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**PROF. STROEBEL RETURNS
FROM TRAINING CAMP**

I want to voice my appreciation and thanks to the officials of the Local Chapter of the American Red Cross for everything they have done to afford me the great privilege and opportunity of attending the American Red Cross National Aquatic School at Camp Mystic, 18 miles west of Kerrville, June 1 - 11.

The faculty, composed of nine able men and two women, arrived at Camp Mystic May 31 to get things in shape to open, and on Sunday afternoon eighty one students from all parts of Texas, from eight other states of the Union, and one from the Outlying Possessions of the United States - Alaska, enrolled.

The following courses were offered by the School: The Instructor's Course in First Aid, Accident Prevention in Home and on the Farm, Life Saving and Water Safety, and Swimming and Diving. I took advantage of the courses in First Aid and Accident Prevention, and found them very interesting and instructive.

Many people do not see the need of the courses just mentioned, because they don't realize that nine million accidents occur in our country annually. In round numbers, they kill 93,000 of our men, women, and children, and permanently cripple 320,000. Many things should be done to reduce this frightful loss of life and limb.

Accidents occur, however, in spite of all precautions, and it is very important to know the proper thing to do and not to do, if first aid measures are necessary. Frequently victims of an accident are so situated that much time may elapse before medical aid can be secured. Therefore, it is for the individuals own good and the good of his associates to have a thorough knowledge of First Aid.

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