

THE RED CROSS

Report of Shipments.

Medina County shipments of finished work for January and February, 1919:

Pinafores 205, petticoats 70, women's waists 10, women's skirts 275, property bags 16, shot bags 316, napkins 30.

A sewing quota of 500 women's chemises was the last received and distributed; another, which may be much larger is expected any day. The need of constant and regular attendance at the sewing rooms was never greater than just now.

One Million Garments a Month, Red Cross Gift to Refugees.

Red Cross workers in the Lake Division are to help complete the national quota of 1,000,000 sewn and knitted garments a month to be made and sent by the American Red Cross to relieve acute suffering in northern France, Belgium, Italy, Roumania, Serbia, Greece, Montenegro, Palestine, Albania and other countries.

Lake Division headquarters has agreed to furnish 350,000 completed garments by the middle of May. Chapters will be called on to make the garments as soon as they are cut from raw materials at the Lake Division Department of Supplies in Cleveland.

Harvey D. Gibson, Commissioner to Europe, writes that the need is great to a degree few at home can possibly realize. The peoples of Europe are in unbelievable distress owing to the lack of proper clothing and food. It is the aim of the Red Cross to augment the aid which the European governments are able to give their suffering populations.

"Every garment finished," writes Mr. Gibson, "will cover a body which otherwise would lack proper clothing. Each garment will actually prevent suffering." Refugee clothing is needed in unlimited quantities for refugees from all over the world who have been driven from their homes by varying fortunes of war. In some of the countries mentioned these people have been for years in rags or with practically no clothes.

The Red Cross now has commissioners in these countries and is prepared to make distribution of all the garments that can be made in this country. The new need is fully as pressing as the old need for soldiers' socks and sweaters—Lake Division News.

Knitting Shipments.

For January and February: Socks 486; sweaters 182.

The yarn designated to be used for refugee scarfs, shawls, and children's stockings has been taken out, and no new quota has been assigned.

Junior Knitting.

Knitted or crocheted woolen comforts—just the size to throw over the cot of a wounded soldier, have been asked of the Lake Division Junior Red Cross by the Military Relief Departments.

The comforts should be 4x6 feet when done and may be made from all kinds and colors of yarn, in 6 or 8 inch squares.

The Bureau of Junior will be glad to assign a quota to any chapter who wants to have a share in this work.

Red Cross Scrap Books Admired In England.

"It is really marvelous! What can you do with a country where even the babies in kindergarten are mobilized?" This was the comment of an Englishman who saw some American Junior Red Cross scrap books for soldiers in London.

How Red Cross Is Helping at Brest.

While the military authorities are striving night and day to overcome the all-pervading mud that has resulted from the almost uninterrupted rain at Pontanezan, the big embarkation camp near Brest, the American Red Cross is increasing its activities toward making more comfortable the American troops that must tarry there on their homeward journey.

The organization has already established four enlisted men's huts and one officer's hut, in addition to the system of comfort distribution in the camp proper. These huts provide a warm, dry, "loafing place" with reading material and music. A canteen organization distributes cigarettes, chocolates and other things that appeal to the doughboy, while the camp service system of the Red Cross provides all men in need of warm clothing with woolen sweaters, socks, mufflers, etc. Accordingly much has been accomplished toward overcoming depression.

Aside from this the Red Cross carries on its regular hospital distribution service and searching for missing men whose relatives have made anxious inquiries, as well as the final service to the men when they board the transport, a parting lunch and supply of cigarettes and sweets.

Home Service for Soldiers and Sailors.

How about the Liberty bond? Has it been delivered? How about the allotment? Has it been received? How about that other man's discharge? Does his family need him? How about your employment, and insurance?

Talk it over with Miss Wells, of the Home Service office, (Gazette block). She has proper blanks and information. In the two months since this Home Service Section was established, a good number of soldiers and families have been served entirely without remuneration or notoriety. Many others might have availed themselves of this help, had they known and understood that this office was entirely at the service of soldiers and their families. Spread the gospel of the Home Service!

Miss Wells is provided with blanks with which honorably discharged soldiers can make out their applications for the \$60 bonus allowed them by the government.

Washington.—(Special.)—Henry P. Davison as chairman issues the following statement on behalf of the War Council of the American Red Cross:

"To the American People:

"The War Council of the American Red Cross appointed by President Wilson on May 10, 1917, to carry on the work of the American Red Cross during the war, at their request and by vote of the Central Committee, ceased at midnight, February 28.

