliszewski, and A.A. Kelton, educational adviser, were introduced. Mr. Kelton spoke briefly on the athletic and educational program.

### Attention New Enrollees!

New enrollees are requested to fill in educational blanks at the Educational Adviser's office.

Do this at your earliest convenience.

The men must have learned much from this informal contact, but they will learn much more as they swing into the routine of Camp Mercer CCC life.

All due credit is given to the new enrollees for the rapid adjustment they are making to Camp life.

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New Enrollees Handled in Very Efficient Manner

The new enrollees were probably not so aware of the efficiency and dispatch which accompanied their entrance into the CCC. Yet a "rook" can tell you when these qualities are lacking by the amount of stammer it takes for him to become adjusted. Although a work camp is not engaged in the business of receiving and processing new enrollees, Camp Mercer handled her task of receiving 105 recruits like an old camp, experienced in conditioning.

Brought here by our own trucks, the new men were immediately given a good meal, issued bedding and placed in barracks, all in the space of two hours. Next morning the men were processed, given their physicals, vaccinated and inoculated. Which means that in approximately 24 hours, the recruits were like veterans.

More important than the doing of these things was the forethought and planning necessary on the part of Copt. Henry and his officers. Much credit is due them for the way everything moved off so quickly and smoothly.

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New Enrollees

Spooner

Larson, Joseph N.  
 Geisdorf, Orrin F.  
 Hayes, Wilfred R.  
 Hanie, Clifford  
 Jellen, Edw. J.

Merrill

Allord, Lawrence  
 Arneberg, Sigwald  
 Monti, James  
 Baitti, Galvin  
 Campster, Arthur  
 Schroeder, Alvin  
 Stromming, Raymond  
 Leastman, Wilford  
 Higgins, Earl  
 Currier, LeRoy  
 Wiley, Clinton  
 Zahn, Franklin  
 Cornish, Nathan  
 Hinke, Elmer

Yausau

Yarosh, Casimir  
 Frank, Ernest Bernard  
 Martina, Frank Louis  
 Bergschultz, Myron Alois  
 Zauslam, Ted Emil  
 Nikolai, Joseph Wm.  
 Gums, Frank Oscar Jr.  
 Ostrowski, Victor  
 Polwarske, Walter Vincent  
 Kopschinske, Gerald Norbert  
 Golla, Carl David  
 Kidsaune, Robert E.  
 Touke, Gilbert Andres  
 Cygenek, Joe Albert  
 Vaughn, Foss Harry  
 Zima, Stanley J.  
 Golisch, Milfred  
 Degler, Frank Wm.  
 Hon, Frank Joseph  
 Dietsche, Benjamin Vincent  
 Otto, Orvallis Clifford  
 Wawrzyniec, John Ed.  
 Proft, Herman George  
 Hartig, Edwin Herman  
 Tanek, Ernest Earl  
 Sitzman, Roy Albert  
 Salzman, Rudolph P.  
 Anklam, Lawrence Edwin  
 Stuplich, Raymond Jacob  
 Leonard, Victor John  
 Rice, Harlan Danslon  
 Alvey, John Henry  
 Ahles, Arthur Wilbert

Siren

L'Allier, Ralph A.  
 Erickson, Alvin T.  
 Dietrick, Joseph R.  
 Guy, William N.  
 Cook, Paul  
 Lundquist, Vernon J.  
 Biederman, Max H.  
 Springer, George W.  
 Hoyt, Harold  
 Hamilton, Wilford S.  
 Royner, William

EVERY SHOULD TAKE PART IN SOME ATHLETES

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### Barrack 1

Lindell, John Richard  
 Young, Eddie Lawrence  
 Tangendorff, Howard, J.  
 Pude, Palmer  
 White, Arnold J.  
 Frederick, Herbert H.  
 Estberg, Roy Norman  
 Emerson, William N.  
 Lindahl, Lester F.  
 Benson, Sherman D.  
 Johnson, Carl E.  
 La Mere, Lloyd H.  
 Cornelius, Alvin B.  
 Kvaak, Leon W.  
 Ingerson, Leonard Russell  
 Chinander, Carl W.  
 Tregue, Merle I.  
 Stapel, Miles A.  
 Nehring, Merle Clarence  
 Washburg, Eben J.  
 Tangendorff, Howard F.

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### Barrack 2

With their diplomas in their hands, Karsten and McKloskey boarded the train for Green Bay, leaving the barrack with only five veterans. The barrack is filled to capacity by the newer men.

Dele Keilman has generously installed his radio to add a bit of warmth to the place.

King and Campbell are still in charge and carrying on, but wondering what another CCC term has in store for them. In the other section of the barrack faces of new cooks replace those of the veterans Brown, Miller, and Smith, who have been assigned to CCC duty in Sheridan. They will probably resume their business of making happy the stomachs of CCC boys in new camps.

There is a rumor that leaves are being issued to fellows of most of the barracks to go to the latrines these days. (Van Rens)

### Barrack 3

Casberg returned to camp Monday morning, after a week-end pass, which he received from the Captain to go to La Crosse.

Traveling on the train, a fellow meets other CCC's from different camps. After talking over with them the recreations, eats, locations, lay-out, scenery and officers, I find that I like Camp Mercer the best of them all-The bigger and better camp-Camp Mercer!

Camp Mercer surely is becoming prosperous. The rookies sure know their stuff-if this kept up, Camp Mercer will be the Model Camp of Wis. Let's all push together and make this camp what it should be. Barrack 2 is on the job.

