

## CAMP FIRE GIRLS ON THEIR FIRST ANNUAL OUTING

### Young Women Enjoy Pleasant Lake Beauties As Recreation Body's Guests

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BEAUTIFULLY situated on ground that slopes gently to the lake, shaded by wide spreading branches of oak trees that have weathered many a winter, "Wohelo camp," enticingly invites the Camp Fire Girls of South Bend for their summer's outing. It is the organization's first summer camp.

Pleasant lake itself is a little gem set in back of the village of Edwardsburg on the Grand Trunk railroad or reached by a 14-mile drive overland. Cooperation of interested friends in furnishing automobiles has made it possible for the girls to be taken to and from the camp without expense for travel.

Four tents, two for sleeping, one for an emergency tent in case of rain, when it would be necessary to dine under cover and one for supplies, complete the housing arrangements.

There is a boat in camp and aquatic instruction is given by Miss Hazel Losey, physical director.

Thus far not a girl has returned from her week's outing who has not learned to swim at the lake. Those who know how to swim but not using the proper stroke have been taught how to coordinate the arm and leg motions so as to bring about the best results. Miss Losey holds the championship for Detroit and is the winner of many silver medals and cups in contests of swimming and diving. As an all-around athlete for the kind of athletics that girls need to know she probably has no superior in this section of the country.

The camp was established by the Municipal Recreation committee and is exclusively for the Camp Fire Girls but it is hoped that when plans are made for next summer a municipal camp may be possible so that any girl out of school for the summer weeks may have rest from her office or other work for a few days at the lake.

Through the cooperation of the wholesale merchants and others of South Bend it has been made possible to provide the outing for this summer at an expense of not more than \$3.10 a week. Fish and meat, green corn and other country vegetables, watermelon, cantelope and other fruit have been made part of the daily menu.

Each girl in "Wohelo camp" must provide herself with: Plate, cup, sauce dish, knife, fork, spoon, dish towel, napkin; small pillow and case, sheets if desired, and blankets; middie and bloomers skirt, sweater or coat, one dress, bathing suit, undergarments, night garment, ceremonial dress (if she has one), toilet articles including soap and towel, and stationery.

There is no cook regularly employed by the camp as cooking is one of the house arts for which Camp Fire Girls are given beads of honor. A ceremonial gown becomes more and more interesting as these beads for doing any one of the hundreds of things that are suggested as courtesies and kindnesses or utilities of the home are credited to the girl's account.

Honors made by the Camp Fire Girls are divided into the



This view shows a group of Camp Fire girls at mess at Wohelo camp, Pleasant lake.

following classes: Hand craft, home craft, required, nature lore, camp craft, patriotism, business and health craft. The aim being to develop a fully rounded womanhood. There could be no first class civilization developed out of a second rate motherhood. Every child born in this community will be either a national asset or a national liability as to which it will depend almost entirely upon the mother. None too much can be, at any time, done for the boys but no problem can be correctly solved if one half of its factors are ignored.

The camp this year was made possible largely through the gift of one of the members of the Rotary club who made an initial subscription of \$25 and the board of directors of that club supplemented this with a check of \$75. In addition to this one tent, complete in all its details of flooring, screens, curtains, etc., was given by another member of the Rotary club. Another tent, for which only the floor needed to be supplied, was loaned by a member of the Kiwanis club.

A rare bargain in the form of a large range, which had a broken base, was sold for almost as little as its weight in iron would have brought if thrown upon the junk pile, gave to the camp its chief cooking utensil. The other culinary articles needed were purchased by the Municipal Recreation committee. This is a permanent investment and will serve for several summers.

