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CAPT. CLAUDE R. LANDAW TO ENTER REGULAR ARMY SERVICE

NEW CURTAINS AND DESKS ADORN CLASS ROOMS OF CO. 1583

Captain Claude R. Landaw, Sector Commander, Lebanon Sector, CCC, is called into active service, as of the 26th November. His exact assignment is not known at present but his service with the CCC will be terminated as of the above date.

For more than four years, he was in command of Company 1583, having taken command in May, 1936. He relieved Captain Davis. His success as a commanding officer was outstanding and for many months, Camp Calumet, received superior rating. A reputation for accomplishment was earned by hard work. He was universally admired by all his associates. Enrollees found in him an understanding friend and counsellor.

From all of his many friends in the service, will go best wishes for his success. This is especially true of Camp Calumet, Co. 1583, and those of us who have been associated with him all this period, feel that we are losing a real friend.

New curtains to replace the removable partitions formerly used are now being installed in the educational building.

In addition, new desks, made by the woodworking classes, under the supervision of Earl Williams, WPA instructor, have been installed. At present, seats to accommodate 32 to 45 students are completed and installed. They are finished in a natural color with light oak varnish stain. They add considerable to the appearance and convenience of the class rooms.

All of the tables have also been refinished and the appearance of the class rooms have been much enhanced.

In addition to the improvements in the class rooms, the shop has a revamped tool room with a complete rearrangement of the tools and a new coat of paint. All of this improvement has been carried on without interfering with the regular class room activities.

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Subaltern

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Educational Advisor

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Contract Physician

SCS

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Acting Superintendent

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Conservationist

William J. Taylor,
Jr. Civil Engineer

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Jr. Agricultural Engineer

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Sr. Foreman

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Sr. Foreman

Opal E. Kilmer,
Sr. Foreman

Leo Dooley,
Sr. Foreman

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I believe in vigorous physical exercise—for other people!
(No, Coican, you wouldn't say that?)

Any mechanism hard to manage is usually feminine.

NEWS

GEORGE E. WILEY, COMMANDING TAKES EMERGENCY LEAVE

George E. Wiley, Co. Commander, Camp Calumet, has taken three days emergency leave. His destination was his home in the southern part of Indiana. His leave will expire at midnight Wednesday. We trust that he will be able to return as planned, and that his family will be found in good health.

He was relieved by Lt. Christerson, subaltern of South Bend camp. He has taken genuine interest in his temporary assignment and has made a good impression. He has had considerable experience in the CCC particularly in the Ninth Corps.

Reuel Trusler To Return From Station Hospital Soon

Reuel Trusler who has been in the Station Hospital, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, to undergo a minor operation, will return soon, according to a report received from him only recently. He says that he has received excellent attention and is now feeling fine. We shall be glad when he returns and trust that he will get back soon. We miss the friendly greetings and the sunshine of his smile. And may we add, "we are not the only one."

ZANZIBAR TO BE FEATURE PICTURE THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28th.

Zanzibar, a picture which has an excellent rating is scheduled for showing on Thursday, Nov. 28th. The boys are looking forward with interest to this production. Feature pictures from fifth Corps area are consistently much better productions.

Camp Calumet Is Blanketed In More Than Five Inches Of Snow

Old Mother Nature is getting in an ugly mood in this region. As the Vane goes to press, the camp area and territory surrounding has been blanketed with more than five inches of snow. For more than two days it has been falling consistently. The wind has been intermittent and the temperature has varied considerably. However, work has proceeded as usual and everyone seems to enjoy its beauties and to discount its inconvenience. If the snow continued much longer, Camp Calumet will be snowbound. The area in and around the camp's location is subject to consistent deposits of snow during the late fall and winter period. Often there is snow here when nearby regions have little or no snow. Shelly Maddox, the garage mechanic, insists that he is going to put runners on some truck ladders that he has made recently for the boys to use as coasters.

DARWIN HOSTETTER MAKING GOOD AS SHOP FOREMAN

Darwin Hostetter was assigned as shop foreman some time back to assist in making the shop perform in a more workmanlike manner. He is charged with checking out tools seeing that safety precautions are observed, and in keeping the shop in a neat and orderly condition. He has had considerable experience in shop work in his previous high school work and is doing an excellent job. He has already made several improvements.

