

Camp Sherwood



**A PRIVATE CAMP
FOR BOYS**



Our Objective



Good health, combined with fine physical, mental, and spiritual development; character molding in beauty and in strength to maintain and uphold high ideals of conduct and actions through life. Personal achievements in sports and in the many camp activities. Happy social relations, combined with a generous give-and-take good fellowship—modest winners, good losers, all; and the untrammelled enjoyment of good times with lots of clean fun in our outdoor world. These are the main objectives toward which we steadily strive at Camp Sherwood. The return of campers year after year, to the second generation, attests to the high degree of attainment in this effort.



Walloon Lake

and The Camp Grounds

WALLOON LAKE is a gorgeous sheet of water which extends for fifteen miles, with sixty-five miles of shore line. Surrounded by forested lands and meadows, it has many arms and bays which are the delight of our young sailors and canoe explorers. This spring fed lake, with its crystal clear water and sandy bottom, is a positive joy to city-bred youth—swimming, sailing, boating, canoeing, fishing,—the boys cannot get enough of it all!

Camp Sherwood's section of land, made up of forests and meadowlands, rests along a mile of shoreline of Walloon Lake—abundant opportunities for all kinds of outdoor sports and recreations. The property rises rapidly from the lake into beautiful rolling country, with quick drying soils and excellent drainage. It abounds with woods, flowers, berry bushes, shrubs, birds, and small game, and graceful deer make their home in Sherwood Forest. Truly, an enchanted land!



Camp Family

The Sherwood Camp Family, of 120 boys ranging from seven to seventeen years of age, is divided into three different groups: The King Arthur Knights, the Robin Hood Archers, and the Indian Braves. This permits the program to be suited to the different ages, and makes it possible for each camper to enjoy the companionship of boys his own age.



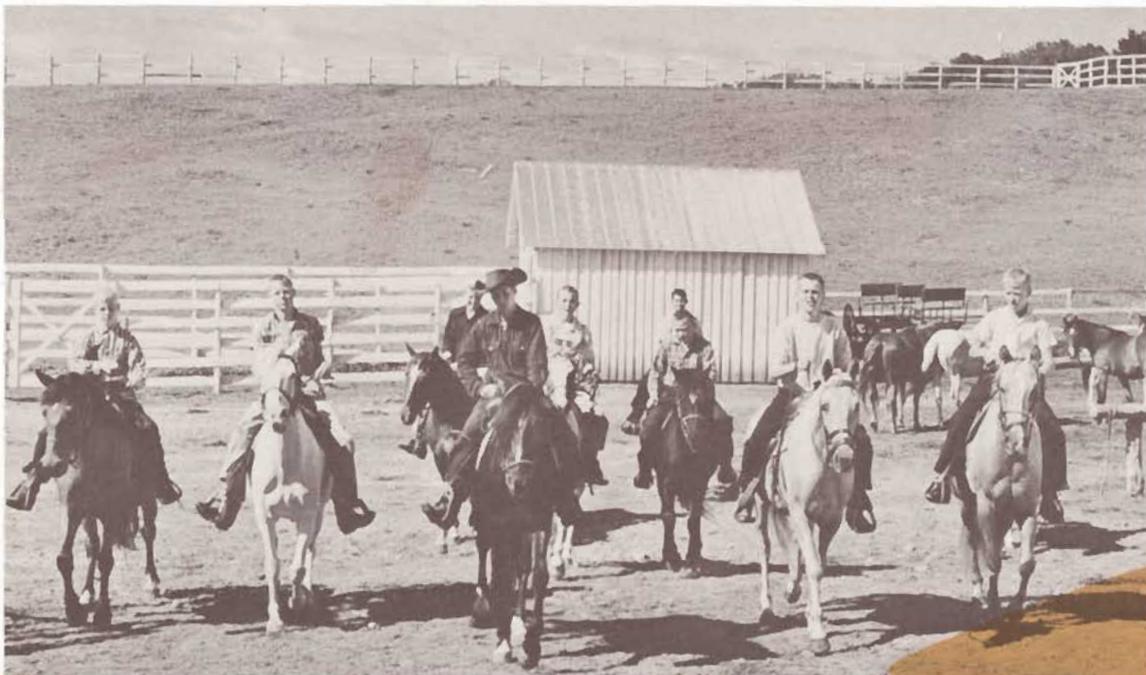
The KING ARTHUR KNIGHTS and ROBIN HOOD ARCHERS, or older group of boys, quickly learn that at no time will they ever become too old for camping. The members of this group adjust their own program, and with the director's permission, partake in many unusual activities.



Canoe trips are a favorite pursuit, and many extended trips take the boys away from the ties and conventions of modern life. Shooting rapids, plying against currents, and drifting down scenic waterways to meet the beautiful lakes are experiences that live in their memory forever. Sailing reaches a high standard of efficiency in this group.

