

EDGAR GUEST DOES HIS BIT FOR SMYRNA

Pens Beautiful Appeal for Aid

Edgar Guest, the famous newspaper-magazine poet, who recently spoke at Community House, and whose poems of childhood delight millions daily, has written a poem for the Smyrna Special Relief Committee of Illinois, to aid in its Christmas drive on behalf of 1,250,000 people who are homeless and starving following the Thrace and Smyrna disasters.

General Charles G. Dawes is treasurer and Harry A. Wheeler is chairman of the committee, with headquarters at 125 West Monroe street, Chicago.

Mr. Guest's poem follows:

SMYRNA

Smyrna's calling you and me!
Smyrna, far across the sea,
Hears its women weeping
And its children's hungry cries.
Smyrna's streets are running red;
Smyrna begs for milk and bread;
Now before the scimitar
The Christian mother flies.

Smyrna's pain and misery
Are too far away to see,
But her call for mercy
Comes to us across the wire.
Homeless mothers, pale and gaunt
In the desperate clutch of want,
Turn to us who keep the cross
On every temple spire.

These are ours who suffer there,
Ours that battle with despair,
These are ours who beg and plead
And turn to us for aid;
Children, just like yours and mine,
Driven by the Turkish line.
As our children pray at night
So these babes have prayed.

Help these helpless ones to live!
From your store a little give.

When at last your life is closed
And you rejoin your dead,
You may stand in pride that day,
If but your soul can say:
"I gave those starving bread."

Indian Hill Club Awaits

Jack Frost for Winter Joy

The toboggan at the Indian Hill Country club has been erected and all preparations completed for a record season of winter sports.

All the club members and their friends are waiting for now is a long spell of real wintry weather like the sample Jack Frost submitted this week. It is greatly to be desired that the Christmas holidays will bring a generous supply of snow and some real skating weather.

Jack Davis has been re-engaged as skating instructor at the club this season. He is one of the best known professional skaters in the country and an expert teacher. Assisting Mr. Davis will be Miss June Rogers, his former skating partner, who will teach skating to children under 8 years of age.

Arrangements have been made to have the skating pond and toboggan slide lighted for night use.

Hockey will again hold a prominent place in winter sports. Last season the Indian Hill Hockey team won the championship of the North Shore league.

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