

THE CAMP 660th CO. 79 MERCER MONITOR

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Educational Notes

Material has been received from the Chevrolet Motor Company, and the Eastman Kodak Company for courses in instruction in auto mechanics and photography. This is excellent supplementary material for elementary courses. We invite you to get acquainted with the possibilities offered in these courses.

We have received word that a new library is now on the way. This will be added to our already extensive reading library.

Thirty-eight fellows have signed up for typing. We hope to have sufficient typewriters available this week.

Many enrollees have had two or three years of high school work and are desirous of finishing. Arrangements are being made with the local high schools for these fellows to complete their work. Those wishing to avail themselves of this opportunity see the Educational Adviser as soon as possible.

Athletic Equipment Taken Over by Office of the Adviser.

Along with the Athletic program arranged by the Adviser, has come the responsibility for the equipment. All the materials are now stored adjacent to the Adviser's Office and maybe checked out from there.

News Bulletin To Get Dianne, Our Deer, Back.

Through the efforts of Conservation Commissioner T. J. Koerner in petitioning the Governor, our deer, Dianne, together with some pheasants, is being returned to us.

District Chaplain Leaves

We hear that Captain A. O. Ramsey, the Ninth Forestry District Chaplain, is taking an extended leave.



The new enrollees took advantage of a real chance to create something when they made the name of Camp Mercer in stones against a sloping clay mound. Beautifully done, this Marker indicates that this is Camp Mercer, 660th Co., S-79, 1000.

The Rangers Tell Us.

Tree planting, according to Asst. Supt. Pripps, has been finished for a long while, but there is still a variety of work being done.

On Highways U, S, 51, County G and B at Winchester, clearing is being done. Fire lane construction is being done on the Circle Lily.

The telephone line work at Winchester is still under way, and the tower there is almost completed.

Fish rescue work is a new project carried on at Turtle Florage.

Yet, the least of this news is the best. Fire-fighting, with the exception of a few small fires, is almost unheard of these days.

Interesting Facts.

By Rhamlow.

During the month of July 1972 acres were eradicated from Ribes to protect the white pine from blister rust. 62,750 current and gooseberry bushes were destroyed.

Ed. Wright holds the record for picking at Random - picking 1100 bushes in one-half day.

Mr. Chiapusio holds the record for crew work. He pulled 1050 bushes in one day.

According to present indications these records will soon fall.

Kettles and Skillets

Sunday July 22 was a red letter day at Camp Mercer. The Rook's received their uniforms and were baptised with them on in the beautiful Manitowish river with high honors. Some splashed higher than others.

The flies are growing bigger but not better. They are a quarter of an inch longer than last year.

Watson has created a new game. He kicks the K. P.'s out of one door and brings them back again through another as new men.

Our head K. P., White, likes to do work on a large scale. He waits until 6 or 7 waiters are asking for bread before he commences to give any out; and asks "What's your're hungry?"

It took God six days to create the world and the seventh day he rested. Later he created a woman, and since then there hasn't been any rest.

Our head K. P. is a fast worker. He won himself a home in Ironwood. Good luck White.

By Bill Watson.

Dispensary Statues Of the F. A. D.

1. Patients found keeping the others awake by snoring are immediately thrown into the river.
2. Second helping at mess, when in the dispensary, are forbidden.
3. Baths are to be given at stated intervals; currying if necessary.
4. Chewing tobacco and spitting on the floors is frowned at.
5. Talking in sleep is not considered good form. One might divulge secrets.
6. Personal pets, such as crabs, fleas, and lice, are to be left out of doors upon entering the dispensary.
7. Ambulatory patients are to make themselves generally useful around and about the dispensary.
8. Make-believe sick patients are or will be given six pounds of castor oil upon entering.
9. Patients must shave daily.
10. Whistling and singing will be discontinued during the visit at the dispensary.
11. Each new patient will be required to bring one pet such as a mouse, goose, slunk, tame duck,

Heard About Camp.

Van Rens is very much interested in a girl by the name of Van---. well of all the Vans.

Patrow has got a new girl. He has gone to Mercer every night this month. Nice among Pat.

The "Rook's kinda bothered Murray and his girl Saturday nite.

