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TRIPS TO SEASIDE DELIGHT CAMPERS

Trip Includes Visit to Ocean, Pool, Boardwalk

One of the better side trips of the Camp is the "Seaside Trip." An all day affair, this excursion away from the regular routine is a welcome break for the twenty or more campers scheduled to make it.

Leaving the Camp at 9:00 A. M. aboard one of the LCVs, the group, under the watchful eye of two Navy chiefs and the group counselor, soon arrives at the Seaside Dock where they disembark. Fall in is given and the group marches to the Casino. Here they are given tickets for admission to the pool and in quick time, they have changed and are swimming and playing in the large, open air pool.

Chow time brings a rush of hungry appetites and a period of relaxation afterward in the general vicinity of the pool. Campers are then given a choice of either swimming in the ocean in a group, or they may have time off to take in the sights along the boardwalk.

3 P. M. finds the group back at the LCV, ready to return to Camp, tired but happy after a most enjoyable day at the beach.

STAR BOAT RESULTS

CEDAR CREEK RACE—JULY 26

- 1st—Schlobohm, F.—964
- 2nd—Bloodsworth—14
- 3rd—Thompson—672 D. N. F.

ISLAND HEIGHTS RACE—Aug. 2

- 1st—Thompson—672
- 2nd—Schlobohm, F.—575
- 3rd—Bloodsworth—14

*Camper Schlobohm is to be highly commended for the splendid record he has made the past two summers racing Farragut Star Boats. Congratulations.

A Message From the Superintendent



As we near the end of the Camp period we are saying with satisfaction: "This is the best summer yet" If that is claiming too much for 1947, at least we all agree that we've never had a better Summer Camp than this,—Farragut's fourteenth season.

Conscientious, highly qualified instructors and counselors, and a fine Cadet Corps add up to high standards and excellent morale. Now that the strain and uncertainties of the war years are behind us, we can give ourselves wholeheartedly to the fun of acquiring skill in sports and camp activities, or to the serious work some of you have come here to do.

We hope our student cadets have managed to combine a fair share of play with work, and that our campers have learned through play much that will be of lasting value.

I congratulate the faculty, staff, and Cadet Corps of the 1947 Summer Camp.

CYRUS S. RADFORD
 Brig General, USMC Ret.
 Superintendent

14th CAMP PERIOD ENDS SUCCESSFULLY

Busy Eight Weeks For Academic Group

By the time this issue of the CAPSTAN is in your hands, the Admiral Farragut Summer Camp and School will have successfully terminated its fourteenth season since the establishment of the Academy. For eight weeks the usual busy round of outdoor activities has been proceeding in the accepted manner. Academics, although not so numerous as during the years of World War II, have been rigidly occupied with their accelerated programs, either making up lost points or getting ahead of the game by pursuing courses in science, mathematics, social studies, English and the foreign languages. Courses in seamanship for the campers have also been underway, taught by experts on the staff.

About half of the States of our Union, in addition to the District of Columbia are represented in the Summer Camp and School. Foreign countries are also represented: Canada, Costa Rica, Cuba, and Mexico. In all there has been an enrollment of 245 cadets.

The Summer Camp organization is a still further development and improvement over the conditions that have obtained during the past several years. The running of the camp activities has thus proved to be smoother and more efficient than of yore. This bountiful variety of the camp program has comprised drill, boxing, wrestling, handball, touch-football, tennis, track, ping-pong, baseball, softball, Guadalcanal, basketball, badminton, volley ball, archery, sailing, swimming, riflery, shuffleboard, band, photography, carnival, movies, picnics pleasure trips, and fishing. What red-blooded American boy could demand more in the way of healthful surroundings and recreation?

As of last year the LCI trips have been an outstanding activity of the Summer Camp.

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THE CAPSTAN



Published during the school year in the interest of the Cadet Corps., pupils and alumni of the Admiral Farragut Academy, Pine Beach, New Jersey.

AN OPEN LETTER TO ALL CAMPERS

Dear Camper:

This is an open letter to all campers of the 1947 Summer Session of the Admiral Farragut Academy.