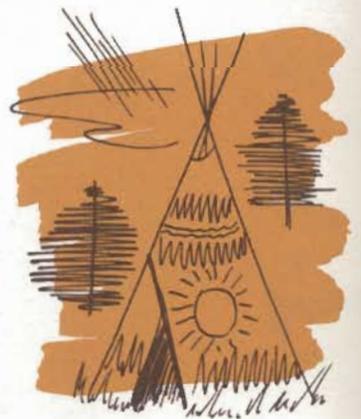
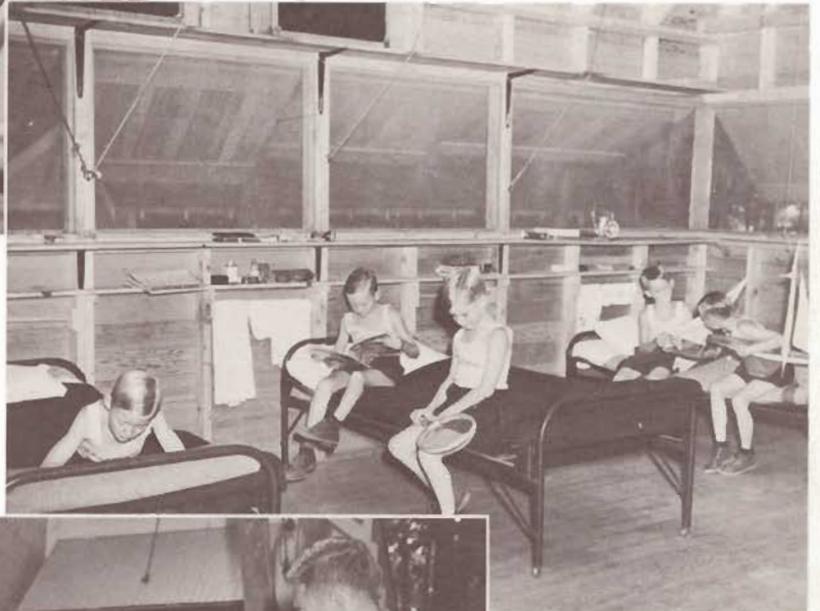
Baseball is a sport worthy of Camp Sherwood's older boys,

and their team sets the pace for the other campers. Fishing excursions and trail rides play an important role in their camp life. A rich environment, full of opportunity, in an atmosphere of healthful living, brings them into relationship with numerous experiences demanding reactions in keeping with their age. This is the aim—a broader, appreciation of comradeship.



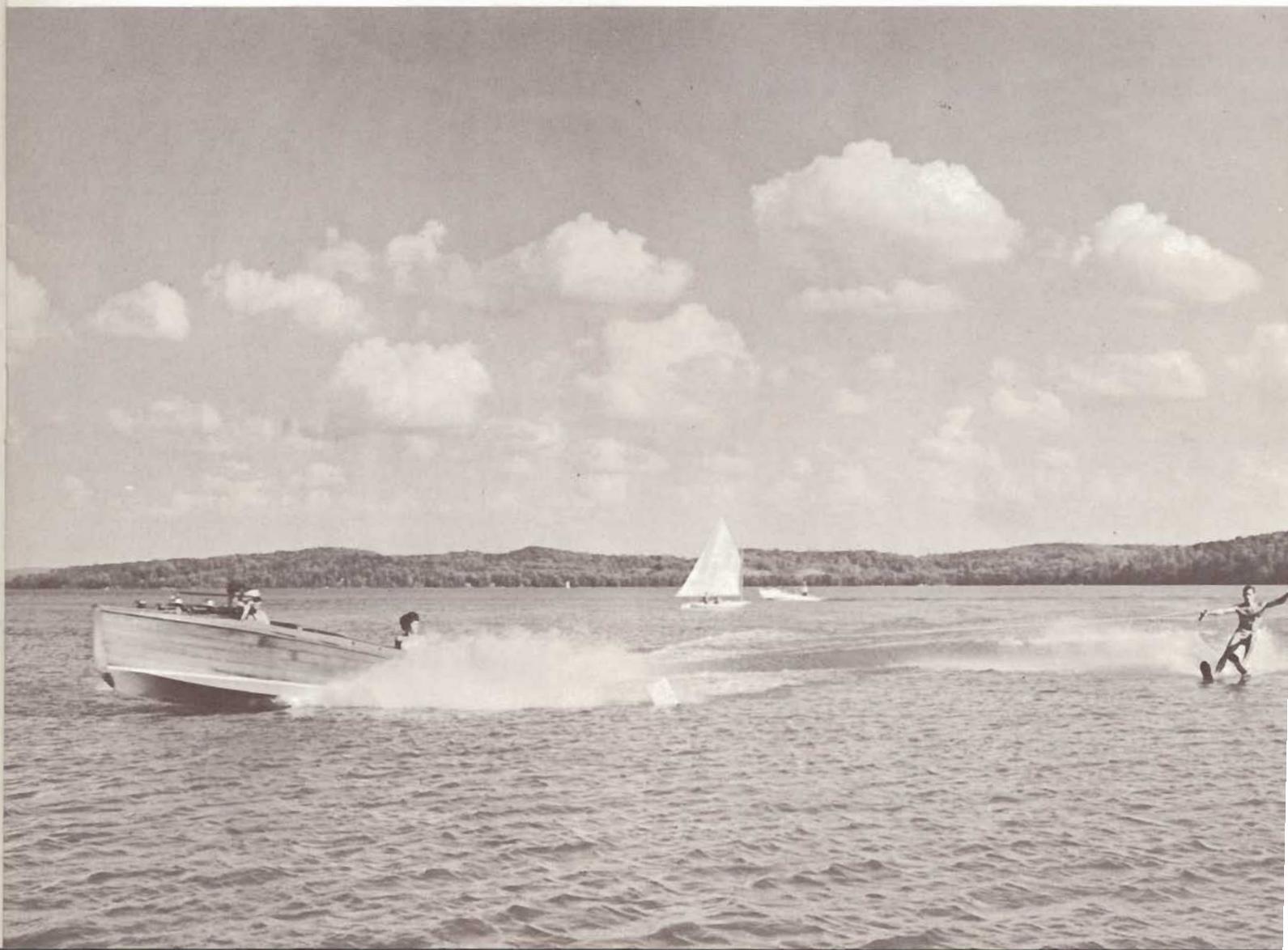
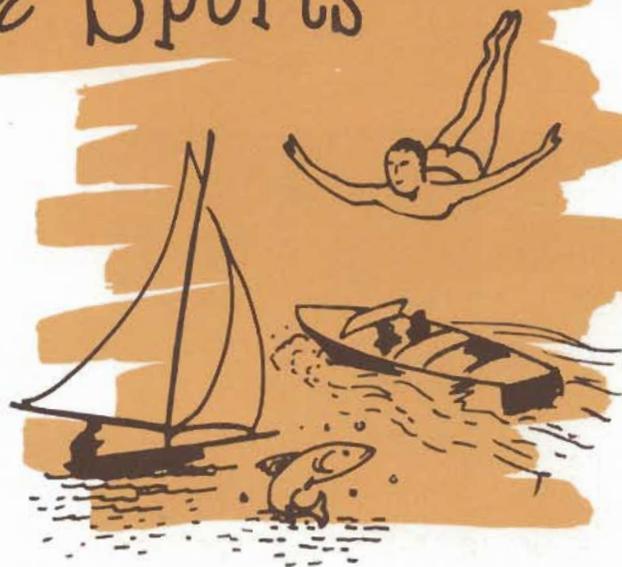
Indian Braves

