

TRENCH AND CAMP

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EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

Work or fight!

Then he who works or fights should also pray.

The Red Cross deserved the vote of approval given the past week.

Flying rumors that Camp Greene is to become an aviation camp do not appear to come from thin air.

Will somebody please suggest some real difficult thing that the Motor Maes can't do. So far it hasn't been done.

Our crop of Mother's Day poetry confirms a sneaking opinion we've always held that a fellow's mother is a personage.

Welcome to the new men who are coming and have already arrived at Camp Greene. Help us get the "pep" that will make this the best camp in the southeastern department.

A fellow we like,
Is Sergeant Reese;
He never hurries,
His kitchen police!

President Wilson has called the nation to prayer on May the 30th. We believe that the appeal has come to a people who feel the necessity of going to God on knotted knee and asking for His help and guidance in this, the most crucial hour of the world's history.

What finer thing could the soldiers of Camp Greene do than make a special petition on May 30, the day of prayer, for our comrades from this camp who have already gone across? They are fine fellows—we know that well enough and with God's help they will give a good account of themselves in the day of battle.

Perhaps never in the history of the world have people had more calls made upon them to support causes that are incidental to and necessary to the winning of a war. Yet with all of our giving we are still almost untouched. We are not called on, for instance, to step in ourselves to the very bone like the people of the south did in the civil war. Nor are we even approaching the suffering that the people of the war-stricken countries of Europe are undergoing. Let us bear these things in mind when we are called to the next time to give.

The soldiers at the base hospital have issued a new paper called "The Outpost." The meaning of this name, which has something to do with medicine and which is taken from Greek mythology, is fully explained in the next issue of the paper, which appeared on Saturday. Permission to begin this enterprise was given by Colonel Sharp, Major Wilson, and Captain Crowe, and the men are jubilant over the prospect. The originator of the idea is private Verlin Harrold, and he is the paper's editor. Among the other members of the staff are private Carl Bassell, associate editor; Sergeant Hankins, business and advertising manager; Lieutenant Plittner, official cartoonist; and Private Schmidt, staff photographer. Trench and Camp wishes the venture well.

LIBRARY ESTABLISHED AT BASE HOSPITAL

Branch of A. L. A. Now in Charge of Miss Wait—Mr. Goodrich Leaves for Michigan.

A branch of the American Library Association has been established at the base hospital, carrying out plans recently announced in the columns of this paper by Librarian E. D. Goodrich, of the Camp Greene library. Miss Marie Fox Wait, who has been assistant in the Princeton University library, has been put in charge of this branch. She is a very competent and charming woman, and will give fine service in this sphere.

The hospital library is for the use of the patients, nurses, officers, enlisted men, and any others who are attached there. It is located in the building occupied by the hospital post exchange, between B and C streets,

and is very centrally located. It is well equipped with books, there being over 1,000 of them, and a large number of late magazines and papers. Already large use is being made of the library.

Mr. F. D. Goodrich, who as librarian of the Camp Greene A. L. A. building, has given excellent service, is leaving this week for Ann Harbor, Mich., where he will be located during the summer months. Mr. Goodrich expects to return to Camp Greene in September. During this time the library will be under the direction of Mr. W. H. Duncan, Jr., of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. Duncan has been in camp for several days acquainting himself with the situation. He has had large experience in library work, and will be expected to carry on the good work that has been done by Mr. Goodrich and his staff.

MOTOR MECHANICS TEAMS DIVIDE DOUBLEHEADER

Fourth Regimental Team Takes First Game, 6 to 3, Third Wins Second, 5 to 1.

The second of the series of five games being played by the Third and Fourth motor mechanic regiments was played Wednesday afternoon on Wearn field, and ended in a defeat for the Third by a score of 5 to 4, after 11 innings of play.

The rooters of the Third regiment were out in masses with their jazz band. The Fourth did not have many rooters, but the scarcity of numbers was made up for by enthusiasm.

The Fourth in the first half of the eleventh drove in a run. The Third, in their half, with two out, landed a player at second. A batter drove a fly to center, which the fielder dropped. But the batter, trying to reach second before the muffed ball, failed and the game was over.

