

KEYNOTES RED CROSS APPEAL



Frances Fedden, attractive Bronxville, N. Y., artist's model, is the 1941 Red Cross poster girl. Thousands of posters like the one pictured above have been distributed throughout the country calling attention to this year's Roll Call membership appeal.

Red Cross, OCD Look to Volunteers For Civil Defense

Washington, D. C.—To the question, "What can I do for America?" the Red Cross is providing an answer for hundreds of thousands of men and women who want to do their part on the civilian defense front.

For women, the Red Cross is providing an 80-hour training course to recruit a corps of 100,000 Nurse's Aides. It is the Red Cross' newest project, undertaken at the request of the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense to relieve the current pressure on nursing facilities.

With thousands of nurses being taken into military service with our armed forces, civilian nursing has suffered a direct blow, the Red Cross points out. Moreover, the defense program has created additional health problems which has heightened the need for civilian nursing.

Red Cross Nurse's Aides will serve as assistants to registered nurses, performing scores of important duties which will enable nurses to care for more cases. The Red Cross stresses that Nurse's Aides will not take the place of the registered nurse, but will serve in an auxiliary capacity.

On the more dramatic side of civilian defense, the Red Cross is gearing its far-flung disaster fighting machine to handle mass feeding, housing and clothing of exacuees under wartime conditions. In cooperation with the Office of Civilian Defense, chapters are strengthening disaster relief committees to cope with man-made disasters much on the same scale as relief operations following natural catastro-

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An increase of some 32 per cent in the average wage of factory workers since the start of the war in Europe is considerably above the increased cost of living, records of the Bureau of Labor and Statistics reveal. But the surge of food prices, which have increased 10 per cent since last March, show that the equalization process is gathering steam, and that the rise in living costs may well overtake wage gains unless the government steps in with some stringent price control plan.

And lots of people who think that they have nothing but trouble don't know what trouble really

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

The annual convention of Maryland's Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held the past week in Starr Methodist Church in Balto., Md. It opened with a fine Turkey Banquet served by the ladies of the entertaining Church, followed by a colorful procession of the Presidents of the City and Counties of the State, with the Guest of Honor, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, National President of the W. C. T. U., and Mrs. Mary R. Haslup, Honorary President of the State, Miss Bertha M. Tyson, State President, Mrs. W. E. F. Taylor, Vice President, Mrs. O. N. Eaton, Cor. Sec., Mrs. J. G. Shawbaker, Rec. Sec., Miss Helen E. Robinson, Treasurer, and the General Secretary for Youth Temperance Council and Mrs. J. G. Shawbaker, Gen. Sec. for Loyal Temperance Legion, in the procession, Miss Flora E. Strout, led with the Christian Flag, Miss Eva J. Hood, carrying the National Flag. When they reached the platform, our National Flag was saluted by a Boy Scout, in which all joined and all stood at attention while two verses of God Save America were sung.

The opening devotion was led by the Pastor of the Church, Rev. Raymond W. White, at the closing of which he extended a welcome to the Convention to his Church. Welcomes were extended by Mayor Howard W. Jackson, Mr. Geo. W. Crabbe and Mrs. W. E. F. Taylor, Hostess to the Convention. A beautiful selection was rendered by the choir of the Church, following this Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith was introduced by Miss Bertha M. Tyson, State President, who was presiding, and gave a wonderful address. Miss Flora E. Strout gave the offering speech; the meeting was closed with the Aaronic Benediction.

Wednesday was a full day with reports of Cor. Sec. Treasurer, Roll Call, Committees appointed, election of officers, and Director's reports. In the afternoon time was given out of the day to Mrs. Berthelee Broyles of Pennsylvania, a National Director of International Relations and Peace, to hear a short address on her timely subject, this was greatly enjoyed by all. There were 150 delegates entitled to vote in the election. Mrs. Mary R. Haslup conducted the election, which resulted in the re-election of all the present officers, each with a large majority.

Miss Suzanne P. Davis entertained us during the sessions of the Convention with her delightful music on the Theremin, accompanied by Mrs. Margaret Grafflin, State Musical Director. Several beautiful solos were rendered, accompanied by Mrs. A. L. Judefnd, former Musical Director, who was always willing to assist in any way she could.

