

CAST-OFF CLOTHES AND SHOES NEED FOR RED CROSS WORK

Manager Hield Issues Appeal to People of Montana to Ransack Attics and Storerooms for Garments to Give to the Needy in Europe.

Major C. C. Hield, manager of the Northern Division of the American Red Cross, has issued a direct appeal to every member of the organization in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Montana to ransack the attics and storerooms in every home in search of old clothes for the refugees of Europe.

"I should like to call the attention of all members of the Red Cross to the fact that all Europe, practically without exception, is suffering for want of clothing. People there are fighting for the articles of clothing which the average American would regard as the very best. The shoes, cast off by persons of very limited means in the Northern Division, would seem luxurious to hundreds of persons in the liberated countries abroad.

"The shortage of clothing is acute. It is restricted not only to countries that have been ravaged during the war or to peoples who have barely escaped from the hand of the Prussian. I have been told that conditions in Holland are very bad. That a very ordinary suit of clothes there costs \$350; that there is no leather to be had anywhere because the last bits have been used for makeshift sandals. It is not at all an uncommon sight to see both mother and child barefoot in Holland. And this is a country that has not felt any of the acute suffering which has been so evident in the invaded nations and in the countries recently repatriated.

"Consider then what must be the conditions among the hundreds of thousands of men, women and children who have been stripped of practically all worldly possessions thru the German system of looting efficiently before being thrust back into the hands of the Allies to be cared for as they may.

"Men thruout the liberated zones have gone to the battlefield for their garb. They may be seen everywhere wearing castoff tunics, blouses, worn and dilapidated shoes and other military gear which has been left in the path of the army and which has been considered too poor to attract the attention of the salvage corps which accompanies the troops. Women and girls also make use of these heterogeneous garments, many of them wearing trousers. Stockings are practically unknown. Rags, not fit for any use, are wrapped puttee-fashion around the body as they are often the only things available. Every scrap of canvas and other material that is cast aside at army depots is seized to be used as patches upon threadbare garments.

"Underclothing is a luxury. Scarcely anyone in civilian life, in the regions of the repatriated population, who has a whole suit of underwear. Many of the soldiers have sold or given away their own underclothing to help keep the destitute refugees from suffering with the cold. In many instances this underclothing is the only whole garment possessed by the person thus favored and is worn, not as underwear, but as the outer garment into which rags of all descriptions are placed for the purposes of warmth.

"Leather shoes are a novelty except when they are in such condition as to be practically worthless as a protection against cold or storm.

"In order to protect themselves from the cold, the unfortunate people have taken refuge in abandoned trenches, shellholes, craters, etc., which were formerly scenes of the war. Many of these are half filled with water but still partially protect them from the rainy and chilly weather. Some of the men are attempting to build temporary shelters for homes but in most cases they have not sufficient clothing to protect them while they are doing this necessary outdoor work.

"Thousands of people of Europe are wearing the same clothing—now a conglomeration of rags—which they wore before the atrocities of the Hun began, four years ago.

"When it is necessary for a family to venture from a trench or dugout, where it has taken refuge, to gather fuel to keep others from freezing to death, it is the custom for all the shivering persons within to offer temporarily their own garments in order to make the errand bearable.

"It is obvious that practically nothing can be done in the way of sanitation and health precautions under these conditions. Thousands of tiny children who have never known a normal peace-time existence are romping, half clad in the shell holes where their fathers gave up their lives, and are hungry for the sole reason that they have never known less misery than they are now enduring.

"In the meantime, men, women and children in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Montana are practically un-

affected by the war. They are warmly and comfortably clad. They are able even to make a selection of clothing with regard to style. They are accustomed to cast aside a garment at first sign of wear. A pair of shoes found slightly uncomfortable or out of the mode is put aside without a thought. It is safe to say there is not one individual in the jurisdiction of the Northern Division of the Red Cross who could not give two or three articles of clothing for the relief of these destitute.

"The Easter season is approaching when, according to American custom, a general purging and a little of the old costume is hung away to gather dust and attract moths for a time in depository attics and then to be sold or given to the old clothes man.

