

## RED CROSS HELPS WAR'S SUFFERERS

Aids 200,000 Veterans and Their Families—27,000 Disabled Still in Hospitals.

SPENDS \$5,866,255 IN YEAR

Individual Attention Assured to All Physically Ailing or in Distress.

Washington. — War service five years after the armistice, which on November 11 the American Red Cross marks with the opening of the annual membership canvass, shows that during the past year assistance was extended by the Red Cross to some 200,000 ex-service men or their families. To 130 hospitals throughout the country approximately 75,000 ex-service men were admitted for treatment, and to 63,296 of these men definite and specialized service was extended, the Red Cross annual report discloses. In all hospitals under government operation a total of nearly 27,000 disabled veterans were reported by the Surgeon General of the Army.

These facts of the aftermath of physical and mental disability five years after the World War, and the burden resting upon the relatives and dependents of the ex-service men, show conclusively the great need of the Red Cross to act as a supplementary arm of the government in service to these many thousands of men who wore the uniform of the United States. It should be emphasized that government assistance is necessarily standardized along specified lines affecting them as a whole. The Red Cross service is to the individual man and the solution of his problems. This the Red Cross designates "home service" for its aims to give the loving care and interest of the home to these men undergoing physical reconstruction far from their actual home influences.

Year's Expenditures \$5,866,255  
In the year ended last June 30 the Red Cross reports \$3,920,000 spent by its Chapters in extending individual attention to the ex-service men and \$1,946,255 spent by National Headquarters of the Red Cross, a total of \$5,866,255. In behalf of the men called to duty in the World War the Red Cross since July 1, 1917, has spent nearly \$164,000,000. Today there are 2,608 Chapters in as many localities carrying on this work, aiding the individual veteran, assisting his family, furnishing creature comforts and funds to tide over troublesome periods.

The strong connecting link between the Red Cross and the United States Veterans' Bureau takes the complications out of difficult cases of claims. The Red Cross in this work requiring personal representation of the ex-service man has acted in appeal cases, insurance matters, personal and family problems, camp and hospital activities, and in cases of death. This service handled nearly 12,000 compensation and insurance claims, and 2,225 allotment and other claims.

**Solves Serious Problem**  
The financial problem of the ex-service man when traveling to and from hospitals is a serious one, and in meeting this constant demand the Red Cross expended \$138,334.17 during the year. For extra recreational equipment in Veterans' Bureau training centers \$14,306 was spent, and for the blinded veterans in the government school funds were supplied to enable some of these unfortunate men to enter business as storekeepers and poultry raisers.

In Veterans' Bureau hospitals the record of a single month illustrates the large service rendered by the Red Cross. For example, 15,504 new cases required attention, and a total of 26,007 cases were acted upon; 49,368 letters and 1,863 telegraph messages written, and more than 1,600 entertainments given in recreation houses for the benefit of the patients.

Authorities declare that the present is a critical time in the lives of many of the disabled ex-service men who during the five years since the armistice have developed mixings of recovery.

**Work Among the "Regulars"**  
Service to the enlisted men of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps is a charter obligation of the Red Cross, which in the last year recorded over 200,000 cases of assistance extended and 334,420 visits to the sick and disabled. Inquiries by the Red Cross at the request of Government authorities into the home conditions of soldiers, sailors and marines aggregated 17,714, and there were nearly 6,000 instances where the Red Cross located men for their families.

All these activities constituting a single responsibility of the American Red Cross demonstrated during the

year that its "war service" in behalf of the veteran and the man enlisted in the nation's defensive arms must go forward unflinching and without stint of funds. The work of the last five years has welded a close bond of regard between the men who sacrificed and the Red Cross, whose efforts are praised and indorsed by the veterans' organizations. To do all that can be done to soften the consequences of the hard blows of war is the supreme duty of the Red Cross, to which it is giving its best work and most liberal service.

**Fishes Are Good Smellers.**  
Fishes possess a keen faculty of smelling. Examination of the nostrils of a fish reveals the fact that they are not connected with the air tube system, as in most animals, but lead into blind pockets lined with delicate membranes well supplied with nerves. In fishes, water is not drawn through the nostrils but merely into the small pockets, and these may be emptied and refilled. The quantity of water brought into contact with the nerves of smell must be comparatively small. In some few fishes, as in the globe fishes and puffers, for example, there is no nasal pocket, the nerves being directed into external projections.