The Juniors, or INDIAN BRAVES, are an important unit of Camp Sherwood. Ranging from seven to nine years of age, they are cared for with parent-like concern. Junior Camp Mothers give the necessary extra care to this group. With the camp Mothers' quarters close by, they assist in the care of the Junior's lockers, beds, and make their cabin life more home-like, aside from becoming an intimate part of their camp life in the quieter periods.



Water Sports

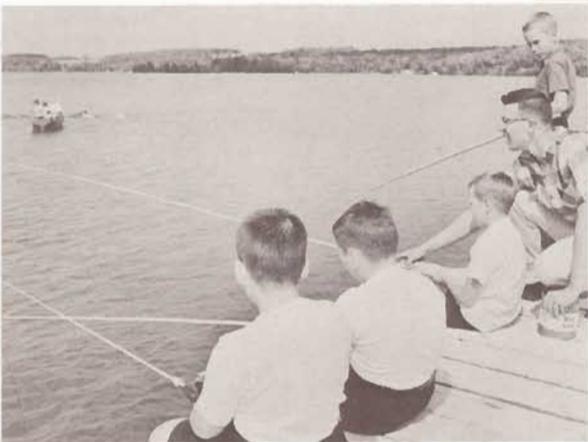
With a beautiful lake at the front door, it is only natural that activities on the water play a very important role at Camp Sherwood. Chief among these activities which the camp is exceptionally well-equipped to provide are swimming, diving, rowing, canoeing, sailing, aqua-planing and water-skiing, life-saving, and fishing. The shelving sandy beach and fine pier facilities offer splendid opportunities to all swimmers for great fun and safety.



Swimming and Fishing at the Camp



Advanced classes are conducted for the better swimmers, while beginners are given instruction in the fundamentals, and Camp Sherwood's slogan, "Every boy a swimmer," becomes a fact.



Boating and Sailing



Sailing is very popular, and Camp Sherwood's fleet of sailboats is seldom at anchor. True to seamanship standards, all fact and theory of sheet and tiller maneuvers are taught, the mastery of which qualifies the boy to skipper the boats himself.

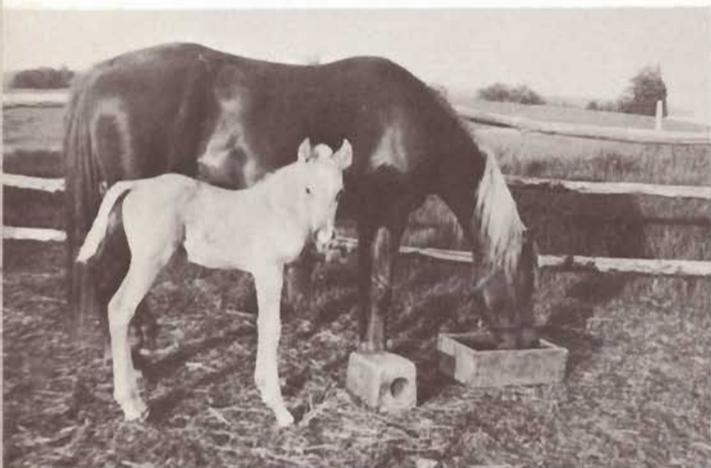


Instruction is given in the proper handling of boats and the fine points of canoeing. Campers who become proficient in canoeing and who pass the required swimming test are eligible for canoe trips through the rivers and the lakes of the North.





