

THE QUEEN SEES YOUR BOOKS GO TO FORCES.

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Everything readable, from Meg's Paper to Shakespeare, is in big demand by the fighting services. The central depot from which the books are distributed was paid an informal visit by the Queen, who was curious to know how the work is carried on. Probably Her Majesty was surprised by the big scale of the undertaking.

If you have a book or a magazine to give away, leave it at any post office. They'll send it to this depot. After necessary sorting, parcels are made up for the thousands of naval, military and airforce stations, where they can't have too many things to read. Even damaged books can be patched up, because they're experts here at making C.3 volumes fit for active service.

(SV Queen Looking) The stuff is no sooner sorted than it's sent out again. Don't send the Pilgrim's Progress, because they've all read that; but otherwise anything between two covers will do nicely. For instance, you may have no time for The Girl Who Did, but it'll give Tommy a lot of good advice. And as for those boys in the Airforce - well ! In 14 months the depot has handled 5-million books and 3-million magazines, but when you remember how many ships and camps and stations there are you'll see that millions more books are wanted to follow the first lot.
