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# Camp Adair Sentry

Mounting Guard in and Around Camp Adair, Oregon

Trust your cause. Whatever is attempted is never well done unless the doer breathes himself into his deed. — S. Parkes Cadman.

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Today, Camp Adair publishes its first paper! Being present at the beginning of any job is always quite a privilege, but being present at the birth of a newspaper is of more than usual interest. For a newspaper is the voice of the community as spoken through its editors—that means this new born paper will have its own personality, will be a facet of our future Camp Adair daily life. Therefore, we will all reflect ourselves therein some way.

I take this opportunity to welcome the Camp Adair Sentry to our midst and wish for it a very healthy, wholesome life as well as a discreet one in this time of emergency. The Sentry can and will be utilized to its fullest in carrying good complete information between ourselves — information helpful to the building of the camp but still not publishing anything of interest to the enemy. The job is no mean task, and is worthy of a lot of attention on the Editor's part. His job is a big one, but I am quite sure he can perform it ably, and let us all help him as much as we can.

And now, through these columns, I would like to say a cheery "hello" to all the contractors' men. I can't know you all personally, but I'm mighty glad you're with us and you've done a grand job so far —let's keep it up.

The grimly determined and yet cheerful attitude with which you are working, spells a fine completion for the job—and a lot of early grief for our "little slant-eyed, brown-skinned dastards." We're out to do a good job quickly,—for a little friendly competition, to beat Medford, — and for "keeps," to beat the Axis powers.

It is a fine goal toward which we work—let us not lose sight of this goal as the going gets tougher, but rather get tougher ourselves and finish ahead of schedule.

Be seeing you on the job—keep punching!  
R. E. M. DES ISLETS,  
Lt. Col., Corps of Engineers,  
Area Engineer.

## First Aid Plan Covers All Camp

2 Medics, Ambulance, Many Sub Stations Maintained by Insurers

First aid for workers and employees at Camp Adair is one of the subsidiary activities provided. The headquarters are in the employment office building at the main gate and Dr. E. H. Hobson, physician and surgeon, is in attendance every day. Additional medical service will be provided as the need arises.

An ambulance is stationed at the main office available for immediate service anywhere in the camp. There are also several other first aid centers with competent attendants, located throughout the camp and more will be added as the necessity arises.

The first aid program provides for only first aid. For cases needing more care, patients are taken to hospitals nearest their homes, or according to their choice, where their own doctors will carry on treatment. These services have been provided at no cost to the workers and provide first aid for any injury incurred in course of employment.

The service is provided by the insurers hired by the contractors, one of which is the State Industrial Accident commission. These agencies pooled their interests to make possible the coverage.

Local first aid workers are under employ of the Physicians and Surgeons Hospital association of Salem, who are under contract with the insurers.

## Salem Men Hoping to Get Bus Fares Lowered

Under personal direction of Mr. Carl Hogg, president of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, enthusiastic committeemen are working on the problem of providing cheap transportation between Camp Adair and the capital city. Mr. Hogg reports fine progress and support from his colleagues and action is expected to follow very soon, he says.

The effort centers in providing bus transportation for a 40-cent round-trip fare, which will allow Salem to be included in the "defense area," a classification necessary to secure priorities on building and expanding for the growing population.

There is transportation available now, and some workers are making the trip in club car arrangements.

Plans of the chamber committee are not definite enough yet for any announcement, but will be due shortly, Mr. Hogg believes.

## Independence Working On Housing Problem

Independence has made room for more Camp Adair workers than normal. E. L. Gray, coordinator, reports. Many families have combined to vacate houses for Camp Adair guests.

More of this activity is being carried on constantly, Mr. Gray says.

## He Is in Command



Ball Studio, Corvallis  
Lt. Col. R. E. M. Des Islets, Engineer Corps, U.S.A., area engineer at Camp Adair. His army "blues" in this picture are not worn on the job.

## Two Publications Are Already Out in Camp

"Echelon" Is Bulletin Of Group in Safety

Although The Camp Adair Sentry is the first newspaper to be circulated at the camp, there have already been two other publications.

The "Echelon" is a mimeograph periodical of several pages put out by the First Aid program and has included much news and personality about the administration building. Its circulation is free and may be had for the asking.

