

To
CLAUDE R. LANDAW



First Lieutenant, Q. M. C. -Res.

commanding officer, company 1 5 8 3,
whose untiring efforts and geniality
has won for him an enduring place in
the hearts of all of us, this number
affectionately dedicated.

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"THE THINKER"

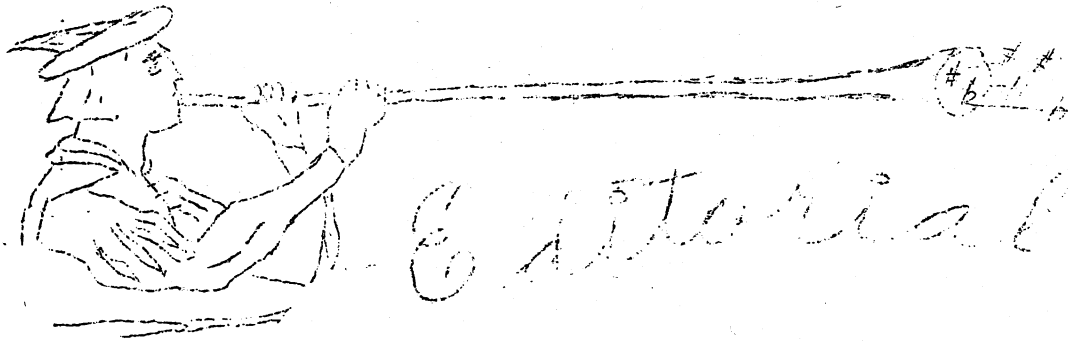
Back of the beating hammer,
By which the steel is wrought,
Back of the workshop's clamor
The seeker may find the Thought;
The Thought which is ever Master
Of iron and steam and steel,
That rises above disaster
And tramples it under its heel!

The drudge may fret and tinker
And labor with lusty blows,
But back of him stands the thinker
The clear-eyed man who knows;
For into each plow or saber,
Each piece and part and whole
Must go the brains of labor
Which gives the thing a soul

Back of the motor's humming,
Back of the belts that sing,
Back of the hammer's drumming,
Back of the cranes that swing
There is the eye that scans them,
Watching through stress and strain,
There is the Mind which plans them
Back of the brawn, the Brain!

Might of the roaring boiler,
Force of the engine's thrust,
Strength of the sweating toiler,
Greatly in these we trust.
But back of them stands the Schemer,
The THINKER who drives things through;
Back of the job, the Dreamer,
Who's making the dream come true!

--Berton Braley



By sneaking through the barracks the other day, I managed to hear Bock playing his saxophone. Well, they say that an eavesdropper never hears anything good.

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Just the same we have it on strict authority that as long as the cigarettes in camp hold out, Father John will make Minnie the Moocher look like an old maid philanthropist at a children's picnic. Yes, Yes, we've often heard that a fair weather friend becomes a foul weather fiend. (You're right, that was foul.)

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Anyway we have one man in the company. McMahon is one because he may be down but he's never out-----
---working.

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Then there's the man who tried to cross mules with cows because he wanted to put a kick in the milk. We have a much better idea. We'd cross Tharp and the mess-kit washer and put lie in the water.

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Well, if you want excitement you might try asking the "Canteen Criminal" how the re-forestation program is coming along.

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I would like to say right now that when the rookie enrollees come in, you needn't send them over to the Orderly Room for the "Ditch Stretcher". Mr. Bolcher took it out the other day and is trying to surround an "N" with it.

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We hear that Boyd Lay has become rather difficult since he took up pretzel designing. You must be so careful, fellows. I knew a pretzel designer once who had his train of thought interrupted and he's been sort of addle-pated ever since.

By *Joe Fogarty*
Joe Fogarty

EDUCATION

No educational program can be of any service to an enrollee unless he chooses to make it so. We may prepare a program that will enable any member to benefit but we cannot force it down his throat. This is entirely an individual matter. However, it is obvious that the men in this organization who DO take advantage of the opportunities offered for training, both IN THE FIELD and on a job, will be given preference as to ratings and in recommendations for civil employment. This is as it should be.