In listening to the reports of our Specialists, we found much good work had been done along all lines, and there seemed a spirit of enthusiasm for increasing our work and going forward with renewed zeal and determination. We had an original poem written by Miss Charlotte Rensberg, two groups of Loyal Temperance Legions, one white, the other colored, under direction of Mrs. G. Herbert Reese of Baltimore, followed by the new film, "Al K. Hall Finds A Job", by Mrs. E. M. Robinson of Prince George's County, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

A most outstanding feature of the Convention was Youth Night under direction of Miss Suzanne P. Davis and Mrs. J. G. Shawbaker, our two secretaries for young people's work, closing with an address by Miss Lenadell Wiggins of Pennsylvania, Gen. Secretary for L. T. L. of National. The Y. T. C. gave a "Day at their Encampment" which was exceedingly well done, and gave all who were present a chance to see the encampment in action. They began with the Morning Watch and carried out the various features of the day. All agreed it was very fine.

On Thursday Specialists continued to give reports. A Thank Offering, and Life and Memorial Memberships were given and resulted in a goodly amount for our work. This was conducted by Mrs. Cordelia Breitengross. We had with us Miss Elizabeth A. Smart, our Legislative Director in Washington and she gave us the latest news from Washington, much of which was quite encouraging.

In the afternoon Miss Flora E. Strout conducted an "Information, Please", which brought out much in connection with the history of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and other workers for a dry America. This was so much enjoyed by the women in the Convention that it was decided to have the questions and answers multigraphed and sent to each Union in the State to use it in one of their meetings.

The Convention throughout was well attended, much interest and a fine feeling of cooperation shown, which augurs well for work the coming year.

This was the first time our State Convention had been held in Baltimore for six years and our women enjoyed coming to Baltimore again.

When the President gave her address, which was loudly applauded, it was reported and quite a lengthy article about it appeared in the evening Sun of that day. Outside of that the Press of the City paid little attention to our Convention, and while they reported the Virginia Convention, they failed to even make mention of Maryland's election and proceedings. This has happened for some years, and our women keep asking why Virginia Convention is reported and that of Maryland is not, in the papers of our large City of Baltimore.

IMPORTANT CORRESPONDENCE

To Parents: Concerning certain important citizens in Maryland. From: Dr. R. H. Riley, Director of the State Department of Health.

Babies in Maryland do not have to wait until they are of voting age to rate as important citizens. By the time they are four days old, their arrival is expected to be reported to the State Department of Health and from then on, their health interests are safeguarded in every way possible by the State, Baltimore City and the County Health Departments.

Because the official record of the arrival will mean so much to the baby throughout life, the information that is sent to the Department is very carefully checked back by the Bureau that has charge of such matters—the Bureau of Vital Statistics—to be sure all of the necessary facts have been entered.

The most important items are these: Date and place of birth; names of the parents; name of the baby; whether the youngster is a boy or girl; and whether white or colored. As soon as this information has been entered on the books, a copy of the record is sent to the parents, to keep for the baby.

This little slip of paper is one of the most valuable personal documents the youngster will ever own. Here are some of the things the birth record will do.

When the youngster is ready to go to school, it will show whether he or she is of school age.

It will be accepted as proof of age if it is necessary to take out work papers; and when the youngster is ready to vote.

It will be accepted by the Courts in legal matters to establish the owner's identity; to establish the right to property; or to other claims.

And one of the most important things it will do, is to show that the person about whom these things were recorded, was born in the State of Maryland, and is therefore a citizen of the United States.

This explains why it is so necessary for a baby's birth to be reported promptly and accurately and shows why the parents should take the greatest possible care of the record.

Within the last six months over a thousand people who have wanted to prove that they were citizens of the United States, have applied to the Maryland State Department of Health for aid in getting copies of records that had been lost; or of having long delayed records that had never been filed, entered on the books, so that they would be accepted by the courts.

Don't let your youngsters have any experiences of that kind.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Probation After Death" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, October 26.

The Golden Text will be from Hebrews 5:12 & 13, "Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. But exhort one another daily, while it is called today."

