

CAMP TO HAVE SHORT WAVE RADIO STATION



N. Paul Stucky, Moundridge, Kansas, has set up a small but completely equipped short wave radio station in a corner of the dining hall. He will begin to operate station W9HOM the latter part of this week.

The station will operate on two wave lengths. The first one is 1941 kilocycles or what is given on most home receivers as 1.9 m.c. This wave length has a day time range of 100 miles and a night time range of about 2000 miles. The second wave length is 29,032 kilocycles, which will reach only those receivers at a distance of more than 1200 miles during the day and will have a very uncertain range at night.

It is expected that the station will serve a very real purpose. Campers can communicate with friends who have access to another short wave radio set if they can agree upon the time of communication. If they do not have access to another short wave station, they can use their own radios to tune in on messages sent from this station to other stations.

Regulations in the use of these stations have become necessary. The operator must be present whenever the station is used, although others may speak over the air. No entertainment can be given over the station. The stations are not licensed for appeal to widespread audiences, but for direct station to station communications. At this time operators are expected to refrain from discussing the war. No nessage car be sent until the sender (Continued on page 5, col.2)

WORK BEGINS ON FOUNTAIN MUTUAL IRRIGATION SYSTEM

Rehabilitation of the Fountain Mutual Irrigation system was begun this week by a crew of about fifteen men with Elmer Enns as foreman. This is the largest project started by the Soil Conservation Service of this camp area, and according to Superintendent Makens, it will provide work for one crew until Spring.

Plans are to clean and rebuild the main ditch, construct drops, checks, outlet boxes, and measuring flumes for better distribution and use of water. All existing storage facilities will be repaired and in several cases capacities will be enlarged.

Hand labor and equipment is being furnished by the camp. The ditch company is furnishing all materials and such skilled operators as are needed. Wayne Smith has been hired to operate the five-eighths yard power shovel assisted by Henry Loepp of the camp.

Because of the depression, ditch companies have been unable to maintain and improve their systems. As a result the ditches carry only a small part of their capacity and the water cannot be properly controlled and utilized. Maintenance costs are greatly reduced when the system is repaired. This work is important because the cooperators depend on this irrigation system to raise their crops.

Other crews have rip-rapped several dams, built drops, headgates, and farm laterals on the Janitell farm, reconstructed a dam, and constructed drops and diversion ditches for gulley control. Six men have assisted Albert Touchon, regional inspecting mechanic, and Roy Williams, area mechanic, in repairing the well rig and the cranes to be used here and in other camps.

The first anniversary of registration day, October 16, was observed in this camp by meeting in the assembly hall for an hour of quiet moditation. A few lines of Scripture were read.

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#### IMPRESSIVE ASPECTS OF CAMP LIFE

Have you ever tried to take .stock of the impressive aspects of camp life that help make our stay in camp enjoyable? Consider the following partial list of our worthwhile experiences, and decide for yourself whether we can afford to be unappreciative of our privileges: The continued sacrificial support of our constituency, manifested in the repeated pledges of various conferences and through many gifts; the fine cooperation of the government technical staff; the fairness of the Colorado Springs Gazette in printing news articles of our camp; the inspiration received in morning medita-tions, evening devotions, and Sunday Services; the spirit of tolerance that prevails in this diversified group; the sacrifices of Hazelton, Griffith and Lane in helping us with our educational program; the ideal relationship in the family life of our director; the Christ-like way in which our director handles camp problems; the friendly disposition of our dietician.

Another consideration that should make us even more appreciative than those mentioned above is the willingness of our government to respect minority groups and to continue granting us our privileges. Rather than to become cynical as we see that our country is apparently drawn farther into war, we have reasons to appreciate and marvel at the treatment we are receiving while our government is under terrific tension.

#### FORUM

(The answers to this weeks forum were sent in by fellows who have been released.)

WHAT PART OF CAMP LIFE HAS BEEN OF MOST VALUE TO YOU?

Maurice N. F. Wells, Rocky Ford, Colo.
The part of camp life most valuable to me, was time spent in the dormitory hearing discussions about different beliefs, and generally denouncing or proclaiming how good the past meeting fit into the general scheme. It was a fellowship that cannot be replaced, but it can be always cherished.

Floyd Yoder, Harper, Kansas

The part of camp life that has been most valuable to me was working in the field with the different fellows and working in the laundry.

