

RESIDENT CENTER OPENED BY N. Y. A. FOR "REJECTEES"

Physically Unfit For Military Duty Are Given Chance

The nation's first resident center for the rehabilitation of rejected selectees who have been found to be physically unfit for military duty according to standards of the selective service system was ready for formal opening at Durham Wednesday by the National Youth trainer John A. Langaaf. cmfw Administration, State Administrator John A. Lang announced today.

The first group entering the center will be composed of 16 men, with additional contingents arriving daily as fast as physical examinations can be given applicants.

In addition to the physical improvement of young men, the center will stress preparation for employment in national defense industries. The camp will provide opportunities for young men between the ages of 16 and 24, inclusive, in work experience, physical improvement, supervised recreation, and related training.

The center is one of two in the United States to be devoted to youth rehabilitation from the physical standpoint and is the first to be opened and placed in operation. The second camp is scheduled to be open within the next two months at the University of Wisconsin.

The young men to be employed on the project will be selected on a voluntary basis from two special groups. One group will embrace young men 21-24 years of age who have been rejected for military service because of physical defects of a remedial nature, while the second group will consist of young men in the 16-24 year group who are employed by NYA and who have been found as a result of a medical examination, to be below the standards of physical fitness needed for military service.

Applicants in both groups must meet the physical criteria, which has been laid down for admission to the center. Applicants must be under-developed as indicated by height-weight relation, limited

chest excursion, lack of vitality, lack of endurance, low muscular tone, Narrow chest, low respiratory capacity, abnormal heart beat, abnormal blood pressure variation and other individuals who exhibit interesting signs and symptoms and whose stay at the resident center would prove beneficial to the individual and interesting from an investigative standpoint.

The center will furnish medical and dental services, including correction of defects and hospitalization. Each youth will pay a small sum from the resident center subsistence for medical, dental, and hospitalization service, and special attention will be given to diets designed to improve physical fitness and to body building exercises. A dietitian, laboratory technician, and nurse will be provided for the program. An infirmary is a part of the resident center plant, but remedial services requiring more extensive facilities will be undertaken at Duke hospital.

The type of work to be done at the center is on an experimental basis with a view to spreading the program nationally.

Youths accepted for the project will be paid a wage scale of \$35 per month. Each youth will receive \$12 in cash, with \$23 being paid the center for board and living quarters. Board, room, medical, and dental services, and the opportunity to learn a skilled trade will be provided all youths enrolled in the center.

The Durham center is being constructed at a cost of \$94,640, of which \$72,090 is being furnished through the National Youth Administration and \$22,550 by Durham county. The center is located off Highway 501 in Durham and consists of 10 dormitories, five workshops, an infirmary, an administration building, a kitchen and dining hall, and an officers' lodge. One of the shop buildings will be used as a gymnasium.

Two hundred men can be accommodated in the completed center, with employment being divided as follows: woodworking shop, 40 men; machine shop, 30; sheet metal, 30; auto mechanics, 30; radio, 20; cooks, 12; construction, 20; photography, 10; and clerical, 8. Related training subjects will include instruction through the North Carolina Department and Public Instruction in mechanical drawing, shop practice, first aid, applied mathematics, consumer education, and employer-employee.



Miss Margie Collins left Sunday for Raleigh where she has accepted a position.

Miss Janet Rawlings is spending this week in Fayetteville with friends.

Miss Mabel Alston of Lillington, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Alston.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Watts and Mrs. Gilbert Darden of Suffolk, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Anthony Sunday.

Miss Bernice Collins of Greensboro spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Collins.

Mrs. W. H. Hobbs of Faison is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Carter.

Clayton Sledge of Selma visited his parents in Weldon Sunday.

Friends of Miss Molly Spivey will regret to learn that she is a patient in Roanoke Rapids Hospital, after suffering a broken hip in a recent fall.

Mrs. Carney Hargrove and children of Philadelphia, Penn., are guests of Mrs. W. E. Daniel.

Mrs. Bill Wallace of Charlotte is the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. W. Wiggins.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

On Monday afternoon Mac Ausbon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Best Ausbon of Weldon, celebrated his third birthday with a party at his home on Eighth Street.

Ice cream, cake and candies were served to the following: George Joyner, Ann Brown, Johnny

Brown, Margaret Carter, David Saunders, Patsey Medlin, Ann Wyche, Helen House, Billy Jones, Jimmie Garner, J. E. Sykes, Mickey Collum, vbqkqvbgkcmfwyp key Sykes, Donna Collum, and Jimmie Collum.

