

PLANS PROCEED

THANKSGIVING DAY WILL BE KEPT IN CAMP

Peace will not change the Thanksgiving day plans announced for Camp Greene.

The abandon of all labor for the day will be the more complete because of the allied victory, it is given out. The camp will enter into the joy of America's greatest Thanksgiving day in the fullest spirit. Mess officers are making arrangements for an elaborate menu for all companies in the camp as a matter of keeping up with a part of the day's traditions.

Melvin Sheppard, Camp Athletic Director, is expecting the athletic features of the day to be even more hotly contested than was originally supposed. There are a number of entries for the inter-company relay race, which will be held in the morning and in which teams from nearly every organization in camp will compete. Five men will make up each team and by running a half mile each will cover the distance from camp headquarters to the Charlotte city hall. Prizes will be gold, silver and bronze medals to the men of the first, second and third teams to finish in the race. The contestants will wear regulation army uniforms.

In the afternoon of Thanksgiving Day a foot ball game between a Camp Greene team and an army team from some other camp is being arranged.

RESUME PROGRAMS.

The resumption of the regular program again this week at the Base hospital Y has been received with pleasure not only by the men but by the nurses. Tuesday night they were entertained with movies, Wednesday night also with movies and Saturday night an illustrated lecture will be shown. This lecture gives a reproduction of many of the scenes in the fighting zone and has been given over the camp this week in all the Y huts. Its chief interest is to enlighten the soldiers on the work and show them that the money they are giving goes to make the load lighter for their fellow comrades. Every cent contributed in this campaign by the army camps is given to the work of the soldiers over there.

RESUME ACTIVITIES.

Activities at the Red Circle Club for colored soldiers, at 404 E. Second street, conducted under the auspices of the War-Camp Community Service have been resumed since the lifting of the quarantine. The building is now equipped with reading and writing rooms, game rooms, and there are also sleeping accommodations for about twenty men. Since the men have been permitted to come to the city, the building has been thronged every afternoon an evening. At the Community House, near by, the women relatives of soldiers are made welcome and entertained.

COVERS CAMP

ONLY CHAPLIN A BUSY MAN.

Chaplin Joseph Ryan bears the distinction of being the only military chaplain at Camp Greene and being a conscientious worker he is kept occupied from morn until night.

He makes his home in the officers' row in the rear of camp headquarters, where he is always in readiness to render spiritual assistance to any one. His mornings are always occupied by making the rounds of the wards at the base hospital and the remainder of the day he spends in assisting at the various K. of K. huts.



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CHAPLAIN RYAN.

Chaplin Ryan has been at Camp Greene three months, entering the service on August 5, 1918, and proceeding direct to this station. He is an ordained priest, having studied at St. Joseph's, Dunwoodie, N. Y., and was connected for some time with St. Jerome's church in his home, New York city.

Next week in every Y building in the camp special efforts will be made to give super-talent shows every night possible an announcement of which will be made at each building.

THE PEACE BELLS

BEAR A SWEETER NOTE THAN MERE HILARITY.

Peace has come! Our warfare o'er, Sweet the call at dawn's glad breaking,

Dream of battled fields no more, Days of longing, nights of waking.

There is a fine bit of sentiment in the interpretation of the peace whistles and bells by S. B. Fitzgerald and which appeared in The Observer of Tuesday morning:

"The throats of the big whistles and little whistles of America are announcing the advent of world democracy. But that is not the loudest note that rises above the din and clamour of the hilarious noise-makers. I hear first of all the weeping of women—weeping for joy, and though it courses through the voice of throats of factory whistle, and rings out in the bells, it is the voice of love spent for a purpose. The mother hears it in the foot-fall of her son's return; the wife knows she is not to be left desolate; the sweetheart kisses the picture of her lover again and again.

"And again I hear it, a fainter, sweeter note—sweetest of all. It comes from the homes where there is a golden star.

"I listen again and I hear—for the demonstration grows louder—language that seems to me to mean that it is the vengeance of God that He wills to pour out on the heads of Germany for crime. Across space and time comes the cry from the millions of women and children who have suffered from the hands of the ruthless Hun. I rejoice for many reasons, but the chief cause is that God's voice of justice is loud enough to silence every cry of distress, and that in the exercise of His love, justice and mercy are procured."

GIVE PROGRAM.

The usual weekly program for the Soldiers' Club, 516 S. Tryon street, has been resumed since the lifting of the quarantine. This includes the Tuesday evening free dancing class for enlisted men, the regular Wednesday and Saturday evening dances in the pavilion and the Sunday afternoon at home hour and concert.

Several hundred men in uniform called at the Club Monday and in the evening there was dancing, although the attendance of girls was small, due to the counter attraction of the city demonstration over the Peace Declaration. The attendance of young ladies also small at the Wednesday evening dance, but the full quota of members holding dance badges is expected for the dance at the pavilion on Saturday evening November 16. Every white enlisted man in Camp Greene and the city of Charlotte is invited.

RETURNS.

Cpl. George Williams is again with us after a short absence while visiting with relatives in Massachusetts.