

RAIN STEADY FEATURE OF CAMP KNOX

Kentucky Mud Proves Real Thing for Indiana Boys on Hike.

BY DONALD D. HOOVER, Staff Correspondent of the Times. CAMP KNOX, Ky., Aug. 13.—The entire personnel of the Citizens Military Training Camp and of the National Guard here is getting used to frequent soakings by the raining and to tramping through sticky Kentucky mud. Between showers they are learning the use of weapons of war.

A demonstration of the use of infantry auxiliary weapons and the French 75s was given. The use of the hand grenade as an effective weapon, barrage and concentration fire of the grenades, extraction of the 30 mm. gun, machine gun, mortar, and the 75s preceded the real show, machine gun demonstrations. A greater part of the time was devoted to familiarizing the candidates with all phases of machine gun work. Traversing was illustrated by the use of tracer bullets, which were also used to illustrate the trajectory of the gun. A tracer bullet is one the body of which is filled with phosphorus, whose path through the air may be discerned.

GUN SHOW DESTRUCTIVE.

One of the most impressive of the many uses of the gun was its marvelous destructive effect. Two guns cut down a good sized tree in less than a minute. The exploding warhead of the machine gun machine gunners was applauded by the candidates. A still more impressive sight was revealed when the machine guns were used as anti-aircraft weapons. Gunners under which fire would be directed upon them were simulated. Balloons were set adrift and allowed to float for a considerable distance before the fire was directed at them. Tracer ammunition was used here and the gunners again showed advantageously by hitting nearly every balloon.

Other uses of machine guns demonstrated were barrages, bands of fire, belts of fire and enfilading fire with one gun.

During the encampment there has not been such a wet day as Thursday. First evidence of rain showed itself just before the cessation of machine gun fire. This was finished at eight o'clock. By the time companies were formed and ready to march off a steady sheet of water was pouring on every one. Only one organization brought raincoats.

These men were evidently by their less fortunate comrades. Companies were marched off the field and down a road in which the mud was three inches deep. And it was real mud; not our Indiana liquid. This was the mud that stuck. After a wade of about five minutes a company with mess kits out was sighted. At first the maneuvered who the mess were, but when told to line up for "show" a solution was presented.

STORM KEEPS UP VIOLENTLY.

The storm had not abated in the least and a mess was served by dripping K.P.s. Wet bread, beans, good and hot, with water, and apples, stewed and wet composed the bill of fare. Men took advantage of every place under which they were to shower off from the shower, which had increased instead of abating. Trees and the trucks were used to eat under. Dishes were washed by lifting the hat and letting the water run into the hats.

After the meal, companies were again formed in the road, a sea of mud. The command "Fall in" could be taken literally, there was plenty of water. No one kicked, instead a splendid spirit was manifested. Four hours back to the same place, the men sang the regular songs for wet occasions. "Indiana" was of course, on the song program. Every place where singing is permitted, "Indiana" is sung.

On return to barracks, the candidates discarded their wet uniforms and put on dry clothes, some of them. Many of the clothes of the students were in the laundry. There are laundries in Indianapolis. Every variety of clothing was seen ranging from pink pajamas to high school caps, bathing suits and raincoats.

FAREWELL DANCE TO BE GIVEN.

A big farewell dance will be given next Saturday night. Many friends of the candidates will come from Louisville for this occasion.

Friday, specialized instruction in machine guns, Companies A and B; Field Artillery, Companies C and D; and map reading and topography, Companies E, H, and I, will be the on the program. In the afternoon of the same day, there will be a demonstration of the auxiliary weapons shown today. A night attack will be held on the night of Aug. 16.

Toward the end of the camp, candidates will be given opportunity to join the organized forces of the United States Army. This is a really great chance as the requirements for enlistments are that the applicant shall have served in the National Guard for three years. The course at this camp has been deemed equivalent to that training.

Colonel Cosby, one of the general officers of the Military Training Camp Association, addressed the students the other evening on the purpose of this organization. Applications for membership will be taken during the last week of the camp.

Wrestling and boxing bouts started last Monday. These bouts will be continued until the winner in each class is determined. The first round of the tennis tournament must be played off by to-morrow night. A track meet is planned for the 17th of the month.

Jitney Owner Learns of Woes of Car Lines

Special to the Times.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Aug. 13.—Joseph Klans, a ward of the St. Joseph County poor farm, has filed a \$30,000 damage suit against the South Bend Motor Bus Company.

Klaus charges that a fractured hip and other injuries received as he was alighting from a bus operated by the company resulted in his becoming a ward of the county. The first important step on the bus threw him to the pavilion, he claims, when the vehicle started with a jerk.

Played Policeman; Gets Trip to Farm

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Aug. 13.—Louis Parker, 18, of this city, was sentenced to the State penal farm, to serve a sentence of 210 for impersonating an officer.

The young man has been making his appearance in a local park for the past several weeks, armed with stick and bat, and upon several occasions has caused livers seated in the park embankment.

Evidence of Sabotage in Illinois Fields

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SNAGS SIGHTED IN ACQUISITION OF LAKE BY CITY

Park Commissioners Regard Method of Financing Not Practical.

Practical difficulties which the board of park commissioners face in the proposed establishment of a lake in the gravel pit of the Granite Sand and Gravel Company, southeast of the Union Stockyards, have begun to appear. The gravel company has offered to turn over its holdings to the city as fast as the lake is enlarged by gravel operations if the city will loan it \$300,000 at 4 per cent interest, to be repaid in twenty-five years. The land and water are located just north of Raymond street between Kentucky avenue and Hardin street.

