

SEES GUESTS TO DECIDE CAMP CHAMPS

Big Program Including All Classes of Events Being Mapped Out by Major Cole.

Athletic activities within Camp Greene are bound to go strong from now on and a big program will attract the attention of the "khaki" athletes of the camp.

Major Cole, the camp athletic director, is pushing the game strongly and his big objective is to have every man in camp participate in some form of athletic exercise. The regimental athletic officers are also keenly interested in the athletic program. The athletic championship is still being "decided"—the army pugilistic "champ" has been "crowned"—one regiment decided the honors at a Christmas meet (not a real A. A. N. one though), and there are other self-acknowledged champions. But Major Cole and the athletic officers of the regiments will arrange a program of preliminary events which will decide definitely who may and shall contend for the championship honors.

The weather is not so favorable for outdoor athletics and most of the physical activities are arranged within in the "Y" buildings. Boxing, wrestling and gymnastics programs are being run indoors. The athletic officers, as at present listed, follow:

- Seventh Infantry, Second Lieutenant E. F. Gillis
- Thirtieth Infantry, Captain Maxwell
- Thirty-ninth Infantry, Second Lieutenant D. M. Egan
- Fiftieth Infantry, Captain H. Terrill
- Fifty-ninth Infantry, First Lieutenant T. J. McHugh
- Sixtieth Infantry, Lieutenant Barend
- Sixty-first Infantry, First Lieutenant P. S. Russell
- Fiftieth Infantry, Chaplain Hall
- First Main Heavy Field Artillery, Chaplain Carey
- First New Hampshire Infantry, Second Lieutenant J. W. White
- Sixteenth Field Artillery, Captain Reedy
- Eighth Massachusetts Infantry, Lieutenant A. W. Wainwright
- First Connecticut Infantry, Second Lieutenant R. G. Higgins
- Fifth Massachusetts Infantry, First Lieutenant B. W. White
- Company B, New Hampshire Signal Corps, First Lieutenant H. G. Gault
- Twenty-eighth Field Hospital, First Lieutenant Allen
- Twenty-eighth Ambulance Company, Second Lieutenant L. W. Jackson

These officers, assisted by the Y. M. C. A. physical directors will promote the athletic activities in the camp.

EX-KEITH VAUDEVILLE MEN ENTERTAIN COMRADES

Stunt Night at Y 104 Was Made "Best Ever" by Unique Parts of Veteran Laugh Makers.

Thursday night there was staged at Y. M. C. A. 104 one of the best programs of camp talent seen there in many weeks. After an opening song period, Private James Bast, of M company, 39th Infantry, rendered several vocal selections. Bast has been for years on the Keith circuit and brought down rounds of applause.

The next number consisted of a series of rapid fire sketches by Private John Froma, of H company, 56th Infantry. He is also an ex-Keith man. His drawing of President Wilson and President Lincoln were particularly good. He then brought down the house by asking any man to step forward and draw any kind of a line from which he would draw a picture of the man. Among the men thus drawn was "Rear Admiral" Morris. His drawing of President Wilson and President Lincoln were particularly good. He then brought down the house by asking any man to step forward and draw any kind of a line from which he would draw a picture of the man. Among the men thus drawn was "Rear Admiral" Morris. His drawing of President Wilson and President Lincoln were particularly good.

The next number consisted of several Italian songs by Private Santo Muggicato, of H company, 39th Infantry. He sang "Dare" and "Derr" songs. His drawing of President Wilson and President Lincoln were particularly good. He then brought down the house by asking any man to step forward and draw any kind of a line from which he would draw a picture of the man. Among the men thus drawn was "Rear Admiral" Morris. His drawing of President Wilson and President Lincoln were particularly good.

The balance of the hour consisted of further numbers of these artists. There is a lot more talent lurking in the 39th regiment, and an attempt will be made to get it together and put on a 39th vaudeville night in Charlotte.

SOLDIERS SETTLE ROW AT ATHLETIC NIGHT

Argument Between Rookies Starting En Route From Camp Meade Ended With Gloves at Entertainment.

The athletic night program under the supervision of Secretary Williams, camp Y. M. C. A. physical director, at camp Y. M. C. A. building 104, Saturday, was up to its usual high standard, which is saying quite a mouthful in a few words.

There was a variety of good boxing, comedy and stunting. The first bout to start the ball rolling brought together two lads who are well known to the Y's Saturday night audience. Whitley Sugar, of K company, 39's most eminent battler, vs. S. Goldstein, First company, 10th machine gun battalion, who was recently transferred to the mule outfit from D company, 39th regiment. The boys put up a high class boxing exhibition for three rounds and resulted in a draw, it was also by far the best bout of the evening.

