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LIBERTY AND HUMANITY

FIFTEEN MILLION SEALS FOR STATE

EVERY COUNTY RECEIVES QUOTA OF HEALTH STAMPS.

Organization for the Sale of Christmas Seals is going on so satisfactorily in the counties that before the sixth of the month every detail will have been carefully completed and the people of the State in every city, town, village and hamlet will have an opportunity to buy Seals in their own neighborhood, and so help with the fight against tuberculosis.

Among the residents of the counties who have already expressed their willingness to help in making the sale a success, are: Mrs. Michael E. Pue, of Belair, who will have charge in Harford county; Mrs. P. A. M. Brooks, of Chestertown; Mrs. E. Wilson Brooks, of Salisbury; Miss Mary Jenkins, who will have charge of the eastern district of Talbot county; Mrs. Clara Benson Boley, who will have charge of the St. Michaels District of the same county; Dr. E. A. Jones, of Dorchester county; Thomas M. Williamson, of Frederick county, and D. P. Schindel, of Hagerstown, for Washington county. In Worcester county the Woman's Club has formed a committee to assist, of which Mrs. F. J. Lloyd is chairman.

News from other counties of the State shows that the work of organizing is in progress there also, and the names of those in command will be given out shortly.

It is the expectation of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association that the funds secured by the sale of the seals will be sufficient not only to permit it to keep up all of its present activities—the tuberculosis nurses, the sanitoria for persons very ill with "consumption," the Claiborne Preventorium for delicate children who have been exposed to this dread disease aim to enlarge their scope.

The Preventorium, for instance, could remain open for only four months last summer, because funds were insufficient to permit it to carry on its invaluable work longer, though it could be filled to the brim, as it were, with children all the year 'round, if there were money enough; children who come to the Preventorium weak, pale and without vitality, and leave it a few months later in so rosy and plump a condition that their very parents do not recognize them when they see them.

The people of Maryland gave only four cents apiece last year for Christmas tuberculosis seals. They gave thousands of dollars for furs, jewels and automobiles.

The Maryland Tuberculosis Association wants ten pennies apiece from every man, woman and child during the sale which is now in progress.

Where other organizations demand dollars and more dollars, this needy and worthy one says, "if each one of you will as you can give I will be satisfied, for then I can go on fighting tuberculosis, can go on preventing tuberculosis for another long and profitable year."

Over 900,000,000 Tuberculosis Christmas seals will be offered for sale during December and will be sold by 100,000 workers scattered throughout the United States. Naturally, there will be intense rivalry among the various States as to which will make the highest average per capita, and Maryland will strain every nerve not only to improve her previous record, but to be among those commonwealths which stand highest in this work.

She should raise a large fund, a very enlightened physician says, particularly because she has a high percentage of tuberculosis in proportion to her population. This is in part due to the large number of negro inhabitants among whom the disease is very prevalent. At any rate, 2,361 people died from tuberculosis within her confines last year. Of these, 1,026 died in the counties. We are accustomed to think of the counties of our State as garden-spots of the world. We think of their pure, tonic air, of their oysters, crabs, and terrapins; of their delicious strawberries and peaches, of their warm springs and glorious autumns, and wonder why anyone should not be able to live in such localities, and yet in a single year 1,036 of their inhabitants died from a disease which is perfectly preventable, and the cure for which is the very air and food which the counties of Maryland boast in such abundance.

The Christmas Seal sale is one of the most important events in Maryland's calendar for he who buys seals makes a very valuable Christmas gift to his community.

These are things to remember:

That the seal sale will continue during the entire month of December; that the aim is to raise $150,000 or more; and the purpose to stamp out tuberculosis.

WHAT THE LITTLE CHRISTMAS TUBERCULOSIS SEAL DOES FOR HUMANITY

First and most obvious, but not most important, the Christmas Seal is a means for raising money for the campaign against tuberculosis.

Second, the Christmas Seal is a means for awakening interest so that large numbers of all kinds of people are led to read and talk about tuberculosis.

Third, the Christmas Seal provides an opportunity for anyone and everyone, almost without limitation of circumstances or condition to render some real help in the fight against tuberculosis.

Fourth, the Christmas Seal creates the possibility of spreading an enormous amount of actual information in such a form and manner as largely to increase the general knowledge about tuberculosis.

Fifth, the Christmas Seal through the annual intensive campaign of a few weeks, enlists large numbers of individuals and groups who give something of time, thought and effort for the common good in the warfare against tuberculosis.

Sixth, the Christmas Seal, therefore, gives to increasing numbers of people a sense of a great common interest, an opportunity for aiding financially, and the chance of helping actively a welfare movement which is of interest to the entire community the whole of the State and the nation as well.