This letter is addressed to all of you because it pertains to the past seven weeks of your life.

Seven weeks is a short period of time, we know, but into it has been packed a lifetime of play, knowledge, fun, friendship, instruction, and experience. During these seven weeks you have come to know many, many boys from all over these United States; from the rockbound coast of Maine, to the warm, white sands of Florida; from the far-reaching plains of the Mid West to the glorious wonders of the Far West. This alone has been an experience well to remember, for it has already taught you that in this grand land of ours we have no barriers....no jealously-guarded borders.....no misunderstandings and suspicions of one another just because we live 2,000 miles apart and because we speak with a nasal twang or a slow, soft drawl.

Yours too, has been the opportunity to experience a form of naval life that will hold well with you in later years. Remember to think straight and to follow intelligently. Remember to reach out and take command when you have earned it. Remember to bring order and reason into your way of life.....be punctual.....be neat.....be courteous.....be industrious.....be a man!

Take with you as you leave the Camp, the many happy memories you have created. Perhaps they will be an inspiration to you as you return to your school in the fall.



●Dodgeball always finds keen competition among Farragut Campers.

Riflery Course Proves Popular With Campers

Seniors, Juniors Learn Range Procedure

The Riflery course, which is one of the most popular activities offered to the Junior and Senior Campers by the Summer Naval Camp, is under the direction of able Captain Harry E. Norris. By virtue of his extensive experience in this field, Captain Norris is an expert on Riflery and well qualified to teach the rudiments of handling and firing a rifle to the campers.

The course was opened with two weeks of preliminary instruction. This consisted of learning how to handle a rifle, becoming familiar with its different parts, and getting used to the sling. During this time each cadet had two classes of instruction which prepared him for the actual firing and gave him an introduction to the three month Riflery course taken by cadets in the Winter School.

All firing on the range is done from the prone position in order to qualify cadets partially for the National Rifle Awards. The length of time which they fire is not enough to completely qualify them, but it gives them a start on which they can continue here in the Winter School or in some other school.

The Senior Platoons fire the first three days of the week, and the Junior Companies during the remaining days. In this way each cadet has one period of firing each week. This has continued until the end of the summer.

The firing range used by the campers is one of the finest ranges of its type in the State.

FULL CREWS FOR FARRAGUT SCHOOLS

Many Campers To Attend Schools In September

At this date it appears that both Farragut Winter Schools will have full crews by the time the schools get under way in September. Admiral Farragut Academy's unique innovation of maintaining two separate schools in different states under the same name, using the same uniform and regulations, and supervised by a like administration, has proved very successful.

The New Jersey School

The original school in New Jersey has enjoyed a full enrollment from the very first year of its inception. Today, its outstanding scholastic and naval reputation is known throughout the country. Graduates from the Academy have attended more than 175 institutions of higher learning; better than 92% of all alumni served actively in World War II with an aggregate total of 51% earning commissions; 24 gave their lives in this conflict; close to 200 graduates have successfully entered the United States Government Academies—Annapolis, West Point, The Coast Guard Academy, and Kings Point. In 1941, Secretary of the Navy, Frank Knox, designated Farragut as a Naval Honor School, which rating the Academy has earned each year since.

It is estimated that by the time this issue of the Capstan is published, the quota for the 1947-48 school year will have been nearly reached. However, campers desiring to enroll may still file an application with the Registrar for consideration.

The Florida School

The Florida School, opened for the very first time on January 12, 1945, began opera-

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THE COMPANY LOG

SENIOR COMPANIES

SENIOR FIRST

Company I seems to have a very good number of boys in it who like the Farragut activities a lot. We have a lot of spirit and are quite successful in most activities. Liehmyer and Lockfeld, who are the platoon ensigns, also help a great deal in coaxing the teams to victory. Most everyone in the Company is willing to do his best to make our company outstanding.

This kind of sportsmanship shows that when you get together and work together you really can win and succeed. Our company never gives up hope, even if the odds are against us; we always try and win just the same.

Since this is my first year here, I don't know too much about Admiral Farragut Academy, but I do know that I've never seen finer sportsmanship than I have here. There are never any arguments on what is to be done and the boys always work as hard as they can for the Company.

