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ENROLLEES GET BIG BENEFITS FROM PROJECTS

Projects at the Florida Botanical Garden and Arboretum and Highlands Hammock are proving a wide range of training for the enrollees.

One of the most interesting and largest jobs that have been worked on for some time, is the construction of a culvert on Tiger Branch drive, which was begun a few weeks ago.

Various types of work will go into the building of the structure. With only a few exceptions the labor and construction of the materials to be used will be done entirely by the CCC workers. The re-enforcing steel in the culvert is being worked into the various shapes. Carpentry and masonry work will give the boys a chance to gain more practical knowledge of these crafts. Much of the work is very tedious and will require exactness in measurements for which the boys are trained for by R. A. Mann, construction engineer.

Altogether different in form and one which will require several hundreds of man-days, is the project under which section four, a portion of the Park area, is being rehabilitated with a great quantity of shrubbery and trees of various kinds. Up to the present time there has been 3000 plants moved in from various parts of the surrounding vicinity and planted. It is estimated that it will take several thousand more to meet the requirements.

The purpose of this particular job is to restore this section of land which is considerably barren to its original wild and natural state, which existed prior to its devastation by countless fires and other menaces. Section four at one time was nearly as rich in vegetation as the section of land known as Highlands Hammock.

Boys working on the crew which
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Company and Work Unit Have Perfect Safety Record for 3 Straight Months

Believing that the safety record of Highlands Camp, Fla. Sp-10 and Company 453, is one that stands as a tribute to the ceaseless efforts and continued thoughtfulness of not only the officials in charge, but each individual member, The Rogers-Post is proud to herald it to our fellow comrades in other parts of the country.

In going over the safety reports of the working unit and the company, for the months of September, October and November it was learned that the trucks have traveled 78,365 miles. Enrollees have put in 6,476 man-days or 45,332 man-hours on the job without losing a single day due to accident caused by tools or carelessness on the part of the workers.

The above figures and statements may not mean so much as they are quoted, but when one takes into consideration that in performing their respective duties during these many hours, the enrollees have been obliged to work with tools and under certain circumstances, unless

Uniforms For Team

While in camp Tuesday, Captain Tatum, officially approved the expenditure of a suitable amount of money to outfit the complete varsity basketball team of the company.

The uniforms for the team will consist of jerseys, trunks, shoes. A new basket ball also will be purchased.

Company 453 is a member of the Tampa league, which is one of the three leagues in District "F." Eight CCC games will be played during the season.

BEAUTIFICATION WORK STARTED AT C.C.C. CAMP

The extensive beautification program of the camp site has been begun under the direction of W. H. Norris, foreman on the ECW personnel of Highlands Camp.

The entire front area has been planted with various kinds of palms.

The main grounds are being completely grassed and ready to be sown with Italian rye for the winter season. In the group of palm there are four Sabel palms about 14 feet high, 30 of the same species reaching the height of nine feet, and between 30 and 35 needle palms.

Mr. Norris plans to include various native shrubbery and a few exotics in his planting. Among the plants that will be used to great extent will be the myrtles, Florida holly, different kinds of crotons, hedges of crape myrtle and several kinds of cherry bushes.

Upon the completion of the beautification program the 453 will have one of the finest and prettiest campsites in the district according to the tentative plans. It is estimated by the foreman in charge that it will take several more months to

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they had not been very cautious and safety minded the figures might be telling an altogether different tale.

According to A. C. Altavater, project superintendent and G. N. Hicks, safety director, the trucks have been kept in near perfect running condition and out of the shop due to the strict attention that the drivers have given to their mechanical features. The drivers have lived up to the safety rules expressively.

The mileage traveled by the trucks during September, October and November brings the total mileage up to 675,006 for the vehicles since they were placed into operation on the job over two and a half years ago. The drivers have not had a single accident during this length of time, causable by them.

Realizing that this type of safety record over such a period of time is unusual and one to be exceedingly proud of, The Rogers-Post, would like to offer it as a challenge to other camp papers and ask them to show us a record equally as good or better.

