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### THE MAKING SOUL, BODY AND MIND OF MEN

Training Received in Camp and "Over There" Will Make Citizens As Well as Soldiers.

BY THE EDITOR.

There will be many significant results of all the preparation that the United States is now making to assist in the defeat of the European Hun under the leadership of the Kaiser, Hindenburg, Ludendorff and the others. Not the least significant is the unescapable fact that Uncle Sam is not only making good soldiers but he is preparing a future citizenry that his country may well be proud of.

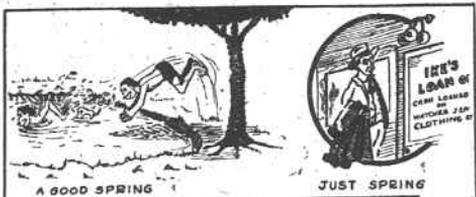
The Camp Greene observer has abundant proof of this fact as he watches the re-making of men day by day as he sees in operation all of the forces that are making for the physical and mental develop-

ment of the young men of other American camps. It is given an assignment that will enable them to give a good account of themselves on the day of battle, but they are given a training that will contribute to the development of the whole man.

The main business of the United States is to beat the Hun. That is the outstanding fact that is always kept in mind. Nevertheless the development that is given the soldier is such that after the war is over he will be a much more man than when he entered the camp. For instance, men who in their ordinary walks of life were not accustomed to exercise are being given such a training as will no doubt cause them to continue it. Many men are being taught games that they have never heard of before; they are acquiring a taste for athletics and a skill that will change their whole point of view. Again there are many men in the army who have never had the very rudiments of education; they are being given a chance that they have never had before. It is true, too, that men are being given moral and religious instruction by the Y. M. C. A., K. of C. and other like organizations that very often they have never gotten a home.

Probably the most striking illustration of benefits derived by the soldier is in the matter of health. The military officials are not only interested in the sanitation of the camps, they are vitally interested in the personal health of the men. This is especially seen in the care and treatment of venereal diseases. The following excerpt from an article by an observer in France crowley, who has entire charge of all the medical force of the army in France under General Pershing, telegraphed me the day before I left France that the venereal rates of the American army in France week by week since January up to the present time averaged but one-third of one percent. This means that there is only one man out of each three hundred who is incapacitated for service by venereal disease. We found among any other group of men in America or elsewhere. The army instead of debauching men is cleaning them up, making a more healthful atmosphere and giving them better opportunity for clean recreation than any other city or town in America.

What is true of these picked men in France is true to a great extent in the American camps. The war and navy departments and the military commanders with the co-operation of the different welfare organizations, are building up not only a military manhood but they are building up a manhood that will carry the United States and her allies to victory. It will be a manhood, too, that will do a tremendous part in the rehabilitation of the world after this conflict. Soldiers and fighters are not only being raised up, but a mighty force for peace, happiness and achievement after the war.



(Drawn especially for Camp Greene Trench and Camp.)

### MUSIC FESTIVAL HAS INTEREST FOR CAMP

Soldiers Are "Looking Forward to Charlotte's Musical Event of This Week.

A large number of Camp Greene soldiers will avail themselves of the unusual opportunity for hearing the best music afforded by the Charlotte Music Festival on Friday and Saturday of this week. This is a conclusion that has been reached after many expressions have been heard. The fact that there will be present a number of musicians of international reputation, coupled with the circumstance that three of the Camp Greene bands will participate in the program, has caused an unusual interest in the festival. The bands which will participate, coupled with the circumstance that three of the Camp Greene bands will participate in the program, has caused an unusual interest in the festival. He will represent the republic of France. Madame Francis Alda will represent Great Britain in the entente allies' group. She is a celebrated artist of the Metropolitan in New York, and has created a sensation wherever she has gone. Miss Alice Nielson, who will represent America, is so well known to Americans that it is unnecessary to say that she is the prima donna soprano of the Metropolitan Opera house. Louis Hasselmann, who was appointed by the French high commission to conduct the bands at Camp Greene, is the leading conductor of Paris Opera Comique.

The Entente Allies' Festival begins on Friday evening. Muratore will sing at that time. In addition to this

feature the military bands of the Thirtieth, Sixteenth and Seventy-seventh artillery regiments, which have been trained for the occasion by Conductor Hasselmann, will play. One hundred boy scouts of Charlotte, who have also been trained by Mr. Hasselmann, will sing the Marseillais.

