

# SOUTHEAST HEROES IN FRANCE GET SUPPLIES AT LESS THAN WHOLESALE PRICES OVER HERE

### RED TRIANGLE SHOULDERS EXPENSE OF TRANSPORTATION FROM MANUFACTURERS TO CANTEENS IN FRANCE—SYSTEM REDUCED TO FINAL BASIS AND RESULTS NOW ARE VERY GRATIFYING.

The Americans overseas with Pershing have facilities for combatting the high cost of living that are absolutely beyond the reach of civilians on this side of the Atlantic. Even their small luxuries, such as tobacco, biscuits, cakes and similar articles, are obtainable at prices that are considerably lower than those charged by retailers in American cities.

This is made possible because the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. has taken over all post exchanges in France at the direct request of General Pershing, so that the Red Triangle is now conducting the greatest business enterprise in the world.

Tobacco and other "supplementary" supplies are distributed to the boys in khaki at exactly wholesale prices. The "Y" makes not a penny of profit and even shoulders the financial loss entailed by footing the bills for transportation from the manufacturer to the canteens at the front.

The American troopers can buy Fatima cigarettes for 50 centimes, or about 8 cents; Camels, 35 centimes, or about 6 cents; Sweet Caporals, 20 centimes, or about 3 cents; Lucky Strikes, 30 centimes, or about 5 cents; Murads, 65 centimes or about 11 cents; Bull Durham, 25 centimes, or about 4 cents; Prince Albert, 40 centimes, or about 7 cents; Velvet, 30 centimes, or about 5 cents; Star Chewing, 35 centimes, or about 6 cents.

Capt. George M. Lynch, former assistant commandant at the Florida Military College, Gainesville, Fla., but now in the Red Triangle Service, has made several trips overseas and has investigated thoroughly the conditions existing in the post exchanges under Y. M. C. A. management. He declares that while some difficulty was experienced at first, prices have been stabilized and the boys are getting their supplies at cost.

## Designed Southeast Hostess Houses



Miss Katherine C. Budd, of New York (left), who designs the hostess houses of the Southeastern Department, now engaged in supervising the construction of one at Dorr Field, near Arcadia, Fla. Miss Gertrude Mayo, of New York and Boston architect for other Y. W. C. A. buildings at military establishments.

## FOUND BOOKS DEEP DOWN IN DUG-OUTS

### American Library Association Books Sure Reach Soldiers, Says Raymond Fosdick

"I found the books of the American Library Association everywhere in France," says Raymond Fosdick, chairman of the National Commission on Training Camp Activities, who has just returned from an extended trip overseas, during which he conducted a thorough investigation of the work being done by the various war work agencies.

"I found them in dugouts thirty or forty feet below ground, in cow-barns where shrapnel had blown parts of the roof away, as well as in the substantial huts and tents far back from the firing line.

"I have found them in hospitals and dressing stations; in scattered villages in the training area where our men are billeted and even in the remote parts of France where the forestry units are carrying out their lonely, but efficient and essential work. Your books are in continual demand from the time the soldiers arrive in camp in America until they come back home after service over there."

The A. L. A. library service has grown tremendously within the past few months and millions of books have been distributed wherever soldiers and sailors are quartered, on sea or land.

## "NEED ONLY CREED" SAYS GIPSY SMITH

"Need is the only creed over there," declared Gipsy Smith, the famous evangelist, speaking to enormous audiences in southeastern cities, where mass meetings have been held in the interest of the United War Work campaign to open on November 11.

## FLORIDA NEWSPAPERS PLEDGE ASSISTANCE

Representatives of Florida daily and weekly newspapers in attendance at a luncheon held in connection with a conference of United War Work campaign workers, pledged themselves to concentrate behind the big drive to open on November 11.

Their action puts the full strength of the Florida newspaper fraternity in the field and in every section of the state the public will be informed through the columns of the press just what the aims and objects of the seven great war work agencies are in this coming campaign to raise \$170,500,000.

## SERVED LEMONADE TO CHATEAU-THIERRY VETS

### Salvation Army Workers Face Death That Soldier Heroes May Have Relief From Parched Throats.

Huge barrels of lemonade served to the American troops during the battle of Chateau-Thierry furnished only one instance of the service being rendered to the soldiers of Uncle Sam and his allies by the Salvation Army workers now detailed with the fighting units on the western front.

The troops had been hammering at the Boche all day and all night and many of them had been put out of action during the terrific fighting, but although suffering from wounds made by shrapnel, rifle bullets and hand grenades, most of the injured men were conscious and many of them able to get about with the aid of improvised crutches. The surgeons were busy in the dressing stations and the waiting soldiers wanted nothing so much as a good drink of something cold and refreshing.

Then it was that the Salvation Army workers came along with several barrels filled with sure enough lemonade. Where they got the lemons or the sugar nobody knows, but the soldiers asked no questions as they dove for the tin cups that were piled alongside the barrels on a huge truck.

