

SOLDIER BOY'S BEST FRIEND.

Something of the Work the Y. M. C. A. Is Doing In the Cantonnments. A Call to the People to Give Their Support to the Campaign for Funds Now On.

What would you give for some one to follow your boy in his camp life and in his trench life, keep a friendly arm about him, entertain him, amuse him, keep him in touch with you and keep always before him the pure, sweet and noble things of life? I say what would you give to have such a friend follow your boy in his camp life and in the trenches? I believe you would give right much: therefore I am using this space this week to tell you this week that our boys—your boys—have such a friend and that friend needs help from you.

The National War Work Council of the Young Men's Christian Association of the United States is the friend of whom I speak. This wonderful organization is doing for your soldier boy everything that mortal man could do to make him comfortable, happy, contented, clean and in touch with you.

When I heard that the Y. M. C. A. wanted the American people to give it \$35,000,000 to maintain its work among our soldiers at home and abroad for the next nine months, and that North Carolina would be asked to give \$300,000 of this sum I thought the Y. M. C. A. was asking too much.

At a sacrifice of valuable time and sleep I attended the War Work conference of the Y. M. C. A. held at Charlotte, N. C., last Friday. I heard eminent authorities on Y. M. C. A. Work tell of the Association's war needs. I went with other delegates to Camp Grème and inspected some of the work being done there. I was deeply impressed, but not altogether satisfied.

Instead of coming home from Charlotte, I went to Camp Lee, near Petersburg, Va. I spent a good part of last Saturday at Camp Lee and investigated things for myself. I am here to tell you that if you do not give the Young Men's Christian Association, every cent it asks you will be disloyal to your country, untrue to your religion and false to your own flesh and blood. Slacker is an odious name these days. The man or woman who heeds not the call of the Y. M. C. A. in these trying times is to be branded the worst kind of slacker.

Let me tell you something of Camp Lee. To begin with, it is one of the biggest cantonnments in the United States. On a tract of land five miles square your government has thrown together more than 2,000 wooden buildings designed to house 60,000 to 70,000 men and 20,000 horses. It is typical of all cantonnments. Here your government is frantically training great armies of men in the barbaric business of soldiery. From five o'clock each morning till five o'clock each afternoon the boys are put through their paces. From five o'clock in the afternoon until five o'clock in the morning the government isn't doing anything with the boys. Here the Y. M. C. A. comes in.

If you will stand on the hill at the very center of Camp Lee and look about you at the miles of gray roofed and unpainted buildings you will observe one note of life and color about it all. Here and there in every direction you will see certain buildings painted green. There are fifteen such buildings at Camp Lee. They are Y. M. C. A. Buildings. They call them "huts," a name given them in the trenches of Europe.

In the Y. M. C. A. Hut you will find all that keeps the boys true to their home ideals. Here are seats and tables and stationery for all who would write letters: here is a phonograph, a piano and a library for those who like reading and music; here are checkerboards and dominoes for those who would play games; here is a big comfortable lounging room with a big, cheerful home-like fire place in one end; here are moving pictures, lectures, amateur theatricals, musical entertainments, Bible classes, classes in English and French, and everything it is possible to devise to keep the boys entertained and away from the embrace of the Scarlet Woman. For the boys who like rugged sport, there are base ball, foot ball, basket ball, boxing, quoits and other outdoor athletics.

And over all are the trained Y. M. C. A. secretaries and their many assistants who endeavor to know each boy personally and to be his friend. I tell you it is the greatest thing in the world of war to-day, with the possible exception of the American Red Cross. The Y. M. C. A. in the cantonnments in America and back of the trenches in Europe is the most powerful friend your soldier boy has to-day. If he comes out of this war true to his home ideas it will be because of the work of the Y. M. C. A. And it will cost only \$35,000,000 (less than \$20.00 per soldier boy) to carry on this great work for the next nine months. It costs \$50,000,000 a day

for your government to carry on this war.

There are hundreds and hundreds of reasons why you should give to the Y. M. C. A. war work and be prepared to give cheerfully, freely and abundantly when the call come November 11th, to 19th. I have mentioned only a few here in an endeavor to put you in a frame of mind to consider the demands that will be made upon you. There is a deadly love of the Scarlet Woman for our soldier boys or the ennobling love of Christ expressed through a humanity that cares. Which love shall enfold and guide and shape the destiny of our Khaki Clad men? You will answer by the reception you give the Y. M. C. A. call for help which will ring from one end of this continent to the other within the next few days.—Copied from the Independent, Elizabeth City, N. C., November 2nd, 1917.

Report of County Quarantine Officer.

The following are the names and addresses of persons reported as having contagious diseases for the month of October.

Whooping Cough.

Linwood C. Wilkerson, Jr., Annie May Ward, Beatrice Barnes, Percell Barnes and P. D. Barnes, P. D. Grady, Jr., Eloise Grady, Elsie Grady, Kenly, N. C.

Two children of John Wellons, children of John Wilson, and child of Julius Pittman, Micro, N. C.

Barney P. Woodard, Princeton, N. C. Child of Walter P. Dixon, Benson, R. F. D. No. 3.

Small Pox.

R. C. Fowler, Chas. Raynor and John Howard, Zebulon, R. F. D. No. 1. Mrs. William Whitley and Robt. Holland, Wendell, R. F. D. No. 1.

Scarlet Fever.

J. J. Whitley's baby, Wendell, R. F. D. No. 1.

Maggie Pearce, Kenly, N. C.

Child of Russell Pones, Clayton, N. C.

Neva Goldie Smith, Wilson's Mills, N. C.

Diphtheria.

William Henry Holland, Kenly, R. F. D. No. 1.

Child of W. O. Youngblood, Wilson's Mills, N. C.