Do Xmas shopping at the canteen!

NEWS

One Year Ago

In the October issue of the Vane, hints were made toward having another company dance. However, nothing has been done about the situation as yet, so we shall put our thoughts into words.

This company hasn't had a dance in the last three months, which means the enrollees' feet are beginning to itch. They want to swing their J.B's out behind some hot music.

Here's a suggestion. Why not make the rated men who don't dance responsible for law and order at the dance? Also remember, there will be no drinking permitted except water and pop. If anyone sees fit to drink anything stronger it will be to their own sorrow!

We have a new cook in the making, namely Gerald Cox, from West Virginia. He has been a peerless and tireless worker as a K.P. and deserves a chance as cook. In his place we have someone almost as efficient as him. This person is the infamous Joseph Quartuchio. Although slight as he is, he carries his share of a heavy load very efficiently. Let us all show our appreciation for their efforts by cooperating in every possible way.

Someone please ask Pop Powers if he has ever recovered from the shock of seeing a truck load of 82 tons of dynamite coming along to an almost abrupt halt in front of camp.

The other day Paul Scamihorn said, "My, but it's grand being in love." He even asked the mess steward, "What's on the menu today, hearts or diamonds?"

New furniture provided for the reading room and library, together with a new paint job, new wall lights, new bookcases and other facilities have made a big improvement in the educational setup.

There has been a noted improvement in the number of books read, also in the use of the library for study purposes. Special notice may be given to enrollees Thompson, Duty, and Emerson who have each checked out more than one book per week. It is felt that these added improvements and facilities will do much to improve the quality of work done and also add much to the pleasure and enjoyment of all the members.

Orchids to George Wanstreet and Delano Harbit for the excellent service rendered in painting and carpentry work on the educational building and shop. We have not forgotten Wm. Murphy nor Ridenhour either. We are sorry to report that Ridenhour is now in the Station Hospital, at Fort Benjamin Harrison, and trust that he will be out soon.

Now I lay me down to sleep, Oh Lord please give us better eats.

A C.C.C. lad stood in the road,
His thumb was wiggling fast.
His back was turned to traffic,
The cars went whizzing past

Suddenly the squeal of brakes
To accident attest
The thumbing lad went sailing East
His ghost is thumbing West.

Now take that party idea for instance, they had something there!

KITCHEN SMOKE

We have been using our dishes for about two months now and all the boys seem to like them much better than they did their mess gear. We have been having a little trouble in teaching the boys how to turn them over with less noise. So far we have not made much head way, but we have hope that in the near future that they will learn. But for the slight incident of breaking some of the dishes, we have been fairly lucky for we still have enough to eat from.

This month all the boys received a delicious treat. Thanksgiving Day was observed and we had everything that such a holiday implies. The boys were really thankful, they didn't have to work! The cooks who were on over the holiday were Powers, Ferguson, and Peters. In the evening a show was held and the entire company thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

I wonder just what our mess steward, Kemery, and two of our cooks, Ferguson and Peterson, were doing the seventeenth of November. Peterson, I heard, was having the time of his life. You want to be more careful the next time Pete or you might get a black eye.

Cox went to Terre Haute the seventeenth and eighteenth with a friend. From what I have heard and could find out, he has fallen in love with Terre Haute. He says he had a wonderful time over the week-end and that he would like to return there in the not too far future. That makes two boys from camp who went to Terre Haute for visits and they both liked it fine. I wonder what there is in Terre

Haute that makes the boys all want to go back again, I wonder.

Ferguson, our second cook, was the only cook to receive his draft papers. He took two days off and went home and signed them. He was not called in the first draft so he will be with us for quite some time yet.

I wonder why Kemery blushes and turns red every time some one says, "How many are there?"

