



NEW DISASTER RELIEF PLAN

Continuance of Heavy Work Abroad Deemed Necessary to Protect United States—\$21,000,000 Less Than Last Year.

A program of relief and service toward which appropriations of \$48,200,000 have been made has been outlined for the American Red Cross for the fiscal year, July 1, 1920, to July 1, 1921, according to official announcement by national headquarters of the organization at Washington. The figures for 1920-21 are \$21,000,000 below those of 1919-20, in which \$69,400,000 was spent.

Important among the items of the budget for the present year is the appropriation of \$31,500,000 for relief in foreign lands, which includes \$11,000,000 in purchased supplies on hand and not distributed.

Must Protect United States. This will enable the American Red Cross to continue its humanitarian effort to aid stricken peoples to re-establish themselves, to fight the disease epidemics which threaten many countries and to efface largely the remaining traces of the blight left by the World War. It is regarded as social as well as physical sanitation on a large scale that will have a direct bearing on future conditions in America.

Central Europe, the chief sufferer from the conflict, today is facing another winter of famine, pestilence and ruin. Typhus decreased much during the summer months where last winter it had its greatest stronghold, but physicians who investigated the situation at the behest of the League of Red Cross Societies have given their unqualified opinion that this coming winter will see a recurrence on an unprecedented scale. The Red Cross feels it must continue preventive measures abroad to keep this and other deadly maladies from the United States.

Millions for Work at Home. When the disease was sweeping Central Europe last winter the American Red Cross, with the aid of the governments of afflicted nations, undertook the fight against it. Hospitals were established wherever possible and food and clothing were distributed to the undernourished populations, who by reason of their undernourishment were easy prey to the epidemics. Where disorganization contributed last year to the great inroads made by the disease, by virtue of its knowledge of the disease and the presence of well established hospital centers, the American Red Cross this year will undertake the work with a new confidence.

Including the total of \$11,000,000 in supplies left from the last fiscal year, the \$31,500,000 is \$21,000,000 less than the expenditures for 1919-20. Appropriations for domestic activities total \$18,700,000. The largest item of this "home" budget is \$7,800,000 for civilian relief work. This includes service and assistance for families of soldiers, sailors and marines, and work incidental to disaster. Of the total appropriation for civilian relief, \$5,000,000 is held in reserve for the carrying out of actual disaster relief.

Reduced Overhead Expense. The Red Cross invariably is the first thought of a community visited by calamity. With this in mind, it was determined by the Executive Committee in preparing the budget of 1919-20 to have a fixed reserve fund from which to draw in these instances.

For assistance to soldiers, sailors and marines in hospitals and in camps this year \$1,900,000 has been set aside. Four million two hundred thousand dollars has been appropriated for improvement of health and prevention of disease throughout the United States during the current twelve months. The Red Cross is co-operating fully with the United States Health Service in this work and through its Junior Red Cross is doing much to spread among children the principles of sanitation. An appropriation of \$1,000,000 has been made for developing the peace time program of the Red Cross by service to its chapters in all regions.

The appropriation of \$48,200,000 is exclusive of the local expenditures of the 3,000 or more chapters. Administration expenses this year will be \$1,800,000. Last year they were \$2,300,000.

Don't Wait

for workers to come and ask you for a renewal of your membership. Send in your dollar to the nearest local chapter of the American Red Cross. Welcome the opportunity and privilege of repledging your fellowship by promptly answering the

Fourth Roll Call

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Counterfeit half-dollars, with 1920 date, are being circulated in various parts of Centre county. Be sure to "sound" new half dollars that come your way.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

(From the New York World.) "The astounding majority won by the Republican ticket has practically wiped the Democratic Party out of existence everywhere north of the Mason and Dixon's line", says the Globe.

The Democratic Party has been practically wiped out of existence so many times during the last sixty years that another obliteration can hardly be more than an interesting incident in its career.

The Democratic Party was practically wiped out of existence in 1860 by the slavery issue, which divided the party and elected Lincoln President; but in 1864, in spite of the stupendous folly of its Copperhead leadership, it polled more votes in the North than Douglas received throughout the whole country in 1860, and Lincoln's popular plurality over McClellan was less than his popular plurality over Douglas. Four years later Seymour polled 50 per cent. more votes against Grant than McClellan polled in 1864.

