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WHEN GOING SWIMMING

When the thermometer skyrockets during the month of July as it did in 1934 and 1936, heat was responsible for taking between 2,000 and 3,000 lives according to vital statistics from the safety bureau of the department of law enforcement. Drownings are closely allied with heat and one-fifth of all drownings have occurred during July.

In the more densely populated districts the drownings have been at beaches, lakes or swimming pools where there is no supervision. This applies to Idaho drownings that have occurred in lakes, rivers or canals. There is a small percentage of fatalities due to heat prostrations in Idaho.

Some of the precautions to follow for safety and health in connection with swimming are: If you swim—don't go in the water alone or when overheated. Wait an hour after eating. Know the depth of the water. Don't show off or indulge in horseplay.

## Local Red Cross Receives Thanks in Letter from London

The Valley County Red Cross has received the following letter from Della Reeding, of London, official of the Women's Volunteer Service of England:

As Chairman of W.V.S. I want to thank every member of your chapter for the wonderful contributions you have sent to us—for the help this has done to everyone who has suffered.

The gifts received have made it possible to assist people who have lost everything in the bombing of their homes; people who have not only lost their possessions but often members of their family as well.

While canteens given by you feed those who have been bombed—war series, which take in the small children suffering from every action, have been started because your Branches have sent us donations. Nothing you make—is issued to persons who emerge from the horrors of being bombed.

## Twenty Day CCC Enrollment Period Begins

Since 1933 the Civilian Conservation Corps has added to the National and State-owned forests, to grazing lands on the public domain, and to forest and grazing lands on Indian reservations many millions of dollars worth of such physical improvements, according to a statement made by Idaho Forest officials this week. They consist of works varying from small tool caches deep in the forests, to large dams for the creation of wide lakes, including improvements for fire control, administration, and recreation.

In Idaho, one of the big objects of the Corps is fire protection of National Forests. Young men are taught to fight the "Red Horseman"—safely. They are located in strategic points throughout the forested area, ready for immediate call. This has resulted in keeping fires small and the damage to a minimum.

C. C. C. men learn by doing. They are taught woodmanship, use and care of tools, reforestation and forestry, conservation, bridge construction, operation of machinery such as jackhammers, compressors, trucks and tractors; blacksmithing, carpentry, clerical work, handling explosives, lumbering, machine shop work, and telephone construction. A system has been worked out whereby those enrollees anxious to make the most of this training have been materially aided through instruction on and off the job by the foremen and technical men on the camp staff. This means that in addition to training, through good supervision and work experience, enrollees get planned instruction that extends and increases their knowledge and ability. There are more than 60 different types of work which recent studies show lead directly to getting jobs.

From July 1 to July 20 any CCC camp, county selection agent, or employment services will assist young men from 17 to 23½ years of age in applying for enrollment in the Corps. Fewer than half of the men sought in May were enrolled. Due to increase opportunities in some fields, many did not complete their enrollment period. Every effort is being made to fill quotas in present camps, and new ones will be established if necessary.

## Capital

BY CONGRESSMAN

The news that Hitler had sent his Army into war against Joe Stalin and despotic Russia created more than mild excitement in Washington. Last Saturday administration spokesmen were condemning nazism and fascism but the following day Russia had become an ally of Britain, and yesterday's "fiend" had become today's "friend." Although Churchill, on June 22, pledged the support of Britain and the United States to Stalin, the result is embarrassment and confusion to the capital. Saving democracy in Europe now may actually mean "making Europe safe for communism and atheism," which is difficult to reconcile with the four freedoms for which the allies are crusading. In this country, communists have been retarding defense efforts, and now, as General Hugh Johnson asks, wouldn't it queer if we fight for Comrade Stalin abroad while he fights us at home?

Americans are stopping to consider the fallacies of intervention in a war which has so many ramifications. They now realize that the wisest policy is to accelerate a program of perfecting our own defenses and making the hemisphere impregnable to foreign attack and immune to the intrigues and tyranny of Europe and Asia.

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Congressman Fish has been conducting a poll on the question whether the United States should enter the war, or stay out of it. He mailed out 106,000 postcards in his district in New York State (in which Hyde Park is located.) On June 10, Mr. Fish advised the house that a partial compilation showed 20,496 staying out and 2,245 for going in, a ratio of nine to one. Although this may be taken as an accurate reflection of national sentiment, cabinet members are urging that the United States strike now and enter the war immediately. Another lend-lease program of five billions will be sponsored by the administration soon, according to reports.

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Secretary of Agriculture Wickard is making a tour in the West to assure farmers to become alarmed over the war situation, and agencies in his department are sending out circulars to county committeemen.