"Immediately the armistice was signed the War Council instituted studies to determine when the strictly war work of the organization would have been sufficiently matured to enable the direction of affairs to be resumed by the permanent staff. Henry P. Davison, being in Paris when the armistice was signed, summoned a conference there of the heads of all the Red Cross Commissions in Europe to canvass the situation. After considering all the factors it was concluded to make the transition on March 1. The very fortunate choice of Dr. Livingston Farrand as the new chairman of the Central Committee, and thereby the permanent chief executive of the Red Cross, makes possible the consummation of this plan under the most favorable conditions.

Accounts Audited by War Department.

"Detailed reports to Congress and a complete audit of its accounts by the War Department will constitute the final record of Red Cross activity during the war. Although it has been the rule to make public all expenditures when authorized and to give detailed information relative to all work undertaken, the War Council in turning over its responsibilities to Dr. Farrand and his associates desire to give a brief resume of Red Cross war time activities to the American people, to whom the Red Cross belong, and whose generous contributions have made possible all that has been accomplished.

"During the past nearly twenty-one months the American people have given in cash and supplies to the American Red Cross more than \$400,000,000. No value can be placed upon the contributions of service which have been given without stint and oftentimes at great sacrifice by millions of our people.

"The effort of the American Red Cross in this war has constituted by far the largest voluntary gifts of money, of hand and heart, ever contributed purely for the relief of human suffering. Through the Red Cross the heart and spirit of the whole American people have been mobilized to take care of our own, to relieve the misery incident to the war, and also to reveal to the world the supreme ideals of our national life.

"Everyone who has had any part in this war effort of the Red Cross is entitled to congratulate himself. No thanks from anyone could be equal in value to the self satisfaction everyone should feel for the part taken. Fully 8,000,000 American women have exerted themselves in Red Cross service.

Has Over 17,000,000 Adult Members.

"When we entered the war the American Red Cross had about 500,000 members. Today, as the result of the recent Christmas membership Roll Call, there are upwards of 17,000,000 full paid members outside of the members of the Junior Red Cross, numbering perhaps 9,000,000 school children additional.

"The chief effort of the Red Cross during the war has been to care for our men in service and to aid our army and navy wherever the Red Cross may be called on to assist. As to this phase of the work Surgeon General Ireland of the U. S. Army recently said: 'The Red Cross has been an enterprise as vast as the war itself. From the beginning it has done those things which the Army Medical Corps wanted done, but could not do itself.'

"The Red Cross endeavor in France has naturally been upon an exceptionally large scale where service has been rendered to the American Army and to the French Army and the French people as well, the latter particularly during the trying period when the Allied World was waiting for the American Army to arise in force and power. Hospital emergency service for our army in France has greatly diminished, but the Red Cross is still being called upon for service upon a large scale in the great base hospitals, where thousands of American sick and wounded are still receiving attention. At these hospitals the Red Cross supplies huts and facilities for the amusement and recreation of the men as they become convalescent. Our Army of Occupation in Germany was followed with Medical units prepared to render the same emergency aid and supply service which was the primary business of the Red Cross during hostilities. The Army Canteen service along the lines of travel has

actually increased since the armistice.

"As for work among the French people, now that hostilities have ceased, the French themselves naturally prefer as far as possible to provide for their own. It has accordingly been determined that the guiding principle of Red Cross policy in France henceforth shall be to have punctilious regard to its every responsibility, but to direct its efforts primarily to assisting French relief societies. The liberated and devastated regions of France have been divided by the government into small districts, each officially assigned to a designated French relief organization.

"The American Red Cross work in France was initiated by a commission of eighteen men who landed on French shores June 13, 1917. Since then some 9,000 persons have been upon the rolls in France, of whom 7,000 were actively engaged when the armistice was signed. An indication of the present scale of the work will be obtained from the fact that the services of 6,000 persons are still required.

"Our American Expeditionary Force having largely evacuated England, the activities of the Red Cross Commission there are naturally upon a diminishing scale period. Active operations are still in progress in Archangel and Siberia.

"The work in Italy has been almost entirely on behalf of the civilian population of that country. In the critical hours of Italy's struggle the American people, through their Red Cross, sent a practical message of sympathy and relief, for which the government and people of Italy have never ceased to express their gratitude.

Supplies and Personnel to Near East.

