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Maroons Lead in First Score Report

The Maroons drew first blood in the annual struggle for points. At the campfire of Saturday, July 13, Dave Fergus announced the score to date as: Maroons, 1005; Greys, 695. As is the case with most initial scores, this was more a hint of things to come than a representative sampling of Kawanhee at full blast. Many departments were still in the introductory phase devoted to getting the summer's projects under way and were not yet ready to measure progress in terms of points. The score therefore consisted of "Level" points from only five departments, plus the pay-off on the season's first Maroon-Grey sports event, the track meet of Saturday, July 13.

Due to a new policy of the Athletic Department, the results of this meet bulked large in the total score. The Maroons won the event, 63 to 55. If the practice of former years had been followed, the total score of the Maroons would have been upped by 63, and that of the Greys by 55, giving the Maroons a gain of only 8 points for a major team effort. Such a result is felt to be disproportionately small in comparison with the sums of points awarded in non-competitive Level work and inconsistent with the practice of awarding a block of points for the winning of a Maroon-Grey baseball game. At the beginning of the season, therefore, the Athletic counselors placed the point value of 200 on a meet victory regardless of the actual score of the event, and the Maroons profited by this solid block of 200 points, rather than by the skimpy edge of 8.

The "Level" remains the basic unit for measuring accomplishment at Kawanhee, although variations on the theme are appearing in certain areas of the scoring charts. Traditionally the nine major departments (Athletics, Boating, Campcraft, Nature, Sailing, Shop, Swimming, Tennis and Wrestling) have been so organized that progress could be evaluated by three graduated "levels" in each age group: the elementary First Level worth 15 points; the intermediate Second, 35 points; and the advanced Third, 50 points. Activity heads have recently evinced some disposition to break out of this framework. Swimming has been re-oriented to the Red Cross system of classification: Sailing has evolved a set of categories (Novice, Crew, Bosun, etc.) all its own; and the Athletic Department has reached a somewhat less than crystal clear relationship with Tennis and Wrestling. These conflicts will doubtless be ironed out as the season advances, leaving to the Scorekeeper the lone necessity of beating his brains out on present ambiguities. And Fergie's head is so blond that a premature crop of grey hair won't be noticeable there!

Achievement Levels, July 1 - July 13

Rivaling the score in the breadth, if not the intensity, of interest aroused at every Saturday campfire is the series of announcements dealing with the Achievement Levels passed during the preceding week. As each activity head makes his report, it is the Kawanhee custom for every camper whose name is read to stand and remain standing to receive a round of applause with all the others who have completed

work in the department within the period. On Saturday, July 13, the list was as follows:

NATURE, Junior B — First Level: J. Benua, D. Bittenbender, J. Cross, W. Dale, N. Dendy, J. Evans, J. Glidden, H. Jandl, G. Johnson, J. Kirk, S. Lutz, A. McElroy, R. Morton, J. Paul, R. Perkins, P. Roberts, D. Roth, F. Stewart, T. Taylor.

SAILING, Novice: D. Bittenbender, B. Cooke, J. Cross, H. Curtze, J. Curtze, N. Dendy, B. Dooley, J. Evans, C. Gelpi, J. Glidden, P. Gockenbach, R. Jackson, H. Jandl, G. Johnson, J. Kirk, T. Lawrence, B. Meserole, R. Miskimen, D. Roth, J. Ruhle, R. Shepard, A. Smith, T. Staples, T. Tibbals.

SAILING, Crew: T. Lutz.

SAILING, Bosun: H. Long, J. Long, J. Stiles, G. Tittmann.

SHOP, Junior A — First Level: R. Angerer, D. Cole, J. Fisher, R. Jackson, A. Smith.

SHOP, Junior A — Third Level: J. Wiggin.

SHOP, Senior — First Level: C. Clarke, B. McCoy.

TENNIS, Junior B — First Level: N. Dendy, J. Evans, J. Glidden.

TENNIS, Junior B — Second Level: R. Cory, W. Wassell, R. Welton.

TENNIS, Junior A — First Level: D. Casto, E. Griffiths, J. Johnson, R. Keck.

TENNIS, Junior A — Second Level: D. Beggs.

TENNIS, Junior A — Third Level: W. Boothby.

TENNIS, Senior — First Level: S. Davies, B. Harmon, S. Wolfe.

WRESTLING, Junior B — First Level: M. Becker, D. Bittenbender, B. Cooke, J. Long, B. Meserole, L. Perry, R. Shepard, T. Staples, R. Wells.

