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The scheme of Voluntary Air Detachment Training inaugurated in 1943 provided trained personnel for overseas and, in addition, a number of members have been trained for service in Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps hospitals in Canada as well as for civilian hospitals.

The return of peace saw the Order of St. John revert to its wide field of peacetime service. The Brigade performs a very special function. At port cities it assists the regular R.C.A.M.C. doctors and nurses, helps in hospitals and merchant seamen's hostels and also assists shipwrecked seamen. Uniformed St. John Brigade members are to be found at all exhibitions, large demonstrations or wherever crowds gather. St. John First Aiders have also proved their worth on the ski-runs in the Laurentians, on Mount Royal, on the Gatineau Hills, at Fort William and other places where skiing is one of the major Canadian sports.

The Order of St. John is carrying on an extensive peacetime program of home nursing, first aid and blood grouping. The training of Brigade members as blood-typing technicians was commenced in 1943. The entire personnel of large industrial firms are being typed so that, in the event of serious accident, blood transfusions may be given in the quickest possible time.