The little host was the recipient of many attractive gifts.

Cadet Winner Academy Honor

Highest military honor which Portor Military Academy at Charleston, S. C., can award went to Cadet First Lieutenant William E. Allmond, Jr., of Scotland Neck, who graduated from the institution a few days ago.

He was chosen by the military instructors and the military inspectors from the War department as the outstanding student for military bearing during the scholastic year, 1940-41. This honor is annually granted to one student after the final dress parade, which is viewed by war department officials, and is based on bearing and observance of all the rules of military etiquette and tactics during the final inspection as well as during the entire year particularly the dress parades which are generally witnessed by regular army officers.

With this honor went assignment to the training school for R. O. T. C. students leading to commissions, which is now going on at Clemson College, S. C. Lieut. Allmond is now attending this training school.

Install Officers Roanoke Post Of American Legion

New officers of Roanoke Post No. 34 of the American Legion, composed of ex-service men of Scotland Neck, Enfield, and Whitakers, were inducted at a meeting in Enfield.

The recently elected officers

being installed were: Commander, C. S. Alexander, Scotland Neck; 1st Vice-Commander, L. W. Ransone, Enfield; 2nd Vice-Commander, Grady Barnhill, Whitakers; Adjutant, not yet named; Finance Officer, not yet named; Service Officer, Irwin Clark, Scotland Neck; Guardianship Officer, D. Mac Johnson, Enfield; Sgt. at arms, J. E. Cutchin, Whitakers; Chaplain, Dr. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers; Historian, H. S. Harrison, Battleboro; Athletic Officer, C. L. Dunn; Child Welfare, R. C. Shields; Americanism, R. Hunter Pope, Enfield; Team Registration, W. E. Bellamy; Employment Officer, H. M. Whitaker, Enfield; Membership chairman, R. W. Alston; Publicity Officer, E. W. Rodgers; Chairman, Sons of Legion, P. E. Shields; American Legion Representative Enfield Community House: C. M. Hodges, Enfield.

County Dairy Inspection Report Made

D. H. Moody, food inspector of the Halifax County Department of Health, today announced dairies in the county selling Grade A milk, and the per cent to which they were complying with the milk ordinance at the last inspection of the grading period.

The dairies and their scores are:

N. E. Winslow, Scotland Neck, 95%; Longview, Garysburg, 90%; Chockyoyette, Roanoke Rapids, 89%; Gallberry, Scotland Neck, 89%; J. S. Powell, Roanoke Rapids, 86%; Pine View, Enfield, 83%; T. V. Holoman, Roanoke Rapids, 76%; Jersey, Enfield, 73%.

Virgil and "Buddy" Edmondson of Newport News, Va., spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Edmondson.

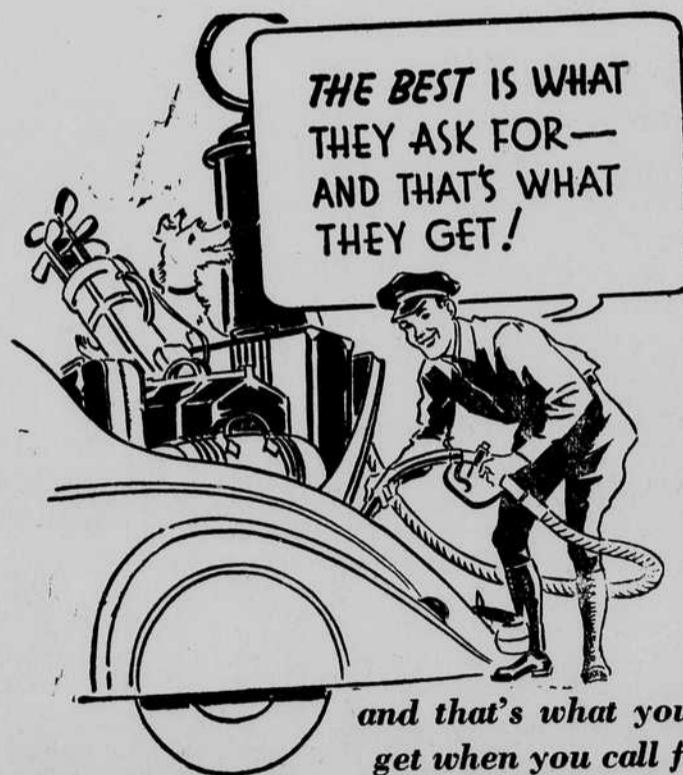
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