One morning one of the night guards woke up the cooks and when they got to the kitchen they saw all the lids pulled off the stoves and there stood Such, the other night guard, fanning the stoves trying to cool them off. The cooks asked him what he was trying to do. So Such with his eyes half closed said the fires were too hot. The cook told him the stoves were supposed to be hot. Such said that he did not want them so hot because they made him sleepy and he wasn't allowed to go to sleep on the job. I don't know how he thought the cooks could get breakfast. The cook told him the next time he got sleepy he should go outside and get some fresh air. Every thing is under control now and Such, now that he has learned a lesson, will in all probability make a first class night guard.

Pop Smitha, one of our second cooks, has found a lady friend in Valparaiso who is very kind to him. Whenever his clothes get dirty he just gathers them all up and takes off for town. Pop and his girl friend combine their efforts and do their washing together.

* * * * * EDUCATIONAL NEWS * * * * *

William T. Stuckey
Educational Adisor

Robert P. Davis
Assistant Educational Advisor

THIRTY-SIX MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR FIRST AID EXAMINATIONS

Thirty-six members of Camp Calumet will be eligible for the Standard First Aid examinations according to Dr. Malcom B. Fyfe, Camp Surgeon. These members will have completed the required number of hours of instruction and their attendance has been satisfactory.

Upon the satisfactory completion of this series of examinations and tests, the members who pass satisfactorily, will be recommended by the instructor to the American Red Cross who will issue Standard Red Cross First Aid Cards.

For more than four years, First Aid training has been required in this camp. Hundreds of cards have been earned by present and past members. This training has proved very valuable to members who have gone from this camp into industry. Recently First Aid training was made mandatory in all CCC camps.

Harry Travelbee, District WPA Supervisor Visits Camp

The second week in November, Mr. Travelbee, who has done an excellent job in cooperation with Camp Calumet, made a visit of inspection and expressed a desire to be of any service possible. He went over the schedules of the program to determine what additional assistance might be rendered. Available instructors are few but he made it plain that we would be given all the assistance possible. Assistance is always needed and appreciated.

Camp Calumet Loses Instructor To Carnegie-Illinois Steel

Harold E. Stuckey, who has been one of the most successful instructors on the program at Camp Calumet, has accepted employment with Carnegie-Illinois Steel Company. He was very successful in handling the boys and they expressed a regret that he is leaving. However his present affiliation provides an opportunity for advancement and a much greater remuneration.

He did his college work at Purdue University and Indiana University. Members of the staff and supervising personnel desire to extend to him their best wishes for his success on his new job and to express their appreciation for his excellent work on the teaching staff and for his genuine interest in the camp's various activities.

MRS. AWKERMAN ASSIGNED AS INSTRUCTOR IN 1583

Mrs. Awkerman, who has been an instructor for some time past on a project in Valparaiso, has been assigned by Harry Travelbee, WPA Supervisor, for some work in the camp's educational program. She is very successful in her present work there and we feel fortunate in securing her services. She has already demonstrated her value and we desire to wish her every success in this new assignment.

We desire to express our appreciation for the splendid cooperation of the WPA Administration in giving us this needed aid.

SCS NEWS

TALKING ABOUT PAY DAYS

The happy day each month when Uncle Samuel hands out the "foldin" and "clinkin" stuff is anticipated eagerly by all CCC enrollees. Technical service personnel are equally glad when their pay arrives.

Heretofore SCS personnel of this camp have received their semi-monthly checks regularly on the third and seventeenth of each month. However they were advised several weeks ago that, owing to new pay-rolling procedure, checks would arrive about eight days after termination of pay periods, the fifteenth and last day of each month, beginning with the November first to fifteenth payroll.

All of them waited patiently until November twenty-third; but, when the checks failed to arrive on that day, glumness descended on them. Each passing day thereafter failure of the checks to arrive deepened the gloom until, when the checks finally were received on the twenty-eight, their grins of gladness were by contrast as bright as the sun following a prolonged storm.

Yes, sir! It's mighty fine to be paid!

Farm Planning

Planning of farms in the work area of Camp SCS-20 for conservation of soil and water is progressing most satisfactorily under the able supervision of Mr. George R. Stanek, Camp Conservationalist.

Seven cooperative agreements have been signed to date, and fencing and tile work are being done on several of the farms in the nearby districts.

