

revealing conditions and activities in camps and telling what is being done to aid the "men who mark time." A monthly newsletter was also sent to United States prisoners of war in Europe.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY

PRISONERS OF WAR

Food parcels packed in Red Cross centers*	5,390,000
Convalescent parcels packed in Red Cross centers*	160,000
Volunteers in Red Cross packing centers*	5,000
Value of <i>Gripsholm</i> cargo for Far East†	\$1,500,000

*Jan. 1, 1943—Nov. 6, 1943

†September 1943

BARRICADES AGAINST HUNGER AND COLD

THE value of contributions for aid to civilians in foreign lands, in goods and services supplied by and through the American Red Cross since the war began, approached the hundred million dollar mark. About one-third of this total went to aid civilians of Great Britain during the bombardments forcing evacuation of homes on a large scale and to European refugees seeking sanctuary there.

Russia received great quantities of medical supplies and hospital equipment, relief clothing made by Red Cross volunteers, and much dry whole milk. Special attention was given to the needs of war orphans and the children of evacuated families. To the Middle East went similar cargoes mainly for Polish, Greek, and Balkan refugees. Aid to China, despite the enormous need, totaled but a few million dollars' worth because of transportation difficulties. Hospital supplies and equipment, milk, blankets, clothing, and layettes also were distributed to the most needy in North Africa.



Increased quantities of medical