There is archery, life saving, softball, touch football, volleyball, tennis, and almost every activity you can think of to keep the boys occupied and fit.

Company I has drill three times a week. The boys always report on time and seem to enjoy it a great deal.

I don't think that Company I will ever forget the swell time they have had here this summer and many will come back next summer for another grand, adventurous, camp session.

Glenn Snell, Commander.

SENIOR SECOND

The Second Company is composed of some twenty or more cadets. It is divided into two platoons with a platoon commander for each. D. Colivas commands C Platoon and B. Guggenheim commands D Platoon. F. Shane commands the Company as a whole, with W. Woodson as sub-company commander.

At the beginning of Camp the Second Company got off to a roaring start. It won practically every game it played and came out first in competitive points the first week. The second week it got off to the same start and again came in first in competitive points.

This winning streak continued until the half of the Summer Camp when it was thrown off its pedestal by the Third Company. However, the Second Company feels confident and determined to make a comeback and win the finals.

What brought the Second Company to where it was, was its victories in boxing, wrestling, and track.

Starting on the first competitive boxing and wrestling night, Company Two won by

an overwhelming score, with Doheny giving a Company I man quite a licking. On the second boxing and wrestling night, Company Two won the boxing, but the Third Company took the wrestling honors.

In the field of track, the "Second" took the first meet with Nathan and Ransome taking first and second respectively in the high jump. D. Colivas took the half lap by a long shot. In the second meet, the Company won by only one-third of a point. Doheny captured the broad jump with a jump of 14' 4½". D. Colivas again took the half lap and also brought us out front by defeating Roseberry in the high.

The Second Company has had a wonderful summer.



● Chief Radioman E. Leonard, U.S.N., shows Camper Mayer how to work searchlight.

SENIOR THIRD

The "Thundering Third" is again in the lead, and if it's up to its Company Commander, Guernsey (he likes to be called Pete) Curran, it will stay there.

Off to a comparatively slow start, the Third was considered out of the running. However, at the mid point of the summer, its class began to assert itself. Dennis Marks and his E Platoon became the scourge of the athletic fields. Undefeated in touch football; only one loss in basketball and bombardment; winner of the first round of the obstacle course average. These and many other scalps were hung on E Platoon's belt. In E Platoon there are such well known personalities as "Porky" Fordin, Tom Walker, Burt Un-

derburg, and the Company Commander himself, Mr. Curran.

In E. Platoon the other division of the Company, we find such athletes as Ensign Jim Niemeyer, Andy Franzoni, and one half of a brother combination, Chissie craster. His brother, Nel, is in E. Platoon.

It has been previously shown that the Third Company is an athletic one; we do not, however, neglect other ways of making points. For instance, E Platoon picked up 25 points for the Company by winning the Hunt program in the beginning of the summer. Another 25 points was added to the Third's total when we won the Quiz on another Monday evening. The Third stresses seamanship as another method of garnering points. We are way out front in this field.

All in all, the Third Company has been piling up a great lead so that they will undoubtedly be the winning company of the summer.

JUNIOR COMPANIES

JUNIOR FIRST

The first time we met each other was at evening mess, July 2nd. Never was there such a motley crew as the First Company Juniors then! Things shaped up quickly however, with Les Hartman and Jack Taggart taking over command and drill becoming a routine procedure. We became and are, the best disciplined Junior Company of the Camp.

The first week began a strenuous and sometimes discouraging strength test with the other companies. Our softball team suffered a devastating set back, whipped itself into shape, and took its next game. Tryouts showed a lot of softball know how in Joe McCarthy, Les Hartman, Mike Segal, Dutch Schultze, and Pete Fass to mention but a few.

Our basketball team took over Co. 3, 44 to 1, which made us feel better after a previous defeat. Lennie Mittin and Len Rosenberg helped out a lot with good backboard work.

At track our Company had men with wings on their feet. Weiss, Cakowski, Butch Mirabelli, Yakobofski, Posner, Lambert, and Taggart racked up points. Nicholas, Marks, Lowe, Kessler, and Zinn showed spirit in dodgeball. Shore and Lowen worked like a machine at anything.