Mr. Wearly Visits Camp

Mr. Sam Wearly, who was superintendent of this camp from its beginning in July 1935 until he was transferred to and became superintendent of Camp SCS-16 at Peru, Indiana, on August first, 1940, visited this camp on Armistice Day.

All of us were mighty glad to see him as we count him among the best of our friends. We are glad, and certainly not surprised, to know he is getting along fine on his new assignment.

CONGRATULATIONS, JIMMIE

James H. Back, the very popular Senior Foreman who hails from Kentucky, returned to duty on November sixth after several weeks absence on leave, and announced himself as the proud father of a fine baby boy on October twenty-sixth.

Congratulations, Jimmie, to you and Mrs. Back. Both of you are grand persons, and the boy showed plenty of intelligence by picking you two for his parents.

EXCERPTS FROM MOTHER GOOSE

Jack and Jill went up the hill,
To fetch a pail of water.
Jill came down with a dollar bill,
Jack had done something-
He hadn't oughter?

Little Miss Muffet,
Sat on her tuffet,
Eating her curds and whey.
Along came a Spider,
And said "Is this seat taken?"

Mary had a lamb; the Doc. fainted!

JOKES and JIBES

Willie May must have had a long hangover. Quite a few days ago he was writing a letter which he posted in due time. The following day he received a letter and low and behold it was the same letter he had sent. He had mailed his letter to himself!

She: "It was very clever, and I never enjoyed a joke more."

Harlow: "You refer to the check I sent you for fifty kisses?"

She: "Yes."

He: "What did you do with it?"

She: "Oh, Dillinger cashed it!"

"How did you come to propose to that blonde?"

"Well, I thought it was a golden opportunity."

Urbelis: "One swallow doesn't make a summer."

Todd: "No; but swallows the size you take are enough to make one fall."

Harbert: "Don't weep, Willie, youse couldn't help it."

Willie May: "I know, but I hadn't touched water for ten years an' den ter be kicked off'n a train inter a creek. Boo-hoo! Dis is too much, too much."

F. Murray: "I called on three kings while I was in Europe."

Hooker: "So did I—and I lost. The other fellow had three aces."

Hammerick: "How many cigarettes do you smoke in a day?"

Cobb: "Any given number."

Clayton: "Tell me everything!"

She: "But I don't know everything!"

Enrollee: "Say cook, I don't care for your bacon this morning! It doesn't seem fresh."

Cook: "Very strange; the butcher said it was only cured last week."

"Yes, well it must have had a relapse."

"This soup reminds me of some thing I've tasted before," said Timber.

"Oh, do tell us what," asked the expectant Ferguson.

"Well, I can't remember exactly, but it's some place or other where I was in swimming."

Chief: "Have you a detailed description of that absconding bank cashier?"

Sleuth: "Sure, he was six feet tall, and \$50,000 short."

She: "Did I ever show you where I was tattooed?"

Weaver: "No."

"Well, we can drive around that way."

She: "I want you to understand I'm not the kind of a girl you think I am."

Goddard: "Gosh! And I thought you were awfully sweet."

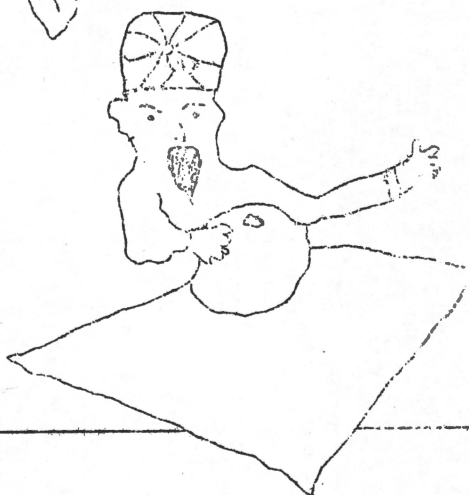
"My wife told me to stop in and buy her a bathing suit," I said to the clerk in a department store. "What are your sizes and prices?"

"How does this one strike you? A ten dollar bill will just cover it."

"That's about the size she wants," I answered. "How much is it?"

Patronize the canteen!