**Much to Be Thankful For.**  
There is much in human life to be thankful for, as well as much to distress—mercy as well as afflictions, heroism as well as cowardice, and abundant justification for faith and hope. Nothing will contribute so much to progress, to a lightening of the burden of the mystery as a faithful, uncomplaining and cheerful performance of the ordinary daily duties and a co-operating interest in the "concerns of the particular hearth and home," a lesson which some of the greatest philosophers were, and are, slow to take to heart.

**The Grande Chartreuse.**  
The Grande Chartreuse was the original monastery of the Carthusians, founded in 1084. It is situated among the mountains in the French department of Isere, about fourteen miles northeast of Grenoble, and is famous for an aromatic cordial made by the monks, the secret of which they have long possessed. The monastery was despoiled during the French revolution, and the inmates exiled from 1796 to 1816. They returned after the restoration of Louis XVIII (1814), but never recovered their former wealth and influence.

**Sir Roger de Coverley.**  
The name is that of a member of an imaginary club, under whose auspices the Spectator was supposed to be edited. Sir Roger is the type of an English gentleman of the time of Queen Anne (1702-1714), and figures in thirty papers of the Spectator. He is noted for his modesty, generosity and hospitality. The name Sir Roger de Coverley was also given to a dance, similar to the Virginia reel, and supposed to have been the original of it. The title is derived from the English squire described in the Spectator.

**Friction Matches.**  
Friction matches first came into use in 1833, and as late as 1850 were regarded as too dangerous to be transported by rail. The first sulphur matches put on the market came in square blocks of wood split well down, from which individual matches might be broken. When ignited, a most offensive sulphur odor arose. The first individual matches, put up in small boxes, were imported from Sweden in the early eighties, and were a great improvement over the old sulphur match.

**Power in Kilowatt-Hour.**  
The following figures, compiled by French officials, are worth attention: One kilowatt-hour of electrical energy will drive a sewing machine for 20 hours; clean 15 steel table knives for a year; clip 5 horses or 25 sheep; heat water for shaving for one month; light 3 cigars a day for 5 years; heat a flat-iron for 3 hours; boil 2.37 gallons of water; fry 15 chops in 15 minutes; heat a curling iron for 20 mornings; incubate 256 eggs; milk 20 cows; separate 350 gallons of milk; churn 440 pounds of butter; chop half a ton of straw. Assuming these items to be approximately correct, one-third should be added to each in computing the work of a horsepower-hour.—Compressed Air Magazine.

**"Roland for an Oliver."**  
The expression, "A Roland for an Oliver," meaning a retort for retort, or the matching of one incredible lie with another, is derived from the fanciful tales told by the old chroniclers concerning the marvelous deeds of Roland and Oliver, the two most famous of the twelve paladins of Charlemagne, says the Detroit News. These redoubtable heroes were so evenly matched that neither was able to surpass the other; and accordingly, to test their relative superiority, they met in single combat and fought for five successive days on an island in the Rhine, without either gaining the least advantage over the other.

## U. S. SHIP HAS FINEST RADIO

Equipment of the Leviathan Enables Liner to Exchange Messages With Two Continents.

Eclipsed only in importance by her powerful machinery and delicate controls, the radio installation aboard the Leviathan is the most powerful and elaborate steamship radio equipment in the world. The radio equipment of this huge ship enables her passengers to exchange messages with two continents regardless of her position on the high seas. With equipment six times as powerful as that carried by the average ocean grayhound, uninterrupted communication with points 8,000 miles distant is assured. Upon leaving her berth in New York harbor, the Leviathan's radio officers are able to link the ship with various marine centers in Europe, and vice versa, to communicate with America when leaving European ports. In addition to telegraph service, a radio telephone installation, which will provide voice contact with other vessels and radio stations, has also been installed. While it is not expected that a commercial telephone service will be inaugurated immediately on the Leviathan, several shore stations will, in the not distant future, be erected to handle wireless telephone traffic from ships in mid-ocean to points inland over the conventional land-line systems. The principal radio telegraph transmitter used consists of a high-power vacuum tube outfit which will deliver to the main aerial about six times as much power as the apparatus now used on the average steamship. The second transmitter is a duplex telephone outfit which will permit simultaneous telephone and continuous wave telegraph communication. The third or emergency sending equipment is a standard spark set which will normally operate on 600 meters. Several super-sensitive vacuum tube receivers are used for reception.—Scientific American.

