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### OUR HOME EDITION.

Last week's edition of Trench and Camp was sent to practically every home in North Carolina, not mentioning the many homes to which it was sent direct by the boys from the camp. In all, 41,000 copies were published and circulated and it contained a special message to the folks back home to let them know what is doing in the camp. It was especially possible to do this through the courtesy of The Charlotte Observer and very much appreciated. The circulation department of this splendid paper proved a valuable ally and the papers were hauled by the wagon load to the express office for shipment.

Trench and Camp is a soldiers' paper. Nothing is omitted of interest that the soldier wants printed, especially are we anxious to get from different organizations and to give special mention to different events. Every organization in the camp and every welfare organization is welcome to space publicity when they desire to offer interesting events about their work and that of the soldier.

Especially of interest was the edition coming on the eve of the big campaign that will be launched next week for the seven welfare organizations. Citizens generally don't have any idea what these great workers are doing unless they can visit a camp and it is not the fortune of many to do that. These organizations are enabled to render their service purely through the public subscription of their friends and the general public who realize what is being done for the morale of the army and last week every camp paper just increased its circulation tenfold at least, in order to acquaint every citizen in the southeastern department, (seven states) with the work that is going on. No greater cause can be supported and no effort is receiving greater appreciation from the American soldier today than that of the welfare organizations. They have all been tested and tried and so confident are those in charge of the service given and the appreciation felt that instead of asking for \$170,000,000 they are now asking for \$250,000,000 and we are sure that American homes and American business will not fail as they have never failed in the great fight against autocracy. The greatest opportunity now lies before us. The demobilization, is hardly conceived by the public generally, yet if there ever were a time that efforts needed to be redoubled, if there ever were a time that the morale of our army needed protection and leadership, it will be in the coming months and years as the boys are released from the army and as they return to the camps for dismissal. In the Spanish American war and in the civil war, no such help as the welfare organizations now give was attempted and if you will talk with any army officer, he will tell you that not only the morale but the morals of those armies were almost unspendable as well as uncontrollable. But no such thing is known today and it is all because of the co-operation of the welfare workers among the boys, supplemented by the army officials, who more than any other recognize their worth.

It would appear that Germany is on her last legs and that by Thanksgiving the peace of the world of which we hear so much, at that time will be the great subject of rejoicing. The tactics of the German machine in standing cruelly by and watching her allies, one by one drop away, so that she through the Kaiser can stand

out alone and proclaim that she is the big Gibraltar of the central powers, is most notable, as well as lamentable for the suffering women and children of that country. Germany wants to be the big "I" in the conflict and when the pincers are finally closed in upon her by Foch, Haig and Pershing, when the boys start on their grand finale toward Berlin, then she will make an effort to have some dignity and say that since she has been deserted by her friends and allies, there is nothing else to do but give up. She must give up now or either take a dreadful punishment of shell and fire added to the demands of unconditional surrender stated by any terms the great nations of the allies may impose. Our only wish is that those military leaders of both Prussia and Germany and Turkey as well, can be forced to some remorse and punishment which will in some measure mitigate against them for the wrongs they have perpetrated upon the world.

We are highly pleased at the announcement that our camp commander has been assured by Washington that he has been returned to the active service list and will continue as the commanding officer of Camp Greene. Col. Augustus Macomb has endeared himself to the officers and soldiers of the camp as well as to citizens of Charlotte, in such a way that it would have seemed almost wrong to have deprived him of the service he so much likes and to which he is so well adapted, because of the age restriction.

Soldiers, when you write a letter home also mention Trench and Camp by sending them a copy. Place a one cent stamp on a wrapper and see that the folks get to read it.

We want news for this paper from every organization and special features. It is your fault if your company is not represented or if special events are not chronicled. Drop the notes in a box at any Y building and they will be printed. Poetry is the least desired. The editor now has a basketful of it which he is unable to print because of the lack of space.

Old sister "Flu" has about left Camp Greene and we understand that the quarantine will be lifted this week. Business will begin to pick up again both in town and in the camp; programs will start in the welfare buildings and the boys will have a chance to expend some of their pent up energy in more ways than one.

By the way, this would be a splendid week to write a letter home telling of the good work of the welfare organizations in the camp and suggesting that home folks might help out.