YOUTHFUL SCORPIO

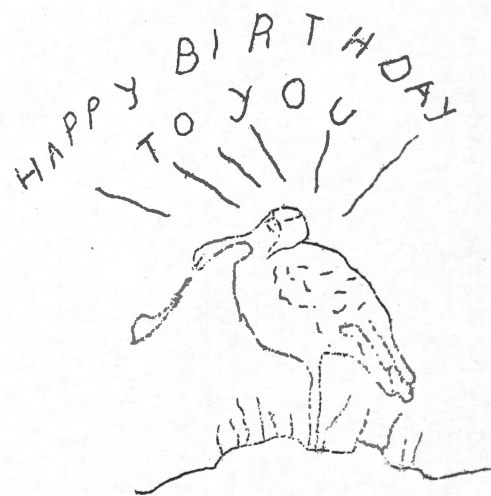


OCTOBER 24 to NOVEMBER 22 (Scorpio) - All progressive undertakings and industrial interests can and should move forward with productive results.

We shall list only the enrclees names that have birthdays between the first of November and the first of December. This is due to the fact that the paper is issues only at the last of each month.

"SCORPIO, WE SALUTE YOU!"

Chamberlain, Anthony	November 2, 1921
Davis, Robert	November 6, 1919
Potter, Marion	November 6, 1922
Sebenste, Gilbert	November 7, 1922
Sullivan, Calvin	November 8, 1922
Gombos, Pete	November 10, 1921
Kaczmarek, Joseph	November 11, 1917
Robinson, Charles	November 19, 1917
Johnson, Lloyd	November 21, 1920
Conley, Billie	November 21, 1921
Such, Andrew	November 30, 1922
Szawara, Bruno	November 30, 1923



JACK GIBSON CCC BOY

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JACK GIBSON PASSED HIS PHYSICAL EXAMINATION BY LUCK. FOR HE IS A WEAKLING AND SKINNEY AND ALSO POOR HEALTH. HIS FOLKS HOPE THE CCC WILL MAKE A MAN OUT OF HIM INSTEAD OF A COWARD.

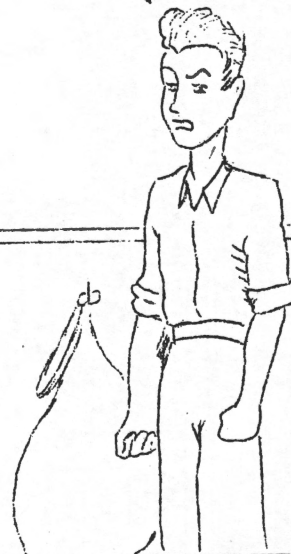
ARRIVING AT CAMP HE IS LAUGHED AT.



AN ENROLLEE CALLED BULLY BOGS TOOK PLEASURE IN PUSHING GIBSON AROUND.

