

Life At A Boy's Camp

Thrills In Hikes Found By Villager

(Editor's Note: This is the second of a series of articles on Camp Mikanakawa, the Detroit Boy Scout camp near Port Sanilac, selected as typical of the general run of boys camps. Several Birmingham boys were at the camp for the last three-week section which ended July 30, and four, Dumont and Jack Mills, Theodore Etter, and the writer are now campers there. The final article of the series will appear in next week's issue of the Eccentric.)

By W. STODDARD WHITE
Port Sanilac, Mich., Camp Mikanakawa, Thursday morning. They proceeded west and south across country and a few stretches of gravel and dirt-sectional overnight hikes, which road to the little town of Appleton, about seven miles from the camp. Here most of them stopped and traversed about the camp. The Mikanakawans left and gathered around the fire.

travel in patrols of six) to cook their noon meal. Pushing on, they hiked a stretch of gravel road, the Appleton highway, to the Black River, a wide slow river which flows more or less north and south through Appleton. At the Black River, from which one of the two camp tribes, the Hazon and the Black Rivers, receives its name) the hikers left the smooth gravel and turned to the left, and in undergrowth, there to proceed down the banks of the river to Crossville.

Back To Civilization
The town of Crossville has about 1,000 inhabitants. It is prettily situated on the banks of the river, about five miles from Lexington and Lake Harris. A fairly large town, it afforded an opportunity for the campers to buy ice cream and to see a show and people in "civilized" garb for the first time in some days.

The campers met at the grove of oak trees south from and across the river from the town. The grove and the town proper are connected by a rail suspension bridge, which is regarded by the boys as an amusement during the evening and the next morning.

After a picnic, the campers individually the routes decided that the mosquitoes in the grove were the most pernicious and completely intolerable. It was decided that each patrol was to set out to hunt for the mosquitoes for the night. The writer's group slept in the grassland of the fair grounds, in the best of the tables of the same place, several slept in barns, and many other novel and unusual places for repose were located by the campers.

Before "burning" in many of the hikers trapped down to look the town over. A wealthy citizen of Crossville got wind of this and, accordingly, informed the dining store and confectionaries that all Scouts were to be served ice cream and candy at his expense. It was a generous offer, and the boys undoubtedly helped severely to become sick and kept them up late in the night. Here they were given fresh food, they had carried dinner and supper for the first of the day and were relieved of their packs, as the camp has been waiting at the grove and on the return journey.

Hike In Rain
The last three miles of the tramp were traveled in pouring rain, very windy and hail. Consequently the boys were glad to arrive at a popular general store two miles south of the camp, where they were sheltered for about half an hour. Here they were met by some twenty or so girls from the Young Women's Christian association camp, Camp Cavalry, slightly farther down the road from Mikanakawa, who had also been on a hike, theirs north of Port Sanilac.

A hull in the storm gave the hikers an opportunity to go on, traveling fairly well until almost at camp when the rain again started. Arriving at camp, their tents were depressed beyond imagination by the sight of the great majority of the tents down with a forty-mile-an-hour gale blowing rain and sleet through holding clothing and equipment. Few of

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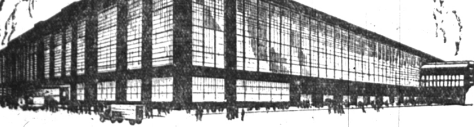
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