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### Merry Christmas

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# Robert G. Correll, District Educational Adviser Inspects

Robert G. Correll, District Educational Adviser, Fort Benjiman Harrison, Indiana, made an inspection of the Educational program on Tuesday December 17th. In addition to the regular routine inspection of the camp's program, various phases of the National Defense Training Program was taken up with the CEA. Suggestions for cooperation of the various state and local agencies was discussed.

Mr. Correll was pleased with the improvement shown since his last inspection. Since his last visit, many is provements in the physcal set-up have been made, both in the shop and the in educationl building. Chief among these changes are the new flame-proof curtains, new seats for class use, and and new cabinets and a water line to the dark room. In addition, the Adviser's office has undergone a complete revemping since his last departure. A new streamlined desk, tops everything there.

### Christmas And New Year's Holiday Period, December 21-26; Dec. 28-Jan. 2, 1941

Members of Camp Calumet will be at liberty for Xmas or New Year's holiday period on either of the dates given. Most of the members will take their leave over the Xmas period, Dec. 21-26th. There will be only a few members in camp over the period given. The remaining members will take their leave over the New Year period.

Many of the boys will be leaving for out of state destinations in Kentucky or West Virginia. Most of the boys, however, are Hoosiers and their vacation will be spent at their homes. There is considerable discussion regarding plans for the holiday period and many of the boys have purchased gifts for the folks back home. Of course, the girl friends have not been forgotten and a brisk business has been reported by Joe Henley at the canteen. The boys who are leaving at the end of their term of emrollebe leaving Friday or ment, will Saturday.

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#### WHO'S WHO 1583 CCC SCS THE ARMY JOHN R. FABING. GEORGE E. WILEY, Acting Superintendent Company Commander George R. Stanek, William T. Stuckey, Conservationist Educational Advisor William J. Taylor, Malcolm B. Fyfe, Jr. Civil Engineer Contract Physician Elmer D. Miller, THE VALPO VANE STAFF Jr. Agricultural Engineer James H. Back, Editor Robert P. Davis, Sr. Foreman Ass't Editor Joseph D. Murray, Wm. H. Vanderbosch, Sr. Foreman Sports Editor "Awalt Brose, Opal E. Kilmer, SCS Editor Lester McClennen, Sr. Foreman Sponsor Wm. T. Stuckey, Leo Dooley, Sr. Foreman Reporter Paul Scamihorn. John L. Henderson, Cartoonist Leslie Armstrong, Mechanic Reporter Doy Hamrick, Guy Tindle, Minor Ass't to Technician Reporter Joe Henley, Elmer L. Eckert, Reporter Darwin Hostetter, Power Shovel Operator Reporter Walter Holtsclaw, Lester McClennen, Clerk Art Stanley R. Trusler, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

# NEWS

### Howard Burns, Supply Steward, Secures Employment

Howard Burns, popular an efficient supply clerk of Camp Calumet has secured employment with a local industry at a good rate of pay. McGill's is the employer. This is the second man they have secured comparatively recently. Jimmy Miller is also employed there. Mc-Gill has employed many CCC men. Evidently they make good or they make good or they would not come back for more. Burns should be no exception and we predict for him a still better job with the organization.

### JOSEPH D. MURRAY MAKES TRIP TO BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Joseph D. Murray, has been called to Buffalo, New York, to the bedside of his grandmother who is in a bad condition due to illness. We miss Joe very much and wish him a successful and safe trip. He will return to Camp Calumet for his discharge at the end of term of enrollment, December 20th. Joe was one of the most popular men in camp and was liked by everyone. Good luck, Joe!

### VALPO VANE ARTIST IN INFIRMARY

Leslie Armstrong, versatile Vane artist has contracted a bad cold and was hospitalized . Monday, December 16th.He is feeling better now and should be out in a day or so.He has done some excellent work on the camp publication since coming into camp in late Obtober.

New camp barber, Delano Harbert, is giving some fine haircuts.

### MaJor Bob Childs Inspects

Major Bob Childs, Indiana-Kentucky District CCC inspecting officer, made his regular inspection of Camp Calumet on December 12th. His inspection, as usual was very thorough. We wish to extend to the Major the Season's Greetings.

