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Chapter I.

WHAT VOLUNTEERS CAN DO

On the  
Home Front

In these days when democracy is threatened as it never has been before, every good American wants to make a positive contribution to national defense. Many people who cannot perform military service are troubled because they do not know what they personally can do as volunteers. Actually there is a job of some kind waiting for all of us in our home communities. For it is a fact that the home front is as important in its way as the military front. Our soldiers on leave, as well as the workers in our defense factories and their families need opportunities for play and self-expression off the job. So indeed do all the people in every community big and little. In a time of national emergency like the present, when strains increase, all the people need healthy recreation more than ever before. Recreation, as you know, means being re-created, or renewed.

In case your community has not already organized a recreation program the first step is the setting up of a Defense Recreation Committee. This Committee should be responsible to the local defense council, or where no defense council exists, to the local governmental authorities.