

# CAMP CALUMET BOYS MAKING GOOD

# Stanley Strus Writes Advisor

In a letter from Gallop's Island, dated August 24th, news from two former enrollees, S. Strus and Alvin Gingerich, was received by the CEA. The letter is printed here for the benefit of all members of Camp Calumet.

### Dear Mr. Stuckey:

As a former enrollee of good old Co. 1583, I am dropping you a few lines of appreciation for all you have done for me.

As you probably have been told I've passed the physical requirements and am now in the U.S. Maratime Training Station which is located on Gallop's Island. We shall probably be here until the completion of our classes.

Both Alvin Gingerich and I have enrolled in the radio classes that are conducted here. During the short time that I have been here I realize the value of the training that I received in the CCC. It has been of great value.

Now to tell you a few things

of our life out here. We arise at 6:30 a.m. Breakfast is at 7:30. Classes begin at 8 a.m. Before going to our classes our sleeping quarters must be neat and clean. During the day all we do is go to school and it is called a day at 4:45 p.m. After this we do as WO please. All enrollees who are taking radio are allowed to go to town once a week, liberty being granted from from 1 p.m. Sat. to 7 a.m. Monday. On Saturadays we have our weekly inspections. Everybody musters on the parade grounds in full dress uniform and inspection is taken by the superintendent. The food is excellent. Since I've been here I have gained fifteen pounds.

To spend the weekends I usually go to Boston and surrounding towns. Since I came here I've seen Bunker Hill Monument, Old Iron Sides, Paul Revere's Home and other historical places. Alvin and I have been planning to go to the World's Fair, probably this weekend.Give the boys my best regards and please let me know how things are at camp. Thanking you again I remain, sincerely yours,

Stanley Strus.

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WHO'S WHO C C C 1583

# THE ARMY

GEORGE E. WILEY, Company Commander

William K. Naylor, Jr., Subaltern

William T. Stuckey. Educational Advisor

Malcolm B. Fyfe, Contract Physician

# THE VALPO VANE STAFF

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Operator

Early to bed and early to rise, Makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise.

Curiosity killed the cat.

# SCS

JOHN R. FABING. Acting Superintendent

George R. Stanek, Conservationist

William J. Taylor, Jr. Civil Engineer

Elmer D. Miller, Jr. Agricultural Engineer

James H. Back, Sr. Foreman

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# NEWS

## REX TABLER IS SELECTED FOR MERCHANT MARINE

Rex Tabler of Camp Calumet was one of a very small number selected for training with the U. S. Merchant Marine from the Ind-Ky Dist. Since recommendations have been made from CCC enrollees, this company has been very fortunate in that three members have been among the lucky ones. Already at Gallop's Island, Baltimore, Md. are Stanley Strus, former company clerk, and Alvin Gingerich, Technical Service clerk. Both of the boys are making excellent progress. They are taking instruction in radio work. A letter from Stanley Strus appears else where in this month's issue.

# TROUBADOURS ENTERTAIN MEMBERS OF AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Members of Camp Calumet's musically talented, and members of the Troubadour's attended a meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary, presided over by Mrs. Whitehead. The meeting was held at the American Legion Hall on Lincoln Way, East. The members participating in entertaining the ladies were: Messrs. Wells, Skinner, and Swiegars. W.T. Stuckey, Educational Advisor, attended the meeting with the troup.

After the entertainment the boys were served with pie and coffee. Many favorable compliments were given the boys by the members at the close of the meeting. The members of the group were invited to prepare some religious numbers to be given at one of the church services soon to be held at camp.

## Eighteen Members Satisfactorily Complete First Aid Training

Eighteen members of the course in First Aid have satisfactorily completed their examinations and have passed with a grade of 75% or above.

