

Plans Announced For Children's Programs At Camp Sapphire; Coaching School, Band Camp And Choral School Open In June

HERE'S GOOD NEWS for athletically-inclined youngsters in and around Brevard: the Camp Sapphire Coaching School will be held again this year with interest and activities expected to exceed last year's highly-successful school. This announcement comes from Jack Alexander, athletic director, who directed last summer's camp and will be in charge again this year. The opening date has been set for Monday, June 9th.

The school is one of the big features of the busy calendar at Camp Sapphire. The school is sponsored by our companies and is held without cost to the boys. All boys between the ages of 7-14 whose parents are employees of our companies are invited to attend.

Sessions will be held three days weekly—Monday, Wednesday, and Friday—from 9:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. and will continue for six weeks, ending July 21st. Buses will pick up the boys each morning and there will be no cost for transportation. A map will be published in next month's ECHO showing the route of the bus.

100 EXPECTED

It is anticipated that 100 boys will be enrolled in the Camp this year since 45 received certificates last summer in the first session. All boys who attend regularly and show a good attitude will again receive certificates.

The purpose of the school is to teach the youngsters the rules and fundamentals of all sports in addition to actually participating in them. Last summer, sports covered in the sessions included softball, baseball, touch football, boxing, wrestling, basketball, shuffleboard, and volleyball.

NEW ACTIVITIES

In order to give the youngsters a well-rounded program of activities, several new features will be added to the camp routine this summer. For instance, Jack Morgan, who is well-known to all of you through his drawings in THE ECHO, will give the boys some basic drawing instructions in drawing so that if any of the youngsters are inclined in art, they will have an opportunity to learn the rules in this field. Bob Bolt, who is an expert on farming, will teach the boys some fundamentals of agriculture. Swimming instructions and safety precautions which were worthwhile features of the first camp will again be included.

Charlie Russell, who assisted with the school last year, will be on hand again this summer. The remainder of the staff will be announced in next month's ECHO.

In addition to the fine staff he is lining up, Alexander expects to invite counselors from nearby summer camps to speak on their special fields of activity.

All Ecusta parents who expect

to enroll their youngsters in the school are asked to contact Jack Alexander at the library, extension 219. It is important that he knows just as soon as possible the approximate number that is expected to attend so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

Band Will Train At Camp Sapphire

The Ecusta band will train at Camp Sapphire this summer. The school will open immediately following the closing of the public schools, the dates to be announced later, and will close August 3rd. The camp will be in session three days each week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and the daily activities will begin between 9:00 and 10:00 a. m. and will close between 4:30 and 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Approximately 60 are expected to enroll in the school.

The supervision and training of the band campers will be by members of our own music staff here at Ecusta and faculty members of the Transylvania Music-School Camp.

The program of study will include band instrument instruction, private instruction, group instruction and full band rehearsal, history of music and theory, elemen-

tary harmony, music appreciation, and field drill. The program will be tempered with recreation, and field drill. The program will be tempered with recreational activities such as swimming and general camp sports.

Transportation Provided

With a full day's schedule on tap, band campers will eat lunch at the Ecusta Cafeteria and will be transported to and from the cafeteria by bus. Transportation will also be provided to and from the camp morning and evening. Further details of the bus schedule, etc., will be announced in next month's Echo.

The band will give regular concerts at Camp Sapphire during the summer season, it was pointed out by Director John Eversman.

Students with Ecusta's music project are accepted on the basis of their performances in musical aptitude tests, given at intervals during the year. School records, citizenship, and cooperative attitude are taken into consideration before accepting any student. Students in the project are required to do a specified amount of individual practice and study.

This will be the second year the members of the music Project have participated in a summer camp program which is offered by the Company as a special reward for satisfactory work during the year.

Girls' Choral School, Recreation Program

One of the many fine features scheduled for Camp Sapphire this coming season is the Girls' Choral School and Recreation Program which will begin June 10th, according to present plans.

All girls between the ages of 9 and 16 whose parents are connected with our companies are invited to participate in this school. The group will meet on Tuesday and Thursday. The camp will be in session from June 10 to August 3.

The school is a new undertaking and special effort will be put forth to make it part of an enjoyable and profitable summer for our employees' children. There will be a variety of music courses offered, including choral training, group singing, history of music, theory, studies of musicians, and of musical compositions. In addition to the musical and choral training, the girls will also engage in nature studies and similar activities.

The recreation periods will include such favorites as softball, basketball, tennis, shuffleboard, and dodgeball. Basic instructions in drawing and sketching will be given to the girls who are inclined in that field.