Ernie Carson and Jack McNichols, together with Sunshine and Rothstein, were the heavy boys for wrestling. Henn and Wahlstad helped out in boxing.

Inspection and swim meets were our favorites. The absence of Joe McCarthy made us drop one, but we'll get it back. All the inspections so far have been ours and we'll keep it that way until we go home, happy and contented.

SEAMANSHIP RATINGS

The following campers earned Seamanship Ratings this summer and are to be commended on their accomplishments. Names listed below are as of August 14th.

Senior Apprentice Seamen

Brandenburg, L.
Colivas, D.
Conant, C. G.
Cooper, W. T.
Crespo, R.
Doheny, D. G.
Dowling, R.
Eichler, B.
Gallagher, R. S.
Love, C. J.
Markowitz, L.
Pallme, R. C.
Schulman, R. M.
Spatola, J. J.
Webb, P. K.
Woodson, W. S.
Zuch, J.

Senior Seaman

Passaro

Senior Quartermasters

Craster, C. V.
Craster, N. S.
Dooling, W.
Edwards, W.
Filgo, R. C.
Fordin, C. A.
Franzoni, A. E.
Friedheim, R. L.
Gitnig, S.
Gordon, D. F.
Guggenheim, B. M.
Heineman, S.
Hyans, E. M.
Johnson, R. B.
Knecht, A. W.
Lamon, F.
Lehmeier, F. G.
Marks, D.
Mayer, R.
Niemeyer, J.
Schlobohm, F.
Schlobohm, T.
Shane, F.
Solove, M. H.
Walker, P.
Weinstein, J. M.

Senior Coxswain

Curran, G.

Junior Apprentice Seamen

Aslaksen, H. B.
Auerbach, B. F.

Balenson, M. A.
Bart, J.
Baxter, J. W.
Birnbaum, I. M.
Carson, A. S.
Carson, S. E.
Danisas, J.
Dorn, B. M.
Felt, J.
Fullman, M., Jr.
Geilich, P. N.
Glassman, D. M.
Goldstein, E.
Hartman, L. L.
Henshel, A.
Hill, K. B., Jr.
Hutchinson, J. M.
Kaplan, J. H. H.
King, G. M.
Lambert, J.
Levine, D. G.
Lippman, M. J.
Lockfeld, E. H.
Lowe, R.
McCarthy, J. P.
McNichols, J.
Marks, R. A.
Mitten, L.
Nanasi, J.
Rosenberg, L. A.
Schneider, D.
Shore, A. L.
Siegel, M. S.
Steiner, J. A.
Sweet, R.
Taggart, J. C.
Teich, E. N.
Westerman, J. I.
Wilcox, D. C.
Zinn, R. H.
Zuch, A.

Junior Seamen

Butterman, D. J.
Butterman, E.
Fabricant, A. E.
Fordin, H. G.
Greco, C. W.
Maus, T.
Nicholas, N. A.
Segal, B.
Sunshine, R. M.
Weil, R. N.

WATERFRONT NEWS

The 1947 Summer Camp has now come to a close. Most of the cadets have enjoyed themselves during the course of their waterfront activities thanks to the "Five Chiefs," Lt. King, Lt. Commander Bobo, and Mr. Shaw.

This year, as in many past years, more new cadets have joined the ranks of the qualified boat handlers. Others have gone even further, such as Apprentice Seaman, Seaman, Quartermaster, etc., and those who were in the Junior Companies also had to go through the same paces for their special junior ratings. Some of the outstanding juniors were Fordin and Harris, who were awarded their Junior Coxswain certificates. There were many Senior Campers who have achieved a high rating standard this season in their seamanship classes also.

Each Camp Company has made a trip on the L. C. I. during the course of the summer. One Company each week went out, beginning with the First Senior Company and ending with the Third Junior Company. The trips began at nine o'clock when the campers going were instructed just where their stations would be. From there, they were taken on tours through the ship, visiting the engine and radio rooms, the pilot house, conning tower and galley, and many other interesting sections aboard. At about noon time they reached Forked River and the order was given to stop the engines and drop the anchor. This was soon followed by mess. After mess, there was a short rest period during which many of the campers decided to fish. Most of the catch was Blowfish, although on one of the Junior trips some Kingfish were caught.