The batteries of the Third regiment were Flannigan, Lynch and Stringer; for the Fourth, Cates, Patterson and Barker.

MEDICAL SUPPLY RING FAVORITES GOING STRONG

Boxing Show Has Proved Very Popular at Base Hospital.

The third boxing show of the Medical Supply depot was held Monday evening in the enlisted men's barracks, and proved to be even better than the preceding one.

The main bout between Collins and Grazer surely was a hummer. It was up and tuck all the while. Both boys were on their toes all the time, and gave the audience a run for their money.

The second bout, supposedly a grudge fight, proved to be a massacre in the first two rounds. "North Carolina" Hayes pounded "Fritz" Reilly all around the ring. But "Fritz" came back in the third with so much "whim" and pep that the best it could be called was a good draw.

The opening bout between heavyweights, "Hungry" Hungerford and "Expendable" Davidson, was an even tug from start to finish. Both boys fell short of wind and both blame it on cigarettes.

After the scheduled bouts, "Goody" Rose-shire and "Pat" Singer gave a very interesting and instructive exhibition of sparring and clever foot work.

The next show will come off as usual on Monday evening.

Matchmaker, Private D. M. Brill; physical instructor, Private Max Rogow, referee.

CAMP GREENE SOLDIER DROWNS IN CATAWBA

Private Schott, While Doing Outpost Duty, Ventured Too Far in River.

While in bathing in the Catawba river at a private ferry, 12 miles from Charlotte, on Tuesday afternoon of the past week, Private Lloyd Schott, member of the Fifteenth company, Third Motor Mechanics, was drowned. The body of the drowned man was not found until Thursday afternoon, after a most diligent search had been made by dragging and blasting the river.

Schott was a member of a detail from the Fifteenth company that was at the river getting sand to be hauled to Camp Greene. On the afternoon that the fatality occurred Private Schott decided that he would go into the water during a period of relaxation. Getting too far out into the water and being unable to swim, he could not save himself. None of his comrades happened to be near so they could give him assistance.

As soon as it was discovered that their comrade had been drowned the other soldiers of the detail telephoned into town, and the coroner hurried out to the spot. The search for the body was immediately instituted, but without result until Thursday.

The body of the young soldier was brought to a Charlotte undertaking establishment, from which place it was shipped on Friday to the home of his parents in Westerville, Ohio.

NINTH MOTOR MECHANICS GIVE ENJOYABLE DANCE

The Ninth company Third Motor Mechanics, which has fallen into the habit of doing things in a big and successful way, were the hosts on Friday evening of the past week at one of the most delightful social affairs given in Charlotte in some time. They gave a dance at the Myers park country club, at which were present a large number of soldiers and some of the city's most beautiful young women. The proceeds from the sale of tickets were devoted to the Red Cross, and quite a nice sum was realized. Among the invited guests were a number of officers of the motor mechanics regiments, their wives, and Red Cross canteen workers. The committee which had the arrangements in charge deserve great credit for the evening's entertainment.

REMOUNT STATION STAGES ANOTHER GOOD PROGRAM

The soldiers of the Camp Greene remount station staged another successful athletic program on Thursday night of the past week. The large audience marveled at an act by Rogow and Barranow, of the medical department, base hospital, acrobats, who displayed great skill and science in hand balancing and lifting. A boxing bout between Susang and Sanders, each weighing 112 pounds, which lasted three rounds, was interesting.

The main wrestling bout was between Cowgill and Michalik, who wrestled for two sessions of six minutes each, with no falls. Warring succeeded in throwing Sweeney one fall in an exciting wrestling match, and in another bout Crack threw Cable. Cable was handicapped, however, in that his opponent weighed 20 pounds more than he did.

BASE HOSPITAL Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The Y. M. C. A. working force at the base hospital has been greatly strengthened with the coming of Dr. Charles Lincoln Jackson. Dr. Jackson comes from a service of several months as religious work secretary in Y. M. C. A. building No. 103. His special department in the work at the base hospital will be director of all Y. M. C. A. hospital visitation. As Dr. Jackson has always shown an active interest in the hospital work previous to his settlement here, he has laid a foundation for the superstructure of his future service. A system of hospital visitation has been laid out which promises to be very effective. Dr. Jackson's first appearance in public before the men at the hospital "Y" was on last Sunday evening, when he spoke very impressively on "The Sins of Youth."

