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Mr. S. S. Shattuck, President  
Bisbee Chamber of Commerce  
Bisbee, Arizona

My dear Spencer:

Since the receipt of the letter signed by John Wood and yourself both Senator McFarland and I have made inquiry of a number of our friends in the War Department and everyone of them say that there is not the slightest intention of abandoning Fort Huachuca as a military post after the War. They all agree that as a training ground for a division the area is ideal both because there is plenty of room and the terrain is so varied. Furthermore, there is also plenty of water available.

From all that I can learn the opinion seems to be general that the Army now has enough divisions to win the war so that no more will be activated or trained, either white or colored. Casualties have not been as heavy as expected and it is assumed that the Selective Service will continue to supply enough young men as replacements to keep all of the existing divisions at full strength.

The way that it has been explained to me is that when the last division that has been trained at a cantonment moves overseas the Camp is technically placed in a caretaker status to be held against possible further use. Such action would in no way change Fort Huachuca from the permanent station class.

I also made inquiry of the Surgeon General as to whether it was contemplated that an Army hospital be located at Fort Huachuca and was told that at one time there was a proposal to establish a regional hospital there to care for troops then being trained in or near Arizona, but that when these troops moved away there was no need to do so and at present there is no plan under consideration for a hospital at that Post.

I wish that I could make a more detailed report, and you can be sure that I shall promptly advise the Bisbee Chamber of Commerce if I learn of any new developments.

With best regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

*Carl Hayden*

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