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German Attack Repulsed

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Time Trouble Ensues

Shortly after 1 PM Winter Camp time yesterday, WCXX, Channel 120 in Lapeer, broadcast an account of a joint Iranian-German-North Korean takeover of most major world cities, leaving only tiny splinter groups to resist this triple unholy alliance. Three teams of Winter Campers rose to meet the challenge, but found themselves entangled in a far more complicated battle after successfully transmitting their messages across camp.

Modern communications methods were deemed worthless due to enemy monitoring, so these intrepid adventurers were forced to resort to more time-honored means of transmitting messages. Semaphore signaling combined with the hose-a-phone strung through the woods to make it possible for the three groups—one housed near Grand View, one on the Beaver Creek peninsula, and one near the Last Ceremony

site—to pass important messages along.

The first message passed through the hose-a-phone called for information from the "electric noodle" at the Beaver Creek building. The peninsula team flagged down the crew in Grand View, which sent a runner down to the BC building to retrieve the required number, 664. This was relayed back up to the Last Ceremony site team, which recovered an important artifact and assembled all three teams. While any Scout who has earned the Citizenship in the Community merit badge knows full well, when calling 911, not to hang up until the responders do, few proved proficient in the corresponding most basic elements of hose-a-phone etiquette. Hence the "electric noodle" confusion.

The assembled campers were then visited by a mysterious time traveler from the future, who told of a time paradox that sent them back to December 1910. While the Germans and their ilk were driven back from the immediate vicinity, we now have a temporal displacement to contend with.

Today's Schedule

(All times WCST)

9:00 AM	Green Eggs and Some Kind of Pork
10:00 AM	Service Project
1:00 PM	Polish Buffet
2:00 PM	Service Project
5:00 PM	Free time
6:00 PM	Stylish Seafood
7:00 PM	McCarthyism
8:00 PM	4-Way Volleyball
9:00 PM	Movie (<i>Back to the Future</i>)
11:00 PM	Bollmano's Pizza
12:00 M	Lights out

Alimentary Endings

Yesterday's Hot Potato Lunch was played with stuffed Mr. Potato Heads for the first time. Steve Donohue purchased these several years ago in an effort to add some accuracy—or whimsy—to the meal, which had seen several substitutes for hot potatoes used over the years. Actual microwaved potatoes were used at the meal's first appearance, but they had a way of falling apart too easily.

After Steve's purchase, the meal was then not served for several years. Never doubt that good deeds ever go unpunished. The heads proved quite serviceable this year, and the meal was a successful kickoff to Winter Camp.

Gastronomic Delights

Today kicks off with the **Green Eggs and Some Kind of Pork Breakfast**. Carnivores from Michigan State University should enjoy this meal very much.

The Winter Camp roaster oven which debuted last year comes out for the first time in 2010 for the **Polish Buffet**. Early reports indicate that the kielbasa is most excellent.

Shaun Range is the man responsible for tonight's **Stylish Seafood Dinner**. His obsession with seafood during the November planning meeting was so intense that it bordered on disturbing. And not in a good way. Nonetheless, his wish comes true tonight.

Bollmano's Pizza returns to Beaver Creek subcamp after two years of operation in the wilds of Trout Lake, and will

be serving during tonight's movie. Once again, Bollmano's will allow Winter Camp rookies first crack at its ovens as its "You Make It, We Bake It, You Take It" tradition returns to Winter Camp.

Quote O' The Day

"I can tie a sheepshank with one hand!"

—Jeff Rand, at the Winter Camp XXXIV planning meeting

Bootleggers Suffer Overwhelming Defeat

Paul Kupser purchased over 40 cans of pop last night as an adjunct to The Mexican Dinner. When he went to retrieve his purchase, he discovered that the 18th Amendment to the Constitution was in force, and that the transport, manufacture, or consumption of carbonated beverages had been prohibited in the Winter Camp Universe.

A battle broke out in the evening between bootleggers and the singing G-Men, as the former sought to break through the latter's defenses and return soft drinks to the Beaver Creek building. The agents of the government proved the equal of nearly every physical challenge brought against them by the forces of evil, and in the end, only Timmy Kasprzak was able to breach their perimeter—and then only with 8 cans of Coca-Cola.

Back In The Day

Yesterday's Behind Enemy Lines event began with a brief news message from Channel 120 in Lapeer, the only broadcast operation still on the air after the three-way takeover of the world. Channel 120 is also known as WCXX-TV, and traces its origin to Mark Bollman—>'s Winter Camp novel of the same name, which he wrote in 1993 as his assignment in the first-ever Hobby Draw, and which premiered at Winter Camp XVII (now in the first half of Winter Camp history). *Channel 120* tells the story of Winter Camp and America under the thumb of the Moral Reform Act, a draconian law enacted in 1994 which crushes the BSA, though not Winter Camp. The MRA was first mentioned in "The Last Ceremony", a rededication ceremony originally written by Jeff Rand.

Channel 120 was the first Winter Camp novel, and was followed in short order by Steve Donohue's *Paradox Metaphor* and Jeff Rand's *Another Ten Seconds*. Mark—> and Steve have been collaborating for 12 years on *After The Apocalypse*, a tale of Winter Camp's post-nuclear exploits, heroic and otherwise. Jeff is said to be at work on *Zero Node*, which explores further some of the themes in *ATS*.

The three completed novels may be found in the Winter Camp library, and the two works in progress are serialized on the Winter Camp Web site.

Winter Camp Trivia

From yesterday's edition:

1. Which Winter Camp meal has been served for the last two years in Trout Lake subcamp?

—*Bollmano's Pizza*

2. Who invented the Skittle-stuffed pizza crust at Winter Camp XXXIII?

—*Lucas Kuzala*

3. Who set the record in Ticket to Ride at Winter Camp XXXIII?

—*Will Gagnon (127)*

4. What did the Thunder Sword buried

in the second 10-year time capsule say?
—"Power Charge!"

Today's questions:

1. Which two flavors were added to some of the flour bags thrown during Flour Wars?

2. Who was the only successful bootlegger during Prohibition at Winter Camp XXXIV?

3. Who struck it rich at roulette and won over \$50,000 at the Winter Camp XXXIV Speakeasy?



Visitor Log: Day One

Visiting Winter Camp XXXIV on Day One was Meghan Fox. Since Meghan lives at D-A, she may well have just been checking out a disturbance in her backyard. She now knows what a rhombohexahedron is. (So do you. Look up.)

Also making an appearance, this morning, was a mouse that worked its way into the BC kitchen sink through the drain. Twice. The plumbing implications of this feat are left to the reader.

You Might Be A Winter Camper

If you've ever been cheered by the sight of a Pepsi machine...
If you've ever communicated by hose-a-phone and semaphore *on the same day*...