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RED CROSS PUTS UP \$9,739,872

Year's Budget Stresses Relief and Services at Home and Overseas.

MILLIONS FOR VETERAN AID

Over \$3,000,000 Allotted to the Disabled—Foreign Work Lessens.

Washington .- Expenditures totaling \$9,739,872.47 for carrying through its program of services and relief during he fiscal year in the United States and overseas are authorized in the budget of the American Red Cross, effective July 1, 1922. This total is \$2,-735,975 less than the expenditures for the last fiscal year, when disbursements reached \$12,475,847.69, it is announced at National Headquarters in a statement emphasizing the necessity of continued support of the organization by enrollment during the annual Roll Call, November 11-November 30 inclusive. This total for the budget is exclusive of the large financial operations of the 3,300 active Red Cross Chapters, which, it is estimated, will more than double the total.

War Veterans Have First Call First call on Red Cross funds is for the disabled ex-service men, of whom 27,487 were receiving treatment from the Government on June 1 last. This work for veterans and their families in a wide variety of service that the Government is not authorized to render and for which it has neither funds nor facilities has the call on \$3,020,692.90 during the current year, or about \$366,000 more than was expended last year for soldier service. Adding the funds disbursed in this humanitarian work of physical reconstitution following the World War by the Chapters throughout the country will approximate a total for the current year approaching \$10,000,000. This work, in the opinion of the Surgeon General's office, will not reach its peak before 1926.

Through its Chapters the American Red Cross is equipped to find the individual ex-service man, help him in his problems and difficulties, provide homediately for his necessities, and open the way for him to the Government compensation and aid to which he is entitled. The extension of this work to the families of such men proves to them that the Red Cross has lost none of its sympathy nor will to service manifested in wartime. Similarly the service goes out to the men still in the Army and Navy, 11,087 of whom were under treatment in Government hospitals on June 1, 1922.

Greater Domestic Program This year-after five years of constructive effort during the war and after the armistice-brings with it a greater responsibility for domestic service to the American Red Cross. The budget for foreign operations, however, totals \$3,404,000, but of this amount \$1,834,000 is for medical relief and hospital supplies for Russia, which is a part of the gift made by the American Red Cross in 1921 to the Russian famine relief work of the American Relief Administration program. The child health service in Europe continues, moreover, and \$654,-000 is appropriated for this work undertaken in 1920. Other Items in the stringently diminished foreign program include \$200,000 to support the League of Red Cross Societies, \$22,-000 for nurses' training schools instituted by the Red Cross abroad, and \$600,000 for liquidation of the general Red Cross foreign relief program.

Prepared for Emergencies For disaster relief the Red Cross has set aside \$750,000, and for emergencies in Chapter work \$500,000 to be available for domestic, insular and foreign demands. This is more than \$395,000 above last year's expen-For service and assistance to the 3,300 Chapters and their branches \$1,293,000 is provided by the National organization.

Other budget items of importance in the domestic program include \$200,-000 for assistance to other organizations and education institutions for training Red Cross nurses and workers; \$190,000 for Roll Call assistance furnished to Chapters; \$100,000 for unforeseen contingencies.

Of the total budget less than \$500, 000 is allotted for management in the National organization. No cash estimate, of course, is possible to weigh the value of the service by volunteers in the Chapters.

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\$1,441,486 A YEAR'S DISASTER RELIEF COST

Red Cross Aided 145,000 Victims in United States-Losses Total \$30,000,000.

Seventy-two disasters, with hundreds reported killed and injured, and more than 145,000 either homeless or requiring assistance, called for emergency relief measures and the expenditure of \$1,441,486.36 by the American Red Cross during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922, according to a statement based on the forthcoming annual report of the Red The greatest toll of life was by hurricane and tornado, while the overflowing of rivers, the breaking of dams and torrential rains drove the greatest number of people from their homes. The property loss was estimated at more than \$30,-000,000.