#### MERL HARBIT MAKING GOOD

Merl Harbit, until recently, a member of Company 1583, and now an employee of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Company Gary, Indiana, is making a good income at the mills. He is making more than seven dollars per day, he reports, when a change between shifts made it possible for him to visit camp. He was interested in the new desks recently established in the Educational Building for he helped build many of them before leaving for his position in the Mills. We are very glad to know of his good fortune for he was one of the outstanding members of Camp Calumet.

#### MESSRS. LINEBARGER AND TRAVELBEE VISIT CAMP CALUMET

Mr. Linebarger, a State Supervisor of the WPA, Educational division, and Mr. Travelbee, District Supervisor, were visitors at Camp Calumet, Tuesdsy evening, December 17th. We are always glad to have the inspecting personnel of the state of district visit camp for it gives them an opportunity to see what is being done by their teachers.

Smitha, Scamihorn and Cox will be in charge of Turkey for Xmas.

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\*\*\*\* EDUCATIONAL NEWS\*\*\*\*

Willim T. Stuckey Educational Advisor

# Defense Training Program Will Receive Added Emphasis

The Defense Training Program is to receive added emphasis during the Jan.-March Quarter.The cooperation of local and state agencies will be sought. Already plans have been formulated by the Camp Committee on Education to utilize the services of all cooperating agencies.

#### UNIT CERTIFICATES TO BE GIVEN

All members of classes for the past quarter who have satisfactorily met all requirements for scholarship and attendance will receive the Standard Unit Certificate as provided by district instructions. Lists of thoes who entitled to certificates will receive them as soon as possible after the close of the quarter. Thoes who are discharged will be mailed these certificates the first week in January.

### 1940 HAS BEEN A GOOD YEA R

1940 has been a good year for Camp Calumet. It has seen genuine advancement in each and every department. We have received some hard jolts in the loss of Capt. C. R. Landaw and Sam Wearley. However their spirit carries on. In their places equally strong hands have taken the helm in the persons of Lt. George E. Wiley and Mr. John R. Fabing, Commanding Officer and Superintendent respectively. Robert P. Davis Assistant Educational Advisor

### Thirty-Three Members To

### **Receive Standard First Aid Cards**

First Aid tests and examinations recently completed by Dr. Malcom B.Fyfe,Contract Physicians, gives Standard First Aid Cards to thirty three members of Co. 1583. The following members will receive cards.

> Adams, Walter D. Balensiefer, Arnold Beal, Russell Black, Earl Lee Brandly, John Brown, Howard Chamberland, Anthony Conley, Billie R. Goddard, Thomas Longava, Henery Murray, Joseph D. Nastyn, Charles Pavell, John Petruska, Paul Preda, Andrew Sarnecki, John Sebenste, Gilbert Sefcik, Steve Setser, Gilbert Shaw, Richard Small, Nathan Springer, Belvie Stinett, George Tanner, George Thomas, Norman Urbelis, Edward Varthalamas, Peter Vega, Charles Vrska, John Walton, Jack Wells, Denver

KITCHEN SMOKE

# Pop's Band Is Hot

Pop Smitha and his string band has been hitting all the high spots in Valparaiso, this past month playing sweet music for the boys and girls to dance by.According to his saying the boys are plenty hot. I don't like to say it here, but you all know that Pop Smitha doesn't care how he uses the English language, so I don't know maybe he is telling it straight for once or he is trying to make the boys in the band feel better.Putting all jokes aside maybe you have something there Pop, so more luck to you and your string band.

MESS STEWARD: Hey Murray, why are you eating with your knife? MURRAY: My fork leaks.

COMPANY COMMANDER: Say, Pop, /what kind of meat have we for supper?

POP: Steak, Sir.

COMPANY COMMANDER: They are a little small aren't they?

POP: Oh, no. They are alright as it will take them a long time to eat them.

We were asked the other day what kind of pie we had for supper with the icing on them. They said they had never seen or tasted any pie like it before and would like to know how it was made. Maybe it could be that Pop Powers could throw a little light on the subject if he was asked, so if you will let it be known so we all will know what we are eating the next time.

Strange as it seems things taste better when you know what you are eating.

