

CAMPING IN TENT AND CABIN

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CAMPING ON THE BEACH



PERMANENT LOG CAMP

FORM of American summer vacation life has shown greater expansion and development during recent years than camping. The appeal of this method of getting back to nature seems to be well nigh universal. It is assuredly has no geographical limits and it is not restricted to any class of society. Indeed, strange as it may seem, many wealthy folk who have long been accustomed to the acme of luxury in their daily life are now most enthusiastic about "roughing it" for an interval every year. Perhaps the secret of the conversion of these lovers of their own comfort to the camping fad is found in the fact that every attribute of luxurious life is now found in only slightly modified form in the unconventional life of the realm of woods and waters.

There could be no greater mistake on the part of the uninitiated than to suppose that "camping out" in this twentieth century necessarily means the rather primitive existence we have always been wont to associate with the nomadic expeditions of hunters and fishermen. That form of life in the open is still in vogue among a steadily growing number of devotees and they are, one and all, ready to declare that it is the only form of camping worth while. All the same these sportsmen-campers who dwell for the most part in temporary habitations of canvas, brush or bark, are hopelessly in the minority these days in comparison with the new-fangled campers who dwell in what are known as "permanent camps."

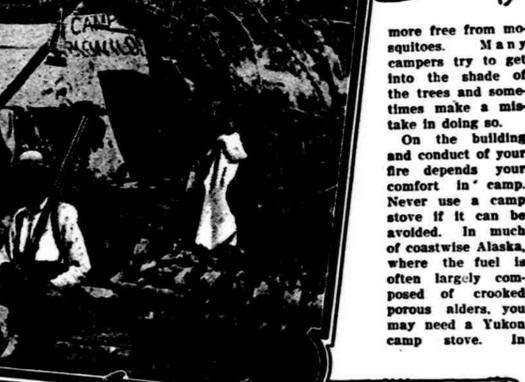
These permanent camps are in many instances set down in surroundings just as rustic and rugged as could be found for the temporary shelters, but they are designed for longer continuous occupancy. It is the permanent camp which has been responsible for enrolling in the category of campers hundreds and thousands of women who do not like bugs and smoky fires and other inconveniences of traditional camp life in its more elementary form. And because the women have gone in for camp life in considerable numbers and have, of course, taken the children to the camp environment it has come about that the average permanent camp, unlike the makeshift affairs, is occupied for weeks or more likely months at a time—and, where circumstances permit, continuously from June to October.

The very term permanent camp implies something much more costly and pretentious than the tent or tepee of the old-time camper, but while this is usually the case, it is not necessarily so. There are canvas abodes which rank as permanent camps, but they usually take the form of "tent houses" rather than the hastily pitched tent of the nomad. A tent house, it may be explained, has the canvas roof and walls stretched over an inexpensive wooden framework which gives a stability that is welcome when high winds prevail. Likewise does the tent house have a floor in the form of a wooden platform sufficiently elevated from the ground to dodge dampness and most likely it has facilities for leading through the canvas roof a stovepipe which constitutes the tangible evidence of cooking equipment of a supposedly more dependable character than the open campfire. In the less expensive grades of the permanent camp, too, are bark houses that can be constructed quickly and at a very low cost yet will remain weather tight for months with no attention.

Ascending the scale of expenditures, we come to the cabins, the shingle houses and the stone lodges that have become so popular as rustic homes where the "camp" is designed as a family abode for months at a time. And from these camps, which may cost only a few hundred dollars apiece or at most a few thousand, we advance to those marvels of the modern camping world—the log cabins of our multimillionaires, wherein may be found all the luxuries from tiled baths to electric lights. These present-day vehicles of the rich for "roughing it" in approved fashion are really entitled to rank as marvels of Yankee achievement. Some of them, such as the "camps" of Alfred Vanderbilt and J. Pierpont Morgan, are buried deep in the heart of the Adirondack wilderness—miles from the nearest railroad station or crossroads store, and yet house parties of from 20 to 30 guests are entertained at these retreats with all the perfection of detail as to menus and service that could reasonably be expected in a Newport villa.

