

What Is the Victory Chorus?

The "Victory Chorus" was given birth in Hamilton eight weeks ago when a hundred musical people gathered in Centenary Church Lecture Hall. It was decided to form this chorus, to provide inspiration and background for outstanding speakers who will come to Hamilton from time to time to speak on various phases of the war effort, particularly as it affects Canada: to promote a spirit of enthusiasm for the efforts of our fighting forces: and to be a means of raising money for war charities.

From Hamilton, this idea has spread until it has become nation-wide. "Victory Choruses" are being formed in centres right across the Dominion.

These "Victory Choruses" are all singing the same music. Songs of a National and Patriotic nature, songs of popular appeal such as familiar folk tunes, and whenever possible, the fostering of songs written by Canadian composers. The music has been planned and arranged to meet with the approval of the rank and file of the people, providing inspirational enjoyment for all; comfort and solace to those whose loved ones are serving with the fighting forces; and to instill a spirit of enthusiasm for the righteousness of our cause, in the hearts of every one.

The Chorus, under the conductorship of Cyril Rice, will appear in public for the first time on Sunday evening, November 9, in Centenary United Church, at 8.30. The total proceeds from this event will be turned over to war charities, half going to the Red Cross British Bomb Victims' Fund, and half to the Women's Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals, Hamilton unit. The guest speaker on this "Carry On, Canada," radio programs, broadcast weekly over the C.B.C.

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