

# RED CROSS RELIEF IN THE FAR EAST

Bring Food and Supplies to Czechoslovaks in Siberia.

THE American Red Cross has become very active in that part of Russia surrounding Vladivostok, and the prompt medical assistance rendered that distressed country has resulted in saving thousands of lives. The rescue work done by the Red Cross for the Czechoslovak refugees has assumed prodigious proportions and is daily becoming greater in scope.

Cabled advices received from Vladivostok report that more than 20,000 Czechoslovak refugees, 4,000 of them children, are now being cared for by the American Red Cross at that city. In addition to this relief work, the cables state that the Red Cross Medical organization is attending hundreds of wounded Czechoslovak soldiers who have reached Vladivostok after weeks of the most desperate fighting against the pro-German forces.

The condition of the refugees, who were found living in tents and freight cars along the Chinese Eastern Railway west of Harbin, was pitiable. A majority of them are farmers, though there are many coal miners and railway employees in the number, people who were driven from their homes by the Bolsheviks, and some German and Austrian war prisoners.

The work of administering to the wounded Czechoslovak fighters, who steadfastly refused to recognize the Bolshevik-German peace, and relieving the distress of the homeless civilians was started the moment their plight was brought to the attention of the American Red Cross. The relief work was directed by Charles K. Moser, American consul and head of the Red Cross chapter at Harbin. American Red Cross chapters at Tokyo and Shanghai also gave valuable aid. While waiting for instructions from America, they went ahead and raised funds in Vladivostok which provided temporary relief for both soldiers and civilians.

On authorization of the American Red Cross, Dr. R. B. Teusler, head of



Entrance to American Red Cross Hospital at Kiev.

St. Luke's Hospital at Tokyo, hurried to Vladivostok with necessary hospital supplies and perfected a medical organization to care for the incoming wounded soldiers.

This organization, which was complete from a medical and sanitary standpoint, consisted of a base hospital with a bed capacity for 200, one rolling canteen, two sanitary trains, one field first-aid unit and a disinfecting train.

Dr. Teusler cabled that there were in active service with his unit fourteen American and seven Japanese doctors and fifteen American and seventeen Japanese nurses. All the American doctors are volunteering their services. Dr. Teusler said he hoped to enlist thirty additional American doctors and fifty American nurses in the Orient.

## MOBILE HOSPITALS AT FRONT.

It is the task of a mobile hospital to advance to the front lines with the troops to give first aid treatment to the wounded. The mobile hospital unit from base hospital No. 20, University of Pennsylvania, were commended by General Pershing for the courage they displayed under shell fire. Two Red Cross nurses were included in this special distinction for their bravery and devotion to duty.



# WHAT BOYS SAY ABOUT RED CROSS

Since the soldiers overseas have been informed by their officers that the American Red Cross will play Santa Claus this Christmas for all the boys in khaki who have no relatives in the United States, Red Cross Headquarters at Washington has been receiving hundreds of appeals. Incidentally the men at the front have taken this time to express their appreciation for the work done by the Red Cross "Over There."

Following are a few excerpts taken at random from letters inclosing Christmas Package Coupons:

"Dear Mr. Miss or Mrs. Red Cross—I would appreciate it tremendously if you would send me a Xmas package. I have no relatives, and a little something from the good old U. S. A. would be appreciated beyond words. The Red Cross has done so much for us over here, and you don't know just how we appreciate it beyond everything else."

An Italian thus addresses his Christmas appeal:

"To Whom It May Concern—I am in service in France and, having no people in the United States, would like to receive a little package from the Red Cross on Xmas. I am in No Man's Land in a big woods, and it is raining."

"I have been informed the Red Cross will send Xmas packages to any soldier who sends them his Xmas package coupon. I have received so much tobacco and other things from the Red Cross in my fourteen months in France I scarcely like to write again. I am in the hospital recovering from wounds, and the Red Cross furnishes us with daily papers, writing material, tobacco, fruits and recreation."

"I have no one else to send my Xmas coupon to, so am sending it to you, as per notice on our bulletin board. If you send a package I would appreciate it if you would inclose a bill for same, for I would gladly pay it. I don't want to impose on you. The Red Cross is the best friend we have."

