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JUNIOR RED CROSS WORKING AT HOME

Production of Sound American
Citizenship the First Aim,
Says Dr. Farrand.

On the badge of every member of the Junior Red Cross are the words "I Serve." This is the story of the school children's branch of the American Red Cross and its efforts to bring happiness to children throughout the world.

Realizing that the time never was so propitious as right now for teaching the highest ideals of citizenship, the entire present program of the Junior Red Cross has been framed under the very inclusive phrase, "Training for Citizenship Through Service" for others. Since the Junior Red Cross is the agency through which the American Red Cross reaches the schoolboys and the schoolgirls, it is inevitable that it comes within the regular school program, and without creating any difficulty in increasing the number of students to lead its aid in carrying on the work of the schools.

"The thing that is needed," says Dr. Livingston Farrand, Chairman of the American Red Cross Central Committee, "is not a perpetuation of the Junior Red Cross, but the training and breeding of sound American citizenship inspired by the true, fundamental ideals of sound democracy. One of the great contributions in making the Red Cross a contributor to better citizenship in our American democracy is the realization that after all the sole hope of any nation is with the children of the country."

The plan of organization of the Junior Red Cross makes the school—public, parochial and private—the unit, not the individual pupils. Mutual service, helpful community work such as cleaning campaigns, care of the sick, promotion of health regulations, participation in civic and patriotic movements—all these creative agencies designed to translate into life and action the regular school program are parts of the machinery which the Junior Red Cross places at the disposal of the school authorities.

Graded study courses giving practical methods of civic training, supplemented by pamphlets and helpful suggestions, are supplied to the local schools by the Junior Red Cross. An elaborate plan for promoting an interchange of correspondence between children in different sections of the United States as well as children in foreign lands is being devised and will take a prominent place in the established classroom program.

In promoting the general cause of child welfare, Red Cross courses in home hygiene and care of the sick, first aid, and dieting may be established in all Junior Red Cross Auxiliaries.

The ideals and the objective of the Junior Red Cross are embodied in the pledge of service which the pupil takes when he signs the membership roll and pins on his coat the Junior's badge. The pledge which binds together service and citizenship reads:

"We will seek in all ways to live up to the ideals of the Junior Red Cross and devote ourselves to its service."

"We will strive never to bring discredit to this, our country, by any unwise act."

"We will reverence and obey our country's laws and do our best to inspire alike reverence and obedience in those about us."

"We will endeavor in all these ways, as good citizens, to transmit America greater, better and more beautiful than she was transmitted to us."

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RED CROSS ACTIVE IN DISASTER RELIEF

When disaster hits a community—fire, flood, earthquake, cyclone, bad weather or tornado—the American Red Cross can be depended upon to follow right at the heels with help for the stricken people. Red Cross relief is almost immediately forthcoming—food, clothing, shelter and funds; doctors, nurses and special workers with long experience in handling similar trouble elsewhere.

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AMERICANS ABROAD IN RED CROSS WORK

United States Citizens Far Away
Enthusiastic Members of the
"Fourteenth" Division.

Among the most enthusiastic and energetic members of the American Red Cross are those citizens of the United States who live outside the continental boundaries of their country—sons and daughters of the Stars and Stripes residing at the far corners of the earth.

These people comprise the Basque and Foreign Division of the parent organization, generally known as the "Fourteenth" Division, which has jurisdiction of all territory outside the country proper, that is, Alaska, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Virgin Islands, the Philippines, Guam, and even the island of Yap, which came under the flag as a result of the world war. For the year, their division reported 100,000 paid-up members.

The main object of this division is to give our citizens everywhere the opportunity to participate in the work of the organization which stands for the best national ideals. Americans in far places intensely loyal and patriotic, treasure their membership in the Red Cross as the outward expression of their citizenship. It is another tie to the homeland and to each other. There are chapters of this division in Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, England, France, Guatemala, Haiti, Hawaii, Honduras, Japan, Manchuria, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Porto Rico, Siberia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Turkey, Uruguay, Venezuela and Virgin Islands.

During the war, these scattered members of the Red Cross contributed millions in money, and millions of dollars' worth of necessary articles for the men in service, and sent many doctors and nurses to France. At the same time they carried on an excellent Home Service in their respective communities for the families of those who had gone to war, and in some regions gave large sums of money and innumerable personal services to the relief of disaster and disease victims.

The division is now establishing service clubs in foreign ports for the benefit of sailors in the American Merchant Marine, making plans to aid Americans in trouble in foreign lands, and completing arrangements for giving immediate adequate relief in case of disaster.

It is the Fourteenth Division's part in the great Peace Time program of the American Red Cross.

RED CROSS ASSISTS DISABLED VETERANS

The American Red Cross is carrying on a wide program of service for the disabled World War veterans receiving treatment in United States Public Health hospitals and those being trained through agencies of the Federal Board for Vocational Education.

In each of the Public Health Service hospitals Red Cross workers devote their time to the general welfare of the service men from the day they enter the receiving ward until they are discharged. After the soldier's discharge the Red Cross continues its friendly service through the Home Service Section in this same community.

The Red Cross maintains a convalescent home at one of the hospitals, where patients can amuse themselves after they are well enough to be up and around. Parties and pleasure shows in the wards are also furnished, with occasional excursions when convalescence comes.

Great service has been rendered by the Red Cross in mental cases in identifying those who have appeared in state hospitals for the insane, and helping them secure compensation due from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance.

In the Federal Board's various district offices the Red Cross worker, acting with the Home Service Section, makes necessary loans to the men, arranges suitable living conditions, helps collect evidence and supply facts to the Board, assists in "appealing cases" and settles various personal difficulties for the men. The workers also follow up and aid all men who discontinue training.

The Red Cross agents find men "lost" to the Board, help clean up delayed cases and aid the college counselors in their friendly work with the men. Many Red Cross chapters have set up recreation facilities, and in some instances living clubs, so these victims of war may have attractive surroundings and the fun which must go with effective school work.

To the American Red Cross Institute for the Blind, near Baltimore, Md., more than half of all the Americans blinded in the World War have come for training. The Institute, through the Red Cross, has conducted an exhaustive industrial survey to determine the vocations for which blind men could be fitted. As a result it is putting forth well-trained men equipped to meet the social, civic and economic requirements of their respective communities.

Aid for Spanish Red Cross.

The Berlin chapter of the American Red Cross, composed of Americans resident in Spain, has just contributed \$400 to a fund being raised by the Spanish Red Cross and the League of Red Cross Societies for the purpose of fighting malaria.

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