WRESTLING, Junior A — First Level: P. Burke, J. Fisher, B. Gardner, C. Sarich.

WRESTLING, Senior — First Level: C. Davenport, B. McCoy, S. Wolfe.

The weekly reports of the Range and the Archery Departments are a regular feature of the Saturday campfires. These two activities are independent of the "Achievement Level" set-up and are associated with national organizations having their own systems of awards. The medals and badges of the National Rifle Association, the requirements for which various campers have completed during the preceding week, are distributed by Mr. Nickerson for the Range, and Mr. Duffey of Archery confers the recently won emblems of the Camp Archery Association. The first lists from these departments were as follows:

RANGE, JULY 1 - JULY 13

Sharpshooter: R. Roberts, T. Stearns.

First Bar: T. Stearns.

Second Bar: D. Angerer, T. Stearns.

Third Bar: D. Angerer.

ARCHERY, JULY 1 - JULY 13

Junior Yeoman Pin: M. Becker, B. Dooley, J. Johnson, B. Meserole, R. Shepard, H. Smith, T. Staples.

Junior Yeoman Arrow: J. Evans.

Junior Bowman Pin: Bruce Connor, W. Dale.

Junior Yeoman Arrow: W. Dale, T. Pears.

Bowman Pin: W. Dale.

Bowman Brassard: W. Dale.

The announcement of "Cove" and "Lake" swimmers is always good for a vigorous round of applause in Kawanhee. Actually the Cove and Lake swims are but two tests among the requirements for levels in the Swimming Department. From time immemorial, however, they have received

special attention in Kawanhee, both because they are the sine qua non of all boating and canoeing privileges and because they are the traditional measures of progress in a peculiarly important phase of camp life. Saturday evening, July 13, Mike Mathews read a truly monumental list of Cove and Lake swimmers, for it included the list, published a week ago in the *Wigwam*, of those who passed the tests during the season's first week, as well as the names, as recorded below, of those who made the swims between July 8 and July 13.

SWIMMING TESTS, JULY 8 - JULY 13

COVE SWIM: Bruce Birch, J. Glidden, P. Gockenbach, H. Jandl, A. McElroy, R. Weber.

LAKE SWIM: D. Beggs, R. Bennett, Barry Birch, W. Boothby, P. Burke, D. Casto, D. Connor, W. Dale, S. Davies, R. Goldthwaite, E. Griffiths, T. Lawrence, H. Long, P. Nevai, M. Peppe, J. Ruhle, M. Sabback, C. Sarich, S. Savage, J. Stiles, R. Welton, J. Worthington.

Little League, Trips Added to Schedule

The introduction of Little League hardball and the debut of the summer's trip program were the extra added attractions of July's second week, while all the standard activities of the camp continued in full swing. The Little League was off to a fine start Monday, July 8, and then the plan for playing one game each evening became a target for the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune. Games were rained out, bogged out, squeezed out and, on Friday, "dirted out", according to Del Tracy, when several loads of dirt were delivered to resurface the diamond and prevent future base runners from getting in a rut. Informed coverage of the Little League in action appears below.

C. S.

Great Interest Stirred by Little League

On Saturday afternoon, July 6, the Athletic Field was a beehive of activity. A person arriving in camp would soon be aware of something big and very interesting going on. Little League Baseball was making its entrance into the activities of Kawanhee.

Some interest in the little league was expected but, as events showed, the results were highly gratifying. The field was crowded with approximately fifty-five players of assorted shapes and sizes; some with gloves almost as big as themselves.

As time came for tryouts it was learned that we would have more than enough pitchers to supply Kawanhee for many seasons yet to come. After judging the talents of each, the result was the formation of four teams with rosters totaling fourteen "men".

With the creation of the teams all was ready for the start of the short season at Kawanhee. The League is scheduled to play a total of forty-eight games which means that each team will play twelve games. The League will play according to official Little League rules. One feature of our program which is very good is that each member of a team definitely will get to play in each game regardless of whether he is a future Babe Ruth or a has-been Joe Malarkey.

Each team is to be sponsored by co-managers who are Junior and Senior Counselors. It is mainly through the efforts of these men that the success of the League will be achieved.

It is, indeed, with much hope and interest that we here at Kawanhee look forward to this new adventure which will insure the continuation of this worth-while activity and will add much to the enjoyment and development of the campers.

D. TRACY

Cougars Swat Hornets, Squelch Termites

In the Little League's opener, Monday evening, July 8, the Cougars, co-captained by John Pethick and Tally Krumm, downed Abe Whitney's Hornets by a count of 8 — 4.

