

Another venture of the C.A.A.E. is the citizen's forum, the promotion of which may be attributed directly to the war. Designed as an urban counterpart to the national farm radio forum, the citizens' forum is an organization composed of thousands of small groups of persons actively interested in considering the problems affecting the post-war order of society. Citizens' forum committees representing various educational and civic bodies have been established in all provinces and in many towns and cities to organize the discussion groups or local forums. These local forums are being supplied with a series of 20 printed pamphlets by the Canadian Association for Adult Education. These pamphlets form a complete study group course in themselves, but they were written to accompany and supplement the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's weekly broadcast, "Of Things to Come." This program, first offered in 1942, presents outstanding speakers on the various problems which Canada will face in the post-war world such as health, social security, employment, public and private enterprise, agricultural and industrial development, international relations. These broadcasts, along with the study material distributed by the C.A.A.E., provide a basis for discussion in the individual groups which compose the citizens' forum.

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The most outstanding adult education project during the war years is the program of education that has been developed for the armed forces. For the first time in the history of Canada an educational program, identical in the nine provinces and extending beyond Canadian borders to Newfoundland, the United Kingdom and even into Italy and Germany, is in operation. The responsibility for that program is now shared by the three armed services and the Canadian Legion. Courses are available also to members of the Royal Navy and of the air forces of the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand who are based in Canada, as well as to the Canadian Fire Fighters, British prisoners of war and Canadian civilians interned abroad.

At the outbreak of war the Canadian Legion set up the Canadian Legion Educational Service (CLES) under the authority of the Department of National Defence and offered to the three armed forces assistance in providing educational and recreational services. The specific objectives were threefold: To provide the men and women of the forces with the higher academic and technical qualifications required for modern mechanized warfare; to provide long-range preparation for demobilization and re-establishment in civilian life; to maintain the morale of the forces during periods of inactivity by providing constructive study and recreational activities.

Set up by the minister of national war services in 1940, a national committee on education of the Canadian Legion War Services is composed of representatives of the Canadian Association of Adult Education, the Canadian and Newfoundland Educational Association, the Department of Pensions and National Health, the directors of education of the three armed services and two representatives of the Canadian Legion. Regional sub-committees have been formed in 12 areas of Canada and in Newfoundland, with prominent local educationists as chairmen. Administrative headquarters for the program are in Ottawa and work in close relationship with the Department of National Defence and with provincial educational authorities.