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For the National Society, Red Cross Day has become the occasion of a general assembly at which its members, friends and government representatives gather. This happened again this year, and Dr. Victor Laroche, President of the Haiti Red Cross, outlined the institution's activities during 1970-1971. First-aid certificates were then presented to schoolchildren and to members of some army corps who had attended first-aid and life-saving courses. The ceremony closed with demonstrations by first-aid brigades.

The National Society is active in a number of fields, and it is worth mentioning its action for victims of floods which devastated certain areas last May, and before that the distribution of clothing and blankets by its voluntary workers. At the time of a big fire, too, the stricken families received immediate aid. We should also mention the Society's activities in the prevention of traffic accidents and, lastly, the development of a blood donation programme, to which a Red Cross blood transfusion centre, soon to open at Cap-Haïtien, will bear witness.

Mexico

Monuments to Henry Dunant's memory exist in a number of countries. The latest is the one inaugurated in Mexico by the National Society last October. The ceremony, which took place on the esplanade in front of the Mexican Red Cross hospital, simultaneously commemorated two other important events: the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the Mexican Red Cross, and the presentation of the Florence Nightingale Medal to Mrs. Dolores Campos de Estrada, as announced in our May 1971 issue.

Several notables of the Red Cross movement were present, including Mr. Salvador Lopez Chavez, National Society President, Countess Angela of Limerick, Chairman of the International Red Cross Standing Commission, Mr. José Barroso, Chairman of the