The Hornets started off the first inning with two runs on a walk, a triple by the catcher, Evans, and a fielder's choice. The Cougars took over the lead on a double, two walks, two fielder's choices, two errors and four stolen bases. The Hornets were set down, a-b-c, during the second and third innings by hurler Butch Cooke and shut out again in the fourth by reliever John Johnson. The Cougars were able to pick up two in the second frame on an error and back-to-back singles by Brad Conner and Butch Cooke. They managed to push one run across the plate in both the third and fourth innings. In the top of the fifth the Hornets rallied for two runs but two strike-outs and a pop-up ended the uprising before it became serious.

The Cougars scored eight runs on four hits and eight walks, and made one error. They stole ten bases and this was a great factor in their victory. The Hornets tallied four runs on one hit and four walks and committed five miscues which were very costly. Whitney's crew managed to steal only three bases.

Hurler Butch Cooke of the Cougars struck out six men in three innings, allowed two runs and gave up one hit. Reliever Johnson fanned two in two innings, let in two runs, and hurled hitless ball. The loser, Roy Welton of the Hornets, whiffed four in going the route, was touched for four hits, and allowed all eight runs.

Thursday evening, July 11, the Cougars in their second outing, defeated the Termites, co-captained by Mike Mathews and Dave Fergus, by the score of 8 — 1.

R. GUTHRIE

Big Monhegan Trip Run in Two Shifts

The first concern of the week for the trip counselors was to fit together two overlapping shifts of the Monhegan expedition. Monday morning at 6:30 a party of thirty departed with Bates, Joe Shepard and Tony Hirsch to catch the *Balmy Days* out of Boothbay at 10:00 A.M. Mr. R. C. Frank and Ben Bennett drove the two trucks and returned to camp that afternoon. In the big truck Mr. Bennett transported the second group of twenty, under the leadership of Art Downey and Gene Cayten, to Boothbay Wednesday morning. The two groups joined forces on the island for a few hours that day, and that afternoon and evening the first shift made the return trip, by the *Balmy Days* and the truck, reaching camp shortly before *Taps*. Mr. Bateman, who remained in charge of Kawanhee activities on Monhegan for the full five days, and the second party were met in Boothbay by Mr. Birch with the truck on Friday and returned to camp that evening.

An assigned article on the Monhegan trip has, through some misunderstanding, failed to materialize in time to meet the present deadline. It is necessary therefore to put this number of the *Wigwam* to bed without its planned feature story. Space permitting, the Monhegan report may be printed next week.

Wednesday brought the first of the one-day trips. Ed Chace led a party of Crows and Badgers in a climb up Blueberry, the untrailed, white-topped peak which terminates the northeast extension of the Tumbledown, or Jackson, Range. Forrest Dexter's first mineral-hunting expedition of the season that day visited the mine at Newry and Perham's Mineral store, at West Paris, which is coping with land

office business this summer as the result of a write-up in *Reader's Digest* during the past winter.

A first-hand report on the climb up Blueberry Mountain may be read below.

C. S.

Blueberry Mt. More Rugged Than Ditto Hill

The season's first mountain has been taken and the assault was a great success. At 9:30 A.M. July 11, a group of hearty climbers, including J. Wilson, S. Davis, B. Harmon, R. Guthrie, S. Dorrance, S. Wolfe, B. McCoy, Barry Birch, C. Davenport, R. Roberts and R. Jackson, departed by truck for the base of Blueberry Mountain. The party was under the skillful leadership of Ed Chace.

The first mile of the climb was easy, for we were following an old logging road. After leaving the road we traveled by blazes that had been made a year previously by Mr. Chace and another party from Kewanee. Here the going was a far cry from following the road, for there were no trails whatsoever, just the blazes. After trudging over dead trees, through mud, over rocks and uphill most of the way, we reached the top at approximately 12:30 P.M.

From the top we could see for miles. We could see Lake Webb, Tumbledown, Big Jackson, Little Jackson and many other mountains. It was all very scenic. One of the hikers had had the presence of mind to bring a camera and was able to take some very good snapshots. After a very good trail lunch we took a look around the surrounding area. It was a lot of fun. During the time we were up there Mr. Chace erected a pole and piled stones around it. He wrote the names of all the hikers on a piece of cardboard and put stones on it in order that future climbers might have some record of those who have preceded them up Blueberry.

After a little rain, we started back. Just for something novel to do, we bushwhacked down the mountain, following no trail. Eventually we reached the logging road and followed it out. Mr. R. C. Frank picked us up in the truck. The trip added up to a grand experience and a grand time for all.

