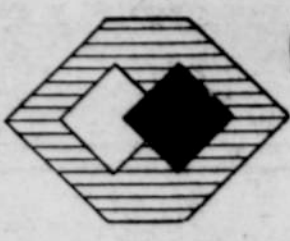


"No man can suffer too much nor fall too soon, if he suffers or if he falls in the defense of the liberties and constitution of his country."—Daniel Webster



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Tournaments Ahead in Big Athletic Program

Capt. Wimer, AO, Reveals Year-Long Camp Adair Sports Picture

By Pvt. Bob Ruskauff

Capt. Frank C. Wimer took a long-range look at an encouraging athletic picture here, yesterday. Meanwhile your Sentry reporter took a look at the background of Camp Adair's husky, dark-eyed athletic officer, who has been doing a pretty good job of moving mountains since he came to duty here June 20.

In his office at Field House, Capt. Wimer telescoped us into the sports future while outside, in that big, clean gym, the place was a-boom with the kind of activity that will help make tough soldiers tougher soldiers.

The whole thing has been on blue-print since August. It's shaping up now. It will expand with every passing week. Projecting the picture, both general and specific, right up to start of 1943 gridiron season, when Camp Adair will maybe have the championship football team of the "army conference."

"We have the equipment either here or coming, to take full part in all major sports, most of the minor sports and numerous recreational games—in both organized and unorganized activity," said Capt. Wimer. Tournaments are planned in basketball, volleyball, boxing and wrestling. Sport by sport the set-up will be generally as follows:

Basketball Tops Now

Basketball—currently this is succeeding softball as a favorite sport at Camp Adair. Whether there will be an all-camp team is not decided. There will be divisional and company teams with inter-divisional and possibly inter-company games played at Field House.

Capt. Wimer pointed out that there are 200 outdoor basketball (and volleyball) courts strategically placed throughout Camp Adair. In addition, for indoor play, he added that the regimental recreation halls (size 60x35 feet), are so constructed that they can easily be converted into basketball courts for inter-company games. "Just move the benches up on a stage, attach the baskets; screen the windows and there you are. It has been done elsewhere," quoth the AO.

Football—temporarily it will be touch ball. Divisional or post teams will soon be in process of formation, however, and if the timber looks as good as some of the saplings promise, there will be sufficient to take on all-comers from here and yon. There will be two practice football fields, one for each division, with the potential big-game field north of Field House. Then there are the 14 recreation fields about camp.

Looking ahead to track, the post football field (600'x680') is surveyed for a quarter mile running track around the field, also a 220 straightaway.

Baseball

Baseball—"We definitely plan on a post baseball team," declares Capt. Wimer. "A highly important fore-runner (or side kick, if you want) to this will be softball." (Continued on page 6)

Rental Control Soon Operative

County Owners Must Register Property, Reduce Rent Rates To March 1 Status

Federal rent control was invoked in the Benton-Linn county defense rental area Nov. 1 with all residential rents frozen to the rentals charged on March 1, 1942.

Howard C. (Sven) Johnson, Albany, has been named area rent director by Evan Haynes, regional rent executive of San Francisco. Mr. Johnson served the local four-county cantonment council as co-ordinator at Camp Adair all summer during camp construction. His office here was closed October 1. He will have an office in the Benton County Bank building in Corvallis as headquarters, and will have administrative offices in other towns in the Camp Adair area, which compose his territorial responsibility.

As soon as forms are received from Washington, Johnson will designate a registration period when all owners of residential property, except hotels and rooming houses, must register their property with the area rent office and must reduce rents which have been increased back to the March 1 figure. Under the federal rent control law, as it is administered by the Office of Price Administration, (Continued on page 6)

Governor Visits Adair

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Major-General G. R. Cook was host to Governor Charles A. Sprague of Oregon Friday on the governor's first visit to this camp since the construction period. They stand beside a scout car. Governor Sprague was gratified over the progress on the reservation since he last saw it. With General Cook and Brigadier-General H. F. Kramer and other high officers, he hiked through a woods where maneuvers were held.—Public Relations Photo.

