

# What's Happening at Conservation Camps in Macon County

## ALL OBSTACLES ARE OVERCOME

### Army Officers Help Recruits To Meet Their Problems

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(Special Representative of The Press in C. C. Camp No. 9)

The 108 men that were transported into Franklin from Fort Bragg were prepared for all obstacles. There were many openings for dissatisfaction, it seemed, but none strong enough to overdo the old army stamina. The army personnel and other Conservation Corps officials are the backbone of the camp. They meet every man half way in all troubles and problems. They are very frank and confidential to the entire camp—doing their best to build a powerful morale within the men.

After our men arrived at Franklin they were hauled to the camp location in trucks. And here, if any time at all, their mettle was tested. They faced a trying situation. The captain pointed toward the location and dissatisfied oaths broke from the boys' mouths. A stubble field for the company tents, and a hill side tapped with pines for the officers and mess tent.

A moment's instruction and all foliage, underbrush and trees began to vanish. Tents rose in rapid succession. It's surprising, but in three hours a comfortable camp stood in the place of a discouraging hill.

During this time our competent cooks prepared a delicious supper. Soon we were all settled down talking of our wonderful location and what a fine mountain range we had access to.

Next day detail work began in the immediate grounds. Clearing got in progress. More important work started with our original selected foremen heading the details.

The foreman, as the chart is made out, gives four section foremen, two subsection foremen under each of them, and three squad foremen under each subsection foreman. These men have been selected according to their ability. As soon as the camp's quota reaches a point of complete organization some necessary alternations will be made.

Since we have been located in this camp our grounds and surroundings are becoming very much improved. The buildings are springing up in every corner. The mess hall spans a hillside with its great length. This structure we are more than proud of, our first meal in it was served Wednesday night, June 7.

Other buildings are nearing completion. The forestry buildings are practically ready for use.

## Called To Rest

### DOCK KILLIAN

Dock Killian, 72 years of age, who had been in ill health for several months, died Tuesday afternoon, May 30, at 4 o'clock at Black Gap. The funeral services were held at the home of the Killian family with Rev. A. T. Medford, of Rainbow Springs, officiating. Burial took place on Shooting Creek, in Clay county.

## LONG BEACH DISASTER

An explosion in an oil refinery rocked Long Beach, Calif., on Friday, killed at least seven, injured 19 and caused widespread damage.

## Here's C. C. C. Oath

Here is the oath of enrollment which each member of the Civilian Conservation Corps affirmed before entering on work in the forests:

"I, (name of worker), do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the information given above as to my status is correct. I agree to remain in the Civilian Conservation Corps for 6 months unless sooner released by proper authority, and that I will obey those in authority and observe all the rules and regulations thereof to the best of my ability and will accept such allowances as may be provided pursuant to law and regulations thereto.

"I understand and agree that any injury received or disease contracted by me while a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps cannot be made the basis of any claim against the Government, except such as I may be entitled to under the act of September 7, 1916 (39 Stat. 742—(an act to provide compensation for employees of the United States suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties and for other purposes), and that I shall not be entitled to any allowances upon release from camp except transportation in kind to the place at which I was accepted for enrollment.

## C. C. CAMP BOYS DEFEAT COWEE

### Win First Game of Season 4 to 1; Thompson Stars in Box

The C. C. C. boys of Camp No. 9, Franklin, met and defeated their first opponents on the baseball diamond last Saturday afternoon, winning by a score of 4 to 1 over the Cowee team, a member of the county league.

Despite the fact that the camp team had been organized only a few days, it showed much promise. Manager Brown was greatly pleased with the material.

The Cowee team put up a good fight, but its players were a little slow for the camp boys.

About a dozen would-be hitters fell before the wicked hurling of Earl Thompson, the camp's southpaw. Not contented with just pitching a good game, Thompson also proved a stalwart at the bat, hammering out several good hits.

Baker, the catcher, seemed to understand Thompson to a "T" and the two of them made a fine working pair.

The outfield is a strong feature of the camp team. In fact, the whole team looks good; but Manager Brown is expected to make a few changes before the line-up is settled.

The camp team, known as Brown's "Camp Foxes," is planning to become a regular member of the county league.

The Foxes' line-up last Saturday follows:

Measmer, lf; Welch, 2nd b; Thompson, p; Wilson, ss; Abernathy cf; Keever 3rd b; Baker, c; Crowell rf; Farley, 1st b.

Runs were credited to Baker in the first inning; Thompson in the fourth; Abernathy in the seventh and Welch in the eighth.

## Rainbow Springs

Rainbow Springs was defeated by the score of 10 to 8 last Saturday afternoon when they played Holly Springs at Holly Springs.

Charles Hensley, the store clerk, who has been away on his 30 days vacation at Lenoir, N. C., returned to Rainbow Springs on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Bateman, of Ritter Camp, spent Sunday visiting Mr. Bateman's parents on Black street.

Clifton Vaught spent one day last week on business in Franklin. J. A. Porter, of Franklin, was a business visitor here recently.

## CAMP TO HAVE OWN DIAMOND

### Basketball and Volley Ball Courts Also Planned

Plans are being made for a baseball field, a basketball court, and a volley ball court. This will afford more pleasure and enjoyment throughout the camp.

Every movement shows that the government is arranging for all possible means of enjoyment as well as a definite amount of work for the boys.