For a temporary camp a single-pole tent with a fly is the most popular. It has many advantages, chief of which are lightness and the fact that it is easily set up. It should have a floor cloth of good canvas, to be tied in at the corners. The bed of browse or straw can be made under this floor cloth, so that the whole tent is more free from mosquitoes. Many campers try to get into the shade of the trees and sometimes make a mistake in doing so. On the building and conduct of your fire depends your comfort in camp. Never use a camp stove if it can be avoided. In much of coastwise Alaska, where the fuel is often largely composed of crooked porous alders, you may need a Yukon camp stove. In

BOY HUNTERS IN CAMP



CAMP IN THE ADIRONDACK WILDERNESS



BOYS IN CAMP

is a bed. The pole should be jointed and that is the one concession to civilization, because you might have to camp where you could not get the right pole and because you cannot well carry a full-length tent pole in a bag. And all your outfit should be carried in a bag or bundle, without a single box or hard package bigger than your fryingpan and kettle. The Indians would not have dragged their tepee poles around with them had they been able to get fresh ones at every camp. Tent pins you can get in metal; but while they are compact they are too heavy for carriage, so these you must cut afresh.

In size your peaked top tent need be only about seven feet square to accommodate two or three persons. The fly will make a storeroom, if necessary. These canvases will make into packs to hold loose articles, in case your canvas pack bags get overcrowded. Of course you can camp without any tent at all, if you like. The writer and a friend once spent a night in the Yellowstone park in winter, when the thermometer was 26 degrees below zero and we had no tent, only a strip of light canvas. We dug a hole in six feet of snow and kept a fire going all night. That sort of thing is cold work, though a tent would not have helped us much. The trapper, who sometimes covers a hundred miles on his line of traps, has lean-tos or log hovels with open fronts, so that he can keep a fire going in case he has not a cabin or tent with a stove. Even a good log fire does not offer complete comfort in case of rain. Rainy weather is far worse than cold weather and snow in camp and against rain you must have some sort of a roof. Bark and boughs sound well, but are hard to get into practical roofing shape.

Your bed ought to be good, for if you do not sleep comfortably you cannot enjoy yourself or do your work. A good bough bed is difficult and slow to make, although most writers prate about it learnedly. Again, hay or straw may be impossible to secure. What then? An air mattress? Certainly not for any old-timer. A good pair of real wool blankets, weighing in the neighborhood of 11 or 12 pounds, a heavy cotton comforter and a long strip of wide canvas to roll it all up in tight and snug and dry, and you have a camper's bed, the best outdoor bed ever yet invented, and good for any weather.

Observe, especially, that this canvas, which folds in over your folded bedclothes, keeps out the dust and the rain. Your bed should be clean and it must be dry. Roll it tight and compact and tie it snugly when you move camp.

Your camp site should never in fly time be too near the water. Get up on the bluff where the wind will strike you and you will be much

camping in the winter time you may find it better to suspend your boiling kettles over the flame by means of long sticks thrust into the ground or snow at the other end. Such a stick is called by the Canadian Indians chip-lok-quorgan. In other places it is known as a "crow." After your camp is done you must be careful to throw this stick down and not leave it standing, else you will have bad luck.

In the eastern section of the country the Adirondacks, and to a lesser extent the Catskill mountains constitute the supreme paradise of the campers, although there is much camping along the St. Lawrence river, in the lake district of New Hampshire and in the Blue Ridge mountains. In the middle states the shores of the Great Lakes afford one far-flung camp ground and one of the most popular camping meccas in the entire world is embraced in the beautiful lake regions of Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin, where the smaller sheets of water seem to enable a closer acquaintance with nature in her most alluring form. Colorado has become a great camp ground for summer tourists of late years and on the Pacific coast there is no end of camping. All sorts of settings are available for the west coast campers—woodland, seashore and mountains, not forgetting that picturesque "tent city" which rises every summer on the alluring Coronado beach, near San Diego, Cal.

ARMY'S NEW TELESCOPE.