One Red Cross nurse writes:

"Am inclosing the coupon, but please be sure all the boys at the front get their packages first, then if one is left I will appreciate it, as I suspect all of which will make me a little lonesome. Words cannot express our appreciation for the Red Cross."

"The Red Cross is a great help and blessing to the soldiers any and every where."

"We of the A. E. F. are constantly being shown evidences of the wonderful work the Red Cross is doing and are extremely thankful."

"Dear Red Cross Workers—After we left dear old America we thought we were traveling away from your kindness, but we did not. We cannot praise you too highly for your work. I have no folks at home to send me a Christmas package."

"Words cannot express the obligation we are under for the work you are doing to help us along. I know they would greatly appreciate any little remembrance. I wish to most sincerely thank the Red Cross for all the kindnesses and benefits they have bestowed upon our boys."

## NO FIXED QUOTAS FOR 1919.

So great is the faith of the American Red Cross in the American people that no quotas have been assigned to Red Cross Chapters for the enrollment of members in the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call. Universal membership is the goal. Chapters are limited only by the number of people in their jurisdictions. The Roll Call will be finished only when every available person, without regard to age or sex, has been enrolled. Children may join only through the Junior Red Cross Auxiliaries, and their membership dues are twenty-five cents a year. The chief aim in enrolling is not to raise money but to increase the membership. Special emphasis is laid upon the regular membership at \$1.00 per year, but privilege will be given to enroll as a Contributing Member at \$5.00, Sustaining Member at \$10.00, Life Member at \$50.00 or Patron at \$100.00.

## THE CLIMAX TO VICTORY.

During the week before Christmas the entire American people will have the privilege of answering the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call. The response should roar through the land with a unanimity that will stimulate to the uttermost the hopes of men in all parts of the earth. It will therefore be the climax of American idealism and will usher in Christmas with a Red Cross membership approximating the census figures. What the Red Cross wants is the approval of the American people of the Red Cross policy, and such approval will have the highest significance in the eyes of suffering people everywhere. President Wilson leads the response and passes along the message, "I summon you to the comradeship."

## RED CROSS SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

The American Red Cross has established a manual training school for Belgian boys at Vauruz, Switzerland.

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**PEACE MAKES GREATER NEED**  
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Peace will not end the need of Red Cross relief work. On the contrary, the proclaiming of peace opens new fields of service for the Red Cross, and now, more than ever, the American people will be called upon to obey their generous impulses to bind up the world's wounds. Membership in the Red Cross affords the noblest outlet for such impulses. Every American should answer "Here" to the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call.  
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# SALISBURY AND ROWAN COUNTY LOCALS

The POS of A of Salisbury, at a meeting held Monday night, named a committee to notify the officers of the county association that the Salisbury camp was ready to entertain the county meeting when the county officers see fit to call the same. This meeting would have been held several weeks ago but on account of the closing order due to influenza, was postponed indefinitely. At Monday's meeting seven new members were received into the fraternity, and 17 are awaiting initiation next Monday night.

The public schools of the county were opened Monday, December 30th, for the remaining time of the term.

There was a disastrous fire at Livingstone College early Monday morning destroying Huntington Hall, the oldest of the string of college buildings, being the original home of the school and was remodeled about 30 years ago. Just what caused the fire is not positively known, but it is supposed it caught from a defective flue and started in the top of the rear wing. The loss is estimated to be \$10,000 or \$12,000, partially covered by insurance.

Salisbury Federal Court will open January 14th, with Judge Boyd of Greensboro presiding, and District Attorney Hamner, prosecuting for the government. This is the first Federal court held here in months, both Salisbury and Statesville terms having been postponed several times on account of the influenza. There are a large number of cases on the docket being the biggest since the establishment of the court in Salisbury.

The Lisk family in Morgan township held a family reunion and enjoyed a dinner on Christmas day. All members of the Lisk family were present, this being the first time in 25 years they had all been assembled together. The Lisk family is one of the largest families in lower Rowan and it has been fortunate in that not a death has occurred in the family.

