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Mercer Monitor

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I HEREBY, WISH
TO MAKE KNOWN,
THAT HENCEFORTH I
WILL DO MY LEVEL
BEST TO BE A PER-
FECT MEMBER OF
'DEAR OLD CAMP
MERCER'.

Signed

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DEDICATED TO THE NEW ENROLLEES

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N. B.

Now that we are back on our feet financially, considerable things will be purchased from Company funds. We hope the men of this Company will accept these things with a sense of responsibility and take pride in keeping them in good condition.

It is hoped that the men of this Company will continue to dress up, when they leave the Camp. Favorable comments have been made to the Officers regarding the appearance and dress of the men of this Company.

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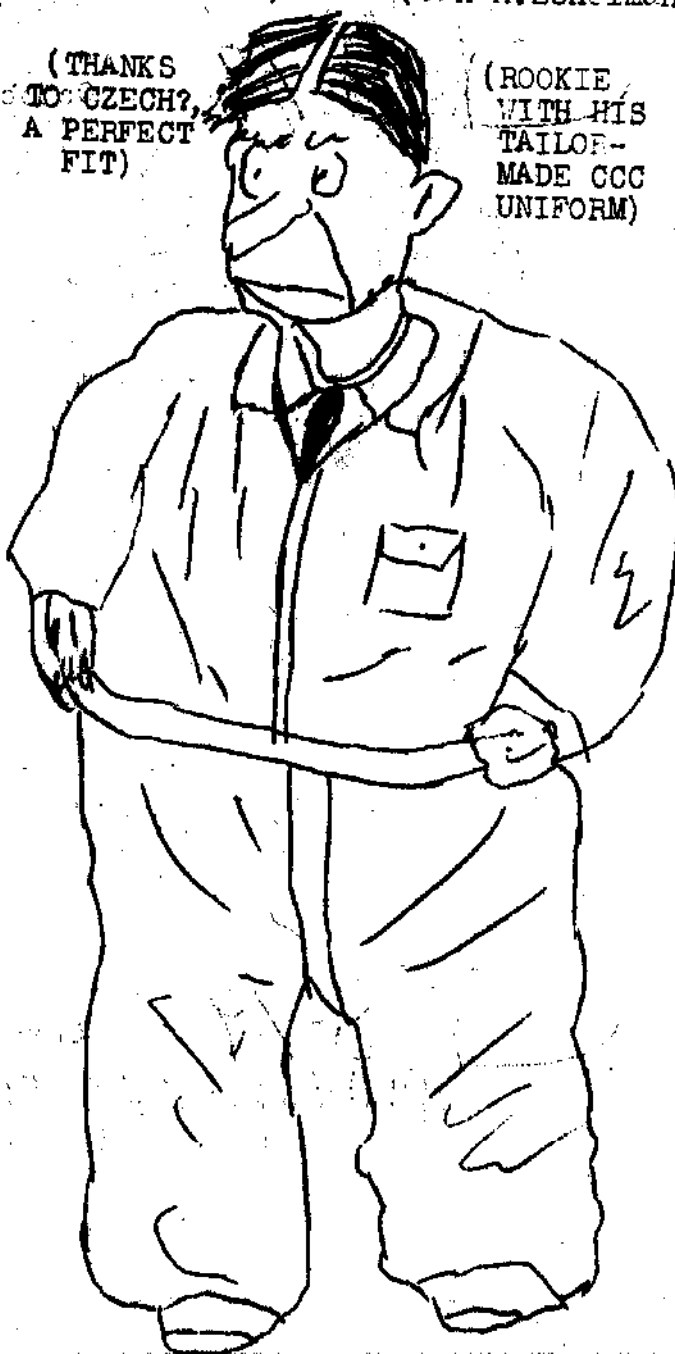
The Adviser hopes that the members of this Camp will make more use of the Camp Library in the future. We have received two new libraries the past month plus a group of about fifty text books. There certainly should be a book for each and everyone in the Company.

