

# PLANNING FOR WAR RELIEF IN SUMMER

## Women's Peace Party Hears of Varied Service

### Basement of Mrs Hemenway's Home to Be Used for a-Canning Plant

With President Wilson's declaration of war, the executive board of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Peace Party voted to carry on civilian relief work during the war. At the annual meeting yesterday at 421 Boylston st, Mrs Richard H. Gorham of Milton, secretary, gave a very interesting resume of its activities for National service.

"It was decided," she said, "to undertake three lines of work—relief work, at headquarters; food supply and conservation; social service work, to maintain the standards of civil life in war time."

Some interesting items of service she described are providing supplies and autos for district nurses; sending out wool for women who want to knit; even down to Maine; sending garments for children to France; instructing volunteers in making garments and surgical supplies; keeping record of applications for help and offers of service, etc.

Arrangements are made to use the basement of Mrs Augustus Hemenway's house at 273 Clarendon st during the Summer for a canning plant, under an expert manager, helped by volunteers. Mrs Hemenway will meet all expenses except labor for the first month, and possibly all Summer. Five other women's organizations are cooperating, each undertaking to pay for the labor one day a week. Proceeds will be devoted to relief work.

Miss Ellen Dabney announced the award of two prizes for sculpture for conceptions designed to promote the Constructive Peace Movement. The first prize of \$50 was presented by Mrs J. Malcolm Forbes to Miss Rose Garrity of Boston, also known as a talented violinist.

The second prize of \$25 was awarded to a colored woman, Mrs Meta Vaux Merrick Fuller, wife of Solomon Carter Fuller of the Westboro State Hospital, a graduate of the School of Industrial Art in Philadelphia. It was stated that the membership of the society has reached 850. These officers were elected: Mrs J. Malcolm Forbes, president; Mrs Norwood P. Hallowell, Mrs Edwin D. Mead, Mrs Fannie Fern Andrews, Mrs Robert Gould Shaw, vice presidents; Mrs John Richardson Jr, treasurer; Mrs Ernest Amory Codman, Mrs John Sturgis Codman, Mrs Elizabeth Glendower Evans, directors.

## SURGICAL DRESSING LACK IN FRANCE GROWN SERIOUS

NEW YORK, May 23—Because of lack of sufficient surgical dressings, newspapers are being used on the battlefields of France to stop the wounds of many soldiers, according to a cable message to the American Red Cross and made public here tonight.

The situation is described as very serious. Rather than bleed to death, it is said the soldiers run the risk of gangrene and other infection by using newspapers. An appeal is made for increased supplies of dressings.