

CCC Will Observe 10th Anniversary Forest Camps

The Public Invited To Visit Camps Located In Pisgah and Croatan Forests

The eighth anniversary of the Conservation Corps will be celebrated by all camps located in the Pisgah and Croatan National Forests on or about April the 5th, according to H. B. Bosworth, forest supervisor.

The camps have established an annual custom of "open house" and the public is invited to visit and observe the camps and the many projects they have completed, working on at present. Mr. Bosworth pointed out that the entire pattern of camp life—the training and educational programs, the work projects—all contribute to national conservation by developing in youth, discipline, good work habits, health, love of country, and ability to achieve economic independence.

Every effort is being made at each camp to train these young men in developing physical hardiness and discipline, in making good citizens, capable and able to take their proper places in a democracy such as ours, and in advancing conservation projects which conserve and increase national resources and wealth, vital to the continued existence of the nation.

Since the inception of the corps in 1933 there have been sixteen camps on the Pisgah and Croatan National Forests, according to Bosworth—some for short periods of six months, and some for the entire eight years.

Many vital and outstanding projects have been accomplished in North Carolina by these sixteen camps, and future plans call for continued improvement as outlined here.

The following accomplishment report of work projects shows just what has been done by the CCC in this state up to the present time. One hundred and fourteen bridge built, 2 barns, 2 over-night houses, 22 dwellings, 51 barns, 5 lookout towers, 14 lookouts, 3000 other buildings, 3000 rods of cribbing, 6000 rods of power line, 425 miles of telephone lines, 24 water supply systems, 437 miles of truck trails or minor roads constructed; over 200 miles of foot horse trails; 96,656 square feet of road banks sloped, 336 rock dams, 8700 square yards seeded and sodded, and 393,397 square feet of gully erosion treated by planting; 4 acres of lake site

Letters To The Editor

Editor Mountaineer:—
Every now and then an epidemic of "chain-prayer" cards descends like measles on this community. Since I have no faith in such "blessings" and always "break the chain," I am sending you a sample of the cards that came in my mail.

All who are superstitious enough to try for the \$16.00 may have my place in the "chain!" Anyway, if everybody in Waynesville will only buy the thirteen postal cards, our U. S. government will be nearly \$400.00 better off. And that would help like the prayer-card.

Earnest daily prayer would be far more effective. The postal card variety makes threats and promises about which the writer knows nothing.

"Unsigned."
"Oh, Lord be merciful unto all nation and unto us."

This prayer must go around the world and if you fail to send it a misfortune will create in your home.

As soon as you get it copy and send to 13 persons and in the 13th day a great happiness will fall upon you and you will receive \$16.00.

They say one was made fun of (this card) and on the 13th day her daughter went blind.
Pay attention to this card and the Lord will bless you. Don't let this prayer stay in your home. Read the 6th Psalm.

cleared, 1769 acres of land have been planted to desirable tree species, and 167,821 acres of forest stand improvement work have been done; six thousand bushels of coniferous tree seed (cones) collected, as well as 19,106 pounds of hardwood seed; 103 miles of firebreaks built; 41,407 mandays of fire suppression, and 2000 mandays of fire prevention work have been accomplished, and 36,119 mandays have been spent in fighting forest fires; 9000 square yards of parking areas and overlooks built and 70 acres of public campgrounds developed for sixteen campgrounds; 361,130 fish reared and stocked in streams; 393 miles of trout streams developed to aid fish and fishing, and 55 fish ponds have been built.

In addition, 15,000 mandays of labor have been spent on other wild-life activities. Many other miscellaneous projects were worked on in the eight-year period. The final figures show that CCC enrollees have spent 1,553,306 mandays on construction projects and 215,514 mandays on maintenance projects, or a total of 1,769,020 mandays' work on this forest.

