

BEST EQUIPPED OF ALL ARMY HOSPITAL Y. M. C. A.'S

Camp Greene Distinction Largely Due to Labors of Rev. G. W. Day, Secretary.

At the Camp Greene base hospital is the best equipped hospital Y. M. C. A. in the United States Army. This fact has been acknowledged by the general secretary of the military Y. M. C. A. system after he was made acquainted with the equipment and work of the base hospital "Y."

The branch Y. M. C. A. at the base hospital has grown from a modest affair of a few tables and chairs to a fully equipped camp "Y." and is now branching out in the establishment of other reading rooms at the hospital. The base hospital but is fitted up for picture shows; has a growing library; a piano and victrola; a postal exchange system; and is organizing religious and language classes. For a strictly base hospital "Y" it is the peer of all such organizations in the country.

The man who dreamed of such a future for the hospital Christian association was Rev. John W. Day, formerly connected with hut 104 at Camp Greene. He obtained permission from army officials to use a large part of one of the buildings for establishing the hospital "Y." Assisted by Rev. J. L. Ferguson he cleared the former laundry room and brought in chairs and tables. Other equipment has been added since, including the installing of movies.

The work has just reached its point of distinction when Secretary Day was called away. He left last week to become an army chaplain with the rank of first lieutenant. He is now on his way to France. Secretary Day is a graduate of the Harvard Divinity school and an ordained Episcopal minister. He leaves behind warm friends throughout the camp.

The work which Secretary Day pioneered at the base hospital will be carried on by Secretary Ferguson, three times a week, have been established in English, meeting led by him and a class for the study of French is about to be formed. More Rare Talent.

When the war is over there will be some new stars in the vaudeville heavens. Some of these rare entertainers will come from the 33rd Field Ambulance Company and others from the base hospital detachment. A proficiency was established after the rousing "stunt" night program at the base hospital "H" last Tuesday evening.

The Thirty-third Field Ambulance company furnished much of the entertainment for the Tuesday night assembly. From the ambulance troop came a jazz band and other novelty musical numbers that "brought down the house." Renig, Farley and Manger were leaders in the humorous successes of the visitors. Private Lowe recited that stirring cowboy reading "Laska."

The frail furniture of the hospital "Y" was almost disjointed by the shaking laughter of the 500 folk who heard W. A. Taylor explain the vital issues of the day. The comedian put over by the black face comedian were the best that the current stage has produced.

Our own Corporal Stevens gave two whistling numbers that deserved all the applause they received. The birds in the wild-wood did well to take lessons from the musical order of his warbling notes. He is not an ordinary whistler and many of us have told him so since the Tuesday night effort.

With a mixture of wiggles and giggles Mr. Sneath of the Thirty-third Ambulance company scored a sensational success early in the evening. Sergeant Harrington delivered an effective monologue. The solo by Miss Raffo, of the Nurse corps and the trio by Gates, Hoff and Hyder were highly appreciated.

Gave Nine Concerts. When the noted evangelist Mel Trotter visited the hospital Y. M. C. A. he was greeted by an attentive audience. His evangelistic quartet made a special hit at the hospital by visiting nine of the wards and giving vocal concerts.

Tells War's Lessons. An able address on the general subject, "Lessons of the War," was given at the Y. M. C. A. by the Rev. Alexander of Pittsburgh, Pa. Rev. Alexander, who is touring the army camps of the United States as a representative of the Presbyterian church, drew a number of vivid word pictures of examples of a cloister brotherhood on the terraces of France and he dwelt upon the war service as an opportunity for fuller Christian missionary work.

EIGHTH FIELD BATTALION SIGNAL CORPS NOTES.

Now the weather has reached a normal stage, and "Old Sol" is showing his beauty and magnificence, every one is in good spirits. Even the horses and mules seem to realize that spring is here, and under the supervision of Sergeant King, whose genial smile pervades the atmosphere about the stables, they are looking sleek and neat, and are now getting their silky coats on for dress parade.