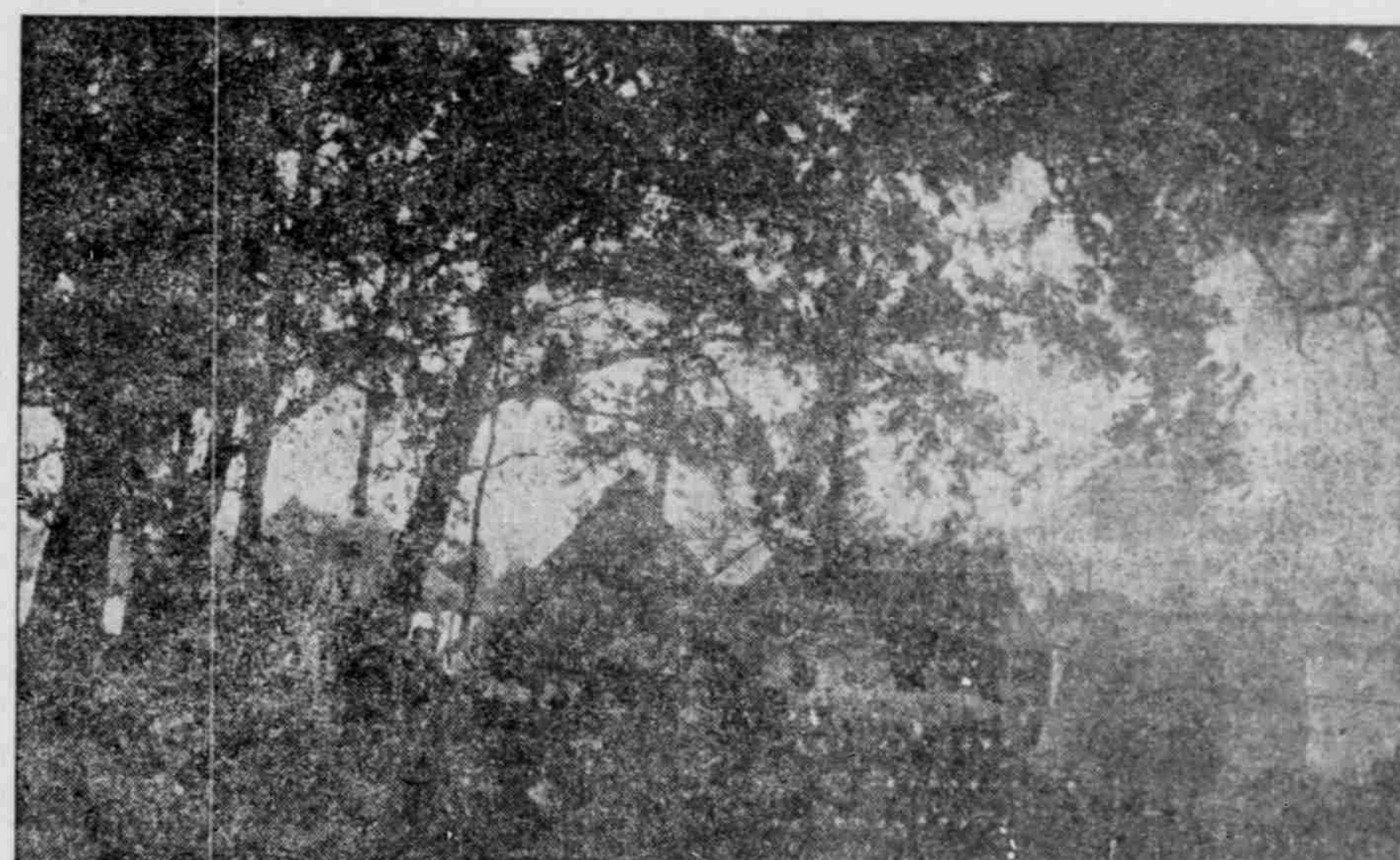
A spirit of military precision prevails in the camp. Everybody gets up at the blow of the whistle and falls in line for setting-up exercises; after that the day is filled according to a published program and in the evening lights are out and silence ensues the blowing of the whistle.

The daily program calls for reveille at 7 o'clock, followed by a quick dip in the lake and preparation for breakfast. Breakfast is at 7:45; each girl washes her own dishes and after the dishes are placed for dinner and the tables are covered with mosquito netting to shut out the flies, the entire group assemble at the edge of the lake for "morning colors."

As the flag breaks out to the wind the girls sing a stanza of "The Star Spangled Banner."

After "colors" there is a general policing (cleaning-up) of the grounds and the tent, followed by an inspection. Points are given for tidiness and a lack of tidiness calls for demerits. The results of the inspection are published on a bulletin:— Tent A, Bed 3—suitcase not in place; Bed 6, strap left unbuckled, shoes not in proper place; Tent 2, Bed 2, blankets not in order," etc., etc. A note will be sent to each girl's mother giving the record made during the week in camp.

