

Silver Creek Camp Swarms With Youths

"Y" Camp, Silver Creek—We really meant to write your every day last week, but there has been something doing every minute, and now the first week of camp is over and we are starting the second week for boys at Silver Creek. It was a happy group of about 140 boys and leaders who, after dinner, either picked up to go home or to register to stay for another week.

It was a fine group that has been working together this past week. It was the largest group that has ever been at Silver Creek for the whole week. The camp unit groups, Hillside, Bear Creek, Trickle Falls and Hemlock, were all completely occupied and one of the unit recreation buildings was used as a dormitory to accommodate the group.

Some of the sports enjoyed by the campers were softball, swimming, horseback riding, soccer, hiking, archery, volleyball and other sports of that kind. Eager throngs of boys gathered around Dale Bates each morning to see who were the lucky ones to ride that day. Twelve horses are available in the camp. Real competition developed in softball and soccer games. The soccer teams of Fred Smith and Bob Smith (not brothers), met in two encounters, with Fred's team coming out victorious, 1-0 and 2-1.

The Bear Creek softball team coached by Ralph Yocum, was the victor in the softball league, winning every game. Ralph Wickam pitched his way to a 20 to 0 victory over the Hemlock unit, coached by Tom Medley, in the final game of the series. The Hemlock unit had a fighting team, but they were out-clasped by the Bear Creek team.

Everyone in the camp participated in an all-day hike on the Fourth of July, starting about 9:30 in the morning and ending about 3:30. The various groups were led by some of the leaders, Max Hauser, Norman Hinges, Allen Robertson, Ralph Yocum and others. We hiked around the Falls and had lunch there, and then back to camp.

Reborn stories about the "Goog-enheimer boys" were heard this week about the camp. The "Goog-enheimer Brothers" were mythical characters who came into being at Ocean-side about a dozen years ago. One small boy remarked, "Well, you would have believed it, too, if Norman Hinges had told it to you."

The writer of this note has been given the title of "Deacon" because I have charge of the devotional program. The Deacon was given an early morning bath one morning when he failed to hear the rising bell. Besides that, he missed his breakfast. About 8:45 a committee consisting of Fred Smith, Tom Medley, Bob Smith, Wayne Hauser, Harold Meier and Bob Shunke invaded the Deacon's domain high up on Hillside unit, and swiftly transported the protesting Deacon to the swimming pool, where he was given a cool plunge. Strangely enough, he has not overslept since.

Stunt night went over with a bang. It was a great program, and the judges gave a unanimous decision awarding the first prize to the Hillside unit. This group was directed by Jim Matherly and Allen Robertson. "Pop" Cray baked a cake for the winner, and did the boys enjoy that cake.

Saturday evening the entire camp was given a big surprise. Watermelon for supper. We ate it in sou-



10,000 Chinese Homeless After Bombings—Japanese bombing planes have been carrying out almost daily bombing raids against Chungking, provincial capital of China, inflicting heavy damage and causing many casualties. This picture was taken after the Japanese rained incendiary and demolition bombs on the city. More than 10,000 were left homeless. Flames, caused by incendiary bombs, are shown ravaging a residential area near the French and Soviet embassies. — Associated Press Photo.

Scores Killed in Mexican Elections

Mexico City, July 8 (AP)—Riotous disorders which accompanied Mexico's presidential elections yesterday were estimated today to have taken between 50 and 100 lives and reports of widespread irregularities threatened to complicate the task of determining the outcome of the voting.

An unofficial count showed at least 30 persons dead in Mexico City alone, while scores—perhaps hundreds—were reported wounded during pitched battles which surged through the streets of the capital.

Some reports from the provinces indicated that the total injured might be in the thousands. Among the casualties in the capital were two American students—Edward J. Mallen, Jr., of Frannie, Wyoming, who was reported near death with a pistol wound in the stomach, and Leonard Durso, 18, of Union City, N. J., who was gravely wounded by a rifle bullet.

The Mexican electoral system provides that the first citizens to arrive may organize the election board.

thern style. This was the annual treat of C. P. Bishop. The boys gave Mr. Bishop a rousing cheer, and many of them wrote a little "thank you" note on a postcard.