In the campaign for subscriptions for Association Men, the international magazine of the Y. M. C. A., over 1,250 subscriptions were received in the camp, which is 7 1-2 per cent of the total subscribed. Considering the "flu," the non-arrival of pay-day in many spots and the small number of troops, this is doing fine.

### RECRUIT CAMP NO. 5.

Perhaps one of the most active recruit camps in Camp Greene is that of Recruit Camp No. 5. At the present time every officer in this camp is busy preparing 2,200 colored recruits for Uncle Sam's army across the seas. The officers of the medical detachment receive no small amount of attention for, from the time they go on duty in the morning until the end of the day, they are kept constantly on the jump following different methods of instruction. This medical detachment is under the command of Captain Clifford C. Wehn. When Captain Wehn was placed in charge of Recruit Camp No. 3, he found one of the worst conditions in the camp at this station, for the paper work and other things about Recruit Camp No. 3 were in a mixed-up condition. He started to organize his infirmary force, and today has probably the smoothest running infirmary machine force in Camp Greene. This area is now known as Recruit Camp No. 5. Captain Wehn's early training at Fort Riley, Kansas where he was drillmaster. After leaving Fort Riley, he went to Fort Sill, Okla., where he received a course in gas instruction. Coming to Camp Greene he was made instructor in gas, and held that position for some time. He has been connected with every station in Camp Greene, and there is no doubt that there is not another officer in Camp Greene that understands the various areas better than he. He has placed in charge of Recruit Camp No. 5 Infirmary Sergeant Bartels, who has demonstrated that he is a very important part of the infirmary machine. Having had years of experience as an expert accountant, he knows system down to the smallest figure. He comes from Colorado. The drilling of the officers and lectures on court-martial is under the direction of Sergeant Kennedy Ellsworth. Previous to enlisting in the army last February he had had several years of military

training under the government officials and under private institutions. Sergeant Ellsworth comes from Los Angeles, Cal., where during his high school course he was the major of the high school cadets. He enjoys the good will of the officers during the drill, and is doing excellent infirmary work.

The officers are justly proud of their drillmaster. The lectures on paper-work are conducted by Sergeant Kenneth Stone. An hour each day is devoted to this course, and it is planned to finish the work in six weeks. Sergeant Stone is very efficient in paper-work having worked in that capacity for over 11 months. He enlisted in the medical department November 22, 1917, and after spending six weeks at Fort Lawton, Wash., he was then assigned to the air service division which was transferred to Waco, Texas. On May 26, 1918, he left Waco for Camp Greene. Practically all of his time has been spent on paper-work in the various infirmaries that he has worked in. He has been painstaking and energetic. He keeps the officers' attention by explaining to them in the most thorough manner, the easiest possible methods of handling the paper-work.

One of the secrets of Captain Wehn's success is the wonderful spirit that he has succeeded in infusing into his working force. He believes that "harmony is the strength and support of all institutions," and he gets it by kindly attitude towards the men under him. Captain Wehn was born in Pennsylvania, but enlisted from Illinois. He is married and has a wife and one child who resides in Charlotte. He has men working and receiving instructions under his command from different points of the United States. Two of his officers, Lieut. Charles G. Miles of Massachusetts and Lieut. Albert W. Ebeling of Missouri, have been with him since he took command of Recruit Camp No. 3 infirmary. Other new officers who have arrived in the last three

weeks are the following:  
 Lieut. Joseph U. Kimble, W. Va.  
 Lieut. Albert M. Dunlap, Ohio  
 Capt. Forest A. Carpenter, N. C.  
 Capt. Russell W. Lowe, Conn.  
 Capt. John T. Hickerson, Mo.  
 Lieut. Owen A. Eddleman, Ky.  
 Lieut. Bert L. Stollner, Penn.  
 Lieut. Daniel E. Stone, Jr., Md.  
 Lieut. Arthur P. Smith, Ohio  
 Lieut. James H. Jeffries, Ky.  
 Lieut. James A. Whitson, Ky.  
 Lieut. S. M. Linville, Ky.  
 Lieut. George G. Hankins, Va.  
 Capt. Charles E. Price, Penn.  
 Capt. Charles M. Anderson, Va.

Captain Z. C. Hagan, of Recruit Camp Four, left Saturday night for Meridian, Miss., to spend a few days at his home. He will then bring his family back to Charlotte to live as long as he is stationed at this camp.

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