B. HARMON

Two more short expeditions were fitted into the week end. Saturday noon in the Dining Hall, John Nowold was understood to announce an afternoon trip up Mt. Bald for the "Eagers, Fanthels and Falcons". (With the Director of Activities showing such definite signs of wear this early in the season, it may be necessary to have him retreaded if he is to last out the summer!) The three youngest lodges, nevertheless, enjoyed with no further complications their climb up the nearby mountain with Mike Mathews and Bob Elliott. Sunday afternoon, a group from the Birch, Beaver, Moose and Lynx lodges were the first to travel through Byron Gap for a swim in the gorge of Coos Canyon.

Falcons and Hawks Pace Variety Bill

The first night of Kewanee's 1957 theatrical season was received with great acclaim in the Recreation Hall July 12, when the new Hamblin-Dorrance management presented a variety bill. The evening moved along with snap and pace. Some numbers, indeed, were whisked on and off so rapidly that the punch lines were lost in the back draft of the opening curtain. The substance of the program was provided by the Falcons and the Hawks, by the Kewanee Dixieland group and by a visiting fireman on the drums.

When the strains of the overture — it's still *Anchors Aweigh!* — had died down, the Falcons took the stage with

their lodge skit, *Horton Hears a Who*, a somewhat fanciful narrative read by Mike Mathews and mimed by the other Falcons. Pete Connor handsomely filled the title role (and for Pete, that took some filling, Horton being an elephant!) and was ably supported by D. Fung as a "Blackbottomed Bird," and R. Morton as a "Sour Kangaroo."

The distinguished visitor in the drum department was Hal Myers, returning to the scene of pre-pastoral percussive triumphs. His nimble sticks have lost none of their magic, as was attested by the roar of applause once he had tapped out his infectious rhythms on everything within reach.

For their stint, the Beavers presented a double-header; an "original" drama, *The Missing Actor*, starring Wayne Brewer, and the Messrs. Freedman and Keating in *The Letter Home*, which offered no apologies whatsoever to Victor Borge for such originality as punctuated its course. For the Pine Trees, Jon Cross and Dave Dunnick appeared in *A Man with a Gun*, which must have been the wittiest thing ever to grace the Kewanee stage — if brevity really is the soul wit! Rufus Freedman and his trumpet then led the Dixieland forces — Chipman (sax), Parker (accordion) and the Rev. Hal Myers (drums) — into action with *I Want a Big Butter and Egg Man*, detached the trumpet and accordion for a sally into *Sugar Blues*, and went all out with *When the Saints Come Marching In*.

The Hawks concluded the evening on a more intellectual plane, thanks to their counselor, the gentleman from Harvard. Avowedly based, by Mr. Smith himself, on a true story, this production was entitled *The Island*, and featured a large cast of Hawks reading various highly dramatic roles. It built up to a "puzzle" ending so baffling, in the estimation of author-producer-interlocutor Smith, that he expansively offered four bits for a solution. Woe and lackaday, that which racks brains in Cambridge is mere ducksoup in Kewanee! Dick Morton of the Falcons cracked the answer in two shakes of a Sour Kangaroo's tail, and a sadder but wiser Harvardman was last seen trying to promote a fifty cent advance on his salary!

Earlier in the week, entertainment for two evenings was provided by splitting the movie into Tuesday and Wednesday showings. The bill proved to be a very popular one, consisting of Disney's *The Olympic Elk* and a feature entitled, if memory serves, *Go, Man Go*, which served up enough exciting basketball shots of the Harlem Globetrotters to offset the squirms induced by a rather tired story line.

The weather offered no opposition to the week end's full program of special events. The Saturday evening campfire and the Sunday morning service were both held in the open, and the Athletic Field was the scene of a track meet Saturday afternoon and a Maroon-Grey baseball game Sunday afternoon. These initial clashes between the two camp teams receive specific attention in the following stories.

C. S.

Maroons Take Meet and Game

Saturday, July 13, brought the first team competition between the Greys and the Maroons, a track meet for Junior B's and Junior A's run off during the afternoon. The final outcome, after a hard-fought, seesaw battle, was a victory for the Maroons, 63 to 55.

The Greys jumped off to a good start with victories in the high jump, both 50 yard dashes, and both baseball throws. The one factor which lost for the Greys was depth. Despite all the Grey victories, the Maroons took a great majority of second and third places which made up the difference.

Of the three team events, the Maroons took two, the 150 yard relay and the distance relay. The distance relay went all around the camp grounds and covered nearly a mile. The Greys took the tug-of-war with little effort at all with David Cole on the end.