I got home O. K. and found my folks well. I still think of you boys and wish I could be there to spend the week-end with you.

Elmer Wiens, Inman, Kansas

Working together with the men in the field. There are many different talents in a group of men, and to see those talents used for a good purpose has been of much value to me.

Harold W. Brown, Denver, Colorado

I have moved to Denver where my brother and I are working as switchmen in the Union Pacific yards.

Having had the privilege to act as a foreman has helped me a lot. I hope to rise to switch foreman here in the yards someday. Also the barber work was splendid and my time occupied there was good practical experience. expect to soon enter one of the Barber Colleges here in Denver and under requirements of a 1000 hours experience, I can qualify for parttime work in a licensed shop.

In reality these things impressed me most while in camp as they pertain to my life work. Tell everyone Hello

for me.

Paul Miller, Wellman, Iowa

To definitely state one part of camp life that was most valuable to me is rather difficult. But I did greatly appreciate learning to know and working with a group of fellows who by their own choice gave up many things of life for a principal that they believed in (I really think it was the trips to La Junta---don't you?)

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WHAT IS THE ATTITUDE OF YOUR COMMUNITY TO MARD YOUR WORK IN CAMP?

Fred Kaduce, Meservey, Iowa

I met some army boys on the bus on my way home. I told them I was from a C. O. camp. They didn't say anything against it and seemed to be quite interested in it. Another boy from my home town filled out his papers to be a C. O. but the Board talked him into changing to the army. The fellows of my community do not seem to have the backbone and background that the boys in camp there have.

Victor Voth, Canton, Kansas

As a whole our community is favorable to the work done by the camp. They are always interested in what is being done in the line of Soil Conservation. That seems to be about the first question asked. Then how the camp is managed, who does the cooking, laundry, cleaning, office work, etc. They feel the cause of the camp is worthwhile to support and are willing to do so.

Robert Baker, Lincoln, Kansas

I haven't heard any comment at all, and no one asks me about the camp. I doubt if many know much about it, and if they do they are very indifferent.

EXCERPTS FROM REPORT OF ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL SERVICE BOARD

"The National Service Board for Religious Objectors was organized on October 5th, 1940 at a meeting of the three Historic Peace Churches held in Chicago, Illinois, as the result of a realization of the necessity for a unified approach to the Government. Shortly after its organization a representative of the Fellowship of Reconciliation joined the Board of Directors. At a later date the World Peace Commission of the Methodist

Church and the Disciples of Christ named members of the Board and the Commission of Conscientious Objectors of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ became affiliated as a consultative member. After several months the Board was reorganized with representative of the American Friends Service Committee, the Brethren Service Committee, the Mennonite Central Committee, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, and three members representing the Federal Council of Churches. The Executive Secretary was instructed to invite a representative of one of the interested independent groups to attend all Board meetings."

# Consultative Council

"The Board felt that wider representation was desirable, while retaining the control of the administrative machinery in the hands of the agencies operating the Civilian Public Service Camps, and organized a Consultative Council to include representatives of all groups concerned about the conscientious objector. As a result the following groups became members of the Consultative Council:

The Church of Christ in America Megiddo Mission General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists United Lutheran Church in America Evangelical Church Episcopal Pacifist Fellowship Episcopal Church War Resisters American Baptist Home Mission Society Reformed Church Church of the Nazarene The Pentecostal Assemblies of the World Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. International Council of Religious Education Augustana Lutheran Fellowship of Reconciliation

"The Council has met twice; once in Baltimore, Maryland, and once at Winona Lake, Indiana."

# Assignments

"Approximately 3,000 names of IV-E men have been referred to us by Selective Service. These have been mailed copies of our questionaire, NSB 101 (Continued on next page)

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and the booklet, "The Conscientious Objector and the Selective Service Act of 1940". Considerable correspondence has been necessary to acquaint the IV-E men with the provisions of the Selective Service Act!

"From this total number, approximately 2200 men were assigned to various Civilian Public Service Camps in cooperation and in conjunction with the Selective Service System. In-sofar as it was practical, the individual training, qualifications, desires and religious affiliations were utilized in making the assignments. Of the 2200 men assigned, approximately 1300 are now distributed among 18 operating camps."

#### Finances

"Contributions to the National Service Board during the past year have totaled \$26,116.86 and the expenditures have totaled \$23,082.10. Brethern, Friends, and Mennonites have contributed \$21,867.17 which is 83% of the amount. Cummunions of the Federal Council have contributed \$1190.00 and independent and miscellaneous groups have contributed \$1896.50. Receipts from other sources totaled \$1163.19."