Christmas day was a red letter day for the Salisbury canteen service and brought good cheer to the passing soldiers and sailor lads who were away from home. The hut was beautifully decorated inside and a beautiful tree stood in front of the building. The soldier boys were served with turkey, pickles, chicken salad, cranberry sauce, olives and cake. These good things were fixed upon individual paper plates, and in addition to the good dinner served they were all offered cigarettes, tied in dainty packages. Any of the good things were brought in by the various county Red Cross organizations and the Spencer shop employees contributed nearly a hundred dollars towards making the event a success.

George W Park, of Gold Knob, has received information from Adjutant General Barris, to the effect that his son, Private Charles E Parke, of Company B, 137th infantry, who sailed for France last May had been taken prisoner and was imprisoned at Rastatt, Germany. The last news Mr Park had from him was when he received his safe arrival card.

Practically all of the merchants report a big Christmas business during the season just ended. The merchants had laid in big stocks and the people had money and now that peace has come they spent it freely notwithstanding the influenza quarantine several days before Christmas. There was a steady buying movement and this took on a general rush Monday and Tuesday.

## Over Emphatic With Germans.

A Washington dispatch reports that Food Administrator Hoover, in Europe, arranging relief for the people of the war devastated territories has refused in emphatic terms to discuss German food conditions with Baron von Der Lancken and Dr. Pieth, who sought a meeting with the food administrator.

A message from Paris says these two German officials, who were prominent in the German administration of Belgium, wired from Berne to Walter Lyman Brown, director of the commission for relief in Belgium, that they had been appointed by the German government to negotiate with Mr. Hoover for food supplies. In answer to the request for a conference, Mr. Hoover sent this message:

"You can describe two and a half years of arrogance toward ourselves and cruelty to the Belgians in any language you may select, and tell the pair personally to go to hell with my compliments. If I do have to deal with Germans, it will not be with that pair."

## Indignant at the Polish Government.

It is reported from Berlin by the Associated Press that the socialist and bourgeois newspapers there express indignation over the action of the Polish government in ordering elections to the Polish Parliament in the districts of Allenstein, Posen, Cöpen. Beuthen, Kattowitz, Ratow and Danzig. The papers say that this implies annexation of great parts of German eastern provinces in defiance of international law and they accuse the Poles of nationalistic overzeal and greed for land. They declare that the Poles are attempting to bring about an accomplished fact before the peace conference can meet.

The papers condemn the inactivity of the Berlin government. They also are indignant toward the Poles for alleging that the breach of relations with Germany was due partly to a German alliance with the bolshevik. They remind the Poles that German troops in the East recently have been attacked repeatedly by the bolshevik and that Bolshevik Ambassador Joffe has been expelled from Germany.

## Patriots Unite in Cleveland, Ohio.

Cleveland, Ohio, has awakened the Guardians of Liberty, Great Secret Order, Masons, Odd Fellows, K of P's, etc, have formed an independent propaganda league with the slogan, America for Americans."

The following platform contains the principles for which the newly formed and powerful organization will contend.

1. Taxation of all church property.
2. Compulsory public school education of all children to the age of sixteen years.
3. American teachers in the schools.
4. English language, only, taught in the schools.
5. Abolishment of parochial schools.
6. Put only Americans on guard.
7. Absolute separation of church and state.

The movement started to provide for the taxation of church property in Ohio, is meeting with good success and other steps are being taken looking to a vigorous campaign along all lines indicated in the declaration of principles as outlined above. Miss Burke-McCarthy is to devote her time to Ohio this year and she is already making a thorough investigation in Cleveland—The Menace.

In the casualty list given out for Monday is the name of Sam Morgan, of Salisbury as being wounded slightly in action in France.



Mrs Sandy Morris, 56 years of age, died at the sanatorium Monday night. The remains were taken to her home at Albemarle and the funeral and interment was at that place.

Mrs M B Robertson, mother of Mrs OS Snellings of this city, died at her home in Richmond Monday. The funeral and burial was held in Richmond. Mrs Snellings is too ill to attend the funeral.

Grady Allen, infant son, of D A Morris of East Spencer, died last Tuesday. The funeral and interment were at Albemarle.

Baxter Leonard 29 years of age, died at Florence, S.C, last Wednesday of pneumonia following influenza. The remains were brought to Salisbury and taken to the home of his brother V G Leonard on Park Avenue. The funeral was held at Park Avenue Methodist church and the interment was in Chestnut Hill cemetery.

