

CARPENTER HEWITT WRITES OF THREE-DAY CANOE TRIP

Tells His Mother, Mrs. R. B. Hewitt, Of Interesting Trip Taken By Boys of Culver Military Academy

Culver, Ind., July 15, 1921. Dear Mother: Well, mother, I feel that I have not been fair with you, I have not written to you since Monday.

I will give you an account of our three-day canoe trip. We started from camp at about ten o'clock in the morning on Thursday, we marched to Culver, there we took the train to the Tippecanoe river. When we reached there we had lunch and got our canoes and paddles. After lunch we picked up our things and started. We paddled for two and one-half hours then we pitched camp and went in swimming, after we came out from swimming we had dinner. After dinner we played baseball and one fellow got four teeth knocked out. Then the chief (Dillon Wallace) came out and brought the mail and Candy with him. He told us a story and then we went to bed. Of course, you know that we rolled up in our blankets and crawled into our tents. So much for the first day.

Well, the second day we packed our things and started in our canoe. We ran into a snag, but it was not a rib of the canoe and no water came in. We camped in a little grove of trees at noon, and went in swimming. After dinner we broke camp and got our raincoats out but it did not rain. Then we started again and before we landed we hit another snag but only gave us a little scare and did not hurt anything.

That night we camped in a grove, in fact, all our camping grounds were in groves. We went in swimming there after that had supper and after some songs were sung the "chiefs" (first year boys) went on a rope hunt. The third day we got up and had a dip before breakfast, then we took our packs and took them to a farm house where trucks would later pick them up and bring them back. We only took our mess kits with us. We had some rapids that morning which furnished a little excitement and at noon we stopped in a grove of small trees and pulled up our canoes, there we had lunch and from there we were brought home in autos and trucks. Just received the papers you sent of July 10th, send more. There is a boy that lives in the tent next to mine who is from Pontiac, his name is E. A. Mills. I am glad that the beds in the garden, they will look nice when filled and all in blossom. For goodness sake don't think I am not having a good time for I am blowing a very, very, fine time here. Next year I hope you can come and spend some time with me. Don't forget to come this year, too.

Tell Mr. McKnight to hurry with my transfer. I hope dad will get away as you will get away too. I have movies tonight. Ernest Thompson seton has here again. I am always glad when he comes, he has so much fun. Both Charles Winningham and Frederick Whittney have their swimming "C". Give my best wishes to Jack All. My pedometer is not so badly broken that it cannot be fixed. Too bad Betty has scarlet fever, it is not a very nice way to spend the summer. By the way, I have no bird guide, but you did put in my Plant Guide. Your loving CARPENTER.

TATE FAIR'S BIG BUILDING PROGRAM

180,000 HORSE STRUCTURE WILL BE READY FOR THE 1921 EXHIBITION.

GREAT NEW COLISEUM TO BE BUILT BY NEXT YEAR

Another distinct step forward in the steady development of the Michigan State Fair is being made in the building program that has been dictated upon for the immediate future. The fair has maintained a rapid rate of growth since it located on the grounds out Woodward avenue and with the additions now to be made will begin to make the impressive appearance this year, as the leading fair in America entitles it to.

There is now under construction on the fair grounds a new horse building, costing in the neighborhood of \$180,000, which will be completed and ready for use at the coming fair, September 21. Were it not for the prohibitive cost of building construction and the difficulty of obtaining labor that existed last year, a more considerable amount of building would have been planned for to be completed in time for the 1922 fair.

With the new horse building fully equipped to take care of all horses shown at the fair, in the most modern manner throughout the state, the old building is being remodeled as an addition to the cattle building, explained Secretary Manager (G. W. Dickinson) of the fair. This addition, also will be made in time for the coming year. The old cattle sheds, which will be used this year for sheep and swine, will be torn down after this year's fair. The new coliseum will be erected on the site now occupied by these cattle sheds. The coliseum will be a permanent feature of the state fair. The building will cover a space about 220 by 180 feet. It will have a large central arena, with tiered seats about the arena, that will accommodate seven to eight thousand people.

PEOPLES' COLUMN

This column will be devoted to the publishing of letters of general interest to the residents of Birmingham and nearby. All communications must be signed in full by the writer. Letters should preferably be written with typewriter and on one side of paper only.

