

Monaco

On the occasion of the Centenary of the Red Cross, the Red Cross of Monaco has published, for information to the public, an attractive booklet in which the text is supplemented by beautiful photographs and drawings showing the development and administration of the Society. In it are described the origins of the Red Cross, its objectives and the manifold charitable actions undertaken under the patronage of the Sovereign Prince and the presidency of Princess Grace of Monaco, who herself takes part in the events organized by the Society.

The activities are depicted by scenes taken from life which demonstrate the zeal to bring aid and relief in numerous fields: civil and military first-aid on land and sea, propaganda campaign for the recruiting of blood donors, charity needle-work room, dispensaries, hostel centre, teaching, social service, international service, Junior Red Cross.

The Philippines

On the occasion of the Centenary of the Red Cross, Mr. Alfonso J. Aluit, in his 600-page book, *The Conscience of the Nation*¹, relates the history of the Red Cross in the Philippines. It would be impossible to outline here this very complete work which goes into great detail and is the result of thorough research. It contains a considerable number of facts on events, dates and references to Filipino and American personalities.

In her spirited introduction, Mrs. Geronima T. Pecson, the Chairman of the Philippine Red Cross, states that she shares the opinion of the author, who considers the National Society of the Red Cross in his country to be not only one of the elements of the national conscience but also a means whereby that conscience finds expression. But it is also a living testimony to a magnificent

¹ Red Cross Centenary Edition, 1963, Manila.