

BOOKS WILL HELP

SOLDIERS MUST HAVE EVERY CHANCE.

The base hospital library has joined in the big movement to help the boys who are to go back into the ways of trade in a short time. Books on educational subjects are being provided by the war service of the American Library Association as rapidly as possible.

Marie Fox Wait, in charge of the library, which is in the Red Cross building, is arranging the volumes so that they may be easily accessible to soldiers who wish to study on technical or general subjects.

Books are now available on the subjects of: Your Job at Home; Where do we go from Here; Lure of the Land; Carpentry; Seamanship; Railroad Engineering; Steam Engineering; Business; Advertising and Salesmanship; Bookkeeping and Accounting; Machine Shop Work; Automobiles; Journalism; Sheet Metal Work; Electrical Work; Rapid Communication; Telephony, Telegraphy, Wireless Banking; Foreign Trade; Drafting; Civil Service.

"SIR, DICKEY"

CHAMPION SONGSTER DUBBED LIEUTENANT.

His ability as the champion feathered songster of Camp Greene has won for "Dickey Darling," the bright canary in the hospital Red Cross building, the commission as lieutenant from the Red Cross officials of the camp. The active songster is to be addressed as "Sir, Dickey," according to the order at the Red Cross building.

The canary came from New Jersey where the bird was purchased by Captain Sid Darling in response to the desire of Mrs. Baldwin, hostess of the Red Cross building, that a song bird be added to the charm of the place. It had been agreed by the management of the Smith-Wadsworth Hardware company that a cage would be furnished for such a songster if a bird was brought to the hospital.

"Sir, Dickey" has been at the Red Cross building for several weeks and has ably won the honor which has come to him. He misses no opportunity to sing. He makes rare bird harmony to the music of the piano. When Cook Calatri sings in Italian "Sir, Dickey" warbles in perfect latin accent, it is declared.

GETS LEAVE.

Corporal Joe Lawlor leaves today on an eight day furlough. This is the first time smiling Joe has left us in fourteen months. He will spend his time with "relatives" at Salem, Mass.

HAS BIG JOB

PERSONNEL OFFICER RUSHED

For actual hard work, it would be a difficult matter to find any camp office more burdened with it than is the Camp Personnel office and the busiest man of them all is Captain Lewis A. Hasty, personnel officer for Camp Greene.

It is his team of men that compile and arrange all records relative to changes in rating, enlistments, promotions, deratings and above all at the present time, discharges. Now that the demobilization of the army and the section of it at Camp Greene is under way Captain Hasty is "one the go" from reveille to retreat and usually long after.



—Photo By Toohey.

CAPT. LEWIS A. HASTY.

Capt. Hasty arrived at this station to take charge of the personnel office early in July of the present year coming here from Camp Grant, Ill. He was a student at the second officers' training camp at Ft. Shreidan receiving his commission as second lieutenant of infantry on Nov. 27th, 1917 and served with a machine gun battalion at that station for some months when he was commissioned first lieutenant on the 2nd of June, this year and was transferred to the Adjutant general's department. And as a reward for his earnest and efficient efforts here he was promoted to the grade of captain on October 8th, last.

BURNS HAND

Sergeant First Class Arnold Goldstein, secretary to the commanding officer, seriously burned his right hand on Tuesday when he was putting a bucket of water on the office stove. He spilled a portion of the water and the steam enveloped his hand, inflicting a painful wound which makes a neat bandage necessary.

BUTTER IS FINE

MEALS ARE CHEAPER IN FRANCE.

"The butter over here is fine writes Captain Grover Wilkes, M. C. formerly of the U. S. Army Base Hospital, Camp Greene, but now stationed with Camp Hospital No. 52 in France, in a letter to Major Joseph H. Way, in charge of reconstruction service of the base hospital.

"Meals here are a third cheaper than they can be bought in Charlotte or New York," Captain Wilkes continues. "There is plenty of food except a slight sugar shortage."

"The women do all the work. You seldom see a Frenchman who is able to carry a gun. They are along the battle line. The stories about the women being attractive is true."

"In the fields they use the same old two wheel carts that have been lumbering over their hills for centuries. The wheels are at least five feet high.

The people do not seem in much of a hurry. They drive their horses tandem and never two abreast."

"The climate is considerably warmer than it is near Charlotte but it has rained some every day since I can remember. The mud is the worst proposition. It has the Camp Greene of last winter stopped."

"The land is very fertile and five acres makes a big farm. The people treat us very nicely.

"Most every city has a street or a park named after President Wilson."

SET 900 PLATES

RED CROSS BUILDING SEAT OF FESTIVE JOY.

During the afternoon and early evening of Thanksgiving day there were 900 plates of baked turkey, with trimmings, set before the guests of the Red Cross building at the base hospital. Many friends of the Red Cross from the city of Charlotte as well as enlisted men and nurses from the hospital attended the informal open house. In the evening there was dancing.

The building was tastily decorated by use of streamers and flowers. The large tables were arranged to form a cross in the center of the big parlor.

The menu for the luncheon was:

- | | | |
|--------------|-------------------|----------|
| | Turkey | |
| Potato chips | Celery | Olives |
| | Cheese Sandwiches | |
| Orange punch | | Sherbert |
| Oranges | Apples | Bananas |

GOES HOME.

Sgt. Ray Derwort of the reconstruction department of the Base Hospital is absent on leave during which time he will visit in his former home at Lima, Ohio.