Horseback



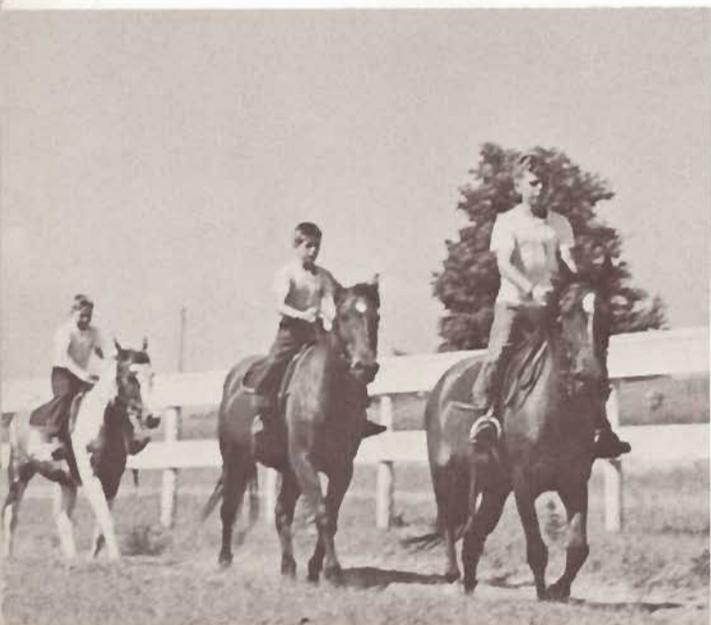
By the highest authorities, it is agreed that the Horse has been a dominating means for the advancement of civilization and the human race. And for thousands of years the Horse has served his great part in the world of mankind. Today, due to the machine age of quantity production of motive power, the Horse, to great extent, now dominates the field of companionship, sport, and pleasure.

At Camp Sherwood we know the fine and true values in development of body, mind, character building, and of the spirit which come surely and directly to our boys from their intimate companionship with Horses, and from their ever-increasing unity of purpose and motion, through careful equitation training and trails riding with Horses. A boy, in complete understanding, feeling, and unity with his Horse makes a wonderful combination, and few things can compare with this joyful and complete unity.



Through natural attributes, some boys take to Horses rapidly; others progress more slowly. Some are courageous, others are timid and fearful. Some have the natural physical-mental coordination to progress very quickly. Others must gain this full coordination more slowly through time. At Sherwood, English equitation training classes are divided into age groups, and from there, careful attention is given to each individual, in harmony with each individual's physical, mental, and spiritual abilities, actions, and reactions. Each boy is a distinct individual; each must be treated and encouraged and trained in accord with his individualism. This requires a great deal of effort, tact, and understanding; but the aim at Sherwood is to give this, and to do it well.

English Style Equitation is the best in the world for producing the finished and accomplished horseman. So English seat, hands, legs, aids, control, and rider-horse unity is the primary and basic

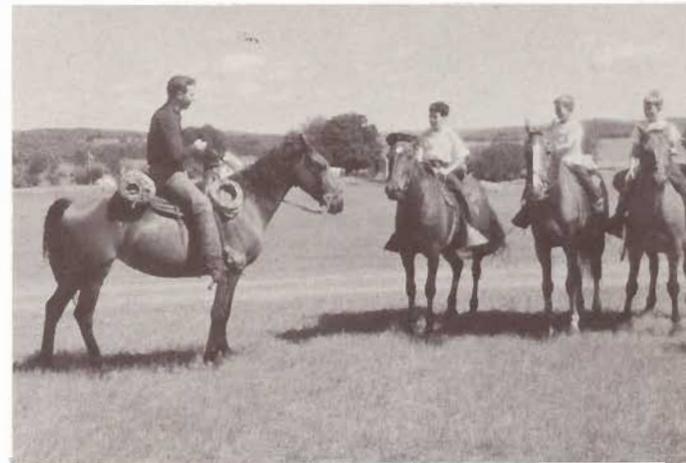
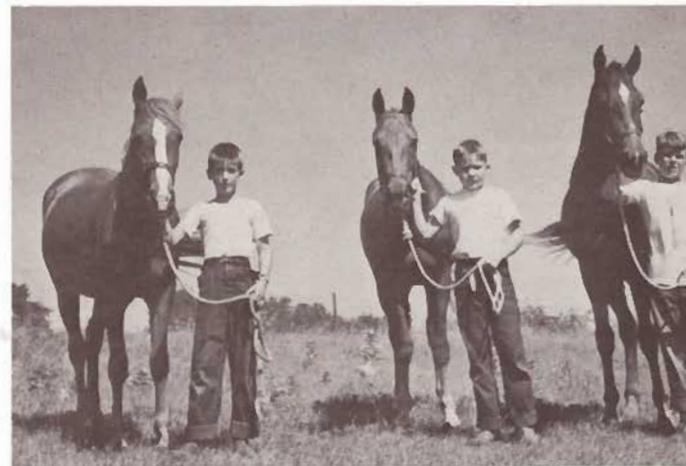


