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Volunteer Procedure

Before Acceptance:
1. Application blanks
2. Four (4) letters of recommendation
After Acceptance:
1. Volunteer's agreement
2. (Minors) Written consent of parents or guardian
3. (Draftees) Address of Local Draft Board, Order No. and Serial No.
4. Twelve (12) passport pictures
5. Doctor's Certificate
6. Inoculation certificates - typhoid para typhoid diptheria smallpox typhus anti-tetanus 7. Uniform and equipment list
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8. Required for passports:
Birth certificate, old passport, or sworn statement of date and place of birth Passport photographs Letter of acceptance from A.F.S Release from draft board Minor's consent
9. Visas: British (Passport photos required for visas)
10.Geneva card
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Final Check On First Contingent Men

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Please check this list carefully with Mr. Wallace, Mr. Ogden, Mr. Ives, Mr. Van Cleef, Mr. Hoeing, or Mr. King. Keep the duplicate for your own guidance.

- Are we in possession of your passport and has it been checked to see that it is in order?
- If you are of draft age, are you in possession of your 2. permit to leave the country?
- Are we in possession of your Geneva Card? 3.
- Have you made arrangements to obtain funds abroad by traveller's checks?
- 5. Are you in possession of a Ast. Ochte of the innoculations you have had?
- If your innoculations have not been completed, have arrang-6. ements been made for you to have them on the boat?
- Are you in possession of your identity bracelet and has your blood type been angraved on it? Have you checked this against your certificate from the doctor? Do you have the certificate in your possession?
- Are you in possession of the following clothing and equip-8. ment?

Sufficient Civilian Clothing for the Journey

Light Khaki Drill Tunic and Slacks Overcoat

2 Pairs Kahki Drill Shorts

4 Pair Socks 2 Kahki Ties to Match Uniform

4 Kahki Coloured Shirts

1 Field Cap

1 Pair Ankle-high Field Shoes

1 Pair Low Shoes

2 Pair Knee-length Stockings

1 Pair Gloves

1 Woolen Sweater

1 Muffler

1 Poncho

1 Bedding Roll

3 Blankets

1 Duffle Bag 1 Musette Bag 1 Compass 1 Pair Goggles 1 Pair Kahki Coloured Overalls 1 Collapsible Canvas Wash-basin 1 Steel Mirror 1 Knife 1 Flash Lamp with Store of Batteries Identity Bracelet Mess-kit

- 9. Has your baggage been clearly labelled wame and American Field Service? You should have everything you need for 48 hours in your Musette bag.
- 10. Do you understand that you must not wear any Kahki clothing unless you are given permission by Mr. Richmond to do so?
- Do you know the number of the group to which you are attached and the name of your group leader. Group No. -----Leader's Name ----
- Do you understand that unless you receive further instructions you should be at the gallery over Track 28 at Grand Central Station at 2 P.M. on Thursday November 6th and should report to your group leader whom you can identify by the number on his arm-band. 12.

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12th, 1941

Re: Volunteers Personal Equipment Pamphlet covered by the form letter, but new and complete printings of this pamphlet and naw being made and will be forwarded to you.

Identification bracelets should be ordered direct from Mr. Clarence Webster of 6 Maiden Lane, N.Y.C. In placing the order the volunteer should print clearly his name and the information concerning his blood group, both International and Moss for the inscription. The bracelets will be delivered to this office for later distribution. A cheque for three dollars to cover cost and postage, must be enclosed with the order.

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VOLUNTEERS' PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Arrangements have been made with Ridabock & Company, of 65 Madison Avenue, New York (at 27th Street), and the Brooks Uniform Company, of 1140 Sixth Avenue, Corner of 44th Street, New York, to supply uniforms and clothing to American Field Service men. As they are familiar with our requirements, men may find it convenient to go to one or the other of these firms.

Equipment other than clothing can be obtained at Ridabock's or at Modell's, of 243 West 42nd Street, New York. The latter has agreed to give a discount of 10 per centro American Field Service men.

Anyone wishing to buy uniforms or equipment elsewhere may to so but should make certain that the articles correspond to the specifications given below. A complete set of regulation buttons, cap insignia and arm insignia will be sent to you by mail if you write to Ridabock (not Brooks) and enclose three dollars to cover cost and postage.

Men are advised to order uniforms and equipment as early as possible because of the pressure of workon all firms in the outfitting business at the present time.

The following is essential:

Light Khaki Drill Tunic and Slacks

The fabric is the regular summer drill used by the American Army and should be Sanforized-Shrunk. The Tunic should be cut in the style of the regular British Army officer. The lapels should be notched, not peaked as in the American Army style, and there should be "bellow" side pockets instead of the ordinary pockets of the American style. Buttons should be as supplied by the A. F. S. and the embroidered arm insignia "American Field Service" is sewn on the left sleeve 1 inch below the shoulder. The belt will be in the same material as the tunic with a plain buckle, as Sam Brownes will not be worn.

Overcoat

This should be in the regular American Army officer style with horn buttons and the arm insignia will be sewn on the left sleeve one inch below the shoulder. The fabric should be the olive drab Army officer overcoat Kersey as supplied by the Middlesex Mills No. 330/15 or if this is not obtainable it should be a close match.

2 pairs Khaki Drill Shorts

These should be longer than the ordinary type of American shorts and should come down to within an inch of the knee-cap. There should be capacious pockets.

4 Khaki Coloured Shirts

It is felt that four is the minimum number but six will probably be useful. They may be either short or long sleeved and the arm insignia should be sewn on the left sleeve one inch below the shoulder. The colour should be close to that of the tunic but may be rather lighter.

2 Khaki Ties to Match Uniform

Knitted ties stand up to hard wear better than woven ones but whether knitted or woven they should be silk.

1 Field Cap

This should be the regular American Army "field" cap which is sometimes called "overseas" cap. Only officers will wear the "garrison" type cap. The cloth must match the drill uniform.

1 pair Ankle-high Field Shoes

These are for heavy work and should be well-made. The Endicott Johnson Field Shoe is considered suitable and its light colour soon tones down; they are said to be water-

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1 Musette Bag

This should be rain-proof and the regular Army size.

It is important that this should be good quality.

1 pair Goggles

They should protect the eyes from dust and sand and unbreakable glass is recommended.

1 pair Khaki Coloured Coveralls

These should be the army style as they may sometime be used instead of uniform. An arm insignia should be sewn on the left sleeve.

1 Collapsible Canvas Wash-basin

1 Steel Mirror

1 Knife

With can-opener, bottle opener.

1 Flash Lamp with Store of Batteries

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