

American Red Cross.

Washington, D. C.,

That the many millions of Red Cross knitters may know the plans of the Red Cross for future knitting, George E. Scott, acting manager of the national organization, today issued the following statement:

"When the war industries board some time ago advised the Red Cross that future production of knitting yarn would be greatly reduced, we immediately commenced to purchase all yarns suitable for our knitting. As a result, we have today in stock or on order 1,400,000 pounds of yarn for distribution to our chapters. It is hoped that we may obtain some additional yarn from wool unsuitable for government uses.

"The expected total, however, will be considerably below the ten million pounds used last year. While the total of yarn we can secure is being determined, we are studying how to use our supply to produce only garments which are most essential. When a conclusion is reached we will announce our full program of knitting.

"In addition to this stock of yarn the Red Cross has on hand 1,600,000 sweaters, 134,000 mufflers, 384,000 wristlets, 228,000 helmets, and 1,328,000 pairs of socks—a total of 3,674,000 articles. We are hopeful therefore that these and such additional garments as we shall be able to make will enable us to meet the more urgent requirements of our men during the coming winter. In this connection it will be interesting to the women who have been knitting to know that from September 1, 1917 to June 13, 1918 the Red Cross distributed 5,875,000 knitted garments to the Army and Navy of the United States. During the same period 870,000 knitted articles were sent to the Red Cross commissioners in France and Italy for distribution to soldiers, sailors and civilians.

"At the request of the war industries board, with which the Red Cross works in close co-operation, we have urged chapters and individual workers not to buy wool in the open market but to secure their materials through our department of supplies."

Bureau of Publicity,
Southern Division
Atlanta, Ga.

To provide for conditions brought by Germany's constant shifting of Americans from one camp to another with the result that parcels of food and clothing may not reach them for weeks, the American Red Cross, according to advices from Berne, has completed co-operative arrangements with the French Relief agencies to assist in the immediate care of all newly arriving Americans. Under this arrangement, French committees at the German prison camps, supply food and clothing from their reserve stocks, until the Germans see fit to let news of the arrival get to the Red Cross at Berne.

In the case of a transferred prisoner, the Germans frequently do not let his friends know his new address for two or three weeks during which time, of course, he receives no parcels from the outside.

Captain Provot, in charge of French Relief at Berne, has notified all French Committees in prisons in southern Germany, to supply food and necessities to all Americans whether newly captured or transferred, the moment they arrive at any camp where there is no American Red Cross Committee or American reserve stock of supplies. He has requested the other French prisoners' depots at Paris and Lyons to send similar instructions to all prison committees supplied by them. These French Committees also report the arrivals of Americans to the American Red Cross, which at once begins regular shipment of food and clothing. Any supplies furnished by the French to Americans to maintain them until the arrival of their parcels from Berne, the Red Cross restores to the French depots. The American Red Cross is establishing American Committees with reserve stocks as rapidly as it can get in touch with groups at different prisons. Such committees already are established at Tüchel, Brandenburg, Villengen and Darmstadt.

The above communications have just been received from division headquarters in Atlanta with the request that they be published in the local newspapers.

Annie M. Clisby,
Publicity chairman.

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Heaven Help the Poor.

By Dr. Frank Crane.

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Heaven help the poor!

I do not mean the poor in money. For the greatest of earth have thus been poor—Socrates, Wagner, Rousseau, Poe, Lincoln, Whitman, and Jesus poorest of all, who had not where to lay His head.

I mean poor in resources. For the only poverty that grinds, deadens, and kills is poverty of resources.

When sorrow comes the poor in resources have no wells of inner happiness from which to draw.

When their money is gone they have no inner riches.

When they drop from their station in life they know no human beings to turn to.

When they are bereaved they have no tides of faith to support them.

They are poor in self-mastery, and their environment overcomes them. They are poor in discipline, and their own selves fall upon them and devour them.

They are poor in enthusiasms, and when their one little interest is gone they have no other.

They are poor in friends, and to their calamity is added loneliness.

They are poor in passion, and to a love-hungry world have nothing to offer.

They are poor in thoughts, and as Robert Louis Stevenson says, do not have so much as two ideas to rub against each other while waiting for a train.

They are poor in work, having never found their task, without which no soul can be happy.

They are poor in time, having smothered creative leisure by the clutter of the unimportant.

They are poor in beauty, having never learned to see it, let alone feed upon it.

These are the wretched ones of their earth. They stand, shivering souls, looking through the window at the warmth of life; hungry souls begging of every passerby the bread of praise which they cannot digest. It's hell to be poor, poor in all that makes life rich and strong and easy.

It's pitiful, too to see poverty stricken souls trying to buy real riches with money, whereat the gods laugh.

"Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness."

Courage, and Force to the Limit.

As the toll of death of our heroic men lengthens from day to day, we begin to understand what our Allies have endured for the last four years when their weekly casualty list has far exceeded our total since we entered the war sixteen months ago. We shall have to steel our hearts to a realization of the fact that soon our casualty list will mount into many thousands and hundreds of thousands, but not until then, not until the sorrow has deeply touched every heart will we as a nation understand the war, and not until then will we realize the agony which our Allies have suffered and comprehend what it has meant, while for four years they have stood between us and the hell of German damnation.

