

25,000 WOMEN ARE WANTED TO ENROLL FOR GOVERNMENT

Those Who Take Full Training Released for Nurse Service at the Front.

WILL TRAIN FOR NURSES

Will Be in United States Student Training Reserves—Must Meet Some Qualifications.

The government is calling for 25,000 young women to join the United States Student Nurse Reserve and hold themselves in readiness to train for service as nurses.

The war is creating an unprecedented demand for trained nurses. Only those who have taken the full training course are eligible for service with our forces overseas. These nurses are being drawn largely from our hospitals at home. Their places must be filled by student nurses enrolled for the full training course of from two to three years. Every young woman who enrolls in the United States Student Nurse Reserve is releasing a nurse for service at the front and swelling the home army which we must rely on to act as our second line of hospital defense. Upon the health of the American people will depend the spirit of their fighting forces.

Age—The call is for women between the ages of nineteen and thirty-five.

Qualifications—Intelligent, responsible women of good education and sound health are wanted—the pick of the country. A college education is a valuable asset, and many hospitals will give credit for it. Credit will also be given for a special scientific equipment or for preliminary training in nursing, such as that given in special courses now being conducted by various colleges and schools. Some schools, on the other hand, do not even require a full high school education.

Enrollment—Women will be given an opportunity to enroll in the United States Student Nurse Reserve in any one of three ways:

(1) As engaging to hold themselves in readiness until April 1, 1919, to accept assignments to nurses' training schools. These women will be sent to the schools as fast as vacancies occur. Those of superior qualifications will be given preference, and it is, of course, possible that not everyone who enrolls will be accepted.

(2) As desiring to become candidates for the Army Nursing School recently established by authority of the War Department, with branch schools in selected military hospitals.

(3) As engaging to hold themselves in readiness until April 1, 1919, to accept assignments to either a civilian training school or the Army Nursing School. Those who so enroll will be called where the first need arises. The Government hopes that a majority of those who enroll will thus put down their names for both.

THE NURSES' TRAINING SCHOOLS.

There are 1,579 nurses' training schools in this country. Their need is as great and imperative as that of the Army School of Nursing. Those who enroll for these schools will be assigned as vacancies occur.

The enrollment card will indicate two classes of registrants—**Preferred** and **Deferred**. The **Preferred** class will be those who are ready to accept assignments to whatever hospital the Government directs them, although they may state what training school they prefer to be sent to. Those who register in the **Preferred** class will be assigned first, and all possible consideration will be given to their preference as stated. The **Deferred** class is composed of those who limit their pledge of service—that is, who will not engage to go except to certain hospitals. This class is intended especially for those who, for family reasons, can not accept training at a distance from their homes. Those who register in the **Deferred** class will be assigned only after the **Preferred** class is exhausted.

The government relies on the patriotism of those who enroll to fill out **Preferred** cards if they possibly can, thus volunteering to go where they are most needed.

Nobody will be assigned to any schools whose conditions of training

are not approved by the State Board of Nurse Examiners.

Terms of Training—The term of training varies from two to three years, according to the requirements of the particular school to which the student nurse may be sent. No course takes less than two years nor more than three.

What the Training Course Prepares For—At present every woman who completes satisfactorily her training in any accredited school is eligible for service as an Army nurse at the front and stands a chance of being assigned to duty abroad. At the same time she will be qualified to earn her living in one of the noblest professions open to women. It should be remembered, furthermore, that her usefulness will begin not when she graduates from the training school, but as soon as she enters it. Practical nursing work is a part of the work of every training school, and the student nurse is not only learning to serve but serving her country from the outset.

Finances—The student nurse gets her board, lodging, and tuition free at practically every training school, and in most cases receives a small remuneration to cover the cost of books and uniforms. After graduation she has an earning capacity of from \$100 to \$300 a month. Private-duty nurses now receive an average of from \$100 to \$120 a month, together with board while on duty; institution nurses from \$50 to \$250 a month, together with board, lodging, and laundry; and public-health nurses from \$100 to \$250 a month without maintenance. There is no danger of the earning capacity of nurses being lowered after the war ends on account of the great number who will then be qualified for the profession; the country will need all the nurses that can be trained, not only during the war but after it, especially for reconstruction work. Even if the war ends within three years, every student nurse will be able to complete her training and will be needed.

An Honorable Service—Ever since the days of Florence Nightingale the nursing profession has been one of especial honor. It was never so honorable as it is today. The Army needs every nurse it can get to "keep up with the draft." The United States Student Nurse Reserve is the equivalent for women of the great National Army training camps for soldiers. The Government will rely upon the student nurses to fight disease at home, to care for those injured and disabled in our hazardous war industries, and to make themselves ready to serve when the time comes as fully trained nurses, either abroad or at home. Let us show that we now how to answer the Government's call to the women of the country.

Chaperones High Explosives.
Chaperoning a box of T. N. T. detonators in an electrical storm was one of the odd tasks a Y. M. C. A. hut secretary recently had in today's work over there. He is a preacher, but now does almost anything else in the work line, from sweeping floors to safeguarding the soldiers' Liberty bonds.