## CHINA SEES HEALTH VALUE

American Child Association Aims to Put Welfare of Children on Higher Plane.

China has been awakened to a new health consciousness, according to a letter from John B. Grant, associate professor of hygiene and public health of the Peking Union Medical college, China, to Miss Sally Lucas Jean, director of health education for the American Child Health association. "The work in China is growing along the lines of health education," writes Prof. Grant. "There are four institutes at separate geographical centers for the training of teachers in health work. In addition, Union Medical college is giving a one month's course, the aim of which is to give administrative educators a clearer viewpoint about health education.

"Also, we have worked out a curriculum of some 3,200 hours for the training of teachers in normal schools. It is yet too early to state how soon we will be able to put the latter into practice in teachers' colleges, although the department of education in Shanghai college and the Y. W. C. A. school of physical education, also in Shanghai, will attempt this year to develop courses along the health lines we have suggested."

Prof. Grant has received and is distributing literature on child health from the American Child Health association, whose aim is to put the health of children on a higher plane than ever before. The headquarters of the association are at 132 Seventh street, Washington, and the executive offices at 379 Seventh avenue, New York City.

**The Up-to-Date Painter.**  
Watkins was having his house painted. The expense was mounting, and he was beginning to fear he would have to let the painter take the house as part payment for the job, when Mrs. Watkins overheard something that shed some light upon the matter. The painter was working at the front of the house when a friend of the same profession passed by.

"Hello, there, Bill," the friend called.

"Hello yourself," the painter responded. "Where are you going to?"

"Got a garage to paint down here in the next block. How's business?"

"Can't complain."

"How long will it take you to finish the job you're on there?"

"Well, I'll tell you, Carl," and the painter lowered his voice to a confidential tone, "the boss is gone to see about another job now. If he gets the new work we'll be done here tomorrow. If he don't, it will take until some time next week."—Kansas City Star.

**Proverbially Speaking.**  
"The Chinese are proverbially honest."

"People of all races," observed Miss Cayenne, "are consistently honest in their proverbs."

## BILL BOOSTER SAYS

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## Annual Summons to Red Cross Banner On Armistice Day

America's great humanitarian effort in behalf of stricken Japan early in September gave the answer to the question, "What is time for the Red Cross to do in time of peace?" What the American Red Cross did at once when this crushing earthquake disaster came without warning showed that it was ready on the instant with country-wide team work to carry out quickly and effectively the request of the President to lead the national effort for the relief of the many thousands of sufferers. Preparedness to take the field when relief is needed is a charter duty of the Red Cross. Without a membership enrolled in every community in the land the readiness would be impossible. What is why you should renew your membership is most important.

It is imperative that the structure of the American Red Cross be made up of millions of individual units. Opening a membership drive November 11, and closing with Thanksgiving Day, November 29, the Red Cross this year will penetrate to the ends of the earth and to the ships sailing the seven seas. The 3,500 Red Cross Chapters in the United States will have their busy volunteers enrolling members during this period imbued with renewed enthusiasm due to the recent revival of effort when the call came from Japan.

**A Stone Which Weeps.**  
Truly a wife is Evelyn Castle, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, the ancient home of Lord Dalrymple. It possesses a secret chamber which has not been opened for centuries; a "Green Lady" ghost, which appears when misfortune or death threatens the family; and, built into the wall, a "weeping stone," made famous by Thomas the Rhymer, which weeps in wet weather and dries its tears in fine.

**Frightened.**  
Jimmy, who was inclined to be a braggart, was telling his father and mother of his experiences while out camping. "And all of once I stepped on a big rattlesnake," he began. "How did you know it was a rattlesnake, Jimmy?" asked his father. "I could hear its teeth chattering the minute it saw me."

## CALIFORNIA LEADING IN OIL

Total Production in State is Nearly Three-Quarters of a Million Barrels a Day.

Almost overnight, it seems, California, with a total production of nearly three-quarters of a million barrels of oil a day, 85 per cent of the country's entire output, has become the dominating factor in the world's petroleum industry.