G. T. Owen, president of the Atlas Sand and Gravel Company, which has a plant just west of the Minnesota street, about a quarter of a mile to the northwest of the pit of the Granite Sand and Gravel Company, today pointed out what he considers obstacles in the way of ever making the Granite company's pit into a lake with bathing beaches and facilities for boating and fishing.

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IN USE OF LAKE.

"I am interested as a taxpayer," he said. "If the city wants a lake out here I am willing to turn over my own pond as fast as we get done taking gravel out of it but I don't believe either site is fit for a municipal lake, for these reasons: Within one-half mile of both pits there is situated Sellers farm, where a child has been reported shot and night soil dumped. Kingman's hair plant, the Smith Chemical Company, the Raub Fertilizer Company and the stockyards and the odors emanating therefrom seem to me to make it certain that few persons would find pleasure seeking recreation in their very midst. Then to speak of bathing in the water in these pits is almost laughable. The pits being from twenty-five to fifty feet deep and fed by water from springs are so deep that no one would swim in them with pleasure, or safety. In the pits there is a layer of comparatively warm water about eighteen inches deep on the surface but below that it is very cold. Fish taken out of my pond in mid-summer are hard in flesh, demonstrating the low temperature beneath the surface.

I am willing to turn over my water to the city, but I certainly don't consider it a good idea for folks to bathe."

DISAPPROVAL OF FINANCING DEAL.

The board of park commissioners does not approve of the method of financing the deal which the Granite Sand and Gravel Company has proposed, since the company may not be able to find or individuals in the way. It is proposed that the board favor the purchase of the land from the company at a price of \$300,000, then leasing it to the company for exclusive gravel operations at an annual rental equal to the interest and sinking fund charges on a bond issue for \$300,000, which the city would cost the city nothing, the company agreeing to construct beaches and banks wherever the park department might designate.

On the surface it appears that this plan presents the city a splendid opportunity to get something valuable for nothing more than the use of the bonding issue of twenty-five years. However, the board of municipal finance point out that the only assurance the city can make is annual payments from the company is its continued profitable operation of the gravel plant. If the company should go out of business for any reason or if conditions should arise which would make it impossible for gravel to be dug at a profit the city might experience some difficulty in collecting. The park board would have to go on retiring the \$300,000 bond issue regardless of whether the rental payments came in regularly.

WEST SIDE.

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Housewives Simply Love to Have This Iceman From the Spick & Span Ice Co. Come Into Their Kitchens By DON HEROLD



SCORES RULE IN ISLANDS

Secretary Weeks Declares Philippines on Verge of Bankruptcy.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—The situation in the Philippines "could not be worse," and with Islands on the verge of bankruptcy, the services of Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood as Governor general are urgently needed to adjust, Philippines, Secretary of War Weeks said to-day.

While the secretary refused to comment on the Administration or former Gov.-Gen. General Harrison, he said that if he had been Governor-general of the Philippines during the past few years, he would not feel he could be proud of his work.

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quarters that the first steps would be taken in the new international organization would be taken at the conference in Washington.

WEST SIDE TRIAL OF GERMAN OFFICERS.

Two sessions of the supreme council were held today. It was decided to appoint a committee consisting of two judges from each country represented at Leipzig to report on the trials of German officers in the war criminals court.

The council received a report from Marshal Foch that and the mission of the League of Nations to the conference after noon session the council discussed the customs penalties imposed upon Germany last March when the allies had been exerting pressure to compel Germany to meet indemnity demands.

The council adopted a resolution urging the United States, Serbia and Rumania to give their early consent to postponement of the collection of Austrian indemnity in order to help Austrian rehabilitation.

RUSSIA OBJECTS TO OUTSIDE CONTROL.

Russia, Her. His American Ambassador to England and the American delegate on the supreme council, told his colleagues that the American Government had received a telegram from M. Tchitchev, the commissioner for foreign affairs in the Soviet government, objecting to outside control of famine relief.

Mr. Harvey said that the United States government had no objection to such control as long as it was coordinated and effective.

The Japanese and Italian representatives made similar statements in behalf of their governments. Marquis Curzon, British foreign secretary, suggested the question be left to the relief committee which will meet in this city soon.

Allied viewpoints clashed again today in the meeting of the supreme council.

The clash was over the strictness of the allied control of German aviation activities.

Sharp said he was attacked by the three men at Wyoming and Chadwick streets and robbed of his purse, money and two diamonds. He explained that he hid his watch in the automobile. The police say that Sharp had not been drinking, having refused to taste the white mule.

George Roskoff, 902 South Missouri street, told the police he was Sharp's victim. He was a telephone pay station. The thief then carried two cash registers into the back yard and left a note saying, "You will find the cash registers in the rear."

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A number of automobile tires were reported stolen. J. H. Keeton, 1923 Coffey street, told the police that his car was parked at 3110 Barnett avenue and that thief took a tire and rim that were worth \$70 from the automobile.

O. Fauser, 320 Lemcke building, reported a tire worth \$24 stolen from his car.

L. J. Eby, 2321 North Talbot avenue, reported a tire worth \$90 stolen.

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WOMAN REPORTS IN PRIEST CASE

Miss Shirley Says Details of Hightower's Story Are Incorrect.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—Doris Shirley, one of the two missing women in the investigation of the murder of Father Patrick Heslin, walked into the police station today and introduced herself to the authorities.

She was accompanied by Lee Putman, Miss Shirley's lawyer.

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