

# BETWEEN THE COVERS RARE BOOKS

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## *[Photo Album]: Camp Fire Girls*

Saratoga Lake, New York: 1920s

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Large oblong octavo measuring 7½" x 11". String-tied green leather over paper board with "photographs" stamped in gilt on the front board. A collection of 136 black and white and sepia toned photographs measuring between 2½" x 3½" and 3" x 5", without captions. Near fine with slight edgewear. A photo album compiled by a member of the Camp Fire Girls in Saratoga Lake, New York around 1920. Starting in 1910 the Camp Fire Girls were the "first nonsectarian, multicultural organization for girls in America." Saratoga Lake was used as the spot for the annual meeting of the greater New York region's Camp Fire Girls.

The photographs show Saratoga Lake's resident Camp Fire Girls around town posing in full uniform, as well as several earlier pictures of leaders and rangers. Girls in cabins and tents can be seen here, ranging from adolescent to high school aged, as well as appropriately sitting by camp fires, and participating in activities such as swimming, boating, and learning to dive. One photo shows one of the camp girls in a wheelchair, while another shows two girls helping each other wash their hair. Guides show girls the trails around the lake, posing for group photos and individual portraits in a variety of Camp Fire dress. An interesting collection of early girl's outdoor activities. [BTC#395719]

