To the Birmingham Eccentric: I wonder if you would not like to hear something of this place; it is so big and so many different parts to it that I cannot attempt to tell of all the different interests. It is a city, college, conservatory, playground, bathing beach, golf course and others all in one. The music by the New York Symphony Orchestra of sixty pieces is wonderful. I am singing in the choir of 300 voices. We sang Horatio Parker's commemoration Ode A. D. 1919 last night with the great pipe organ and whole orchestra. When we came to the words "Bring flowers, the residents of Birmingham shall not earth live the fairer for their sakes who are dead?" the lights in the auditorium were dimmed and with a rosy spotlight thrown on each aisle down which stood a young girl in white soft robes to their feet, hair over their shoulders and a band of gold around their necks, they were a wreath of evergreen above her head and placed them on a white covered altar. The girls had uniform on pillars of white on each side. Then down each side of other end of the amphitheater came soldiers, seated at the post at Jamestown and all stood as we sang "Honor to those returning. Honor to those returning."

The soprano soloist took some wonderful high notes, I heard at recital, but all were lost as the noise of the clapping drowned everything. It was simply wonderful. Mr. Augustine Smith, the choir director, got the package. He is full of ideas and a most delightful choir director. We had a lovely trip. First a night on the boat to Buffalo and two hours to Chautauqua by train. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Porter, who used to live in Birmingham, came up by auto by way of Canada; they said they found the road very nice. Mr. Porter and I got super together and had a nice visit. My Louise had a permanent wave in the changing lake while we drove about showing Mr. and Mrs. Porter over the place. They agreed it was a most delightful and intend to plan for a longer stay next year. I hope some more of our friends will move up and enjoy the symphony concerts and drop in on us at 45 Cookman avenue, which is the number of my new home.

MRS. W. C. McKNIGHT, Chautauqua, N. Y., July 17th.

William J. Deer, local barber, has bought of David Anderson, the summer cottage of the latter at Woodhill Lake, four miles north of Pontiac. William Deer, Jr., also has acquired a lot adjoining the cottage bought by his father. Both deals were made through Realtors Campbell, Scott & Ryder.

DURAND CIGARS, very mild. adv STATE OF MICHIGAN. In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland. No. Charles Edwin Jones, Plaintiff and cross-defendant. H. A. Jones Real Estate Co., a Michigan Corporation, and C. C. Bartlett, Defendant and cross-defendant.

Notice is hereby given that a writ of habeas corpus was granted on the 12th day of July in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-one, issued out of the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland in favor of H. A. Jones Real Estate Company, Plaintiff, and Charles Edwin Jones, Defendant, against the defendants, H. A. Jones Real Estate Company, Plaintiff, and Charles Edwin Jones, Defendant and cross-defendant, in and out of court do directed and delivered, I did on the 12th day of July A. D. 1921, issue and take all the right, title and interest of the said Charles Edwin Jones in and to the following described real estate, that is to-wit: The east lot of block 29, bounded on the north by the Village of Birmingham, as recorded in book three of plate no. one of Oakland County Records; Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 of Valentine's Addition to the Village of Birmingham, as recorded in book 2 of plate no. 1 of Oakland County Records; Lot 1 of block 119 of Perry-Morrison Company's Royal Gardens subdivision recorded in book 10 of plate no. 45 of Oakland County Records; Lots 2 and 4 of George Blakesley's plat of the Village of Birmingham, excepting the west 1/2 of block 12 of plate no. 1 of Oakland County Records; Lots 2 to 23 inclusive, 25 and 24 of Residence Park subdivision of the Village of Birmingham recorded in book 10 of plate no. 45 of Oakland County Records; Lot 21 of Residence Park, subdivision of the Village of Birmingham, according to the plat recorded in book 12 of plate no. 1 of Oakland County Records; All the right, title and interest of the said Charles Edwin Jones in and to the following public auction or vendue to the highest bidder at the front of the court house in Pontiac, Oakland County, Michigan, on the 15th day of August next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon: By HARRY S. WILKINSON, Sheriff of Oakland County, Michigan. Deputy Sheriff.

Dated this 10th day of July, A. D. 1921. RACE, HAAS & ALLEN, attorneys-at-law and cross-plaintiffs, Detroit, Mich.

STATE OF MICHIGAN. The Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of the said court held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the 6th day of July, A. D. 1921. Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge.

In the Matter of the Estate of Levi L. Hodgson, Deceased. John W. Crawford, executor of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court. It is ordered, That four months from this date be and the same be the time to present claims against said estate; That the 14th day of November, 1921, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, at the Probate Office, and hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

ROSS STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate. A true copy. DAN A. McGAFFEY, Recorder.