Among the citations comprising the Lesson-Sermon will be the following from the Bible, Romans 13:12: "The night is far spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light."

The Lesson-Sermon also will include passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, among which will be the following, page 487, "Life is the origin and ultimate of man, never obtainable through death, but gained by walking in the pathway of Truth both before and after that which is called death."

SOYBEAN HELMETS

Latest fashion note for men-in-defense and industrial work—a plastic helmet made of heavy cotton cloth treated with a soybean material, to protect the head from such hazards as falling boards, bricks, or tools. These soy-and-cotton helmets should prove valuable to mine workers and men on construction jobs. Also, in case of actual home defense, they could replace metal helmets to save metals for military uses. Many bombing-raid injuries in Britain were caused by falling glass. These new cotton-soybean helmets are strong enough to deflect blows up to forty pounds, which is all the human neck can stand.

Joint work by the Soybean Products Laboratory of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the cotton specialists of the Southern Regional Research Laboratory of the department resulted in the development of the new plastic helmets. They are lighter than metal helmets and, under large scale production methods, could be put into general use quickly and cheaply if need arises.

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"CASUAL LABOR" EXPLAINED BY SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD OFFICIAL

Because many people do not understand the meaning of the words "casual labor" as used in the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act, Mr. H. N. Milburn, Jr., manager of the Social Board's field office at Baltimore, today issued the following statement:

"The Social Security Act provides that 'casual labor' not in the course of the employer's trade or business' shall not count toward old-age insurance benefits. However, any work which advances or promotes the business of the employer is not counted as 'casual labor', no matter how small the job is or how little time it takes. For example, work performed by a carpenter who is employed by a storeowner to build an addition to the store, to put in shelves or to do some other job in connection with the store is not 'casual labor' because this work does advance or promote the storeowner's business. Work for a corporation is never 'casual labor' even though it is occasional, incidental, or irregular, because a corporation has no authority to employ anybody for work which does not advance or promote its business. In other words no work for a corporation can be 'casual labor'.

"Whenever the work performed does not advance or promote the employer's business, the Social Security Board takes into consideration the size of the job. For example, the Board assumes that work for a private person in the building of a garage or an addition to his house is not 'casual labor', if the person who did the work was employed for more than 10 days in any 1 month or during 2 consecutive months, or the job required more than 200 hours of work by all persons engaged.

"In short, whether a particular job or piece of work is 'casual labor' depends on the facts in each case. Therefore, whenever a worker or an employer is in doubt, the best thing to do is to ask the nearest Social Security Board office or the nearest office of the Bureau of Internal Revenue."

MILK AND THE FARMER

Evidence recently submitted at a Federal-State hearing in New York proves conclusively that the farmer must receive a higher price for milk. What is true there, is true in many other parts of the country.

In some instances, the going price paid the farmer for milk is barely enough to meet the cost of production—to say nothing of paying him a profit or a return on the investment involved. The farmer's operating costs, in short, have gone up so rapidly that established price standards are now completely inadequate.

Today labor is receiving the highest pay in its history, and is constantly demanding more. Farm labor is at a premium, and in many important agricultural areas is virtually unobtainable. Under these conditions, the farmer must be given a better price for his produce—or go bankrupt.

GRANTED DIVORCE

The Circuit Court has granted an absolute divorce to Mrs. Lorraine Barben, of Rising Sun, from her husband, Elmer Barben. She was also granted the custody of her children. Mrs. Barben was represented by Attorney Harry D. Barnes.

HAROLD PERKINS NAMED CAPTAIN OF INFANTRY

First Lieut. Harold Perkins, who left Elkton with Company E, First Maryland Regiment, for Fort Meade, Md., several months ago, has been promoted to a captaincy, and assigned to the Fifty-Eighth Infantry. Captain Perkins was assigned to Company E, Elkton, for more than 20 years. While there he was head of Company E's social club, which sponsored many dances in the armory.

MARYLAND CROP REPORT

College Park, Md., October 14, 1941—On the basis of reported yields and conditions about October 1, the indicated production of corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, and buckwheat is about 2 percent below the production of the same crops last year. The production of these grains is estimated at 28,305,000 bushels compared with 28,746,000 bushels in 1940. The total production of all tame hay is about 15 percent below the record production of last year. The estimated production of all tame hay is 465,000 tons compared with 550,000 tons in 1940. September weather was the warmest since 1933—the driest since 1884. The drought is still unbroken at this writing. The 1941 crop season has been very abnormal throughout.

