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Camp Here Two Years.

On June 28, 1933, 200 Kansas men rolled into Cloquet at about 5:00 a. m. They were tired and very cold. These boys from the south weren't used to 60 degree weather. As soon as breakfast was over, the men loaded into trucks and were brought to Big Lake, and it was then that they got their first look at what was to be the camp site of Co. 1760. They saw an open hay field, approximately ten acres in size, and that is about all there was here. It was real work for awhile, with everyone (except those who started for the lake) busy pitching tents, digging holes, cutting a few trees, etc. But they stuck with it and soon had things in good order. The men lived in tents most of the summer, the mess hall being constructed about three weeks after the camp located here. Barracks and hospital were next to be built, then the bath house and finally the recreation hall and supply room were built. It was a pleasure indeed to have everyone under a roof, but one still hears the stories of the great times the men had when they were living in tents.



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