Riding at Camp Sherwood

equitation training for the young horseman. English style equitation is the basis for the military style riding of most of the world's Cavalry. It is *the* style for the show ring, for hunter trials, for point-to-point races, for the hunting field, for the bridle paths, and for polo. The young rider, well grounded in English Equitation can adapt himself to Western style riding both quickly and easily (barring broncbusting, bulldogging, roping, trick riding and rodeo riding, which in whole is very much of a profession in itself). The reverse is *not* true. The Western style rider has a long and hard grind to make himself into an English style rider.

Western riding is the choice of the majority of Sherwood campers at the present time. It is easier to learn and allows the beginner to start riding on the trails very soon after arrival in camp. Any camper wishing to take English riding may do so, and for this, instruction in the ring usually requires a longer period of time before the rider is qualified to go out on the trails. But the riding work in the ring is made as happy and pleasant as possible. To learn English equitation is work, hard work, so it is tempered with games, with forays under shade trees, and later with delightful trail rides, and occasionally a luncheon or supper ride, or perhaps an overnight. Everything possible is done to advance good horsemanship and give the boys intense enthusiastic interest, and care-free, happy fun a-horse.

Camp Sherwood maintains its own riding stable of fine horses and ponies, and is proud of the progress in horsemanship that is made by the campers. The string includes fine registered Morgans; there are suitable horses for the very beginners, as well as for the more advanced riders. Everything possible is done for the happy advancement of the rider in training toward good horsemanship.

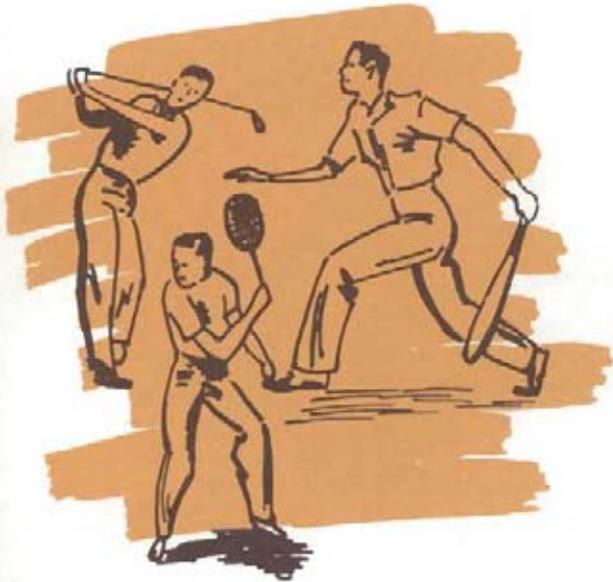
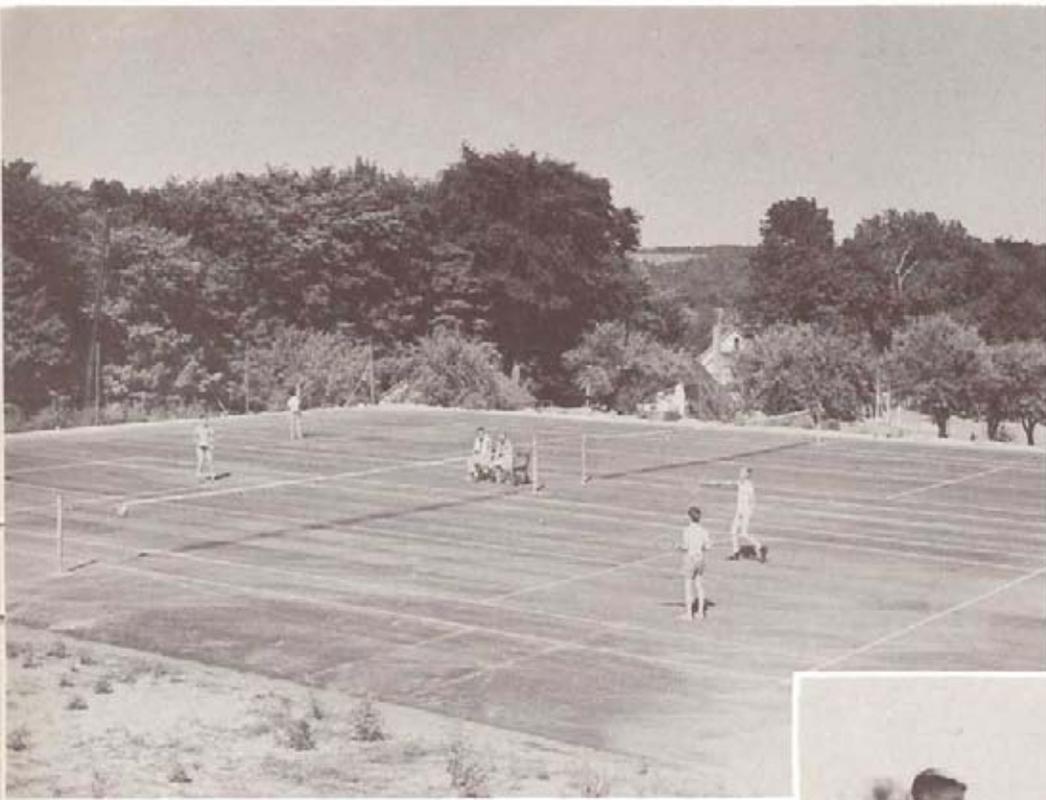