Company 1583 is offering a broad range of academic, vocational and informal activities, as well as an excellent opportunity for instruction on the job. We, therefore expect each member of this company to select a program of training that meets his needs and to pursue it diligently. That is the least that he can afford to do. He will find sympathetic and efficient instructors and his rewards will be in just proportion to his labors.

There are quite a few who need some additional high school units to complete the necessary units for a high school certificate (equivalency). If that be true in your case, be sure that you have your program worked out so as to earn the proper credits this fall and winter. Many academic subjects are being offered.

Much emphasis will be placed on vocational courses, for one of the chief objectives of the CCC program is to prepare its members for civilian employment. This is as it should be. Vocational courses must play the chief role in this program. Already courses in welding, dynamiting, or surveying, mechanical drawing, dragline operation, concrete construction and practical electricity have been initiated.

The vocational courses, typing and shorthand, will be continued at the high school in cooperation with the city schools of Valparaiso, Indiana.

There is ample opportunity for each member of company 1583 to secure a comprehensive training program this fall and each member is expected to do so. The selection of YOUR program is up to YOU. The educational adviser will be glad to render any assistance possible.



THE BUTCHER,

THE BAKER,

THE CANDLESTICK

MAKER! ^{By} Lt. Claude R. Landaw, C.O.

As the new fall educational program gets under way, we will have initiated the best that this company has ever had. I wish to express my pleasure for the excellent manner in which you men have responded.

The butcher, the baker, and the candlestick maker are all enrolled and are attending the classes of their choice. We are fortunate in having all the qualified instructors that we need.

When the certificates of proficiency are given out at the end of this quarter, Dec. 31st, I shall expect to present one to EACH man in camp. In brief I am 100% for and behind the educational program in company 1583 and I shall not permit any man to neglect this duty to himself.

Let me quote from the Army and Navy Register: "In increasing numbers the employers of men are becoming sold on the idea that the training a young man



gets in the CCC means something to them in the building up of their organization. The discipline, sense of a personal responsibility, self-confidence, all of which the enrollee has instilled into him as a result of CCC experience and training, are all valuable assets to an employer. This supplies an answer to the cynic critical of the C.



ADJUTANT'S

By
Lt. R.E. McCormick **GALL**

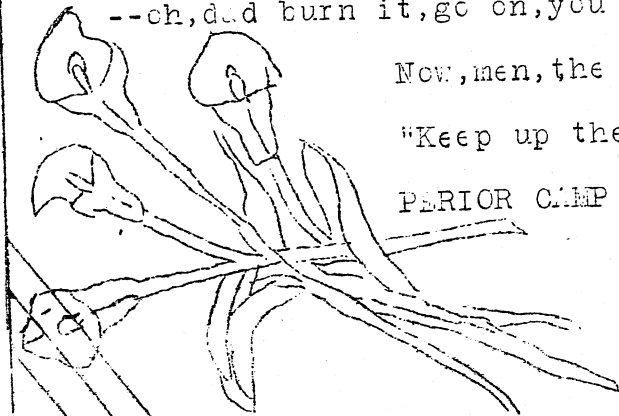
GREETINGS! SALUTATIONS! Oh, well, "HI TOOTS".

Upon being informed by the august educational adviser, editor, and all members of the staff, that it was up the Adjutant to do his bit, and not being an author or inclined poetically or otherwise, to letters or the fine arts, I was (or should I say am) only too glad that I was not asked for a page from the Mess Officer, Exchange Officer, Transportation Officer, Police Officer, A'tg Q. I., and all the many and varied offices held-or supposed to be-by the Adjutant.

But getting down to serious things, did you ever hear the one ("No, not peaceful like a babe") about the man that stuttered? Ch, yeah, I fooled you that time.

Anyway a certain party was driving or touring-have it your way. Eventually this party wished to know how far it was to the next town. So, he stopped to ask a farmer just how far it was. For this farmer stuttered. He replied: "Yuh, yuh, yuh, yuh, go, go, go, go, --ch, dad burn it, go on, you can get there before I can tell you."