Again in 1872, after the Greeley tragedy, the Democratic Party was practically wiped out of existence, but it carried the House of Representatives in 1874, and it lost the Presidency in 1876 only through Republican theft. Tilden's popular vote exceeded Hayes' by 250,000. The party was defeated in 1880 because it failed to keep faith with Tilden, but Hancock's popular vote fell only 10,000 below Garfield's and for the next three Presidential elections it had a plurality of the popular vote, having twice elected Cleveland to the Presidency.

In 1896 the popular reaction against the Cleveland Administration was so great that the Democratic National Convention was captured by the forces of free silver and populism and in 1904, when the party attempted to return to sanity, the Bryan element refused to support the ticket, with the result that the Democratic Party was again practically wiped out of existence north of Mason and Dixon's lines. Parker's defeat was even more overwhelming than Greeley's; but eight years later the Roosevelt Insurrection within the Republican Party gave to Wilson all but a handful of States, and in 1916 Wilson's popular plurality over Hughes, who had the united Republican support, was more than 500,000.

A party that has survived slavery and secession and free silver and populism and Bryanism is likely to have a strong constitution and considerable reserve of vitality. Wiping the Democratic Party out of existence in the past has always been the prelude to a new lease of political life, and there is no reason to believe the present election will prove an exception to the rule.

On the contrary, the Democratic Party has never lost an election in which it had less to regret. By the irony of fate it has been beaten when it was right, and that is a defeat that any party can stand no matter how sweeping the defeat may be. There is nothing for which it apologizes. Its principles are principles that are certain of vindication, and its policies were never sounder than they are to-day. Its organization is weak and much of its State leadership is discredited, but great parties survive because of principles and policies, not because of bosses and machines.

The Democratic Party may be temporarily bankrupt in majorities but it is not bankrupt in assets. It has had a record of achievement during the last eight years that is without parallel in American history. The country will have an infinitely higher opinion of that record after it has had four years of experience under the reactionary leadership of the Republican Party as that party is now constituted. It will have a better understanding of the issues of this campaign after it has seen the actual results of the Republican return to "normalcy."

Fourth-Class Postmaster Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at State College, Nov. 27, 1920, as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a contemplated vacancy in the position of fourth-class postmaster at Linden Hall, unless it shall be decided in the interests of the service to fill any vacancy by reinstatement. The compensation of the postmaster at this office was \$203 for the last fiscal year.

Applicants must have reached their twenty-first birthday on the date of the examination, with the exception that in a State where women are declared by statute to be at full age for all purposes at eighteen years, women eighteen years of age on the date of the examination will be admitted.

Applicant must reside within the territory supplied by the post office for which the examination is announced.

The examination is open to all citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements.

Application blanks, Form 1753, and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured

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TRIP TO MAGIC ISLE

Graphically Described by Reporter Subscriber of California.

Los Angeles, Calif. October 18, 1920.

To the Reporter, Centre Hall, Pa.

We had the pleasure of spending our vacation at Catalina Island, very often called the Magic Isle.

We went over on the new flyer Avalon, built especially to ply between Los Angeles harbor and Catalina Island. It is 300 feet in length with 42 foot beam and has many fine state rooms; amidships are four de luxe cabins with private baths and hot and cold running water. Fine ball rooms in which many of the 3600 on board danced their way over, which was made in three hours.

This Magic Isle is 22 miles long and varies from one and a quarter to seven miles in width. The trip was over without incident except we frightened schools of flying fish out of their watery home and met a line of porpoise, plunging and spouting in their haste to get away from our beautiful flyer, "The Avalon."

