

# JEWISH WELFARE BULLETIN

The Jewish welfare board of Camp Greene is making steady progress in uniting the work of the camp and community welfare workers. During the recent furloughs for the Jewish New Year and Day of Atonement, a strong bond of friendship has been formed between the visiting soldiers and their hosts in the nearby towns, with the result that the Jewish people of North Carolina have declared their intention of serving the men of Camp Greene in as good a way as those of any other section of the country. Good luck to you friends! We who are in camp certainly know how to appreciate the home hospitality of those who can not bear arms but who are desirous of doing all they can to help the men in khaki.

Mr. Benjamin Rabinowitz, one of the representatives of the J. W. B. in this camp has been selected by the Jews of North Carolina to represent them on the committee in charge of raising the state's quota of the 170 million dollar joint fund for the support of the seven leading organizations doing welfare work in the army and navy. He has left for a four-day conference with the other members of the committee who are now arranging plans for the campaign in Raleigh.

Congressman Stiegel, of California, who was in France in the interests of the Jewish welfare board, preparing the ground for its workers has returned and will continue his activities with the J. W. B. in this country.

Jewish soldiers who speak the Russian language are now of great value to the American forces in Archangel and Siberia.

### Jewish Woman Has 20 Grandchildren in Allied Armies.

Twenty grandsons of Mrs. Liba Goldstein, of Cambridge Springs, Pa., are officers in the armies of the allied nations. Mrs. Goldstein is 84 years of age. She was born in Russia and came to this country 30 years ago.

Ten of her grandsons are officers in the English army and eight are officers in the U. S. army. Two are with the army in Palestine.

In a demonstration at Pittsburgh recently, Mrs. Goldstein marched five miles besides a service flag bearing 20 stars.

### Upton Division Heroes in Action.

The Upton division, made up largely of Jews from New York, has gone into action and all observers agree that they are acquitting themselves like men. Edwin L. James cabled to The New York Times as follows: "No division in the American army better illustrates the fact that all the world fights the Hun, for it is made up of men from Manhattan, the Bronx, Brooklyn, Long Island, and Westchester county, and in it about every race is represented and almost every known creed has its adherents. Rich and poor, Jew and Gentile, high and low, all fight side by side. Truly those who love to call New York the 'Melting Pot' would call this the 'Melting Pot Division'."

"When this division first took its place in the line, the eyes of the world were on it, for the result of the war and the future of civilization hang on what this division and those like it are to do to the Germans. Our higher officers were most eager to see what these new soldiers would do. How would they take the first withering fire of the German machine guns? What would be their behavior when they caught hell in their first real barrage? What would be their conduct face to face, man to man, on the field of battle? These questions have all been answered.

"They did what they were expected to do, and that means they did well. They fought with bravery and calm that showed a power and will equal to taking the war into Germany, a task which will be laid upon the American army next spring. The officers of this division report enthusiastically upon the behavior of their men. There are no poor men, no rich men, no prominent men and no unimportant men in this division. They are all American soldiers now. The boot-black from Park row bunks with a 'buddy' who used to live on Riverside drive, and each is proud of his pal."

### New Year Greetings of the Welfare Board.

A call to greater patriotic service has been sounded by the Jewish welfare board in a Rosh Hashanah message to its community branches throughout the country and to all Jews of America:

"On the occasion of the New Year, the Jewish welfare board extends warm holiday greetings to the Jews of America so generously sharing with it the labors of a great task. The board sincerely wishes the people the fruits of a happy and prosperous year. In this hour of national

trial, however, its profound trust is that beyond material blessings, the year that is being born will vouchsafe to them the zeal, and strength, and resolution to continue to perform well the office of patriotism.

"With fresh comprehension of our duty and with renewed determination to play a worthy part in the national purpose, may we not hope that the dawn of another year will rise on America triumphant?"

"In loyal devotion to the understanding of serving the fighting forces of our country, may American Jewry find abundant happiness during the coming year."