Now, men, the lesson I intend for you to infer, is "Keep up the good work and we'll have that SUPERIOR CAMP before I can tell 'yuh' about it."



Lt. Robert E. McCormick,
Inf-Res., Adjutant.

NEWS BRIEFS

GENERAL NAYLOR INSPECTS

We were glad to have the pleasure of a visit for inspection by William K. Naylor, General, Ft. Benj. Harrison Dist., CCC, on the 14th of Sept.

LIBRARY

Three hundred million words or 250,000 pages of reading makes 1583's permanent library (there is an addition to be made soon) the largest in the state. More than 2,500 volumes covering a great variety of fictional and thousands of technical subjects are included. It would require an ordinary reader more than a quarter of a century-30 years- to read it all.

READING ROOM

A new reading room and library has been completed for the enrollees of 1583. The room used was formerly a class room and is now surrounded by shelves- all filled with books- filled with comfortable chairs, good lights, magazines, newspapers, a new coat of paint, new curtains. The room is widely used by all the members. Reading and floor lamps have been contributed by various members.

ENTRANCE

Once the only way you could be sure when you turned into the camp was the cloud of dust you raised when you turned off the highway. To-day a rustic gateway (Thanks to Mr. Dooley, and of the B.A.E. staff) that we are willing to match with anything in the state, advertises company 1583.

SECTOR EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Educational conference for the Madaryville Sector, convened at company 1587, Lafayette, Indiana, Sept. 28th. Lieut. F.H. Shortridge, Dist. Ed. Officer, G. C. Emick, Dist. Ed. Adviser, Ft. Ben Dist., called the meeting to order. Those present were: Arthur Freyman, W.T. Stuckey, Ray Julian, William Search, Frank L. Wildrik, George Gill, Travelbee. Capt. C.G. Bachman, Sector Commander, and Lt. Joseph S. Latchford, Sector Chaplain, also attended. The chief topic of discussion, the important problem at the present, was Instruction on the job. Much good was derived from the meeting.

GLUCK AUF

"Good luck" to the boys who, no longer, will respond to the old call for chow. We shall miss, a lot, the boys who were discharged on Sept. 30th. Our best wishes, boys, and may you remember, with pleasure, your 'old pals' in 1583.

SEES PURDUE DEFEAT OHIO

Members of company 1583 attended the Purdue-Ohio U. game at Purdue, Sept. 26th. They saw anything but a crippled team. They saw an inspired, slashing, victorious eleven. More power to 'Ol Purdue! Oct. 10th, the boys will attend the game at Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana.

THE STORY OF THE MONTH

The prize for the 'best story' of the month, goes to Sam Wearley, for his "Dreamer of Dreams"



Something to crow about

CAMP BEAUTIFICATION

We are justly proud of the "New Deal" under the present commanding officer, Lt. Claude R. Landay, and only by noting the improvements that have been made since his assignment as C.O. only three short months ago, can one realize that we DO have SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT. During this period about one mile of paving brick have been used for walks and uncounted yards of gravel for the walks; twenty-five loads of rocks and boulders have been secured and used in landscaping; a unique entrance has been constructed; a large and attractive sign, containing the names of supervising personnel and electrically illuminated, greets you on entering camp; new and attractive shields for all the buildings, done by the versatile McKeighan, sets a new high for this mode of decoration; flower boxes for all the barracks. This only hits the HIGH SPOTS.

ORDERLY ROOM

The orderly room has been completely altered and repainted—a genuine and noticeable improvement.

SUPPLY ROOM

Newly painted and arranged, the supply room bears evidence of a new era of order and achievement.

MESS HALL

While this company holds a championship honor in this department, yet a marked improvement in design, lights, decorations, etc., makes it an outstanding mess hall—a real CHAMPION.

LIBRARY

Within this period, approximately 800 volumes have been added to the library. Newly altered surroundings, lamps, new paint, curtains, furniture, this improvement is conspicuous.

