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## NEW CAMPS IN NEBRASKA AND MARYLAND

New Mennonite-operated CPS camps are being opened to accommodate the expected influx of C.O. assignees, stated Dr. Henry Fast, General Director of camps, during his visit here last Monday.

A subsistence farm project has been started near Hagerstown, Maryland, with Grant Stoltzfus as director. This farm will accommodate 25 assignees. The Hagerstown farm is the first of three farms in Washington County, Maryland, which together will comprise CPS Camp No. 24. In addition to the operation of the farms the campers will engage in project work under the supervision of the Soil Conservation Service. The Hagerstown project will be watched with interest by the National Service Board and Selective Service, because it represents a new pattern of operation among CPS camps.

Another new camp is expected to be established near Weeping Water, Nebraska, in the near future. Selective Service has approved the camp location and the project. The MCC is now attempting to secure equipment for the camp and is organizing a camp staff.

The American Friends Service Committee is opening a Quaker CPS camp near Coschocton, Ohio, to accommodate the C.O.'s in the Ohio area.

Plans for foreign service are progressing. The China relief unit, now in training at Lagro, Indiana, is expected to leave soon for the Orient. Temporarily halted are the plans to send the Friends unit to England, because of difficulties in securing passports.

The Florida hook-worm project may get underway soon. Already approved  
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## CAMP VISITORS ON MARCH 2: SWOMLEY, FAST, JONES, MARSHBURN

John Swomley, National Youth Secretary of the F.O.R., was the speaker at the regular meeting of the Core Course, Monday night, March 2.

The chief concern of the pacifist in this war should be repentance, said Mr. Swomley in suggesting the most practical approach to our problems. Before we can hope to save the world or any nation or any smaller group, we must save ourselves and in humility repent for our own shortcomings.

In his thorough analysis of the present conflict, Mr. Swomley declared that the chief causes for this war are racial, political, and economic. He also explained how the seeds of this war were planted years ago through greedy and unfair practices.

Dr. Henry Fast, Director of Mennonite camps, paid a timely visit to the camp in the morning and afternoon of March 2. He spoke briefly during the lunch hour. He mentioned a few cautions to be observed and spoke about the future plans for Civilian Public Service. He stated that the acid test of fitness for a foreign service unit is the ability to wait patiently and creatively for the new doors of service to open.

Dr. Thomas Jones, President of Fiske University and former Director of Quaker camps, arrived late Monday night together with Mr. O.O. Marshburn, director of San Dimas camp. They joined with Mr. Swomley and a small group of campers in a discussion in the lounge room.

Speaking at an extended devotional hour Tuesday morning, Dr. Jones presented the possibility that church  
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EXPANSION OF CIVILIAN PUBLIC SERVICE

The possibility that conscientious objectors may work on public health projects and foreign relief units is almost a reality. The news is welcomed by many campers and fellow pacifists. Frequent questions from outsiders indicate that they are wondering whether the government is forcing new work on us because they are dissatisfied with the present arrangement.

New doors for service are being opened upon the initiative of the administrative agencies. If any group has urged them to explore new areas for service we suspect that it is the conscientious objectors themselves. The fact that Selective Service is approving new projects is interpreted to be their expression of satisfaction with the operation of the camp program thus far.

Why should conscientious objectors, through their administrative agencies ask for foreign service, public health projects, etc? Does not the answer lie in the fact that an inherent element in the pacifist's philosophy is his ambition to reach out as far as possible and render constructive service as effectively as possible. By making arrangements for projects to supplement the camp program, the administrative agencies are giving expression to a fundamental desire of many pacifists, to serve where the need is great, regardless of the cost.

An incidental advantage resulting from such a procedure cannot be overlooked. The exposure to danger that is involved in many of the proposed projects will nullify the criticism that C.O.'s are safe in camps while soldiers are forced to battlefronts. In this connection we are reminded of the statement by Dr. Jones that the

percentage of C.O.'s who lost their lives in post-war relief work after the last war is higher than the percentage of lives that were lost in the American Expeditionary Force.