Part of the Arsenal of Democracy



This aerial view of New York's Erie Basin, showing fifteen ships ready to load crated war materials now crammed the docks, vividly illustrates the President's designation of America as the arsenal of democracy. More and more vital military supplies are being rushed to embattled Britain, following passage of the Lend-Lease Bill.

J. S. Black Taking Applications For Crop & Seed Loans

"During the present world crisis, each true American citizen has a very definite obligation to fill and even though the farmer may not be called upon to serve actively in military service or to work in plants that manufacture articles needed in the defense program, he still has a most important task and part in our program" says J. S. Williams, field supervisor of the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan office of the Farm Credit Administration.

Mr. Williams further pointed out that it is a recognized fact that armed forces and those engaged in the manufacture of defense weapons must be fed and clothed, therefore, the farmer should put forth his best efforts by producing sufficient feed, food, and other crops to meet the needs.

At the same time the farmer should so plan his activities and his program so that he can conserve and build up his land, which is one of his greatest inheritances.

Mr. Williams pointed out that in agriculture as well as in every field of National Defense the Gov-

Bethel Chapter FFA Holds Father And Son Banquet

R. E. Sentelle made the principal address at the 7th annual Father and Son Banquet held by the Bethel chapter of the Future Farmers of America in the high school gymnasium on Friday evening.

Norman Pless served as toastmaster. The invocation was given by the Rev. J. W. Blich, with the opening ritualistic ceremony by the officers of the chapter.

James Cathey gave the welcome address with Rev. Thomas Erwin giving the response. Wayne Stamey gave a toast to "Dads" with George Stamey giving the response. Jack Rhinehart gave the FFA Creed.

The following guests were introduced by I. A. McLain, chapter advisor; Jack Messer, county superintendent of education; W. P. Whitesides, principal of Bethel school; Weaver Cathey, of Pigeon, W. L. Fitzgerald, agricultural teacher at Clyde, and B. G. O'Brien, teacher of Fines Creek.

Music was furnished during the evening by the chapter band composed of James Sisk, Roy Conner and Rawlins Cathey. The home economics department under the supervision of Miss Godby, prepared and served the banquet.

The national colors of blue and gold were used, with quantities of jonquils in blue containers and blue candles on yellow runners down the length of the tables carrying out the motif.

Wade Franklin Is Commissioned 2nd Lieutenant

Oliver Wade Franklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Franklin, has recently been commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Army.

Prior to his recent promotion Lt. Franklin was a member of Company "H," of Waynesville, stationed at Fort Jackson, but since being commissioned he has been transferred to Company "D."

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News Of The Past Week From Bethel

By Mrs. I. A. McLain.
Claude Connor, senior at the Bethel high school, represented Bethel B. T. U. at the regional meeting at the Canton Baptist church on Saturday. He won the first place in the Better Speakers' contest, and is now eligible to compete in the Southern contest to be held at Ridgecrest this summer.

Miss Doris Whitesides, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Whitesides, and Miss Katherine Justice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Justice, are spending their spring vacation here with their parents. Both girls are students at the Women's College of the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. Paul Hyatt returned on Saturday from Greensboro, where she served as a delegate to the women's society of Christian Service of the W. S. C. S. of the Bethel Methodist church.

The Pigeon Valley Grange gave the obligations to three new members at its regular meeting on

Local Workers Go To Defense Jobs

The Waynesville employment office registered 118 applicants for work who were placed in construction jobs at one of the three national defense projects at Fort Bragg, Camp Davis at Holly Ridge and Douglas Airport, near Charlotte, in the five months beginning with October, 1940, and through February, 1941.

Through the State clearance system, operated by the Employment Service division, workers were sent from Waynesville employment office during this five months period as follows: October, 3; November, 4; December, 21; January, 41; and February, 49.

Monday night, and at the same time received three applications for membership. Those taken in were Mrs. E. B. Rickman, R. E. Sentelle, and Wayne Stamey. The next meeting will be a supper affair and will be held on Monday, April the 14th.

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