

group leaders in war economy, wartime nutrition and family budgeting.
The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire has 40,000 members
in about 900 Canadian chapters which spend annually about \$200,000 in
war work alone, almost four times as much as the preceding expenditures.
The Canadian Federation of University Women has about 2,840
members in 78 clubs engaged in practically every phase of war work
apart from the Federation and within the Federation itself.
Six Junior Leagues in Canada, now comprising about 1,400
members, have been instrumental in organizing or supporting organization
of several voluntary service centres. Many Junior Leagues now are
engaged in the women's armed services or have undertaken other full-
time war jobs.
More than 15,000 women are members of the Federated
Women's Institutes of Canada in 2,000 branches. Concentrating on
improving their knowledge of home and community building, the members
have influenced the lives of non-members in rural areas. As men and
young women have left farms to go into the armed services and industry,
the responsibility of maintaining the increased agricultural production
has fallen on older women.
Rural women are enthusiastic backers of all measures of food
conservation and are eager to improve marketing methods of the nation.
Members have lengthened their working hours and cut social activities
and while seeking increased home utility bills contribute heavily as
volunteers in providing vegetables, clothing, food and entertainment for
men and women of the fighting forces and for war orphans.
The 1918 census listed about 98,500 women over 14 years of
age living on farms in Canada; but this estimate has been lowered
during the two years since the census was taken by the demands made
on women by industry and the armed services.
Centralization of volunteer services in war circles and in many
communities has enabled groups as well as individuals to work
through the recognized war organizations such as the Canadian Red
Cross Society, the Red Cross Ambulance Association and British and the
Young Women's Christian Association.