Bout two brought together Clivio and Kaufman, both of K company, 39th, at 140 pound. These two rookies who came down from Camp Meade, had hot words coming down on the train and decided to have it out at the Y. As both boys never had gloves on they just had a high old rough and tumble battle for three rounds with honors about even.

The next to go on were Timmons, First company, 15th machine gun battalion and Sessions, of supply company, 39th, at 160 pounds. There were some fireworks in this bout and kept the crowd on edge all the way, but at the end of two rounds it was easily seen that Timmons knew too much for the mule skinner. Sessions claims he is not a boxer but a wrestler and is willing to wager anything from a mule's ear to the girl's address that he can put Timmons on his back in five shakes.

The next bout furnished some clever comedy boxing. The two battlers in action were Sugar and Igelnic, K company, 39th. Although Sugar was too heavy for his opponent, Igelnic must be given credit for mawing a game fight. The two rounds it was seen that his opponent's and getting away from wild swings brought many a laugh from the audience.

The final bout of the evening brought together Raymond and Marvin, both of F company, 50th, at 130 pounds. Both knew the many art shows and circus work of the night. Raymond had won the bout by a shade.

PRIVATE POOLE, OF 77TH, IS "SOME" CONTORTIONIST

Artillerymen Were "Big Guns" at Stunt Night—Private Saper Shows His Talent.

The "stunt" bill at Building 108 on Tuesday night was up to the previous high standard of stunt night programs at this building.

Private Poole, of Battery F, 77th, was the big "act" of the evening which was composed of a number of acts par excellence. Poole is a contortionist of much professional experience, having traveled with road shows and circuses for 15 years previous to joining the army. He was a veritable rubber hose in his performance Tuesday night, twisting and evolving into a multitude of figures which had his audience on the anxious seat, wondering whether or not he could untwist himself after getting "all bound up" with a wooden string, so to speak. Untwist himself he did, much to the delight, albeit relief of his anxious audience.

The next act was Private Saper, of the 13th Artillery, who sang a few popular songs and gave a Hebrew monologue, both of which were put across in a real professional manner and took well with the crowd. Saper has talent and believes in making use of it, which is to his credit. He wants to help entertain his fellow soldiers in any way which he can, and his performance of Tuesday evening, and the way in which it was received by the audience is his indication of how well he succeeded.

Sergeant Norton, of the First Connecticut, next gave several clever interpretations of New England dialect, taken from rural life. Sergeant Norton, although handicapped somewhat by a severe cold, put his act across in a very pleasing manner, and had his audience with him from beginning to end.

The usual boxing features were omitted Tuesday, but on the next "stunt" night this feature of the program will not be left out. The 16th Field Artillery, through the courtesy of Chaplain Ryan, will put on the entire bill of "stunts" next Tuesday, and a corking good program assured, for there is much talent in the 16th ranks.

CHAPLAIN PETERS BACK.

Chaplain Peters of the Thirty-eighth regiment is back at work. He has been away for some weeks on a leave of absence. He is a live wire and doing good work in the Thirty-eighth.

FOREIGN BORN GUNNERS GET ENGLISH LESSONS

Corporal Sullivan, of First Connecticut, Rushes His Class of Artillerymen Quickly to Front.

Following the general order for the organization of English classes in all regiments for foreign-born men, much activity is noticeable in Camp Greene. Wednesday night in headquarters mess shack, Lieutenant Chaplain Tierney, who has conducted a class in Battery D, director for the 77th Field Artillery, met with the foreign-born men and his teachers. Chaplain Tierney spoke very earnestly to the men, showing clearly the great advantage to be gained from this work not alone in the making of better soldiers but also in preparation for a more useful citizenship after the war.

Chaplain Tierney then introduced Corporal Sullivan, of the First Connecticut, a man having been dismissed with instructions to report for class work Friday evening. Corporal Sullivan, for several weeks, has been conducting a class in Battery D, with marked success. Mention was made of the fitness of Corporal Sullivan for this work at the time the class was organized and the prophecy was made that this class would become a model for all such classes in camp. This prophecy has been partly realized in that it will become the model class for the officers detailed to instruct the other classes organized last night. Corporal Sullivan spoke to the men from the standpoint of the teacher. He emphasized the necessity for a great sympathy, a lasting and growing patience, the proper consideration for the men who are so greatly handicapped. Corporal Sullivan spoke "from the heart." He is a man who understands the foreigner and his problem and his years of experience in the school room have given him a viewpoint and sympathy possessed by few teachers.