"The occasion for such concentration of effort in Italy, England, Belgium and even in France having naturally and normally diminished, it has been possible to divert supplies and personnel in large measure to the aid of those people in the Near East who have hitherto been inaccessible to outside assistance, but whose sufferings have been upon an appalling scale. The needs of these peoples are so vast that government alone can meet them, but the American Red Cross is making an effort to relieve immediately the more acute distress.

"An extensive group of American workers has been dispatched to carry vitally needed supplies, and to work this winter in the various Balkan countries. In order to co-ordinate their activities, a Balkan commission has been established, with headquarters at Rome, Italy, from which point alone all the Balkan centers can be reached promptly.

"A commission has just reached Poland with doctors and nurses, medical supplies, and food for sick children and invalids. An American Red Cross Commission has also been appointed to aid in relieving the suffering of Russian prisoners still confined in German prison camps.

"An important commission is still working in Palestine. Through the war special co-operation has been given to the Armenian and Syrian Relief Commission, which was the only agency able to carry relief in the interior of Turkish dominions.

Red Cross Will Continue.

"Red Cross effort is thus far flung. It will continue to be so. But the movement represented by this work has likewise assumed an intimate place

Weekly Report of Thrift Stamp Sales

Below is a table showing the report of sales of War Savings and Thrift Stamps for the week ending Thursday, Feb. 27, 1919:

Selling Station	Heretofore Reported	Sold Past Week	Total Sold
Sharon Center P. O.	none	none	none
Erhart	none	none	none
Litchfield	182.54	12.89	195.43
Chatham	2.50	none	2.50
Homerville	37.72	40.92	78.64
Seville	346.61	258.69	605.30
Lodi	106.24	23.48	129.72
Lester	19.73	none	19.73
Chippewa Lake	54.82	3.25	58.07
Leroy	943.89	none	943.89
Brunswick-Hinckley	328.28	49.56	377.84
Spencer	125.70	none	125.70
Valley City	40.11	7.01	47.12
Mallet Creek	none	none	none
Wadsworth	268.41	89.37	357.78
Medina	1335.49	227.15	1562.64
Peoples National Bank, Lodi	none	none	none
Old Phoenix National Bank, Medina	2241.69	456.49	2698.18
First National Bank, Wadsworth	none	none	none
Lodi State Bank, Lodi	80.66	none	80.66
Savings Deposit Bank, Medina	none	none	none
Seville State Bank, Seville	none	none	none
Sharon Center Bank	none	none	none
Spencer State Bank	75.92	none	75.92
Wadsworth Savings & Trust Co.	none	none	none
Farmers Savings Bank, Spencer	none	none	none
Farmers Bank, Valley City	none	none	none
W. & L. E. R. Lodi	none	none	none
N. W. Horr & Sons, Lodi	none	none	none
Total	6302.98	1168.81	7471.79

S. F. Dimmock, Chairman.

In the daily life of our people at home. The army of workers which has been recruited and trained during the war must not be demobilized. All our experience in the war shows clearly that there is an unlimited field for service of the kind which can be performed with peculiar effectiveness by the Red Cross. What its future tasks may be it is yet impossible to forecast. We know that so long as there is an American army in the field the Red Cross will have a special function to perform.

"Nothing could be of greater importance to the American Red Cross than the plans just set in motion by the five great Red Cross societies of the world to develop a program of extended activities in the interest of humanity. The conception involves not alone efforts to relieve human suffering, but to prevent it; not alone a movement by the people of an individual nation, but an attempt to arouse all people to a sense of their responsibility for the welfare of their fellow beings throughout the world. It is a program both ideal and practical. Ideal in that its supreme aim is nothing less than veritable 'Peace on earth good will to men,' and practical in that it seeks to take means and measures which are actually available and make them effective in meeting without delay the crisis which is daily recurrent in the lives of all peoples.

"For accomplishing its mission in the years of peace which must lie ahead of us the Red Cross will require the ablest possible leadership, and must enjoy the continued support, sympathy, and participation in its work of the whole American people. It is particularly fortunate that such a man as Dr. Livingston Farrand should have been selected as the permanent head of the organization. The unstinted fashion in which all our people gave of themselves throughout the war is the best assurance that our Red Cross will continue to receive that co-opera-

tion which will make its work a source of pride and inspiration to every American."

Mr. Davison, as chairman of the International Commission of the American Red Cross, has undertaken to represent the American Red Cross in the preparation of the program for extended Red Cross activities, and will spend the next several months in Europe in consultation with other Red Cross societies for that purpose.

THE WAR COUNCIL OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Henry P. Davison, Chairman.

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