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WOMEN'S OVERSEA HOSPITAL, U. S. A., NOW IN FRANCE

**Supported by the Suffragists of
the Nation and Staffed
by Women.**

The first "all women's hospital" unit to go to the front has arrived in France. This is the Women's Oversea Hospitals, U. S. A., backed by the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

It is a matter of special elation among suffragists that this first women's unit should have gone out from the New York Infirmary for Women and Children, the institution founded by the great pioneer suffragist physician, Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, in 1854.

The unit was formally accepted by the French government in August. It could not be offered to the United States government because women are not eligible to the United States Medical Reserve Corps.

The director of the unit is Dr. Caroline Finley, who has been in France since November. The unit's personnel includes seven doctors, among whom are gynecologists, general surgeons, obstetricians, medical practitioners, pediatricians, an otologist, a bacteriologist, radiologist and dentist, all women. It also includes women nurses, aids, clerks, dietitians, a pharmacist, mechanics, chauffeurs and a plumber.

In addition to Doctor Finley and the plumber, the staff members already in France are: Dr. Alice Gregory, who has been acting director in Doctor Finley's absence; Dr. Anna van Sholly, Dr. Mary Lee Edward, Dr. Marce R. Formad, Dr. Olga Povitzky and Dr. Laura Hunt.

It is expected that another contingent will sail some time in March and that other hospitals staffed by women will go to the front in the name of the National Suffrage Association. Suffragists of Great Britain are responsible for a chain of 11 hos-

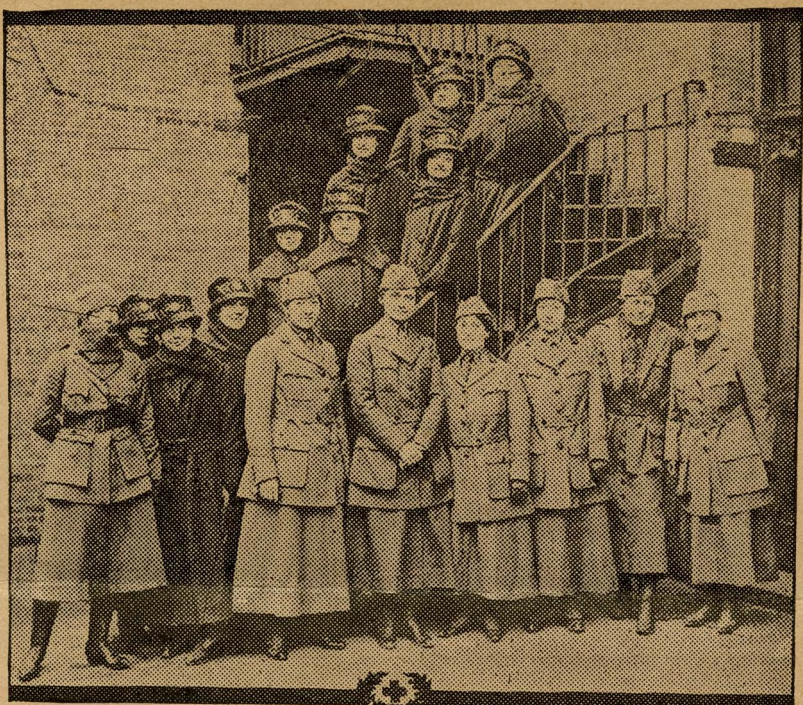


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Women's Hospital Unit Ready for Overseas Service.

In this group are the doctors, nurses, motor drivers and mechanics of the Women's Oversea Hospitals, U.S.A., all ready to start for their job in France. The hospital is directed by the National American Woman Suffrage Association and is composed entirely of women.

pitals which have been making history under the title of "The Scottish Women's Hospitals."