Her new wonder oil pools in the Los Angeles basin, at Huntington Beach, Signal Hill and Santa Fe Springs, not only give California the supreme distinction, but they are shortening all records. They are making a new kind of history in the oil industry.

The current daily output of these new fields is greater than ever before reached by all the other fields on the coast. It is more than the present production of the entire state of California, more than double Mexico's production, one-quarter the present output for the entire United States, approximately one-fifth the world's output, and, exclusive of the United States and Mexico, is greater than the total amount of oil now being produced in all other fields of the world put together.

The annual production of 182 million barrels from these new fields is greater than the total production in the United States in any year prior to 1913 and double the production of the United States in 1906.

At an average price of 90 cents a barrel at the well, the aggregate daily value is more than \$450,000. The value in refined products is probably at least five times that, or \$2,000,000 a day.—Forbes Magazine.

## HOLY PLACES FACING RUIN

Britain Appeals for Funds to Keep Intact Sacred Buildings and Sites in Palestine.

The critical financial condition of the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Jerusalem, which since the year 328 has kept intact many of the sacred buildings and sites in Palestine, including the sepulcher of Christ, and the possibility that these properties may pass into decay unless the patriarchate indebtedness of \$3,500,000 is liquidated, was told by Colonel J. B. Barron, chairman of the British Commission of Liquidation and Control of the Orthodox Patriarchate in Jerusalem. He spoke at a luncheon of The American Committee on "The Preservation of Sacred Places" at Washington.

The British commission took charge of the financial affairs of the patriarchate in 1920 when income from properties in Russia and Bessarabia was cut off and income from properties in Greece, Rumania and Bulgaria reduced through the falling exchange.

Before the war the income of the patriarchate, Colonel Barron said, was \$500,000, but now amounts to less than \$110,000, while its running expenses are \$180,000. He urged Americans to contribute to liquidate the patriarchate's indebtedness, and called for "the sinews of religion as well as war."

Dr. Charles McFarland presided.

## HALF POPULATION IN CITIES

Census of 1920 Shows That the World War Caused Men to Leave Rural Districts.

By reason of the restrictions placed upon immigration it makes it necessary for us to look to our overcrowded cities for men to till our old and new farms. These men cannot be lured to leave their old life unless there is a present community life which, as a city dweller, they enjoy.

One of the results of the World War was the exodus of men from the soil to the city, and for the first time in the history of our country the 1920 census revealed the fact that more than half the total population was resident in cities. Within the last year or so, however, there has been some indication of a "back to the soil" movement.

The total land area of our country is 1,963 million acres, of which about one-half is in farms, but of this farm area only about one-eighth is what is known as improved farm land. About 1,000 million acres of our land probably may be classed as unfitted for profitable use on account of one or more reasons, insufficient rainfall, stony land, lack of transportation.—Milwaukee Journal.

## Deserved Tribute to Jog.

Tribute to a dog's bravery was paid by the owner in an obituary notice, published recently in an English paper, which stated: "Died, at Torquay, Tom, dear dog, a blue Dane. He saved the life of his owner twice during the war. He jumped over the high bank into a canal and saved a child without being told to do so. He was the noble, gentle companion and friend of his owner during nine years, and she mourns him."

## Milo, King of Athletes.

Milo was an ancient Greek athlete of whom it is related that he once carried a heifer of four years to the sacrifice on his shoulders, killed it with a blow of his fist, and afterward it is added, ate the whole of it in one day. His death is characteristically related, says the Detroit News. When entangled by age he attempted to bend open the trunk of a tree partially split by wood cutters, but the wood, closing on his hands, held him fast, and he was attacked and devoured by wolves. Milo bore off the prize six times in the Olympic games and on an equal number of times at the Pythian. He was appointed to command an army against the Sybarites, and at the battle of the Crathis, 511 B. C., his great strength is said by Diodorus to have given the victory to the Crotonians.

## Causes Blockade.

The street in front of a gift shop at Belmont, N. C., was blocked one night by a mob of girls, little Evelyn Flood, four years old, who, unnoticed by those in the shop, slipped out the window and seated herself among some dolls' furniture. She was totally oblivious to the attention she was attracting and sat there humming a little song while she arranged the minute chairs and tables to her liking. It was an untractable child, and men, women and children pined to look at her until the sidewalk was impassable. Then she suddenly decided to get out of the window and calmly did so, leaving her admirers to go about their shopping.