Land Sports



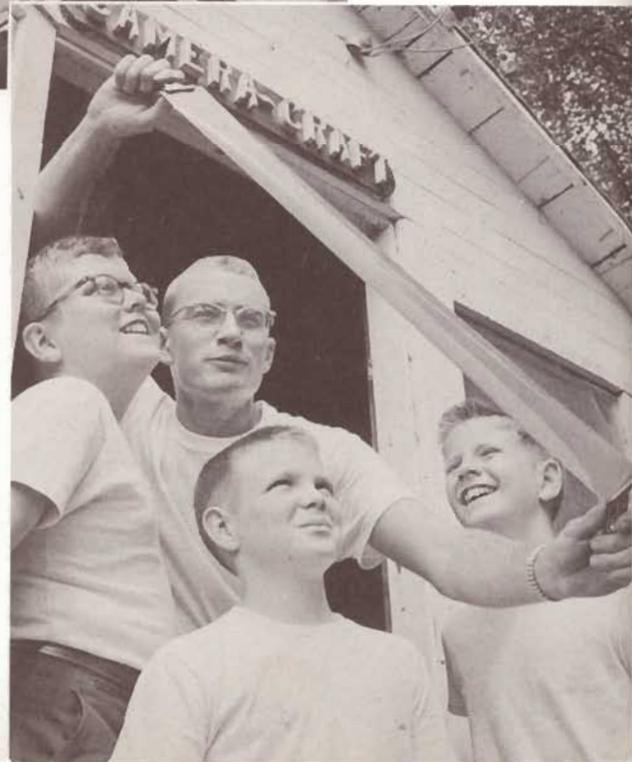
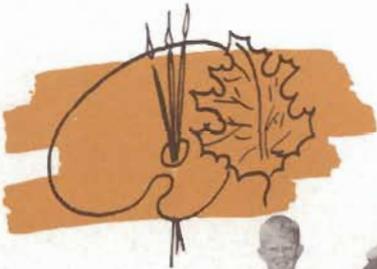
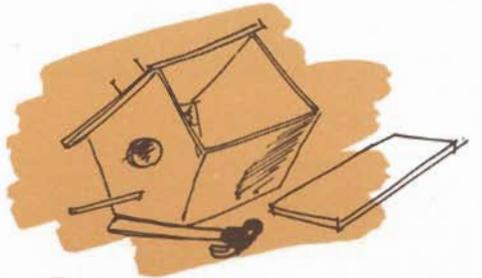
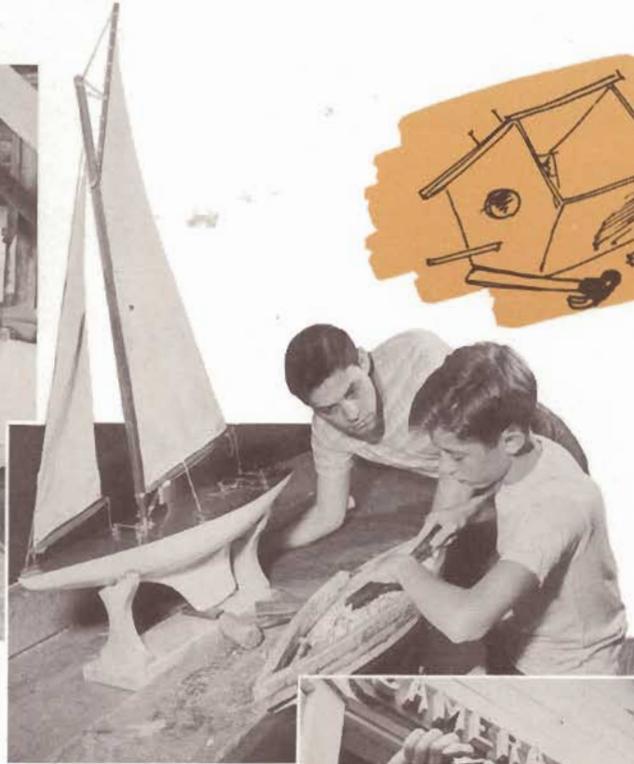
Under the Athletic Director, all forms of land sports are coordinated to assure boundless fun for every camper. Wholesome recreation in the form of group games and team competition plays a very important role in Camp Sherwood. There are also sports to develop each boy's physique, skill and confidence—track and field events with running, jumping and throwing, together with boxing and wrestling, baseball, basketball, tennis, rifle shooting, and riding, all of which help to develop the boy mentally as well as physically. Two playfields, constantly under the supervision of one of the athletic department, are equipped so that the boys can always find opportunity for play or practice.