The following members have been recommended by Dr. Malcom B. Fyfe, First Aid instructor:

Adams, Arthur

Balta, George

Conway, Robert

Duda, Stanley

Faulkner, Stanley

Granzow, Donald

Grsitz, Louis

Haduk, William

Ignas, John

Jacusis, Paul

Kerekes, Andrew

Kurowski, John

Marzalak, Henry

Piniak, Walter

Such, Andrew

Taroli, Oliver

Turpin, William

Zark, Frank

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# NEWS

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New Examinations For

Robert G. Correll, District Educational

Members Making Low Grades Adviser, Ind. - Ky. CCC District Inspects

Nearly twenty members of the First Aid Class who did not pass a portion of their examinations satisfactorily in first aid on the regular examination were given another chance to pass their examinations Monday, September 16, when Robert P. Davis, Assistant Ed. Advisor, gave the members who had too low a grade a chance to pass their test a second time. The papers are now being graded and considerable improvement is noted in the results. An announcement of availthe final results will be able shortly.

# Assistant Educational Adviser To Remain

Robert P. Davis, ACEA, finally / decided to remain at Camp Calumet for another enrollment period so that certain plans he has in mind may be worked out. While he admits his longing for those "West Virginia Hills", he intends to take his leave about the first of October and see the Old Folks at Home.

# STANLEY R. TRUSLER NOW CLERICAL ASSISTANT WITH TECH. SERVICE

Stanley R. Trusler, formerly assigned to the Educational Advisor, is now functioning quite sat-Technical isfactorily with the Service under the watchful and ef-McClannen, ficent eye of Lester Chief Clerk. The only thing that has puzzled us who have been associated with him is that his mail, a portion of it, now comes in addressed to Stanley Trusler whereas it formely was addressed to Reuel Trusler.

Robert G. Correll, Dist. Educational Advisor, Indiana-Kentucky CCC District, made an inspection of Camp Calumet on Wednesday, Sept. His inspection included a 18th. careful check-up of all phases of the educational program and of the educational equipment and buildings. He made some constructive suggestions that will be carried out in the near future.

# CLAUDE R. LANDAW, SECTOR COMMANDER MAKES INSPECTION OF 1583

Camp Calumet was inspected by its former commander, Capt. Claude R. Landaw, now sector commander, on Tuesday, Sept. 17th. His inspection was very thorough. George E. Wiley, Commanding Officer, Co. 15-83, who succeeded in command, was pleased with the condition of the camp on the inspection tour.

# JOSEPH D. MURRAY RECEIVES NEW ASSIGNMENT IN CAMP

Joseph D. Murray, popular member of Old '83, is now assigned to the educational divsion and is working on the camp paper, The Valpo Vane, and is now learning to set type and operate the multigraph machine. Joe is getting along splendidly and it is believed that his services will prove very valuable.

## WALTER CAMPBELL, INFIRMARY ATTENDANT, TO GO TO STATION HOSPITAL

Just as we go to press we learn that the popular infirmary attendant will be in the Station Hospital, Ft. Ben. for a short period, leaving the 19th.

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# KITCHEN SMOKE

Pop Powers left on a leave last week and now has gone to the southern part of Illinois. He will be back the 20th.

James Miller who was once in the kitchen and then was not, is back with us now and has a rating and an S.S.J. So he won't have to leave us now like he thought he would.

I have heard that Turpin bought his girl a ring. Could it be that they have sat together and saw too many moons?

We all wish you a lot of luck Turpin an if you should need any advice don't hesitate to call on us.

One morning Cox got up rubbing his eye and looking in the mirror. Scamihorn saw him and asked him what the trouble was. Cox said taht he had run into the edge of a door. Well, maybe he did , but we all have our doubts about it. Better be careful from now on Cox and watch those boors. Otherwise you might get that pretty face all scared up from the doors.

Pete Gombos is our new cook and he seems to be getting along very nicely. We all hope that he likes his new job.

We have lost three cooks with in the last month but we are getting fairly well straightened out now. They were John Scamihorn who is now mess stewart, Sepiel who went A.W.O.P. and forgot to return and last but not least Dobszewicz who got a better job out of camp. We wish them all lots of luck.

