NO WASTE

EVEN TIN CANS ARE CONSERVED AT MESS HALLS.

The "waste not" admonition of Herbert Hoover is being carried out to the letter at the Camp Greene Base Hospital. Not a particle of food is destroyed. Every by-product is utilized. Even the tin cans are saved.

The tin cans are wrenched out in scalding water, by the members of the kitchen police force. The cans are then battered itno a solid mass. When a sufficient quantity of the battered tin is collected the metal is hauled to Charlotte and loaded on board a railroad car. It is shipped to a metal reducing plant and the tin and lead will be used again in a different capacity.

Two weeks of saving the cans netted a full car load of tin from the patients' and detachment mess halls of the hospital. The government is gaining a goodly return for a product which was wholly waste in past years and which offered the problem of burying the cans

Bread crusts and pieces of bread, which have not been allowed over for a meal on the big platters, are taken to make bread pudding. The way the cooks of the two mess halls have of flavoring the pudding with raisins and custard makes a delicacy much sought after.

Large meat bones are saved for flavoring soups and fats are rendered into lard in the base hospital kitchens.

Garbage is not wasted as it was in former years, when much fuel was used in burning the discarded food. The food waste is bought, by the farmers of the Charlotte region, for fertilizer and is collected in large cans by colored workmen after each meal.

DO IT RIGHT

DETACHMENT COMMANDER OF-FERS A FEW POINTERS.

Captain William W. Carnog, M. R. C., detachment commander, has offered the following bits of advice, which The Caduceus feels should be passed along for consideration of all the hospital enlisted men:

"It is easier to be ready for inspection all the time than it is to prepare for inspection once a week. The keeping of equipment in neat order is only a matter of habit. Get the habit.

"The military efficiency of a soldier or a military organization can be judged by the time it takes to complete a formation for drill.

"If you can't swat Germans just now—swat flies. That warfare is almost as important"

FULL GROWN

Lieutenant-Colonel George Renn, present commanding officer of the Camp Greene base hospital, weighed 225 pounds when he came to Camp Greene.

He had been here just two days when he met one of the old-time darkies on the street in Charlotte. The colored man, whose kinky hair had been whitened by the years, removed his worn hat with great Chesterfieldian manners and remarked warmly:

"Good mornin', boss. Bless God I is at last seen one full-grown soldier. Dere here soldiers what I bin seein' is nothin' but chillen and it makes my heart' so sad to see dese boys—but you is certainly full-grown. Say boss, what is you? A gineral?

PROMOTED AGAIN

P. J. DEMPSEY IS HOSPITAL SER-GEANT SINCE SUNDAY.

Top-Sergeant P. J. Dempsey received the warrant on Sunday which makes him a hospital sergeant, an honor which he shares only with Hospital Sergeant Abel Knight.

Hospital Sergeant Dempsey has been in the army but little over a year. He enlisted in the regular army at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., on May 21, 1917. All his promotions have been in the regular army and not in the reserve.

He was made a sergeant on August 21, and upon being transferred to Camp Greene with the base hospital force he was made acting first sergeant. He received a permanent warrant for that rank on November 20 His promotion to hospital sergeant is dated June 19. He has one more step to take, that of master hospital sergeant, before being in line for a commission and he has shown the stuff which will eventually land him there. His home is in St. John, Newfoundland.

PARK PAVILION BURNS.

The dancing half at Lakewood Park burned to the ground early Thursday morning. Canse of the fire, which occasioned a loss of \$12,000, is unknown. The structure will be rebuilt at once, it is announced.

Private Robert Nikrant, wardmaster in A-8, is recovering from the trying experience of having his tonsils removed.

ALMOST COMPLETED

NEW WARD BUILDINGS WILL SOON BE READY FOR USE.

Construction of the six mammoth ward buildings, which will double the capacity of the Camp Greene base hospital, is almost completed. The end of the week will find the carpenter work finished.

The new structures, each of which is two stories high, are the most substantial buildings in Camp Greene. They are builded for permanent use, which tends to bear out the original intention of military officers to make the Camp Greene hospital a general hospital.

The construction work, by the J. A. Jones Company of Charlotte, has been a marvel of organization and speed. The rearing of the big structures, in the few weeks that have been taken, is claimed to set a new government record for ward construction.

Lumber has arrived for the large Red Cross building, which is to stand in the center of the convalescent wards. Work on the proposed structure will start at once and is expected to be completed before fall. The Red Cross recreation home will be built in the form of a cross and is to cost \$18,000.

"OVER THE TOP"

WILL GO FIREMEN IN DASH AGAINST TIME.

Firemen of the base hospital will go "over the top" in the true sense of the word when they are called into action against any attacks of flame that may threaten the buildings. The submerged runways, through which the struggling firemen dragged their hose carts and other apparatus are to be abolished. The small tunnelways were not of sufficient depth to allow the passing of the ladder wagon, and other loaded vehicles which are sometimes brought into the hospital, and so were found to be impractical for permanent use.

Forty elevated drives are to be carried over the runways, that connect the hospital buildings. The heavy plank platforms are being constructed. They are re-enforced by strong beams and will bear the burden of a team of horses and loaded wagon when necessary.

The former Sergeant Paul A. Manger is now a private in the ranks of the ordnance department. His transfer came through this week and he has already taken up his duties in Washington, D. C.

