

**RELIEF WORK NEEDS IN BULGARIA SHOWN**

**MANY REFUGEES TO AID**

**Big Loan Planned to Help and of Course America Is Asked to Foot the Bill as Usual; Details**

An initial appropriation of \$5,000 was announced by the Near East Relief recently for refugee work in Bulgaria. Special gifts are invited to supplement this amount, in an effort to care more adequately for the Armenian refugee problem in that country.

The Bulgarian minister to the United States, in an appeal to the Near East Relief, has emphasized his government's desire to solve the problem of caring for 20,000 Armenian and 30,000 Russian refugees who have swollen the country's population since 1924. Because more than 220,000 Bulgarians were forced by the storm of war to flee back to their native country, the government feels that it has its hands more than full without the 50,000 Armenians and Russians. Neither nationality has proved entirely unassimilable, but because of the ugly conditions under which they are compelled to live, each has been a constant source of unrest and consequent national distress.

**Propose Loan**

A loan of something more than \$10,000,000 has been proposed by the League of Nations for the purpose of settling the Bulgarian refugees on the land. Part of this amount will be used for the Armenians and Russians, if the American relief agency can temporarily tide over some of the immediate distress among them.

Investigators have found conditions among the refugees almost unbelievably deplorable. "A disgrace to modern civilization!" reported a British official after a tour of the smaller villages about Sofia, Philippopolis and Varna. Although the large municipalities have appropriated funds for relief work, which has led to comparatively fair housing conditions within their limits, the situation in the outlying villages is described as edging on the horrible.

"Among the hundreds of houses which I visited," reports Barclay Acheson, Near East Relief investigator, "I did not see one which had anything but a gaping roof and empty window frames. The flooring was often composed of rotting, half broken planks, through which came up from underneath a mingled smell of cooking, manure and chickens. In some

houses the main timbers were so rickety that during bad weather the men folk had to hold on to the joints to prevent the buildings from collapsing. And yet in each room of each of these houses — except where the flooring was unsafe for a child—there were living whole families numbering sometimes seven or eight persons.

**Much Suffering**

"Of such people as I saw the adults were on the whole rather less unhealthy looking than the children. This no doubt is due to the fact that the adults still have certain reserves of strength upon which to draw. The children, except such fortunate ones as are being fed by the Quakers, were pitifully wan and wasted, and obviously they will never grow up to be really healthy and strong. The mortality is very high among the refugees, even now in the summer months, is very high, and a doctor who accompanied me remarked that in Gorn Voden he and the grave-digger were the two persons with the most regular employment."

Some relief work has already been done among the Bulgarian refugees. An organization known as the Children fund undertook in 1925 to settle fifty agricultural families upon a site forming a part of the Straldja marsh, drainage of which is now being completed by the government. Plowing was begun in May, but owing to various difficulties, it was possible to break less than 250 acres in time for sowing, and the crop of millet obtained was sufficient to maintain the families until the 1926 harvest. The area under cultivation in 1926 was increased to 400 acres, and crops to be derived from the sowing this year are estimated at \$15,000 in value, or \$300 per family, which should render each self sustaining until harvest time of 1927.

**Standardized Houses**

For the Bulgarian refugees the government has proposed a standardized type of house, estimated to cost about \$350. A number of them have been constructed, at a price, however, considerably more than the estimate, and others are under way. The plans call for a substantial permanent dwelling of two rooms, cellar and loft, with stone foundation, walls of sun dried brick, timbered floor and tiled roof, and providing separate stabling accommodations. At an actual cost

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of around \$500, it is found that the amount necessary for the building of these houses will be decidedly above that indicated in earlier surveys.

With the sum to be placed at disposal of the Bulgarian government through the refugee loan, it is declared that careful economy can provide only for the most needy refugees.

**ARCHITECT'S JOB ONE OF PROGRESS**

**No Longer Sinecure of Liletante, or Social Lion as In Old Days**

The days of the "social lion" architect, wealthy, leisurely dilettante, are gone forever, assert Harvey Wiley Corbett, New York architect, in an article in the August Architecture. In writing of "The Young Architect," Mr. Corbett says:

"There was a time in this country when the study and practice of architecture was only for the dilettante and the wealthy student. After a leisurely and pleasant time in Paris, he returned to live a charming life in this country, working when the inspiration presented itself and carrying on most of his business over the tea cup. But this sort of 'artist' has gone by the board.

"The ever-increasing application of architecture to progress and the fact that it mirrors a country's ideals, have established a new 'profession,' one that is utilitarian as well as useful, one that combines the ideals, have established a new 'profession' that places the architect as a business man as well as an artist."

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