Seventh, the Christmas Seal thus becomes, under the guise of a bit of colored and gummed paper a real and active factor in helping people to make the world a better place in which to live in more ways than merely to help rid mankind of tuberculosis.

TUBERCULOSIS AMONG NEGROES THREE TIMES AS GREAT AS WHITE

Whatever the cause, it is a fact that at present the negro death rate from tuberculosis is about three times greater in proportion than that of the white race. We have too long neglected the negro tuberculosis problem.

At present there is no sanitorium where tuberculosis negro patients may be sent. An appropriation has been made, however, and progress is being made by a State committee. Even when this provision has been made a fact, the negro tuberculosis problem will not have been solved, for this will at the utmost, care for comparatively few who have the disease. The preventorium idea has been demonstrated with the white children. The same benefits should be extended to the colored children.

Much, however, can be done through organization, education and demonstration in bettering health among the colored people, and the Maryland Association is beginning such activities. The aim is not only to do things for the colored people to improve their health, but to use their potential efforts to help themselves.

In stamping out the disease among the colored people, the whites are being protected as well, for it is a fact that many of our colored population come into intimate daily contact with the white population in their homes. Many times the colored nurse girl, having active though unknown tuberculosis, cares for white children. Many times the colored cook, in like condition, is preparing the food in the same home. Is it not, therefore, a matter of self-protection as well as a great service to those who should have our help, to recognize the vital necessity of meeting and dealing with the colored tuberculosis problem?

Then buy Christmas Tuberculosis Seals liberally.

TUBERCULOSIS SEALS ONLY ONES SOLD THIS CHRISTMAS

It must be remembered that the symbol of the Sale of Christmas seals is the double-barred cross, the international emblem under which the fight against tuberculosis is made.

There are some persons who refer to the seals as Red Cross stamps. This is incorrect. They are not Red Cross seals. Formerly the Red Cross acted as banker to the Christmas seals Sale, but this year this aid could be dispensed with confusion avoided and the little seal is, as it were, standing on its own feet. The Red Cross, except to give it its hearty endorsement, has nothing to do with the Christmas Tuberculosis seal. The funds collected from its sale are used as heretofore in the fight against tuberculosis in this state.

The Christmas Tuberculosis seal is the only one sold for a purpose of this sort, and it presents an opportunity even to the smallest investor to give something to a worthy cause during the pre-Christmas season, when generous giving is the order of the day.

PRESIDENT GETS LETTER FROM HEAD OF ARMENIAN CHURCH

Washington.—Archbishop Khoren, whose archepiscopal see is Erivan, capital of the Armenian Republic, journeyed seven thousand miles to present President Wilson one of the quaintest and most touching documents in the archives of the State Department. It is illuminated by the monks of Etchmiadzin, the seat of the Armenian church since its separation from the Greek church, after the Council of Chalcedon in the year 451.

The Encyclical Letter, which the Archbishop presented to the President, reads:

"GEORGE, Servant of Jesus Christ and by the Omniscient Will of God, Arch-Priest and CATHOLICOS OF ALL THE ARMENIANS, Supreme Patriarch of the highest Armenian See of Ararat and of the Apostolic Mother Church at Etchmiadzin the Holy.

"To the NOBLE CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

"AFFECTIONATE GREETINGS AND BLESSINGS from the CATHOLICOS OF ALL ARMENIANS and Apostolic Chief of the Holy Church of Armenia.

"With placid, profound feelings of devotion, we desire, through this En-



ARCHBISHOP KHOREN.

cyclical Letter of Ours, to place before you and to make known to you the expression of Our deep gratitude for the liberal help which, inspired by a spirit of philanthropy, you have extended to Us both by individual personal donations and through the sustaining assistance and alleviating instrumentality of the Near East Relief Organization. Individually and Collectively, combined in one body as it were, you gave and you brought to Us the fruits of your offerings, to the salvation and protection of Our Flock during the most bitter days of their suffering—sufferings which We attribute to the rigours of the War of Liberation, and to the cruelty of Our implacable Oppressors.

