

HOTEL NEAR ARGONNE CEMETERY CARES FOR WOMEN WHO COME

Arrivals in Romagne Speaking Little or No French. Come Singly or by Tens Seeking One Cross in 21,000.

Wear and travel-worn women, mostly mothers and wives, are arriving daily in Romagne, a small French village, on a pilgrimage to a cemetery 12 miles out from the village where white crosses, 21,000 of them, stretch from the road far up the hillside to a flagpole where the flag for which these men fell in the Argonne Forest floats silently over them. Tents have been planted at the foot of all the graves and at the entrance to the cemetery grass is planted in such a way as to outline the words, "Argonne Cemetery."

Until recently these women, sometimes one at a time, often as many as 10, have arrived in Romagne speaking little or no French and have tried to find a way to get out to the cemetery. Sometimes they were picked up by an army truck. More often they completed the last 12 miles of their long trip from some town in the United States in the one cross among the 21,000 which meant their own sacrifice in the war, in a jolting French car.

Exhausted from the trip and their grief, these women have had no place to rest. The army has done the best it could for them. The commanding officer at the cemetery and his wife have welcomed these women into the old barracks which they have made hospitable, and this officer and others have frequently given up their beds to the women. They have asked them to their own homes as their own guests. But the best they could do was very little, with their few facilities.

Old Barracks Taken
So it is that the American Young Women's Christian Association, on request of the army, has taken over two old barracks at the foot of this forest of white crosses, is repainting them and fitting one up into a small sitting and dining room. The other is being divided into two big rooms, one a sleeping room for mothers and wives and sisters, and the other for fathers and brothers, who will come on this pilgrimage in increasing numbers.

Red Cross Sends Blankets
The American Red Cross has sent out by common beds, blankets and sheets for the equipment, and the Y. M. C. A. has sent out a truck loaded with food stuffs, pretty crochets, a tea set and a few odds and ends to make the place look pretty and warm and attractive to the pilgrims. Very simple meals are served to visitors at a nominal charge covering cost. Y. M. C. A. women are always there to receive guests, to see that they have a cheerful cup of tea and above all things, to give an atmosphere of welcome and thoughtfulness to the Hostess House. No supplies can be had in Ro-

tagne, 12 miles away, so that it is necessary for the Y. M. C. A. to send all food supplies from Paris by truck. A bicycle was sent up so that the workers might have some means of getting back and forth from the town, but the problem of transporting the visitors home is big one. The army has a few trucks which they are lending on necessity for the time being, but they are not certain how long they can keep them. In the meantime the Y. M. C. A. women are trying to get a truck or automobile to transport the visitors who are coming in increased numbers to the cemetery and to the Hostess House.

There is the first of a series of such houses which the Y. M. C. A. will operate near cemeteries where there are no living accommodations for transient guests. Mrs. Nora Welch Crump of Chicago is resident hostess of this house.



INDIANAPOLIS—Frederick M. Ayres, millionaire merchant, left his business for five months to direct operation and sales work for the American Red Cross in Paris. Now he's back at his desk in his Indianapolis department store.

NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE MEETING IS RAIDED BY UNORGANIZED MOB

STAFFORD, Kans., Nov. 8.—An unorganized mob raided a non-partisan league meeting here last night, disrupting it. Threats were made against C. E. Wood, organizer for the league, who was the principal speaker. A crowd rushed the hall, battling its way past the guarded door. Wood's auditors rose in his defense and the crowd withdrew. Wood completed his talk, but left town early today.

KING ALFONSO IS NOT COMING SAYS EMBASSY

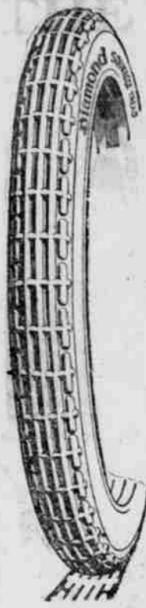
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