

BOYS! GIRLS! WESTWARD HO!

A CHANCE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS
TO VISIT ONE OF THE SUM-
MER CAMPS IN THE ROCKY
MOUNTAINS.

A Ten Days' Vacation—Reasonable
Prices—Recreation, Study, Play—
For Young Christians 16 to 21
Years of Age—First Boys'
Camps June 27-July 9—
Girls' Camp July 25-Aug.6.

This is the story of the world famous International Older Boys' and Older Girls' Training Camp Conferences. The camps were started in 1914 at Conference Point, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. The delegates came from all parts of North America, from Canada to the Gulf, from Maine to California. In two years' time the states had to be restricted to limited delegations because of the inability of the camp management to accept the applications of all who wanted to attend. Hundreds of applicants are turned away each year at the Wisconsin camp.

There came a demand to establish branch camps, with the same program and the same leadership. Plans have been developed for a continental system of camps, eleven in all which will give to the boys and girls of America the privileges of the Geneva camp.

The First District Camp was established in 1920 at Geneva Point, on Lake Winnebago, N. H. Sunday school leaders of the west have been vigorously and persistently urging the international association to establish a camp "somewhere in the west" in order that the young people of the western states may receive the benefits of the unique training program.

To meet the pressing demands from the west a third International camp will be opened at Geneva Glen on Parmalee Creek near Golden, Colo., about 30 miles from the city of Denver. The site is located in the foothills of the Rockies; campers will live in mountain cabins accommodating eight people. The grounds will be laid out providing opportunity for baseball, volley ball, tennis, campfires, hiking mountain climbing and all other recreational activities incidental to camp life.

Campers will have access to a property consisting of 3200 acres of

mountain land, on which there are seven mountain peaks. Geneva Creek, a mountain stream, flows through the property and empties into the Parmalee Creek, which borders one side of the camp. Good trout fishing is assured.

This camp is going to be a "corker." Don't you wish you could go? The day starts at 6:45 a. m. The great electric gong sounds and everybody scrambles into their camp togs; a wild dash is made for the campus in front of the "lodge" where we line up for the flag salute, followed by five minutes of "peppy" setting up exercises. When the kinks are all out, we have a short period to straighten things up around the cabin, or to further loosen up joints by taking a short, snappy hike of from 10 to 15 minutes, and then comes breakfast and you're ready for it. Throughout the entire meal time the dining room echoes with songs and yells of the states and tribal groups.

For the morning schedule you go with your group to classes in woodcraft, Sunday school plans, week-day activities, Bible, fourfold life, playground games, how to teach, and the like. At assembly period the camp orchestra performs; and results of contests are announced. A period of playground games winds up the morning schedule, and then comes dinner and more dining room fun.

When you arrive in camp you are all assigned to a tribe, Senecas, Mohawks, etc. Each tribe is distinguished by its head band. All games and play are on a tribal basis and the tribal trophy is awarded the last night of the camp to the tribe that secures the greatest number of points.

After supper we hold our special evening service. In a clearing in the wood, facing a great mountain peak, over which the sun is shedding her gathered glory of the closing day, we sing, and think and pray together that we may better know the "Jesus way" of living.

The three thousand campers from all over North America will tell you that this service alone would make the camp worth while.

Now get yourself ready for the "Night's Doings." What's going to happen? Nobody but the "Big Chief" knows what it is going to be. It is the joy-surprise of the day.

Attendance at camp is limited to older Christian boys and girls between the ages of 16 and 21 years inclusive. There are two camps, the older boys' camp dates from June 27 to July 9. The older girls' camp convenes from July 25 to Aug. 6. Attendance is limited, a delegation of about 25 for each camp will be allotted to Kansas. The cost is low, just your railroad fare, room and board (\$21.00) and a registration fee of three dollars, of which one dollar must accompany the application.

These are not dress up camps. The girls wear middies and bloomers; the boys, outing shirts and old trousers, tough shoes for hiking, tennis shoes for games and play.

The International Camp Conferences have an exceptionally complete system of honor and awards. The camps are under the direction of the International Sunday School Association, which for more than half a century has been serving the Sunday schools of all Protestant denominations in the discovery and training of leadership with such leaders as John L. Alexander, P. G. Orwig, R. A. "Daddy" Waite.

Come on college students! Wouldn't you like to be one of the pioneers of this new Colorado camp and blaze those trails. Minnie Macaulay.