INFIRMARY.

Newly painted and decorated, an excellent infirmary, becomes superior.

EDUCATIONAL CHART

We do not wish to brag but we invite comparison.

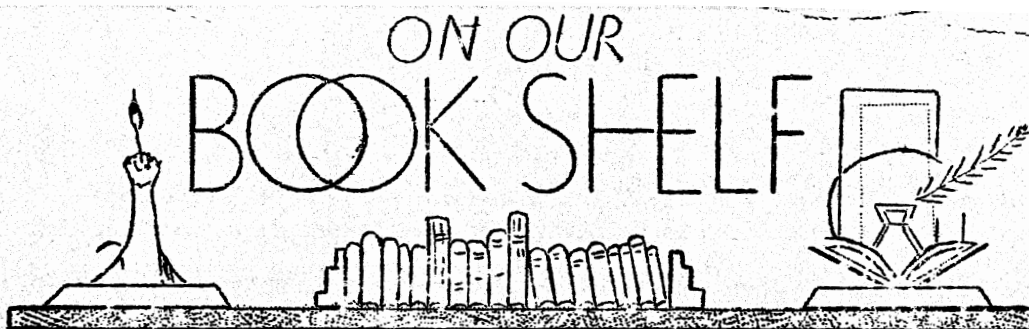
OFFICERS' QUARTERS

You wouldn't know the old lion's Den in all its new and attractive dress.

EDUCATION & RECREATION

New facilities for recreation have been added in the form of a pool table and a Hinch Pin table. These are very popular games and have added much to assure the boys a pleasant evening of recreation.

Additional courses that were not available before have been added. Typing, shorthand, bookkeeping, welding, surveying, mechanical drawing, dragline operation, blasting, are typical. New standards for "job" instruction have been inaugurated. We



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 tington. Over ninety stories by English and American authors
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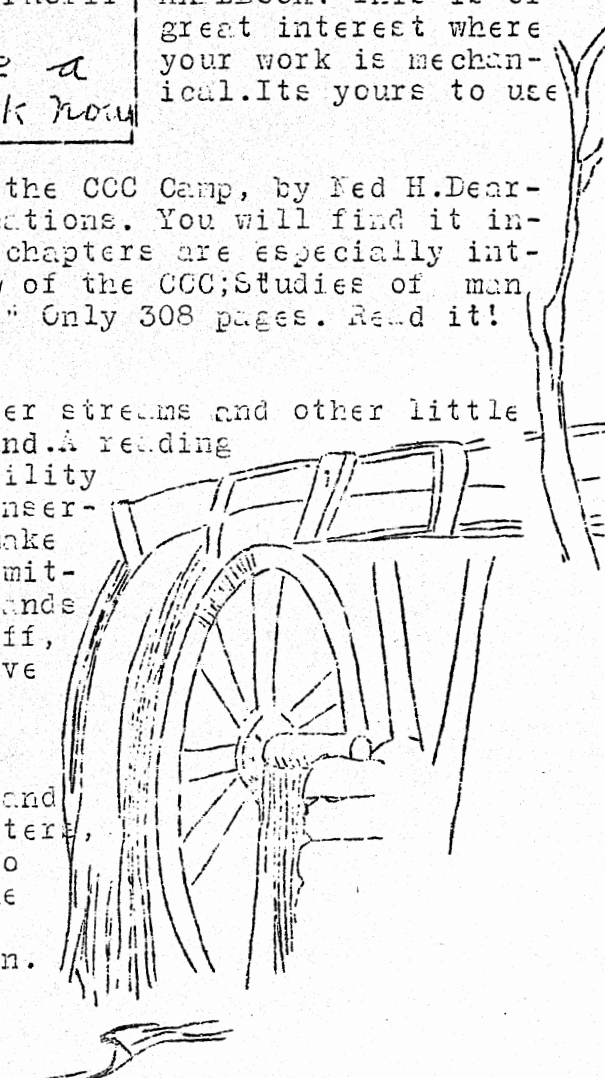
ONCE IN A LIFETIME, a guide to the CCC Camp, by Ned H. Dear-
 born is really a treatise of vocations. You will find it in-
 teresting and instructive. These chapters are especially int-
 eresting: "The WHAT, WHY, and HOW of the CCC; Studies of man
 and his world; After camp-what?" Only 308 pages. Read it!