# C.P.S. CAMP EXCHANGE

A fasting program, to which we are all urged to become participants, has been inaugurated by a group of Merom Indiana campers for the purpose of "awakening the conscience of America to its responsibility for saving thousands of women and children in Europe from death by starvation." The money which would otherwise be spent for each Saturday noon meal and all meals for one Saturday each month is to be used to relieve starvation. The camp has invited the entire community to a house warming November 2, at which time two of the three dorms just completed will be named and dedicated.

Tom Jones, A.F.S.C. director of C.P.S. camps, is considering combining the Petersham and Royalston, Mass. camps into one large unit occupying the C.C.C. camp in Athol. Several problems need to be worked out before this proposal can become effective.

Dr. Paul H. Bowman will return to

Bridgewater College as President, following his resignation as director of the Brethern C.P.S. He is succeeded by Dr. M. R. Zigler.

The Denison, Iowa camp was honored in having Dr. Fast present the dedicatory address for their chapel building.

The Bluffton and Lagro, Indiana camps have discharged 114 and 116. men, respectively, whose ages are over 28. The Bluffton camp has secured Guy Hershberger from Goshen College as their educational director.

We have received the first issue of the Grottoes, Va. camp paper, "The Olive Branch". The name is the same as that of the Denison, Iowa camp paper.

Camp Stronach, at Manistee Michigan has received 12 new campers in October

The Association of Catholic Conscientious Objectors have opened the first C.P.S. camp for Catholic Conscientious Objectors on June 26, near Stoddard, New Hampshire. It is to be a center of Peace and Prayer, a place to practice and learn more of the Liturgy of the Church, to offer daily Mass, and to provide an copportunity for study groups to discuss and study Catholic Action on such problems as conscientious objection, Catholic sociology and economics. The property includes 30 acres from which they plan to obtain garden produce and raise a few animals to cut food expenses. The six main buildings, which house approx imately 15 men so far, need a little repair. On the whole, however, they are in good condition. Dwight Larrowe the director, made a plea in "The Catholic Worker" for financial assistance. Of all the C. P. S. camps, Stoddard is most in need of financial help. Without assistance, they will probably face a hard winter due to a food and fuel shortage. - - -

CAMPERS CONDUCT SERVICES IN ROCKY FORD

Camp Director Gaeddert and eleven campers were guests at the harvest festival of the Brethern church, Rocky Ford, Colorado on October 12.

The morning worship was in charge of the camp. Edwin Stucky presided, Rev. Gaeddert delivered the sermon,

and the camp quartette rendered special music. After a bounteous harvest dinner, the congregation again assembled for a forum discussion under the leadership of Robert Kreider. For an hour the campers took turns insvering questions about C.O.'s and their camps

The time spent with Rev. Shively's interested and appreciative congregation was a source of renewed inspiration for all who were privileged to attend.

In other community activities, Paul Anderson, Richard Hunter, James Ball, and Ray Schlichting conducted the local F.O.R. meeting at Gregg Library on October 28. The same evening the camp quartette sang at a banquet in the Evangelical church. James Ball has assisted in revival meetings in the Friends church and spoke to a local Bible class. Paul Rosentrater has provided accordion music at the Nazarene church, at the Spanish Mission, and at the Friends church.

# ALBERT GAEDDERT SPEAKS AT MENNONITE CONFERENCE

"Our Youth As Lights In The World" was the subject of an address by camp director Gaeddert at the Western District Conference of Mennonites on October 23 in Newton, Kansas.

In the afternoon session, the conference voted unanimously to give complete financial support to the C.P.S. camp program. The conference which began in Convention Hall, Hutchinson, Kansas, moved to Newton Thursday morning because of the flood waters.

### CAMP STORE ESTABLISHED

A camp store, stocked with a variety of articles needed by the campers, is being established this week in the administration offices.

In approving the project, the Camp. Council appointed the business manager Ray Schlichting, to set up the store. The store is to be operated by campers

Articles are to be sold at cost in the camp store. The stock of commodities includes paper, stationery supplies, candy, stamps, gloves, shoe repair materials, toilet supplies, etc.

(Short Wave Radio Station, continued)

established contact with another station. The message need not be of interest to the receiving operator but it may be intended for a listener using the short wave band on his home radio. Friends at home are advised to experiment with the short wave band on their radios or get in touch with local operators.