"Out of thankfulness for victory and as a special sacrifice for the refugees of all Europe, let the people of the Northern Division ransack the closets and the attics, turn out the storerooms, comb the usually disordered basements during the spring and pour forth an offering of garments, however nondescript, they will serve to keep a little of the cold rain of France's too-well-known climate from the shivering bodies of the people over there."

SUPREME KNIGHT STATES POSITION

Head of Knights of Columbus Says Order Now As Always Will Fight Radical Thot.

James A. Flaherty, supreme knight of the Knights of Columbus has returned to the east after an extended tour of various K. of C. state jurisdictions which took him as far south as the Mexican border and as far west as San Francisco. Commencing with Maryland and Virginia he worked westward and southward thru Georgia, Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Arizona, up to Montana, Nevada, Colorado, Washington, California, and then back to Wyoming, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and the east.

The deepest impression received by Mr. Flaherty on the tour is the fact that there is an entire unity of desire on the part of the people of the United States to have industry stabilized into the ways of peace.

"Anybody making an intelligent survey of the United States at the present time," he declares in a recently published interview, "will find that the end of this war discloses conditions akin to the end of all wars—gratification in victory less accentuated than an eagerness to have things restored to a peace footing.

"The present time is no exception to the rule that an unrest follows in the wake of the war, even of victorious war. Fortunately the good sense of the American people insures us against what might be truly termed the turbulent conditions prevailing abroad, even in the countries of our associates in the war. This makes it all the more necessary for us to be on our guard and so carefully and skillfully maneuver the nation from a war to a peace basis that we shall avoid all of the disturbances that could arise with even the slightest mismanagement.

"It is not true that there is a good opportunity for propagandists of extreme radicalism in this country at this time. Certainly we are confronted with some difficult problems and out of these difficulties opportunities for the spread of bolshevism may arise. The Knights of Columbus, as a nation-wide organization, is prepared to anticipate whatever bolshevistic movements may be launched. Long before our country entered the war, long before the war broke out in Europe, the Knights had carried on a constructive warfare against socialism in this country. Experts in industrial relations toured the country under the auspices of the board of directors of the K. of C., giving public addresses on the subject, and holding public question classes to enlighten the people regarding the dangers of socialism.

"Now, the K. of C., thru its 1800 and more councils thruout the country, is an agency for constructively combatting any new forces of disruption that arise. With whatever healthy dissatisfactions may crop up among labor circles, the K. of C. has no more or less interest than any other body of American citizens who stand for a square deal all around; but the society, to a man, is opposed to the import and practice of foreign anarchist doctrines and will fight them with all the power at its command."

Levine Satisfied With His Treatment

Missoula, April 10.—"I wish to say that the state board of education gave me a most fair and impartial hearing," declared Professor Louis Levine today, upon his return from Helena, where he appeared before the board relative to his suspension by Chancellor Elliott for "insubordination and conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the university."

"I was given the fullest opportunity to present my case, and all three sessions devoted to it were open to the public," he said.

NEW MEMBERS OF FLATHEAD COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BOARD

Kalispell, April 10.—The board of county commissioners have appointed A. L. Saunders of Creston, former county engineer, and A. S. Howard of Smith Valley, as members of the Flathead county high school board to succeed J. C. Wood and G. E. Barnum, whose terms have expired.

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FLYING CIRCUS OFF FROM SAN DIEGO TO BOOM VICTORY LOAN

San Diego, April 10.—Including in the flying personnel six of America's most famous pursuit pilots, the Rockwell field Victory loan flying circus left San Diego Wednesday on its tour of the west. The circus will travel as far north as Seattle, as far east as Denver and as far south as

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El Paso. Among the overseas airmen who will stage a series of combat evolutions in each city visited will be Lieutenant Colonel William Thaw, commander of the famous Lafayette escadille; Major Carl Spatz, who, while attached to the 13th pursuit squadron, won the distinguished service cross for his aerial achievements; Major Kenneth Marr, one of the organizers of the Lafayette escadille; Captain John A. Hambleton, commander of the 313th aero squadron, officially credited with crashing six German machines; Captain W. H. Hoover, 27th aero squadron, six planes; Lieutenants W. F. Poolmer 93rd aero squadron, three planes; Lieutenant George W. Puryear, two planes, who was the first American aviator to escape from a German prison camp.