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I never ran around and drank
 A lot of beer,
 I never robbed a baby's bank,
 So it seems queer,
 That I should be destined to live
 My life alone;
 When Some nice girl could surely give
 Me moral tone.
 I wish I knew some girl on whom
 I could depend,
 One who knew how to use a broom
 And who could mend
 My shirts and socks and underwear
 When they are torn:
 It's really more than I can bear,
 I'm so forlorn.
 There must be some girl on this ear
 To heed my plea,
 Some one to bring a little mirth
 And joy to me;
 Give me a blonde or you can make
 It a brunette,
 I'm not particular, I'll take
 What I can get.
 (The Linebook) (Van H. Eshelman)

(THANKS
 TO CZECH?
 A PERFECT
 FIT)

(ROOKIE
 WITH HIS
 TAILOR-
 MADE CCC
 UNIFORM)



NEW ENROLLEES

The following came from Milwaukee on August 1:

Balpenz, Harry	Romanski, Roman	Marlo, Nondo
Bastian, John	Ruka, Anton	(Sesser)
Bender, Phillip	Rzesnecki, John	Mundell, Carter
Bolinski, Sylvester	Segneiri, James	(Benton)
Burke, Edward	Sery, Anthony	Odle, Billie
Burtak, Theodore	Sienkowski, Wm.	(Benton)
Brueshaber, Oscar	Sims, Robert	Planutis, Joe
Chalker, Rex	Smith, James	(Sesser)
Childs, Milton	Sommerer, Karl	Rice, Elmer
Choinowski, Daniel	Stathas, Robt.	(Sesser)
Cieczka, Frank	Stempowski, A.	Rock, John
Corrao, Tony	Striebel, John	(Benton)
Crivello, Anthony	Szyrczak, Alvin	
Domurat, Edwin	Thomson, C.	(The following
Drutowski, George	Tiegs, Eugene	men came from
Eufinger, Joseph	Vejersky, Joe	Pence, Wisconsin
Galecki, Chester	Vick, Frederick	on Sept. 5, 1935:
Garrow, Francis	Wasielewski, M.	Alfonsi, Xavier
Geischer, Ralph	White, Roscoe	Baker, Albert
Gnader, Stanley	Wiczynski, G.	Miller, Carl
Grocholski, Roman	Youngbeck, G.	Reinerie, Bat-
Groendel, Lester	Zablocki, Ed.	tiste
Gross, Louis	Zernowski, Ed.	Reinerio, Louis

(the following came from Ft. Atkinson, Aug. 7;)

Himley, Arthur
Stevens, Ken.

(the following came from Benton and Sesser, Ill. Aug. 21.)

Barnfield, Dele
(Benton)

Borowski, John
(Benton)
Chaffin, Harry
(Benton)
Cull, Lloyd
(Benton)
Dorchincz, Chas.
(Benton)
Farnear, Robt.
(Sesser)
Fure, Frank
(Sesser)
Gibbs, Lindell
(Benton)
Giovale, Elso
(Benton)
Ingram, Gail
(Benton)
Loker, Ira
(Sesser)

(The Following came on Sept. 7:

Boleck, Carl
(Winchester)
Gulan, Joseph
(Montreal)
Pudas, Arnold
(Gile, Wis.)

Boleck, Joseph
(Winchester)
(Aug. 6, 1935)

Sawicki, John
(Upton, Wis.)
(July 21, 35)

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Hedreth, William
Hetzl, Frank
Hug, Edgar
Jahnke, Alvin
Keminski, Vincent
Karocek, Fred
KecKeisen, Emil
Klaus, Joseph
Lecoo, Oscar
Koller, Herbert
Koss, Kasmier
Landowski, Richard
Lord, Francis
Markovich, George
Markowski, John
Matko, Frank
Miller, Clayton
Morgan, Allen
Morgan, Joseph
Marach, Vincent
Niezorawski, Max
O'Donnell, James
O'Neill, Robert
Parkinson, Arnold
Patterson, Robert
Pfluegel, William
Pirelli, Dominic
Procherene, John
Przybylinski, Joseph
Radosevich, Edward
Ritter, Louis
Rigby, Lester
Robinson, Earl
Roepke, Myron

NONSENSE

Rook - May I have a ten-day leave of absence?

Commanding Officer - This year has 365 days. You only work 8 hours a day, which is 1/3 of 24 hours. Therefore you really work 1/3 of a year, which is equal to 122 days. You do not work on Sundays, so you have 52 days off every year. So 52 from 122 leaves 70 days. You don't work on Saturdays as that is our day off also, so you lose another 52 days, which leaves 18 days. You take 12 days a year emergency leave which leaves 6 days. Allowing a day each for Christmas, New Year's Day, Easter, Fourth of July, and Washington's Birthday not to mention Thanksgiving and Labor Day. It seems to me that you don't work here at all.

Rook - (meekly) May I have the week-end off?

'Irish' - For the past year, I have been writing down my daily thoughts. 'Blondey' - Is that so? Well, you must have the first page nearly full.

Her - It's past midnight; do you think you can stay here all night?

Rook - Gosh, I dunno! I'll have to call Block and ask him!

Hatton - What is Scotland Yard?

Radloff - Two feet, eleven and one-half inches.

Remer - What sort of pudding is this?