The "Webfoot Courier," published by the army engineers of the Portland area, was out with a bow this week. It is an exceedingly smart monthly magazine with many illustrations and fine body of information.

## Albany People May Miss Road Building

Albany residents should take the "Gibson Hill" road to the Hub city from the camp, highway department engineers suggest.

This road is the first turn to the left after leaving the east gate. The route is a mile shorter and misses the road building delay and inconvenience encountered on the road straight south.

## Operations Run By G. A. Collins

Man of Experience Is Responsible for Actual Work in Building Adair

Among the very busy executives at Camp Adair is Glenville A. Collins, chief of operations and senior engineer of the United States Army engineers at the post.

After considerable effort your reporter learned something of Mr. Collins' background and experience that qualifies him for this important job. He is from San Francisco and is professionally a mining and mechanical engineer and is licensed in Oregon, British Columbia and New York state as such.

Last year Mr. Collins organized the North American Gold Fields, Ltd., located in British Columbia, designed a 4,000 cubic yard gold dredge, manufactured all of the machinery and built the job complete 500 miles from Vancouver in the Cariboo district and had it operating in 50 days. The dredge has been successfully and continuously operated since and is now being managed by his son while Mr. Collins is at Camp Adair.

Prior to this experience, Mr. Collins was chief engineer of the California Redwood association which represents all the mills cutting structural Redwood timber in the world.

In 1928 the Collins water tube boiler was patented by Mr. Collins and some 200 high pressure steam power plants bearing his name plate have been designed and built since.

The management of several  
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Use Your Head—  
Not Your Mouth—

Many bits of information which seem completely harmless to the average of us, may be important additions to the store of the enemy's data—if he gets it to assemble with others.

Use your head when you're talking about your work at Camp Adair. Don't give out any numbers, locations, accomplishments or failures. Be especially cagey if a stranger questions you about your work. Silence is safest!

## He Didn't Quite Make it in Time



Elmer, the camp tramp is on his way in. He's going to be with us weekly and Miss Pat Gallagher, Ad. Building, has assumed responsibility for his future career. Some responsibility!—But here he comes.

## Four Builders Bring Equipment and Experience to Contracting Job Here

A group of four associates, each man and company well known in the construction field, have joined in the contract to construct "Area C" of Camp Adair. These are: Ertz-Burns Co., builders and architects of Portland; Donald M. Drake, engineer and builder of Portland; Parker-Schramm Co., general contractors, Portland, and M. W. Lorenz and Walter Lorenz, known as Lorenz Brothers, of Portland, all of whom are associated and trading as Four Builders for the purpose of the Camp Adair contract.

Chas. W. Ertz and Thomas Burns are the members of Ertz-Burns Co. and are in charge of the architectural work in connection with the project. Both men are frequently on the project in consultation with Mr. M. W. Lorenz.

Donald M. Drake, of Portland, is a well known engineer and builder, having graduated at University of Michigan. Mr. Drake has for many years been engaged in the completion of many large projects in this and other parts of the country. His firm is Drake, Wyman & Voss, of Portland. One of their operations is now going on at the Vancouver shipyard of the Kaiser company. Mr. Drake comes to Camp Adair several times a week to assist in the supervision and planning, and is also in close touch at all times while he is at the Portland office.

Parker-Schramm Co., consisting of Charles Parker and Carl

Schramm, is in charge of all the earth removal, grading and road building, within Area C. This firm has successfully completed the largest earth removal operations in this part of the United States. In highway and railroad right-of-way construction it is famous.

Many pieces of heavy, unique equipment operate practically day and night on the project. They are proceeding on road building and the results of their efforts are plainly visible to all who pass.

"Charlie" Parker is well known as one of the famous graduates of Oregon State college, and is keeping up his popularity here on this job. He is a familiar figure all over Area C, where he is constantly on the job keeping the "big stuff" moving. His partner, Carl Schramm, is a frequent visitor and is also possessed of a fine friend-making personality, although most of his time is occupied with executive duties in the Portland offices. Parker-Schramm has several big operations going on at once. It will be remembered as the firm who built Portland-Columbia air base in a hurry.

The firm of Lorenz Brothers consists of M. W. Lorenz and Walter Lorenz, and started in business in Portland in 1910 and have been in business continuously ever since.

M. W. Lorenz was chosen by the Four Builders as project manager of the entire construction project  
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