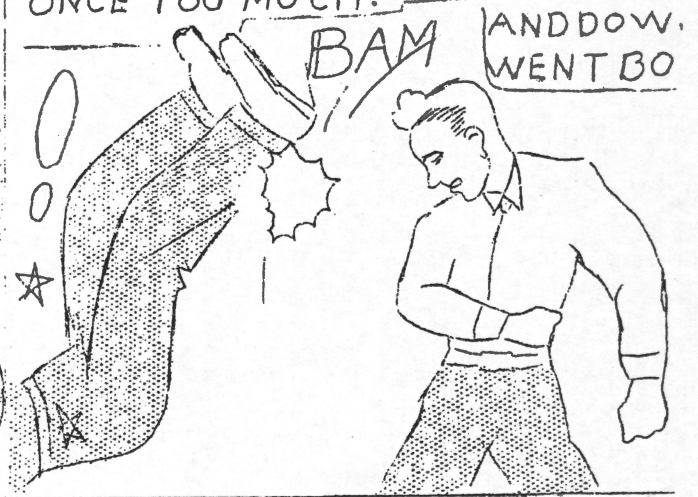


ILL GET EVEN WITH THAT GUY



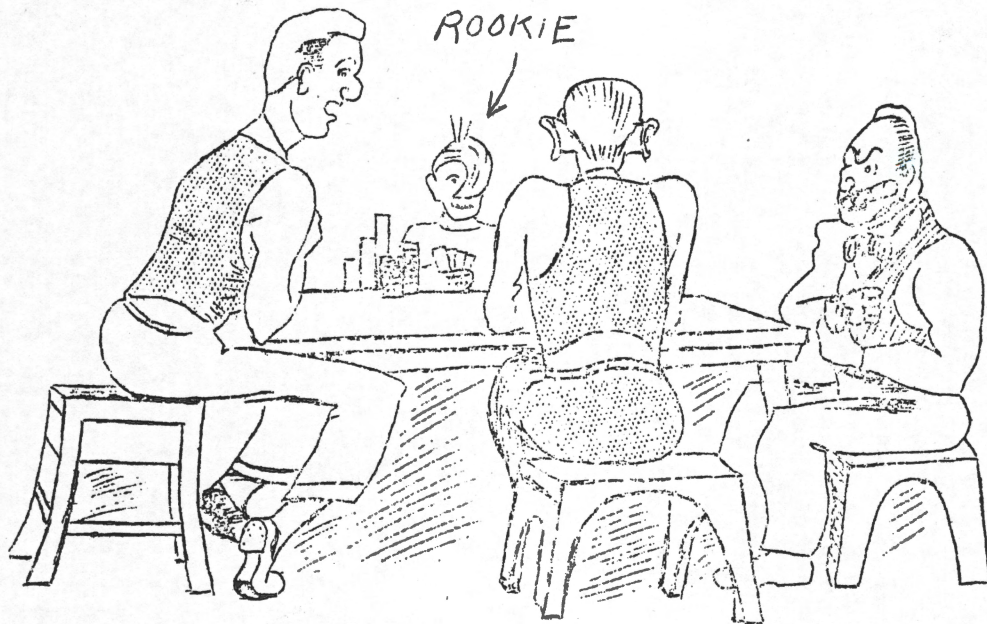
AFTER SEVERAL WEEKS IN CAMP GIBSON TAKEN INTEREST IN HIS WORK DESPITE HIS PHYSICAL WEAKNESS.

ONE DAY SEVERAL MONTHS LATE BULL BOGS PICKED ON GIBSON ONCE TOO MUCH.

