

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR GIRLS IN WAR TIME?

The National Board of the Y. W. C. A. has set under way since June 6, 1917, through its War Work Council a program of work that makes reply to this question possible. This program is in very close co-operation with the Federal Commission, the Y. M. C. A., the general War Council of the churches and individual commanding officers of the army and navy.

GIRLS' WORK.

Forty-six centers of work for girls in communities adjacent to army and navy camps have been furnished with sixty-five specially chosen workers. These have formed numerous clubs and circles of younger girls who are rallied to patriotic service through channels of expression suited to their youth and enthusiasm.

A JUNIOR WAR WORK COUNCIL.

A Junior War Work Council has taken as part of its activities the promotion of the Patriotic League, whose membership of younger girls includes today more than 100,000 girls from ocean to ocean, each linked to the other by the pledge:

I pledge to express my patriotism
By doing better than ever before whatever work I have to do;
By rendering whatever special service I can to my community and country;
By living up to the highest standards of character and honor and helping others to do the same.

HOTNESS HOUSES.

Hostess houses for women have been constructed, or authorized for construction, in or near thirty-four of the 100 camps, at the request of the commanding officers.

These serve as a meeting place for the families and friends of the soldiers who are waiting to take their place on the battlefields of France. Each house is provided with a hostess, a director, a cafeteria director and with an emergency worker.

FOREIGN COMMUNITY WORK AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE SERVICE BUREAU.

There are over 2,000,000 women who do not speak English nor think in terms of American ideals and customs. For the non-English-speaking woman, the hostess house is her only place of comfort, for here may be found some one who can speak her language and explain the intricate routine that must be followed before the often essential meeting to arrange the future of wife and children can be had. A Finding Bureau seeks to locate relatives and friends in Europe, with whom communication has been up to the present impossible.

EMERGENCY HOUSING.

Every army center employs numbers of girls and women in telephone offices, in shops, in restaurants, and as laundresses. In very few instances has any provision for adequate housing of these employees been considered.

Practically every industry connected with the furnishing of war supplies employs large numbers of girls. Thousands of girls are filling in the ranks left vacant by the men. For these, as well as for girls employed near the camps, the Council has begun to erect houses as an emergency measure and as a demonstration to the employer and to the otherwise unprepared community that girls who are employed may be cared for simply and efficiently, to the welfare of the employed, the employer and the community.

SOCIAL STANDARDS.

Through a Bureau of Social Morality, qualified women physicians are enlisted to promote throughout the country the highest moral standards, and the promotion of true patriotism. Lectures to mothers, teachers and girls are made accessible; to the latter after they have been drawn together through some club or other bond of worth-while interest.

COLORIED COMMUNITIES.

A great number of the camps and cantonments are situated in that part of the United States where the colored population is densest and special need for the care of our colored young women presents itself. Five colored workers of the national staff are giving their time to directing work among their own people and securing the leaders essential to promoting practically the same activities among colored girls as are under way among white girls.

EUROPEAN WOMEN.

Even before the War Work Council was appointed, calls had been received from trusted social workers in Russia and France, for American Y. W. C. A. workers to assist the women in those countries in facing their difficult future of reconstruction for women.

Seven women have been assigned to Russia to work with the committee of Russian women.

Twelve women have been sent to France, part of whom have been called for to assist a committee of French women in equipping and directing foyers—canteens for industrial women whose hours of labor are long and on whom the stress of war bears so heavily. Help to provide rest-rooms, recreation and proper food conditions are among the services which suffering France is asking of the American Y. W. C. A.

The remainder of our workers now in France are asked to take charge of social huts for the splendid American nurses now "somewhere in France." These huts are being constructed at the hospital base units and will do for the women when off duty, as far as may be under war conditions what our Club for Nurses does in New York city. Our economic specialist of the national staff has been loaned to service in France for a few months to direct building operations.

ENLARGING THE HOME BASE.

Men who enlist go abroad. Women who enlist come into our communities and add to the responsibility of the association in the United States. Everywhere the Y. W. C. A. seeks to strengthen the regular activities

which alone have made its war work possible and which must be the force that makes for permanence.

It is a program that includes the sister of every man, the daughter of the American as well as of the foreign-born; it is planned for women of all races and creeds. It aims to help the soldier through its service to girls and women. It seeks to create the highest standards of patriotism and the maximum Christ-like service even in times of war.

"We can all do more than we have done. And not be a whit the worse; It was never loving that emptied the heart Or giving that emptied the purse."