As we come to understand, from personal suffering and sorrow through the death or permanent invalidism of the flower of our civilization, the accursed crime of Germany, a righteous wrath will take possession of our nation, and woe betide the man who, contrary to the teachings of God himself, shall dare to suggest that the murderers, the rapists, the fiends incarnate, who made this war shall not be punished to the uttermost! Away with all mawkish sentiment! Away with all false interpretations of God's word! That individual and national criminals shall not be punished! And let us sternly resolve that the punishment shall fit the crime. Let us remember that to men whose sins were as snow compared to the blood-dripping hands and souls of Germany, Christ said, "Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers! how can ye escape the damnation of hell?"

On to Berlin, for the criminals who have cursed the world by their blood lust and their effort to loot the world must be destroyed.—Manufacturers Record.

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Because of the war the services of the young people of the neighborhood will be in greater demand than usual. Unfortunately many communities have not appreciated the young women till they are deprived of the services of many of them.

Inducement for leadership must be offered the young people if they are expected to stay. The community that does not offer the industrious, ambitious young people a chance likely will lose them to some other community that will offer inducement.

The social and industrial ideals of the neighborhood have much to do with the interest the young people take in the rural community. If the ideals are low, the industrial standards easily met and neighborhood progress at a slow rate, young people need not be expected to be enthusiastic and zealous for the community. They will rather be inclined to become discouraged and to seek new fields of labor for their talents.

While people are young and full of ambition they like contest and conquest. They are usually anxious for a chance to lead in some kind of progressive undertaking. They want a part in good road movements; they may be enlisted in a campaign for better rural schools; most of them will take part in social center meetings—debates, literary societies and reading circles.

Young people must have amusement as well as work. They must be encouraged to take recreation in the right way and enjoy life while they have enthusiasm. It is the duty of the adults of the neighborhood to assist them.—Farm and Ranch.

Keep the Parlor Well Aired.

Most country people and a good many in the cities and towns also, seldom have company except on Sunday to take in the parlor; and not even then if the weather is not suitable.

So do not keep your parlor or best room shut up tight and curtains pulled down during the absence of company. If so, it will smell damp and musty. See that the sunshine and air are let in daily, and have the room smelling sweet at all times as you may need it some day without warning. It is a good idea to build a fire in the parlor at least once a week, whether company comes or not. Especially is this true during late fall, winter and early spring. A thorough drying out will do the room no harm, but instead will be a great benefit to it.—Progressive Farmer.

Been There?

Did you ever hear a bullet whizz,
Or dodge a hand grenade?
Have you watched long lines of
trenches dug
By doughboys with a spade?

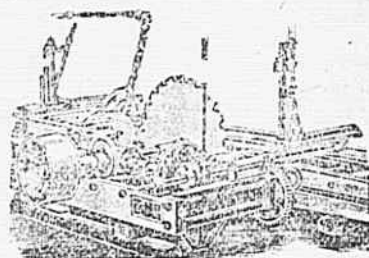
Have you seen the landscape lighted
up
At midnight by a shell?
Have you seen a hillside blazing
forth
Like the furnace room in Hell?

Have you camped o'ernight in a ruined town
With a rafter for a bed,
With the horses stamping underneath
In the morning when they're fed?

Have you heard the crump-crumps
whistling?
Do you know the dud-shell's grunt?
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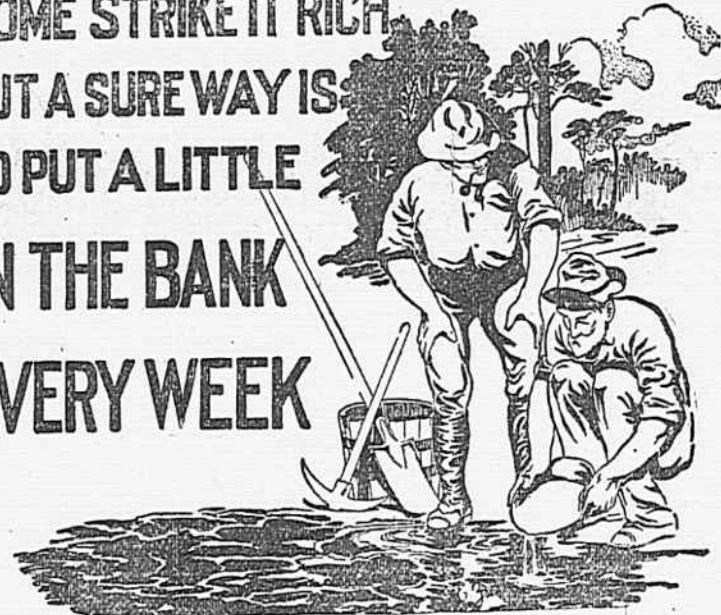
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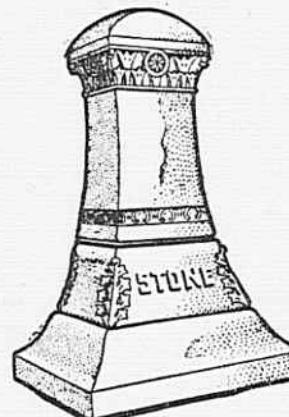
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