Two children of Nebraska Adams, Pine Level, N. C.

Typhoid Fever.

Mackey Atkinson, Pine Level, N. C.

MRS. THEL HOOKS,

County Quarantine Officer.

Smithfield, N. C.

STATE NORMAL GOES BEYOND.

Meeting at the College Sunday Night Results in the Raising of \$4,418 for Y. M. C. A. Army Work Fund.

The State Normal College Sunday night overrode its apportioned share in the fund of \$1,000,000 which the colleges of the nation are to raise for work among the soldiers through the Y. M. C. A. associations. With the canvass of the students incomplete at a later hour, a total of \$4,418.18 was reported, and much of it represented great personal sacrifices. One instance related was of a student who had received \$20 from home to purchase a dress she greatly desired. She gave up the idea and placed the entire amount in the fund. It was the special request of President J. I. Foust, in the beginning of the meeting that the young women contribute from money they had for other purposes, making the fund fully sacrificial, and this was done. He also expressed faith he had that the college would raise above what was expected of it—the \$3,000—as it always has done so. "I have absolute faith in you. I know you are going to do everything that you can do," said Dr. Foust. The first pledge in was \$300 from the junior class. The faculty met and pledged \$1,023, and the 150 canvassers raised \$1,114 among themselves. Then began the canvass. It has not been finished and the young women expect to raise \$5,000 before they conclude.—Greensboro News.

Third Detachment of Americans In Trench.

With the American Army in France, Nov. 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—The second American detachments to enter the trenches have returned to their billets. The relief was accomplished successfully and without the knowledge of the Germans. The third series of battalions now is occupying the first line, having marched in on a usual and continuing steadily and the Among the returned troops is the company which bore the brunt of the raid on the trenches by German shock troops. The battalions in the trenches had a good taste of shell fire during the first hours, the Germans using their artillery more heavily than brilliant starlight night. American batteries replying energetically.

There has been active patrolling in No Man's land by the Americans and the enemy, but no clash between patrols has so far been reported.

FOUND CAMP CONDITIONS FINE.

Governor Bickett Peased With What He Saw in the Military Camps. Says Moral and Sanitary Conditions Satisfactory. Sweaters for the Boys Are Needed.

Raleigh, Nov. 12.—Governor Bickett returning from Camps Jackson and Sevier where he reviewed with Governor Manning, of South Carolina, the troops largely made up of Carolinians, is happy over the moral and sanitary conditions that he finds.

"My judgment is that these conditions are infinitely better than in the average city," he said, "and I should not feel uneasy if my son were there. The health and moral surroundings are better than you will find in any town in North Carolina. I just don't see how a fellow goes astray. It is the cleanest place I ever saw, except the state penitentiary."

This might have been taken as a Bickett joke but for the record of the state prison here in Raleigh. When the state's housekeeper, Mrs. Nellie Price, goes off and reports on all the buildings, she can use the prison as a perfection, as 100 per cent, and grade from it. And none ever equaled it. That's the home place here in Raleigh, superintended by Warden Busbee and Superintendent Collic, aided and abetted by a lot of fine women.

"We governors were permitted to review the troops for the first time," Governor Bickett continued, "by Major General John Bailey, of New York. I spoke at a banquet down there and exchanged all the felicitations with the Governor of South Carolina permissible under the status in such cases made and provided. The camps are ideal. There are 18,000 men at Camp Jackson and 27,000 at Camp Sevier, General Bailey could not have said more about the troops had he been the most ardent southerner. He declared that they are the best timber in the world for soldiers. We saw General McIver, commander of one of the brigades and General S. L. Faison, commander of the brigade in which are most of the North Carolina troops. "General Faison is a brother of Henry Faison of Duplin county and a North Carolinian. He told me that he did not intend that these boys should be sent into any slaughter house. They will know when they are ordered to advance, whether there is any trap for them or not."

The Governor left to the imagination which has no censor, the conclusion of the paragraph. When the North Carolina boys get there the "lamps," as Billy Sunday calls them, of the army, the aeroplanes, will doubtless be there too and the new troops will have some assurance that when they set at the Germans they will not be fighting everything but Germans.

Getting back to the wholesome conditions about the camps, Governor Bickett declared that everything that promotes good morals and good discipline is to be found about the camps. "There is nothing to lead a boy off," he said. "They work him so hard during the day that when he gets back to camp, cleans up and finishes the day he is ready for sleep. And yet, they do not work him too much."

Governor Bickett declared that the sweater craze is a most worthy one. "Many of the boys need them," he said, "and folks need not fear that they will have too many. Some of the soldiers have none and they should be supplied. Nothing is more useful about the camps."—W. T. Bost, in Greensboro Daily News.

Death of Little Clara Mae Faulkner.

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Faulkner, and took from them their darling baby. Little Clara Mae was born April 3, 1916, and died Nov. 3, 1917, making her stay on earth nineteen months. She was taken Thursday morning at four o'clock, and died Saturday night at twelve o'clock. All was done for her that loving father and mother and kind friends and relatives could, but God knew best and took little Clara Mae up with Him to rest.

Everybody loved little Clara Mae that knew her, because she was such a sweet and loving little child.

A precious one from you has gone, Her little footsteps are stilled; Her place is vacant in your home, Which never can be filled. In Jesus' arms we laid her down, A lovely jewel for His crown; A little flower of love, That blossomed but to die. Whose all of life, a rosy ray, Blushed into dawn and passed away. E. F.

Loan of \$310,000,000 to France.

Washington, Nov. 13.—A loan of \$310,000,000 to France to cover expenditures in this country during November and December was made today by the treasury. This makes the total credits extended to France \$1,130,000,000 and the total of loans to all the Allies \$3,876,400,000.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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