"In expressing Our thanks for your generosity and for your evangelical commisseration, We, as the recognized Head of Our Spiritual Children, comprising the entire Armenian Nation, would be glad to view your acts of mercy as tokens of your continued assistance in the future, and that it is your purpose to continue to assist Us in Our regeneration and complete liberation, in the habiliment of a self-governing Nation. With these things in mind, We appeal to you all; to the Prelates of your Churches; to your devout Bishops, Our Brethren and beloved in Our Lord Jesus Christ; to men endowed with political and civil acumen; to those who have been called upon by the Lord in the Conduct of Public thought; and to every soul in which the spirit of Christian philanthropy glows. Come to our defense and to the carse of the Freedom of Our Flock. Come from the pulpits of your Churches; from the seats of your Council Chambers; from the platforms of Public Associations; from the sanctum of your journals. Raise the mighty voices of your Nation and of your sympathetic people, as those of unfailing and unfaltering friends. We need them for the salvation of Our Flock, tortured in body and soul through centuries of suffering. And Our people will forever stand in history as witness that a Great Nation, prolific of welfare, stretched its helping hand and mighty arm to raise them up.

"The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and Our thankful Blessings be with you all, evermore, Amen.

"GEORGE V.,
"Catholicos and Supreme Patriarch of All Armenians."

During the VIII. year of Our Patriarchate at the Mother See of Ararat. Etchmiadzin the Holy.

MAJOR GENERAL HARBORD SUPPORTS ARMENIA

New York.—At a mass meeting recently held here to consider the need of Armenia in the appalling disaster that has overtaken that unhappy land the following telegram was received from the commander of the Second Division:

"True to their religion, language and race through a thousand years of persecution, the Armenians must not be permitted to perish. Americans should aid them with moral, financial and political support.

"J. G. HARBORD."

Cattle Not Milked in China.

Trade Commissioner C. C. Batchelder writes of the increasing use of canned milk among the Chinese upper and middle classes, and, to a limited extent, among the coolies, inasmuch as cattle are not milked in China proper. The price varies widely, usually from 30 to 40 copper cents per can (138 copper cents to a silver dollar, a gold dollar equaling $1.37 in silver).

Armenian President Asks American Aid



Dr. H. Ohandjanian
Armenian President

Erivan, Armenia: Dr. H. Ohandjanian, President of the Armenian Republic, has sent an urgent cablegram to Charles V. Vickrey, General Secretary of the Near East Relief, 1 Madison Ave., New York City, requesting immediate assistance to prevent the starvation of the Armenian people before the next harvest can be gathered. President Ohandjanian's message reads:

"Owing to hail, rain and field mice, the harvest in Armenia fell below expectations. Standing crops appeared well, but owing to poor seed, returns were not as good as was expected. Maximum returns 140,000 tons, only sufficient for eight months for one and a half million people. Food crisis critical and intensified by new Turkish invasion of Armenia. It is estimated that 100,000 peaceful inhabitants of Sarikamish and Kars region have been forced to renew the life of refugees and flee towards the interior of Armenia. There are also large numbers fleeing from Bolsheviks in Azerbaijan and Southern Russia, and coming to Armenia. Farmers, fearing famine, are unwilling to sell crops, thus leaving the cities foodless. In addition to the Armenian crops, ten thousand tons have been purchased from neighboring countries.

"In order to save Armenia it is necessary to secure flour from America, 50,000 tons, maximum requirement. In the name of the Armenian Government and the Armenian People, I beg that you use your wide influence in order that the Near East Relief may secure and ship the flour needed. I am sure that in this serious crisis the Near East Relief will not fail to continue its aid to Armenia in her struggle for existence.

"H. OHANDJANIAN,
"President of Armenia."

GOB DESCRIBES ARMENIAN HORRORS

"You can't realize what a sight it is to see the refugee camp at Batum," Petty Officer George Porter, of Racine, Wis., writes his family, telling of the work of the Near East Relief in the ports along the Black Sea.

"The people are dying off little by little. There are workers of the relief organization here, but they don't seem to be able to take care of them all. They were the ones that made the camp. The families all live in grass huts, just high enough to sit up in, and



GEORGE PORTER.

they are covered with blankets. There is disease everywhere and the smell is terrible. I'm glad we didn't stay long, as I couldn't stand it, and you know when I can't stand anything there are few that can. I am sorry for these refugees, but we can't help any. They don't want money though they would sell their lives for some clothes and food. They don't stop praising the Americans.

"Trebizonde was another Armenian town, but it was completely wiped out by the Turks, who are now in control of it. The Turks massacred all the Armenians over fifteen years of age and kept all under that age to bring them up as Turks. The city looked as if it was shot to pieces. Samsoun is the same as Trebizonde, so you can see what kind of country we are travelling through. I am sure glad that we are leaving Russia and Armenia because I am sick of what I have seen. I think that these tourists who are trying to see ravished Armenia will be sorry they ever came over. These relief workers are nearly dead from work They are the people who can tell the U. S. something about this country."

The Near East Relief, 1 Madison Ave., New York, is now appealing for funds to continue the work so graphically described by the young American sailor.

The civilized world cannot afford to surrender to bolshevism.

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