



Today the women of England are answering the call to arms as courageously as

the men. In America, too, women like Laretta Schimmoler, of Burbank, Calif. (right), are facing the national emergency with thumbs up. "Colonel" Schimmoler, a licensed pilot, recently organized the **Aerial Nurse Corps of America**, which already boasts over 400 angels of mercy. All air-minded registered nurses, they stand ready to fly with medical aid to scenes of disaster anywhere in the United States. Formerly manager of 3 profitable air shows, she spent \$20,000 of her own enlisting recruits, talking up her plan to famous fliers and Army Air Corps officers. Now established on a nationwide scale, ANCOA, with its 19 national chapters, has already handled more than 3,000 emergency cases, and has flown food and medical supplies to victims of three major floods. Is setting up chapters near defense factories to care for possible injuries from sabotage. In our picture on the opposite page ANCOA nurses (left to right: Suzanne Otting, Helen Doke, Antoinette Haezart, Myrtle Martin, and Wanda Fill) are practicing first aid on "Patient" Lillian Nelson.

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