Col. Harry Cutler has been notified by the war department that Jewish chaplains in the United States army and navy will in the future wear as their insignia a miniature tablet and the star of David. There are now eight Jewish chaplains in the army and navy.

There are a number of prayer books and Bibles in Hebrew and in English for distribution at the Jewish welfare building. Those desiring same can have them by applying at the service desk.

The welfare representatives in Camp Greene are at last going to part with their famous Saxon. The main office of the J. W. B. has authorized them to purchase a Ford. Silverman says that he just hates to part with "the little darling" even though it was in the repair shop most of the time since they had it.

The Friday evening services at the J. W. building are attaining very good results. Up to date the services have been conducted by the camp representatives, Mr. Rabinowitz and Mr. Silverman, but arrangements are being made to also have visiting Rabbis come to camp for that purpose. The attendance at some of these services has reached the 150 mark.

The Greensboro and Charlotte branches of the J. W. B. gave a dance in their respective communities last Monday evening in honor of the men staying there for Yom Kippur. The soldiers certainly had a good time and are looking forward to another opportunity to do the same. The committees in charge did not fail to have refreshments and smokes for the boys.

### BASE HOSPITAL 123

Sergeant Allard, one of the first men to come into Camp Greene has now been transferred to base hospital at Camp Merritt, N. J.

Herman J. Keyser has been commissioned captain in the dental officers rank receiving that honor last month. He has been stationed at this camp since last February, coming here from the camp at Gettysburg.

From the remarks made in Saturday's Caduceus by someone who signs his name as R. G. H. under the caption "Don't Need Virgil," this paper would ask the writer if he knows the qualifications of the man who must fire the gun that kills the Hun today? Does he know that every man who shoots a gun in the artillery, the navy and many other branches must know how to figure out that shot to the fraction of an inch and it takes brain and not brawn to do that; what would the great American army do today if it did not have inducements to offer to those capable men who are graduated dentists, physicians and surgeons, nurses and workers in every line almost? Where would R. G. H. be if it were not for these people when he is wounded on the battlefield? It appears to Trench and Camp that the wrong spirit of patriotism is shown in such an attitude for in this great fight today, men both of brain and brawn are needed. There should be no such jealousy or soreness as that expressed because as a general rule every great general today and leader in the forces both at home and abroad reached that point because he had a brain on him and behind it a good education and he knows Virgil, calculus, algebra and every other science, almost or he would not be where he is today. The man who is capable of best planning the war today in Europe is going to win and it takes brains first and the brawn will have to back it up. In other words all sorts of men are required in this great conflict and it covers experts just as much as it does men in the ranks who have seen years of service.

A writer in The Caduceus suggests that the gold star in every service flag should be saluted by soldiers wherever seen and that civilians be asked to take off their hats as they pass it. Although the soldiers and officers nearly break their arms doing the stunt it is a splendid idea.

Thirty-seven student nurses arrived last week at the base hospital to

begin their work and foundation for active service.

September 5, 1918, Base hospital 123, was born at Camp Greenleaf, hospital group, Chickamauga Park, Ga., along with many other hospital units. Camp Greenleaf is to a base hospital as Alaska is to an iceberg, the place where they not only are born but start their long careers. So with Base hospital 123, which started its long, and we hope, famous career with 100 enlisted men and Captain Albert F. Griffiths, M. C., in command and Lieutenant Lew H. Hauman, first assistant.

At 8 a. m. start was made for Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C., in company with Base hospital 122 and 147. Arrived early Wednesday morning and were assigned to Base hospital section 5, where it is now in active training for overseas service.

The first week was devoted to getting the grounds in good shape, pitching tents, organizing different squads and classes and getting things in ship-shape condition. Incidentally Lieut. Hauman was busy with outdoor athletics as it is the policy in this unit to have the men enjoy outdoor life and have plenty to keep their spirits up. The "Y" has been actively helping out this program and 6 p. m. is the schedule time for the boys to meet on the ball field and choose their ball team, basketball and volley ball teams. Plenty of outdoor exercises and healthy active competition engenders proper esprit de corps.

