

Those plans were followed up in practice in several countries, the young people taking inspiration from them. As announced in the League publication *Panorama*, they put into effect in Ceylon, New Zealand, Malaysia, the Philippines, Australia and Cambodia what they had learned in Japan. The magnificent effort of the Junior Red Cross of Japan, the fine spirit and methods of the seminar had wide repercussions, as symbolized by the words of one participant: "Konnichiwa 70 has just begun".

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## Malawi

Last November, Mr. R. Santschy, delegate of the ICRC, went to Malawi in order to visit the Malawi Red Cross Society and to see the work it was doing in Blantyre and other parts of the country.

At the Chiradzulu Tuberculosis Hospital, which is run by the government, the National Society finds ways and means of providing patients with occupation during the long hours they spend in hospital. For example, children's patterns, needles and thread are supplied. The patients sew together the various pieces of ready-cut material, and the finished clothes are sold locally in aid of the Red Cross.

In Blantyre, at National Society headquarters, the ICRC delegate met members of a unit who meet regularly once a week for first-aid courses and spoke to them on the history of the ICRC and its present tasks. At Kasupe, he was received by the Local Branch Committee and by Junior Red Cross members. At Lilongwe, where he went together with Mr. Chibambo, Secretary General of the Society, the delegate addressed over a hundred boys and girls on the Red Cross and its humanitarian mission. He next went to Dowa, in which place he visited the Red Cross Training Centre and watched first-aid demonstrations which witnessed to the excellent training given to the pupils<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> *Plate.*

At Chiteva, the delegate visited a nursing home consisting of a maternity and a dispensary. A male nurse is in charge of the dispensary and an assistant and four Red Cross nurses work under him. Serious cases are transferred to the hospital at Blantyre, but the fact that 250 to 300 patients are treated every day at the dispensary, which is open six days a week, clearly shows how important it is. The maternity, too, is very busy, and a male nurse goes once a week to neighbouring villages to lecture on first aid and the rules of hygiene for mothers and infants.

The ICRC delegate also had talks in Blantyre with Mr. Muwalo, Chairman of the Malawi Red Cross. They examined together various humanitarian problems, including the problem of refugees which is aggravated as soon as the rainy season starts. Each year, in the central and southern areas, the National Society provides assistance for them, and manifests, in this respect too, the constant activity and worthy pioneering spirit it shows in different fields.