

## HELP IN MANY ENTERTAINMENTS



## GIVE US A CARD.



FORUM, Editor:

Some time ago I inserted a piece in The Caduceus stating that I thought some recognition should be given the men, who through no fault of theirs, had been kept in this country during the war. I referred especially to men who had been told by their commanders that their service on this side was indispensable and that they were doing more right here than they would be able to do at the front.

Last week I was pleased to note that the war department had issued an order allowing men who had been in the service in this country the right to wear a silver bar for every six months in the army.

However, since that order was issued I have seen men on the streets of Charlotte wearing a silver stripe when I know they have been in the army but two months. No doubt men will soon be about with three silver stripes when they are only entitled to one or two.

A good way to remedy this apparent evil, I should think, would be to issue to all men in the army a card, similar to a registration card, showing the date of that man's enlistment and any soldier wearing the stripes should be made subject to produce his card when called upon.

If some such method as this is not followed the intention of the war department will come to naught and soon there will be little honor to the wearing of the silver and gold stripes as any person may purchase as many as they please and wear them.

—Sergt. First Class S. J. Laske.

## WANTS TO GO

Public Forum Editor:—

In view of the fact that many men will be leaving us in the near future, who will be sent to their homes permanently, there will still remain in the personnel of the 117th Ordnance Depot company, many men who have served in Camp Greene for over a year. However, those of us who will be so unfortunate as to be kept a while longer, are living in vague hopes that the demobilization machinery at Camp Greene will be speedily completed, on account of the pitiful failure of what was known a century ago as "southern hospitality," and which term at the present time is nothing but a by-word, in this locality.

There always has been a lot of hard work done without kick, and an abundance of enthusiasm shown by the enlisted personnel of this depot, in the hopes that upon completion of their duties here, they would



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MRS. SARAH RENN AND SON GEORGE, JR.

There seems to be a ray of sunshine missing from the home-like atmosphere of the Red Cross building at the U. S. Army Base Hospital, Camp Greene for the past week and the many attendants there, both the nurses and enlisted men were not long in discovering just what it was.

The charming personality of Mrs. George A. Renn, wife of the commanding officer of the hospital and the cheery voice of George, Jr., were the missing sunbeams. Mrs. Renn had been spending several days at the Red Cross building during the past few weeks and has recently returned to her Charlotte residence.

While at the hospital Mrs. Renn assisted in many ways in making the building a sunnier, brighter place in which to spend one's leisure hours; she willingly assisted in the dancing classes held there, her thoughtful hand could be seen in the tastily arranged decorations of the Thanksgiving Day celebration; while the happy, boyish laughter of George, Jr., rang resoundingly thru the rooms making everyone feel happier and more joyous for their presence.

The news that Mrs. Renn will assist in making Christmas Day the merry occasion it should be, was greeted with marked enthusiasm by all who look forward to the day when they may again see her pleasant smile among the joyful assemblage.

find themselves side by side with their comrades overseas. At the present time, every man in this company is putting his shoulder to the wheel, as has never been done in the history of this organization. WHAT IS THEIR OBJECT? The answer is self-evident: "Home, and God's Country." The sooner we get thru with our duties here, the quicker we will get there.

So much of Sgt. Leroy Sellers' article, which appeared in the "Public

Forum" of The Caduceus under date of December 14th, 1918, under the heading of "Takes Exception," coincides with the public opinion of the soldiers of Camp Greene, is heartily endorsed by the members of the 117th Ordnance Depot company, for we feel that the author has voiced the sentiments of every old timer of Camp Greene.

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