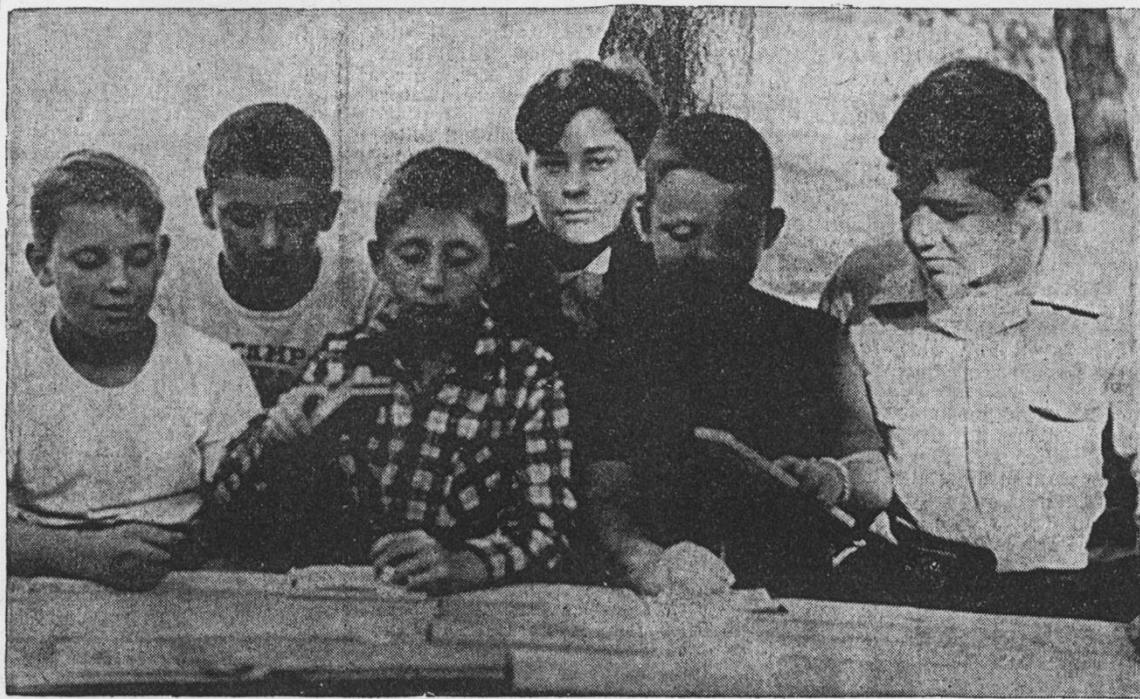
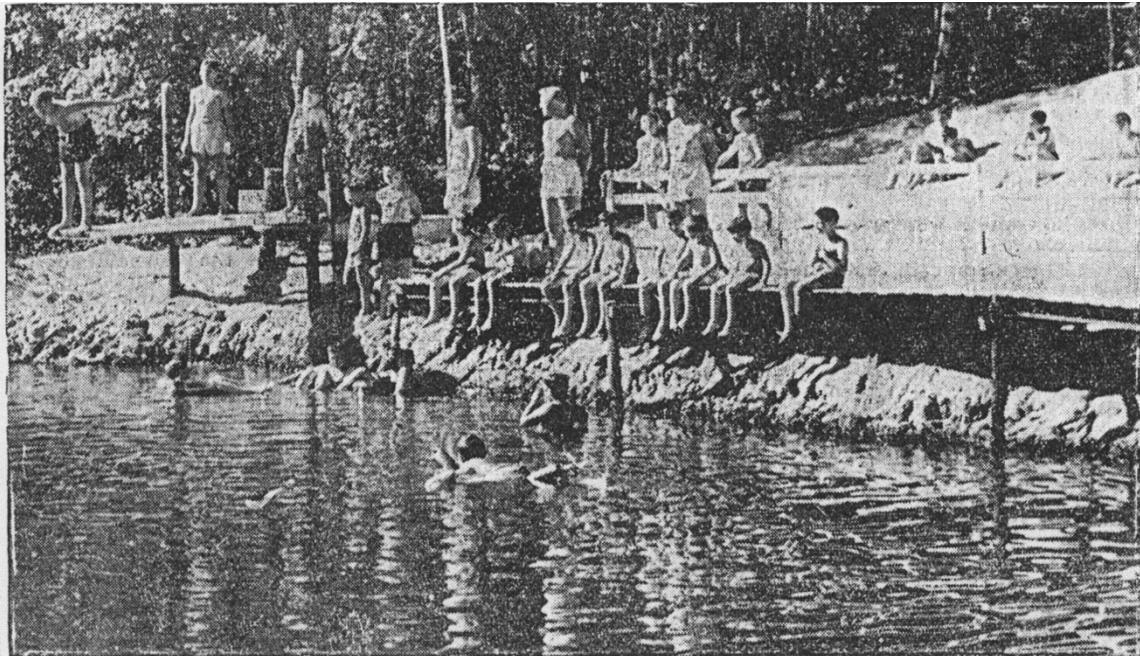


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**AT CAMP WAUPACA**—After the soft sand on the northeast shore of Stratton lake was dredged and piled on the shore (shown at right, above), an ideal man-made swimming hole was formed at new Camp Waupaca, 6½ miles southwest of the city. **BELOW**, Evan Wolozin and Bruce Hawley (seated, center), are doing handicraft metal tapping while being watched by Jerry Ness (seated, left) and Norm Weinress. Standing are (from left) Jerry Sloan and Gilbert Rothschild.  
(County Post photos)

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# **New Camp Located On Stratton Lake**

Fifty boys between the ages of 6 and 16 are enjoying outdoor life at Camp Waupaca on the former Clarence Fille's farm bordering the northeast shore of Stratton lake.

