

GREENWICH GUNCH

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- TRAINING! TRAINING! TRAINING!

After a week of extensive training under expert specialists Philmont staffers have scattered to meet the challenge and jobs that await them. The highlight of the week was the banquet that was held that first Friday evening. Under the able chairmanship of Buzz Clemmons the program included presentations and some information about the history of Philmont by Mr. Bryan, and a challenge from Jack Rhea, which proved to be very inspiring. Les Klusman led some songs that filled the room with power and beauty. What a staff!

Jack Rhea's usual sense of humor kept the audience in stitches with jokes about the chairman, Kelsall's Volks, and the wild west.

- NOTICE TO RANGERS -

Due to a new logging road in the Central Sector of the ranch the trail leading from Cito to Harlan has been crossed by a road and is hard to see. Inquire before hitting the trail from Cito to Harlan or visa-versa.

- OPERATION SCATTER -

Operation scatter seems to have been a fine success. At Cito Rhea Serpan fired up the group of ten men who soon found a lot in common and a single desire to work together.

As was evidenced in the assembly Friday, the Cito staff shows enthusiasm, loyalty, and desire to do the job as should be done. We waxed proud of our

- A FEW WORDS -

with Rhea Serpan

Without a doubt, Philmont is off to a blazing start for the 1959 camping season. Through 20 years of experience, we have learned many things about operating a camp of 127,000 acres. With all the experience and knowledge that has gone before us we are perhaps the best equipped camp staff anywhere in the world. This presents us with quite a personal challenge. The campers coming to Philmont are expecting a great scouting adventure. It is our duty and privilege to see that these young men from all over the nation receive an experience that they will never forget. With this thought in mind, the staff at Cimarroncito is doing their best to be gracious hosts to our guests. We invite the rest of the staffs here to do the same.

(Operation Scatter, cont.)

director who blossomed forth with a very interesting report for Cito.

After dusting and scrubbing no less than 20,000 square feet of shelves, a mouse colony was found in a chuckbox. The chuckbox was carried into the parking lot. While two men opened the box and proceeded to push the nests into a garbage can, four others stood by with axe handles, brooms, shovels, and clubs to smunch the mice that tried to make a break for it! The entire colony was annihilated. Experienced extermination service, cheap. See us.

- BOBBIN'S BOBTALES -

Sunday, usually a day of relaxation and rest, turned into a one of sadness for the Cito staff.

After entering one of the new cabins, four very shocked members of the staff turned around and found another of their number, Chip, dead.

Chip was a legend here at Cito, one which will live forever in the hearts of all who gaze upon his ant-eaten body, buried nearby

Door Chip used to make his permanent home in a small hole just up the hill from the Cito Commissary. He was very busy- helping to provide for his old and incapacitated parents. One could always find him borrowing food from the commissary or jealously defending his hard-won gains from vicious birds, animals and-homo sapiens.

This was all until the day when he was gently abducted(after a twenty minute chase by eight of the Cito staff). In his last days he adapted to a new life in the shirt pocket of Hunt Britchard.

Readily he sipped milk and dispatched cookies in Hunter's cabin.

But all the time in the back of his mind was the thought of his poor, old family still living in the hole. What would become of these folks without the family breadwinner at their side? We do not know. All we can do is print Chip's obituary.

Moral : Look before you walk into a cabin : you may step on a chipmunk.

- HORSEMEN NEWS -

Cito wranglers have been on the trail to a successful program for campers. Up at 4:30 each morning they find a long day ahead of them after a long ride to Clark's Fork where they hang out. Eddie and Lawrance Sanchez are aided by Slim Foley, Pete Drowne, and Bill Jacobian.

- Q. M. CURIOS -

Chief "head" hunter and all around handy man, "Dutch" Clark has all the essentials of Cito in tip top shape. Of course, after stepping into a sump, the work was increased. But in making his daily rounds, Dutch is the man most likely to catch one with his pants down.

- CITO'S T.P. -

"Rodent" Rodenhizer, T.P. manager says that things are up to par in his little establishment, averaging \$45.00 a day for the first three days. Sales are roaring in pith helmets and sweatshirts. Candy and pop retain the usual high score on the sales chart, while ponchos are staying on the shelf as it rains at least once a day. Rodent is a charming and jovial salesman, and every morning he chips the ice off the pop machine so he can serve the drinks.

- HEARTBEAT -

Dear Hunter,
Because of the obvious exotic implications of my French name, it has occurred to me that there will soon be numerous hordes of campers heading toward Cyphers Mine in pursuit of a French girl. My problem is: Should I play the part of an innocent French girl and provide entertainment for the campers as well as for the leaders, or should I keep my self respect and play straight-arrow through out the camping season.