After years of patient experimenting Dana Dudley of Wakefield, Mass., has just had the satisfaction of having his "pan angle" telescope adopted by the war department of the United States. The invention is simple in its construction, yet it is said, may revolutionize modern warfare. It consists of reflecting lenses so arranged at angles in a tube that persons or objects above or below and on all sides may be viewed from a place of concealment. The device as constructed for use in warfare is arranged so that even on disappearing guns or guns used in trenches and fired from any point invisible from the exterior the operator may ascertain the location of the enemy, target or other objective point without exposing himself.—Philadelphia Record.

IN A FIX.

"That clerk of mine is going to ask me for my daughter. He ain't earning enough to marry on." "Well?" "But if I bring up that objection he'll strike me for a salary raise."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Got Him Going and Coming

Chauncey Olcott's Denial of Identity Caused Smart Young Man to Lose Both Bets.

Chauncey Olcott is somewhat conscience-stricken—a rather unusual thing for an actor—and the cause of his remorse came about in this way: One afternoon while he was rehearsing his company in his new play, "Ragged Robin," at the Broadway

theater, New York, a young man whom he had noticed in conversation with two other men in front of the theater left his companions and, crossing the street, said: "I beg your pardon, but are you Chauncey Olcott?" "No," responded the comedian, "I'm his brother." "Then I lose my bet," exclaimed the stranger, darting in front of a car and

rejoining his companions. Mr. Olcott saw him hand one of the men a bill, and, not wishing the stranger to lose his money, he started in pursuit to explain, but there was a rush of traffic at the moment and he lost sight of them. An hour or so later Mr. Olcott was walking up Broadway when the same young man approached him with another man. "Are you Chauncey Olcott?" asked the man. "Yes, I am, and I want to say that

when I told you a little while ago I was not I didn't know you had a bet on it." "Well, I'll be bowled!" exclaimed the stranger. "That's two bets I've lost on you this afternoon. I just bet Jim here a five spot that you weren't Chauncey Olcott, and I thought I had a clinch." And he turned and walked dejectedly away. It's human nature never to be satisfied with our lot unless there's a lot of it.

EAGLES TO MEET

WILL HOLD ANNUAL CONVENTION AT CHADRON IN JULY.

HAPPENINGS OVER THE STATE

What is Going on Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska and Vicinity.

Fremont, Neb.—Officers of the state lodge of Eagles at a meeting held in Fremont laid their plans for the annual convention, which will be held at Chadron, July 14, 15 and 16. Features of the meetings will be an Indian war dance and a trip from Chadron to Hot Springs by an excursion, with a side trip to Deadwood and Lead. Monday night Fremont Eagles gave a banquet for the visiting officers and other Eagles. The following responded to toasts: Judge Althouse of Omaha, state president; J. M. Tanner of South Omaha, state secretary; R. E. Landis of Chadron, state treasurer; D. R. A. Ames of North Platte, R. H. Switzer of Lincoln, and C. H. Christensen of Fremont, members of the board of trustees; H. B. Fleharty of South Omaha, Mayor Charles A. Tracy of Benson, and Charles Huntington of Omaha Aerie No. 33.

The program for the Chadron meeting is as follows: July 14, Morning, 10 o'clock—Business session. Reports of officers. Afternoon, 2 o'clock—Entertainment by Indians, races, cattle-roping, exhibition, contests. Evening, 8 o'clock—Exemplification of the work. Cash prize for best team work. July 15: Morning and afternoon—Business. Evening—Minstrel show by Benson Eagles. Exhibition drill. July 16: Morning—Business. Afternoon—Automobile ride to Bad Lands and Indian reservation. Evening—Banquet.

Federation at Pawnee City. Pawnee City, Neb.—The seventh annual convention of the federation of women's clubs of the First congressional district has been held in Pawnee City during the past two days. The convention closed Wednesday evening with a large audience out to hear Dr. Charles Fordyce of the state university deliver his address on "How to Preserve the Bloom of Youth."