Miss Regina Ribelin, 26 years of age and daughter of Isaac Ribelin, of the St Paul neighborhood, died last Tuesday of bronchial pneumonia. The funeral and interment were held at St Matthews Lutheran church.

The casualty list of December 26 contains the names of the following men of Salisbury and Rowan. James E Landreth, severely wounded, William C Dennis slightly wounded and Willie A Spray R F D I, wounded degree undetermined, and the name of Vincent A Fleming, of Salisbury in the list of December 27th, who died of disease.

George K Plyler, of Mount Ulla, received official notice last Thursday that his son George Espy Plyler, of Company K 309 infantry, was killed in action in France on November 11th. He was an excellent young man and was well known in Mooresville, being a member of the Amity string band before going to war.

A B Saleeby has received word of the death of his aged father, B H Saleeby, at Lebanon Syria, which occurred July 22, 1917. This is the first news Mr Saleeby has received from his old home in more than four years and this news came in a letter to Mrs Saleeby from her father, Prof Julius Saleeby. The letter contained the information that things were in a deplorable condition in Syria. The Germans and Turks having overrun the country and visited the same kind of destruction and misery as they did in Belgium and other parts of Europe.

William Miller, 19-months old son of J Carl Sherrill of Mt Ulla died December 20th. The funeral was conducted by Rev E D Brown, assisted by Rev F A Barnes of Mooresville, and the interment was in Back Creek Cemetery.

Mrs Joseph H Steadman, wife of engineer G H Steadman of Spencer was found dead by Mr Steadman when he came in off his run Monday morning. It was evident she had taken her own life by inhaling gas, Mrs Steadman was 49 years old and just why she destroyed her own life is not known. The remains were taken to her old home at Carey, near Raleigh, and the funeral and interment took place there. The husband and several children survive.

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 All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take 60c per bottle.

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# MARRIAGES

Miss Della B Sykes, daughter of R L Sykes, and Tillman J Saunders of Danville, Va, were married at the home of the bride's parents, December 26th, Rev G H L Lingle of Haven Lutheran church, officiating.

Miss Fannie Pedon Bost of South River, and William Kelly were married December 25th at the home of the bride, Rev S S Bost of Durham, a brother of the bride, officiating.

Miss Lyda A Vuncannon, daughter of B F Vuncannon of Spencer, and Pervie O Wall of Greenwood, S.C, were married at the home of Dr R E White at Lexington, December 29th.

Miss Jessie Wiley Patterson, daughter of E M Patterson and Herbert Heilig, were married at the home of the bride's parents in Spencer last Tuesday, Rev C A Owens of the First Baptist church officiating.

Miss Eula Watson, daughter of W F Watson and George Sidney Graeber, married last Wednesday at Woodleaf.

Miss Myrtle E Goodman, daughter of J D M Goodman, and Sidney Barger, were married last Sunday at the Lutheran parsonage, Rev H A Trexler officiating.

Miss Lillie Little and Dorset B Brantley, both of the St Paul neighborhood, were married December 22nd, Rev G H L Lingle officiating.

Quite an interesting and attractive wedding took place in Lutheran Chapel Evangelical church, China Grove on Christmas day when Miss Mary Louise Bostian of China Grove, was given in marriage to Paul Kindred Drye of Landis. Immediately after the close of the Christmas exercise rendered by the children, when Miss Ruth Brown sounded the chords from Shumann's "Traumeri," the bride, beautifully attired in a tailored suit of midnight blue, upon the arm of her youngest brother, Sergeant Frank T Bostian, entered one door, while the groom entered the other, with Cecil Graham, as best man, marching slowly down the aisle they joined at the altar twined in white and green, where the beautiful and impressive Lutheran marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev C A Brown pastor of the bride. From the church the bridal party motored to the home of the bride where a delicious two course dinner was served to a number of friends and invited guests. The bride is the attractive daughter of Mr and Mrs R A Bostian and has for some years been a very successful and popular teacher in various graded schools of the state. The groom originally from Mt Pleasant is at present in business at Landis, where they expect to make their home. They have the good wishes of all who know them for a very bright and prosperous future.

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