

R. C. Work Not Lessened by Peace.

Relaxation of effort by American Red Cross chapters should not be permitted "until peace is really here," says a message sent out by the war council to each of the 8,857 local organizations.

"But even with peace" said the message, "let no one suppose that the work of the Red Cross is finished. Millions of American boys are still under arms. Thousands of them are sick and wounded. Owing to the shortage of shipping, it may take a year or more to bring our boys home from France.

The cessation of war will reveal a picture of misery such as the world has never seen before, especially in many countries which cannot help themselves. The American people will expect the Red Cross to continue to act as their agent in repairing broken spirits and broken bodies.

"Our spirits must now call on us to show that not the roar of cannon or the blood of our own alone directed our activities, but that a great people will continue to respond greatly and freely to its obligations and opportunities to serve."