On a wildly stormy night, to appropriate thunder and lightning, a master at arms entered the hut.

"We've got a lot of T. N. T. stored at the station," he announced. "Here's the detonators. With this lightning it isn't safe to leave 'em near the mines. Will you take care of them over night?"

It was not a restful night for the "Y" man.

Wounded by Shell.

Rev. W. H. Davies, a Congregational minister, at the war front as a Y. M. C. A. secretary, was wounded in the hip and shoulder by a German shell.

Killed and Wounded.

Miss Betty Stevenson was instantly killed and Norman Phillips and Miss Ruth Rouse dangerously wounded when a bomb exploded near their Y. M. C. A. motorcar behind the lines on the Western Front.

Loses Right Eye.

Rev. James Holburn, of Alyth, Perthshire, England, a Y. M. C. A. war work secretary, was dangerously wounded at the front during the recent drive. He lost his right eye.

Wounder at the Front.

Leonard Hutchinson, a Y. M. C. A. war worker at the front, received a compound fracture of the leg when a shell burst in the mouth of his dug-out.

Pictures En Route.

On transports crossing the Atlantic the Y. M. C. A. is exhibiting motion pictures to fill the leisure hours of the soldiers.

Missionary Killed.

Rev. R. W. Ellwood, an American missionary, who went to France as a Y. M. C. A. war worker, was killed by shell fire on the Western Front.

WHEN THE YANKS BEGIN TO FIGHT.

The Kaiser called the Devil up
On the telephone one day—
The girl at central listened:
To all they had to say.

"Hello," she heard the Kaiser say
"Is old man Satan home—
Just tell him it is Kaiser Bill
That wants him on the phone."

The Devil said "hello" to Bill,
And Bill said "how are you?
I'm running a hell here on earth.
So tell me what to do."

In answer the Devil said
"My dear old Kaiser Bill,
If there's a thing that I can do
To help you, I sure will."

The Kaiser said, "Now listen,
And I will try to tell
The way that I am running
On earth a modern hell.

"I've saved for this for many years,
And I've started to kill;
That it will be a modern job
You leave to Kaiser Bill.

"My army went through Belgium
Shooting women and children down,
We tore up all her country
And blew up all her towns.

"My Zepps dropped bombs on cities,
Killing both old and young—
And them the Zeppelins didn't get
Were taken out and hung.

"I started out for Paris
With the aid of poisonous gas,
The Belgians, darn them, stopped us
And would not let us pass.

"My submarines are devils—
Why, you should see them fight.
They go sneaking through the sea
And will sink a ship on sight.

"I was running things to suit me
'Til a year or so ago,
When a man named Woodrow Wilson
Wrote me to 'go more slow.'

"He said to me, dear William,
We don't want to make you sore;
So be sure to tell your U-boats
Not to sink our ships no more.

"We have told you for the last time,
So, dear Bill, it's up to you—
And if you do not stop it
You'll have to fight us too.

"I did not listen to him
And he's coming after me,
With a million Yankee soldiers
From their homes across the sea.

"Now that's why I called you, Satan,
For I want advice from you;
I knew that you would tell me
Just what I ought to do."

"My dear old Kaiser William
There is not much for me to tell,
For the Yanks would make it hotter
Than I can, for you, in hell.

"I've been a mean old devil
But not half as mean as you—
And the minute that you get here
I will give my job to you.

"I'll be ready for your coming
I'll keep the fires all bright—
And I'll have your room all ready
When the Yanks begin to fight.

"For the boys in khaki will get you,
I have nothing more to tell,
Hang up the phone and get your hat
and meet me here in hell."

Teaching French soldiers how to play baseball is one of the tasks of American Y. M. C. A. war work secretaries in France, and it sometimes leads to surprising incidents. A Y. M. C. A. secretary was umpiring and coaching two teams of poilus playing playground ball. The batter took a healthy swing with his small bat and smote the soft ball in a screaming liner straight for the pitcher. The latter protected his face with his hands the the sphere struck him soggly in the chest. The pitcher's expressive features registered surprise and reproach over this so unexpected assault. As for the batter, did he reach first? He did not. He ran straight for the pitcher, embraced him and apologized for hitting him!

Baptism of Fire.
Mary O. Clark, of Boston, a Y. M. C. A. canteen worker, was under shell fire for seven hours in the Toul sector, in a refuge trench with the soldiers. She showed a fine, courageous spirit.

New Spirit Seen.

Since Y. M. C. A. secretaries have been with Italian troops a new spirit and better morale is noticed. Italian officials welcome the work of the association.

Donate Ancestral Home.

Gers-y-Gedol, ancestral home of the Vaughan and Mostyn families in North Wales, has been given as a donation to the British Y. M. C. A.

Honduras declared war against Germany on July 19 as announced by the legation last Monday.