CCC TEAM AND FORMER BLUE STREAK STARS PLAY TIE GAME

L.T. SERON IS NEW CAMP SURGEON

Z. M. Seron, 1st Lieut. M. C. Reserve, of the Fourth Medical Corps, arrived in camp last Friday afternoon to assume his duties as Camp Surgeon. He is accompanied by his wife and 10-year-old son.

Lt. Seron has been connected with the CCC for three years. He was first stationed in Shiloh, Tenn., later moving to where the great TVA project which was under construction, and from there he came to this company.

The camp has been without an army surgeon for several months. Since the resignation of Lt. McDaniels, to go into private practice at Sanford, Dr. L. W. Martin, physician at the Sebring General Hospital, has been serving in the capacity.

HIGHLANDS HAMMOCK GETS WILD TURKEYS

The animal life in Highlands Hammock State Park has been enriched by a gift of wild turkeys which were secured through the co-operation of State Game Protector Lilly, agent of the Game and Fresh Water Fish commission.

The turkeys will be confined at the park for a short period and then they will be released to shift for themselves in this natural subtropical forest of palms, oaks and cypress. They should do well here as the area is protected from fire and hunting. It has excellent cover and an abundance of food for turkeys and other native birds and animals which are abundant.

The park was intended by the donors as a sanctuary for native wild life and a place where the public could see undisturbed flowers, shrubs and trees common to Florida's fast disappearing hammocks.

It is hoped that the turkeys will stay in the park, and that it will be possible for visitors to secure glimpses of this typically American bird.

The park is administered by the Florida Park Service, an agency of the Florida Board of Forestry.

Chaplain Vacancy Filled by Beach

Chaplain B. S. Beach, who has assumed the duties of Lt. H. C. Keller, in this sub-district, spent the day at camp on Monday. He gave a brief talk to the entire company during the evening mess.

He stated that he considered the brief religious services conducted by the chaplain a very small part of his duties, but the personal contacts and services rendered to the members more important and he hopes that he can be of service to those having problems.

Chaplain Beach intends to visit the camp about twice a month.

Waldron and Padgett Are Scorers; Teams Are Evenly Matched

In a benefit football game played on Firemen's Field last night the CCC team came through with a touchdown in the third quarter and tied the former stars of Sebring High School, 6 to 6. The game was hard fought from beginning to end and at no time did one team show any great superiority over the other. The CCC were superior with their passing attack, but the Sebring team was the better from scrimmage.

The Sebring All-Stars won the toss and decided to receive. Price kicked off to Fulton on the 25 and Fulton returned to his 35. After a few short gains Fulton punted to the CCC 5 where Price was tackled in his tracks. Price immediately tried to pass but it was intercepted by Baker on the 10 where he was thrown. After a 5-yard gain Waldron was thrown for a 5-yard loss on 4th down by Padgett and the CCC took the ball over. Again the CCC were unable to do anything and Price's kick on fourth down was blocked and recovered on the three yard line and the quarter ended.

On the first play of the second quarter Waldron crashed over from the three yard line for the first score of the game and the score remained 6 to 0 as Fulton's kick went wild. The CCC chose to receive and Hood brought the ball back from the 20 to the 35. Neither was able to gain consistently although Sebring made two first downs to 1 for the CCC. The half ended with the ball in the possession of Sebring in mid-field.

The second half opened with Sebring receiving, Hood bringing the ball back from his 25 to the 35. Nothing of any importance happened in this period until near the end when Hood intercepted a Sebring pass in mid-field and returned it to the Sebring 8. On the first play Price drove to the three yard marker, then a five yard penalty for off sides and three consecutive bad passes from the center allowed Sebring to regain the ball. Fulton kicked out of bounds on the Sebring 45. On the first play Price passed to McBride on the Sebring 20, McBride going on to the Sebring 8 before being downed. Price passed to Padgett who made a beautiful catch and crossed the goal line standing up. Score remained 6 to 6 as Price missed.

