

RED CROSS PHILATELY EXHIBITION

On 10 July 1973, at the International Red Cross museum of Castiglione delle Stiviere, the International Red Cross Philately Exhibition was opened, in the presence of the representative of the Italian Red Cross President, the Verona and Mantova section Presidents, delegates from the Milan section, the syndic of Castiglione, the museum director, and representatives from the ICRC, the League of Red Cross Societies and the Henry Dunant Institute.

After the inauguration ceremony, the assembly visited the exhibition organized by the League and of which we must mention the wealth of exhibits and the vivid presentation. The exhibition is open until 10 October. It displays postage stamps issued for the benefit of the Red Cross in many countries on the occasion of our movement's centenary and to commemorate various events.

There are other items of interest in this international museum, which is in a lovely manor in the very heart of this site so well-known to the members and friends of the Red Cross, as it was there where thousands of wounded were conveyed from the battlefield of Solferino, many of them being tended by Henry Dunant in the Chiesa Maggiore.

RED CROSS REGIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR THE CARIBBEAN

As the *International Review* has announced in previous issues, the League of Red Cross Societies organized jointly with the National Society of the countries concerned two training institutes for Spanish-speaking Societies, one of them in Mexico City in 1970 and the other, two years later, at Fusagasugá, Colombia. A further

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regional training institute, this time for English-speaking Caribbean countries, was held at Oracabessa, Jamaica, from 9 to 23 June 1973.

The participants were members of the National Societies of Barbados, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago. Canada, Finland and the United States of America also sent delegates, and nine chapters of the British Red Cross were represented, namely, Antigua, Bahamas, Belize, British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts and St. Vincent. Mr. B. Pettersson, Under Secretary General of the League, assisted by several officers of that institution, was present, as was Mr. Nessi, ICRC delegate-general for Latin America.

The first three days were devoted to the International Red Cross, and Mr. Nessi made a statement about the ICRC, the principles of the Red Cross and the Geneva Conventions. The representatives of the League in turn led a discussion which shed light on the operations and responsibilities of that federation of National Societies. Some further subjects were dealt with: Red Cross and Youth, First Aid and Water Safety, Disaster Preparedness, Principles of Public Relations and Advertising, Protocol and Human Relations in Administration.

The active co-operation of all members of the Training Institute ensured its complete success. Delegates of National Societies and of British Red Cross chapters compared their experiences, while discussions in the working groups revealed the work already done and the tasks that still lay ahead.

Honduras

Five tons of powdered milk, which had been made available to the ICRC by the Swiss Confederation, were sent to the Honduran Red Cross in October 1972. The Society organized a distribution programme approved by Mr. Serge Nessi, ICRC delegate-general for Latin America, who was in Tegucigalpa at the time.

Three towns were supplied: Tegucigalpa (3 tons), San Pedro Sula (1 ton) and La Ceiba (1 ton), where the need was greatest.