## Eleanor's Crosses.

Twelve memorial crosses erected, in accordance with the will of Eleanor of Castile, wife of Edward I of England, to mark the resting places of her children, on its way from Hornby in Lincolnshire, where she died in 1290, to Westminster abbey, London, where she was buried. The twelve places, given in their order, from Hornby to Westminster Abbey, are as follows: Lincoln, Grantham, Stamford, Coddington, Northampton, Stony Stratford, Woburn, Dunstable, St. Albans, Banbury, West Cheap, Charing. Of these crosses, three only remained in modern times, viz., Geddington, Northampton, and Waltham.

## Untouched Irish Wealth.

Recent reports on the mineral resources of County Leitrim and adjacent parts of Ireland indicate the possibility of developing a great mining industry in that country. Experts say that the Connought coal fields are capable of yielding from 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 tons, and of supporting thousands of laborers, although at present they do not maintain one hundred. So the iron-seamed district between Dromahair and Arigna, which might be expected to give employment to tens of thousands and to develop a "miniature Pittsburgh," at present does not support a solitary individual.

## She Won't Go.

A captain and his chief engineer, tired of endlessly debating which the ship could be more easily dispensed with, decided to change places for a day. The chief ascended to the bridge and the skipper dived into the engine room. After a couple of hours the captain appeared on deck covered with oil and soot. "Chief!" he called. "You'll have to come down here at once. I can't make her go." "Of course you can't," said the chief. "She's ashore."

## In Fond Parent.

The boy who had scratched his name on the fender of the stationary motor car had been soundly cuffed by the driver.

Attracted by the loud howling which resulted, a crowd soon gathered, through which the father of the boy pushed his way.

"Who struck my son?" he demanded furiously. "Show me the man!"

The man stepped forward. He was 6 feet 2 inches in height and 49 round the chest.

"I did," he said.

"Served him right, sir," said the man, touching his cap. "I'll give him another hiding when I get him home."

## On the Safe Side.

"I see you have put lightning rods on your new barn."

"Had to do it," answered Farmer Corntassel.

"You said years ago that lightning rods were useless."

"Yep. Science has been mighty busy since then. If they kin prove that the old ley of gravitation ain't workin' any more there's no tellin' but what they've given us a new kind of electricity."

## Science Now Splices Nerves.

Nerve splicing, said to be the most delicate of surgical operations, is one of the latest achievements of curative science. This consists of implanting nerves from animals in human bodies to restore health and activity to muscles weakened by disease.—Popular Science Monthly.

## BANDITS FOILED BY A GIRL

How a Landlord's Daughter in Soissons, France, Trapped Gang of Italian Robbers.

A large number of southern Italians are employed for reconstruction work in Soissons, France. They were within the area occupied by the Germans. The authorities have had little difficulty with them until the other day, when a band of six held up the customers of a local cafe.

The six entered separately, ordered drinks, then appeared to quarrel. In their quarrel they drew knives. Thereupon the proprietor ordered them to settle their dispute outside. His intervention evidently was the signal for them to enter the cafe, where they ranged about the walls, while two of the band stood guard at the door. Thereupon they began to relieve everybody of valuables, and when resistance was shown a sharp attack of a knife followed.

The landlord's daughter, who, of the first signs of the robbery, slipped on a back window and roused the neighborhood. When the bandits emerged with their spoils they were met by a discharge of shotguns. Four of them dropped in their tracks. The two survivors surrendered and were taken to jail.

## Floorless Bridge.

New Mexico boasts of a unique automobile bridge, believed to be the first of its kind in the world. The bridge was constructed by a mail and passenger stage line to span the Macho, a creek on the route. The beams were thrown across the chasm, with no other support than the banks. Hence no concern need be had for freshets. Moreover, to save expense, as well as to secure a most effective traffic guard, no floor was laid. The automobile that traverses this bridge is a fairly run on a track. The cars are constructed in the form of two shallow, narrow troughs so that the tires run on a ledge of the machine. Meeting disaster, the drivers cross the bridge at full speed, with no more concern than if the bridge were of the usual sort. Nevertheless, passengers do not enjoy this feature of the ride, however. Length of the bridge is forty-four feet and has proved most satisfactory.

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