Centre county's share in this great work is \$1500. Every man and woman may have the privilege of contributing. The campaign will be on until the tenth of December.

If you are missed send your contribution to Mrs. R. M. Beach, Bellefonte, Pa.

WILL YOU JOIN THIS PATRIOTIC MOVEMENT?

The appeals of recent months to the American people for such a conservation of food as would enable us to fulfill our obligations to our own soldiers and our Allies abroad have fallen upon willing ears and the response in patriotism and self-denial has been worthy of the best traditions of this great free nation.

Notwithstanding, however, our undoubtedly great saving of important food staples, and particularly of wheat, the disappointing crops of the 1917 season and an over-seas demand greater, through the exigencies of war, than we had expected, has brought us to the verge of a grave crisis in the wheat situation that can only be overcome by a more rigorous self-denial, a far greater degree of saving by the substitution of other foods in place of wheat, than anything we have before undertaken.

The demands of those who are helping to fight our battles for the cause of democracy and of their supporters behind the lines are urgent, insistent and compelling. They must be met. Any break in the regular movement of supplies from America at this time would mean inevitable disaster and it is a fact which all should understand that our wheat supply is now known to be inadequate to permit a continuance of our present rate of home consumption and keep our own men and our Allies on the firing line through the winter.

It is a situation in which all must help the Food Administration and we believe the people will co-operate by continued voluntary effort so as to avoid regulatory measures if our patriotism falters in the emergency.

The greater wheat saving at home need not be a hardship. Americans like and know how to prepare appetizing breads of corn meal, rye and other cereals in substitution for wheat; buckwheat and corn cakes, oats and oat products for breakfast are an American institution and we can increase our consumption of all these plentiful commodities with no injury to our health.

Have we the willingness and the will to do it? Is there any question that we who stay at home while our boys go out to fight will shirk an individual responsibility that involves so little in a case like this? We believe there must come a response to these questions to this further call for co-operation, that will be universal, sincere and in full measure proportionate to the nation's need.

SEVEN ENTIRELY WHEATLESS MEALS PER WEEK.

Mr. Hoover has asked that the response to the request for cutting down the consumption of wheat flour be made at once before it is too late. The needs of France, Italy and England, not to mention our own boys at the front, require us to curtail our consumption of wheat by one-third. The time to begin is today. It is now necessary to become more drastic in our saving. Mr. Hoover has asked the people of Pennsylvania to have seven wheatless meals each week, meals in which there will be absolutely no wheat flour used, either for spaghetti, macaroni, noodles, pastry, cake or bread. These meals should be preferably the evening meals, but that is left entirely to the judgment of each individual family. The only exception that should be recognized is the case of invalids or small children. At the meals, we can substitute bread made wholly from corn meal, rye, buckwheat or some other cereal or we can use oatmeal, rice or vegetables in place of bread.

Mr. Hoover also asks that in addition to the saving by adoption of seven wheatless meals, we make a further saving in wheat by using as much as possible bread made from a mixture of wheat and other cereals. An appeal, therefore, is made in the name of President Wilson and Mr. Hoover to every man, woman and child and to every Pennsylvania home in which the spirit of patriotism lives to adopt these rules in their daily home life and to fulfill them faithfully and thus discharge the present sacred obligation.

Y. W. C. A. Gets \$200,000 of Rockefeller Fund.

New York.—The Rockefeller Foundation has just contributed \$200,000 to the Y. W. C. A. war work fund, in addition to its previous gift of \$100,000. The association began its campaign October 10 and hopes to raise \$4,000,000 before the middle of December. If the whole sum is attained, the Rockefeller Foundation has promised another \$200,000, making in all \$500,000.

Seventeen per cent. of this amount is allotted to the district which includes Philadelphia and all of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and the city of Washington. The Rockefeller gift comes with the stipulation that the money is to be used in this country exclusively.

It will be divided among the many aims of the War Work Council, such as emergency housing greatly needed for women who work in and around army cantonments, hostess houses inside these camps, where visiting women relatives of the soldiers may receive care and attention, and organization work among the girls in the vicinity of army centers.

Showing Herself Up.

"Germany can't open her mouth without showing herself up," said Gov. Sidney Catts at a Tallehassee banquet. "No, she can't say a word without showing what bad morals she has. She reminds me of the new parlor maid. 'Is Miss Lizzie at home?' a gentleman asked this new maid one morning. 'Yes, sir.' 'Is she engaged?' 'Yes, sir, but come right in.' Here the new parlor maid winked. 'He'll never know. He's off to Jacksonville.'"—Washington Star.

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