As the island came into view it looked like a great crouching lion; as we drew nearer great mountains came into view of which the two highest are Black Jack, 2000 feet, and Orizaba, 2109 feet high. The deep dark canyons that divided many of them took form and we could see their great waves dash up against their steep sides and sink back disappointed into their ocean home. Distances are very deceptive on the sea and it was a full hour from the time we sighted the island before we made fast in Avalon Bay. We had secured reservation in Island Villa, so found our cottage all ready for us. We had three for our party of five. This pleasant villa composed of eight hundred tents. Each one is furnished with double bed, washstand, rug, chairs, etc, all very comfortable and conducted along European lines. These cottages are cared for daily by maids. We took our meals at Boos Brothers mammoth new cafeteria. They bought a lot about two hundred feet square and paid \$265,000.00 for the ground. On Saturday evenings they feed nearly three thousand people at dinner, and they had everything you could ask for except three things which I, as an old Centre County native, certainly would have enjoyed, but was not disappointed as I have never seen them in California. They are Apple Butter, Huckleberry and Elderberry pie. But I gained four pounds without them, so I am satisfied. Anyone visiting Santa Catalina Island will find plenty of interesting amusements. Bathing in this sheltered bay is very inviting. There is no pounding surf to fight against and come out sore and tired. Those who enjoy music, and many do, for any night you can see thousands present at the concerts given every night by the Catalina Band, every member of which is a finished musician. I cannot pass without trying to give you a pen picture of the great Amphitheatre. Imagine a great semi-circle dug out of dear old Nittany mountain a little west of the pike going to Bellefonte, terraced and provided with seats to accommodate thousands of music loving people. The aisles and large plot of ground in front of the beautiful shell shaped band stand beautified with growing flowers and shrubs of all kinds. Alongside of the hundreds of steps leading up to it sheltered with trees and vines. All this ablaze with hundreds of different colored electric lights. Another stretch of imagination and you have a powerful search light near Old Fort shedding its brilliant rays on old Nittany mountain, then sweeping down over a vast audience so bright that you can pick out your friends who may be sitting on top-most seats, then swiftly withdrawn and light up, as if by magic, your beautiful little city Centre Hall. This is your picture, feebly drawn of the great Amphitheatre. But words fail me when I would tell how wondrously satisfying, the dear old hymn:

"Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love,"
sounded when played on Sabbath evening by this efficient and cultured band. The Submarine Gardens are very wonderful, so much so they baffle the most able writers. Looking through glass bottomed boats you can view a new world, pass over plants of unknown species, feathery ferns, trees of great beauty and height, growing up out of the floor of the ocean and great mountains with moss covered rocks lining their steep sides. Fish of the most grotesque shapes but of the most dazzling colors. On the pebbly bed of the ocean are horrible dull lazy repulsive looking reptiles. You also pass Seal Rocks and see these interesting animals in their native haunts.

Next in interest to me was our trip on the steamer Empress to the Isthmus. This trip of 42 miles was full of variety. A half mile from Avalon you pass the palatial hotel, Santa Catharine, built in a deep canyon. Millionaires summer here; the rates are from \$6 to \$30.00 a day. Many of their private yachts

were riding at anchor. The ocean is on our right while on our left is the ever changing shore line. We keep close to the island until we reach Long Point. There the ship puts farther out to sea, as the rest of the way is wild and deeply indented with dark canyons, while the shore lines run deeply into the sea. After a health giving trip we soon anchored in the deep bay where the island is only one fourth of a mile in width. As the way across was tiresome, we took an auto and soon were on the other side of the island. In a sheltered little bay the old Chinese ship "Wing Po" rides at anchor. It was built in 1753, mostly of Ironwood and Camphorwood, the latter being proof against the Toledo, the little boring worm so destructive to woodenships. She at one time was a prison ship of the Chinese Government at the mouth of the Tetsieth river and on her Chinese pirates and smugglers were confined. It was here that the bloodiest chapter in her tragic history was enacted. Finding it inconvenient to feed so many prisoners, the Chinese captain ordered a wholesale execution and one hundred and fifty eight pirates were beheaded on her decks. This big beheading knife may be seen on the Ning Po today, with many other objects of cruelty. The Ning Po was bought by Americans last year and is now owned by the Meteor Boat Company.

I had almost forgotten to mention the spectacular searchlight trip which we took on board the steamer Hermosa one night before leaving this Magic Isle. The boat is equipped with four gigantic searchlights, thus almost turning night into day. In this way myriads of flying fish, scintillating like diamonds, are brought up by the rays of the searchlight out of the dark waters. Cataapulting through the air with the velocity of 30 miles an hour, some sparkling on the surface of the smooth water in huge "night" schools, some darting here and there, others turning complete somersaults or rising to 15 feet out of the water across the bow of the boat, makes a sight interesting and instructive. Flashing its penetrating rays against the rugged cliffs, the searchlight reveals the native mountain goats in their haunts, the seals at play on their slippery rocks, the eagle on the nest at the topmost crag. Sometimes a huge Sunfish is brought out of its watery home by the rays of the searchlight, making on the whole a varied and never to be forgotten sight.