Other fliers who will pilot the German Fokkers, British Spads and SE-fives and the Twin-Seater Curtiss bombers, will be Lieutenants Henry S. E. Cavanaugh, Clement McMullen, J. E. Reed, L. S. Anderson, H. M. Whirt, Captain Lowell H. Smith will be engine officer; Captain F. L. Bennis surgeon; Lieut. Col. A. J. Hanlon, recruiting officer; Lieut. H. A. Halverson, assistant executive officer.

The itinerary as announced today by Major Spatz, officer in command of the circus, includes:

Spokane, April 25; Helena, April 26; Butte, April 27; Miles City, April 28; Billings, April 29.

The circus will travel on the road a month and will travel 6369 miles. A special train of 12 cars, including three drawing room standard sleeping cars and nine wide end door baggage cars are being used.

SPY IS IN PRISON THRU MRS. GERARD REMEMBERING FACE

Remembers German Deserter as Soldier Who Had Called at Berlin Embassy

New York, April 10.—Because Mrs. James W. Gerard, wife of the former ambassador to Germany, has an excellent memory for faces, Henry Bode, the only American soldier convicted of serving Germany as a spy, is now serving a ten-year sentence in the disciplinary barracks at Governor's Island, it was learned here today.

Bode, according to his confession, after Mrs. Gerard had identified him as a man in German uniform who had appeared one day at the American embassy in Berlin wearing the iron cross, deserted from the American army at Fort Bliss, Texas, in July, 1914, and made his way to Germany, where he entered the German army.

After winning his iron cross in action against the allies, Bode entered the German intelligence service, was sent to New York and eventually to Mexico, where he was ordered to work toward

embroidering Mexico and the United States in war and to blow up the Tampico oil fields.

Fearing for his life in Mexico, Bode crossed the American border into California, California, and surrendered to immigration authorities.

At his courtmartial at Governor's Island, Mrs. Gerard identified him as the man in German uniform she had seen in Berlin and Frank Hill, Mr. Gerard's valet, corroborated her statement.

Bode, who was a native of Germany, had for years been a soldier of fortune. He was a Russian spy during the Russo-Japanese war; saw service in the United States navy and was a member of the intelligence service in the Philippine constabulary and won a lieutenant's colonelcy in the Mexican army, during the Madero regime, for gallantry in action.

Early in his career, Bode married Miss Barbara Steuwer in Dayton, Ohio, but they separated in 1905.

Helena Railroadman Dies in Manchuria

Helena, April 10.—Lieutenant Frank H. Niskern, formerly assistant round house foreman of the Northern Pacific here and a well known railway man, died of pneumonia, February 20, in a hospital in Harbin, Manchuria, according to word received here. He was serving with the American forces in Siberia, in a railway engineers corps. Relatives reside in St. Cloud, Minnesota, where interment will be made.

Arrival of the body is expected at San Francisco on April 19.

SAD BUT SO.
It only takes a few minutes to find out, others the faults we can't discover in ourselves in a lifetime.—Boston Transcript.

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Humorous Characters, Born in Cartoon Land, Will Be Here Two Days.

Seats will go on sale Saturday at noon for the appearance of A. Mutt and Little Jeff, the comedy characters from Cartoon land, who will make their annual visit to Great Falls on Sunday and Monday nights. This year they are coming in new roles, appearing as "broncho busters" while they peddle the fun. They are playing this year in "Mutt and Jeff in the Woolly West."

As on previous occasions little Jeff becomes the buffer for a number of side-splitting pranks at the hands of that champion practical joker and troupe blenaker, A. Mutt, tho in the end Jeff sufficiently outwits his chum and tormentor by becoming the proud possessor of a valuable gold mine, which has been willed to him by his deceased brother. Their adventures carry them thru many periods of stress and high jinks, but thruout all there is an irresistible tumult of hearty laughter and infectious mirth. As on former occasions, Manager Gus Hill, who again pilots the destinies of the inseparable twin of gloom dispellers, has mustered a capable cast which includes 20 dashing, fascinating and captivatingly pretty girls who will assist in dispensing and deporting themselves in a galaxy of tumeul songs and dances; unique features, imitable surprises, rovelities and a gorgeous display of scenes and scenic investiture are also promised.