



"They're Coming Home!"

The Y.M.C.A. will keep its chain of Service unbroken to the end!

Four and a half years of war—*anxiety—separation—and now they're coming home!* Help to make their home-coming happy. Help the Red Triangle maintain its chain of service unbroken until the last man is discharged.

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The Red Triangle has been with the Canadian Army from the first—from Valcartier to the Rhine. During demobilization we have maintained full service to the soldiers both in Canada and overseas, and we will continue to do so until demobilization is completed—if you help us.

But please note that for the military work in Europe this year you are not asked for further contributions. The gradual liquidation of assets overseas will suffice to maintain full service while the soldiers remain. *The war work you are asked to support this year is for the soldiers coming home.*

What We Are Doing for Returning Soldiers

On every troop ship a trained Y.M.C.A. man is on duty. He carries a supply of literature, writing materials, games, a magic lantern and slides, a gramophone and records. In some cases he has a piano or an organ.

He takes charge of the entertainment of men, organizes concerts, lectures, sing songs, religious services, sports and games on ship-board. He helps and advises, explains the government plans for re-establishing soldiers into civil life, stimulates sociability and wholesome good cheer.

At Ports and on Trains

When the transport reaches Halifax, St. John or Quebec, The Red Triangle welcomes the soldier back to Canada. Free canteen service awaits him on the dock, with hot coffee, or tea, cold drinks, eatables and cigarettes. Reliable information is furnished. Facilities for telegraphing home are at hand. If the men have to wait for trains, the Y.M.C.A. is there to organize entertainment.

Every troop train leaving the ports of debarkation has on board a Red Triangle man. He distributes cigarettes, candies, and other eatables, reading materials and games—free of charge. He furnishes needed information, and helps, by entertainment, to make bearable the monotony of the train

journey. Every one hundred dollars subscribed provides these facilities for one troop train.

In each of eleven big Canadian Cities stretching from coast to coast, where soldiers are held over, or where they may have

business, the Y.M.C.A. maintains a fully equipped Red Triangle Club, where soldiers are provided with comfortable board and lodgings at nominal rates. Here they may meet to talk, play or read, write letters and make themselves at home generally.

At every dispersal centre in Canada, the Y.M.C.A. maintains its Red Triangle service, with free canteen, reading and writing facilities and information bureau.

In Military Hospitals

In each of the military hospitals in Canada, in the military camps and barracks where men remain on duty during demobilization, the Y.M.C.A. place a trained man in charge of full Red Triangle service, providing entertainment, recreation, instruction and social stimulus.

Besides the work for the men returning, your support is asked for the maintenance of four Red Triangle Secretaries and auxiliary staff with the Siberian Canadian Expeditionary Force.

Every returned man is offered six months' full membership privileges free, in any local Y.M.C.A. The National Council is aiding the local Y.M.C.A.'s to meet the cost of dormitory accommodation, bathing facilities and other privileges and the employment of special secretaries in connection with local service to these men.

For Soldiers' Wives and Children

Out of the Red Triangle Fund \$175,000 will be set aside for the Dominion Council of the Young Women's Christian Association, who are looking after soldiers' wives and children coming to Canada. Y.W.C.A. secretaries help mothers on boats, and arriving to women and children a service similar to that which the Y.M.C.A. does for the men. Y.W.C.A. rest rooms and refreshment service welcome the soldiers' families at the ports of arrival. The sick are attended, children cared for, and the women folk cheered with the kindly word and the helping hand. At the big word and the helping hand. At the big railway stations the Y.W.C.A. representatives are there to help, comfort, advise and direct. And in certain cases, where money is lacking, funds are provided to complete the journey. The budget of the Dominion Council, Y.W.C.A. provides also for the extension of its many forms of service among Canadian girls.

For Coming Men of Canada

The Y.M.C.A. asks your support for a greatly enlarged programme of service to Canada's boys this year, as the most valuable reconstructive work that can be done to repair the awful war-wastage of Canada's man power (89,383 dead and 156,799 wounded.)

The Red Triangle will be carried to the boys and men of the towns and villages and the open country this year, upon a plan of county organization.

You are asked to help construct the manhood that will reconstruct Canada.

For Soldiers of Industry

Something of what the Y.M.C.A. is doing for the soldiers in khaki, will be done this year for the army of workers in Canada's industrial plants. A programme of social activities and recreation will be promoted under the guidance of trained Y.M.C.A. men.

The Y.M.C.A. is establishing Red Triangle service also for the men and boys in the "front trenches of industry"—workers in isolated industries like lumbering and mining.

Help the "Y" Finish its Work for the Soldiers

National Council, Young Men's Christian Associations of Canada

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