Bill Watson got out on the new Bacon slicer.

Where does Mike Madden go with that fish pole. Mike sure brings home the Fisk.

Bill Leum likes blueberries. He says every athlete should eat blueberries.

Metscher pressing clothes:-- "Why do you have to wash clothes?"

Pearn, "Jean Harlow"-Hicke crashed the news again this week by being A.W.O.L. That's bad business; he is doing extra duty every night for Bill, "Rook Buster Watson". His latest job,-- well maybe Hicke can tell us how many vertical laths there are around a building.

Boardsley invented a card system to indicate who the waiters, firemen, etc. for each day are. It worked swell till a clever diabolical rookie invented a self-indicating K.P. sign. The fireman on the two to six shift made the new invention a success. The resulting deaf and dumb sign language must have been shocking to the younger guy.

The rooks enjoyed a pleasant evening at Ironwood and Hurley Saturday. They were confined to camp a long time and it must have been a pleasant relief.

Two new foremen, Paul Litchfield and Orville Layman have been appointed to take the place of Eddie Wright, the chap with the sterling voice. We understand they are doing a good job of filling his shoes.

With the news of the veterans discharges comes the change in Barrack leaders from Campbell and King to the leader "Soup" Leo Laverdure and assistant Bill Leum. They seem to be doing a good job of it, even to getting the ambulance driver out of bed.

Ed. King has been put in charge of the Ox-Bo Side Camp to replace Mike Meade.

Something will have to be done about Alex "Screach" Guidici, if he doesn't stop talking in his sleep and scaring everybody to death. And, did you sign up, "Puss".

Ed. Wright made a weekend trip to Appleton and points farther south; and you know what? Our golden voiced baritone started to write rather poetic lines to a girl named Dorothy. "Herb" is always starting something. We wonder what Ruth is going to do.

A card came one morning,
 It was addressed to me,
 and it says, "Come down Son",
 "And join the CCC."

So Ma said; "Goodbye Son,
 And have a good time."
 So I jumped on a street car,
 And spent my last dime.

Now I'm here at Fort Sheridan,
 I got her to-day,
 They looked me all over,
 And said I'm O. K.

The clothes that they gave me,
 They fit like a tent.
 I'd swear bloody murder,
 But Sir, I'm a gent.

I went to the mess hall,
 And there fed my face.
 The way I ate corned beef,
 Was an awful disgrace.

Six days went by Ma,
 They gave me a shot,
 No it wasn't good whiskey,
 It was the needle I got.

My poor head was aching,
 My arm felt like lead,
 I sure cursed the CCC's,
 As I lay on my bed.

I've raked most of Sheridan
 And dug many stumps,
 I'm safe from the typhoid,
 And even the Mumps.

My feet are all blistered,
 I feel worse than dead,
 This "Yes Sir" and "No Sir",
 Has gone to my head.

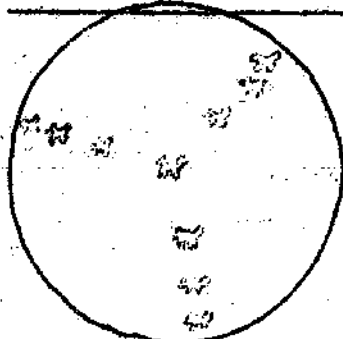
The Choo-Choo is coming,
 It'll be here on time,
 To take me to Camp Mercer
 To serve out my time.

Now if I had the Captain
 Where the Captain's got me,
 Before my time's over,
 He'd sure, "Yes Sir" me.

My story's not ended,
 I'll tell you some more,
 Out in the forest,
 Beside a lake shore.

Brushing and burning
 K. P'ing and all,
 To town and returning
 And don't forget ball.

We're now real CCC's,
 And not on the tramp,
 'Cause loafing's not easy,
 It's a pleasure in Camp.



Draw three circles so that every cat has its own enclosure, and can not reach another cat without cross-a line. Ans. in next issue.

Infirmary Infections

William D. Hopkins, veteran First Aid man of Co. 660, has taken a discharge after thirteen months and a half of faithful service to Camp Mercer.