Nothing that has been said is intended to minimize the significance of the work here in camp. We are mindful of the statements by Dr. Fast that our testimony in these camps is far reaching and very important. The possibilities of working out a pattern of peaceful living are endless in our present environment. Any recommendation for new units will be based on the quality of work done in the camps Truly the best training and preparation for future service in any field is to wait with grace for new doors to open, and in the meantime work faithfully and utilize the opportunities already before us.

NOTES FROM A C.O.'S JOURNAL  
by Roy Henry

This is the first of a series of three articles with which I will try to show the three most obvious steps by which I have reached my present outlook.

In this first article I attempt to describe the innocence with which the child accepts all things without questioning or reasoning. The second will deal with the awakening sense of responsibility and questioning which manifests itself as it emerges from early childhood. The third will be an endeavor to describe the mature mind which sees man's responsibility to man and to God.

Remember?...Long ago, it seems, doesn't it?...You, in a small, friendly world...Family, relatives, playmates...forming one intimate circle. Mother; Father; Security; Truth;...Synonymous...Childish questions readily answered. Childhood mysteries quickly explained. These answers and interpretations readily believed...No doubts, no worries, no fears. Truth could be had for the asking. Mother, Dad, Truth; these three...Small world. ...Remember?

Remember?...Peaceful world, wasn't it?...Carefree days: absorbing, enchanting play; innocent fun; endless joy. Weather...Always fine...so it seemed...Sunny days: exploring fields and creeks...Rainy days: hayloft,

waving...Snow; fox and geese, snow-balling, sledding...Oh, yes! Grand weather...every day! Excitement! Adventure! Fun! All for you! A peaceful world...A child's world..Remember?

Sorrow?...Well, yes...sometimes... Times when playmates quarreled; Mother reprimanded; desires frustrated...Big issues those things were then...but... incidents soon forgotten; playmates make up; Mother as kind as ever!... All calm again...So easy to forgive; to forget!...Once more a happy world! A small world...Mother, Father, Fun... These three...Remember?

Long ago...A peaceful, happy world. A small circle drawn lovingly together ...Within was the source of truth, of all knowledge. Youthful happiness led to swift forgiveness; to easy forgetfulness! Inside were no worries; no fears; no obligations! Such was our world...long ago...Remember?

#### CAMP FORUM

What can we do while in camp to prepare for post-war reconstruction?

N. Paul Stucky, Moundridge, Kansas

One would find it valuable to familiarize himself with the geography of possible fields of service together with the customs of the people if possible. He should start by learning to get along with his associates in camp and the community before he can think of service among people of even stranger habits.

Bruce Neal, Ames Iowa

Good intentions toward sick and starving people are not enough! We must have adequate specialized training for relief work - our biggest and most important opportunity for peaceful service. The men in the military forces are NOW being trained for their work. We must NOW be training for our work also, and that training should constitute our "work of national importance!" It takes two years of intensive study and work to become a registered nurse, and sick and starving populations need more than first aid.

Abe Epp, Buhler, Kansas

Firstly, we should learn to be patient with our fellow men. Working side by side every day with pick and shovel should teach us that.

We should take advantage of the

first aid class and learn how to use the tools in the carpenter shop.

Phillip Stucky, Pretty Prairie, Kansas

In our camp life, I think we can grow spiritually and learn to live peacefully and patiently with our fellow men. The way of life of Jesus and his principles should be followed in all parts of life and should be followed also in the preparation for post war reconstruction.

Ernest Kauffman, Minot, North Dakota

One essential for reconstruction and relief work is the ability to understand other people. The CPS camp, where boys of widely varying backgrounds learn to live together harmoniously, affords an excellent opportunity to develop this ability.

We can also prepare for this work by foreign language study and first aid training.

