

"AMERICANS SHOULD BE PROUD OF WORK BY NEAR EAST RELIEF"

Says American High Commissioner. Congress Is Told of Great Accomplishment

Washington—The annual report of the activities of the Near East Relief organization, 1920, with Congress by Charles V. Vickrey, General Secretary, constitutes the most important of one of the greatest pieces of philanthropic work ever undertaken and carried through by Americans men and women, according to well informed persons in the capital. As



CHARLES V. VICKREY

Miral Mark L. Bristol, United States High Commissioner to Turkey, for example, declares:

"I have been closely associated with the work of the Near East Relief committee for about 22 months. On the whole the work of this relief committee has been such that Americans should be proud of this great humane effort. The Near East Relief here in Constantinople is run more like a business organization than any relief organization with which I have ever come into contact."

Charles V. Vickrey's summary of the activities of the Near East Relief shows the disbursement of over \$5,000,000.00 in cash and supplies, contributed by the American people to the salvaging of the Christian populations of the Near East. 711 American and Canadian men and women relief workers have been engaged in this huge task on little more than a volunteer basis. 62 hospitals, with 6,522 beds, and 122 clinics; 11 rescue homes, where young girls rescued from lives of shame in Turkish harems are taught to forget their sufferings, and to begin life anew, self-supporting and independent, are maintained.

110,000 Little Children

The most remarkable feature of the work of the Near East Relief is, however, the salvation of tens of thousands of children who have lost parents and relatives during the past six years. For these little ones, American generosity has provided, through the Near East Relief, 209 homes—one in Alexandria, Armenia, housing 18,000 children—where, last year, 24,600 children were housed, clothed, fed and taught, while an additional 24,000, outside the Near East Relief orphanages, were saved from starvation and death by food and clothing sent them from the United States.

Mr. Vickrey's report states that approximately 2,791,499 Armenians are still living in the Near East, out of a pre-war population of over 4,000,000 and estimates that had it not been for the aid given by the American people through the Near East Relief, fully half of those now living would have perished. Food was furnished to 11,970 Armenian refugees during a large part of 1920, while 399,900 garments, comprising 1,590,000 pounds of clothing went out from the United States and contributed to barefoot and ragged wanderers, all the way from the Mediterranean to the Caucasus mountains.

Work Must Continue

Commenting on these figures Mr. Vickrey stated that "this unselfishly humanitarian relief work, as an expression of brotherhood, should help to mark the beginning of a new era of peace and intercourse good will in the Near East."

"The tremendous task undertaken by the American people in saving the children of the Near East is one which cannot be overestimated. We have an investment of over \$5,000,000 in human life that America has saved. If we failed to please now that investment is jeopardized, or may even be lost altogether. Most of the children we have saved from death are still too little to take care of themselves, and conditions throughout the Near East are still too uncertain to let them shift for themselves. It is morally sure that for at least five years, and until these little ones that we have snatched from a terrible fate are able to support themselves and enjoy an even chance of life as useful citizens, the American people who have rescued them must see them through."

"It is the purpose of the Near East Relief to do just this, and we appeal to the generosity of the American people to see this noble work is carried out in the spirit of mutual helpfulness and Christian charity which is so essentially characteristic of the American ideal."

Contributions to the work of the Near East Relief may be sent to Cleveland H. Dodson, Treasurer, 1

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New Aircraft Rises Vertically.

Stimulated by recent offers of large money prizes a number of French aeronautical engineers are busy with the construction of vertically rising, heavier-than-air machines. The largest of these is a helicopter, characterized by its unusually large size and substantial construction, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. The wings resemble in plan the leaves of a four-leaf clover, and are carried on metal tubes which radiate from a central upright. This upright is mounted on the middle of the metal fuselage and is revolved by a nine-cylinder radial engine.

EASY FOR FRENCH PEASANTS

American Tourists Expected to Find Golden Field Through the War-Devastated Regions.

Commenting on the American summer tourists to Europe, especially to the French battlefields, Customs Inspector Duval (Duval) said in New Orleans: "I am reminded of a tourist anecdote—"

"In many French provinces every peasant raises each year for his family's use one or two enormous pigs. Nothing of the pig is discarded—the fat is boiled down for lard; the tams are cured; the chops are salted; the feet are dried; the meat in the head is chopped into sausage meat; even the ears are preserved; an occasional slice of ear being used to enrich the soup. And the tail? Oh, yes, they use the tail, too. It is stewed with vegetables and contains, they say, a tiny morsel of delicious meat."

"But to return to the anecdote. An American touring the north of France one summer before the war, asked a peasant what the people thereabouts lived on."

"Pigs, monsieur, in the winter," replied the peasant, "and tourists in the summer."

Customs Inspector Duval laughed. "Well," he said, "the tales of extortion I hear from people now returning from France make me think that few peasants will be eating pure cuts of pigs' tails this winter—they'll be eating truffled chicken and drinking champagne."

Inside the Lines.

As we were driving through the city we were forced to come suddenly to a halt. Two old ladies were walking across the busiest thoroughfare as if it were the most uninhabited place on earth. I sounded my horn just as they got in front of the car. One of them stopped dead still and, giving me a very defiant look, said: "You don't dare run over me. Why, we are inside the lines."—Chicago Tribune.

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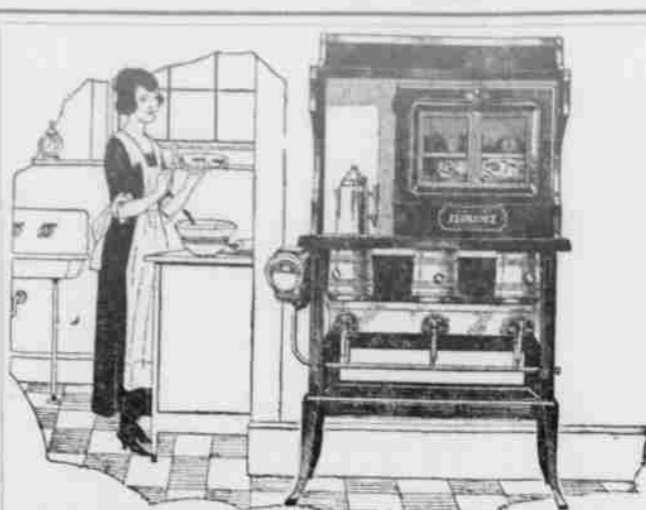
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