Inspection is followed by hand craft work and games after which comes swimming with lessons for beginners in one group and for those who can swim "after a fashion," in another



Here is another view of the camp of the Camp Fire girls at Pleasant lake.

group so that their stroke may be corrected and the movements of the arms and legs be coordinated and then comes "dinner" which is followed by a "rest hour" and a quiet hour for letter writing, reading, etc. Games and folk dancing are again brought in for a warming up before the second swimming hour. Supper follows the return from swimming and after supper comes "retreat" with the lowering of the colors, when the girls recite the pledge to the flag. Preparations are made for a camp fire which is lighted as the dusk deepens and around it the group gather for informal talks or for a review of some book that has been read by one of the number or for a description of some hike near South Bend over which the entire group might care to go after the breaking up of the camp.

Mrs. C. Seymour Bullock, camp supervisor, will remain in the camp throughout the season. The different Camp Fire guardians from the city go out with their groups for the dates scheduled to them. Arrangements are made whereby Catholic girls are furnished with a conveyance to some church for mass on Sunday. The Protestant girls attend some church in Edwardsburg. On Sunday evening, July 24, the Camp Fire group is to have charge of the services in the Presbyterian church under a program for which they are solely responsible.

A project is now under way for the purchasing of suitable lots for the maintenance of the camp in other years.

## WHY NOT SHORTEN SKIRTS?

### Business Men All Want Short Letters

KING Solomon, cleverest columnist of the ancient east whose copyright on a series of his own editorials is still respected by modern newspaper syndicates, was first responsible for the framed, terse mottoes that assert themselves from the walls of many of our business offices.

It is very possible that King Solomon did not have his waxes printed on marbled paper and bound with artistic frames of gilt or painted wood, hanging on his throne room wall to remind him to "do it now," or something else just as pointed. He really didn't need anything of the sort, for if he became too engrossed in planning Saturday afternoon's fishing trip or composing a letter to the Queen of Sheba, he could, of course, just make up a new maxim to fit the occasion.

Judging from our standards Solomon occupied a unique position in the world of writers, diplomats and architects. He was seemingly the epitome of all his pertinent axioms. Which is very strange for usually the man who devotes his time to grinding out wholesale advice is so busy doing just that, that he never has time to get out from behind his typewriter and practice his verbalities.

When the modern business man, a creature of evolution, arrived at the studio of civilization to sit for his portrait he discovered his personality demanded quite a dissimilar background than did his predecessor, King Solomon. One thing in common he shared. He found that he to often needed prodding when his mind wandered far distant from ledger or law book before him. He didn't have the time, after he bequeathed his column in the college paper to an undergraduate, to devote much thought to originating quips intended to keep his mind or his assistants glued on the work at hand. So as to aid him in concentrating or in giving the pretense of concentration or perhaps to fill a dreary expanse of wall he went around to the art shop and purchased a supply of colorful and nicely framed mottoes which he hung in the waiting room of his office.

#### Their Worth Uncertain.

Just how conducive to energetic work these mottoes are is a matter of conjecture. Many business men, in fact most successful ones do not need framed and pithy remarks to urge them to remain at the desk when the day is perfect for golf or some other pastime. Sometimes the mottoes are placed in sight of employees, who are inclined to lag over the typewriter keys after lunch, in the hopes that the wandering listless eyes falling at last upon the pointed reminder will act as a conscience stimulant and induce another hour or so of concentrated work.

Some employers who have dispensed with mottoes in their offices feel that if an employee is not disposed to work, something more than

a cold, printed urgence is needed to get results. However, the mottoes may react on different individuals, they unmistakably have a psychological effect on those who enter an office where they are unacquainted and where the maxims are in evidence. Often the mottoes carry potent messages to the office visitor, or of the character of the man who presides there, or they hint of the attitude, maintained or given scent of the atmosphere prevalent. Quite often the mottoes interpret themselves in accordance with the state of mind of the reader.

