

CAMP KERN, FORT ANCIENT, OHIO.

Owned and Operated by the Dayton Y. M. C. A.

Report of 1926 - 17th Season

Although the attendance at Camp Kern during 1926 was a shade under that of last year, gains in other phases of the Camp seem to offset this decrease. Real advances were made in getting the campers to assume a larger share in determining their own program and in setting camp policies. Coercion was practically eliminated and boys were led into new interests rather than driven. Most of these results were made possible by a functioning Camp Council, elected by campers. Other gains were noted in the way of enriching the camp program. Mr. S. H. Leamon, Associate Physical Director of the Dayton Y. M. C. A., who has had a wide experience in boys' camps was largely responsible here.

This year, the seventeenth season for Camp Kern began June 5, continuing until August 16. The attendance was divided as follows:

Religious Retreat for men	-	51	Registered	-	2	days
Sluts' Class Outing	-	110	"	-	2	"
Boys' Camp Periods	-	254	"	-	40	"
Young Men's Camp	-	37	"	-	8	"
Colored Boys' Camp	-	85	"	-	14	"
Total	-	537	"		66	"

8,776 meals were served during the entire season. 921 visitors looked in on Camp Kern during the season.

Figures for Boys' Camp Alone.

5	Periods, 8 days each - Total 40 days.
254	Total Attendance
51	Period Average
78	Boys completed Honor Tests, either 1, 2 or 3 degree.
140	Boys were given personal medical and physical examination upon entering Camp.

Samples of water and milk, taken twice, were analyzed by the Dayton Board of Health and pronounced satisfactory.

5 Sunday Chapel Services were held with the following speakers: General Secretary, H. D. Dickson; Frank Stanton, Judge Alfred McCray, Bernard Bains and George B. Crane.