

Red Cross Council Aiding Troops At Fort Bragg

Fort Bragg, N. C., Aug. 24—Thousands of troops stationed at Fort Bragg are finding their off-duty hours more pleasant because of the activities of the Central North Carolina Camp and Hospital Council of the American Red Cross. In fact, the council is providing them with comforts that are making their day rooms "second Homes".

What You Buy With WAR BONDS Powder Monkey

On board ship and in the artillery their buddies call them "powder monkeys." Not disrespectful, just a personal, intimate term between friends. Civilians call them gun crews. During a battle the crews of "powder monkeys" must work like trojans bringing the ammunition to the guns.



The gun may fire an anti aircraft .50 calibre shell or a broadside from the 16 inch guns of a great battleship, but in either event the "powder monkey" must pass millions of dollars' worth of ammunition to make the gun effective, and your savings in War Bonds are necessary to supply the financial ammunition that provides the shells.

U. S. Treasury Department

The council, composed of 22 Red Cross Chapters in the vicinity of Fort Bragg, attempts to meet the needs of soldiers which military authorities are unable to provide through regular channels. Participation of individuals and civic organizations in the various communities is encouraged by the local chapters in their efforts to meet the demands of the men in uniform.

The recent contribution made to troops here by the Winston-Salem Red Cross Chapter is an excellent example of the work the units are doing through the council. This chapter has just completed fully equipping six day rooms in various areas of the post. Three large trucks and a Red Cross ambulance were required to bring all of the furniture from the Twin City to this largest of Army posts.

The council, with the co-operation of the local chapters, is trying to meet all of the many requests received from the troops. Not all of the requests are for furnishings for day rooms. The majority are for magazines, books, peans, radios and old items that make for comfort after a hard day in the field.

High Points chapter also has been active in the council program. With the aid of the High Point Kiwanis, Civitan and Rotary clubs the chapter has provided equipment for three day rooms for an artillery battalion. The Junior Service League of High Point devoted its attention to the room used by a hospital unit.

In addition to giving furniture to an ordnance company, members of the Rocky Mount-Nash County chapter visited the post and added that "woman's touch" to the room.

Other chapters devoting attention to the day room situated at Fort Bragg are those of Cumberland, Wilson, Lee, Wake, Edgecomb and Harnett counties.

As the council's activities also include care for needs of men in Camp Mackall, Seymour-Johnson Field and Laurinburg-Maxton Air Base, many of the chapters have contributed to units other than those stationed at Fort Bragg. Sun rooms at Station Hospital, Laurinburg-Maxton Air Base, for instance, have been furnished through Camp and Hospital Council activity at Carthage, Hemp, Fairmont, Rowland and Laurinburg. The citizens of Dunn, Erwin, Pinetops, Smithfield, Clinton, Snow Hill and Goldsboro are devoting their major attention to needs at Seymour-Johnson Field. Camp Mackall is being attended to by the Moore County Rockingham and Hamlet chapters.

Bragg Cuts Civilian Employees By 600 In Economy Move

Fort Bragg, N. C., Aug. 25.—Civilian workers in Post Headquarters, Fort Bragg, N. C., sincere in their efforts to do their part of winning the war quickly, have by experience and

special training increased in individual efficiency, helped slash unnecessary red tape, and assisted in simplifying office procedure to the point where at least 600 jobs will be eliminated at Fort Bragg's Headquarters alone by August 31 compared to the number only a few months ago.

The economy in manpower is twofold, in saving, in payrolls, and in releasing competent personnel to other war agencies where there is urgent need for them, Brigadier General John T. Kennedy, Commanding General of Fort Bragg, explained in announcing the personnel reduction, which means fewer persons are doing more work in Post Headquarters.

HOGS

The War Meat Board has asked hog producers to send their hogs to market as soon as they reach an adequate finish for slaughter rather than continuing to feed them for additional weight and finish.

Randolph Field mechanics recently set a new record by completely changing a trainer's engine in one hour and 14 minutes.



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Lament of an air recruit whose girl hasn't been writing frequently as quoted in "Spin In, Dumbwhacks" by Lieutenant Richard N. Ryan:

"Ain't you got no paper?
Ain't you got no pen?
Ain't you got no envelope
To put my letter in?"



According to the story, the girl to whom this was sent got the hint, and letters were more regular after that.

In his book "The Chinese Are Like That," Carl Crow advises us how to get rid of unwanted guests—but definitely. One of the many stories which the Chinese relate about Confucius tells of the time he was called upon by a visitor he disliked. The great sage sent out word that he was too ill to see visitors. Then, before the caller was out of earshot, he picked up his lute and played and sang lustily to show that he was in the best of health. It seems he wanted to indicate his thorough disapproval to his visitor, and did it in this way more effectively than would have been possible by any rude verbal message.



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