Whether mottoes are in strictly good taste or whether they serve efficiently the purpose for which they were intended seems of small consequence. They are found almost everywhere, in all types of offices and business houses. Perhaps they are not found in such numbers and varieties today as they were a few years ago, but they are still with us to a noticeable extent.

#### Motto on Wane.

If the fad of the office motto is on the wane it is not strange. It may be that the advent of women in offices has had something to do with the disappearance of those sometimes caustic mottoes. For women long ago banished the framed motto in its diverse forms from the walls of her home. And if she resented their reappearance in her office she probably made her employer feel justified in relieving his horrible quip to the waste paper basket.

Possibly women in another manner may be responsible for the apparent loss of interest in the office mottoes. Business men of late have become so very deeply concerned over the appearance of their girl employees that they have had no time to go out and buy new mottoes. Bobbed hair and short skirts, those are things that are harassing the minds of the business men today. It is rather ostensibly strange that the present day business man so busy that he demands everything else in the most abbreviated form should be so distressed when his stenographer begins the practice of abbreviation in her own dress.

The business employer is distracted. He claims the young women with their short hair and shorter skirts are demoralizing the office forces and he can not get production from his men. Now the hypothesis. If those little framed mottoes exerted any work engendering influences at all why not counteract the disquieting persuasion of modernly garbed young women with screens of appropriate verifications, suggesting the disturbing influence of bobbed curls and slithering ankles behind lines of type purporting wisdom? If men can work determinedly without the assistance of wall mottoes, as most business men assert they can, then surely they can develop strength of business character enough to work just as successfully with young women garbed in short skirts and wearing short hair. Just how King Solomon would manage the modern business situation might be gleaned from the history of his conduct where lovely women were concerned.

## Cops' Courtesy

### Chicago Claims Best

CHICAGO, July 23. — Chicago claims the most courteous cop in the country in Pat Sheehy, traffic officer No. 4598.

If there's a bluecoat anywhere who can top "Chesterfield" Sheehy, Chief Fitzmorris would like to hear about him.

The chief sent investigators out to find the most gentlemanly policeman on his force of 4,500 men. They unanimously gave Sheehy the prize and the title as the nation's best, because he told them, when questioned:

THAT at such and such a corner they could buy cheap straw hats.

THAT eggs could be purchased at such a market.

THAT the fare to New York over such a road was so much.

A policeman's job always appealed to Sheehy, he says, as a place in which he could give service to others. When he was given a uniform and badge he bought an encyclopedia. He studies it nights. So far he has digested everything to "E."

Sheehy carries an indicator in his pocket. Each time someone asks him a question, he moves up the dial. It now registers more than 10,000.

Travelers who accost him can't figure out whether they're talking to a college professor or a tourist's guide. He answers any and all questions, promptly and politely.

"Once I took a chance," says Sheehy, "and advised a woman to buy wheat on margin when she stopped me on the street and asked me. She won and wanted me to share her winnings."

"But politeness, for me, is its own reward."



POLICEMAN SHEEHY.

## BOULEVARD PARTIALLY COMPLETED

### Park Commissioners To Beautify Banks Of River

By C. J. COOPER.

BEAUTIFICATION of the banks of the St. Joseph river as it courses through the very heart of the city has long been an ambition of the South Bend board of park commissioners.

An extended boulevard along the banks of the river where at all possible is another ambition of the park commissioners.

Both of these ambitions are nearing realization. Already the river is flanked by a number of parks, heavy spots where South Bend citizens may spend leisure hours in restful recreation. And there is already a completed boulevard along these parks, and paralleling the river wherever it has been possible to construct a roadway.

It has long been the ambition of the park commissioners to construct an encircling boulevard system, one that would provide a system of drive

ways around the entire city, traversing as far as possible along the banks of the river and connecting as many as possible of the city parks.

The commissioners realized the extent of the undertaking. They foresaw the difficulties that would be in the way of its accomplishment. And with the determination that all difficulties must be overcome, the park board members set out to construct the encircling boulevard system.

The motorist, if he makes the drive at night, will find the boulevard well lighted by a system of modern and attractive boulevard lights. He will find that he is traveling over a broad smooth roadway, and that he is afforded an excellent view of one of the most beautiful streams in the country almost the entire length of his drive.

