

OFFICERS' PAGE

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FINE WORK.

Capt. Thomas J. Nelan, detachment commander of Base 54, has been having drills with his men in full overseas equipment. The appearance made by the men was fine, the drilling being excellent. The very excellent showing made by this outfit speaks very highly for the untiring efforts of Capt. Nelan.

Col. Page, who has had a world of experience in the army getting men ready for overseas service, said last Saturday morning that "if Capt. Nelan's work could be improved upon he didn't know where that improvement was."

Capt. William S. Scruggs, who was called home last week by the serious illness of his mother, has returned.

RETURNED TO DUTY.

Capt. Benj. Choate, who has been spending the last ten days with his family at Louisville, Ky., has returned to this station.

WANT THE CHANCE.

The officers of Base 54 were all down to give the nurses of their unit a send-off last Monday night. The nursing corp is now forming at New York. The cheering showed that all were pretty glad that they were going across soon.

FAMILY VISITS HERE.

The family of Captain William Cornog, which includes the wife, two daughters and son, William, Jr., all of Lavonia, Georgia, are visiting the detachment commander. While in Charlotte the family is staying at 491 North Graham street.

ANOTHER MAJOR.

Another major is added to the official staff of the U. S. Army Base Hospital, Camp Greene, this week, in the arrival of Major Frank H. Lahey. Major Lahey is assigned to the surgical service of the hospital. He has been connected with Rockefeller Institute in New York city before entering military service. Just prior to his transfer to Camp Greene he was in the U. S. Army General Hospital, No. 1, at Williamsbridge, N. Y., where Lieutenant-Colonel William Sheep, former Camp Greene Base Hospital Commander, is now stationed as commanding officer.

HOT TIME.

The news that 54 was going out caused a commotion in the east wing of the officers' quarters this last Tuesday. Capt. Dawdle broke down and cried, Major McRae stood on his head; Major Evelth recited "the charge of the light brigade;" Capt. Nelan did the dance of the seven veils with the seven missing; Capt. Harvey looked wise and said "I told you so," while Capt. Ray and Connolly just naturally fainted away from joy.

CAPTAIN RETURNS.

Captain Leonard Hart has returned to the hospital after spending a few days at the bedside of his father, who was seriously ill at Meridian, Miss. The father is much improved in health at the return of the captain.

Lieut. Thomas has returned from his leave.

Capt. Swanick is examining troops at the camp.

HAY FELLERS!

The tennis court in the rear of the officers' quarters are now the scene of some bloody battles.

For real strength and staying qualities, Lieut. Freed holds the belt. The other day after playing for three hours he reefed one into the loop of the street car road at Liberty Park. But for the genuine refined graceful stuff give us Lieut. Cobb. There is not a fault to find with his playing, only that—well, the thing that we started out to say, as Luke McGluck would say, was that early in the spring Lieut. Wagner constructed the courts with the notion that he would keep them in condition, but since then has been a change in quartermasters and not that we mean anything by making the statement, yet the courts do need rolling and levelling up.

NEW CAPTAIN.

Captain Edward Richardson, who comes from Rockefeller Institute, New York city, is the last officer to be joined with the staff of the U. S. Army Hospital, Camp Greene. He is enrolled in the medical service.

TO CAMP LEE.

Lieutenant W. F. Newhouse, formerly connected with the base hospital laboratory, has been transferred to the Camp Lee base hospital.

'Twas worth a million dollars, that smile on Capt. Dawdle's face, when he got the news that 54 was really on their way. Sable clouds have silver linings. Which is well since the unfortunate affair on the diamond last Saturday.

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