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MISS AGNES Smedley, author of *Battle Hymn of China*, who spent more than 12 years at the Chinese combat front, working alternately as a missionary and Red Cross worker, has launched a new plan to aid the land in whose future she so firmly believes. Her project will aid the Chinese War Relief Fund.

The special prize in this project is a child's ensemble, of superior workmanship and artistry, executed by Mrs. Aino Taylor of Ojai, Calif., whose husband is principal of the Ojai Valley School and a naturalized American citizen.

The costume is all hand made by Mrs. Taylor who personifies international relations, her father being Finnish, her mother Swedish and her husband Scotch, and now a naturalized American citizen. Before coming to this country, Mrs. Taylor lived in Alaska.

She studied for the medical profession but gave it up to marry, and has many talents, among them the art of being an expert seamstress.

The prize for the project is on display in J. P. McGirr's window now and later, next week, will be displayed at Starbuck's Store, and tickets for the project are on sale at both those stores at Brunner's Book Store, The Ridge Gift Shop and The Saratogian.

The drawing will be made at The Saratogian by Miss Evelyn M. Barrett of the Staff.

Mrs. Smedley was busy today and yesterday, personally interesting people in the project and already has interested some 200 persons.