#### SHIVELY TRACES BRETHREN CHURCH HISTORY

"Religion is not doctrine, not form, but religion is life" stated Rev. Ernest Shively of Rocky Ford, Colo., in describing the tenets of the Church of the Brethren, one of the historic peace churches. Rev. Shively spoke at the Thursday night session of the Course in objectives.

The Church of the Brethren had its origin in South Germany in 1708. The whole New Testament was taken as the creed of the church, Shively related. The great convictions of the Brethren have been: peace, temperance, simplicity of life, and religion as life.

#### POEM FROM A READER

We love our friends and enemies  
On both sides of the sea  
We trust that our great Prince of Peace  
Will hear our humble plea  
And send revivals out again  
To all parts of the globe  
To touch the hearts of desperate men  
And fill them with new hope.  
Oh may the message of our Lord  
Ring out with hoy again;  
The message which the shepherds heard  
Peace on earth, good will toward men  
Glory to God in the highest  
Angels sing it anew  
Oh! in this world full of unrest  
Lord, teach us what to do.

-N. P. Stucky, Moundridge, Kansas

BASKETBALL SEASON CLOSES

A 38-36 victory over Guy's Drive. In climaxed the basketball season and gave the "A" team 9 victories out of the 12 games played. Four other "Y" league games were lost on forfeits due to our unofficial quarantine of one month.

A record of 2 victories and 7 losses was turned in by the "B" team. Forfeits cost the team 5 additional defeats but also earned them a victory.

A well founded opinion is prevalent that the teams have done credit to themselves and to the camp through the fine sportsmanship they have displayed on the basketball court. In a write-up about the "Y" games, the Colorado Springs Gazette referred to the camp team thus: "Without doubt they are the hardest, cleanest playing team in the league!"

The following statistics give a summary of the games played and of the individual performances. Remarkably few fouls have been charged to players on either team. The following abbreviations have been used: Games Played-GP, Field Goals-FG, Free Throws-FT, Personal Fouls-PF, Total Points-TP, Average Points Per Game-Ave.

SUMMARY OF GAMES PLAYED

Team "A"		Team "B"	
Opponents	Camp	Opponents	Camp
Elite	30	Mormons	39
Speedway	44	Allens	35
Cas. Rock	10	Drennans	30
Guy's	31	Harters	27
Elite	31	Newton	23
Speedway	31	Monument	34
C.C. Frosh	25	Alex. Film	21
Lorig's	11	Mormons	62
Can. City	24	Newton	38
Guy's	33	Totals:	309
Boy's Club	17		239
Guy's	36		
Totals:	292		431

Individual Records "A" Team

PLAYER	GP	FG	FT	PF	TP	AVE.
Edwin Schmidt	11	71	19	12	161	14.6
Henry Ediger	6	18	6	4	42	7.0
Elmer Kaufman	11	31	11	2	73	6.6
Dave Pauls	12	35	6	10	76	6.3
Melvin Funk	8	12	1	1	25	3.1
J. H. Goering	11	8	3	2	19	1.7
Tim Mullet	6	3	3	4	9	1.5
Paul E. Hofer	8	5	1	2	11	1.4
Mel. Gaeddert	1	2	0	0	4	4.0
Walt. Krehbiel	1	0	0	1	0	0.0

Individual Records "B" Team

PLAYER	GP	FG	FT	PF	TP	AVE.
O. Gingerich	4	17	0	3	34	8.5
Mel. Gaeddert	9	36	3	12	75	8.3
Walt. Krehbiel	8	17	6	5	40	5.0
Martin Stucky	7	16	1	5	33	4.7
Henry Mullet	7	12	2	3	26	3.7
Edwin Stucky	3	1	3	1	5	1.7
George Rempel	6	3	2	3	8	1.3
Erwin Krehbiel	7	4	1	8	9	1.3
Jesse Harder	2	1	0	0	2	1.0
Marvin Janzen	6	2	0	2	4	0.7

CAMPERS GAIN SIXTEEN THOUSAND OUNCES

Colorado Springs campers do not consume 60 loaves of bread and huge quantities of foodstuffs each day with no results. The local Bureau of Facts & Figures revealed last week the astounding fact that the men of Camp No. 5 have registered a total net gain in weight of one half ton or to be exact 1050 pounds.

