

HEADQUARTERS ARIZONA-NEW MEXICO DISTRICT,
CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS.

FORT BLISS, TEXAS
July 15, 1933.

My dear Governor:

Having just returned from a long trip of inspection of Civilian Conservation Corps work camps in my District -- a trip which gave me ten delightful days in particularly lovely parts of your State -- I am in a happy mood to tell you of our activities in Arizona and to solicit your kindly interest in them, as well as to let you know of the appreciation which I, and those under me, feel over having the opportunity to work in such attractive surroundings this summer.

As you no doubt know, Arizona, New Mexico, and West Texas have been designated as comprising a particular District for the administrative control of Civilian Conservation Corps activities in the Eighth Corps Area. This District has its headquarters here at Fort Bliss and is under my command.

In order to decentralize administration and to make for closer supervision, I have divided my District into six Areas, each under the command of an officer of field grade. These Areas take their names from the location of their headquarters and are known as the El Paso, Silver City, Huachuca, Globe, Flagstaff, and Santa Fe Areas. Three of these Areas -- Huachuca, Globe, and Flagstaff -- lie entirely within your State, while a fourth -- Silver City -- has three camps in Arizona. In all, there have been established in Arizona, since May 23rd, twenty-three work camps, including three camps of Veterans which have commenced operation this very week.

Each camp contains, generally, in the neighborhood of two hundred men, and is administered by two officers of company grade, with one medical officer. In order to give you a more complete picture, I am attaching a note which presents, in tabulated form, certain basic data which may be of value and interest.

You understand, of course, that the actual work of the men, in the forests or wherever they may be working, is directed by the Forestry Service or its equivalent. The Army's part lies in the construction, supply, and

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administration of the camps, and in the control of the men while not actually engaged on Forestry or similar work. I am glad to say that the relations between our officers, and Forestry and like officials, have been generally excellent, and that good and useful work, by the enrollees, is reported in all quarters.

I am particularly anxious that the relations between all personnel connected with the CCC in my District and the officials of the State in which their Area or Camp is located, be similarly cordial, and that there be cooperation of the best sort. Accordingly, I have directed my Area and Camp Commanders to make contact with you, and those under you, at every opportunity; to develop, with regard to your work and problems, an interest and understanding; and to encourage visits of officials of the State to our work camps. You may be sure that you will always be welcome there; and I am most hopeful that you will yourself set the example. In this connection, I have asked Major R. C. Rutherford, who commands the Globe Area, to call on you at his earliest opportunity, to extend the courtesies of the entire District and to assist you in making any plans.

It may interest you to know that Major General Edwin B. Winans, who commands the Eighth Corps Area, with Headquarters at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, arrives in Arizona today to inspect Civilian Conservation Corps activities.

With assurances of my esteem and best wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Frank McCoy
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MAJOR GENERAL.

The Honorable,
The Governor of Arizona,
Phoenix, Arizona.