THE CADUCEUS.

PAPER TALK

CALLS US INVALUABLE.

The Journal of the American Medical Association acknowledges the receipt of The Caduceus in its issue of July 20. Coming from a magazine of such standing as The Journal we value the following comment on the mission of our base hospital periodical:

"Such a publication is invaluable for its effect on the morale of the organization and for the preservation as a permanent stimulus to memory of great periods in the lives of the men issuing it"

CARRY ON.

Our first exchange issue of "Carry On," a magazine on the "reconstruction of disabled soldiers and sailors," published from the office of the surgeon-general is at hand.

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"Carry On" is o bundle of optimism. It lifts the torch of hope for those who have been marked in the deadly stand against autocracy. It points the way to useful work for the men who have lost an arm or a limb in the thick of the fight.

WELLSWORTH LIFE.

The Wellsworth Life, published by the employes of the American Optical Company at Southbridge, Mass., pays a tribute to one of its former employes, Hospital Sergeant Patrick J. Dempsey and to The Caduceus in the July number.

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In the paragraph telling of the many friends of Sergeant Dempsey and speaking of his recent promotion, it states: "It is most gratifying to learn that others think as much of our boys as we do."

One reference to The Caduceus is: "Which most interestingly describes the phases of life at Camp Greene."

OUR AWFUL WANT.

We want to get into the trenches, And fight with the bravest of men. We want to be near to give them cheer, And help what little we can.

We want to get into the trenches, Oh! we want to get out on thee. We are sick of living lazy and idle, And tired of resting our spine.

We want to get into the trenches, And we pray that time is near. Oh! we want to get into the trenches, For the hookworm is getting us here. BY SGT. E. L. JENKINS.

THE RAZZ.

Twelve non-commissioned officers of Base Hospital No. 54 have shown a striking disregard for the considerate treatment by the old detachment and have had their hair clipped short and in some cases the head is shaven. They are receiving the "razz" from the men who still have the neat appearance of the Camp Greene Base Hospital at heart. We omit the names of those who have submitted to the atrocious disfigurement as the men who come from respectable families.

BOYS AND BOOKS

Continued from page 5 or more profitable field of labor.

The books on general science as well as those on electricity, chemistry, radio-activity, etc., have 'many roaders. Some men realize that a review of mathematics will be of value to them and turn to the shelf occupied by the books on arithmetic, algebra, geometry and trigonometry. Poetry is called for more often than might be supposed. Kipling's "Barrack Room Ballad" and Service's "Rhymes of a Red Cross Man" are "out" constantly. There is a steady demand for the works on military hygiene and mursing and for all those on military strength, tactics and training. The excellent collection of books relating to the war is preparing those who are going overseas for the surroundings and conditions that they will fint

Is Cool Place. In spite of a warm welcome to all, the Library is said to be the coolest place in camp, which increases its popularity and many enjoy the quiet for letter writing. Then, too, the Li-brary paste is handy when the moist weather sticks postage stamps together and dictionaries are convenient when the spelling of words is doubtful. Often a visit to the Library is for some bit of reference work. discussion arises about the wording of the Gettysburg Address and is quickly settled by referring to a Life of Lincoln. A line from Coleridge's "Ancient Mariner" was only an annoyance until the right word was looked up. Disputed dates are proved by a glance into the history of the

when they arrive.

country.

It is interesting to note that the circulation of this Hospital branch is at present greater than at the main Camp Library, and that at this date, with a much smaller number of patients in the hospital the circulation for July bids fair to be about the same as in June. The men are learning to use the Library.

A spirit of helpful co-operation seems characteristic of this hospital. Staff, patients and welfare workers join their efforts for the good of all. The man who comes to the Library for his own books, returns those of his neighbor in the ward and selects for him a new supply. The books that by some chance are misplaced are carefully returned by some public spirited being.

It is Our Library and while we enjoy it for ourselves we are ready and anxious to share it with those about

BY MARIE FOX WAIT.

BIG BEN.

Some bugle calls are mighty sweet. For instance "Taps," also "Retreat." However, one ne'er appeals to me, That early bird, Oh "Reveille." For when I'm having the best of

nops, And the last thing heard was good old "Taps."

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