If heroes disappoint us, it is because we judge them by their reputations instead of studying their lives.

We love Democracy, but we still can't see the sense in paying a lot of guys \$10,000 a year to get in our hair.

Of course, if the defense production experts fail utterly to find the answer, they might turn the matter over to the Quiz Kids.

NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

By W. W. Reid

American Jews have recently contributed \$500,000 to the Jewish National Fund of America and this has been sent to the Jerusalem headquarters of the Fund as a "New Year message of encouragement". It is announced by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the organization in America. The Fund is used by the Jewish people for the acquisition and reclamation of the soil of the Holy Land as property of the race and nation.

The United Lutheran Church is considering a wide expansion of its missionary work in South America, following the recent visit to that continent of Dr. Samuel Textler, head of the United Lutheran Synod of New York, and president of the denomination's Board of Foreign Missions. Dr. Textler is also recommending that some of the young men of South America be brought to theological seminaries in the United States for training for ministry to their native countries. At the present time, the Lutherans have missions in Argentina and British Guiana under the care of a dozen American missionaries and forty national workers.

A number of medical missionaries in both Asia and Africa are looking with interest at successful cures which the U. S. Indian Service has effected for trachoma sufferers among the American Indians. If this treatment can be used as effectively by medical missionaries overseas, one of their great problems will be solved. Scientists say that trachoma is endemic over half the trachoma victims in the United States are Indians. Dr. Fred Loe, for twenty years an Indian Service physician, has begun the treatment of several victims by daily doses of sulfanilamide pills taken internally. Heretofore all treatment for the disease has been external. The first Indians to whom the pills were given were discharged as "arrested" within a month. They had been under treatment externally for several years without improvement. Medical men believe this "magic drug" is on the way to conquering trachoma.

Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn., which repaired young men and young women for Christian and missionary work, claims to have one of the most international student bodies of any school in America. Numbered among its students this fall are representative young people and missionaries-on-tour from Algeria, Brazil, Burma, China, Congo Belge, Cuba, Java, Japan, Korea, Malaya, Mexico and Philippine Islands.

A REMINDER TO ROADSIDE MARKETERS

With roadside stands and markets offering tempting displays of fruits and fresh vegetables, here's a bit of seasonal advice from Dr. R. H. Riley, Director of the State Department of Health: It is:

"Don't forget to wash all fruits and vegetables thoroughly before using them. "There's always a chance", Dr. Riley explained, "that some of the poisonous spray that is used very generally on growing fruits and vegetables to protect them from damage by insect pests, will remain after they mature and are marketed. "Much of the spray - which usually contains lead or arsenic - is washed off by the summer rains, but there's always a possibility that some of it will be left. Washing both fruits and vegetables before they are used will help to rid them of any traces that may remain. It's a wise precaution, at any rate, because all farm and garden products have a great deal of handling before they are displayed for sale. Careful washing will rid them of dirt and soil acquired in handling, as well as of any left-over poisonous spray.

"This advice applies especially to housewives, cooks, cafeteria managers and any others who handle or serve foods, including those in charge of roadside stands, of school lunch services and those who are responsible for packing children's lunches. "Through cooperative services maintained by the State Health Department and the Extension Division of the University of Maryland, great care is taken to protect Maryland fruit from damage by the chemicals used in the sprays and to prevent the marketing of fruits which contain a dangerous amount of the left-over spray. "With the cooperation of the farmers and orchardists, samples are collected from representative orchards before the fruit is harvested and are brought to the chemical laboratory of the State Department of Health to be tested for traces of spray residue. If excess residue is found, the growers are notified that the fruit must be washed or otherwise treated before it can be put on the market. Similar protection is given by the Federal Food and Drug Administration with regard to fruits and vegetables grown outside the State."

We aren't so independent. Indians gave us vegetables, tobacco and names; Europe gave us our culture; Africa gave us our dances and over to the Quiz Kids.