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Price And Barnes Attend Grid Meet

Lieutenant Orlie Price, Mess officer, and Roy Barnes, assistant educational adviser, attended the football game between Mississippi State and Florida University last Saturday at Gainesville.

Price is a graduate of Mississippi, finishing with the class of '33.

From all accounts brought back by the two, a merry old time was enjoyed by the thousands of fans that turned out to cheer their favorite team to victory.

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A TRIBUTE TO ONE — TRULY GREAT

A very befitting tribute was paid our beloved leader, Director Robert E. Fechner, who has won the confidence and friendship not only of the hundred thousands of boys who serve under his leadership, but countless men and women of this nation and others, a few months ago. The tribute was in the form of an introduction of Mr. Fechner at the Dedication program of Highlands Hammock, by Mrs. Linwood Jeffreys, Park Members of the Florida Board of Forestry.

"We have a visitor with us who heads one of the largest universities, if not the largest, in the world, the university referred to is the Civilian Conservation Corps."

"This constructive force for the building of American manhood is a great part of the National Recovery Program for our country. The man who heads this fine organization is very modest in manner, very retiring in nature but in actual attainment he is one of the truly great. To some of the personality of the speaker who will give the dedication talk for Highlands Hammock State Park I would like to make the remark that he is one who loves his fellowman. Can any tribute be deeper?

In this day of 'wars and rumors of wars' it is most gratifying to have a director general of the Civilian Conservation Corps of these United States a man whose greatness is only equalled by this deep understanding of an

Army of Construction rather than Army of Destruction. It is with confidence in the Civilian Conservation Corps' achievements in the past and for the future that I have the honor to introduce to you the Director of the Emergency Conservation Work for the United States, the Honorable Albert Fechner."

The winter season has descended upon Florida again and with it brings the tourist cavalcade. Many will pass by out front door, figuratively speaking, when they travel by the camp on their way to tour Highlands Hammock and the Florida Botanical Garden and Arboretum. Naturally they will observe not only the grounds and buildings but will pay strict attention to our appearance and behavior. It is left up to each individual the impression that is to be made upon the countless numbers. Remember! The first impression sometimes is a lasting impression.

IF WE WERE KING

If we were King Edward and those Ministers, Members of Parliament, Peers and Peeresses, Archbishops, etcetera, continued to interfere with our affair of the heart and our marital plans, we would use some of the regal powers vested in us by the fundamental law of the land, and—

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ago by early settlers to this part of the state. "Ches" Skipper, resident of Sebring, has the distinction of being one of the first pioneers. The wild orange grove is claimed to have been cultivated and planted by the Indians which at one time inhabited the tropical paradise.

When the clearing has been completed the work of stocking the ground will be done by the CCC members.

SONG HIT OF THE WEEK**PENNIES FROM HEAVEN**

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So when you hear it thunder
Don't run under a tree
There'll be Fennie from Heaven,
For you and me.

Capt. J. M. Tatum, inspector, was in camp yesterday and the day before on his regular inspection tour of the camp. He was very well pleased with the progress that is being made in the general construction work and appearance of the grounds. This is the first time that Captain Tatum has been here since the Thanksgiving holidays.

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Highlands Hammock is considered by the many thousands of visitors that see it yearly, far superior to any of the other state parks in Florida.

Mrs. John Nance Garner, wife of the vice president, has been his confidential secretary for over 40 years. She is skilled in shorthand.

Henry Janowski almost decided to go back to Lakeland a few days ago. It is rumored the "flusteration" of the heart was caused by one of the fair sex.

The University of Missouri has won 20 games, tied 4 and lost 11 to Washington University of St. Louis in the last 46 years.

John Bradly just can't miss going over to Avon Park. It seems that the scenery is far better than that of Sebring—to him!

Fifteen million pine trees will be planted soon in national forests in three Texas counties in one of the greatest reforestation projects undertaken by the government.

Arnold Eaton, senior leader, left the company the first of the month to take a position near Atlanta, Georgia. His duties have been taken over by James McBride, former mess sergeant, whose place was filled by Clifford C. Smith, better known as "Happy."