The surgeons said afterward that the lemonade served to keep down the temperature of many a lad whose wounds could not be dressed until the most serious cases had been attended to. And what that cupful of good old Yankee drink meant to those boys who had just come out of the inferno of Chateau-Thierry, will never be told.

It is just that kind of service that is making the Salvation Army organization with the military forces of the allies one of the most potent factors in welfare work. As one of the seven great war work organizations participating in the united war work fund drive in November, the Salvation Army will be enabled, through its share of the \$170,500,000 to continue its operations with the fighting men.

## "Y" HUTS IN FOREST.

In the pine forests of Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and other states of the Southeast, where men are hewing wood to be used in the war program, the Y. M. C. A. is locating huts and tents so that they may be of service to these loyal workers. In so doing the "Y" is building up the morale of the men who are aiding the shipbuilding program.

## The Sugar Ration's Increased by One-Half

### Two Pounds per Person per Month is Increased to Three Pounds per Person per Month—Promise of Food Administration Made Good—Can Buy Full Month's Supply at One Time—No More Home Canners' Certificates.

Columbia.—The sugar allowance of the American people has been increased by one-half.

The allowance of two pounds per person per month, to which we have been limited, is now increased to three pounds per person per month.

This increase was announced by the Food Administration to become effective November 1.

The same proportionate increase applies to public eating places. Two pounds to each 90 meals served has been the allowance. The allowance is now three pounds to each 90 meals.

This makes good the promise of the Food Administration to increase the household allowance of sugar at the earliest possible moment that the supply would justify it, and makes it possible for the householder to more freely use cereals, apple, cranberry and grape fruit products and the use of fruits canned without sugar during the past summer.

In addition, it is announced at the same time that, instead of the necessity of buying sugar twice a month, a whole month's supply of sugar may be purchased at one time, and retail dealers are notified to sell sugar in such quantities.

It is announced simultaneously by the Food Administration that, the canning season having closed for this year, no more home canners' certificates will be issued, and no more sugar will be sold in 25 pounds lots for canning and preserving.

## EATING AT A COMMON TABLE WITH THE ALLIES

Columbia.—The Food Administration appeals three times daily to the individual responsibility of the people of South Carolina to continue the greatest responsibility of the people of South Carolina to continue the greatest voluntary effort at food saving ever made by a nation.

We must send the Allies and our own forces overseas 50 per cent more food during the coming year than we have sent them during the past twelve months.

Loyal Americans are eating at a common table with 120,000,000 Allied peoples.

Survey of the food resources of all the peoples fighting against Germany shows that to maintain supplies and

necessary reserves to guard against disaster there must be conservation of wheat flour in all countries through the coming year.

It is agreed that the wheat bread of the Allies shall contain 20 per cent of other grains.

It is only just that we should bear our share in this saving. Our bread should be universal with those who are suffering from the war far more than we.

Use Victory Mixed Flour in baking; eat other cereals also; save food in every possible way for those who sit at the common table.

## NEW HOME CARD COMING THE FIRST OF DECEMBER

Columbia.—Distribution of the new Home Card, which the Food Administration will put into 20,000,000 American kitchens, has been postponed on account of the epidemic of Spanish influenza, and the Home Card will not make its appearance until December 1. The original plan contemplated the opening of the Home Card campaign on October 27.

The new conservation plan, fully set forth on the new Home Card, is considered vital by the Food Administration. It will outline the conservation program to which the American people will be pledged probably for the remainder of the war and possibly for a period after peace has been declared, closed.

The Food Administration will make no effort to reduplicate the pledges of more than 12,000,000 American housewives who last year signified their willingness to co-operate in the conservation of food. It is expected that the housewife will hang the new Home Card at a convenient place in her kitchen and operate her home according to the program to help supply the sinews of war to the Allies and the American armed forces, as she has done heretofore.

There will be no "Wheatless" nor "Meatless" days provided for on the new Home Card, but the most careful saving in all edibles, particularly in the conservation of wheat, meat, fats and sugar will be urged.

The significant fact behind the new Home Card is the absolute and vital necessity of the United States sending five and three-quarter millions of tons more foodstuffs to the Allies this year than last, with an almost staggering total of seventeen and a half million tons for the coming year, which will awaken the supervisor of the family market-basket to the urgent necessity of maintaining a patriotic watchfulness over the spread of her individual table.

Be proud to be a food saver. Be content with a patriot's plenty and discontented with a slacker's superfluity.

## AFTER THE BANNER.

Last year Miss Tennant's grade carried off the banner in Red Cross Work and this year they have started out to carry off the honors again. Thursday night the grade sold candy at the opera house and made something over twenty four dollars. Friday night several little Red Cross girls carried a flag over town and

patriotic people dropped in nickels, dimes and dollars enough to make seven dollars and fifty-seven cents.

The sixth grade is after the banner and other grades will have to hustle to get into class A.

## APRIL AGAIN.

April has jumped back on the calendar and Saturday night we had a

regular April storm with plenty of thunder and lightning. Sunday the thermometer was up to seventy and the rain fell in steady showers all day.

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