I heard the other day that Frank Murray was a chow hound. I wonder who would say a thing like that when everybody knows that Frank is a small eater in fact he hardly eats anything at all.

The District Inspector didn't

like the looks of things when he took inspection on the 16th and he didn't hesitate to tell us about it. We sure got a good going over and I think that we had it coming. We cetainly are going to try and do better the next time. I guess we will have to bar all singing in the kitchen because all of the K. P.'s think that they are crooners and I guess they did more crooning than they did work. Perhaps that is the reason we did not come up to par in the last inspection.

Hooker: "What have we got for dinner today?"

Cox: "Baked ham and pie."

Hooker: "Gosh, and here I had my mouth all set for beans".

Turpin to K.P.'s: "All right you guys get to work"!

K.P.: "What is that, something to eat"?

Turpin: "Ok you guys start eating it and see how tough it is to chew".

A little girl was sort of lone some the other eve; so she went to the phone and called up Scamihorn. "Run over and see me, you big stiff", she invited, "I'm in the moob for fun just now"!

In less than nothing flat the breathless Scamihorn came tearing up the garden path, to find the little gal on the porch, the very picture of what the well-dressed girl should wear.

"Oh, shucks".Gulped Scamihorn, his face falling a foot, "You must have said, 'In the mood'!"

Famous last words of J.Miller. "Chesterton, here I come."

Famous words of Howard Burns. "Hamburger Joint."

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# SCS NEWS

# Agricultural Engineer Assigned To Camp

Mr. Elmer D. Miller, Junior Agricultural Engineer, entered on duty at Camp SCS-20 on September 5, 1940, being transferred from Camp SCS-44, Cadiz, Ohio.

He is a genial and very likeable person and was quickly accepted by the technical service personnel and enrollees as a most worthy addition to our organization.

## MR. G. H. GILBERTSON INSPECTS CAMP

Mr. G. H. Gilbertson, who is employed on CCC information work in the Soil Conservation Service, inspected Camp SCS-20 and various work jobs with Mr. Fabing, Camp Superintendent, and Mr. Dooley, Educational Assistant to the Superintendent, on Wednesday, September 11, 1940.

Mr. Gilbertson stated that, inasmuch as this was the first drainage camp he had had the opportunity of seeing, the visit was exceptionally worthwhile since it gave him a good background for interpreting this type of SCS activities. He also stated he could not help being impressed with the quality of the work being done by the camp and that he was sure this fact is very much appreciated by the people of this community.

We very much appreciate Mr. Gilbertson's good opinion of our camp and the work we are doing. Certainly each of us can make no better resolve than that we will continue to do everything possible to insure our record in the future will be as good or better than it is now and has been in the past.

# George Wiseman Quietly Achieves

# **Excellent Record**

George Wiseman, our efficient gas and oil attendent who hales from West Virginia, has been quietly and unostentiously carrying out his duties in a very superior manner since he was assigned to the technical service overhead some five or six months ago. His neatness and accuracy, both in the care of the oil house and in the maintenance of records on gasoline, lubricating oil, greases, antifreeze, and cleaning solvent, have made his department a model of efficiency.

We have all appreciated his good work and, we fear, have come to take his work for granted. Now, however, since it appears this month will end his service in the CCC, his value to our organization is clearly revealed to us. He will be hard to replace.

All of us wish him the best of luck when he returns to civilian life, and each of us sincerely regret that he cannot remain here.

## SHELL MADDOX TAKES A LEAVE

Yes, that's what we said; and that is news! Shell is one of those fellows who is happiest when working and who rarely takes a leave. There isn't a harder worker in the camp than he is. However, we're wondering, Shell, if visiting the folks at home was your only reason for going on leave?

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### "WHO"

Who is the boy that wants a rubber transmission? It couldn't be Skinner. Or could it?

Who was the boy who wanted the governor taken off his truck? Now don't be self-conscience Harlow, it couldn't be you.