There will be a free bus to transport the girls to and from the camp. The schedule of the bus will be announced later.

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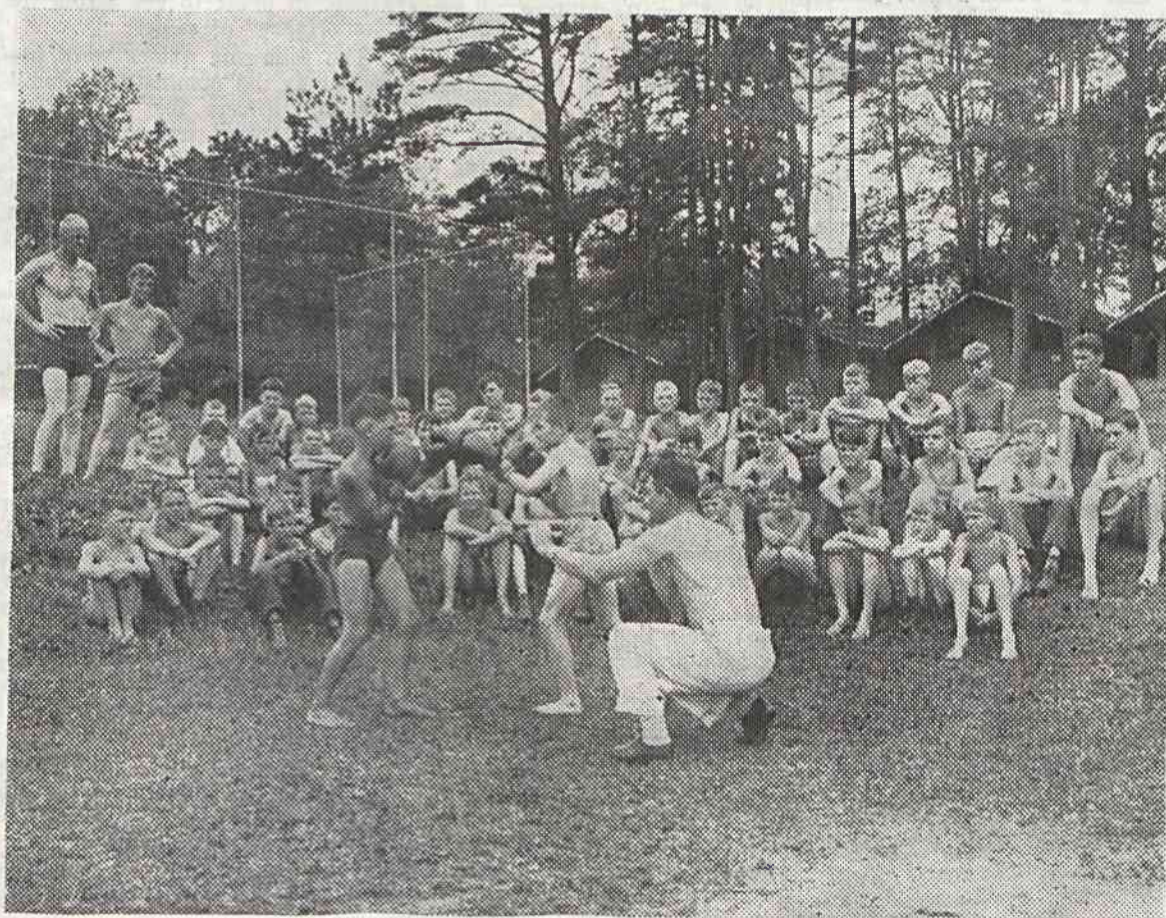
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Eversman will be in a better position to devote more time to the fields of recreation and music while Mr. Grant will concentrate his efforts on The Echo.

Mr. Grant is a graduate of High Point College where he was editor of the college weekly newspaper and publicity director for the college. During the past few years, in addition to his personnel work, he has been associated with several North Carolina newspapers. His experience combined with his keen interest in people figured prominently in his selection as editor of The Echo and gives him a good background for his duties here.

While a resident of Gastonia, Grant was active in civic and church life. He was associate Sunday School superintendent and a member of the board of deacons of the East Baptist church. His wife is the former Marian Gibbs, of Greensboro. The Grants have one child, Wanda Susan, age 22 months.

Scenes Like This To Be Repeated This Summer



Two future boxers in action while an interested groups looks on—that pretty well sums up the photograph above, taken last summer at Camp Sapphire during the Coaching School. Jack Alexander, athletic director, is shown instructing the boys. Scenes like this will be repeated many times at the camp this summer, with the announcement that Coaching School will be held again this year.