On Saturday afternoon the Russian Symphony orchestra will play. Two famous artists will sing, Miss Alice Nielson, and Marion Green, baritone of the Chicago Opera Company. On Saturday evening the military bands will play and Madame Alda, of the New York Metropolitan, will sing.

### CHAPLAIN MARKLEY TALKS AT Y. M. C. A. HUT 106

Miss Allison, of Charlotte, and Mrs. Markley Sang Solos Before Soldier Crowd.

Chaplain Markley, of the Motor Mechanics regiment, discussed the subject, "The World's Greatest Rookeries," at Y. M. C. A. building 106, Camp Greene, last night. He used the incident surrounding David's defeat of Goliath as the background of his sermon and compared these incidents with the "modern Goliath," Prussianism. What America needs today, he said, is "what David possessed in his life: a knowledge of our foe, a realization of our friendships and lastly, faith in God."

Miss Mary Allison, a popular vocalist of Charlotte, sang beautifully two solos, "Face to Face" and "Hold Thou My Hand." Mrs. Markley, who is known at Camp Greene as Mrs. "Chaplain," sang two solos also, "Ore Sweetly Solemn Thought" and "We Wonder Why."

Men from all parts of the camp attended the service. Next Sunday, Rev. George H. Allan, who has been assistant religious director at Y. M. C. A. building 106, will preach. His service is the last prior to his departure for the north on a leave of absence.

### HARRIS HOUSE MADE NEW HOSTESS HOUSE

General Cameron Gives Use of Officers' School as Temporary Recreational Place.

Temporary quarters for the Camp Greene hostess house has been established at the Harris house, on the Tuckasee road near the Berryhill home, now known as the camp headquarters. This action was taken the past week, following a conference between Mrs. Catherine Vedder, hostess house director of the south central field, the local Y. M. C. A. staff and Major General Cameron.

The Harris house, which was formerly used as a school for the staff officers of the Third division and an office building for the personnel officers of that division, was donated to the Y. M. C. A. through the courtesy of Major General George H. Cameron, commanding officer of the division. The building during the past few weeks has not served any important military purpose, it was understood, and without great inconvenience the command could allow it to be used as a temporary hostess house.

The house is now undergoing a number of repairs which will make it suitable for the purpose which it will serve. It is in the midst of a beautiful grove, and when the interior arrangements are completed it will no doubt become a popular meeting place for the officers and men who have friends whom they wish to have visit them in camp. The hostess house which was recently burned had come to have a large place in the life of the Camp Greene soldier, and that they will continue to make use of the present house goes without saying.

The national board of the Young Women's Christian association now has decided to rebuild the hostess house. Mrs. Vedder, who canvassed the situation thoroughly the past week, was of the opinion that the house should be rebuilt at an early date and she has recommended to the national board that such a decision of this board was received here Saturday. It is expected that within a short time the framework of construction will be under way. The question of location has not been settled as yet. It is believed, however, that the old location will not again be used, but the new house will be located at a point where the largest number of soldiers will be served.

The staff of the former hostess house will be widely scattered as a result of the burning of the building and the establishment of temporary quarters. Mrs. Mark Pflaum, director, Miss Rosamond Holmes, information and emergency secretary; and Miss Evelyn Green of the original staff are the only ones who will remain in Charlotte. Mrs. N. G. Guzman, official hostess, is now in New York. Mrs. Anna B. Turney, assistant hostess, has been called to Augusta, Ga., where she will be stationed in the future. Mrs. Della Gilbert, who was business secretary of the hostess house, has been called to an emergency secretary for the Y. M. C. A. hostess house at Camp Sevier.

### COMPANY G, FIFTY-EIGHTH U. S. INFANTRY

There was quite a lot of excitement last Monday night at the smoke which was given in honor of Lieutenant Effert for the valuable services rendered while in command of Company G. He was presented with a wrist watch by the men of the company in token of the esteem they have for him. "Sandy" Gray, Thornton in first sergeant again. We hope he stays. (Old Spies got kicked out.) Old Spies is still "dog robbing" for the lieutenants. Sergeant Mallen learned to do "squads right" out at the rifle range Thursday. Michael Evans was hitting nothing but bull's eyes at the range. Sergeant Wall is buffaloned by the card sharp. Sergeant Reubenstein.