One of the community's newest enterprises, this camp 6½ miles southwest of Waupaca consists of a perfect swimming hole with a sandy beach, 20 acres of woods and 51 acres of open fields.

The private camp is individually owned by Irving "Skipper" Kuklin and Joseph Rosen who opened the 71 acres for the first time this summer. The boys, mostly from Illinois, are spending an 8-week period there from June 27 to Aug. 21.

After a great deal of hard work and expense and many hours of planning, the foundation was laid last November but work was delayed because of the snow. With Edmund Johnson of Waupaca as contractor, work was started in earnest again Apr. 9.

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**NOW THE CAMP** is fully equipped with three large cabins, a 20 by 100 foot dining room, hot and cold running water, electricity and all the facilities desired by young men for the enjoyment of the freshness and beauty of central Wisconsin.

The three living quarters 20 by 48 feet are divided in the middle and provide six units. Each building has its own bath house, toilet facilities and wash basins.

From eight to 10 boys are bunked in a cabin, and they have their own locker shelves. An instructor is in charge of each unit.

The owners converted the concrete block garage in the rear of the former Fille's farm house into an infirmary capable of accommodating five boys. Delphine Stack, Chicago, is the registered nurse on duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Kuklin and Judy, and Mr. and Mrs. Rosen and baby Arline reside in the farm home near the infirmary. Stevie Kuklin, Larry and Bobby Rosen live in the boys' cabins and come "home"

now and then to say hello to their parents.

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**CAMP WAUPACA** has been operating on day-light saving time since Aug. 1 to give the boys an extra hour of daylight after their supper hour. Reville is at 7:15 a.m. and classes begin at 10 a.m.

The combined experience of Skipper and Rosen totals 32 years in the direction and operation of camps. Skipper, a Red Cross water safety instructor, is a physical education teacher at Avoca school in Wilmette, Ill. Rosen is principal of Howland grade school in Chicago.

Jerry Hasterok, who instructs handicraft work at the camp, has been in the Chicago school system about 23 years. Roman Danielson, principal of Waupaca high school, is in charge of boats, canoeing and camping trips.

Wally Gembica a teacher at Senn high school, Chicago, is a Red Cross water safety instructor and teaches swimming. Keith Bancroft, a teacher in Chicago, instructs photography and directs music at Camp Waupaca.

David Weiner, a student at the University of Wisconsin, and Art Mawrence, a University of Illinois student, assist in athletic instruction and dramatics.

Nine high school boys are counselors-in-training, and help in cabin duties and lend their talents where needed. They are Norm Friedland, Erwin Helfer, Jerry

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Lasinsky, Chuck Levi, Al Roin, Jerry Sloan, Al Sokolow, Ronnie Stone and Sandy Takiff.

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**THE SANDY BEACH** on their shore of Stratton lake was no more than 1 foot deep before Joe Stange's big shovel was put to work moving thousands of tons of sand from the lake. Now the man-made swimming hole is 8½ feet deep at the deepest end under the diving board. The wading water for young boys is separated from the deep water by a pier and guards are on duty at all times.

A row of rushes farther out in the lake keeps the marl from "invading" the swimming hole, and the rushes form a "fence," providing the spot with a safe water front.

The east 20 acres of the farm are made into a 9-hole golf course. Two tennis courts, three ball diamonds and plenty of open space provide room galore for recreation.

Norman Peterson of Waupaca has eight of his riding horses at the camp where riding instructions are given by Nancy Peterson and Albert Scheller, both of Waupaca. Other types of recreation are baseball, horseshoes, badminton, football, soccer, riflery, archery, boxing, volleyball, track, fishing, croquet, tetherball and box hockey.

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**IT IS ONE** of the few boys' camps in this area which combines a "farm camp" with the usual "sports" camp. Their farm, for the city boy who has little opportunity to see farm animals, includes ducks, chickens, goats, guinea pigs, rabbits and dogs.

Each housing unit has a clearing in the woods roped off where the boys may camp out. The buddy call system, the accepted Red Cross method is used during the swimming periods.

The modern kitchen is in charge of Miss Opal Duncan, Cumberland. Her assistants include Mary Wilde, Rt. 1, Waupaca; Mrs. Olga Winkler, Ogdensburg, and Shirley and Sharon Cate, twins from Rt. 1, Waupaca.

A library, ping pong table and piano occupy one end of the dining room. Forest Payne, who lives across the road from the camp is caretaker.

Mrs. Jennie Purvin, of the camp placement bureau of Mandell Bros. department store in Chicago, visited the camp Friday. Saturday was parents' visiting day.

"We hope to accommodate 75 boys next year," Skipper said this week, "after we expand our facilities."

A right turn at Schrock's corners off highway 22 about 1½ miles south of Rural will lead the visitor to Camp Waupaca.