

Summer Camp Reminiscences

Various and sundry tales have come from the different summer camps, some of which may or may not be true. Now we are going to have the straight of it from the "powers that be." But, wait, dear readers, there has been a mistake. The boys who attended the chemical warfare service camp at Edgewood, Maryland, have no authorities here who can vouch for their statements, but since their stories all have to coincide we can take what they say as part facts anyway.

There were only eighty-four men in the camp representing thirty different colleges and universities from Maine to California, thence to Florida, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, better known as Boston Tech, had the largest representation, twenty-two, and Texas A. and M. second with fourteen. Davis Watkins, of the Engineers won the distinction of shooting the highest dismantled pistol score, that has ever been made in the history of the camp. Everyone enjoyed the sights especially in New York City and Washington, D. C. Major Sloan stated that he had received a very nice letter from the authorities at Edgewood Arsenal, commending the Texas men very highly.

The Artillery, Infantry, and the Signal Corps spent their "vacation" at Fort Sam Houston and Fort Stanley in San Antonio, under the direction of Colonel Nelson, Captain Harry, Captain Bruce, and Lieutenant Michelson. Major Sloan was busy organizing his new regiment of field artillery and was unable to take a very active part in the actual training of the men in camp. All of the R. O. T. C. students received royal hospitality from the people of San Antonio, and as a result there was a "Campus Club" organized. For definite information concerning the club see Jack Allison or "Dutch" Markle.

The engineers had a rather "tropical" summer at Laredo under the direction of Captain Pick. Not only did they build roads and bridges for an official in the Mexican Army, blow up railroad irons, but, according to "Bull" Kavanaugh, they tried to make Russian Cossacks out of the cadets. The latter, it is thought, was only partly successful, so far as Bull was concerned.

Major Limbocker, Major Wheeler and Captain Walker were in charge of the camp at Fort Clark, near Brackettville. Nothing out of the ordinary occurred however, except the unusual Bill of Fare, consisting mainly of watermelon and "spuds."

PETROLEUM ENGINEERING.

The first unit of the long looked for department of petroleum engineering will be formed about the middle of November when Professor J. B. Joyce arrives here to teach.

Professor Joyce was here before the war and during the war he instructed a division of signal corps. Since the war he has taught at Cornell University and then he went into the oil game. While he was in that business he studied all the phases of it and is now employed in a responsible position by the La Salle Oil Company. He is leaving this posi-

tion however, because he believes that he will be more satisfied with teaching as a life occupation.

It seems that petroleum engineering will be one of the outstanding departments at A. and M. in the near future, because all the oil companies of major importance are interested in such a department here and they are giving it both moral and financial support.

* DID YOU KNOW THAT *

Since September 1925 there has been more than ONE MILLION DOLLARS spent for the improvements on this campus?

Every twenty-four hours over 400,000 gallons of water is used on this campus?

Last year approximately 84,000 people attended the shows given in the Assembly Hall?

This past summer the R. O. T. C. students at Fort Sam Houston and Fort Stanley, fired over 76,000 rounds of ammunition?

Every year the Y. M. C. A. uses over twenty-four tons of ice to cool the water in the fountain at the "Y"?

Texas has 23,000 miles of railroads, more than any other state in the union?

The first pullman car ever used was placed in service in 1859?

Only one person out of 8,679,000 who rode on passenger trains in 1928 was killed.

WHY ROOM-MATES GO CRAZY

How many times have you been called from an enthralling pursuit of the coulomb or from perfect concentration on a letter to that girl by weird and uncouth noises from the roomit's side of your home? In turn, how many times have you dashed in and, finding him humped over his slide-rule or his bugology, thumped him on the back until he was ready to get up and give battle?

Everyone has more or less compassion for dumb animals—why not let it extend to the roomit? Believe it or not, there is a case on record here at A. and M. of a man who intercepted a letter from his roommates sweetheart then watched him grow grey with worry and grind his teeth away to the gums before he finally waked him up one morning before reveille and gave him the letter. Feature that if you can—trying to appreciate the romance of your one and only in the cold grey dawn, with a dark green taste in your mouth!

What this student body needs is a "Be kind to Roommates Week." When, instead of refusing to speak to your old lady for mixing up the tooth brushes, you'd compliment him on his taste. Can you imagine such a state? All the little home in Aggeland would be brimming over with loving consideration. There would be no more arguments about who bought the last bar of soap or who is wearing whose clothes.

Can you imagine it? Well neither can we, but it's a beautiful thought all the same.

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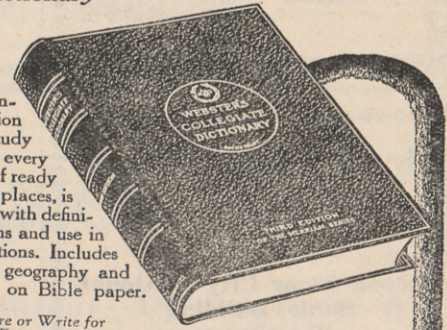
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