# Turpin Returns From Cooknig And Baking School

Turpin has returned from London, Ohio cooking and baking school where he has been for six weeks. He said he had a nice time but was glad to be back. We are also glad to see him back for we sure missed him in the kitchen. On his arrival back he turned out for basket-ball and has made one of our best players.

Peterson is now at London, Ohio for a four week training period. He is attending a Mess Stewards school.

Company 1583 has now sent four men to this cooking and baking school.From what we all done while we were there I would say that they could turn out some mighty good K.P's.

KEMERY: Thompson,did you clean thoes tables with soap and water. THOMPSON: No sir, I just dry cleaned them.

KEMERY: Hooker are you comming over to listen to the radio tonight?

HOOKER: Sure, I will be over. KEMERY: Swell, the commisary just came in.

HOOKER: You bet I'll be there.

POP: Hey, you K.P. where have you been all morning?

K.P.: Why I have been here all morning.

POP: No you haven't because I never saw you.

K.P. You've slept all morning.

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## SCS NEWS

### The Boys Who Are Leaving

Each of the boys who are leaving camp this month, due to the termination of their enrollment periods or to except employment, takes with him the sincere best wishes of all of us for his continued success and happiness.

If, as we feel sure they will, they continue to do their individual parts wherever they are employed, never forgetting that persons in authority over them more often than not wish to be friendly guides rather than stern taskmasters, they will be as happy as they have been here in good old Camp SCS-20.

### TRUCKDRIVERITIS

During some six and a half years of service in four CCC camps we have watched, with considerable 'amusement and no end of perplexity, the transition of hundreds of enrollees, a large percentage of whom we counted among our friends and acquaintances, from ordinary members to the exalted status of truckdriver.

Apparently the "double-clutchers", as they often casually call themselves (though the title seems to be more a matter of tradition than a descriptive name), reach a state unknown to us less 'elevated' mortals the moment they are assigned to "herding" government trucks. Boresome routine details are generally beneath their notice to the despair of enrollee truck masters and hard working records clerks.

After a strenuous week of driving, they are very often prone to forget grease jobs and the truck's weekly Saturday bath until frantically reminded of their duties by the truckmaster. And, believe it or not, some of them have actually, when filling out truck mileage reports, failed to notice that their mechanical pencils were out of lead--which, though as bad as illegible or flagrantly incomplete reports, is at least amusing.

We cannot say they suffer from some strange disease or illness, both disease and illness are as associated with pain--and they are happy a lot of fellows as we as have ever seen. The best we can offer to describe their distinctive quality is 'Truckdriveritis' condition good curable only a through strict attention to details, eight hours of good sleep each night, and, alas, assignment to some other type of work.

### NOTICE TO TRUCK DRIVERS

We know all you realize the above is all in fun with, we will admit, a message in the next to the last paragraph we are sure all of you will note and abide by hereafter.

Incidentally, this office wishes to remind all of you who are leaving camp to turn in your driver's permit immediately if not regularly assigned to truck driving or the evening before you leave if you are driving a truck.

#### GETTING TO BE A HABIT

Mr. Elmer Miller, a member of the Technical Service Staff is developing quite a habit of eating an apple every afternoon which is known as the "DAILY TORTURE". It seems to be the height of his ambition to partake of an apple and watch the office boys mouth water.

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### JOKES and JIBES

SALESMAN: "We have a car that will climb any hill."

COBURN: "I don't doubt it. The one you sold me last year was over ambitious and tried to climb a tree."

HARLOW: (ardently) "Be mine, dear, mine forever."

GIRL: Oh, Owen, howdreadfull y old fashioned you are."

DAVIS: (after a lesson on physical force) "Now, boys, can any of you tell me what force it is that moves people along the street?"

BRILLIANT ROOKIE: "Please, sir, the police force."

#### PUN?

He walked on the suicide of the road.

HUSBAND: "Woman is nothing but a rag, a bone and a hank of hair."

WOMAN: "Man is nothing but a brag, a groan and a tank of air."

DOCTOR: "Ah, yes, we are feeling just a little run down, are we not? We have lost our appetite, and we feel we have no energy for our work. Now what shall we do about it, eh?"

PATIENT: "I know! Suppose we go and see a doctor?"

TIMBER: "Has any other boy ever kissed you?"

SHE: "I never know how to answer that question."