Creative Activities

All boys enjoy taking some part in cultural and creative activities in camp, and for the boys not so athletically inclined, these offer an important field for development. They include working in Sherwood's fine Craft Shop, where the best instruction possible is secured in order that boys' creative desires may have a worthwhile outlet. Exploration into the wonders of nature, field trips, drawings, leaf-printings, mountings, and collections are all part of the boy's introduction to the realization of life in nature, and creates in him a feeling of brotherhood with the forest. Dramatics in various guises, music and singing, especially in choir and group work, all draw out and develop cultural and creative abilities.



A well-equipped infirmary with a physician and nurse in attendance assures prompt and skillful care. Everything possible is done to safeguard the health of the boys. A medical certificate covering each boy's physical and health status is required upon entrance in June. Hot showers are required. Drinking water from deep driven wells is piped throughout the camp. Only homogenized milk, strictly fresh and quality foods are served under the careful direction of a trained and experienced dietitian. Well-balanced meals, regular rest periods, carefully supervised play, plenty of sleep under ideal conditions, moderate temperature, pure air, are all factors conducive to good health.



Health and Cleanliness



Devotions

Sunday at Camp Sherwood is observed as best befits the true significance of the day; it is a day set apart from the rest of the week—not a "dull day", but less strenuous than the average week day. The Catholic boys attend mass, either in camp or in a nearby church, and boys of other denominations attend the out-door non-sectarian service conducted in camp, and to which staff and guest speakers contribute. Camper participation in the choirs of this service is very inspiring. The program also includes definite periods for reflection upon things spiritual and idealistic; this is essential to the well-being and character-building of every boy, whether he is old or young. Inspirational talks are given by staff members. It is the aim of Camp Sherwood that the boys have purpose in life and acquire strength of character to carry out the high ideals which they have set as their goal.



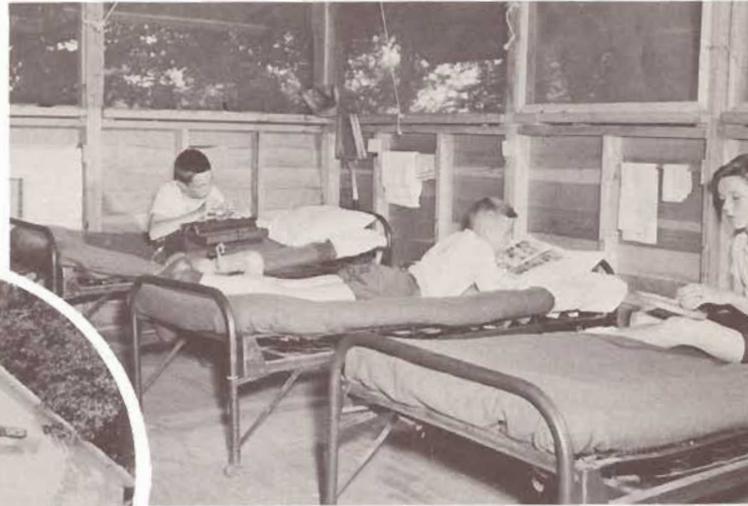


The lodges are roomy, well-ventilated, frame cabins impervious to inclement weather. They are equipped with electricity, running water, and flush toilets.



Buildings and Housing

Housing and food are the two most essential things in camp. While we like to think of camping as being rough, rugged, and wild, in any extended stay it is essential to have dry dwelling places, facilities for personal cleanliness, and nutritious, well-balanced meals. There must be proper provision for activity in inclement weather. Camp Sherwood has well-constructed cabins and a completely equipped commissary department; it also has club room space for active and quiet recreation in bad weather. Thoughtful parents give careful consideration to cabin construction and equipment, toilet facilities, running water, hot showers, dining-room and kitchen set-up. Sherwood invites inspection of its buildings and equipment.



Dining Hall



Craft Shop



The Library affords opportunity for letter writing, reading, and quiet activities.



Infirmary and Administration Building



The Castle, or recreation building, has a spacious club living-room, where the boys find amusement before the fireplace when the weather does not permit outdoor activities.



Camp Sherwood Staff Members

DIRECTOR—Mr. Tomlinson's life work and interests have been in the physical and character development of young people. His years of experience derived from coaching in college, Y.M.C.A., and Athletic Clubs in all branches of athletics, benefited him in organizing Camp Sherwood for boys in 1925, and in actively directing it for thirty years.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR—Mr. Parsons has been successfully associated with Camp Sherwood since the 1955 season, putting over a happy and beneficial program for the campers and satisfying the most exacting parents with his care and supervision of the boys. Having sons of his own, he understands the parental viewpoint of child training and is sympathetic with the parent's desire for the best in supervision and leadership. He is by training and experience singularly well fitted for his work with boys through scholastic, military service, teaching, coaching, and administrative backgrounds in the physical education and swimming fields. He is employed during the school months by the Toledo Board of Education as a Supervisor in the Physical Education Department.

THE STAFF is a carefully chosen group of college men of fine character and personality, who are completely interested in their work with boys. Many have risen from the ranks of camper to full-fledged counselors in charge of a lodge group and an activity of the program. Others are selected for their outstanding technical training in some particular field of camp activity.