Pete Vayer and G. Lillenburg seem to be the only ones that can take it. The other "vets." want their discharge because they were "broke"

Barrack 2 holds men who know their stuff and are not afraid to make a restart at another camp and be rated there. (Francis Boucher)

### Barrack 3

The fellows in Barrack 3 had a lot of fun looking for their bunks last Thursday night, when the pookies moved in. It was very unfortunate that some were found in Barracks 1 and 2.

There are fifty-four fellows here and less than half are second hitch men, and no two timers.

No cowboys in the new gang. Altho one is from Missouri, aren't we all? At that it's a guess where the others come from.

Several of the boys aren't doing so well with the second spot.

I think the new men of No. 3 can make up a winning volley-ball team; they'll at least give the Vet. teams a good run. Wister will defend our athletic reputation on ping pong and horse shoe courts, anytime. The platinum blond, Pearl, "Jean Harlow", Hicke and Papa Hilke soft ball battery will form the nucleus of our dark horse team.

Not so sure about those cowboys. (F. Wick)

### Barrack 4

Most of the rookies from this barrack are of Polish descendent and hail from Marathon County. From the atmosphere in the barrack, it seems that everyone is going to like the camp.

Of course, there have to be a few jokes and pranks played among the fellows, so a few of us were short-sheeted.

Last night there was a big scare going around that we rookies were to be thrown in the river because a few of the Vets. were leaving in the morning. However, we passed the night unplested.

We are not lacking music in the barrack for there are four or five that can play a mouth organ, one that plays the accordion. The foreman is quite "hot" on the guitar.

Although there was quite a bit of razzing about the crooked needle, we passed through that, still much alive and with only a few sick fellows. (G. Kopahinski)

### Barrack 5

Barrack 5 is now occupied by a group of rookies, who entered between the 1 and 3 of July. Among the new men we have two outstanding characters, Laik and Ahq. Laik is noted for his enormous appetite having the ability to devour as much food as any three men in camp. From close observation I believe Ahq is running a close second.

We have another outstanding individual by the name of Pinky. He has been the butt of a number of practical jokes, but, given time, it is hoped that he will get next to himself.

We have another gentleman here by the name of Frank Kurek. He happens to be the new bugler, and what a nuisance. (L. Currier)

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Athletics

Camp Vs. Mercer

Wins one; Loses one.

Camp Mercer took an easy game from the Mercer City team July 4th.

Camp, leading thru out the contest, was never endangered.

The Monitors played heads-up ball and were on the long end of the count 15 to 7.

Sunday July 7th the Camp Monitors again engaged in a diamond conflict with the Mercer City team. This time however Mercer won by a score of 9 to 5, due to the fact that only about half of the regulars played.

Camp Vs. Little Bohemia

Camp Mercer Monitors took an interesting game from Little Bohemia Sunday at Little Bohemia by a score of 11-7.

The boys played good ball, and the starting line-up seemed invincible. They held their opponents scoreless for the first seven innings. It was only after the line-up was shifted that the opposing team scored.

A New Kittenball Tourney

A new kittenball tourney has started. The first game, a hotly contested affair, ended with a victory for Barrack 2, by a score of 4-1. This was one of the fastest games seen on the diamond this year.

If this keeps up we should see one of the best tournaments held anywhere in the state.

Our All-Camp Kittenball team rates in the opinion of the Adviser, second to none. All outside games played so far have been won by overwhelming scores. We would like some real competition in Kittenball.

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Jokes

Rook-"What's the secret of high jumping?"

Leum-"Get your feet off the ground."

A book is being written by our enrollee, Bill Leum. We understand the name of the book is "How to become a Ranger".

Wanted:

Bigger 'n Better Clippers--  
Co. Barber.



Infirmiry Infections

Recently the medical department of Co. 660, enjoyed a visit to Ontonagon Mich. Combining business with pleasure, we visited Camps Watermeet, Poreeye, Paint Lake, Ontonagon, and the hospital at Ontonagon, Mich.

On our return home, we made a circular tour of the Ottawa National Forests. Piloted by Chauffeur Van Rens, who evidently knew every G.D. (gravel depression) bump of the road, we saw territory seldom seen by white men. Wild beasts, such as bear, deer, and the ferocious wood ticks greeted us at every turn of the road. A swarm of bees invaded the ambulance and stung Van into a resemblance of his natural mental equilibrium, thus enabling the party to reach it's destination safely. On our way home we were lucky in passing Camps Jumbo and Gogebic.

In the magnitude of the territory we were struck by the differences in the topography, of the terrain, timber towering into the blue skies giving mute evidence of the climatic differences between our environment and theirs.

Everywhere we were greeted with the greatest courtesy of our fellow members of the CCC. Arriving home at 11:30 P.M., we all sought our beds for restful relaxation after our long ride. (Bill Hopkins)

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News

Our senior company foreman, Harold Dixon, was discharged July 10; which was the end of his term. He was transferred to Sheridan.

The day will come,  
It won't be long.  
They'll call the roll.  
And I'll be gone.  
(Reilly)

A New Bridge Tourney Starting

All fellows, that like to play bridge, will find some real competition. You are invited to bring a good partner and enter this fast tourney.

# INTRODUCING Gee-Gee

the C.C.



Meet Gee Gee the C C.  
We are pleased to announce that  
a half-page comic strip featur-  
ing Gee Gee will be a regular  
feature of this paper.

Gordon Hether, who created  
this character, will attempt to  
depict some of the social and  
work-a-day activities that trans-  
pire in a CCC Camp.

Watch Gee Gee - You'll get  
more than one laugh.