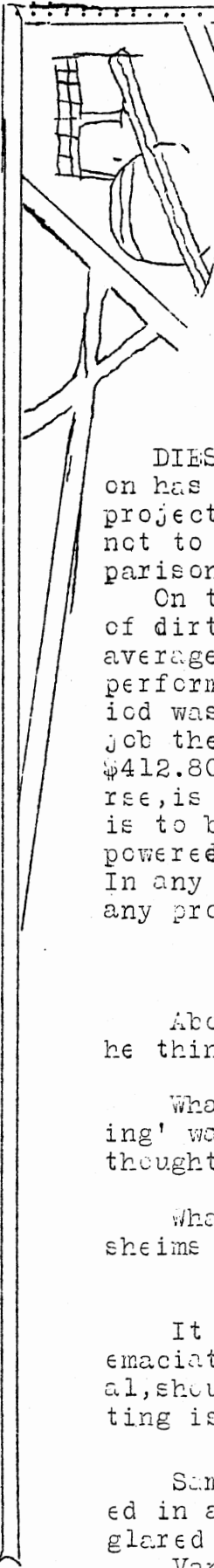
LITTLE WATERS

This is a study of headwater streams and other little
 waters, their relations to the land. A reading
 of the text suggests the desirability
 of a comprehensive program of conser-
 vation which will enable us to make
 beneficial use of waters now permit-
 ted to go to waste, to save our lands
 from improperly-controlled run-off,
 and to remedy conditions that have
 proven socially and economically
 disastrous in numerous rural
 communities.

"He who knows what sweets and
 virtues are in the ground, the waters,
 the plants, the heavens, and how to
 come to these enchantments, is the
 rich and royal man".

-Ralph Waldo Emerson.





Co. 1583

BAE

By

Roderick Byrne
Lester McClannen

Camp
D-4

FORGING AHEAD

The excellent record made by Camp D-4 is being maintained as is evidenced by a glance at the September report. Work accomplished during the month included:

- 127,367 sq.yds. clearing,
- 59,419 cu.yds. excavation,
- 2,757 lin.ft. tile lines,
- 123 rods of fence constructed.

DIESEL ENGINE ECONOMY. Diesel engine's economy of operation has been demonstrated by excavation on the Zick Ditch. This project was rushed through as a demonstration, however, and is not to be taken as typical but gives a good standard for comparison between Diesel and gasoline engine operation.

On the project during the month of September 26,341 cu.yds of dirt was excavated at a total cost of \$1143.41. This is an average of \$0.0434 per cu.yd. In comparison, the most economical performance by a gasoline powered dragline, over the same period was on the Pleasant Twp. Ditch by a rental machine. On this job there was excavated 2974 cu.yds. of dirt at a total cost of \$412.80 for an average cost of \$0.1368 per cu.yd. This, of course, is a great difference in favor of Diesel powered, but it is to be expected that the cost of operation for the Diesel powered machine will run considerably over the record for this. In any event, however, the Diesel will be quite a bit cheaper on any project.

About what ECW clerk did Engineer Belcher remark, "Yeah, he thinks he's still in the Hospital!"

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What BAE Engineer was embarrassed by being caught 'borrowing' watermelons while supposedly hunting for "N"? Perhaps he thought it was an "n". Or was he just hungry?

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What efficient and popular B.A.E Inspector walks on Flor-sheims and pushes a Ford V-8 ?

It appears to be a deplorable situation when a poor, thin, emaciated weakling like Garrett Rigg, just out of the hospital, should be given such heavy work. That draughting and sitting is very hard on the system

Sam Wearley: "When I was in Valparaiso yesterday I dropped in at the Farmer's Restaurant for lunch and the waitress glared at me as though I hadn't paid my check.