Watson - We call it college pudding. Do you like it?

Remer - No, I'm afraid there's an egg in it that ought to have been expelled.

The following is a modern will:

(1) To my son, I leave the pleasure of earning a living. For 35 years he has thought that the pleasure was all mine. He was mistaken.

(2) To my daughter, I leave \$100,000. She will need it. The only good piece of business her husband ever did was to marry her.

(3) To my valet, I leave the clothes that he has been stealing from me regularly for the last 10 years. Also my fur coat that he wore last winter when I was in Florida.

(4) To my chauffeur, I leave my cars. He almost ruined them and I want him to have the satisfaction of finishing the job.

(5) To my partner, I leave the suggestion that he take some other clever man in with him at once if he expects to do any business.

It's the good egg that always has to shell out.

"Fore!" yelled the golfer, Mr. Kelton, ready to play. But the woman on the course paid no attention.

"Fore!" he shouted again, with no effect.

"Aw," suggested his opponent in disgust, "try her once with 'three ninety-eight!'"

Garrow - What is your view of kissing?

Wise Flapper - I haven't any. I simply close my eyes.

Vonderheid - I want to take up international law. What course would you recommend?

Adviser - Constant target practice.

Vick - Was Solomon the fellow who had 700 wives?

Bruewhaber - I believe he was.

Vick - Was he the guy who said, "Give me liberty or give me death"?

A Scotchman was run over by a beer wagon and for the first time in his life the drinks were on him.

And did you hear about the poor girl who quit going with sailors because she caught cold swimming home from a ship one night?

Fafford - A man is never older than he feels. Now this morning I feel as fresh as a two-year-old.

Hirte - Horse or egg?

Prospective Father-in-law - You have asked for my daughter's hand in marriage! What, may I ask, are your financial prospects?

Sienkowskie - We have an income of about \$10,360 a year!

Prospective Father-in-law - Well, that's not so bad. With my daughter's allowance of \$10,000 annually, you ought to be able to get along!

Sienkowski - Yes, sir, I--I--included that!

(JUST ONE OF WATSON'S STUDENTS)



ATHLETICS

We have now passed from a none too successful baseball season, (although we did register wins over Camp Phelos and the Mercer nines), and into another era of 'Old King Football. This fall weather makes one anxious to get out, don the old moleskins and kick the old pigskin about.

It is unfortunate that we do not have the equipment to participate in football. We perhaps have no 'Cotton Warburtons' or other All-Americans in our midst, but the writer has observed a few, who seem to have a fairly good inkling as to what they should or should not do on the gridiron.

Quite a number of the fellows have been getting very active exercise in the milder game of touch football. Even though there is not the bodily contact found in touch football as in the good old game of tackle; one at least gets the feel of the ball and also assimilates plenty of good fresh air and sunshine, which goes toward giving us hearty appetites (as if we hadn't one already).

Many of the fellows have been making use of our outside basketball court, in order that they might sharpen up their eyes for the coming basketball season. As yet they are a bit rusty, but are beginning to find the hoop with some regularity. With the 'Rooks' and a few of the fellows who were on the Mercer quintet last winter, Camp Mercer should have the makings of a team worthy to participate in this District.

Allen Morgan has created a good deal of interest in his horizontal bar, which he erected a short time ago. Allen is certainly showing the boys up when it comes to chinning. Possibly you won't think it worth the time and effort, but just try chinning yourself once or twice a day. You will find a big improvement in a short while - your system will be toned up and you will feel a good deal more fit than previous to the exercise.

Horseshoe also is taking up a good share of the time of such peggers as Maxie Biederman, Sims, Groendel and others whose names

can not be recalled at this writing. The shotput and the discus seems to be getting their share of the spare time of a few of the fellows, who have had experience in track and field meets while in school. 'Tiny' Romanski, Hirte, Parkinson, Robinson and others of our behemoths are tossing the shot and discus creditable distances.

The Adviser is planning on holding boxing and wrestling bouts every Friday evening as soon as he can have a ring constructed. This also should prove to be a mighty fine means of recreation for one and all during the long winter nights. Many of the fellows have started training for these prospective bouts. Peterson alias 'Muscle-bound' claims that he will prove to be the Champion of his division, but time will tell. We all know that Pete is not very much when it comes to predicting events of the future.



No stew from Bill Watson, our mess steward, this issue.

(OLE LEUM; CAMP MERCER'S MOST VERSATILE ATHLETE???)



DISPENSARY

INFECTIONS

by

('Sluggo' HATTON)



Russell Williams left the Dispensary July 31, to accept employment at his home town Highland. His place was taken by Elmer Radloff.

