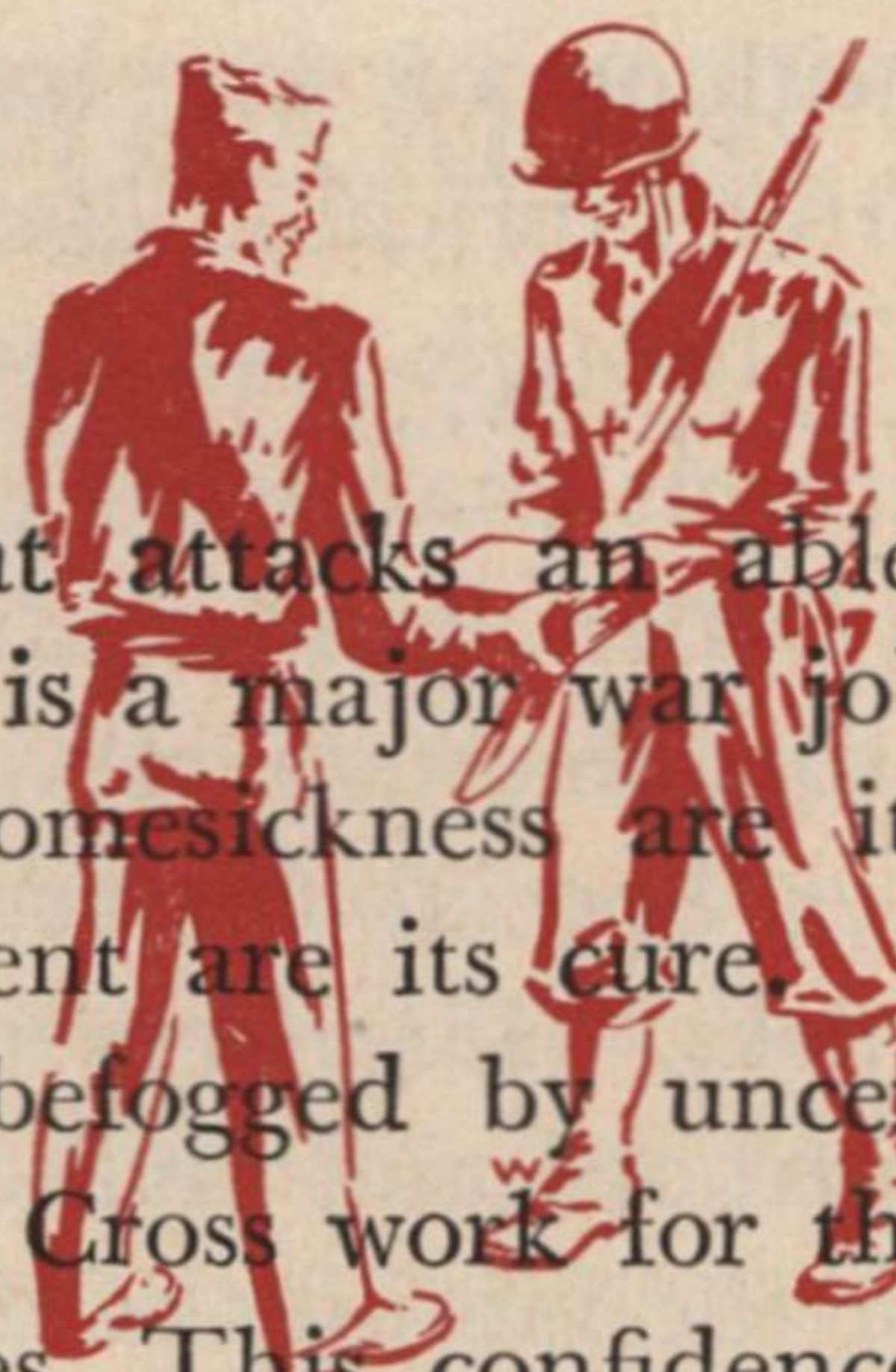


# YOUR RED CROSS IS AT HIS SIDE



**T**O ward off the despondency that attacks an able-bodied or hospitalized serviceman is a major war job of Red Cross workers. Worry and homesickness are its cause; friendly service and entertainment are its cure.

To create confidence in a future befogged by uncertainty is a companion purpose of Red Cross work for the sick and wounded of our armed forces. This confidence-building work is carried on in military hospitals here and overseas, on hospital transports, in station, general, and convalescent hospitals in this country and through veterans' hospitals to the home grounds of the discharged disabled veteran.

Bolstering the family's morale through aid and information is an integral part of the whole activity.

## RED CROSS FIELD FORCE

During America's second year as a belligerent, several thousand Red Cross men and women workers, carefully recruited and trained for the purpose, were on duty as uniformed civilians, at army camps and naval stations in this country and in theaters of operations the world over.

This field force was made up of business and professional men and women from all walks of life selected for specific duties. In the various areas in this country and abroad Red Cross accountants verified Red Cross expenditures while auditors for the War Department checked all receipts and expenditures as required for congressional review.

## UNITED STATES HOME FORCES

Backing them up in this country, as a ground crew, were an executive staff and millions of volunteer workers engaged in a wide variety of allied and vital occupations. Primary among these were the Blood Donor and local Home Service staffs. Equally vital and most numerous were the chapter Production Corps members who supplied surgical dressings and knitted articles and other comforts for the men and women of the armed forces.