Eaton before coming to this company was "top kick" in Reidsville, Ga., where he enrolled several months prior.

McBride had been mess sergeant for the company little over one year. He had been with 453 since enrolling over twenty three months ago. Before becoming mess sergeant he served as orderly to the officers and foresters.

"Happy" Smith was transferred to this company on November first of this year. He is an experienced cook, having served as such during the World war. He has served as in the capacity of mess sergeant at the company in Reidsville and Fort Screvens, Ga.

Members of good old company 453 should be proud of the fact that they are privileged to have city lights and water as well as being so near to two towns where they can find amusements.

ENROLLEES GET BIG BENEFITS

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is engaged in digging and setting out the trees are obtaining, at first hand, information concerning tree planting and their proper care as well as the value of beautification.

The small saw mill which was set up a considerable time ago and is being operated by the enrollees, is saving materials which would have had to be thrown away and at the same time speeding up the production. The mill is turning out the shingles for the various buildings from cypress blocks. It also has sawed some two by four's to be used here and there, when needed. The present saw mill is powered by the tractor.

Certain projects are under consideration in higher departments and if approved they will call for lumber that can be cut by a larger saw mill. It is understood that arrangements are being made to secure the proper outfit to do the work on the job.

Additional parking area is being constructed in the Hammock to take care of the increasing number of cars that are touring the park.

One of the newest and hardest (ask any of the boys) is the clearing of approximately 10 acres of land in Highlands Hammock to plant young orange trees. The present groves were planted many years

HIGHLANDS HAMMOCK — ENCHANTING PARADISE

Courtesy of Florida Park Service.

Facts About Enrollees

The Andersons and Taylors just can't keep up with the Smiths.

Among the 163 enrollees of the camp this fall there are five Smiths and three Taylors and Andersons, respectively. There is one set of brothers, the Janowski's.

Good old names such as Brown, Martin, Bowen and Peters have a strong representation among the camp members. The average enrollee is 22 years old. There are three 17 year old and one 45 year old on the campus at this time.

Among the peavies in camp and serving as mess sergeant, is a World war "doughboy" cook. Clifford "Happy" Smith was injured twice during the course of the conflict.

There are 52 native Floridians, eight from northern states, 78 hailing from the state of Georgia and Alabama's contingent is 13. Other members are from various other southern states.

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The above picture is a portion of Charley Bowleg Creek, which is the main water artery of Highlands Hammock. It is one of the many beauty spots in this famous subtropical paradise. Brightly colored water hyacinth and cypress-knees, together with the many birds that inhabit it, lends a very picturesque setting.

CCC PLAY TIE FOOTBALL GAME

(Continued from Page One) ed the extra point, and the third quarter ended at that point.

The game might as well have ended then because neither team as much as threatened in the whole of the last quarter. Best plays of this quarter was Beatty's recovery of a fumble and Leaphart's tackle of Price 15 yards behind the line of scrimmage.

There were no outstanding stars on either side, but for Sebring Waldron, Martin, Leaphart Critchfield, and Fulton played well. Those who played best for the CCC were Hood Padgett, McBride, Price, Beatty.

The starting line-ups were as follows:

CCC	POS.	Sebring
Beatty	RE	Leaphart
Crews	RT	Wolff
King	RG	Fickett
Prevatt	C	Critchfield
Fortner	LG	Howard
Britt	LT	Wild
Hatchell	LE	Bogle
Price	QB	Fulton
Hood	RH	Martin
Alford	LH	Baker
Padgett	FB	Waldron

Substitutes: For CCC: Lamb, McBride, Buhel.

For Sebring: Pollard, Graddy.

BEAUTIFICATION STARTS

Continued from Page One complete the planting in every detail.

It is understood that the administration buildings and the huts are to be stained, the color to be selected within a short time, by the commanding officer.

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**PLAY IN LEAGUE
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CCC basketball competition in this district is just around the corner. Communications from headquarters indicate that the season will open on Jan. 9, 1937. The number of leagues in the district has been decreased to three this year, while the number of teams in each league has been increased to five.