Vanderbosch: "What did you do?"

..... Wearley : "Glared right back at her as though I had".

"SAFETY FIRST"

PROPER HANDLING OF TOOLS ON THE JOB. Taken from Parker Lowell's ABC of the CCC

SHOVELS AND SPADES

In this land where men pride themselves on their courage to call "a spade a spade", it is surprising that so few know the difference between a spade and a shovel. Of course, every CCC enrollee from the greenest Rookie to the most hardened "Goldbricker" knows that the shovel is a tool to be leaned on with a fervent sigh of thanksgiving when the sun rides high in the noon day sky and the honest sweat flows freely.

There frequently comes the time after the Pick and Mattock have done their work that the shovel can be pressed into service. No CCC man need be afraid of getting too much dirt on his shovel if he grasps the lower end of the handle close to the shovel part.

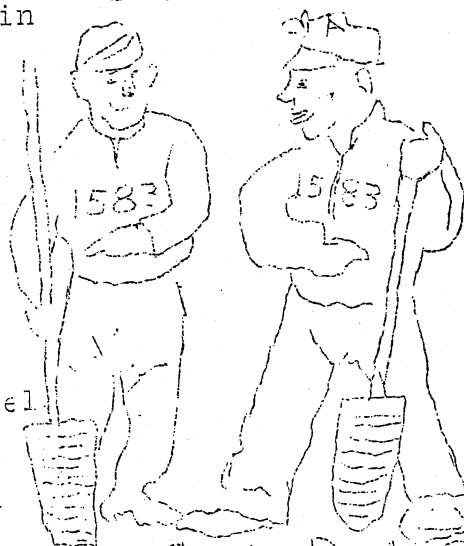
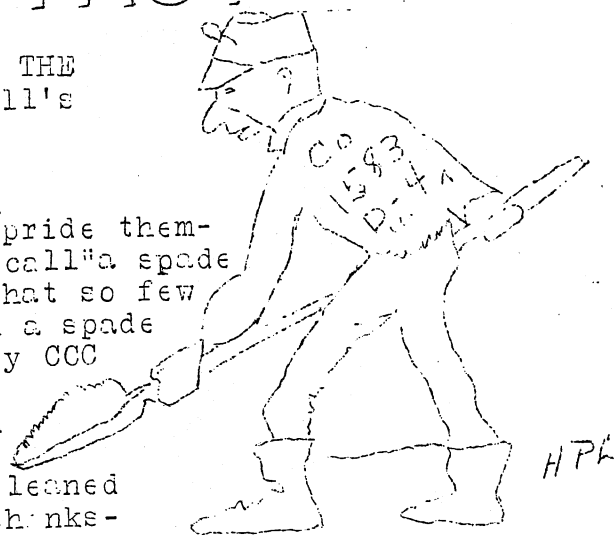
Helpful cousins of the Shovel are the Drain Spade with its rounded nose and the Ditching Spade with its square end which is more efficient for trimming corners or sides of the ditches. Shovels and Spades should be carefully checked for split or splintered handles as well as for nicks or cracks in the metal parts.

LAY PICKS OR EDGE TOOLS FLAT.

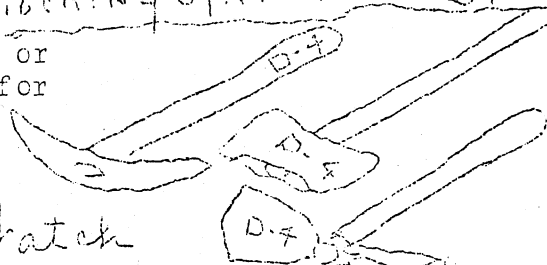
All Pointed or Edge tools should be Laid Flat so that nobody might be cut or injured stepping on them. Never leave Picks with one end stuck in the ground. Keep unused Mattocks guarded.

