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August 22, 1917.

WAR RELIEF CLEARING HOUSE
For France and Her Allies

EXECUTIVE OFFICES, 40 WALL STREET, NEW YORK CITY
IMPORTANT NOTICE

The AMERICAN RELIEF CLEARING HOUSE in Paris was organized soon after the outbreak of the War in 1914, and since the organization of the War Relief Clearing House for France and Her Allies it has been its distributing representative in France of the AMERICAN RED CROSS.

The entry of the United States into the war has resulted in enormously increasing the burdens of the American Red Cross in France, and to aid in the situation there has been organized in Paris the AMERICAN RED CROSS FOR FRANCE AND BELGIUM, to succeed the American Relief Clearing House which, as above stated, has for about two years been the RED CROSS representative, and in order to secure the greatest efficiency it has been found necessary to place the administration of the new organization on a strictly military basis and to vest in it full discretion with respect to distribution of relief supplies in France.

The officers of the AMERICAN RED CROSS FOR FRANCE AND BELGIUM are:

Major GRAYSON M. P. MURPHY, Commissioner for Europe.
JAMES H. PERKINS, Assistant

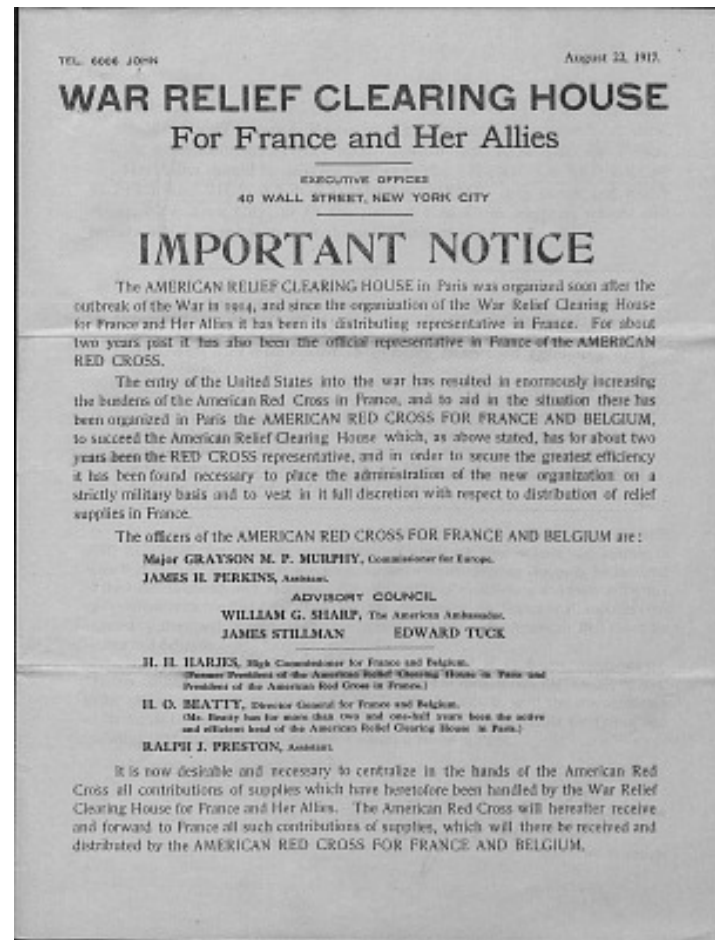
ADVISORY COUNCIL
WILLIAM G. SHARP, The American Ambassador
JAMES STILLMAN
EDWARD TUCK

H. H. HARJES, High Commissioner for France and Belgium.
(Former President of the American Relief Clearing House in Paris and President of the American Red Cross in France.)

H. O. BEATTY, Director General for France and Belgium.
(Mr. Beatty has for more than two and one-half years been the active and efficient head of the American Relief Clearing House in Paris.)

RALPH J. PRESTON, Assistant

It is now desirable and necessary to centralize in the hands of the American Red Cross all contributions of supplies which have heretofore been handled by the War Relief Clearing House for France and Her Allies. The American Red Cross will hereafter receive and forward to France all such contributions of supplies, which will there be received and distributed by the AMERICAN RED CROSS FOR FRANCE AND BELGIUM.



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