CALISTI: "What kind of wood do they make matches with?"

RAK: "He would and she would."

Don't forget your Xmas shopping!

GODDARD: "My heart beats for you alone."

SHE: "Nonsense! That's your watch ticking!"

SHE: "How did you learn to kiss so well?"

HE: "Oh, I used to practice on a bugle."

"You know, I think my pal was drunk last night."

"How's that?"

"Why he came in and jumped on the bed last night."

"Well?"

"The bed wasn't there."

"I say Bill," asked an acquain tance, "why did the foreman fire you yesterday?"

"Well, a foreman is one who stands around and watches his gang . work."

"I know, but what's that got to do with it?"

"Well, he got jealous of me! People thought I was the foreman."

> "Hello, is this you, Doctor?" "Yes," says the doctor.

"My mother in law is at death's door, so come up at once and help me pull her through."

### " DOMESTIC-DITTY !

SHE: "Darling, why don't you pay me the little attentions you used to before we were married?" HE: "Did you ever see anyone run after a street car when he has caught it?"

BURNS: "Have you ever noticed that everyone has a favorite color?"

F. MURRAY: "No, I haven't."

"Now, what do you like in stockings?"

"Legs", was the shy reply.

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# NEWS

### CHAPLAIN MATTISON VISITS CAMP

Chaplain Mattison, Chaplain of the Lebanon Sector, CCC, made one of his regular visits to Camp Calumet on Wednesday evening, December fourth. His talk to the boys was as usual, both inspiring and instructive. He wields a very helpful and uplifting influence in the camp and his trips to the camp are alwaye looked forward to with genuine pleasure. His interest in all activities in camp is genuine. As the Christmas season and the end of the year draws near, we desire to extend to our Chaplain the season's greetings as well our thanks for his inspiring presence and helpfulness during the year that is drawing to a close.

### LT. GEORGE E. WILEY, COMPANY C.O., ATTENDS SECTOR CONFERENCE

Lieutenant George E. Wiley, Company Commander, was in attendence at a sector conference held at Waveland on the tenth of December. These meetings of the commanding officers of Lebanon Sector, are regular monthly affairs and are attended by the officers of the various companies in the sector. Various problems of administration in company affairs are discussed. In addition to the commanding officers, the sector commander, and the sector chaplain were in attendance. The November meeting was held at Company 1583, Valparaiso, Indiana.

have the privilege of attending this meeting here, except incidentally it appeared to be profitable.

# Captain Eric Sonnich, Sector Commander Makes Audit

Captain Eric Sonnich our new Sector Commander, Lebanon Sector, CCC, made an audit of the company's Wednesday, funds on December fourth. He is not entirely a stranger to Camp Calumet Supervisory Personnel, for he was Sector Commander and visited the camp regularly in 1937. It was a pleasure to see him again and to renew old memories of a hectic and pleasant period that is now only a memory. Since his service here in the past, many changes have occurred and many improvements made in the physical make-up of Camp Calumet. We are glad to have him with us and trust that he may remain to give us the benefit of his long experience in the administration of CCC affairs.

### SAM WEARLEY, FORMERLY SUPERINTENDENT, VISITS CAMP

Sam Wearley, formerly superintendent, Camp Calumet, now superintendent of the CCC Camp, Perue. Indiana, made a brief visit last week. It was surely a pleasure to hear some of his stock of new jokes that Wearleyian mimicry regarding which there is no match as far as we know. He is doing an excellent job on his new assignment which, of course, is no surprise to all of us who know him. The old latch strin always hangs out for the old maestro of Camp While this reporter did not Calumet. Long may he live and his tribe increase! We desire to express our appreciation for all he has done and meant to "Old 1583". The Season's Greetings, Sam.

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NOVEMBER 23 TO DECEMBER 22 --- (SAGITTARIDS) Protect your income, try hard to increase it; make inprovements for the better. Hind your associates.

"SAGITTARIUS", WE SALUTE YOU"

Armstrong, Leslie Balemsiefer, Arnold Bolliger, Lee Brown, John Duty, George Hight, Estol Klopp, Russell Madiscn, Peter Massath, Vernon Petruxka, Paul Shackno, George Shaw, Richard Slaven, Wendell Turpin, William Ziller, Fred Lowal, John

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