DETROIT UNITED LINES BIRMINGHAM TIME TABLE (In Effect January 18, 1921) (Eastern Standard Time)

CITIZEN'S WATER COMMISSION ENGINEERING COMMITTEE R. B. Hewitt W. J. Reineke, Sec. L. P. Smith, Treas. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE R. B. Hewitt W. J. Reineke Thomas Farmer James W. Cobb CITIZENS OF BIRMINGHAM: Pursuant to a petition signed by some 75 voters and taxpayers of the Village, a meeting was called for Friday, July 15th, at 8:00 P.M. at Johnson-Shaw Hall at which about 75 were present. The purposes of the meeting were outlined by several present, namely, that the most important thing to the Village of Birmingham today, was the securing of an adequate supply of water, not only for present but for future needs. To that end a regular organization was completed and officers selected to serve, who were instructed to use every means at their command to get estimates, plans and specifications, etc., for a water system that would be permanent, and that they should use every effort to bring this project to an early and successful conclusion in order that the residents would not have to go through another summer such as they have had to for several years past; and that after plans and specifications and costs had been submitted and accepted by the members of the Commission, a petition should be circulated to obtain signers asking submission of the project to a vote of the people, authorizing a long term bond issue to cover the cost of installation, etc. As stated before, there were 75 people present, a number of whom made short talks pertaining to the subject in question and all present were unanimously in favor of the installation of an adequate and permanent system and in order that any citizen who may wish to be a party to this work, may help in the furtherance of this program, a membership card is enclosed. Those desiring to join in this work, please sign the card and mail as addressed on the back hereof. (Signed) CITIZENS WATER COMMISSION OF BIRMINGHAM. By W. J. Reineke, Secretary.

CLAWSON FACTORY WANTS VILLAGE CHARTER RECALLED Opposition Contents That Our Neighboring Burg Not Yet Given Out of Its Swaddling Clothes Enough To Need A Charter

A considerable number of Clawson citizens are opposing the municipal charter under which that village has been operating for the past few months, and they have organized a fight for its repeal. This fight will be decided at the village election called for August 1st. Opponents to the present charter allege that property valuations have been increased so that the multiple valuations made by county and state, and that this was done in order to make a better showing on the flotation of a sewer and water bond issue of around a hundred thousand dollars, which it is proposed to float in the near future.

The village assessment is only \$7.00 per thousand and while this figure is low, the opposition contends that it has been more than overcome by the excessive valuations placed upon improved realty, by the equalization board. They think a higher tax rate would have been better than a high assessment, on the general theory that the tax could be changed more easily than the appraisal value be lowered in future years.

The "Irony of a Mail Carrier" is exemplified in the following circumstance. The local postmaster's home mail box was higher than the law allowed, and he duly received a notice from his mail carrier to lower it according to the rules and regulations of the P. O. Laws and R. or else cease service. The box was at once lowered—and immediately presented a coat of paint to redeem its lost standing.

Mrs. Mary Thompson, a resident of Oakland avenue, was pleasantly surprised last week by a visit from five of her six sons. They were I. Alfred Thompson of Indianapolis, Ind.; Arlan of Chicago; Fred of Detroit; Birmingham; Ford D. C. and Sam C. of Brooklyn, N. Y. Louis S. Thompson of Fort Dyess, Utah, was unable to be present.

Last week the Misses Maud and Nellie Camp of South Woodward avenue, entertained the following persons for the week-end: Charles Pinkham, daughter Marjorie, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stidger of Grosse Pointe and John DeJette of Mt. Clemens, Mich.

An open competitive examination under the rules of the United States Civil Service Commission for the position of clerk and carrier in the local postoffice, will be held here August 20th. Application blanks may be obtained from Charles M. Jones at the post office. The property of Walter Marlotte, who has made his home in Birmingham for the past year, but left last week for his old home in Ohio, has been sold to Fred Young. Mr. Young is remodeling the house and expects to make it his home within the near future. In a letter of recent date, sent to the Eccentric office, "F. J. Watkins reported the following: "We have a 9 1/2 pound girl born yesterday. We also have eight baby Shetland ponies in the stable, so you can plainly see that our business is on the increase." Orders taken for Pony Buggies. See David Blease—adv.

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A GOOD POSITION FOR YOU

FRANK COWARD. Men want are better kins to Michigan farmers and livestock breeders than Frank Coward, of Michigan State Board member who will be in charge of the exhibits of the sheep department of the 1921 fair in Detroit, Sept. 21. As state president of the Grand and prominent figure in farm land activities and other state affairs he has been long prominent in the public eye. The sheep department is regarded as one of the most important at the state fair, because of the prominence of Michigan in the wool market. Mr. Coward will be assisted in his work in this department by C. J. Kellogg, of Reading, who will judge medium and long wool, and by George A. Brown, professor of Animal Husbandry at the East Lansing, Judge of fine wool.

ONE-WAY FREIGHT RATE TO FAIR By arrangement with all the rail roads which operate in Michigan, made by Secretary C. W. Dickinson of the Michigan State Fair, exhibitors at the 1921 fair, in Detroit, September 21, will have the advantage of a one-way freight rate on their exhibits at the fair. In these days of high rates the concession gained is of great importance to Michigan farmers and others who wish to send exhibits or displays to the state fair and have them returned to their homes when the fair is ended.

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