

# IN THE RED CROSS WORLD

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## RED CROSS WELFARE SERVICES

An invitation to look into the future, drew specialists in Red Cross welfare services of 22 National Societies to a holiday isle near Stockholm. Here, during the IVth Red Cross International Seminar on Welfare Service, they met to predict "the prospective role of the Red Cross welfare service in a rapidly-changing world". Within the main theme of the seminar, they took a closer look at contemporary approaches to the elderly, the mentally, physically and socially handicapped and the recruitment of volunteers. Several visits were organised to institutions representing the newest initiatives in Sweden in these fields.

At the close of the Seminar participants' main requests were long-term ones: for ad hoc working groups, outlines of specialised courses and a guide for the training of those in charge of welfare services.

The Seminar, held 28 May-4th June, was organised jointly by the Swedish Red Cross and the League.

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## Jordan

*The League of Red Cross Societies has published in its review Panorama some information collected by its delegate in Jordan, Mr. El-Kechai, Vice-President of the Algerian Red Crescent, who in this capacity has had considerable experience of these relief operations.*

Tens of thousands of refugees streamed across the Jordan River and settled on the vast stretches of the East Bank, following the recent events.

Except in the Jordan Valley itself, where the greenery and crops indicate the presence of water, most of the land on which the camps