

CAMP JACKSON COLLECTION, 1917

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ABSTRACT

On June 2, 1917, Congress approved the creation of an army training center, named Camp Jackson, outside Columbia, South Carolina. Construction began immediately, and officially opened on September 1. The first white draftees arrived shortly thereafter, and the first African-American draftees arrived in October. The camp commander was Major Charles J. Bailey of the 81st Division, who served from October 1917-September 1918.

On July 27, 1921, the War Department ordered the closing of Camp Jackson, and by April of the following year, it was abandoned as a regular Army installation. It was reactivated in October 1939 after Germany invaded Poland. Following the end of World War II, the camp became a training center, and eventually became the Army's largest training post for new soldiers.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Camp Jackson Collection is a small collection formerly from the Ephemera Collection. It consists of a menu. The materials are from 1917.

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Thanksgiving Menu, Company C, 306 th Field Signal Battalion, 29 November 1917.	Military	Camp Jackson/ Menus
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