Bewildered,
Rene DeHon

Dear Rene,
I haven't had much experience in handling this type of problem. However, I will try to advise you to the best of my ability. Well, er...ummmm....uh, yeh,...well, WHY NOT!
Hunter Britchard (love-lorn counseling service over 25 years

- NEWS AROUND PHILMONT -

by Jerry Olive

Did you know that the CitoCamp director is engaged? Cito just recently had four very nice visitors. They were Butch Clark's mother and dad and his two sisters - one is 5 and the other is 16 and real cool. Well, to get on with the story, our cook for the time is Lawton Morrison, who was preparing supper with unusual gusto. He seemed to be more talkative and cheery than usual that day. It could be that he was encouraged by Butch's sister, Tina, who was peeling the potatoes!

Did you know that Hunter Prichard eats more than the rest of the Cito staff? He is also the biggest story teller. He will be a new man by the end of the summer because he is taking the muscle building course that Cito offers to staff members for 25¢ a lesson. After two lessons five people have already shown a tremendous difference!

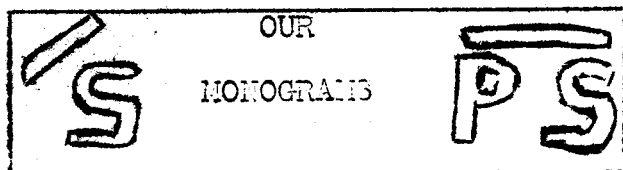
A word to the Pueblano staff: Don't try to teach a rifle course with no ammunition. It can't be done!!

This ends our news for this week. So if you have anything along these lines about your staff, send it to Cito in care of the social editor. Play it cool and drop up to see a cool staff at the greatest camp.

*indirecting Cito's complex operation.

- DID YOU KNOW -

The Cimarroncito Staff this year has a total of 42 years of Philmont staff experience? This is an average of 3 years per man.



- GANNON'S GABBERINGS -

Only wondering about a few things today.

Training Center: Keep-em coming to Cito. Bring some food or, even better, a cook.

From the Radio: Glad to see all camps running smoothly, too bad they all run so slow.

Smitty (Rayado): Heard you have been photographing some real smooth babes back home for your college magazine. Any luck here?

Jerry, and his gym, is really booming. The Cito staff is now on lesson one.

First Camp Director's meeting: Gunch, gunch, and more gunch!

Is there any truth to the rumor that Cliff (Dean) has an itchy thumb on Highway #64?

Who on the Car-Max staff needs a bath? Gayle?

Jim Dinsmore (Crater): Skin diving coming along ok???? Also have you read the writing on the walls yet? Send some up, we don't have any at all.

Forky: How's mother Eilert doing, Doc?

Addition to the radio 10 code 10-1002: meaning, women under 22 on the way to camp.

Are all camps flying a flag? If so, secede from Philmont and apply for foreign aid on the food costs.

Got any juicy gossip? Send it to Gannon's Gabberings, Cito (Persons sending info will be responsible upon publication).

- CITO'S HOUSE PAYMENT AWARD -

All members of Philmont are invited to send a post card with your name and address for the drawing to be held in the near future. The lucky winner will be allotted enough money to cover his room payment here at Philmont for the month of the drawing.

-ANTOINE'S KITCHEN-

It is a well known fact that excessive culinary experts tend to render unpalatable certain liquid nutrients. Such, however was not the case at Cito last week. And now, again however, we would like to announce the opening of the Philmont branch of Antoine (antwans) of New Orleans.

We will be serving this year such delicacies as chocolate covered ants, fried rattlesnake and Hunter Fritchard if he does not stop eating our supplies!

Now, staff members, is your waist dribbling down to four inches, three of which is backbone? Are you blown over every time someone slams the door? Did you finally eat the cook last night out of sheer, desperate starvation? If so, come to Antoine's. We can always throw a few more vanilla flavored horse flies or chocolate covered chipmunks in the pot for you.

ANTOINE'S RECIPE FOR THE DAY!

To avoid burning advisors, sprinkle with **COUKTESY**.

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***ROVER ***

For the past few days your roving ranger reporter has been enjoying a pleasant stay at Cito Country Club. The beautiful resort is now in full operation with several new program features, including the popular aquatics.

The Cito dining hall is now operating under the new management of "Swab" Morrison who has cocktail hours daily at 5:30 and the main course served at 6:00.

Your reporter made a side trip Monday to Cyphers Mine. He rode in the ranch limousine (pick-up truck). It was noted that during the trip the freeway was a bit rough in spots. During my short stay at this resort, I took in many breath-taking sites. The most outstanding one was the highest bridge on the ranch that spans the canyon. The staff is now living in a completely reconditioned split level home. The guests, this year, are moving into new quarters high on the canyon side over-looking the beautiful valley.

That's all for this week, but if my car is wrested from the wild hands of Godfrey, I'll be able to mobile around and gather some more news from around and about for next time.

FROM: GREENWICH GUNCH
Cimarroncito Base Camp
Philmont Scout Ranch
Cimarron, New Mexico

TO: (You poor unlucky soul)