After about an hour or so of fishing, everyone checked his line in and helped to clean the deck and soon the ship got under way, heading for home. The L. C. I. docked at about 1615 on most of the trips, rapidly securing and then disembarking the crew.

During the last three weeks of Camp there were inter-company sail boat races. Each of the crews participating was helping to build up his company's average. The fellows in the races all had a fair chance and always agreed that the best man was going to be the winner.

Camp at Farragut finds the majority of its activity centered around the most logical place—the waterfront. Here, more campers have enjoyed themselves swimming, sailing, rowing, learning about the L. C. I. and the L. C. V., and running the crash boat than anywhere else. Truly, the Waterfront is a boy's paradise.

14th Camp (Continued)

An innovation has been the compulsory chapel on the campus each Sunday—a feature that will doubtless appeal to many of the parents.

All hands seem to have enjoyed a pleasant and profitable season in the Admiral Farragut Summer Camp and School.

Farragut Schools

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tion with approximately 100 cadets and steadily increased its enrollment until it reached a near capacity corps of 200 cadets.

Founded in a lovely Florida setting, the plant embraces 215 acres of land, with 15 acres located on beautiful Boca Ciega Bay. Athletic fields, a swimming pool, private or connecting baths in each room, year-round outdoor activity with plenty of sun-

shine, a large fleet of powered and sail boats, and a special aviation course, are certainly an invitation to any red-blooded, young, American boy.

There are still a few desirable openings available at this time. Also, as a new feature this year, the Academy is expanding its Junior School Department by taking boys entering the fourth grade. Cadets who attended the Camp in Pine Beach will be given first consideration for any remaining openings.

FARRAGUT CAMPERS BUSY AS BEES WITH FULL SUMMER PROGRAM

An interesting survey made this summer disclosed the fact that Farragut Campers were being kept busy as a bee with fifty-two different activities on their schedule. For the enlightenment of the Camper so he can see just what he took part in this year, the Capstan has made the following listing:

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| 1) Boxing | 28) Beach Parties |
| 2) Wrestling | 29) Steal the Bacon |
| 3) Basketball | 30) Singing |
| 4) Softball | 31) Carnival Night |
| 5) Bombardment | 32) Bingo |
| 6) Volleyball | 33) Amateur Night |
| 7) Dodgeball | 34) Truth or Consequences Night |
| 8) Archery | 35) Swat the Beetle |
| 9) Speedball | 36) Beetles' Out |
| 10) Touch Football | 37) Pom-Pom-Pull-Away |
| 11) Soccer | 38) Individual Stunt Night |
| 12) Track | 39) Party Game Night |
| 13) Obstacle Course | 40) Magic Trick and Joke Program |
| 14) Tennis | 41) Shoe Scramble Races |
| 15) Ping Pong | 42) Close Order Infantry Drill |
| 16) Life Saving | 43) Watch Duty |
| 17) Swimming | 44) Flag Drills and Handling |
| 18) Badminton | 45) Conning |
| 19) Goal Hi | 46) Compass, Log and Lead |
| 20) Rifle | 47) Weather |
| 21) Handicraft | 48) Signaling (Semaphore) |
| 22) Sailing | 49) Rules of the Road (Right of Way and Lights) |
| 23) Sculling | 50) Bells and Watches |
| 24) Rowing | 51) Nomenclature |
| 25) Fishing | 52) Knots and Splices |
| 26) Nature Study | |
| 27) Athletic Quiz Contest | |

TALKING IT OVER



● General Radford chats with the Craster brothers and Camper Eichler.

Two Graduate From 1947 Summer School

This year's graduating class had among its members two cadets who, due to accelerated courses, were required to attend Summer School and gain the necessary credits for the sixteen point parchment so highly coveted.

Cadet Alan H. Sitzer, who is finishing the high school course in three years of hard work, plans to attend Champlain College in the fall. Al came to us in the summer of '46 and studied all winter along with being an active member of the Band and Company intramural teams. We hate to see him leave, but wish him good luck in his new school course.