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The most important announcement made by the management of the Eugene Theatre this year tells us that "My Four Years in Germany," the picturization of Ambassador James W. Gerard's book of the same name, will be the attraction at that theatre on Friday and Saturday, the 26th and 27th of this week. No screen production has ever created a more enthusiastic reception. Throughout the entire country it has been proclaimed the most amazing, the most vital insight into the causes of our war with Germany than a thousand speeches or a hundred books could explain. Its wonderful realism has astounded all, for every scene, every episode is an actual fact, not fiction, while all the subtitles are taken literally from Ambassador Gerard's book, making the entire picture, which is in ten reels, absolutely authentic. It was produced with the authority and personal co-operation of Mr. Gerard, who edited the scenario and gave his approval before it was ever shown to the public.

Throughout the entire production of the film, Mr. Gerard was in close touch with William Nigh, who directed the production and the scenes and incidents have been staged with the most painstaking care in every detail. Nothing will so clarify in the minds of the public the reasons why America is now at war with the autocratic dictator of Europe, as this clear and lucid tale of the hidden forces working for the future downfall of America and the forces of democracy.

The results of this German inability to really understand America is clearly shown in the incidents which took place in Germany before the war and in which our Ambassador, James W. Gerard, was involved.

The whole history of German intrigue, diplomacy and double dealing is exposed in this most intensely interesting and dramatic production which has already added its great page to history.

Joseph Clark is Dead.
William Clark of this city learned of the death of his brother last Saturday from his mother at Alexandria, Indiana. Joe Clark was formerly of Springfield and was well known here, and was employed in the News office. He was killed in action at the front some time in June and was a member of the marine corps. He enlisted nearly a year ago from Monmouth.

Champion Enlists.
Bobbie Walthour, bicycle champion, has enlisted in the Y. M. C. A. war work and will go to France as a physical director. "I want to coach the poilus in bike riding so we can be the first to chase the Kaiser out of Berlin," he said.

Business Man Dies.
J. A. Maxwell Adams, a Glasgow business man who went to France for the British Y. M. C. A., met his death when struck by a fragment of a German shell.

Shows Bravery.
Le Roy Corbin, of New York, a Y. M. C. A. war work secretary in Italy, has been twice decorated for bravery in taking supplies forward under fire.

With Italian Troops.
Fifty American Y. M. C. A. war work secretaries are with the Italian troops. They are serving the soldiers and aiding with the wounded.

Croquet in France.
Croquet is proving a popular game among the French soldiers. It is one of the Y. M. C. A. innovations over there.

Dies of Wounds.
W. H. Spinks, a Y. M. C. A. war work secretary, fell a victim to a German bombing raid three days after he reported for service at the front.

Baseball in France.
Indoor baseball played outdoors is proving a popular diversion among French soldiers since it was introduced by the Y. M. C. A.

Jazz (clank-clank) is to be put (toot-toot) into Great Britain's (rattle-attle) fighting spirit (zee-ee) in a manner to make the inspiration of bagpipes seem like a lullaby by comparison (zani).

Camera Marks Airplane Hits.
The great aviation school at Toronto has devised a most ingenious scheme for training aviators in the use of the machine gun. Two apprentice flyers are sent up to fight under all the conditions of actual warfare. They make every effort to aim and fire their machine guns at each other, only in place of bullets the gun is fitted with cameras and film. Every pull of the trigger snaps a picture. If the shot is a "hit" a picture of the "enemy" airplane appears on the film; if a miss, the film is blank. By examining the strip of film afterward it is possible to tell exactly how many hits each man made and how accurately he is "shooting."

SOLDIERS IN FIELD AND CAMP GET MANY BOOKS.

The War Service Committee of the American Library Association reports that 435,000 books were shipped to American soldiers in France up to July 1. The books went in tonnage space granted at the request of Gen. Pershing on the decks of transports, where they were used by the men on the voyage and repacked for use in France; in naval vessels for naval bases abroad; and in Red Cross tonnage for the hospitals in France and England.

A total of more than 2,500,000 books have been supplied by the American Library Association to the camps and stations in the United States and overseas. Approximately 500,000 of these books were purchased, the others having come as gifts from the American people through the public libraries of the country. Nearly 40 library buildings have been erected, and 600 camps in America, alone, have received collections of books.

Two hundred librarians, including leaders in their profession in this country, are giving their time to Library War Service. Most of these are serving as camp librarians, assistants, and organizers in the field; others are in dispatch offices for the shipment of books to France.

E. H. Sothorn in a cablegram from France to the Y. M. C. A. war work council in New York urges the immediate sending over of a jazz band with full outrages of cowbells, rattles, steamboat whistles, coconut shells and squawks. After introducing the jazz spirit in "Y" huts in England, the jazzers will go to France and vie with the big guns at the front in noise making.

Pitching Horseshoes.
American sports introduced by the Y. M. C. A. in France include pitching horseshoes.

With "Gas Masks at the Alert," Albert Wiederhold, who formerly sang at Dr. Parkhurst's church in New York, sang to American soldiers at the front. It was a Y. M. C. A. hut and he says that there was no disturbance except two German planes that came over and forced his audience to take to cover. He found a use for his tin hat as revealed in his description of his sleeping quarters. "My main trouble was to get my tin hat hung in just the right place to catch the drip, for the roof had not been repaired properly since the last bombardment," he said. "That part taken care of and with one blanket pulled up to keep the rats from running over my face, I slept very well."

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