

# TRAVELLERS' AID CARES FOR 9346 CASES IN 1918

Gives Greeting to Strangers Who Stroll Within City Gates and Makes Their Welcome Warm.

## WORKING AT ALL STATIONS

Girls, Children and Aged Are Special Cases for Thoughtful Women of Y. W. C. A. Corps.

To the stranger within her gates, particularly the young and unoppressed girl, Portland, through the travelers' aid department of its Young Women's Christian association, extends a welcome, the very nature of which carries with it the interest, the understanding, the guidance and the protection so much needed by girls and young women unfamiliar with the city and its ways. At the Union station, the North Bank, Jefferson street and Alder street, trained workers are kept in attendance under the general supervision of Mrs. S. L. Allen, the individual workers being Miss Amelia Foshay, Mrs. Cora Bullock, Mrs. Nina B. Templeton, Mrs. May M. Snyder and Mrs. Minnie Crowe. The purposes of the traveler's aid cover four points, as follows: Investigation on request of the many and varied inducements that cause persons to leave their homes, including questionable influence, such as deceptive letters, advertisements and offered positions, also dangerous addresses, etc.; protection and aid of travelers, especially girls, women and boys, in the many varied emergencies and temptations of travel until they arrive at their proper destinations; placing the names of strangers with the organizations which will develop them socially, mentally and religiously for their proper assimilation in the community; assist travelers to respectable and suitable lodging houses, responsible institutions or back to their own homes.



Front row, left to right—Miss Amelia Foshay, Mrs. Cora E. Bullock, Mrs. Minnie Crowe. Back row, left to right—Mrs. Sophia Allen, Mrs. Nina B. Templeton, Travelers' Aid workers for the Young Women's Christian Association, who devote themselves to the protection and guidance of young girls in the railroad stations of the city.

Thousands Cared For During the past year 9346 persons were assisted by the traveler's aid workers. Of these 616 were children alone; 1188 were girls alone and 1189 were elderly people. The scope and variety of problems which the workers are called upon to solve can no better be described than by a dozen typical cases taken from the diaries of the workers.

Two girls, about 13 and 15 years of age, their hair down their backs, wearing short sleeved aprons and without hats, runaways from Seattle, were taken in charge, local relatives located, the Seattle parents notified and one of the mothers came and took both girls home. A California girl, who had married an Oregon soldier who later died, brought his body to Portland for burial. Dazed with grief she sought the help of the traveler's aid in locating her husband's relatives.

An aged Canadian woman in the last stages of tuberculosis, arrived at the Union station and collapsed. Rest, food and medical care had to be provided before she could continue her journey to California. An elderly woman had come up from California on the boat. She had been very seasick and in stepping off the boat had sprained her ankle. She hobbled into the station—she was on her way to Montana—sought the traveler's aid worker, who took her personally to the ticket window and when she went to count out the money for her ticket she was \$10 short. She had a book showing a savings account in a small California bank. This the worker brought to a Portland bank, the money was forthcoming and a claim sent to the California bank. Two Finnish children, a girl of eight and a boy of nine, arrived from the East, without the least identification or indication as to their destination. They refused to speak a word. After keeping them at the depot for several hours in an effort to find out who they were and where they wanted to go the worker took them to a Finnish community which she knew of, where the hotel proprietor had given her assistance, and again he came to the rescue with the knowledge that one of his friends was expecting his children from Minnesota, where their mother had died. Finally the father was located and the tongues of the children were at once loosened.

Two runaway boys, having walked in from the country a distance of five miles, arrived at the depot late in the evening, insufficiently clad. Coats were found and finally the names of Portland relatives were secured and the lads were taken to them, who gratefully refunded the money spent for the boys' dinners and took the boys home. A young girl from a small town, who was going to San Francisco to be married, had never before been on a sleeping car and asked the worker to go with her and show her how to go to bed and in response to her request a telegram was sent to the San Francisco traveler's aid and later a card was received telling of the marriage to which the San Francisco worker had been a witness. "Our hearts have been touched many times during the past six months by the heart broken fathers bringing their little ones to Portland relatives, the mothers having died of influenza," said Miss Amelia Foshay, the worker at the Union station. "Children without a mother are so pitiful and in most cases the father seems pathetically helpless. The number of children traveling alone is surprising, usually they are tagged or labeled, but sometimes they are not. We give them stamped and addressed post cards and ask them to write to us when they reach their destination and many are curious as to the missives we receive. Often the little fellows forget to sign their names and we puzzle for hours over which particular one of our little charges the message is from.

The Young Women's Christian association is, of course, our greatest asset in helping those whose lives we touch. Through it we try to secure suitable living accommodations for the strange girl; we help her to secure employment or training as the case may be; we try to introduce her into the social life of the association through its recreational clubs and we try to direct her toward the religious affiliation to which she has been accustomed. Then, too, we have the sympathetic cooperation of the woman's protective division of the department for public safety, the juvenile courts, the rescue homes and other institutions."

Mrs. William D. Wheelwright is the chairman of the traveler's aid committee of the Y. W. C. A. and the other members of the committee are: Mrs. E. D. Chamberlain, Mrs. Max Hirsch, Mrs. William C. Morgan, Mrs. J. C. Coetello, Miss Amy Rothschild and Mrs. Elliott Corbett.

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Portland faces sure failure in the present Armenian-Syrian Relief Drive unless hundreds of new volunteers respond immediately to this urgent call for help.

Thousands of patriotic citizens who will gladly give to the cause cannot be reached because there are too few workers in the field.

## Portland Must Not Fail!

She has never yielded place to any community in deeds of mercy and benevolence—she can not do it now. Yet she has barely reached one-half of her required quota of \$73,200 after one full week of arduous effort. The drive must therefore be carried on through the coming week.

Will you—Fathers and Mothers and patriots all—give three days, two days, even one day of your time to aid the little band of heroic volunteers who are striving valiantly for Portland's honor and glory?

Let every man and woman whose heart is moved by the world tragedy of the millions of starving women and children in the Near East come to the front at once.

Report at the Unitarian Church, Broadway and Yamhill, at 9 o'clock tomorrow (Monday) morning and give of YOUR TIME AND SERVICE as well as of your money.

Portland Must Not Fall Down— She Will Not Fall Down If— We All Do Our Duty

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR RELIEF IN THE NEAR EAST  
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