CARRY TOOLS CAREFULLY

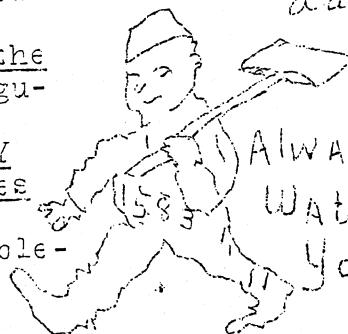
Expert woodsmen carry axes with the blade outward over one shoulder, but with a "Double-bit" Axe, you run a double risk. Some CCC enrollees are cautioned to carry edge tools in the hand so they can be quickly and safely tossed aside should the carrier stumble and fall.



Ditching Spade Drain Spade



Watch mattocks! They're always dangerous.



ALWAYS Watch Your Step!

EPIDERMOPHYTOSIS

By WAYNE W. HOUSE, M.D.

Athletes foot is an infectious disease, highly communicable, capable of infecting the skin in various regions of the body so as to cause great discomfort and even total disability. The disease is closely related to the more common form of ringworm.

The causitive agent is the epidermophyton, a form of fungus, growth similar to that type of parasitic appendage seen on plants which thrive in very moist ground. A true parasite, in every sense of the word, it exists, grows, and multiplies at the expense, chiefly the skin.

Are you aware of the purposes of the skin? It serves as a protective covering for all the underlying muscles, tendons, nerves, blood vessels, etc.; it serves as a temperature regulator for the body—a thermostat; it serves as a receptive center or indicator for heat, cold and pain; it aids in respiration and in the elimination of poisonous wastes. The skin is IMPORTANT to YOU!

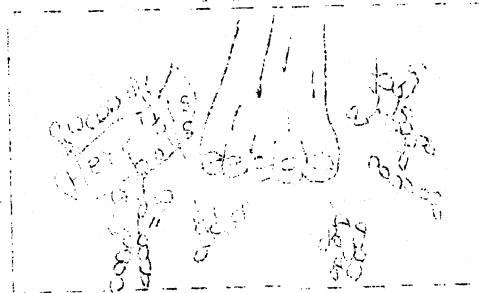
ATHLETES FOOT is actually epidermophytosis, which, in non-technical language, means an infection of the skin of the toe or foot by this fungus growth.

The prevalence of the condition is easily understood if you take into consideration the parasite and the host.

Fungi like moist living conditions. The feet are supplied with numerous sweat glands, thus producing an ideal home, for the wandering fungi. There is also a deficiency of air about the toes due to the conventional practice of wearing shoes and socks. Perhaps, if we were able to go without these articles of clothing, the skin of the feet would be more healthy and less prone to infection.

Yes, there is a purpose for the puddle you walk through in order to reach the showers. There is likewise a purpose for the foot powder, the ointments, the solutions kept in the camp infirmary—prophylaxis against this fungus infection that carries such a high rate of morbidity. Use the above prophylaxis as agents and avoid this irritating infection!

It is important to YOU that the skin of your feet be kept as clean and dry as the skin on your face, after all, your living depends, in a large measure, upon your feet being able to carry you about.



BAR RACK BALLADS



AT LAST THE DAWN

By
Max T. Stuckey

I'sh afraid he drank too
many.
Hish shpirits shure is damp.
At lasht he sees the barrack,
But-he shtill can't see the
camp.

The barracksh keeps a danshin,
Behind and then before,
And running roun' in schircles
So he cant find the door.

At lasht! At lasht! He's made it.
The door crashed shut behind.
But no bunk are preshent!
His bunk, he cannot find.

There it goes! There it goes!
There it goes, doggone it!
Hish bunk a gallopin 'round
with someone sittin on it.

"Hey there, guy, remove thyself!
Yours truly may be drunk
But he don't shtand for strangers
A 'settin' on his bunk.

Jish one bunk in this darn place.
This barrack should be fill.
Buddy, get up off my bunk,
Er hold thu dern thing still!

Successh! Successh! At last he caught
Jusht as it by him tore
And shoved the 'sitting' fellow,
Right out upon the floor.