The Third Company cannot praise Chief Petty Officer Richard E. Filgo too much for his able leadership during his three year stay at Farragut. Dick plans to attend the United States Merchant Marine Academy sometime next year and then make naval engineering his career. He'll be back at Farragut for an additional half term in the fall, and will have a well earned saber, we hope.

COMPANY CHAMPS

SENIOR THIRD

CONGRATULATIONS!



Alan Sitzer

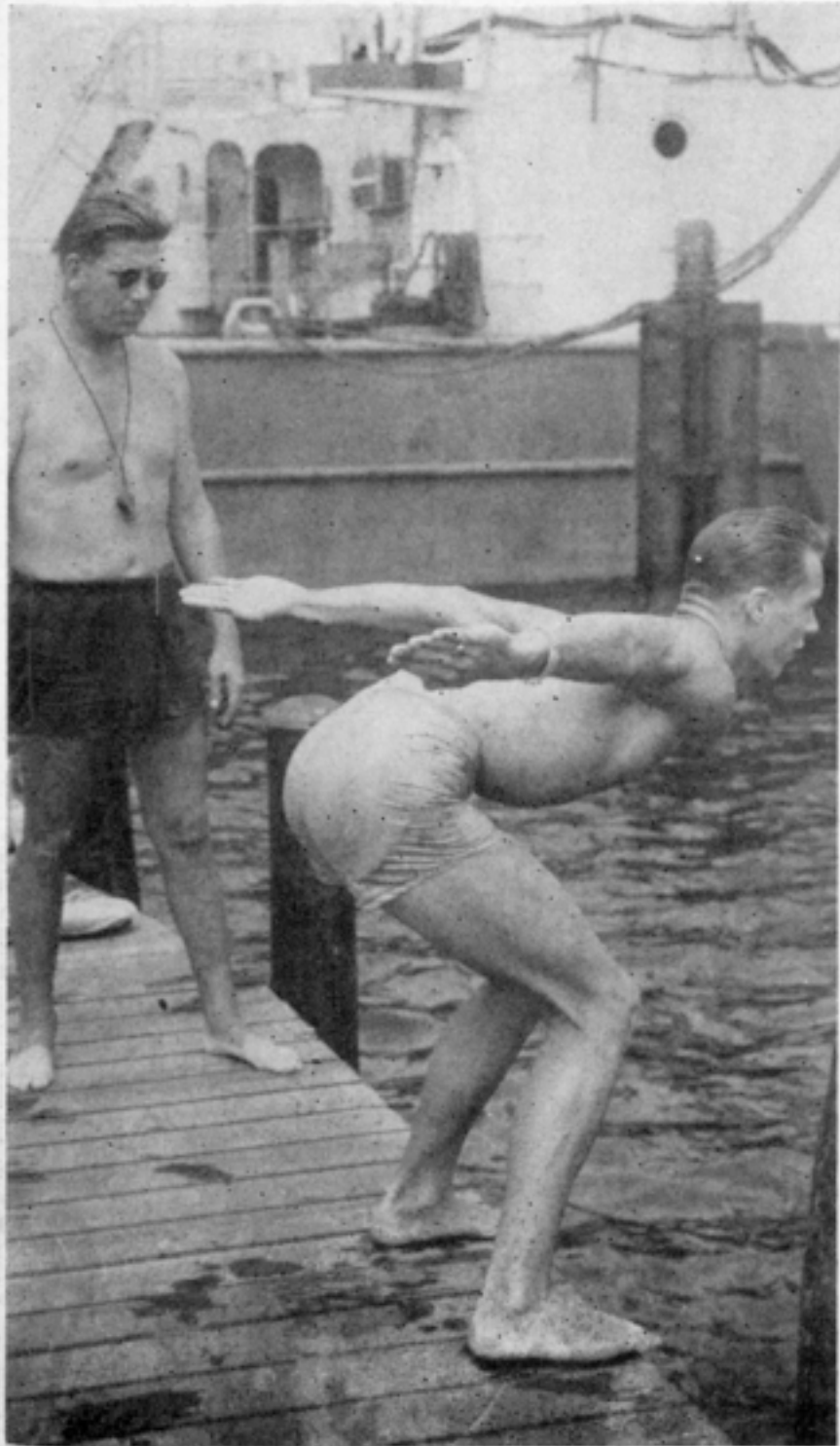


Richard Filgo

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Arms back . . .