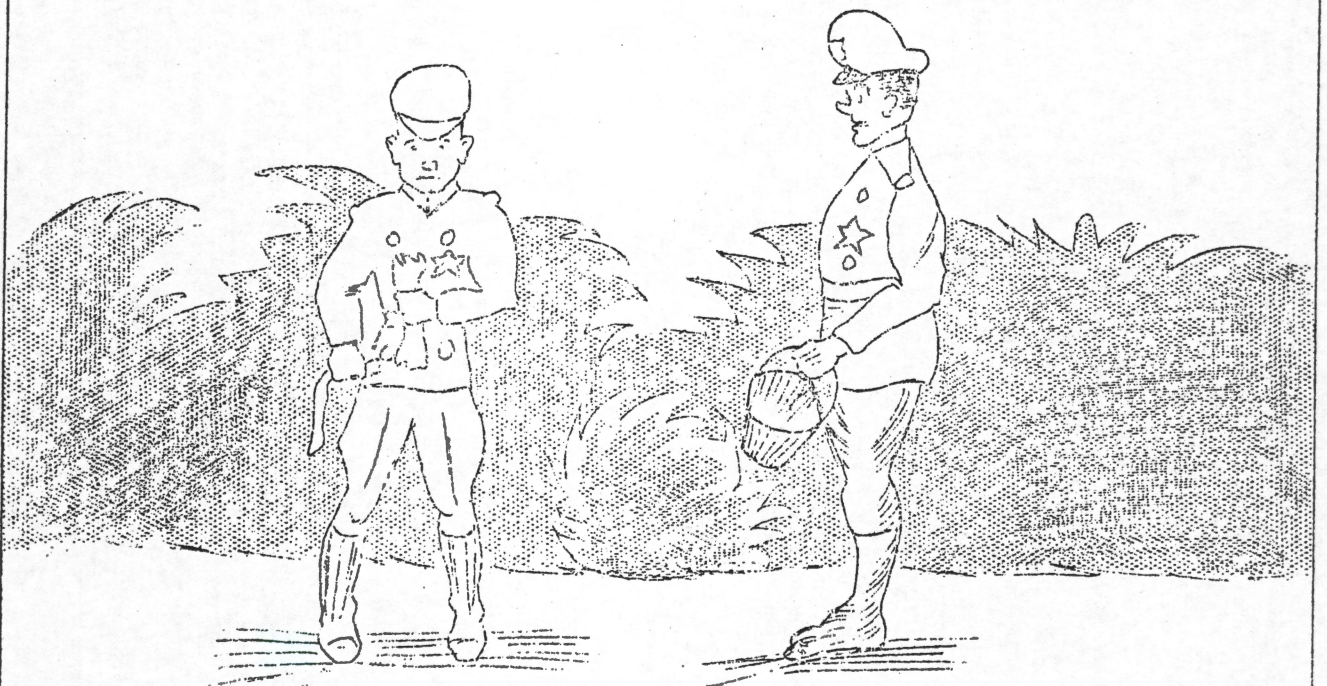


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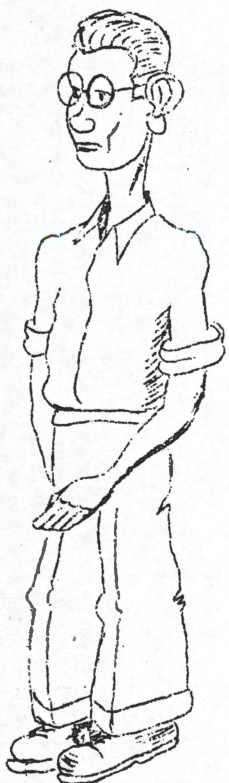


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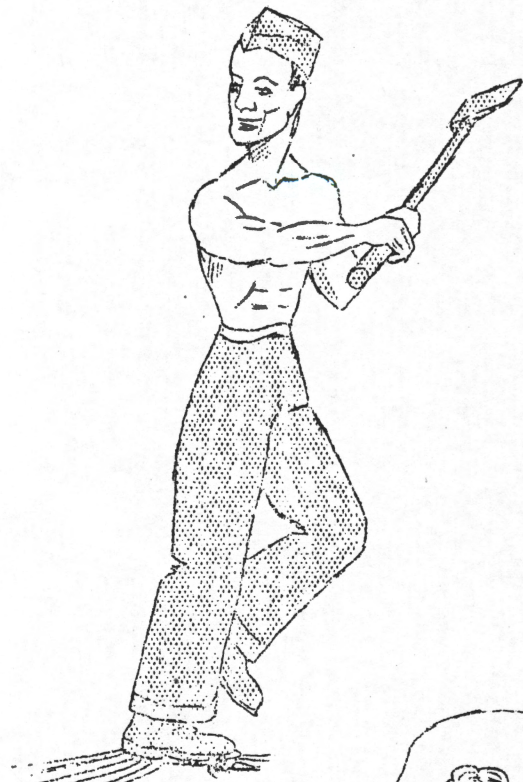


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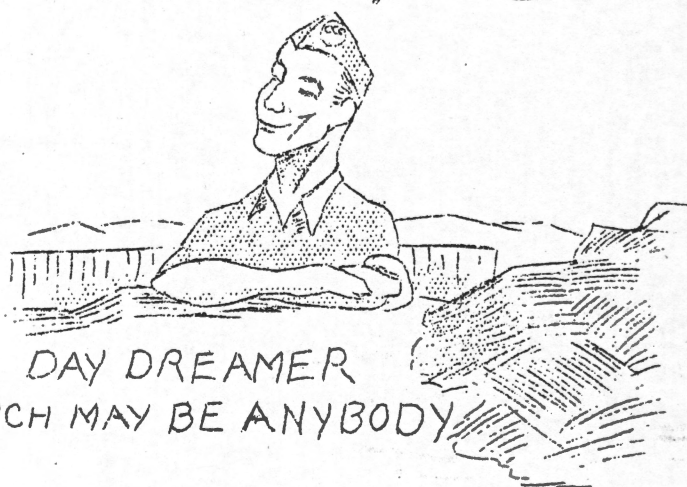
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