

LAST PERIOD AT BOY SCOUT CAMP STARTS MONDAY

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we have in our meetings. It seemed as if everything was cut and dried it went so smooth. On the train out we were given a yellow card that had a place for our name, address, telephone number, what father did, his office phone, and if you were to be home all the time we were at camp. I do not know why they wanted all that information as nothing will happen because the men are about all the time. Then we were assigned to our tents and all the details of the camp were completed.

It was raining when we got off the train at the crossing where it made a special stop. Again the way things were arranged it was like clock work. We stepped off the train with our baggage put it in a truck and then fell in on the side of the road.

Mr. Barnes looked us over and gave us a very good command. It was "All those with no raincoats or ponchos mount the truck." I was one of them and I think I was first on the truck. Then about twelve of the others were packed into the Elgin that the Elgin Motor Corporation gave the camp. Mr. Barnes says that is not an Elgin Six as the plate in front says but that it is an Elgin sixteen, because it holds about sixteen scouts. The Elgin made about six trips to the crossing and at the regular time we were at the mess hall. Oh yes, when we arrived at camp we found a spare tent had been set up and a stove with a fire in it was ready to dry off all the wet clothes. Only a few needed it but I think that it was a good idea to have ready. Somebody is thinking of our needs all the time.

After mess Mr. Barnes introduced all the members of the staff. They included Eagle scout Regnery who drives the Elgin, Eagle scout Bradbury whom they call Joe and his partner Joe Winklehofer who looks after the boats. Joe, the second, said that the only thing that they did here on an empty stomach was eat. I think that is right as we have all we want and some more. We have milk to drink, ice cream, meat and vegetables. I am sure no scout is hungry here. In addition to the three we met at the train is Mr. Bristol, a real nature man. He knows lots about the trees, flowers and things. We take hikes in the woods with him and learn that everywhere are friends if we only know them.

Then there is a lot of talk about a swamp sucker. I don't know if all of it is true but if he is one half as bad as the stayover scouts say, he is a terrible monster. I was frightened at first as I heard them tell how he chased the scouts and barked and spit

at them but Mr. Barnes said that he is something like a bear and he never comes out of his den after retreat. I don't just see how that makes any difference but all the scouts say that Mr. Barnes tells the truth.

When we left the mess hall we went to our tents and made our cots. A member of the staff came to every tent and showed us how to do it so that we would not kick our blankets off in the night. Then the bugle blew and every tentleader sent a scout to the kitchen to get a pail of hot water. We, who had wet feet, stuck them into hot water and went to bed. Taps sounded, then we repeated the Lords Prayer, and in no time were asleep. It was announced that Mr. Barnes slept at one end of the parade ground and I have seen a lantern burning there all night. If we need anything we are to go there and wake him. We do not have guards as they think we need the sleep.

The first I knew I heard a bugle sound. I did not know what it was but someone in our tent said that it was first call and I should get up. So I did. It was raining but we all came out in front of our tents while the American flag was raised. We then gave the pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. Then it started to rain. We went into the tents and washed for breakfast. No scout can go in the mess hall who has not been washed. You know mother that a scout is clean. We had a fine breakfast and went back into our tents which we cleaned ourselves. We do not have anyone here to clean up for us. I think I will try to keep my room in order when I get home. I know how to make our beds.

Then the scout craft school came and I did not know before that the scouts can dig in as they do here. We pass more tests than all the rest of the year together. We chop down the big dead trees. No real scout will cut a live tree in this camp. There are lots of big oaks here and I see many little pines that the scouts say Mr. Barnes, Scoutmaster King and two scouts set in the woods. This will be a wonderful place when they are big. But it is now. There is a special class in swimming every morning. The first two periods 52 scouts learned to swim. We all swim three times a day. It is great fun. I ducked some of the scouts and they ducked me. There is a tent of scouts here who have been in camp some time and they thought that they could clean up all the rest of the camp in a swimming meet so they posted a challenge. It took us only a few minutes to accept even if it looked like an up hill job. Well we had the meet and cleaned up on them.

For us, Ned Barrett made 1 point; Henry Waring, 2; Allen King, 5; Ralph King, 13; Newton Nesmith, 5; Ed. Coligay, 7 and we also won the

relay race. The tent that challenged the rest of the camp got 32 to our 53 points. Their winners were Ellis, 7; Stookey, 25; Synonds, 2. While this was going on I went to the finish of the 100 yard swim and saw a snake swallow a toad. I called Mr. Barnes and he said it was unusual as they liked frogs the best.

Last night the camp was divided into two parts under the leadership of Scoutmaster Dandanell of Troop 1 of Berwyn and Mr. Hanson a friend of Scoutmaster Eckman of Troop 1 of Riverside. He came to camp one week and liked it so well he came back to spend his two week vacation here. He is a regular fellow and we are

glad he came here for two weeks. Well these two divisions played baseball and the east side won. Tonight the staff played a five inning game with the winner for a watermelon and it was a tie when the game was called on account of darkness. It was a great shock for the staff for they were six runs in the lead at the beginning of the last inning.

I almost forgot to tell you of the great combination in the kitchen. It is the Jim-John pair of dusky cooks. They make great things to eat with the good food that Mr. Barnes provides for them to cook.

There are some of the scouts getting things from home but Mr Barnes

said that the Doctor said that every scout what came to the hospital had a box of eats from home the day before. I would like to have some of your good cake but you need not send it. I think that the hospital with its electric lights, sterilizers, instruments and bottles is a good place to keep away from.

There are a lot of eagle scouts out here. You know mother that an Eagle Scout is the highest there is. I would like so much to be one and could if I stayed another two weeks. I spoke to Mr. Barnes and he said I had been a regular scout, the kind he likes and he would like to have me here next period. I do lots

to help about the camp and I am a tentleader. Yesterday I was officer of the day. I really think that he needs me here a lot more than he says and you better send me the fee at once so he will not have to run the camp without me. I would like to come home but I can do that when the camp closes.

Write soon. Your Loving Son, Kisses to Sis and Bud. P. S. Tell the other fellows in our troop who did not come that they sure missed it and that the last period that I had been a regular scout, the permission from their parents and I do lots come here for two weeks good time.

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