

Camper Tells About Girls' Life in Woods of Michigan

Thirty Winnetka girls are having a wonderful time at Indian Hill camp, Hamlin Lake, Michigan, if letters from the campers can be taken as evidence. Their outing will soon be over, however, for they are expected to arrive in Winnetka on Monday morning. Here is an article, fresh from the camp, telling something of the life of the campers.

BY A CAMPER

Something more than the mere fun of living together as a group in the out-of-door world enters into the life of the thirty girl campers at Indian Hill Camp, Hamlin Lake, Mich., which is under the leadership of J. W. F. Davies.

The atmosphere of the day's doings is often created by the paragraph or poem of some fine mind, which is given to the girls by Dr. Davies at the close of the breakfast period, and before the girls start out on their schedule for the day.

Big Day Schedule

Included in the scheduled program for each day are many things besides the usual hikes; swims, work periods, etc. During the first week of camp, at the conference period, Dr. Davies gave a series of talks to the girls on evolution, so interesting did this prove that some of the girls asked to be allowed to take it over again this past week with the younger girls. He has also given a course in heredity in which the girls have shown keen thought and interest. In addition to this there has been a course on manners and customs (from the historical point of view); talks on clouds and lightnings by Prof. Lemon, of Chicago university; talks on the stars and instruction in first aid and stretcher work.

The girls have had the fun of practice in signalling, and have been much interested in talks on birds, and flowers, as well as in those on care of the teeth, and personal habits.

The aim of camp is not merely to instruct, but to help the girls to open their eyes and to think. To this end there have been walks and talks in the woods and on the sand-dunes, "treasure hunts," with treasure well-hidden, and directions given which required close observation and judgment. This year Helen Brown and Frances Ranney were the successful hunters, and Helen Brown has the distinction of having been the one who found it last year also.

Each Sunday afternoon there is a vesper service out under the trees. Such an appeal does this make to the girls that they have voted to have it on Thursday afternoons also.

Go On Hikes

Saturday the girls took an all-day hike to Lake Michigan, and instead of going in one group led by "Chief," they had the experience of being divided into five small gangs under the leadership of the older girls, and were left to find their own way to the lake along different trails. The order was to meet for lunch on the lake shore at Porter's Creek, at twelve o'clock sharp, and those who were late were to pick two quarts of blueberries apiece. Being lost was no excuse, for all the girls had compasses and ought to be able to take care of themselves. On the way, they were to pace out, survey, and chart the trails, as part of the big work of the girls' camp this year. They are mapping all the surrounding woods, putting up signs at cross trails, etc., so that there will not be so much danger of becoming lost.

See Strange Things

As it happened, all went well with the hikers Saturday, and the five groups met cheerily on the sand, each with a tale of adventure to tell. Some had passed an Indian camp, some had seen hawks, eagles, snakes, mud puppies, whatnot, and some had gone twice as far as necessary and followed a blind lead into the middle of a marsh—but those little items only made the day more interesting. After lunch the dusty heroes rested, or explored for birch-bark, as the spirit moved them. Then they had a swim in the good old lake, and finally started for home, all taking—for some reason—the shortest way this time.

On the evening of the same day, just to show that a little stroll in the Michigan woods could not wear away their pep, they put on a special performance around the camp fire, to which they invited outsiders living on the lake. Among the Winnetka guests were Mrs. George Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Chickering, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mess, and Mrs. and Miss Harsh.

Sing of Camp

Beginning with songs to the guests, as well as camp songs suitable to the occasion, like "Slap your skeeter harder," the program went on to an extra fine group of stunts, selected from the entertainment previously given by individual tents. The stunt which made the guests feel most at home was "The Gathering of the Nuts." The visitors were first called up, all unsuspecting, to take parts, and the title was announced afterwards.

One of the customs that has recently grown up in camp is story writing, stories as thrilling as possible, which must contain some local color, something of the life of the camp, or of the Indians, or of the surrounding country. The crop was of good quality this year. If some of the contributions were not literary, they were exciting or humorous. And so they were listened to eagerly as they were read around the camp fire

Sunday night. There were two girls tied for first place, Doris Ferry and Margaret Sterrett; and Miriam Peabody won second place. All three received Hershey bars—not to mention a great deal of honor.