"What British suffragists have done U. S. A. suffragists can do," says Mrs. Charles L. Tiffany, who is chairman of the Advisory Committee. Other members of the committee are Dr. Pearce Bailey, Mrs. John Claffin, Dr. Alice Gregory, Mr. E. C. Henderson, Dr. Samuel W. Lambert, Mrs. V. Everit Macy, Dr. Mary D. Rushmore, Mrs. Edwin Thorne, Mrs. Norman de R. Whitehouse, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, Dr. Mary Lee Edward, Miss Mary Garrett Hay, Mr. Gustavus Town Kirby, Mrs. Philip Lydig, Mrs. Ogden Mills Reid, Mr. John L. Wilkie, Mrs. F. Louis Slade and Mrs. Percy R. Tur-

WOMEN'S CLUBS HELP THE WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

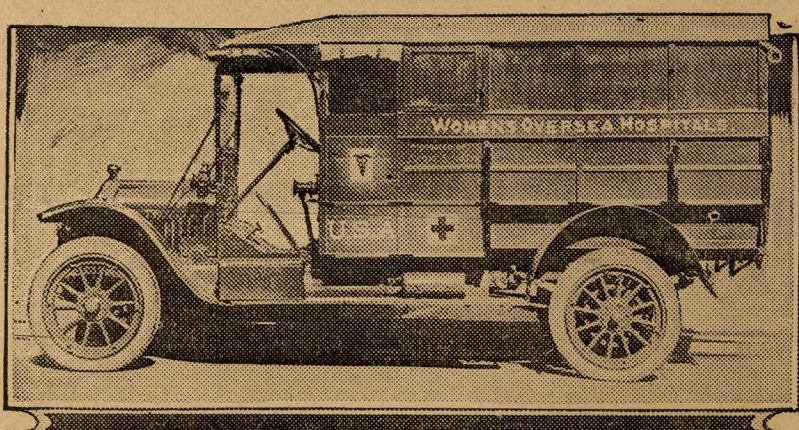
Women's clubs throughout the country are becoming interested in the plucky little hospital unit, staffed by women, which has recently sailed for France to work behind the lines for the restoration of women and children. The Colony Club of New York city has donated a motor truck, and Sorosis, the oldest incorporated woman's club in the United States, has given a present to celebrate its fiftieth birthday. The present is a \$2,600 ambulance to go to France with the hospital unit and run on errands of kindness for the French children and their mothers. Civitas, a large Brooklyn club, has presented another ambulance. Both bear on their sides the legend, "Women's Oversea Hospitals, U. S. A.," with the Red Cross and the emblem of the hospitals.

A fifty bed hospital will be stationed behind the lines in one of the most devastated areas in France. While it will be at the call of the French War Department for the care of the military wounded, its direct object is to build up the broken down women and children who have suffered from lack of care during the occupation of their towns by war forces.

In a cablegram received from Doctor Finley the dire need of the French people for the help to be secured through the hospital is set forth in a startling sentence or two—"Great need for unit. Civilians taken many miles for hospital treatment. Must do much surgery; need specialists, ambulance service, several dispensaries."

It will be recalled that the French High Commissioner, Monsieur Tardieu, was most hospitable to the idea of the unit from the start.

The fund for the upkeep of the hospital was formally assumed by the National American Woman Suffrage Association at its forty-ninth annual convention in Washington, D. C., last December. The hospital was then adopted as the association's "war baby."



One of the Ambulances Given to the Unit.

SUFFRAGE SERVICE FLAG HAS SIXTEEN STARS.

There are now 16 stars in the suffrage service flag. The flag has a center field of white surrounded by a deep blue border, and its 16 big yellow stars are in honor of 16 of the association's workers who are in active service in France. Names of the 16 are:

Miss Heloise Meyer of Massachusetts, first auditor of the National Woman Suffrage Association.

Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, member of the Congressional Committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

Miss Irene C. Boyd of the New York Suffrage Party.

Dr. Esther Pohl-Lovejoy, president of the Oregon Suffrage Association.

Miss Mary W. Dewson, chairman of Legislative Committee of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association.

Miss Lodovine Le Moyne, publicity chairman of the Fall River Equal Suffrage League.

Miss Elizabeth G. Bissell of Dubuque, corresponding secretary of the Iowa Equal Suffrage Association.

Miss Susan P. Ryerson, former corresponding secretary, Chicago Equal Suffrage Association.

Miss Henrietta Taylor of the Suffrage League of Pine Bluffs, Ark.

Dr. Ethel Lyon Heard, vice president of the Galveston (Tex.) Equal Suffrage Association.

Miss Elizabeth Biddlecombe, secretary of the Newport (N. H.) Suffrage Association.



Mrs. Helen Isabel O. Griffith's Plumber