Armour Tech Summer Surveying Camp, 1923

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Every member of the Armour Summer Camp of 1923 will agree that Friday, June 1st, marked the beginning of one of the most enjoyable experiences of his entire school career. Those who travelled by train met at the Union Station shortly before 9 P. M. and promptly took possession of the allotted cars. Sleep was out of the question until the succession of sleeping Wisconsin villages had become monotonous and after everyone had voiced his opinion of what camp life held in store for us. With fervent hopes that the "eats" would be as the former members of the summer camp had told us we went to bed. Upon arriving at Minocqua the next afternoon we were informed that the fellows who had made the trip via automobile had preceded us by a few hours. We waited expectantly for "Charlie" and his famous Mogul engine to carry us the remaining seventeen miles to State House Station(?) near Trout Lake. The ride proved to be everything that had been predicted, for every turn, twist, and bump held new thrills for us—and there were many.

Professors Wells and Stevens together with the fellows who had gone before to prepare camp were at State House to meet us, and led us through a drizzling rain to camp. Imagine our unbounded joy when we were told that an honest-to-goodness meal awaited us. Here let it be said that the members of the 1923 Summer Camp are unanimous in expressing their gratitude to Mrs. Wallace and her two assistants for their untiring efforts in keeping satisfied that seemingly bottomless void—a hungry boy.

Work began in earnest on Monday and the first few days were spent in taping the various polygons that had previously been laid out. Leveling was the next step, and soon we worked with the transit stadia, and plane table. The last two weeks were taken up with work on the military sketch board, sounding, current meter, and a preliminary survey for a railroad.

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