● Swimming Instructor Wm. Enslee supervises Cadet Chapin's takeoff.

JUNIOR SECOND

Stand bye! Here comes the "Roaring Second" going into first place in the junior competition of the 1947 Summer Camp!

Under the excellent guidance and supervision of Mr. Gallagher, our company advisor, we have roared through all competition. In the first two weeks we picked up an early lead which was never relinquished.

Some of the sports that we have played this season are baseball, basketball, dodgeball, bombardment, track, swimming, boxing, and wrestling. Some of our outstanding athletes are Sweet, Lew, Westerman, Segal, Buterman D. and E., and Lippman.

This year we had a lot of Monday night activities—Hunt night, Bingo night, Carnival, and Amateur night. In the Carnival, Co. 2 Juniors took second place.

For Seamanship this year we have Chief Ruppel, who teaches us knots, bells, naval customs, and dock regulations. In our company, N. Harris is a Jr. Coxswain, Steve Carson, D. Buterman, E. Buterman, and J. Lippman are Junior Seamen.

In individual tournaments we have had our share of competitors, winning Ping Pong, Tennis, and Badminton doubles.

All in all we have had a grand time here this summer and the Junior Second

CAMP CHAMPS!

Final Fight Night at Farragut, held on Friday, August 15th, produced the following Camp Champions:

Taggert defeated O'Neil

Carson, S. defeated Nanasi

Guggenheim defeated Mayer

Abranak defeated Joyner

Lew defeated Zinn

Walstead defeated Roman

Hyans defeated Barnabei

Cooper, W. defeated Bacher, F.

Wilcox defeated Neuberger

Buterman D. defeated Hutchinson

Mirabelli, M. defeated Nanasi

Birnbaum defeated McNichols

Cainas defeated Schlobohm, T.

Orenstein defeated Blum

Birnbaum defeated Lowen

Lew defeated Schultz

Johnson, R. defeated Craster, C.

Guggenheim defeated Mayer

Butterman, E. defeated Hartmann

Rosenberg defeated Fabricant

Craster, N. defeated Naftalis

Schlobohm, T. defeated Cainas

Levine defeated Tich

Walker T. defeated Colivas

Pearson defeated Gallagher

Salzman defeated Naftalis

Curran defeated Niemeyer

Lambert defeated Dorn

Mirabelli, D. defeated Fordin, C.

Love defeated Doheny

Company hopes that next summer's group will carry on successfully.

JUNIOR THIRD

At the beginning of the summer there were the usual run of experienced and inexperienced campers. The average age was the usual run of experienced and little more difficult to get the program started, but we finally managed.

From the beginning it was obvious that most of our athletes were new. We didn't get off too well, but by the middle of the summer we were really under way. Then, boys like Fabricant, Dorn, King and others started to show their colors. We have been especially good at bombardment and dodge-ball; in fact, we take particular pride in having excelled in these two activities.

As far as boxing and wrestling go, we hope to cop a few championships as this edition of the Capstan goes to press. The boys in the Junior Companies are mostly from 100 to 120 pounds and we expect some rather tough competition, but our boys offer top notch competition too.

In swimming we are perking up. In one of our meets we took first place in everything. This heightened our spirits and from then on we have hardly lost anything in this line.

Archery is another favorite sport of ours and is one activity in which we are unbeatable. In fact, when we see that on the schedule we are ready to chalk up 5 more points. At first we had some trouble due to inexperience on the part of some, but now we don't have to worry.

All in all we are getting better and with the guidance of Mr. Swagert, we hope to keep getting better.