Thursday the last of the drainage and ditching was finished and well too as the downpour of Thursday night nearly floated off the mess house. Today H. Q. sent us an expert on pay allotments and Corporals Perrige and Tanger, assisted by Privates Younggreen and Jacobsmeyer put the boys through the mill in great shape. Last week W. D. sent us notice that two new members were available for transfer and today Second Lieutenant James R. Macrae came in from Ft. Benjamin Harrison where he has been doing registration work for about five months. This makes our professional personnel five and half the enlisted men are in active training. Here's hoping we have a hundred more just as good, as the men now with Base hospital 123 are a fine lot of fellows.

Arrangements were made by Rev. Mr. Iverson of the H. Q. "Y" to form a Bible class and Sunday morning the first meeting took place. It is the purpose of Mr. Iverson that this class will be so formed and trained that when the unit goes overseas that it will be perpetuated and have regular Sunday morning classes. It is hoped that there will be enough interest evidenced by the men so that these plans will be consummated and that there will be enough voices in the unit which will make it possible to have a good quartet. The officers of the unit are using every effort to further these plans and Capt. Griffiths believes a good turn-out will be assured every Sunday morning.

Capt. Griffiths, the commanding officer of Base 123, is a Harvard man of '01 class and is in practice in Brooklyn, N. Y. After a course of intensive training at the M. O. T. C. school at Camp Greenleaf, Captain Griffiths joined Base hospital 123 at hospital group and had First Lieutenant Lew H. Hauman, of West Cairo, Ohio, delegated as his assistant.

Last Tuesday, Sept. 17, Base hospital, No. 92, met Base hospital No. 123, on Y. M. C. A. No. 102, ball field in an open game of ball for championship of Camp Greene. Base hospital No. 92 showed themselves up as real ball players, winning by a score of 17-3. Corporal Walnwright must be praised for his enthusiasm in organizing this team and the writer certainly thinks a lot of his selection of players. He also showed some real live pep throughout the entire game by some of his timely plays. The fine batting of Corporal Dickson is not to be overlooked. He can hit anything from a peanut to a balloon. The battery of the team was composed of two of the finest players. Pitcher, Private Valesky, and catcher, Private Lutz, who also should be given an iron cross for their good work. Last, but not least, Sergeant Bass, our "Kentucky leaguer," showed that he was a real big timer and not a bush leaguer, by miffing two of the finest grounders of the game.

### Noted at the Games.

Sergeant Saul Davis visited the baseball game last Tuesday and was quite shocked at the way the boys just slammed that ball. Oh sister.

Sergeant Weidkamp was there with his sun spectacles keeping score for the boys, but we think the runs must have come in too fast for him, as he was seen to resign to someone who could juggle figures.

The "treasure ship" of Base hospital No. 92 has arrived. A supply of sporting goods was purchased consisting of baseball gloves, bats, balls, boxing gloves, volley balls, basketballs, foot balls, punching bags, etc. They are at present busy organizing a football team under the captaincy of Capt. Frank S. Gibson. At a later date challenges will be offered to any team in this camp.

The midnight serenading of the cats on the back fence has nothing on the new quartet of Base hospital No. 92. Yeh, boy. Everything but music is attributed to this quartet. We have fish calls every morning and evening before going to mess. The agony is taken up as follows: C. E. Hall, second tenor; E. L. Nease, first tenor; E. Stern, baritone; I. J. Well, bass. Some of the boys say they wish a couple of the quartet would drop dead so they could have a duct.

