

With the object of helping such children, their parents and the doctors, the Red Cross established its Home first at Saittas and later in Kyrenia in more convenient premises.

Thirty-two children of both Greek and Turkish origin between the ages of two and twelve years, incapacitated by paralysis, heart disease, muscle dystrophy, are accommodated at a time and remain for periods of from six months to two years according to their requirements. They are under constant specialised supervision and the Children's Specialist from Nicosia General Hospital visits the Home every week recommending treatment, admissions and discharges. When required, After-Care is provided by the Red Cross Committees in the various Districts in co-operation with the Government Medical and Welfare Services. Lessons are provided for those of school age. The direction of the Home is assured by an English Matron, appointed by the Cyprus Red Cross and assisted by Greek and Turkish personnel.

This Home, which is unique in Cyprus, has been successfully maintained for the past nine years from funds raised in Cyprus by the Red Cross and by an equal grant from the Government, given on condition that it is matched by an equal amount raised by the Red Cross. A total of about £7,000 is needed every year to meet the expenses of maintaining the thirty-two patients in the Home.

A new building was erected in 1969 by the Cyprus Red Cross to replace the former accommodation and to provide more facilities for the treatments. Archbishop Makarios has generously donated £10,000 towards the cost of the new Wing. It is the ultimate object, as funds become available, to extend the building so as to provide accommodation for sixty children, thus meeting a great need.

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## Liechtenstein

Liechtenstein Red Cross celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its founding at an official ceremony held at Vaduz on 11 July 1970. H.S.H. Francis Joseph II, the reigning prince, senior officials of the

National Society and representatives of the international Red Cross institutions and of National Societies of neighbouring countries were present. The Standing Commission of the International Red Cross was represented by Lady Limerick, the ICRC by its President and by Mr. Borsinger, Delegate-General of the ICRC for Europe, and the League of Red Cross Societies by its Secretary-General and Mr. Dabney, deputy Secretary-General.

H.S.H. Princess Gina of Liechtenstein first welcomed the guests of the Red Cross Society of which she is the President. Addresses were then delivered by Dr. Hilbe, Head of the Liechtenstein Government, Mr. Naville, President of the ICRC, Mr. Beer, Secretary-General of the League, Professor Haug, President of the Swiss Red Cross, Mr. von Lauda, President of the Austrian Red Cross, and Mr. Brandenburger, Vice-President of the German Red Cross in the German Democratic Republic. Finally, Mr. Garcia-Sayan, President of the Peruvian Red Cross, expressed his country's gratitude for the aid extended by the Liechtenstein Red Cross at the time of the recent earthquake disaster which had ravaged parts of Peru.

Music played its part, too, in this stately ceremony, where all speakers paid tribute to the remarkable achievements of the Principality under the sign of the red cross. Its various activities, such as child welfare, blood collecting campaigns, medico-social services, assistance to mothers and international relief were described briefly in an illustrated booklet, specially published for the centenary.

The previous evening, chamber music works were performed before the Prince and Princess of Liechtenstein and a large audience, at a charity concert given in the Castle of Vaduz.