It is a Charles Atlas story of "Before and After", of young men coming from their home communities lean and tired after a summer of toil and worry. At Templeton Gap they find newness of life... balanced rations, regular hours of sleep, hard work, release from marital and economic worries. They devour Miss Croening's fresher-table-meals. They begin to fatten out and acquire that sleek, muscular physique.

"Facts and Figures" indicates that among campers the average net gain in weight per person has been eight pounds. There are several who have outdistanced all the rest of the campers in weight-gaining. The leading three are: Paul Rosentrater, 30 pounds; Carl Gerriets, 25; and Walter Schmidt, 24. Carl Gerriets has no explanation for his gain since he declares that never has he toiled so hard as during the last six months.

Weight-gaining is no respecter of persons. The married contingent in camp has made some noteworthy gains. For example Edwin J. Schmidt, Leslie Schultz and Jay Dahl have each registered gains of more than twenty pounds.

A few non-conformists have refused to gain weight. In this group are Leroy Miller, Fred Showalter, and Bruce Neal, all having lost 15 to 20 pounds. This unusual phenomena is due to their Herculean efforts on the project!

## THOSE WE HAVE MET

## C.P.S. CAMP EXCHANGE

Earnest Kauffman, Minot, North Dakota

"Camp is a good place for personal improvement through group contact and educational resources both mental and spiritual" says Earnest, a former teacher in his home state. Before he began teaching Earnest attended Hesston College and hopes to return to teaching later. We don't see much of him but what we do see and know speaks well. In his spare time he carries on his own program of self-improvement by studying Spanish and accounting.

Arlo Sonnenberg, Fleming, Colorado

We have learned to know him as one who meets squarely the challenge which he thinks is outstanding here: "to be at one's best at all times in group activities, and worship while at play and at work!"

Conscription interrupted his teaching career in art and music. At Colorado State College he was chosen to become a member of two honorary fraternities besides the one pertaining to art: "Delta Phi Delta".

The violin which is a product of his own hands speaks for the maker's artistic ability as does also the music emerging from it while under the master's sway. In camp Arlo's services have been indispensable as foreman, and first aid instructor.

Glen Stucky, Douglass, Kansas

Besides using his solid 160 lbs. at the end of a pick or shovel, Glen gets his exercise by keeping the residents of dorm 6 in their proper places. In his tussels with his hall mates and the occasional "aliens" in his hall, he invariably comes out on top.

For Glen camp is only an interruption in his farming career. He thinks camp is O.K., although he would rather conserve soil in Kansas.

Isaac Harms, Ulysses, Kansas

Ike's undisplayed serenity, his seriousness and droll humor exercised at the proper times, places him high on our list of good friends.

With the exception of two years of work in California, Ike has spent his life near his home. While here he has been employed on the contour crew and also as orderly. He sings bass in the camp quartette.

"Camp", he says, "there's nothin like it."

CASCADE LOCKS, OREGON: The first issue of the "Columbian" gives an interesting picture of this camp on the Columbia River. The camp family now consists of 113 men. Their work includes cutting and sawing trees for camp fire, cutting and burning slashings on an abandoned logging ground, and felling snags on Larch Mt. When the ground thaws, one crew will build and maintain mountain roads and trails.

SOO, ONTARIO: This C.O. camp in Canada differs in several respects from U. S. camps. The nearest farm is 60 miles and the nearest post office is 80 mi. Their project is road building and their schedule is similar to ours. One night a bear walked through a screen door. After creating much disturbance he walked away with a sack of flour. On another occasion a cub was captured and taken home.