Following Corporal Sullivan, Camp Educational Secretary Thurston, of the Y. M. C. A., spoke to the officers and told of the work already being done in other regiments. He told of the part the Y. M. C. A. is playing and promised the continued aid and co-operation of this organization.

The class begins work Friday evening. Their progress will be watched with great interest for with the exception of the class in Battery D, they are the first established in artillery regiments.

Chaplain Tierney deserves much credit for his interest in this matter. He is to be congratulated for having a man of his type at his head as director.

The organization of English classes in the 13th Artillery will be perfected early this week. Quite a number of recruits have been received in this regiment and it is highly probable that a number of classes will be needed to cover the need here.

A full report of the educational work done in the 16th Field Artillery will be made in next week's Trench and Camp. Chaplain Ryan, who was appointed director of the educational work in this regiment, has been out of camp for several days and the information desired for this statement could not be obtained.

On January 1 the organization of the English classes in the 13th Artillery was perfected and by now the work is well under way.

EIGHTH BATTALION AND ITS "SPECIAL DUTY SQUAD"

Oh, that first squad known as the special duty squad. It is composed of Sergeant Harnola, squad leader; Bugler Powell, Bugler Reeser, Horse-shoer Miller, Private Ielfer, Nelson, Shears, Verdi, and Wilderman.

Sergeant Harnola says it is the laziest squad in Camp Greene. They never go for wood until the sergeant threatens to throw them out of the tent, bunk and all. All they seem to care to do is to hang around and sing or talk foolish or argue. Reeser and Miller are experts at arguing. Bugler Powell sleeps almost all the time. Horse-shoer Miller says Reeser's cornet makes him sick, but Reeser says it is not as bad as Miller's alarm clock which rings from 3:00 a. m. until 4:30 a. m. every morning. On New Year's day while the squad was assembled round the stove (excepting Powell who was sleeping as usual), talking foolish trying to keep warm, the tent caught fire and Miller, with his usual cool head, reached for the water pail and quickly extinguished the blaze.

It is needless to say that half of the water went on Powell. Miller says when he gets out of the army he expects a job with the fire department. The squad thanked him for his bravery and he was so elated over his being honored that he made a trip to town and came back with a kerosene lamp, and a gallon of oil, which he donated to the squad.

Private Verdi who comes from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, had the honor of being K. P. on Christmas and New Year's day. Private Nelson and Belfer are under arrest in camp for being absent without leave. They don't mind being under arrest for that, they had a good time.

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BOXING BOUTS WIND UP OLD YEAR ENTERTAINMENT

Stunt Night Program at Y 103 Featured by Crajkawski's Accordion Solos and Fritza's Singing.

New Year's eve found the building at 103 jammed to the doors. The bitter cold weather of the preceding few days, and the fact that it was advertised that a few good stunts were to be pulled off, was enough to insure a full house.

The usual "movies" occupied the early part of the evening after which Secretary Trump stepped to the platform with that broad smile of his, welcomed the fellows giving them the assurance a good program was in store for them.

As usual some of the "shining lights" did not show up. It could not have been because of cold feet, for who else could have held the post few days, at any rate, the program was varied, full of fun, to the extreme and lengthy enough to satisfy everybody. Sergeant Hodson of Company A, Seventh Infantry, with his jokes and recitations, received a full round hand, and convinced many of his friends that in his younger days, a back seat was never known by him. Mike Fritza with his Italian songs proved a veritable Caruso, and was compelled to respond to several encores. Sergeant Crajkawski's solos on the accordion were rendered in professional manner. "Crak," as we call him, put the "peep" in his popular selections, and before he got through everybody was swaying back and forth keeping time with his music.

Three good boxing bouts brought the evening's entertainment to a close. Viola of Company I met Trip of the Seventh Machine Gun. Jones met Kempe and Davis met Zeman both of Company C of Seventh. Before the bouts closed a few stunts had been to the audience it might have been one kind of a star, but the participants were not any rate, the three bouts were evenly contested and were a good wind up for the last entertainment of the old year.

FROM THE FOLKS AT HOME.

- My Tuesdays are meatless.
- My Wednesdays are wheelless.
- I am getting more eatless each day.
- My home it is heatless.
- My bed it is sheetless.
- They've all sent to the Y. M. C. A.
- The barrooms are treatless.
- My coffee is sweetless.
- Each day I get poorer and wiser.
- My stockings are feetless.
- My trousers are seatless.
- My God, how I do hate the knaiser.
- Exchange.