The three leagues are as follows: Savannah League, Lake City League, and the Tampa League. Co. 453 is in the Tampa League along with 1101—Ocala; 1418—Sulphur Springs; 1420—Ocala; and 5463—Brooksville.

Teams will play home and home series with each other, giving all teams in the league a total of eight games. These arrangements seem to be much more satisfactory than the ones in effect last year.

Co. 453 opens its schedule on Jan. 9, against 5468 in Brooksville. Following is a schedule

January 8, 1937.

453—Sebring at 5468—Brooksville.

1420—Ocala at 1401—Ocala.

January 16, 1937.

453—Sebring at 1401—Ocala.

1418—Sulphur Springs at 1420—Ocala.

January 23, 1937.

1401—Ocala at 1418—Sulphur Springs.

5468—Brooksville ta 1420—Ocala.

January 30, 1937.

1401—Ocala at 1453—Sebring.

1418—Sulphur Springs at 5468—Brooksville.

February 6, 1937.

453—Sebring at 1420—Ocala.

5468—Brooksville at 1418—Sulphur Springs.

February 13, 1937.

1418—Sulphur Springs at 1401—Ocala.

1420—Ocala at 5468—Brooksville.

February 20, 1937.

5468—Brooksville ta 453—Sebring.

1420—Ocala at 1418—Sulphur Springs.

February 27, 1937.

453—Sebring at 1418—Sulphur Springs.

1401—Ocala at 1420—Ocala.

March 6, 1937.

1420—Ocala at 453—Sebring.

1401—Ocala at 5468—Brooksville.

March 13, 1937.

1418—Sulphur Springs at 453—Sebring.

5468—Brooksville at 1401—Ocala.

Enrollee Killed by Reckless Driver

MIAMI.—It looks as though death is on a tour of duty at this camp. Two victims weren't enough to satisfy his desire so he stays for the third

Gerald M. Penny was killed by an automobile while riding a bicycle on the South Dixie highway. Penny left camp after working hours on a borrowed bicycle to ride to his home in Perrine, which is several miles from camp. He was returning to camp with his laundry when the accident occurred. The enrollee was riding on the right side of the highway when an automobile moving at a high rate of speed struck him from the rear.

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Florida Companies Have Larger 8th Period Program

The construction of fire towers, roads, truck trails and telephone lines in a system of fire protection; timber stand improvement; fish and game protection and the development of areas for recreation will be first on the list of projects to be undertaken by the seventeen CCC camps assigned to forestry work in Florida during the eighth enrollment period, according to an announcement by Joseph C. Kircher, Southern Regional Forester, Atlanta, Georgia. Regional Forester Kircher stated that ten of the CCC camps have been assigned to work on state and private lands in Florida and seven camps allotted to the work to be done on National Forest lands.

The camps on National forest lands will be used in a work program that calls for 285,688 man days of labor. Fire protection work will be continued and thousands of

acres of timber will be improved. CCC enrollees will trim out trees of undesirable species and thin dense stands to give choice young trees a chance for a more rapid development into marketable timber, and seedlings will be planted to reclaim devastated areas. Wide stretches of Florida pineland have been restocked in young pines and over 200,000 acres of valuable timber on National Forest lands have been improved since the establishment of the CCC camps in Florida.

Florida is considered one of the most popular recreational spots in the United States and the CCC has played an important part in promoting the attractiveness of the forests from a recreational standpoint. Forest recreation has been made available for out-of-state tourists as well as local communities through the construction and improvements made at camping and picnic places throughout the forests.

Among the outstanding accomplishments by the CCC is the recreational development at Juniper Springs. This semi-tropical jungle was almost inaccessible before the man power of the CCC made it possible to open it up and build roads to make its beauty available. These springs have a flow of crystal clear water at the rate of six million gallons a day. Surrounded by luxuriant growth of tall pines, oaks and palmettos and a deep cover of tropical shrubs and low palms, the area cannot be surpassed in natural beauty. Here have been built swimming pools and bathhouses, stone bridges, a registration pavilion, and a game laboratory. There are open fireplaces, camp stoves, drinking fountains, picnic tables and benches, and other features to minister to the comfort and convenience of visitors.