MAGNOLIA, ARKANSAS: Ora Huston has replaced Jefferson Mathis as director. Interest groups have been organized in music appreciation, Bible study, self-discipline, fundamentals of conscientious objection, and Spanish.

WELLS TANNERY, PENN.: A mutual benefit society has been organized. A minimum contribution of 25¢ a month is made by each member of the society. In return the members receive compensation of 80% on the cost of any major accident or illness.

MARIETTA, OHIO: Progress is being made daily on the new chapel. Encouraging words were spoken by officials of the Forestry Service. A religious committee has been chosen to plan the religious program of the camp.

DENISON, IOWA: Changes in camp government and overhead were made when it was decided that six months was long enough to be dorm captain or employed in the laundry or kitchen. Good progress is reported by the crews constructing two flumes, although their work was hindered by snow.

PETERSHAM, MASS: Wm. Henry Chamberlain, formerly foreign correspondent for Christian Science Monitor, spoke to the campers on the causes of this war, its military and political phases and the hope for the future. Pessimism was said to be the realistic outlook.

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by Selective Service, this project is to be operated jointly by the Brethren Service Committee and the Mennonite Central Committee. Ralph Townsend of Lagro, Indiana, will head the first small unit which engages in sanitation work in Okaloosa County, Florida. Mrs. Townsend will be the dietician. This project is under the supervision of the United States Department of Health

Dr. Fast reports that the possibilities for establishing male nursing units in numerous public hospitals is being carefully explored by Selective Service and the three administrative agencies.

(Camp Visitors, Concluded from P. 1) colleges might adopt a permanent camp program similar to civilian public service camps, as a part of their educational program. They would then become the citadel of democracy and teach the art of living together in a practical way. In his introductory remarks Mr. Marshburn stressed the need for a feeling of brotherhood among all people.

#### NEWS IN BRIEF

Mrs. Rudolf Riesen, mother of our camp matron, Mrs. Selma Linscheid, observed her 85th birthday, Sunday, March 1. She has three other children now living: E. R. Riesen, Dean of University of Arizona; Mrs. P. S. Goerts, North Newton, Kansas; and Mrs. P. C. Loewen, Newton, Kansas. Mrs. Linscheid and Mrs. Riesen left March 6, for a brief visit to Kansas

"One ship sails east and one sails west,  
With the self-same winds that blow,  
'Tis the set of the sails  
And not the gales  
That determines the way they go.

Like the winds of the sea are the winds  
of fate,  
As we voyage along through life,  
'Tis the set of the soul  
That decides its goal  
And not the calm or the strife!"

-Ella Wheeler Wilcox

The young people from the United Presbyterian church presented a C.E. program in camp Sunday afternoon, March 1. Their program centered around the problem of choosing vocations.

Reinhardt Preheim was released from the Glockner hospital February 21. However his former room in the hospital is now occupied by Paul Rosentrafer who is suffering from rheumatic fever, Dale Gaeddert, small son of director Albert Gaeddert, was also a patient in the hospital for a week because of an acute ear infection.

Harold Oswald and Earl Miller, former members of this camp, visited here March 1. Both men are employed in the skii factory at Denver, Colorado.

Albert Quiring, Glasgow, Montana, member of this camp since January 7, was released on February 25, upon the recommendation of the Medical Advisory Board

Ingenious Clarence Joe Unruh has succeeded in making a worm gear for an electric clock owned by Mr. Thomas. The material he used was a Colorado token. Another product from his hands is the metal zipper stick which is being used on most rugs. As camp blacksmith he has rendered valuable service in repairing everything imaginable.

Sunday morning services on February 22, were conducted by Rev. Gough of the Nazarene church, and on March 1, they were conducted by Albert Gaeddert. A C.E. program was given in the Community Congregational church of Manitou. The work of our home C.E. societies was discussed at another program Sunday night, March 1.

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