

- (iii) The men and boys acquire the habit of working together on a joint job and thus achieve a sense of corporate discipline and self-respect which will help to prepare them for national defence work if the occasion arises. It may be noted that the C.C.C. camps were used very effectively in collaboration with the Red Cross in dealing with the emergencies created by the Mississippi floods and the New England hurricane.

In the foregoing ways the type of voluntary youth training corps under civilian control represented by the C.C.C. can be regarded as helping to put a country in shape to defend itself if need arises. A more direct, but not more important contribution to a general programme of national defence, might take the form of employing the members of youth training camps on projects more nearly concerned with coast and air defence than those on which the C.C.C. have hitherto been employed. It is understood that the United States Government is considering some development of its present programme in this direction.

Finally it may be observed that the provision of voluntary labour camps offering training, wages and useful work to the half-educated, half-employed young men - the social classⁱⁿ which in every European country nazi and fascist propaganda have made most rapid headway - may prove to be, in the long run, a cheap form of social insurance against the risks of internal disaffection. Boys who start discouraged by failure

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