We were much benefited by our trip to the Magic Isle and will close by wishing that every one on the Centre Reporter staff may sometime make it a visit and a more lengthy one than we did, and see for themselves that the "half has never been told."

Your sincere friend and well wisher,
MRS. DAVID B. KLINE,
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Los Angeles, Cal.

100 Bushels More Potatoes Per Acre.

That is what spraying has meant to several farmers in Centre county this fall. This is the first attempt of the Farm Bureau to put on demonstration work in potato spraying and the results have exceeded expectations. Several farmers cooperating with the Farm Bureau sprayed as directed and left as a check four rows unsprayed.

KILLED IN AIRPLANE CRASH.

Father Intended Visiting His Son at State College When Plane He Was Riding in Falls.

Plunging to earth when the steering gear became unmanageable, an airplane carrying Lewis Platt, Sr., of Marysville, to State College, was wrecked near the flying field at Harrisburg on Friday, and Platt was killed. Chester Shaffer, of Marysville, the pilot, was not seriously hurt.

The machine had been in the air only a short time when it plunged, turning twice. Its fall was witnessed by scores of people, who saw it start from the flying field. The motor was jammed into the earth two feet and Platt's body was hurled against it.

Platt intended to fly to State College, where his son is a student, to join his wife and daughter in witnessing the football game, last Saturday. The dead man was proprietor of a pool room in Marysville and was 50 years old. Shaffer has piloted a number of Harrisburg State College students to the college.

Celebrate Golden Wedding.

The Reporter has many good friends in the far west, but possibly none has expressed more kindly feeling toward the old home paper than Mrs. Davin B. Kline, of Los Angeles, California, who on a number of occasions has contributed excellent articles to its columns. It is a pleasure for us, therefore, to note that Mr. and Mrs. Kline recently very happily celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Kline is a native of Linden Hall, and was formerly Miss Ellen E. Ross, daughter of the late David Ross. At their recent golden wedding 230 persons were present, with "a shower of golden gifts, from friends of pure gold," as Mrs. Kline puts it.

In another column will be found an interesting article by Mrs. Kline, narrating a pleasure trip, by boat, to the Magic Isle. Mrs. Kline would have us back home draw upon our imagination for appreciating with her the beauties of some of the spots on that trip by making comparisons with local landmarks, dear to her memory, all of which makes her article intensely interesting.

Church 100 Years Old.

Phillipsburg residents, beginning today (Thursday) will celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Union Church. It was built a century ago by the first settlers of Phillipsburg and served the double purpose of a church and school house.

Take up Plans For Farm Products Show.

Pennsylvania's Fifth Annual Farm Products Show, which will surpass anything of its kind ever before attempted in this State, will be staged in Harrisburg, January 24-28. With arrangements for the exhibition halls practically completed and with more than 60,000 square feet of floor space available, the indications are that the show this year will be almost fifty per cent. larger than in 1919, when all records were broken.

The show, which is held under the direction of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the agricultural organization of the State, will bring together the choicest products of field and orchard from every section of the State. The prize winners will be entitled to the highest honors the State can bestow for agricultural achievement, for in competition will be the prize winning entries from county fairs and farm shows held throughout Pennsylvania.

The premium lists have been enlarged and made more attractive and with an unusually abundant harvest this year and with an unprecedented fruit crop, the showings are expected to be far and away the best that have ever been shown in Harrisburg.

The county farm agents in the various counties of the State are actively co-operating with the officials of the Department of Agriculture and as the season for corn husking and apple picking nears its zenith, the agents are interesting the farmers and orchardists in preserving their choicest products for exhibition at the show. The apple show alone, this year, will be a feature that will bring visitors to Harrisburg from all parts of the State.

The premium list for the show is now in the hands of the printers and will be ready for general distribution within the next few days, while the various agricultural organizations that will hold their annual meetings in Harrisburg, in connection with the show, are busy arranging their program.