NIMITZ OKAYS

Dear Admiral Robison:

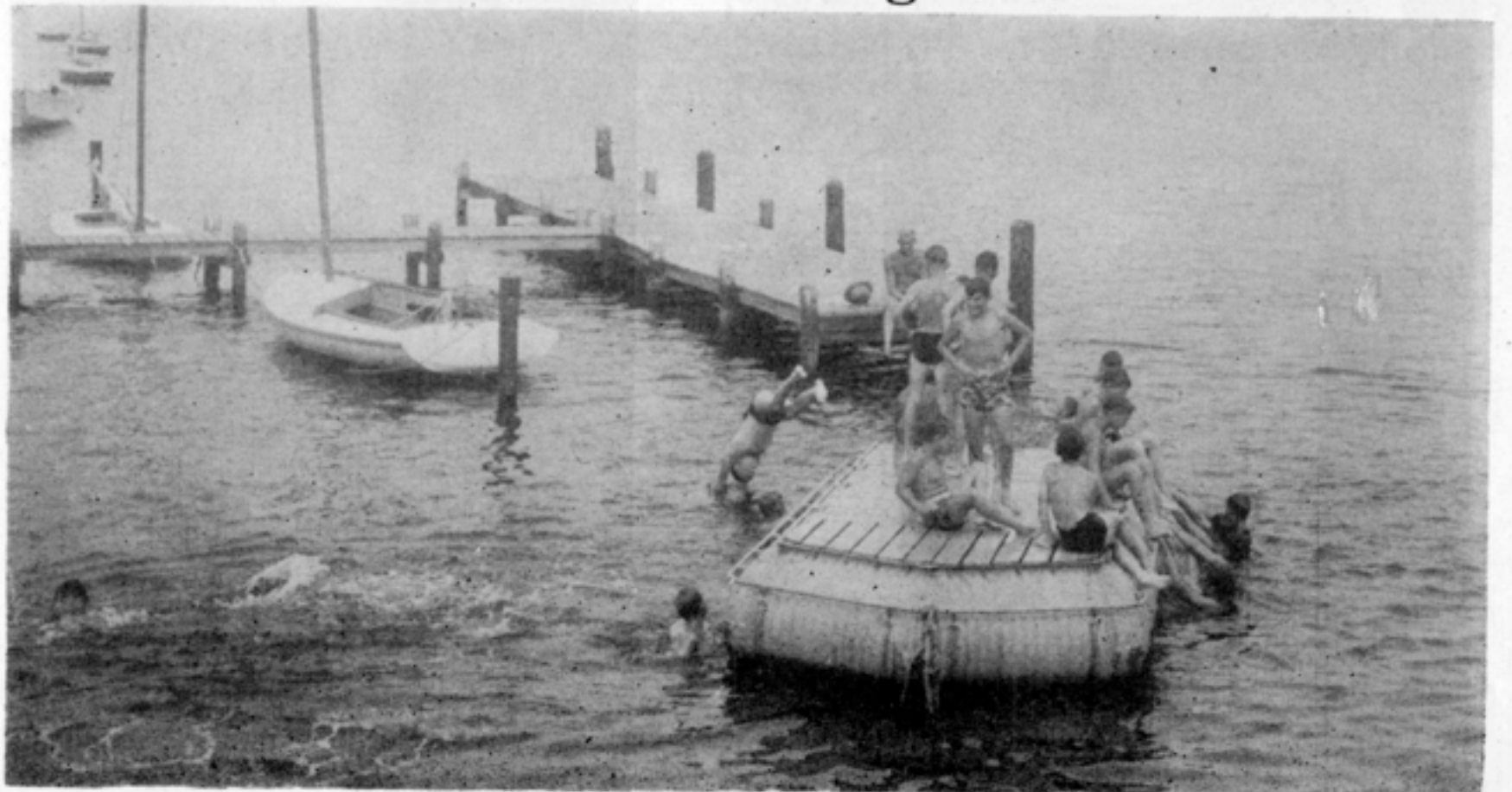
I extend to you and the faculty of Admiral Farragut Academy my hearty congratulations on the remarkable Naval Academy examination results.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

C. W. NIMITZ

The Ole Swimming Hole



● The Camp's most popular activity finds the waterfront filled with carefree, happy youngsters.