The year's disasters reported included twenty-six floods, nineteen tornadoes, fifteen fires, four epidemics, two theatre collapses, two shipwrecks (one an airship), and a bridge collapse, mine explosion, railway collision, and a drought. Of the floods in the United States that at San Antonio, Texas, caused the greatest property loss, \$6,000,000 and the high mark of fatalities, 100, while the flood in the vicinity of Vicksburg and Natchez, Miss., forced 31,000 persons from their homes

A National Calamity

In the Red Cross disaster relief ecords there will probably "remain for many years one calamity which touched nearly every state with a sense of horror and of loss. This was the distressing collapse of the roof the Knickerbocker Theatre in Washington, D. C., resulting in niney-six deaths and 125 persons injured. Situated in the center of the beautiful Northwest residential section, this motion picture theatre was patronized by many persons of prominence both in the official and civil life of the National Capital, whose family and personal connections radiated out over the entire country. The horror was intensified by a terrific snowstorm which, though it retarded, did not block Red Cross relief.

Airship Crash Finds Aid at Hand The crash and destruction of the U. S. Army's large airship Roma in Virginia last February with the loss of 34 officers and men and 11 injured was the first disaster of its kind to call for Red Cross relief in this country. The suddenness of the accident tested the preparedness of the organization and of the Chapter at Hampton, Va., but the response was immediate and relief furnished the survivors, also funds for the expenses of relatives of the dead, who came from long distances to claim their own.

rendered by the Red Cross are two fires in the Philippines, one in Manila, which destroyed 1,000 homes, with a loss of \$1,500,000 and 5,000 persons made homeless, the other at Tonio, which drove 3,000 from their dwellings. In medical relief that was quick and effective the smallpox epidemic in San Domingo, which had a total of 22,000 cases with 225 deaths in a single day, tested the readiness of the Red Cross for action, and the same can be said of the San Domingo hurricane, which killed 12 persons and reduced the homes of 182 persons to wreckage. A flood in San Salvador, with a death 50 and 2000 refuge effectually handled by the local Chapter of the American Red Cross,

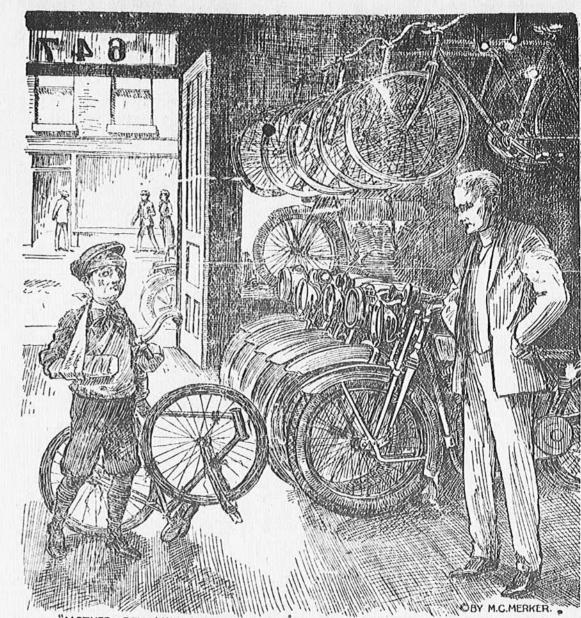
Relief Machinery Perfected The year has seen the further perfection of disaster relief administrative measures in every field of American Red Cross activity, and that the work may be carried on to still greater accomplishments the American Red Cross is appealing for widespread renewal of membership during the annual Roll Call, to be conducted this year from Armistice Day (November 11) to, and including, Thanksgiving Day (November 30).

Red Cross Roll Call **Heard World Around**

The Annual Roll Call of the American Red Cross for registration of the membership for 1923 will begin on Armistice Day, November 11, and close on Thanksgiving Day, November 30. The ground work for this stupendous task of re-enrolling the membership throughout the world has been laid in a plan for the first complete and comprehensive system of registration of the Red Cross membership in all its 3,300 active Chapters at home and abroad.

An'important feature of the roundthe-world Roll Call campaign will be a universal effort to re-enlist the service of war-time Red Cross workers in the peace program by their participation in the Roll Call. In this way the vast army of volunteers will once more affiliate with the work of the Red Cross in its manifold phases. Cooperation also has been assured by Government and private maritime interests in a deep-sea Roll Call that is designed to reach every member or potential member in every part of the world who may be en voyage or temporarily in any port.

Thousands of Chapters will adopt the home canvass plan of enrollment which originated in Pittsburgh, where last year it resulted in a membership increase of 50 per cent. All record in this year's campaign will be kep on standard size cards to be file 1 b. each Chapter for future use.



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