Athletics in the form of boxing, volley ball and quoits are very popular now. It is expected that volleyball will become one of the chronic diseases at the base hospital.

A most enjoyable evening was spent at the "Y" last Tuesday. Sergeant Joe Kirschenblatt of Casual camp No. 1, Co. 5, put on a whole program himself, which was a big defeat on so warm a night. Kirschenblatt is a New Yorker and before coming to the army was connected with the Keith theaters. He recited, danced, and sang. After giving a program of songs and dances he called upon the audience to suggest "rag" pieces for him to sing, and the number of such selections that he had stored away in his memory was amazing. His song, "They Go Wild Simply Wild Over Me," took the house by storm. But perhaps his best hit of the evening was his interpretation of "Whose Little Heart Are You Breaking?" This brought his powers as an actor into play. The piece was made very realistic, especially for some people in the audience. At the close of his program, Kirschenblatt had the boys sing their favorite songs. As a relief to an intense strain upon the singer, Sgt. Arnold M. Goldstein and Secretary T. W. Davies played two piano duets, and Sgt. Goldstein himself played several piano solos. Goldstein also acted as accompanist to Kirschenblatt. Goldstein's playing showed remarkable piano technique and power of sight reading. His ability has long been known to the men at the base hospital, but he won fresh laurels for himself on this occasion by harmonizing at sight many of Kirschenblatt's songs for which only the melody was furnished. Sergeant Kirschenblatt is willing to return to the "Y" for another evening later on for selections in character—Jewish, Dutch, etc. He will be warmly welcomed by the boys.

One of the largest audiences ever gathered at our building greeted Miss Margaret Wilson, our President's daughter, on Friday evening. Miss Wilson sang most agreeably a great variety of songs—songs of love, of war, of the south, and of country. The men were highly pleased not only with the singing but with the gracious personality of the singer. Miss Wilson told the soldiers that she never had so much fun in her life as she has had since visiting the camps, and also that she has never had such inspiration. She does not know how she can go back home and sing to just ordinary folks after singing to the soldiers. She told the boys that their country was back of them, that their country admired them, had faith in them, loved them. She is sure that our soldiers are going to win. The men will long remember this visit of our President's daughter.

GENERAL KENNON IS ORDERED HERE

Probably Will Be Commander of Camp Greene.

Is Reported War Department Plans to Avoid Frequent Changes in Camp Commander.

An official announcement made at Camp Grant, Illinois, yesterday and received here late last night by telegraph, stated that General Kennon had been transferred to Camp Greene. As no officer of general rank is now at this camp, he would automatically become commanding officers of the camp.

Several weeks ago high army officers at Camp Greene discussed with a representative of The Observer a report, coming down from Washington, that the war department was contemplating sending here to become camp commander a general who has been found physically disqualified for overseas service. The advisability of doing this, it was explained, grows out of the confusion which unavoidably occurs when camp commanders are changed. During the life of Camp Greene, extending over a period of 10 months, has had at least 12 commanding officers, some of whom, however, discharged that authority only a few days or a few weeks.

A report originating at Camp Greene, which lacked official confirmation, was to the effect that the command of the camp would pass today from Lieut. Col. Roy C. Kirtland to Colonel Miller, commander of an aviation section camp in Texas. Colonel Miller was at Camp Greene several days a week or two ago, but later returned to Texas, it was understood.

No official statement from camp headquarters has been obtainable regarding the time when the signal corps units now stationed at Camp Sevier, Greenville, will be transferred here.

PHYSICAL DIRECTOR BERGMAN



"Bergie," as he is affectionately known by the soldiers and Y. M. C. A. workers at Camp Greene, is an athletic chap of the first water. He not only knows how to promote athletics among the men, but is right there with the goods himself. He can handle the glove, wrestle, play ball, swim and all those kind of things along with the class A boys. He has a number of medals, etc., with which to adorn his boudoir. He has made good record as camp athletic director of the army Y. M. C. A.