Talks With Officers; Sees Demonstration of Troops in Bivouac Area

General Cook and Staff Members Hosts to Gov. Sprague of Oregon In First Visit Since Last May

Governor Charles A. Sprague last Friday visited this camp for the first time since its construction period and saw the demonstration of a regimental train in a bivouac area. "I am tremendously impressed," said the Governor of Oregon, as he stood in a woods with Major General G. R. Cook and Brigadier General H. F. Kramer and saw a real war problem worked out on the terrain around him. "Here the atmosphere is that of a battlefield, not a training camp. It makes me feel that the soldiers are in grim earnest and are not losing any time."

Governor Interested

Governor Sprague stood by, looking and listening, while regimental officers explained what was being done, with a huge chart and maps to illustrate and then he walked through a barn where clerks worked at typewriters resting on grain bins and a manger. The light was dim and the spectacle picturesque in the extreme. Grain was still strewn about the floor and hay was hanging from chinks and the odor of livestock was still noticeable.

"This Place Protected by Oregon Farmer," read a sign on a tree. It seemed oddly ironic, on the old, moss-covered oak by an empty farm house, with officers striding about and scores of military cars and assorted vehicles rumbling over the roads.

The governor lunched with General Cook and staff, then rode out in a scout car, rather sinister-looking with the steel barrel of a machine gun pointing straight ahead from the top of it.

Lectures on Bivouac The officers who talked, in front of the barn, and in the fields and woods, with their associates paying close attention, included Major Edwin G. Swafford, Captains John B. Riordan and H. W. Ryan, and Lts. A. H. Diserens, K. R. Mason, J. M. Adrian III, and John Cunningham.

But before leaving camp the field officers were shown all available transportation of an infantry regiment and the loads of typical vehicles were described.

Out on the farm, Capt. Riordan was in charge. There in the bivouac area he discussed the functions of a service company in such a place and the duties of commanding officers in combat. In general he told how a regimental personnel worked in defending such an area, with proper distribution of supplies, kitchen and baggage trains, and maintenance section.

Function of Supply Major Swafford, telling of the function of supply in the field, distinguished between such class one supplies as food and perishables, which must be brought up daily, and ammunition and so on, carried up as needed.

Lt. Diserens, using a map, told what measures of protection would be taken. He spoke of the importance of hard surfaces for heavy vehicles and of cover and concealments at all installations. Tank barriers in front of the position favored defense against attack from the air and by armored

forces, he pointed out, whereas woods and a stream also made it difficult for tanks to penetrate. Anti-aircraft guns presumably were in place and would be manned by soldiers with other duties to perform unless the alarm were sounded.

Lt. Mason talked about personnel functions and combat plans in case of attack. Otherwise, he said, the personnel section would be engaged in getting together data necessary in administration and called for by Washington. As few orders as possible would be issued in such circumstances, he said, and court martials would be few, partly because opportunities for offenses were limited. Nobody would have time to break regulations.

Soldiers Must Have Mail Still, he pointed out, it was essential to keep up strength reports, service records, qualifications records, payrolls. Also mail must be brought up to the front by (Continued on page 6)

Boy Scouts Ask Post For Help With Funds

An opportunity to contribute to support of the Boy Scout movement in this part of the state has been extended to officers and enlisted men of Camp Adair, it was announced on the post this week by Ray DeMoss, of Corvallis, in charge of the funds campaign for the Wallamet Council of the scouts. The boy scout program is regarded as especially important during war time, since it is essentially an organization for citizenship training.

Cash contributions or pledges to aid this work may be turned in at headquarters, or at the Public Relations office in building 501. The Wallamet council includes the counties of Benton, Linn, Lane, Coos, Douglas, Curry and Lincoln. A drive for funds is now on in all of these counties.