Who tried to get a pick-up to take his girl for a ride? It could not be Tokarcik, could it?

### WHY!

Why does Morris check out two pillows when he drives the dump?

Why does Shelly get wide-eyed when we talk about war? Why, in fact everytime someone drops a wrench (thinking it is a bomb,) he 'takes off for shelter like a big bird.

Why does Coburn always smile when somebody says something about Kingsburgh?

## **DON'TS**

Hammerick, the boy who said "Don't call me Dopey call me Doy," has change his tune to "Don't call me Doy call me Baby-face!"

Coburn says, "Don't take a truck apart unless you can put it back together."

Don't Orlie Robinson know it is too late to try and get suction with a certain E.C.W. man.

Don't you know Backus has improved his double clutching. Yes, he is triple clutching now !

## Odds & Ends

Rak still does not know where the double clutch is, but is still looking for it. We hope that he finds it in the very near future.

Cobb who recently got back in to the garage after a small misfortune a while back is getting along fine. More luck to you this time Cobb.

Duty has been watching the gas house recently. We don't blame you Duty, good luck.

We wonder who will be the next gas house man. Wiseman will be leaving us as his time is up. He has put in several months of excellent work in the gas house and we wish him luck in civilian life.

Four drivers topped the one thousand mark this month. They are:

Hamrick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1377
Tokarcik	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	1290
Morris	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	1123
Skinner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1056

Shelly Maddox, who has taken but little leave since coming to Camp Calumet, has broken down and took leave of six days last week. He said he had a nice visit with the home folks but he didn't know anyone at home as he had been gone so long.

Coburn: (whispering sweet nothings to girl friend) "You are a sporadic descendand of humanistic progenitors."

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# JOKES and JIBES

F. Murray: "Authorities agree that there is great danger in petting."

She: "Surest thing. It usually results in Marriage."

Marriage is a serious thing.. don't propose to your sweetheart until you have slept on it!

Henley: "I am marrying a cute little blond tomorrow Babe, and I want to rehearse".

She: (after a minute) "Hey .. rehearse what?

Whether buying a car or taking a wife; it's not the first cost but the upkeep.

Swiger: Don't you think that melody of mine is haunting?

Skinner: Yes, if I wanted to haunt somebody I'd certainly use , it.

5 a.m.

She: My dad takes things apart to see why they don't go. Murray: So what? She: You'd better go.

Backus: I played a part in the big Western thriller, "The Ranchers Revenge."I was in the scene where a bunch of cowboys threw a dummy off a cliff.

Ridenhour: Oh, did it hurt you much when you lit?

"I can't eat and I can't sleep."

"Gosh life must be miserable for you!"

"Oh, no. I can still drink!"

"Oh, Frank, I love you so." "So what?" Chinaman: "You're insulting us Chinese if you think that we're all laundrymen."

Well meaning white: "Oh tut tut old chap, not at all, I know perfectly well that you don't all wash".

Brose: "My grandfarther was very eccentric. When he died, he wrote out his last will and testament on a slab of cheese, which he happened to have handy. He left me his entire estate, but his other relitives are claiming the will invalid because it was written on cheese. What is your opinion Coican?

Coican: Well Brose, as a legal document there is no doubts about it being binding.

The best thing to take for a hangover is fewer drinks the night before!

Women's styles may change--but their designs remain the same.

The biggest mystery to a married man is what a bachelor does with his money.

He who knows not and knows not that he knows not is ignorant--ignore him.

He who knows not and knows that he knows not is a child--guide him.

He who knows and knows not that he knows is a fool--shun him. He who knows and knows that he knows is wise--follow him.

Murray and Burns say if they are ever wanted come to the hamburger joint.

"We will be there."

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If you were born between the dates August 23, to September 22, your birthstone is "VIRGO". We shall list only the enrollees names that have birthdays between the first of September and the first of October. This is due to the fact that the paper is issued only at the last of each month.

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