Bill came in the other day when the Major was cleaning his pistol. The Major looked at him and said, "I guess I'll have to shoot you, Bill, rather than let you go back to Cumberland. That's the only place where they don't bury their dead; they still walk around in the streets".

Lowell Du Bois tried unsuccessfully to offer up his body to the raging Manitowish waters last weekend. Our brave life-savers, Paul Litchfield and Ferdie Wick, cheated the river, luckily for Lowell, and brought him to safety. No artificial methods were given to restore him to animation however. He may have been a little blue in the face where the Manitowish kissed him, but he came around finally.

The company pet, Camp Mascot, or better known as just Dianne, was taken away last week, much to the chagrin of the nurses of the F.A.D. She was very fond of all the boys as they were of her. She had absolutely no fear of anyone or anything and readily adopted Dixie as her mother. Amateur photographers found her to be an excellent poser for pictures, and also the artist in camp took the opportunity of testing their ability to paint wild life.

The camp pets of the 660th co. have been reduced to the old faithfuls, Dixie and Rip. It is the fervent wish and hope of the F. A. D. that the "Pet" situation will remain as it is. (Bob. Avery)

Lato News Bulletin

Camp gets another faun to take the place of Dianne. What will we name him?

Camp Porter Drops Two Games.

Camp Porter lost to Boulder Junction a badminton match by a score of 1-2. A large number of errors accounted for this defeat. We hope, however, to square this defeat on the return game.

Last Sunday our ball club, via trucks, journeyed to Camp Upson. This game was dropped to the tune of 14 to 5. Due to the fact that our pitcher and two regulars were missing from the line-up, this was a one-sided affair. After the game the fellows were given a fine feed.

Kitten-ball Tourney Finished.

Many fast well played games featured this tournament. The scores with a few exceptions, were close and some fine pitching duels were fought to a finish.

Our all-star Company team, composed of the stars of these five teams are still undefeated. Any outside team wishing a game get in touch with the Adviser.

Results of the tourney;

Barrack	Won	Lost	Pct.
Two	4	0	1.000
Three	2	2	.500
One	1	3	.250
Four	1	3	.250
Five	0	4	.000

Volley ball and horse are still popular sports in Camp. The number of nightly participants in volley ball evidences the fact that the new court in the quadrangle was very much worth while.

New Athletic Equipment Ordered.

A replenishment for worn out athletic equipment was ordered last week. We should have this new supply in a few days. Aspiring athletes should improve their games with this new equipment.

Riding Horses Now in Vogue.

Lt. Oliszewski, a confirmed riding enthusiast, met with a slight accident Wednesday afternoon. His horse failed to see a large tree, and the Lieut. picked himself out of the dust with a slightly bruised arm and much soiled breeches. We suggest the Lieut. pick other roads on which to ride in the future.

Yaw, Dot Is So!

Yaw, dot is so! Yaw dot is so!
Dis world was all a fleeting show!

I smokes mine pipe,
I trinks mine beer,
Und efry day to work I go;
Dis world was all a fleeting show!

Yaw, dot is so! Yaw dot is so!

Is this True

It is much easier to destroy than to build, it is much easier to roll down hill than to climb up, it is much easier to become a failure than to become a success, for it is much easier to indulge your inertia than to stimulate your initiative. To build, climb, achieve are not easy. But it is only by building, climbing and achieving that man makes progress. So dont waste your days waiting for an easy way to get by. Rather learn to welcome difficulties; and above all dont let hard work discourage you.

Major S. M. Roberts Granted Granted Ten Day Leave.

Major Roberts was granted a much earned leave of absence from July 25 to August 4th, inclusive.

The Major plans on spending his vacation at his home in Chicago. Have a good time Major.

Discharged

Haney, Joseph E. July 14, 1934
Hopkins, William July 15, 1934.

Information

Many "Rookies" have asked to be introduced to the social elite of this vicinity. Due to the fact that we have not access to a social register, we are unable to give them much help.

However we refer you to the best authority in Camp namely, Lieut. Johanson.

Complete the last line.

Limerick

Two riders from somewhere nearby,
Let the Lieut. their horses to ride.
He went along fine till he found,
Himself lying flat on the ground.