AT LAST THE DAWN, the sun came up.
His headache sure was mean.
IMAGINE his surprise to find,
He'd slept in the latrine.

(From the Bullsheet,
Company 514, CCC, May 1, 1934.)

You can tell a kaypee
By his vacant stare,
You can tell a rookie
By his "know-it-all" air.

You can tell a vet'ran,
By his polished touch,
You can tell an officer-
But you can't tell him much.
-Yellow J'kt.

EXTRA-DUTY KP

by
(Paul Galley, Co. 1329, Salisbury,
Pa.)

Here I am in the kitchen,
Peeling a bucket of spuds;
wearing a dirty apron
To cover my denim dude
(Money in the bank-
Man about town-that's me)
Because I was late at roll call
They gave me a week's KP.

Sitting here in the kitchen
with slop all over my jeans,
Picking stones and splinters
Out of a barrell of beans.
My thoughts have gone a wanderin
To what I used to be-
Now that I'm late at roll call
They gave me a week's KP

Many a night I squandered
Doing the "Ballroom Paul";
Gee, what a sissy I was
Before I took my fall!
Old friends would gap to see-
Because I was late at roll call
They gave me a week's KP.

Dumping the slop in the hog can,
Scrubbing the kitchen floor,
Scraping a sticky mush pan
'Till my hands are blistered & sor-
Fixing the hash for supper
Putting the ice in tea-
because I was late at roll call
They gave me a week's KP.

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GAY PAGE

A conversation over-heard in the Officer's Quarters.

Lt. McCormick: Did you ever wish for something real badly when you were a child and then get it in later years?

Lt. Landaw: Yeah, I used to wish I didn't have to comb my hair.

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Mr. Stuckey: Now, Ellinger, if a duck flies forty-three feet in nine minutes; how old am I?
Ellinger: Forty-four.

Mr. Stuckey: How do you figure that?

Ellinger: Well, I have a brother who is only a quarter-wit and he is twenty-two.

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Epitaph found on a professional boxer's grave:

Here lies Pete
A tough old cuss.
With a egg-shell chin,
And a cement puss.

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Cook Shack Slogans:

Use a little sugar and stir like Hell, we don't mind the noise.

When she's smoking, she's cooking; when she's black she's done.

We know the meat's tough but think how tough it would be if we didn't have any.

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Zeman: Spell "cat".

Vargo: Cat. K-i-t-t-y. Pussy.

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Famous sayings of famous men.

Bock-: I have just begun to gripe.

Lane: I made that thar strapping city feller say "Uncle" this afternoon.

Dobbs: Did you have a wrestling match with him?

Lane: Nopce, I made him marry my neice.

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Lt. McCormick (Watching Cook remove pudding from Oven) Say, how do you know that's done?

Fletcher: Well, I stuck a knife into it and it came out clean.

Lt. McCormick: Fine, stick the rest of the knives in it.

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Burlingham: Say, Reptile, did you like your girl friend the first time you saw her?

Reptile: I couldn't tell. She was across the bay and I could only see half of her because a battle ship was passing.

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There is still the song about the sad CCC boy:

I loved a lassie
As fair as can be.
She loved a laddie,
But it wasn't me.

I was heart-broken
But she didn't care
I took for a token
A lock of her hair.

She married the other
Got ugly and fat,
While I remained single.
Boy! I'm glad of that.

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Why does Lt. Landaw sing, "Oh, Father put the cow away, I can not milk tonight?"

Join the
LIARS CLUB
"It's the truth
that hurts."
Don't Get Hurt
J. Daly, Sec'y

F & M
DISPENSARY
Always Open
Free Gas
Hot Air
"We never shut up"
Fogarty & McMahon

Polley Transport
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"We Move Anything"

Wearley
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SHALLOW DITCHES

Bailey Inn
Special Menus
Rabbit Food
Mexican Jump-
ing Bears

Van De Weter
& Brose
Check your hat.
We've got your shirt

Join the K.P.
Athletic Club
If you cant make
the Regular, make the
Scrub TEAM

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