



THE NEAR EAST TO CIVILIZATION  
"SAVE MY CHILDREN"

**Stay These Executions**

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You average American citizen in your average American community imagine if you can, the possibility of a report similar to the following being made of your community at any time and under any conditions.

"Though much saddened, our workers are cutting off whom they must, and continuing with those selected, principally children. All are making winter plans and asking, pleading, for funds now to buy what will cost many times more later on. Can you not cable us that the promised appropriations are certain until the end of June 1919. Such action would double the value of the gift. We must not let go now."

The Committee for Relief in the Near East is doing its utmost to sustain these peoples. Poverty stricken, plague infested, war terrorized Near East, the cradle of the white man's civilization, is perishing. It is perishing because of the faith that is in it. Only the help of an aroused American generosity can prevent this.

It is hard at a distance of thousands of miles for Average American Citizens to grasp the need. Tolerant, Helpful, Kindly, Generous America would never permit relief workers to sign death warrants for thousands of persons, did it but realize the situation. That is exactly what happens when the workers in the Near East are forced from lack of funds to "cut off whom they must." More than 4,000,000 people are destitute, of this number 400,000 are orphans, orphans because they were innocently caught in the net of the great war.

These starving peoples live in the "fever" spot of Europe and Asia. America entered the war that autocracy might be crushed from the earth. We are forever bound to Europe because the blood of our sons is mingled with European soil. We must carry on in their names, we must carry on or their supreme sacrifice will have been in vain.

France, Belgium, Italy can all be helped by governmental aid, but the dying Christians of the Near East have no government through which governmental aid can be given them. The task is America's. Liberty, equality, freedom of speech, freedom of worship, all of these America has given to the world. Slowly the other nations of the world are accepting our ideals. Now we are challenged practically to advance the Brotherhood of Man as taught by the "Man of Sorrows" 1900 years ago. The people of His land by the faith He gave them ask for bread. What shall America give them?

START HIM RIGHT



Jackson county won the \$50 prize in the thrift campaign conducted by the school children of the state during last year under the auspices of the Oregon Bankers' association, the Oregon State Teachers' association, the Oregon department of education, the United States department of agriculture and the Oregon Agricultural college through the boys' and girls' club work department. The work has proved so successful that the Oregon Bankers' association will not only again offer \$50 in cash to the county making the best showing, but has voted \$200 for the printing of pupils' record books.

A resolution demanding that congress immediately grant relief to discharged soldiers and sailors was sent to Washington by the Portland city commission. Oregon congressmen will be asked to use their efforts to have the proposed aid granted. The city commission suggests, instead of 30 days' pay and five cents a mile traveling expense home, now being considered by congress, a clothing allowance of at least \$50, one month's additional pay upon discharge and five months' additional pay to be paid monthly, as more proper treatment for returned fighters.

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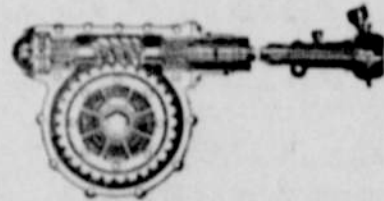
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