Two Winnetka People See Kellogg Corn Flake Plant

Recent visitors to the plant of The Kellogg company at Battle Creek, Michigan, were Mrs. Lydia D. Sutter and Robert M. Sutter, of Winnetka. With a Kellogg guide, they inspected the entire plant and saw how Kellogg's Corn Flakes, Kellogg's Bran and Kellogg's Krumbles are transformed from raw grains into the ready-to-eat cereal foods. The tour of the series of modern Kellogg buildings—actually one mammoth kitchen after another—is never to be forgotten. Every minute brought the callers new thrills; processes of ingenuity won attention at every turn. They saw ton after ton of Corn Flakes being made and packed—just a fraction of the "million packages a day" that are shipped from Maine to California to meet the enormous demand. The corn crop of the 460-acre farm is utilized every day in the Kellogg factory for this one product.

As the visitors said goodbye they were presented with souvenirs of their visit to the largest manufacturers of ready-to-eat cereals in the world.

Building Lull Is Shown by Smaller Permit List

Seven building permits were issued by Erwin Dames, superintendent of public works, during the week. The six permits authorized the construction of building property valued at \$13,150.

Two out of the seven permits were granted to H. H. Englehard. He was granted permission by the village to erect a two-story \$10,000 house and a \$1,000 garage at 377 Sunset road. A permit for a \$2,000 garage was issued to W. R. Howe, 555 Walnut.

Permits for the construction of other garages, and for making alterations and additions to buildings already up, were granted to H. I. Orwig, 548 Willow; Herman Bunlich, 995 Elm; J. Keil, 893 Oak street, and H. G. W. Ball, 574 Fir street.

A CORRECTION

Last week's issue of the Winnetka Weekly Talk stated that Herman DeGroot was dismissed from a charge of reckless operation of a motor truck bought by officer Iverson of the Winnetka police force. The truck was not bought by officer Iverson. The word "bought" should have been "brought."

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CHANGING WORLD INCREASES DUTY

Mrs. Lieber Talks Before Summer Session Of Kindergarten College

NAMES OPPORTUNITIES

Parents, Teachers And Citizens Have Duty

Emphasizing the greater responsibility that modern conditions have thrown upon the home, Mrs. Maurice H. Lieber, 468 Ridge avenue, Winnetka, spoke on "The Changing World" before the summer session of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college recently. Mrs. Lieber is the chairman of applied education in the Illinois Federation of Woman's clubs and has been prominent in all sorts of educational work for a number of years. She is well known on the north shore, and especially in Winnetka, where she is the secretary of the board of education. For many years Mrs. Lieber has been one of the outstanding leaders in the Parent-Teachers association movement.

"I wonder," said Mrs. Lieber, "if we all realize just what kind of a changing world we are living in and what those changes mean to us and portend for the future. We are expecting great things of the moving picture in the future, but the boys and girls in our homes have had scenes shown them in the pictures—gambling scenes, home-breaking scenes, drinking scenes—that twenty-five years ago I would no more have been allowed to see than anything under the sun. And that means a new responsibility in the home."

Chance in Industry

Mrs. Lieber stated that industrially great changes had come. "Twenty-five years ago as a teacher, I heard nothing about child labor and an eight-hour law for women."

"Some one has said that the greatest thing in this life is to be the right kind of a father or mother," she continued. "And I am sure you will agree with me that fathers and mothers should be living to make this world a better place for their children and grandchildren. Some one else said that the second greatest thing in life is to be the right kind of a teacher. I know that the second

greatest character molding force in this world belongs to the teacher. When you think of the hours, days, weeks, months and years that you, yourselves, have trusted your lives in the care of teachers, and when as teachers you think of the years of childhood that will be entrusted to you, you know the second greatest character-molding force in this city, state and country is the teacher. And how careful we should be that the character of our teaching force should be kept high!

Citizenship Important

"The third greatest character-molding force is the right kind of a citizen. And that brings me to the definition of citizenship. Yesterday I heard the secretary of the State Teachers' association of Illinois say, 'Citizenship is the sum of those qualifications that best fit a person for his place in life.' In order to meet these responsibilities of parenthood and of the teaching force, we must be the right kind of citizen. And so politically your life and my life have changed. Politics have come right into the school, and these are problems that the teacher has to meet, and help train the future generation to meet."

"We must take notice of the future," affirmed Mrs. Lieber, "if we are going to have the right kind of education laws in Illinois. Women must take an interest in voting. Rural communities have certainly not kept pace with the changing world, and when we think that 50 per cent of the children in the schools come from the rural districts, there is a big problem there. Today in the city of Chicago there are 98,000 people over 10 years of age who cannot read or write the English language. And in the state of Illinois there are 103,000 illiterate people. There is another problem. I long to see the day when all of these problems will be solved," concluded Mrs. Lieber.

READ THE WANT-ADS

WEST END IMPROVED
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