Features of special interest were a talk on modern art by Miss Sarah Hayden, a paper by Mrs. E. A. Burnett on "The Housekeeping Outlook," "Libraries of the State Institutions," "School Sanitation," by Mrs. John Crooks of Falls City. The entire program was interspersed with music and readings which pleased the audience. All sessions of the convention were well attended, twenty-two clubs being represented by sixty delegates, while many visitors were present.

Killed in Auto Accident. Central City, Neb.—Alex Lyon, a local real estate dealer, was killed Tuesday afternoon when his automobile skidded over an embankment about seven miles east of town in Hamilton county and turned over in a ditch. There was about a foot and a half of water and soft mud in the ditch and Lyon was pinned down by the steering wheel and death resulted apparently from drowning.

Plowing Up the Fall Wheat. Falls City, Neb.—P. S. Heacock, a miller of Falls City, and O. A. Cooper, miller of Humboldt, were taken to Rulo by Roy Heckold in an automobile. They found only a few small fields of fall wheat. Most of it was plowed up as being too thin a stand for a chance at a crop. At Preston Mr. Margrave told them that he had plowed up 800 acres of wheat and planted the land to other crops.

Bankers at Neligh. Neligh, Neb.—Group three of the Nebraska bankers' association held their annual session here Friday. There were 163 registered. The morning session was called to order by President George N. Seymour of Elgin. Charles H. Kelsey of this place delivered the address of welcome and it was responded to by O. T. Eastman of Omaha. George N. Seymour, the president, delivered the annual address.

Boys Install Wireless Station. Alhambra, Neb.—Two Alhambra high school boys, Max McGill and Erland Townsend, have installed two wireless telegraph stations, one at the McGill home and the other at the high school buildings. With their instruments they send messages, using the Morse code. Their receiving station is located for a distance of 800 miles, but they can send messages only 100 miles.

Fairbury, Neb.—At the special election called Tuesday to vote on the proposition for issuing bonds to the sum of \$125,000 to buy the present light and water plant or construct a new one, or grant the present company a twenty-five year franchise, the vote was for the issuance of the light bonds, 446; against, 214; for the issuance of water bonds, 441; against, 221; for the granting of a new franchise, 195; against, 491. As it required a two-thirds vote on the water bonds, the proposition was defeated.

Employees Get Increase. Galveston, Tex.—The unorganized employees of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe's lines in Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma are to receive an increase in wages. The increase is 6 per cent and affects nearly ten thousand employees.

Elmwood, Neb.—Bonds were voted here Saturday for a new school building. Forty-one votes were cast against the proposition and one hundred and fifty for it.

NEBRASKA HAPPENINGS.

State News and Notes in Condensed Form.

Miss Marie Hrobacek, a young lady residing at Odell, was adjudged insane. Gordon Bowie, a resident of Schuyler, was killed in a runaway accident at Schuyler. Mayor Burrell of Fremont issued a formal proclamation calling on Fremont to observe May 8 as Mothers' day. Arthur Page of Norfolk, an inmate of the institution for feeble minded youth at Beatrice, died of typhoid fever.

The new German Lutheran church, eight and one-half miles southwest of Tecumseh, will be dedicated on Sunday, May 8.

The city, co-operating with the Fremont fire department, will build new cement house in the four wards of Fremont.

Mr. Kirk of Auburn, who was a soldier in the sixties, is at present dying after many months of falling health. He is one old soldier who never got a cent of pension.

David J. Schuman, the ten-year-old son of C. E. Shuman of Cedar Creek, was run over and killed in the Cedar Creek yards Tuesday morning by Burlington train No. 23.

The petition in bankruptcy of Thomas J. O'Neill of Hayes Center was heard at McCook before Referee Gus Norberg of Holdrege. C. A. Ready of Hayes Center was made trustee.

Fire destroyed a box car on the Burlington repair tracks at Wymore. Other cars near were damaged somewhat. Sparks from the switch engine were supposed to have started the blaze.

The Elkhorn valley association of Congregational churches held the twenty-sixth annual meeting in Atascadero. There are twenty-nine churches in the association and most of them were represented.

