

THE NEED FOR NUTRITION OFFICERS IN MILITARY CAMPS

THE Surgeon-General has been authorized to station in each of the larger military camps and cantonments in this country a nutrition officer whose duties will be those of an adviser to the camp commander, the camp surgeon and the camp quartermaster on all matters relating to the nutritive value of foods. There is still need for a considerable number of men well trained in food chemistry and physiology of nutrition, who can qualify as lieutenants and captains in the Sanitary Corps for this assignment. Upon receiving commissions these officers will be given training for a period at the Medical Officers' Training Camp, Camp Greenleaf, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, and will then be subject to appointment as nutrition officers, or to duty of a similar nature overseas. This work has proved to be of signal importance in the interest of proper nutrition of the soldiers and of the economic use of foods both in this country and overseas. Application for information should be made to Lieutenant Colonel John R. Murlin, Sanitary Corps, Office of the Surgeon General, 7th and B Sts., NW., Washington, D. C.

The following officers of the Division of Food and Nutrition of the Medical Department, U. S. Army, are on duty overseas:

Majors Phillip A. Shaffer, A. J. Carlson, Ernest B. Forbes, John P. Street.
Captains Frank C. Gephart, Walter H. Eddy, Fred F. Flanders, J. Garfield Riley, Ernest L. Scott, Leon A. Congdon, H. A. Mattill, F. B. Kingsbury, Marion G. Mastin, Arthur W. S. Thomas, Drury L. Weatherhead.
Lieutenants Cleon C. Mason, Willard R. Line, C. A. Cajori, A. G. Hogan, S. C. Dinsmore, A. A. Reithwiesner, A. F. Wussow, F. J. Funk, L. V. Burton and A. A. Schaal, Sanitary Corps.
Lieutenants A. D. Shohl, Rolla B. Hill, R. W. Bury and A. T. Higgs, Medical Reserve Corps.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

DR. EDWARD A. SPITZKA has been promoted to be lieutenant colonel in the Medical Corps, U. S. A.

MR. WILLIAM BOWIE, hydrographic and geodetic engineer and chief of the division of

geodesy of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, has been commissioned a major in the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army and has been assigned to duty in the department of map making.

PROFESSOR ROSS P. ANDERSON, of Cornell University, has received a captaincy in the Chemical Warfare Service of the United States Army and has been sent to France. For the last year, Captain Anderson has been absent from Cornell on leave, carrying investigations on the removal of gasoline from natural gas for the United Natural Gas Company, of Oil City, Pa. While at Cornell he had charge of the courses in gas analysis.

CAPTAIN J. F. MCCLENDON, Sanitary Corps, U. S. A., has been ordered to Camp Fremont, Menlo Park, California, to serve as nutrition officer of that camp. He has leave of absence for the period of the war from his position as associate professor of physiology, University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis.

A. H. HOLT, of the college of applied science, University of Iowa, has been appointed captain in the Engineering Corps of the Army and is stationed at Camp Lee, Va.

DR. FLOYD K. RICHTMYER, assistant professor of physics at Cornell University, has left Ithaca to accept a temporary civilian appointment as radio engineer in the Signal Corps of the United States Army at Washington. The appointment was made as a result of research work done by Professor Richtmyer this summer. He plans to return to Ithaca before the university reopens in October.

THE experimental ammonia plant and laboratory of the Bureau of Soils at Arlington, Virginia, has been transferred to the Nitrate Division of the Ordnance Department of the Army. The work is in charge of Dr. R. O. E. Davis and Mr. L. H. Greathouse.

DR. WILLIAM T. MCCARTY has been appointed physical director of the aviation unit at Mineola, N. Y.

MR. STEPHEN C. BRUNER, formerly assistant pathologist at the Estación Experimental Agronómica, Santiago de las Vegas, Cuba, has been appointed pathologist to succeed Mr.