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CAMP MA-KA-JA-WAN DOINGS; NEWS NOTES

Starting a week early an extra large staff of officers went to Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan in order to set up camp for the first period. Nearly thirty-five officers were at camp some time during the advanced period helping with the setting up of camp which included cutting out some forest for space to build new flooring for the new camp units of which there are two this year.

After leveling off the ground enough to have the floors reasonably level, the crews brought on the floors which had been made up separately. After fitting them together they were blocked in position and nailed for the next step which was the tent setting. Even with this organized as finely as possible under the circumstances, it took very nearly a full day for the last section, which was put up after the reporters arrival, to be erected.

Various kinds of cleaning up were done, including setting up the quarter-masters supplies which are in charge of George Bersch, troop 4, Wilmette. The camp boats were also cleaned, puttied and painted. By Saturday when the campers arrived, the officers were well acquainted with their jobs.

Enrollment at Camp

One hundred twenty-five campers are enrolled at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan for the first period of the 1930 encampment. They arrived at Elcho, Wis., at 4:15 a. m. Saturday morning, June 28, and will stay until July 12. Arriving at Spring Lake by trucks, the new campers had their first glimpse of the lake, a small lake surrounded entirely by trees and a small bluff for the most part. Instead of crossing the lake by motor-barge, as was done last year, the scouts circled the lake on foot, arriving in camp just in time for breakfast. During the first day they were told many of the camping usages and forms including the safety precautions at the waterfront during swimming periods.

Shawnees Propose Improvement

Under the leadership of Mr. Hill and Pete White, the Shawnee campers propose to erect an arch of rustic type that will welcome all visitors to Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. It is planned to make this arch of natural birch and the design will include the word "Welcome" and be surmounted by a replica of the Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan design as used on the honor camper's badge. The arch will probably be built on the dock and will be Camp Shawnee's voluntary camp improvement for the first period of 1930.

Chief Tells Experiences

Monday's campfire started out with songs and cheers as usual, although the Ottawa and Menominee campers disappointed everyone by not having their camp songs prepared, but the Shawnees were there with the goods. We hope to hear an Ottawa and a Menominee song at an early campfire. The first speaker on the program was

the camp engineer, Mr. Kreuzsch, who regaled us with a few thrilling experiences in the far west as a young man, or rather, as a younger man. A talking contest came next. The winner of this contest may call for his prize at the office of this paper. A laughing contest was the next event, and then five scouts played rabbit. Mr. Boltz would like to know whether any of last night's participants have ever played rabbit before. Chief Whirling Thunder then told how he conquered a bear barehanded, which was barely understandable until corroborated (in English) by Bob King. To close the evening, the annual initiation to the Royal Order of Locomotive Engineers was held.—Knight Aldrich, Junior officer.

Want Suggestions

Today's issue of the "?" marks the start of the first newspaper at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. The "?" needs a good name badly, or to put it differently, it badly needs a good name. Anyway you get the idea. The present name was selected to serve as a makeshift until some inspired, first period camper should make a suitable suggestion. To the group now in camp it was thought, should go the privilege of naming the newspaper. It is hoped that they will be able to suggest a name that we may look forward to using in future years as well as the present camping season. Suggestions should be turned in to camp headquarters, and we would like to have the name of the camper who turns it in.

Horseshoe Pitching Popular

Horseshoe pitchers beware! The Ottawas are making it pretty hot for the stakes on their new "horseshoe road" on the south side of camp. They picked out a nice smooth spot there, chopped a few snags out, drove in the stakes, and put sand around them. Spacing these stakes about forty feet apart eliminated one of our younger pitchers, who were pretty accurate on close stakes, but did not have strength enough to throw that far. Scientific pitching requires aim and muscular co-ordination as well as precise judgment of the trajectory which the flying horseshoe describes. The Ottawas are getting so they can make the shoes "stay put" and not hit the stake and roll yards away. Mr. Morris, our scoutmaster, got us some iron stakes today, to replace the old chewed up wooden ones we have been using.—J. Cuffey, troop 34, Highland Park.

CAPTURE PORCUPINE AT CAMP MA-KA-JA-WAN

After the escape of the porcupine captured Tuesday when Mr. Rybolt climbed a tree in the Menominee village, and a second one brought in last night by Mr. King, four Menominee campers brought in a third porcupine caught at the lumbering camp, their destination of their fourteen mile hike test. The scouts, Harold Borre, Jerome Puize, Gerald Zopp and Carl Frankel carried the porcupine three miles before they accepted a lift from

a passing motorist who brought them to camp. The boys are all members of the Menominee village and are registered from troop 10 of Wilmette. It is expected that this porcupine will be kept firmly caged, and that he will have no opportunity to escape as the others have. The others are thought to be nearby and when the camp has better facilities for them an attempt will be made to recapture them. Another addition to the camp zoo was made this morning when Ed Bristol brought in a pine snake which he carried about with him for several hours.

Leaves Camp

Early yesterday Mr. Hill, scoutmaster of the Shawnee village, left for Highland Park to take care of some personal affairs. He expects to be gone four days and during his absence Mr. Wightman is taking his place as scoutmaster.

BUILD LEAN-TO FOR MERIT BADGE

Quite a few of the scouts in the Menominee village are building lean-tos to pass the camping merit badge. One way made by Winston Weser, another by Mr. Danielson and Glenn Hutchings and the last by Richard Haugsness and Robert Johnson. Even though Mr. Danielson is a scoutmaster he isn't a privileged character to the mosquitoes. Though the lean-tos were not finished they were occupied Wednesday night. If it had rained then it would have been just too bad because the shelters were none too waterproof. In fact they could have been used as a shelter for a class of star gazers. It is hoped good luck

will hold out, however, and the mosquitoes will go away until the shelters are finished.—Bob Johnson, troop 35, Glenview.

Junior Officer Leaves

Grant Herman, a Junior officer of the camp staff since camp opened, left today for Highland Park. He will be on the staff of a Michigan camp this summer.

CELEBRATE FOURTH OF JULY AT CAMP

The Fourth is here at last! The camp awoke in a very backward and Topsy-Turvy manner and had an early morning campfire during which John Fischer carried away the honors with his asbestos pajamas. Johnny wouldn't sing for his supper, however, so we went sololess for awhile. After a nice dinner we all gathered around our respective leaders, and made plans for the afternoon program. The crowning event was a balloon battle between Bill Rubloff and Harold Borre. Borre came through with a sudden burst and nosed out Bill by one ballon length. Other events included a fireman's lift relay, weaver's relay, a balloon breaking contest, a shoe scramble, a balloon whistle contest, and last but not least a balloon length contest which was won by Frank Appleyard who succeeded in making his lungs perform hard enough to stretch a sausage balloon to the heretofore unheard of length of forty-eight inches. We then had a delicious lunch of chicken and dumplings embellished with banana ice cream. After lunch an impromptu program was attempted by Oscar

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