And while the motorist may enjoy the drive over the broad surface of the boulevard, and may silently thank the board of park commissioners, jointly and severally, for the excellent roadway and for the view along its route, he is only able to appreciate about half of what the park board is going to do for him.

For the boulevard is not to stop at Angela av. Instead, it is to continue along the banks of the river to the Four Mile bridge. The park commissioners have already acquired a strip of land, 100 feet wide, through the adjoining land for a roadway to Riverview cemetery. Tentative articles of agreement have been made by the park commissioners with the Riverview Cemetery association and the city of South Bend for a roadway between the cemetery and river.

A strip of ground 100 feet wide and 100 feet long, running through the county asylum property has been acquired by the park commissioners for a continuance of the

boulevard roadway. Negotiations are now under way between the park commissioners and property owners for a continuance of the boulevard through the Ludwig and Allwood properties.

The boulevard is to be continued as soon as the park commissioners can secure the necessary rights of way. The commissioner believes that this will be a matter of but a short time. One half of the boulevard, that half running along the river within the corporate limits of the city, is now completed. The accompanying map shows the route of the boulevard through the city.

The boulevard system and the beautification of the banks of the river are being combined into one undertaking by the park commissioners. Ninety per cent of the river banks within the corporate limits of the city is now under the control of the park commissioners, and it is only a question of time until the remaining 10 per cent goes under the control of the park board.

The commissioners have had the support of many prominent citizens in their boulevard and beautification undertaking. Whitcomb and Keller, a local real estate firm, realizing the purpose of the park board members, donated to the city three acres and a half of land along the river for a small park. It is now known as Keller park.

Mrs. Harry Woods, also recognizing the work of the board of park commissioners, donated a tract of 24 acres along the river to the city for a park.

There are now eight parks along the river banks which are connected by the encircling boulevard. They are Lasalle park, Howard park, Kreighbaum park, Leeper park, Shetterly park, Portage park, Riverside park and Keller park.

## World Statesmen Plan To Attend Washington Meet

By H. B. HUNT.

WASHINGTON, July 23. — The most distinguished gathering of world statesmen ever assembled on American soil will gather in Washington probably early in November, for the conference to be called by Pres't Harding to consider limitation of armaments.

In addition to representatives of the six powers directly included in the conference, special diplomatic observers will be there from as many more countries.

Already many suggestions are being heard in official quarters as to delegates.

For United States, it is understood no person who had any connection with the peace negotiations at Versailles will have any major part in the Washington conference.

The representatives from each country are expected to number either three or five—probably the former. Each mission will be accompanied by staffs of experts.

The United States delegation, it is stated in high quarters, will be bipartisan or, rather, non-partisan. However, two of three representatives, if that number is decided on, will be republicans, or at least three of five, if the larger number are chosen.

Hughes and Root certain. Sec'y of State Hughes and Elihu Root, former secretary of state, are declared certain to be named on

the American delegation. George Wickersham is mentioned as a possible third republican, but it is more probable if three republicans are named the third member will be Chairman Lodge of the senate foreign affairs committee. If Lodge is given a place, it is believed Sen. Hitchcock, ranking democratic member of the committee, also will be named, and perhaps a second democrat in Charles R. Crane, former ambassador to China.

likely representatives from the foreign nations disclose as possible members of the various missions: For Great Britain—Premier Lloyd George, who has indicated his intention of attending; Viscount Bryce, Earl Grey, Viscount Milner and Rt. Hon. Arthur Balfour.

For France—Premier Briand, who has said he hoped to attend; Philip Berthelot, secretary general for foreign affairs; Louis Locheur, Stephen Pinchon and Gabrielle Hanotoux,

with the possibility that Clemenceau or Viviani might be selected.

For Japan—Premier Hara, Minister of Foreign Affairs Uchida, Baron Makino, member of the diplomatic council; Viscount Chinda and Baron Shidehara, ambassador at Washington.

For Italy—Marquis Della Torretta, minister of foreign affairs. Count Storza, Baron Sonnino, Tamaso Tittoni and probably former Premier Nitti or Carlo Aillotti. The latter was

ambassador at Washington.

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## King of Spain Visits Versailles



King Alfonso of Spain, left, is shown walking at Versailles with President Millerand of France.