

HISTORY COMPANY 310 S-75-Pa. Hyner, Pa.

Army Personnel

Capt. A. A. Smith
Commanding
Lt. Frank E. Engelman
trgeon and Exchange
Officer

Lt. Oliver P. Gillock ss Officer and Adjutant Ir. Wilson M. Carr CEA

fr. Clarence Cowfer WPA Teacher On May 6, 1933, Company 310 arrived at its present site, two miles from Hymer, Pa., a small community on the main highway between Lock Haven and Renovo. The camp site was formerly known as the Koller farm, and a member of that family has been enrolled in the company almost from its very beginning.

Throughout the summer and winter of 1933 construction of buildings was carried on, and by March of 1934 all building operations had been completed. Commercial electricity was not avail-

able, so a generating plant was installed, and has been in operation for three years. A water reservior was constructed having a capacity of 4,000 gallons.

The original, rather barren looking camp site has gradually been transformed into a most attractive spot under the untiring efforts of all connected with the company. Much of the efforts were nullified during the spring of 1936 when flood waters swept through the camp. The men of the company responded promptly and willingly to the work of reconstruction after the flood in the neighboring towns. At the height of the flood, members of the company met Army bombing planes from Aberdeen, Md., bringing food and medical supplies for a community cut off from outside assistance. As the bundles of supplies were dropped by the planes, the men retrieved them, and camp trucks transferred them to Renovo for distribution.

A program of education was inaugurated in the fall of 1933, and since that time has been enlarged, proving to be a real influence in the life of the camp members. Notable features of the program have been

the formation of photography, dramatics, and journalism groups. A photography group, known as the Camera Club, and a dramatic group, the Twin-Valley Dramatic Club, have been formed. The journalism class has been responsible in a large part for the publication of the "Twin-Valley Topics", camp newspaper. The name Twin-Valley was chosen for the camp in 1935 because of the fact that the camp lies at the head of two valleys.

A total of 16 officers has served the camp since its organization. However, the present company commander, Capt. A. A. Smith, built the company and has commanded it since that time. The other two officers on duty are First Lieut. Frank E. Engleman, and Second Lieut. Oliver P. Gillock, who have been with the company 14 and two months respectively.

The work projects for the company have been confined to State Forest land, covering approximately 100,000 acres, and comprise the building of roads and bridges, fire trails, stand improvement cutting, stock surveys, stream improvement, blister rust control, and general maintenance of the forest.