Cpl. Healy Wants Theatrical Talent

You've heard of the musical comedy, "This Is the Army," that swept Broadway right off its feet . . . and now is touring the country.

You've heard of all-soldier talent shows . . . with original music, story, etc.

Well, Camp Adair has the same idea up its sleeve. Under the direction of Cpl. "Chuck" Healy, plans for an all-soldier cast and an all-soldier show that is really representative of Camp Adair and the men stationed here, are underway.

So the call board for prospective talent has been set up.

If you feel you can entertain in any way . . . whether you sing, dance, pull rabbits out of hats, impersonate, mimic, play a musical instrument or are a natural comedian . . . give Cpl. Healy a buzz on the 'phone. His number is 3316.

Let's get the ball rollin' and really get behind this "show." It will be a lot of fun.

Scrap Drive Effort Goes Over in Camp

500 Tons Gathered Including Thresher

In what he termed "a noble response, considering that the effort was added to the normal duties of command," Capt. Tony Frank, head of the Camp Adair scrap drive which was launched on Oct. 22, said that in excess of 500 tons of material has been brought in to date.

Although the drive was to have closed Oct. 30 it will be held up for a day or two to pick up any straggling salvage material, Capt. Frank said.

Brought in largely from rifle and artillery ranges, the drive nevertheless embraced one evidence of the Oregon's agrarian past—and right on the present site of Camp Adair. This is an 1890 model threshing machine. Also netted in the haul was a truck, of much later vintage, however.

Direct disposition of the scrap, now placed back of QM headquarters, will be via invitational bidding. Highest bidder will take consignment for direct shipping. Capt. Frank plans to release the bids on or about the 10th inst.

band is S/Sgt. Frederick C. Duvall, instructor in the Cooks and Bakers School. He has been in the Army 15 years. His brother is a staff sergeant at the Air Base, Pendleton, Ore., and Mrs. Duvall's sister is Mrs. Glenna Hale, wife of Captain Julius Hale, Provost Marshal.

Ah! Beauty and the Beast



Left to right: Sgt. Charles Webb, a man; Carmichael, a bear; Miss Florence Coardy Merriam, a lady . . . Considering the steady rain, she's bearing it like a heroine.

Camp Bear Mascot Bares Heart Of Tough Sgt. Horse-Trader Who Prefers Simian Fellowship

Carmichael, a bear, is being traded, by Post Hdq. Co. for a couple of monkeys, and let none of the neighbor M.P.s make any cracks about it being a case of carrying coals to Newcastle.

The bare fact is that the bear Carmichael had become a white elephant on the hands of Hdq. Co. In the course of less than a week he had terrified the inmates of the barracks to which he was attached—by a chain—and had worried the company architects, and aroused the pity of humanitarians.

One such was Master Sergeant William E. Carmichael, after whom the bear was named.

"They can't do that to a Carmichael!" cried Carmichael the personnel sergeant major, as he saw the bear Carmichael lying in the mud under the barracks. It was generally agreed that the bear could not be kept there indefinitely, but no one knew how to house him.

During his stay the bear posed with Sgt. Charles E. Webb, keeper

pro tem, and with Miss Florence Coardy, Service Club hostess, the heroine of the occasion.

Clad in a dainty white bathing suit she stood there for minutes, in a poufing rain, while Sgt. Webb used apple after apple in an attempt to coax the bear into an old bath tub that had been taken from a deserted farm house.

Earlier, the barracks inmates made the mistake of showing the bear an apple, at the window. Carmichael tore the screen loose, climbed inside, ate shaving cream and flopped on the cot of Arthur Lederman, who happened to be up at the time.

Sgt. Webb says that his brother-in-law, Ardufay Hall, in the army in Alaska, has two Kodiak bears as mascots. You wouldn't expect a soldier named Ardufay to keep bears, would you?

The bear Carmichael now goes to Mr. Cecil Montgomery, who has a kind of zoo, with lions in it, six miles from Corvallis.

