

HISTORIES OF DISBANDED COMPANIES—Continued

315th Inf.-Res., assumed command. Under his direction the camp construction was accomplished. He was assisted by Lieutenants Garrett, Cooley and Abram Goldman—the latter as medical officer. The E.C.W. Personnel were H. H. Lovelace, Superintendent, C. M. Thompson, Engineer. The outstanding feature of this camp was its spirit of unity. The Army and ECW personnel worked together in such cooperative spirit that it remains to this day as one of the finest tributes to those who founded, built and closed this camp after a brilliant record of service.

BRIEF HISTORY OF 337th COMPANY CAMP S-139—GREENTOWN, PA.

(DISBANDED)

Company 337 was organized at Fort Hoyle, Md., on May 5, 1933, and on May 6, 1933, the men arrived at Cresco, Pa., and later in the day established themselves at Promised Land Lake.

Despite the fact that most of these men were from Philadelphia, away from home for the first time, these brave people very rapidly adapted themselves to the new environment. It was a cold, damp, rainy day when the company arrived at Cresco. A cold, uncomfortable ride on the trucks followed, where the men were unloaded at the Public Camp Ground. It was not until May 16 that they moved to the regular permanent camp site and lived there under canvas.

On the morning of June 5, the company was turned over to the State Department for work in the fields. The work went well that summer, but the cold weather hit early that fall and the company was forced to move out of the tents and make their homes in the present barracks buildings.

Throughout the history of Company 337 there were three fires which resulted in the destruction of three buildings.

Numerous officers have come and gone. The first Commanding Officer was Lieutenant McNair, while the last one was Captain George Harness. The company was disbanded on May 23, 1936, and was replaced by Company 5463, CCC, a Fourth Corps Area company.

BRIEF HISTORY OF 382nd COMPANY CAMP 140-PA.—GOULDSBORO, PA.

(DISBANDED)

On May 15th, 1935, Lieut. C. B. Terrill and five men entrusted for Camp 140, Gouldsboro, Pa., as advanced guard for the company which was at Mount Union, Pa. On May 22, 1935, Capt. George Harness arrived with his company. A short time later Captain Harness was transferred to the Promise Land Camp and Lieut. Victor A. Sharrett arrived from Camp 94 to take command. A few weeks later Captain Leslie S. Howell was transferred from Camp S-94 to command Camp S-140. On March 1, 1936, Captain Howell returned to civil life. He was replaced by Capt. Harvey A. Smith, formerly commander at Tobyhanna, Pa., and after a short time was recalled to Tobyhanna, and was succeeded at Thornhurst by Lieut. Ernest H. Noedel from Laporte, Pa.

Other officers of the company during its stay at Thornhurst were: Lieut. Thomas M. Walton, Lieut. C. A. Davidson, Lieut. J. N. Taylor and Lieut. Cohan. Its medical men were Lieut. Naples, T. G. Dequvedo, Lieut. Richard J. Wehs, Lieut. Joseph P. Nelson.

The disbanding of the company took place on October 15, 1936, and the members were sent to Mehoopany, Benton, and Laporte, Pa.

BRIEF HISTORY OF 1326th COMPANY CAMP S-123-PA. ELIZABETHVILLE, PA.

(DISBANDED)

Company 1326, a veteran company was organized on June 27, 1933 at Fort George G. Meade, Md., where the company was held for conditioning until July 9, 1933, at which time the group was transferred to the Mitchell Run Creek region of Pennsylvania. The company established Camp S-69-Pa., at Beaver Springs, Pa.

On May 15, 1934, the company moved to its present location, Camp S-123-Pa., Elizabethtown, Pa.,

where it replaced Junior Company 278. At the time of occupying the camp, the company consisted of only 81 enrollees, but it was soon brought up to regular strength again early in July, 1934, by the arrival of about 110 enrollees from Fort Humphreys, Va.

The work accomplished during the time the company has occupied the camp includes building of three miles of telephone lines, reduction of fire hazards over 200 acres, cleaning 25 miles of roadside, improving forest stand on 200 acres, building 20 miles of truck trails, construction of public camp grounds, and numerous other worthwhile undertakings. The company has devoted between 1200 and 1400 man days to fire fighting.

During the disastrous flood period of March and April, 1936, the company was highly commended for its fine performance of duty and for the hearty cooperation of both the officers and enrollees. All remained in and around the vicinity of Sunbury, Pa., to assist in any way possible during the emergency.

Company 1326 felt that it was a distinct honor when in July, 1935, Captain Lane received orders from the War Department to take half of Company 1326, and form a new company, which was moved to Birdsboro, Pa., where the group established Camp SP-17, Company 3031.

The company is one of the pioneer companies to establish a veteran camp in Eastern Pennsylvania, and since its organization has held the reputation of being well organized, continuously progressive, and possessing an excellent morale. The well laid out and home-like appearance of the camp has always brought favorable comment from those who have had the occasion to visit the company.

While the company has not enjoyed great success in competitive athletic events, members have always been ready to participate in such events for the sheer enjoyment that could be obtained from such participation. The company, while engaged in athletic events has enjoyed the reputation of being a group of good losers and sporting gentlemen.

The company proudly enjoys the fact that there are still about eleven "Charter Members" who were in the original group of enrollees at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, when the company was first organized on June 27, 1933.