Mr. Tomlinson and Mr. Parsons.



Some of the staff members.

Sherwood Awards

Proficiency or marked improvement should have its recognition, and in this regard a simplified system of awards has been evolved. A shield mounted with a plastic emblem is made in the craft shop by the camper, to which he affixes the camp arrows that are awarded him as merited. Attractively made, the shield is an ideal ornament for the boy's room, and brings him many happy meditations throughout the winter.



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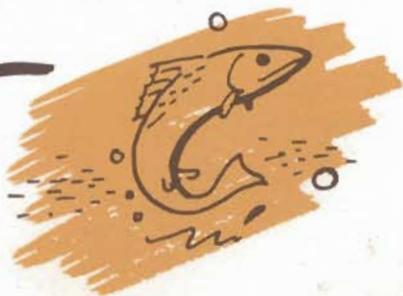
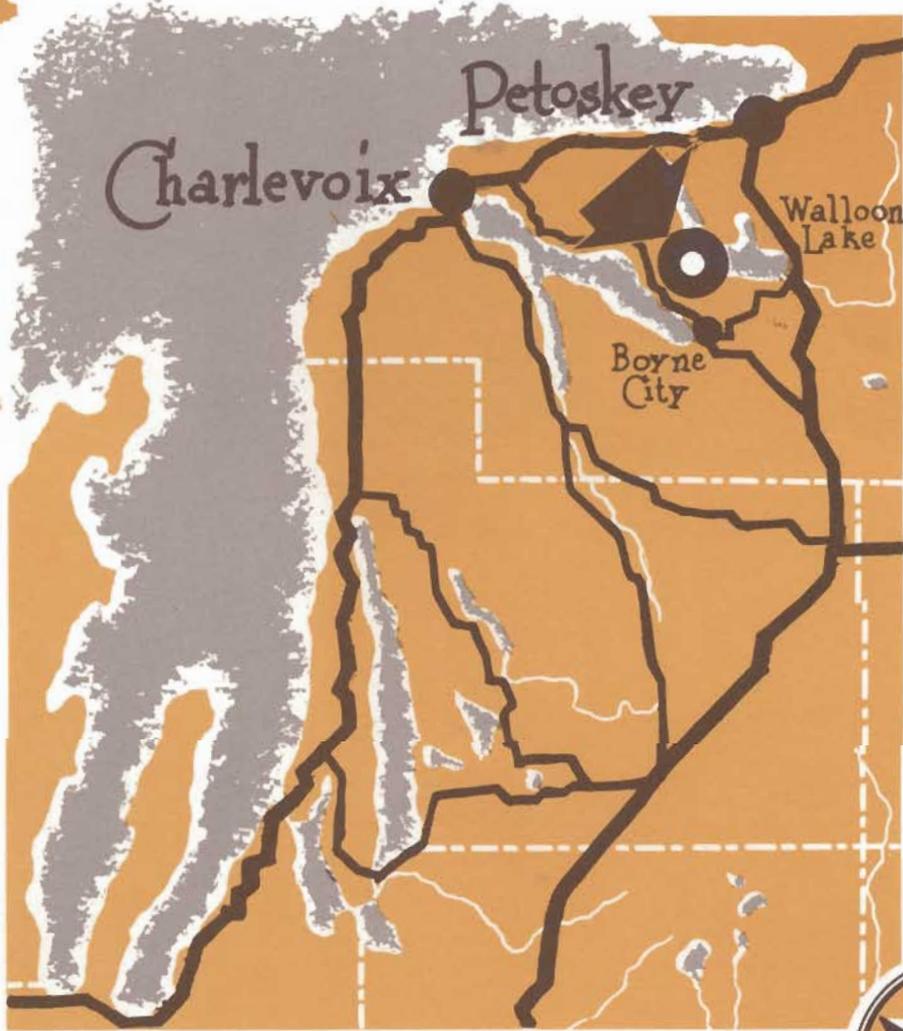
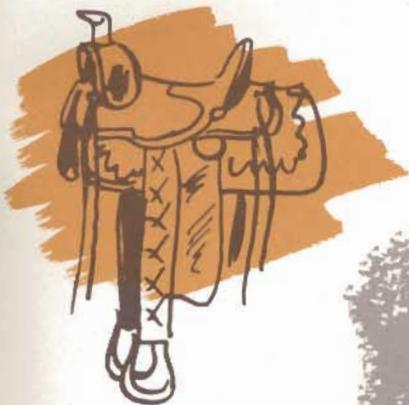
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RATES: Tuition \$425.00, which includes laundry, use of blankets, sheets, pillowcases, and towels. Riding \$50.00.

UNIFORMS: May be purchased through our official outfitters, The J. L. Hudson Company, Detroit 26, Michigan. A measurement blank and equipment list will be sent on receipt of application. The camp colors are navy blue and gold, and the regulation uniform conforms to these colors. The equipment list also suggests what to bring to camp along the line of things the camper uses and needs at home. Traveling instructions in detail are furnished several weeks prior to the opening of the season.

SISTER CAMP: HUNTINGDON CAMP for Girls is of particular interest to families with daughters. A prospectus will be furnished on request.



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