Dr. George C. Wood was transferred to Camp Phelps August 5. We hope he will enjoy his work there. Good luck, Doc.

1st Lt., Arthur Cooper arrived on August 6 to take Dr. Wood's place.

We are trying to figure out why Pete 'The Guitar Kid' always comes in on Sunday mornings with a terrible headache.

Won't someone teach the Milwaukee 'Rocks' how to use an axe. Some of them have been trying to cut off their feet.

The Dispensary is a popular place on Sunday mornings. Aspirins being the big attraction.

The interior of the Dispensary is being changed around considerable and in the near future, we are to have new hardwood floor and glass cabinets for the medicine.

This cold damp weather is causing no little amount of sickness, but on the whole the health of the Company has been very good. Here is hoping it continues, thus.

Major S.M. Roberts, who was with Camp Mercer for almost two years, has been made District Surgeon. Congratulations, Major.

We hope that the 'Rocks' from Illinois will be able to stand the cold weather up here after being used to such torrid weather.

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WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST

The White Pine Blister Rust, most deadly of all diseases now attacking American forests, was fought this summer by 10,000 boys

of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine of the Department of Agriculture.

This disease, now threatening to destroy large acreages of valuable white pine stands, is a destructive forest tree disease of foreign origin which was accidentally introduced into the U.S. at several places between 1898 and 1910. It entered on imported white pine seedlings and has spread gradually until it is now present in 21 states in which white pines are important forest trees. The disease cannot spread directly from pine to pine, but must first pass part of its life on the leaves of currant or gooseberry plants. It is, therefore, possible to control the disease by eradicating all wild and cultivated currants and gooseberries within 900 feet of white pine stands. During the past summer CCC boys scoured the white pine areas adjacent to CCC camps in search of gooseberry and currant bushes. As fast as these bushes, technically known as ribes, are found, they are pulled up and destroyed. It is estimated that more than 75,000,000 of these ribes were destroyed.

There are eight species of native five-needle pines in the U.S. that are threatened with destruction by this disease. Three of these, the northern white pine of the Eastern U.S. the western white pine of the Pacific N.W., and the sugar pine of California, are of great commercial value. Present stands of these three species are estimated to contain about 69 1/2 billion board feet of timber valued at more than \$400,000,000. In order to protect and perpetuate these valuable forest resources, the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture is cooperating with the affected states and with federal agencies administering public lands in establishing and maintaining control of this disease in white pine forest areas.

Aiding in this project, since April, 1933, the members of the C. C. C. under the general supervision of the Dept. of Agriculture have contributed materially to the success of the work by providing a large amount of labor for the eradication of wild currant and gooseberry plants in white pine areas that are located within a working radius of each CCC camp. Through its Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, the Dept. of Agriculture is responsible for the technical direction of the work, the pre-eradication surveys and the maintenance of efficiency standards.

SCHEDULE

TEACHER	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
A. Kelton	Psychology 6:00/7:00 P. Spk. 7-8 Economics 8-9	Transportation 8-7 College Eng 8-9 8:00/9:00	Physics 6:00/7:00	Psychology 8:00/7:00 Economics 7-8 C. Eng. 8-9	Physics 6:00/6:45 H. S. Eng. 6:45/7:30
Lt. Glaser		U. S. Hist. (college) 7:00/8:00	M O	U. S. Hist. (college) 7:00/8:00	
Elmer Hinke	Typing 5:00/9:30 Ele. Subjs. 7:00/8:00	Typing 5:00/9:30 Shorthand 8:00/8:30	V I	Typing 5-9:30 Ele. Subjs. 7-8 Shorthand 8:00-8:30	Typing 5:00/9:30
Dr. Cooper		First Aid 7:00/8:00	N G		B O
Myron Roepke	Am. Hist. (H.S.) 8:00/9:00		P	Am. Hist. (H.S.) 8:00/9:00	X I
Rex Chalke		Mech. Drawing 6:00/7:00	I C	Mech. Drawing 7:00/8:00	N G
Lt. Johansen	Organi- zation 7:00/8:00		T U		7 : 30
Chaplain Richard		Bible Hist. 7:00/7:30 Rel. Ser. 7:30/8:30	R E		to 9
Lt. Ermen-trout			S I	Forestry 6:00/7:00	: 00
Rev. Father Paul			(7:00 8:00)		Religious Services 6:45/7:30
Gilbert Youngbeck	Music 7:00/9:00				Music 7:00/9:00

PROGRAM

(A ROOK FILLING UP)



(ROOK'S IDEA OF SOLID COMFORT)

JUST
A
ROOK

ICE
CREAM