## CANTEEN ESTABLISHED

A canteen has been established in the quarters—canteen checks being issued on the 5th and 15th of each month. This gives the fellows a chance to secure their candies, drinks and smokes conveniently.

## CAMP RECEIVES FIRST PAY DAY

Last Thursday, June 1, the camp received its first payroll, enjoying it to the greatest extent. Not only did the boys enjoy it, but the folks back home who really need their allotment are sure to appreciate and realize more than ever what this project means.

## LOCAL MEN ARE RECRUITED

Last week 24 local men were recruited into Camp No. 9. They

went through their examination here, receiving their vaccination and inoculation the same as for Bragg recruits. The majority of these men were originally in the national forest work.

## MRS. WOODWARD ARRIVES

Captain Woodward's wife arrived in Franklin Tuesday afternoon from Durham, where she and the Captain originally made their home. There Captain Woodward was stationed as National Guard instructor for North Carolina. Since he has been placed in command of Camp No. 9 he has chosen himself a beautiful home in Franklin where they will reside temporarily.

## CAMP INSPECTION

General G. H. Estes inspected

Camp No. 9 Thursday afternoon. He was very much pleased with the camp as a whole. He mentioned the fact that he would gladly lend corps assistance at anytime desired.

## HELVERING IS TAX CHIEF

Guy T. Helvering, of Kansas, was last week confirmed by the senate as the new commissioner of internal revenue for the federal government.

## CATCH GIRL'S KIDNAPERS

Three men and two women were on Friday arrested in Amarillo, Texas, and charged with the kidnaping of Mary McElroy in Kansas City five days before. She was released on payment of \$30,000 by her father.

## Questions and Answers About Conservation Camps

(From Happy Days, Official C. C. C. Newspaper)

Q.—How did this Emergency Conservation work start?  
A.—It was authorized by an act of congress, passed March 31, 1933.

Q.—What is its purpose?  
A.—Partly to give work to at least 275,000 men; partly to accomplish needed work in our forests.

Q.—What men are eligible?  
A.—Primarily the work is for unmarried, unemployed men between the ages of 18 and 25 years. But some married, unemployed woodsmen will be employed.

Q.—Is there any discrimination because of race, color, creed or politics?  
A.—No.

Q.—Does a man have to stay on the job for the whole six months?  
A.—He is expected to unless released for good reason presented to the commander of his camp.

Q.—Is this work an adjunct of the U. S. Army?  
A.—Absolutely not. The army's facilities are used because of economy.

Q.—Who is responsible for the conduct of the camps?  
A.—The Army officers placed in charge of the camp.

Q.—Who has charge of the actual reforestation work?  
A.—The members of the U. S. Forest service and the National park service departments placed in charge of the work.

Q.—Where will men be sent?  
A.—To forest camps as close to his home as possible. It may be necessary, however, to send some men from the east to the camps in the west.

Q.—What are the hours of work in the camps?  
A.—Eight hours per day for five days each week. (This includes time to and from work and the noon hour lunch period).

Q.—When does the men's pay begin?  
A.—From the time he takes the oath of enrollment.

Q.—How do men get into the work?  
A.—By applying to the relief organization of their home town.

Q.—What if a man gets sick or hurt while working?  
A.—He will receive free medical service and hospital care if necessary.

Q.—What will happen at the end of the six months?  
A.—The man will be sent to his place of enrollment, or to his home, if that is closer to his forest camp.

## \$50,000,000 TO CHINA

The Reconstruction Finance corporation has loaned \$50,000,000 to the Chinese Nationalist government for use in buying American cotton and wheat.

## NAVY READY TO BUILD

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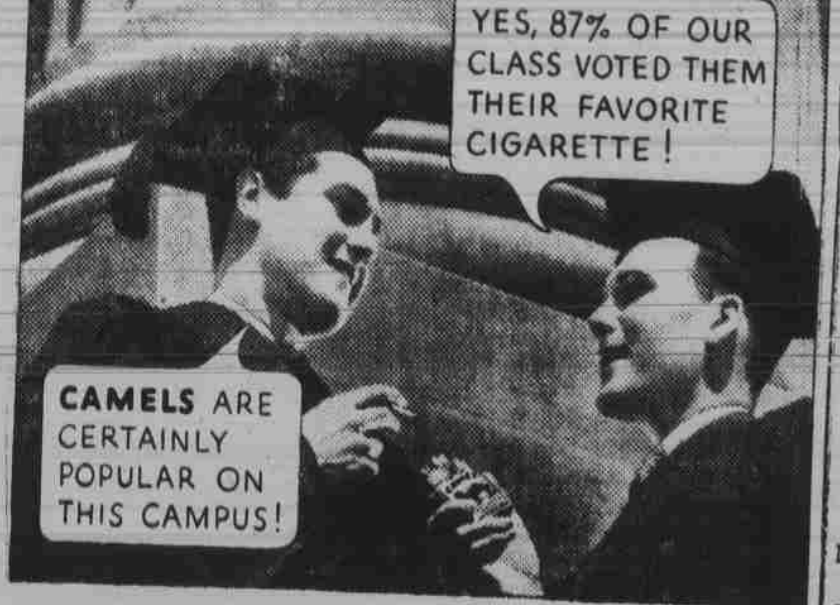
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