A candlelight service was the climax of the week's activities. The boys all listened to a talk by Rev. Dean Polindexter of Salem. They were given a paper boat and a lighted candle at the recreation hall, and then they wound their way down across the play field to the swimming pool, where the boats were set afloat. It was a beautiful ceremony, one which the boys will not soon forget.

Today, Sunday, we start a new camp with about 108 campers and leaders.

ERIC FITZSIMONS.

Forums Dated For Centennial

Historic Waller hall on Williamette university campus will be the scene of four appropriate forums during Salem Centennial week, July 31, August 1, 2, 3 and 4, according to announcement by Dr. Bruce R. Baxter, who will be in charge of the program.

The first forum is to take place at 2 p. m., July 31, with Roy Shields, prominent Portland attorney and rate expert, discussing "Transportation." He will be followed during the second hour by Dr. Henry Ballard of Oregon State college who will speak on the subject of "Agriculture."

Thursday, August 1, Chancellor Hunter of Eugene will lead a discussion on "Education." Friday, Dr. Burt Brown Barker, vice-president of the University of Oregon, will talk on "Historic Pioneers." Dr. Barker is an authority on northwest history and is well known in Salem by reason of his residence here years ago.

The Saturday afternoon meeting has been left open insofar as speakers are concerned as Dr. Baxter is expecting a number of distinguished visitors who will be asked to assist.

The entire program will be open to the general public.

Innocent Plea Entered by Baird

Astoria, Ore., July 8 (AP)—Robert Baird, 25, a Clatsop boom man pleaded innocent Saturday to fatally injuring Ward D. Barnett, 48 in a July 4 fist fight. He was charged with manslaughter. Sheriff Paul Kearney said a post mortem examination showed that Barnett succumbed to a hemorrhage caused by a blow on the head.

Baird admitted "tussling" with Barnett.

Woman's Body Causes Police to Suspect Crime

Port Angeles, Wash., July 8 (AP)—Olympic peninsula officers sought evidence today to connect the discovery of an unidentified woman's body in Lake Crescent with the 11-month-old mystery of the disappearance of a feminine botanist in the woods of the coastal mountains.

The woman's body, tightly trussed in blankets and rope in a manner indicating she must have been slain, was found floating in the icy lake Saturday. Fully dressed, the body offered no clues to the identity of the victim except an unusual upper dental plate. The dead woman was about 35 years old, weighed about 140 pounds and was between five feet six and five feet ten inches tall. Officers theorized that she might have been slain, then thrown into the lake from an automobile.

The older mystery centered in the fate of Marion Frances Steffens, 33, a graduate of Vassar college and a Chicago botanist, who disappeared in the mountains last August. Miss Steffens had been in the peninsula area for several



Admits Slaying—Frank Swinlock, 19, is shown in the top picture (left) as he signed a statement in Buffalo, N. Y., in which, Assistant Detective Chief Richard Mack said, he confessed killing his younger brother and sister with a hammer as they slept. The youth was on parole for the 1937 ex-slaying of another brother. Lower photo shows the youth's mother, Mrs. Cecilia Miziolek, weeping after the hammer killing of the two children by a former marriage. — Associated Press Photo.

weeks, collecting botanical specimens. After once being warned against climbing a glacier in tennis shoes, and one time telling a hiker that she resented fire regulations and finally indicating to another peninsula resident that she wished to avoid forest rangers, she vanished. Only a strange note found in glacier meadows on the west side of Mt. Olympus gave any clue.

Chile's merchant marine is badly crippled by the loss of several vessels during the disastrous storm at Valparaiso.

Papermaker Team First Half Champ

Lebanon—The Papermakers captured the first half championship of the softball season Friday night when I.G.A., the one remaining contestant for the honors, was downed by Lebanon Lumber 11-8. The grocery men were but one game behind the paper men, and the two teams would have been tied in first spot had I.G.A. won.

Despite its defeat I.G.A. stayed in

second place in the final first half standings, and the Kuhn theatre men took third spot. Scroggin's and Lebanon Lumber tied for fourth, followed in order by Snow Peak, Groves and P.F.A. The agriculturists failed to post a single victory in seven tries.

The second half of the season will open Thursday when Scroggin's meets P.F.A. and Lebanon Lumber faces the Papermakers. In the second feature of Friday evening Kuhn beat Groves in a 12-11 thriller.

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