We have resumed our drills and all are very studious. There is always some class of instruction or re-hearing every night in the classrooms. There is always good interest. The old saying that "idleness breeds crime and discontent" is true in the army as well as in civilian life, hence we are all kept busy at something.

Company C has installed a new laundry with Sergeant Dexheimer in charge, assisted by "Top Sing Lee" (Private Greene), who is an adept in the business. He has been heard to remark that he intends to get married on the strength of his new job. There is one thing sure, "the would be bride" can be thankful for getting one versed in the art of washing "duds." Private Farnum must be commending for his artistic taste in marking. Every one seems to be satisfied with the new arrangement as it relieves us of the bane of doing our own marking. As a financial venture it is hoped to prove successful for the company.

Nearly every night during the week there is a detail from Company C to attend a night class in the battalion school from 7 o'clock to 9 o'clock. As it is quite a walk through the stumps, it is laughable to see some trip or step in a mud hole on these dark nights. They are learning to cover the rough places. It is quite a sight to witness the different colored signals on these dark nights.

RAILWAY FARES AND SCHEDULES FOR TROOPS

Following fares including war tax in effect from Charlotte, N. C.:
Pares.
Boston, \$22.14; New York, \$16.47; Buffalo, \$21.70; Pittsburgh, \$17.85; Washington, \$10.37; Richmond, Va., \$7.67; Atlanta, Ga., \$7.24; Chattanooga, \$10.77; Cincinnati, \$14.89; Chicago, \$22.24; St. Louis, \$21.58; New Orleans, \$21.68; Birmingham, \$11.77; Jacksonville, \$11.77; Syracuse, N. Y., \$20.29.

Schedules.
From Boston, New York Philadelphia, Baltimore, Pittsburgh and Washington and all points north and east—leave 4:35 a. m., 9:55 a. m., 9:45 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 8:45 p. m., 11:00 p. m.
To above points leave, 4:25 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 7:30 p. m., 9:15 p. m., 12:20 a. m.
From Spartanburg, Greenville, Atlanta, Anniston, Birmingham, Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans, and all points south, leave, 9:25 a. m., 10:45 a. m., 5:45 p. m., 9:10 p. m., 12:10 a. m.
To above points, leave, 4:45 a. m., 9:55 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 8:50 p. m., 11:15 p. m.
From Rock Hill, Columbia, Augusta, and Jacksonville, leave, 7:20 p. m., 9:35 a. m., 12:35 p. m., 8:25 p. m.
To above points, leave, 5:00 a. m.,

7:05 a. m., 11:20 a. m., 4:56 p. m.
From Asheville, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Memphis, Louisville, St. Louis, Chicago, Detroit, leave, 9:25 a. m., 10:45 a. m., 12:15 p. m., 5:45 p. m., 8:55 p. m., 9:10 p. m., 12:10 a. m.
To above points, leave, 4:45 a. m., 8:30 a. m., 9:50 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 4:30 p. m., 8:50 p. m., 11:15 p. m.

COMPANY E, 30TH INFANTRY.

Corporal Jager has the best drilled squad in the outfit, he admits it himself.
Private Hobert doesn't get much sleep these nights. Nothing short of an earthquake would get him from his cot, he bates it so.
Private Coleman says no more "dog-robbing" for him, he is going to be a regular soldier from now on.
A certain mechanic says no fancy cut slice of bread for him, but a man-size piece like they handed out in the old army.
Private Mike McGrath, the solid man from Ireland, is making a hit these days as squad leader, he doesn't ball his squad up more than 400 times when at drill. This must be where the solid part comes in.
Private McCole would like to know that pretty girl whose picture Private Vosberg carries next to his heart.
The outfit has some mess line these days; a little more pep in handing out the chow would be appreciated by the boys.
Private Moody is there from his feet down.

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