Accomplishments chalked up by the CCC during its existence on state and private lands in Florida include much work for protecting the forests against fires which have in the past destroyed millions of dollars worth of Florida's timber growth. 37,933 man days have been expended in actual fire fighting and 57,498 man days utilized for fire pre-suppression and prevention. 41 lookout towers, 679 miles of telephone lines and 1,408 miles of truck trails have been constructed. In addition to this, the CCC has planted many thousands of acres in pine trees, collected cones for nursery use, and engaged in other activities that will help to perpetuate Florida's forests for future generations.

Sebring Lions Hear International Prexy

Payne Sebring, P. G. Gearing, P. A. Naylor, W. H. Nollman, Owen Godwin and C. F. Saunders attended a luncheon at the Lakeland Lions club Wednesday on the occasion of the official visit to this district of the president of Lions International, Mr. Kingsley, of Parkersburg, W. Va.

FIREWORKS BRING FINE

Annie Brown, negro, was fined \$25 in the Avon Park mayor's court this week for having fireworks in her possession.

The city ordinance forbidding the possession and sale of fireworks is being strictly enforced now due to the present dry season, as a fire prevention measure.

TO PRESENT XMAS PLAY

The Sebring Colored School will stage "The Angel's Message To The World," at their auditorium Monday, December 14, at 8 p.m. Reservations have been taken care of for their white friends. A small admission fee will be charged.

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Official News

By HENRY S. JANOWSKI

Major E. F. Wallender, executive officer of District "F," visited camp on Monday, November 23rd. The purpose of his visit was to see how the camp had progressed since he had last been here (when the new camp site was picked) and to talk with Lieut. Larkin, C. O., and Mr. A. C. Altwater, project superintendent about additions to the administration building for the first aid room and different other changes to make a better camp. The major then left for Fort Screven to complete his routine duties, after which he planned on going to Philadelphia for the Army-Navy football game.

Lieut. H. C. Keller, sub-district No. 3 chaplain, visited camp Friday, November 20th. Lieut. Keller held his last service in this camp as his tour of duty is up on the last day of this month and the lieutenant stated that he would not request another tour of duty. The boys all enjoyed having Lieut. Keller around and are sorry that he will not be with us any more.

Captain P. T. Anderson, district dental surgeon, visited camp on Thursday, November 19th. Although the captain was ready for all comers for dental treatment, he didn't have much business. Captain Anderson's cheery and friendly attitude towards all the boys and personnel makes him a very welcome visitor in camp. His coming is always looked forward to.

Major W. E. Wilmerding, district surgeon, visited camp on Thursday, November 19. Major Wilmerding stated that he was surprised at the progress of the camp. Major Wilmerding saw the camp before work was started and realized that plenty of work had been put into the camp site to make it look as well as it does.

Receiving congratulations from the members on his return to camp last Monday morning, Mr. Boudet, CEA, from all indications was happy to be back with the boys. It had been exactly one month since he was forced to leave camp to undergo a major operation at the Sebring General hospital.

Mr. Boudet is busily directing the work on the education building and making trips to the park and chatting with the boys which has been his delight.

Lieut. James A. Gaston, district mess inspector-instructor, visited camp on Sunday evening and Monday, November 22 and 23rd. Lieut. Gaston stated that he was very pleased with the way the work is going on and is glad to see the effort shown by the kitchen personnel to improve their kitchen and mess hall. Lieut. Gaston was formerly commanding officer of Co. 1418, CCC, Sulphur Springs, Fla.

Avon Park Doctor On Cone's Staff

Dr. I. W. Chandler of Avon Park has received notification of his appointment to the staff of Governor-Elect Fred P. Cone. The appointment is as aide on the governor's personal staff with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Material for the building to house the gas-making equipment of the Sebring municipal gas plant is being received and construction on the structure will start soon.

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