The Maroons didn't actually win until the last event which was worth ten points, enough to capture the meet. Both teams displayed good sportsmanship and everyone did his part to help the meet come off with success.

The Summary:

JUNIOR B BROAD JUMP — First: R. Shepard (M), L. Perry (G), TIE; Second: T. Staples (G); Third: H. Long (M); Fourth: B. Conner (G).

JUNIOR A HIGH JUMP — First: D. Casto (G); Second: J. Worthington (G), W. Wassell (M), TIE; Third: R. Cory (M).

JUNIOR B 50 YARD DASH — First: T. Lutz (G); Second: B. Welton (M); Third: G. Tittmann (G); Fourth: J. Ruhle (G).

JUNIOR A 50 YARD DASH — First: D. Casto (G); Second: M. Sabback (M); Third: H. Smith (M); Fourth: D. Salembier (M).

JUNIOR A BASEBALL THROW — First: P. Burke (G); Second: N. Perkins (M); Third: W. Wassell (M); Fourth: H. Davis (G).

JUNIOR B BASEBALL THROW — First: J. Ruhle (G); Second: R. Weber (M); Third: T. Tibbals (M), T. Lutz (G), TIE; Fourth: B. Cooke (M).

JUNIOR A RUNNING BASES — First: T. Lawrence (M); Second: D. Salembier (M); Third: J. Fung (G); Fourth: R. Cory (M).

JUNIOR B RUNNING BASES — First: B. Meserole (M); Second: F. Stewart (M); Third: R. Shepard (M); Fourth: B. Dooley (G).

150 YARD RELAY — Winner: Maroon Team.

TUG-OF-WAR — Winner: Grey Team.

DISTANCE RELAY — Winner: Maroon Team.

Sunday, July 14, the Maroons behind the no-hit pitching of Bob Guthrie swamped the Greys, 8 to 1, in the first of the weekly Maroon-Grey hardball games. They took off to a good start, scoring two runs in the first inning. The big blow of the game was a three-run triple by Tally Krumm in the fifth inning. The Greys lone run came in the third after a walk was given Bill Unckrich. He stole second and third and scored on a fielder's choice. Fine catching by Barry Birch aided Guthrie's no-hit game. The losing battery consisted of Ben McCoy and Ray Roberts.

D. KERR

Campfire on Point Winds up Week

The campfire in the Council Ring Saturday evening, July 13, had a well filled slate. Not only did it present the traditional activity reports and score and the weekly installment of Dean Miller's continued story, *Cherokee Boy*, but it also stretched to include a period of songs and games. Mike Smith undertook to enlarge Kawanhee's muscle-bound repertoire of group songs with — surprise, surprise! — the Harvard football song, and Art Downey with a tongue-twisting item about *The Poor Old Slave*. Herb Birch gave four lodges a workout and few nose-dives with a strenuous event which can only be described as a stilt-race on tin cans. In the campfire's opening ceremony of the Four Winds, it was noted with interest that Ben McCoy, the camp's one authentic Southerner again ignited the fire of the *North Wind*. What's the symbolism of this bit of casting? Is it an attenuated gesture toward intersectional solidarity, or is the gentleman from Louisiana metaphorically giving all the youknowwhat Yankees a hot foot?

The Chapel on the Shore was the scene of the Sunday morning service. Dean Miller's sermon was on Friendship or, more specifically, "about friends". Mike Mathews read the scripture and Bob Mathews led the prayer. Jim Parker's accordion provided some welcome support for the hymns, and a "double quartet" of eleven counselors sang *A Church in the Wildwood*.

The musical program in the Recreation Hall that evening featured the already well established instrumental favorites, Bill Chipman, Jim Parker, and Rufus Freedman. The pyrotechnics of Jim's accordion in his incognito solo number and in his similarly unlabeled duet with Chipman evoked great enthusiasm, and Freedman's beautiful tone was much appreciated in *A Trumpeter's Lullaby* and Schubert's inevitable *Serenade*. Bob Angerer was the evening's piano soloist, and was roundly applauded for two numbers. The Glee Club made its first appearance of the summer, presenting under Mr. R. C. Frank's direction three numbers well remembered from the past few seasons, *Where in the World but in America*, *We'll Go a Long Long Way Together*, and *One Little Candle*. The orchestra, consisting of Chipman, Freedman, Parker, Mr. Frank on the piano and Dan Beggs on the drums, presented *Beautiful Ohio* as an overture. The evening closed with the hymn *Day Is Dying in the West* and with Dean Miller's prayer.

C. SCARLETT