### NEWS FROM OTHER CAMPS

Camp Pike, Little Rock, boasts of an Iowa wrestler who weighs 258 pounds, Private Johnson, member of Casual Co. 87. They also have the famous Hackenschmidt, weight 150, who challenges any man in camp. These two men were admitted to camp in July and last week pulled off a match. Several others attempted to make a match for the Russian Lion but outside a broken ankle or two for the men who tackled Hackenschmidt, he did not seem to be bothered much.

Some of the camps are boasting about big men but thus far Camp Greene has them all skinned. The Trench and Camp editor has located two different shapes and sizes to introduce to its readers: One, Melvin Owens, built the long way, measures, according to official government records, six feet, nine and a half; he is a farmer boy from Frankfort, Ky., and is located with Base hospital 92. He also has a brother in the service located at another camp who is six feet four and his father is six feet one. Private Owens weighs 196 and when he joined the army only weighed 157 pounds. Then built the longitudinal is Walter E. Bradford, of Columbus, Ga., who weighs 221 and is a member of Fourth Recruit Co., 14th Co. He was in the cleaning and pressing business a little over three weeks ago before he joined the army and now Uncle Sam is searching for a uniform that will fit him. He gets out and drills with the boys and took a hike of five miles yesterday and remained in line.

Editor Holt of Trench and Camp at Camp Cody had the pleasure of crossing the continent last week with a troop train and this week tells about it interestingly. He also has the only camp paper that prints its headlines in two colors.

Colonel Miller, of Camp Pike, has ordered a boycott upon all barbers of Little Rock because of the hike in shaves to 20 cents and hair cuts to 40 cents to soldiers. They are planning on putting in camp barber shops. There is more than one way of handling the fellow who believes in gouging the soldier.

### AMBULANCE COMPANY 429 BEAT BASE HOSPITAL 147

Saturday afternoon ambulance company 249 met and defeated base hospital 147 on the headquarters diamond by the score of 9 to 6. This is the second game of the season on this diamond, ambulance company defeating the camp firemen, 9 to 5, on Wednesday afternoon. The game Saturday brought out many strong points and some weak places on both teams. The ambulance company had a good battery. Tool, catching, has a deadly peg to second and only one man got down on him. Base hospital 147 could use some help here, many balls getting by Feerer and opponents romped to second almost at will. Both pitchers were good. Jobe of the hospital getting the edge on Yaegel in the last innings. The support was fair on both sides, but 147 could use a couple of outfield men to advantage. Ambulance company 429 was there with the bat and it was only the pitching of Jobe that kept the score out of the teens.

Both of these teams are open for games and will be glad to make arrangements with other teams either in camp or Charlotte. Games can be arranged through the Y. M. C. A.

Score by innings: R. H. E. Ambulance Co. 031 130 100-9 8 4 Base Hospital 002 000 022-6 4 7 Summary: Struck out by Yaegel 19, by Jobe 10; base on balls, off Yaegel 2, off Jobe 2; hit by pitcher, by Yaegel 2, (Jobe); by Jobe 3 (Haskell, Jordan, Fleming); two-base hits, Martel 2, Mathews, Dierking; stolen bases, Fleming 3, Yaegel 2, Williams, White 2, Silliman, Carberry. Umpire, Sergeant Brown.

The colored Y. M. C. A. workers and secretaries of Camp Greene and Charlotte were favored with a visit over Sunday of Robert B. De Prantz, who is the colored recruiting secretary of the entire United States for the Y. M. C. A.

### HAVE YOU A SWEETHEART,

Son or Brother in training camps in the American Army or Navy? If so, mail him a package of ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, the antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes and sprinkled in the foot-bath. The American, British and French troops use Allen's Foot-Ease, because it takes the Friction from the Shoe and freshens the feet. It is the greatest comforter for tired, aching, tender, swollen feet, and gives relief to corns and bunions.

The Plattburg Camp Manual advises men in training to shake Foot-Ease in their shoes each morning. Ask your dealer to-day for a 2c. box of Allen's Foot-Ease, and for a 2c. stamp he will mail it for you. What remembrance could be so acceptable?