The speakers that will address the various organizations and groups of farmers will be furnished by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the Pennsylvania State College Extension Service, and this list will include experts of State and nation-wide reputation, who will discuss the subjects with which they are familiar.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Rev. D. S. Kurtz, of Lancaster, was a visitor in town over Sunday.

November 11 to 25—Fourth Red Cross Roll call. Your heart and a dollar is still needed.

Rabbit hunters are not finding the cottontails as plentiful as pre-season reports made them.

John W. Keller publishes letters testamentary on the estate of James Galbraith, late of Harris township, deceased.

Mrs. W. Frank Bradford left this week for Cleveland, Ohio, where she will visit for a short time with her cousin, Mrs. J. A. Aiken.

Grain fields throughout the valley present a decidedly fine appearance, but it is feared that the warm days of October gave the fly a chance to get in its deadly work.

William Jennings Bryan was in Centre county again this week, speaking in the Auditorium at State College on Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Phi Kappa Phi.

Only about half of the voters in State College borough voted Tuesday of last week on the proposed bond issue for school improvement. However of the 476 votes cast 431 were in favor of the proposition.

Class No. 5 of the M. E. Sunday-School of Sprucetown are planning to hold a box social at the home of Clayton Wagner on Friday evening, Nov. 19th. We will appreciate any help any one is kind enough to give us.—Kathryn Wagner, Sec'y.

George H. Emerick, who recently purchased the D. R. Foreman farm, at Pottery Mills, has already made extensive improvements to the various farm buildings, including re-roofing and painting, all of which adds greatly to both appearance and value.

W. L. Taylor, better known as "Buck" Taylor, former circus man with the original "Buffalo Bill", has decided to sell his farm in the western part of Centre county, and locate elsewhere in the United States. Since becoming a citizen here, a few years ago, he made many friends through his jovial nature, and strong, rugged personality.

Last week was "Apple Week" in Pennsylvania, and a campaign was waged to have the state's entire crop marketed, so that none went to waste. Up at State College, on Saturday afternoon, prior to the big football game, a two-horse wagon load of Baldwin's, picked from the college's own orchard, were distributed to everyone who came within throwing distance of the wagon. It was a regular throw-and-catch game.

Mystery surrounds the death of seventeen large hares owned by John A. Martz and Curtis Reiber, neighbors. Mr. Martz, on Friday morning, discovered ten out of a pen of eleven Belgian hares dead, while Curtis Reiber found six of his white rabbits dead, another dying later. There was nothing to indicate that dogs had got into the pen, there being no outward marks of injury. Did some one poison the bunnies?

Arnold Beichtol, 17 years old, whose home is at Pine Glenn, near Snow Shoe, while hunting, Thursday afternoon, sustained a gunshot wound of a rather serious nature. While climbing a rock Beichtol slipped, his gun falling from his hands. It was discharged, the contents striking him in the left thigh. The accident happened about 1 o'clock, but it was 6:30 before friends were able to get him to the Cottage State hospital, Phillipsburg.

The Centre Hall and Spring Mills Ministeriums held a joint session at the Lutheran parsonage on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock. The Reverend R. R. Jones acted as temporary chairman, until a new organization is effected at a subsequent meeting. Plans were made for the observation of Thanksgiving services, both at Centre Hall and Spring Mills. At Centre Hall the Reverend M. C. Drumm will have charge of the services in the Lutheran church and the Rev. J. F. Bingman, of the Evangelical church, will preach. At Spring Mills the Reverend I. C. Bailey will deliver the message. Both services will be held in the morning at ten thirty.

Walter Garrity, whose home in the Seven Mountains has for years been a rendezvous for hunters and nature lovers, was a caller at the Reporter office on Friday. Speaking of the game that abounds in his vicinity, Mr. Garrity said that, as ridiculous as it may sound, deer are more plentiful than rabbits. The other evening he saw a drove of eleven deer pasturing in one of his fields. He said also that the beavers that were planted in the streams have located near his home and have been performing some marvelous engineering stunts, felling trees and building a dam in the stream with greater skill than a human being could do it. Their performances are interesting to watch. "Nature's engineers" is what Mr. Garrity calls them.

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