The body of the late Horace A. Greenwood, who died two years ago, which has been in receiving vaults in Beatrice since, was taken to Wymore and placed in the family tomb in the Wymore cemetery.

It is planned to spend \$4,000 of the money which will come to the city from saloon license fees at Wymore to build a new city hall, which is badly needed. As yet no opposition to the proposition has appeared.

A bronze medal, said to have been given by the state of Nebraska to Capt. J. L. McDonald, Second regiment, Nebraska national guard, for service in the Wounded Knee Indian war of 1891, has been found in Illinois.

Temporary repairs have been made to the Burlington bridge over the Platte, which was partially destroyed by fire Sunday evening, and the company is again able to use its own tracks between Aurora and Grand Island.

Martin Sronf, while at work on a concrete bridge near Johnson, made a misstep and fell upon the pieces of rock eighteen feet below. His head and shoulders were badly bruised and his left arm was broken below the elbow.

Mayor Rutherford of Beatrice has served notice upon Night Officer John Murray that his services will not be needed after April 30. This will leave the city with but one night officer. Insubordination is reported to be the cause for the removal of Murray.

State-wide prohibition and woman's suffrage and ways by which they can better fight for these two issues were discussed by officers of the W. C. T. U. in Nebraska, who held their annual convention in Fremont. There were about seventy-five state and county officers of the W. C. T. U. present at the meeting.

Asher Grandstaff, the four-year-old son of William Grandstaff of Alliance, was run over and killed by a sand wagon Wednesday. The child was climbing up the rear wheel of the wagon when Driver F. Anderson started and could not stop before the heart and lungs were so badly crushed that the boy died within a few minutes.

Frank E. Coffman of Lincoln proved his friendship for A. W. Weatherly of that place by submitting to an operation and giving about two square feet of his skin to be grafted on the body of Weatherly. The operation was performed Monday morning by physicians for the Burlington. Weatherly was suffering from the effects of a burn and grafting was finally decided as necessary to save his life.

The democrats of the Fifth district are planning to have a big banquet at Beaver City the evening of May 16. Governor Shallenberger, D. R. Sutherland and a number of other prominent democrats of the district and state will be present to give their views of the coming campaign. It is expected by those in charge of arrangements that this will be one of the most momentous gatherings to be held in the Fifth previous to the formal opening of the fall campaign.

Owing to the fact that Superintendent Woodward of the state asylum has refused to take any more insane people from Gage county at the present time, the county commissioners are planning upon fitting up a room in the court house where insane people may be cared for until they can be received.

By an almost unanimous vote the Fremont Men's club decided not to disband. It elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, T. L. Mathews; vice president, W. H. Buss; secretary, J. A. Yager.

The subscription list circulated to place the West Point speed association on a sufficiently sound financial basis to insure the success of the race meet in July has reached the sum of \$2,300, much more than enough to guarantee the carrying out of the intentions of the management in a way to reflect credit on the city and state.

The Knights Templar of Nebraska City are preparing to have a big time on May 5. They will install their new officers aided by a number of outside members and state officers and follow their labors with a banquet.

THE WAY WE JUDGE PEOPLE.



"Griet is a very unobservant man." "You mean that he doesn't see the same things that you do."

A "Crisis." A mother of a seven-year-old lad was daily expecting a visit from the stork, and found the little fellow's conduct so annoying that his father was called upon to interfere. "Bobby," said papa, "mamma is quite ill, and we are afraid that if you are not a better boy and mind your mother, it will bring on a crisis. Now, my boy, perhaps you don't know what a crisis is." "Oh, yes, I do, papa," said Bobby, blithely, "it's either a boy or a girl."—Judge.

The Outlook. "You were very cold last evening," phoned the young man to the girl he had called on. Then he added, anxiously: "What is the outlook for tonight?" "Fair and warmer tonight," came the answer promptly.—Judge.

His Last. Poet's Wife—My husband read this poem at a public celebration before thousands of people. Alas! it was the last poem he ever wrote. Publisher—I see. Did they lynch him or shoot him?—Lealle's Weekly.

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