

K. OF C. NEWS

K. OF C. MEN VISIT NEWLY ARRIVED NEW YORKERS.

Charmingly situated on the outskirts of the camp, beyond the base hospital, are a number of newly erected tents housing the men of the Second Recruit Detachment of the 27th Division. At the time of this writing there are about 1,600 newcomers, all of whom are drafted men from "East-side, West-side, and all around the town." They were in a Northern camp for two weeks when they were suddenly shifted a distance of 700 miles. Consequently on reaching here and discovering their whereabouts they wished to inform the folk back home of the change by telegram or post.

Without telegram blanks, writing-paper, envelopes, stamps, etc., the men felt that they were out of luck. Imagine the anxiety of such a situation to these recent civilians, many of whom had expected visitors at the former camp on the day that they arrived at Camp Wadsworth.

Knights of Columbus headquarters had learned of the influx and the next morning, immediately after breakfast, three secretaries, each mounted on Shank's mare and staggering under the weight of writing material and stamps, galloped to the beautiful spot where the newcomers are beginning their South Carolina sojourn. Over hills, fences and creeks tramped the gallant three. What cared they for the two-mile jaunt each way? What cared they for the weight of the paper or the blinding sand of the drilling desert or the choking dust of the unsprinkled highway? "Nothing cared they," say we; for it is but part of the great work they have set out to do and are doing for the welfare of Uncle Sam's warriors; work which, no matter how tiring at times, gives as much pleasure and happiness to K. of C. secretaries as to the recipients of their attentions.

Upon the arrival of the paper and stamps in the new section there was a near riot and the supplies melted away from the secretaries as melts a small globular quantity of compact snow in a sulphurous region which is often coupled with the kaiser's name.

Scores and scores of telegrams were given to the K. of C. workers who saw that they were speedily clicked to New York to apprise relatives and friends of the unexpected facts.

I have had the good fortune of spending several years in Ireland; and while working among these new men, had many interesting chats with sons of Erin—some of whom were New York policemen. One chap from Mayo told me with a tear in his eye that he was an intimate friend of Martin Sheridan: that he came over in the same boat with that marvellous all-around athlete who died last

ENTERTAINMENT BY SPARTANBURG LADIES.

Three cheers and then some for the Woman's Music Club of Spartanburg, which gave a thoroughly enjoyable concert at the Knights of Columbus hall on Friday evening, April 19th.

During the day "Old Jupe Pluvius" was in a cantankerous mood and of uncertain mind, intermittently sprinkling the camp and it was feared that the ladies would be compelled to postpone the affair. But they came despite the inclemency of the weather.

Of course, there was an overflow audience, many being perched on the counters, phone-booths and big stove. Those who were fortunate enough to secure chairs and benches voluntarily engineered a close-up maneuver to allow more space for the standing army in the rear.

Several of the ladies arrived early and were given a rousing welcome. Then Mr. Carter, K. of C. entertainment director, announced that these young ladies had offered to play popular songs for chorus singing to keep things going until the others appeared. Everyone appreciated these kindly services and the show opened with the community singing of three exceptional sentimental ballads—"Keep the Home Fires Burning," "Mother Machree" and the "Sunshine of Your Smile."

The program which followed was excellent. There were piano and violin solos and duets; vocal selections by well-trained voices and plenty of the "old pep" chorus singing by the soldiers.

At the close, during the solo singing of a beautiful lyric to the strains of "Taps," one could hear the proverbial pin drop. Then came a great ovation of appreciation for the night's performance.

The ladies held a sort of an informal reception after the show and a number of the boys shook hands with them and told how pleased they were.

They certainly gave a grand entertainment and we hope to have them with us often at the K. of C. hall.

winter. Another strapping fellow from Galway—a good conversationalist—said that in New York he had, of course, heard of the K. of C. camp work; but he did not realize the scope of our activities; that we were doing so much good in so many ways.

We discovered some talent there and they have promised to entertain at the K. of C. hall as soon as they are able.

SHAN McINTYRE.

JIMMIE CARTER IS SHOFFURING.

Mr. James Carter, the popular and versatile K. of C. secretary, is at the present time a dusty knight of the road as he is piloting our new well-known-make-of-a-car from Cincinnati to Camp Wadsworth. We are patiently awaiting the arrival of the "masheen" as we are very much in need of such a vehicle in our work down here.

STRICTLY IRISH.

It was an Irishman's first day in a trench, and he had been told to keep himself out of sight. All Irishmen have an aversion to orders, and this particular soldier was no exception.

So, just out of curiosity, he stuck his head over the parapet. Whizz! came a bullet by his ear. He wasn't hit, but he was thoughtful as he seated himself on the ground.

"Well," he decided, finally, aloud to the others, "they're right, after all. The more you look round in this place, the less you're likely to see."

TELL THE TRIBUNE.

If a Merchant Cheats You, N. Y. Paper Wants to Know.

Editor, The Gas Attack,

Dear Sir:

A number of complaints having been filed with The Tribune Bureau of Investigations by soldiers visiting New York, who have dealt with illegitimate merchants and have been defrauded, it might be well to call to their attention that in all such instances The Tribune Bureau of Investigations is at the service of any soldier who happens to be in New York.

This Bureau handles all matters of fraudulent advertising, dishonest merchandising practices, and public service.

There is no charge for the service, and if the soldier is required to leave the city before an adjustment is made, we shall gladly handle the matter by correspondence with him.

In the event that he is in doubt as to the standing of any merchant with whom he contemplates dealing, he can get full and complete information by calling The New York Tribune and asking for The Bureau of Investigations.

Yours cordially,
THE NEW YORK TRIBUNE,
Richard H. Lee.