Republican Victory Marks Tuesday Vote

Snell New Governor of Oregon; Dewey Wins in N. Y.; McNary In

Republican Wins

This country's first war-time election in 24 years resulted in outstanding Republican victories throughout the nation.

Republicans swept Democrats out of office in the state governorships of New York, Michigan, California and Connecticut in yesterday's war-time election and cut heavily into administration majorities in senate and house.

Control of the house swung in the balance, although Democrats felt confident they would retain a working margin in the new congress. They were sure of the senate.

Thomas E. Dewey, former Manhattan district attorney, increased measurably his 1944 Republican presidential nomination prospects by an easy victory over Roosevelt-endorsed John J. Bennett, Jr. for the empire state governorship, ending a 20 year Democratic reign at Albany.

Congressmen Returned

Oregon's two Republican congressmen, Reps. Homer D. Angell, Portland, and James W. Mott, Salem, both the target of charges that they are isolationists, were re-elected, while Harris Ellsworth, Roseburg Republican, was elected by the newly-created fourth district.

If the Republican congressional candidates maintain their leads, it would be the first time since 1931 that Oregon, the most predominantly Republican state in the west, has had an all-Republican congressional delegation.

McNary, Republican vice presidential candidate in 1940 and a member of the senate since 1917, piled up 173,612 votes to 49,965



Named Governor—Earl Snell by "landslide."

for Walter W. Whitbeck, Portland Democrat, in 1334 of 1770 precincts. McNary did not come home to campaign.

Snell Given Record Vote But Snell, in the same number of precincts, had amassed an even greater total than McNary; getting 176,479 votes to 52,026 for State Sen. Lew Wallace, Portland Democrat. Wallace conceded Snell's election two hours after the polls closed, promising to give Snell his full support.

New Brigadier General Is Former Salemite

Leo Andre Walton, nominated by President Roosevelt Monday for the rank of brigadier-general, is the son of Mrs. James Walton of Salem and a brother of Mrs. Beatrice Walton Sackett, Marshfield, and William S. Walton, local banker.

Walton left Salem in 1910 to enter West Point military academy and has since been in military service. He was with the 10th United States cavalry on the Mexican border and also has served with the infantry and artillery.

Prior to organization of the army air corps he was connected with the signal corps. Walton was in charge of the air force at Stockton Field, Cal., until recently when he was promoted to chief of staff at the Santa Anna air training base.

Local Officers Will Talk Armistice Day

Armistice day celebrations in nearby towns will feature Camp Adair officers. Maj. James W. Fraser will be the featured speaker at a meeting of the American Legion in Silverton at 6:30 p. m. Capt. Fisher J. Smith will speak at the Salem High school at 12:30 p. m.

Maj. Fraser served in the last war with the Illinois National Guard. Commissioned in 1922 in the reserve corps, he was called to active duty in April, 1942. In civilian life Maj. Fraser was a public relations man with a California public utilities company.

Anybody finding a stray kitten, with whiskers on only one side, will please take it to Bldg. 501. An elderly sergeant there is grieving for it.

Where Were You on First Armistice Day? Don't Be Shy; We Want to Hear About it

Where were you at 11 o'clock in the morning of November the 11th, in the year 1918? At the front, or in some French town, or in training camp, or at school, or at home with your mother, or merely a gleam in your father's eye?

That was a big day in the lives of quite a few officers and enlisted men who are now at Camp Adair, trying to be useful in another war. It must have been a solemnly happy day for some of the younger men now in camp, especially if their fathers were at the front. Maybe one of them remembers how his mother hugged

him on that day, and cried a bit. And perhaps there is one whose father never came back. If any officers and men have interesting experiences to relate, about where they were and what they did on the first Armistice Day—the day the other war ended—the Camp Sentry would like to publish them on Thursday of next week—Thursday, Nov. 12. If you are shy about it, let friends do the telling. Send in notes or telephone to 2981. If you know of anybody with a good Armistice story, please tip us off. Some stories are already on hand.