Paul received his amateur operator's license from the Federal Communication Commission in 1938. Since that time he has done a great deal of traveling by radio. He has had contacts with stations in every state in the union, one contact with a station north of the Arctic Circle, six contacts with Hawaii, and a few contacts with ships at sea. He has received a certificate from Radio Relay League.

Paul received his B.A. degree from Bethel College and his M.S. from U. of Arizona. With him this work is a hobby and he has built his own equipment.

### MARRIAGES' NOT HALTED BY CAMP LIFE

Four compers have taken the "fatal step" since arriving in camp. Three of these braved the flood waters of Kansas to attend their own weddings.

Ezra Shenk, Wellman, Iowa, started the ball rolling on September 14, when he married Carrie Swartzendruber, also of Wellman. Mrs. Shenk is now teaching a rural school in Iowa.

Next in line was Leslie Schultz, Paymee Rock, Konsas, who married Fern Behrens, Albert, Kansas. Rev. Knolb read the vows in the Peace Lutheran church at Albert. Mrs. Schultz is now staying in Colorado Springs where she will seek employment.

Only five hours later the same day, Edwin J. Schmidt was married to Erma Plett, Buhler, Kansas, in the Hebron church near Buhler. Mrs. Schmidt is employed in the Penny store, Hutchinson, Kansas.

The next day, October 26, Jay Roy Dahl, Colby, Kansas, was married to Donna Vette, in the home of the bride in Lavant, Kansas. Mrs. Dahl is remaining in Levant to complete her senior year in high school.

# NEWS IN BRIEF

ADOUF LENTZMER, Frazer, Montana, entered camp on October 24, making our total enrollment 104.

Six members of the kitchen crew, Richard Hunter, Menno Koehn, Joe Glanzer, Ezra Stauffer, Rodney Koehn, Orie Gingerich, and Adolf Lentzner have been topping turnips and carrots on the Janitell farm. In return the camp has received vegetables raised on this farm.

John Brown received a check for \$10 from MacBurney Oil Co. for winning a contest in picking the winners of some football games and writing twenty-five words about Phillips products.

The SCS office has received two new Dodge pick-up trucks to be used by the crews working in the field.

The field crew of Elmer Enns was invited to a barbecue by a local rancher. The guests were Cyril Diffley, Orve Troyer, Elmer Enns, Marvin Yoder, Frank Kliewer, Ray Stutzman, Edward Carpenter, Walter Schmidt, Roy Henry, Martin Stucky, Roland Ortman, John Friesen, and Jay Dahl. They reported that they are thick juicy deer steak, and sang range songs around the dying embers near a rushing mountain stream.

With enrollment totaling seventeen, a typing class began this week under the joint direction of Arlo Sonnenberg and Orie Gingerich.

The members of the camp and of the staff wish to express their sympathy to Galen Widmer in the death of his youngest brother.

A release from the Am. Friends Service Committee shows that Great Britain had a registration of 6,709,736 from June 6, 1939 to July 12; 1941. The number of C.O. registrations, including all types of assignments, was 61,673, or .92% of the total registration. The local tribunals had heard the cases of 41,313 men and of these 6% received unconditional exemption, 37% received conditional exemption, 29% were assigned to non-combatant military service, and 28% were denied all claims as C.O.'s, and were assigned to full military service.

GEORGE REMPIL, Henderson, Nebraska, won the rainy day ping pong tournament October 23. He defeated Elmer Kaufman in the finals, 19-21, 21-18, 24-22. Thirty contestants entered the tournament including Messrs. Corn, Mather, and Thomas from the SCS office. About thirty have entered a new tournament.

## AN INVITATION

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We are eager to start a column in which our readers express their opinions and send in other contributions. We will welcome letters from our readers and will print as many as space permits. Perhaps the camp forum questions may elicit your comments. Might we suggest that a short article on what you consider to be the greatest challenge to the men in C.O. camps would make a good beginning. We would like to print such a article along with a similar one written by a camper. Send all correspondence to Roland Bartel, Box 1576, Colo. Springs, Colo.

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Poem

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Alone I walked with God today;
He told me what to do.
As I looked up, he seemed to say,
"Be kind, be just, be true".

I came back from my walk with God
To do good works for man.
And lo, in this new path I trod
1 walked with God again.

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