May this Christmas season be twice as happy as any you have had before, and may good cheer and happiness be yours throughout the coming year.

G. R. McCANN

The Early Diagnosis Campaign conducted through the country by the National Tuberculosis Associa-tion and its 1,528 affiliated organ-izations, is financed by the pro-ceeds of the Christmas Seal.

The spirit of friendliness of this glad season reminds us of your good will during the past year. To each of you we wish a very Merry Christmas!

POLLY'S SERVICE STATION

BAREFOOT

(Cordia Coy, Correspondent)

Elmer Lemons, Leo Lemons and Dudley Hollar and daughter were Sunday guests of Willie Coy and family.

W. A. Wagoner and family were Sunday guests of Floyd Platt and family.

Joseph Sidles has returned home after having his tonsils removed and is doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Earlywine and son were Sunday guests of Shell Morris. Afternoon guests were Mrs. George Brunker, Miss Zera Wagoner and Mrs. Willie Coy.

Paul Livengood was the week-end guest of Willie Coy and family.

Cecil Livengood and family were Sunday guests of Ray Florence and family at Millersburg.

SALTWELL

(T. G. Mattox, Cor.)

Rev. J. K. Hicks filled his pulpit at Bartorville Sunday morning and evening.

Miss Mary Hester Mattox came home Saturday to spend the holi-days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Mattox.

The Saltwell Sunday school will present a Christmas program here Friday evening at 7 o'clock. "A Little Child Shall Lead Them. Come and see it.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mr. R. E. Delaney at Mount Sterling on the Headquarters pike Monday afternoon.

Robert Kenney and family will move to their home near Head-quarters in a short time. Their little son Bobby Gene, has been ill.

Fred Hollar and family spent Sunday with T. G. Mattox and family.

Several from here went to Lex-ington Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Hollar and wife, of Chilhowa visited T. G. Mattox and family Sunday afternoon.

Rev. J. K. Hicks will preach at Rose Hill next Sunday night and evening. Rev. Hicks has been at Carrollton the past week.

Miss Temps Gaunce, who is teaching at Midway will spend the holidays here.

Alfred Cook of the Maysville road, is very ill.

BARTERVILLE

(Lillie Brierly, Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. John Bowe, of Buf-falo Trace, left Monday to spend the winter with their daughter, Mrs. Jack Haverfield and Mr. Haverfield and family in Orlando, Fla.

Mr Ben Brierly, of Berea Col-lege, has arrived home to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brierly and family at East Union.

Mrs. John Bowe, Jr., and two sons, of Buffalo Trace, spent Sat-urday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Ritchie at Barterville.

Mr. and Mrs. John Durnell, of Maysville, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Darn-ell and family, of Stoney Creek, all spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carlie Darnell near Mt. Carmel.

Mr. and Mrs. Rennie Brierly, of Barterville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Earlywine near Car-lisle.

Mr. and Mrs. Huston Sparks and family, of Tanner Branch, have re-turned home after a two weeks' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brierly and family, of East Union.

Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Ritchie spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Rennie Brierly.

The writer wishes the Mercury and its staff and correspondents a Merry Christmas.

Mrs. Forrest Taylor has been real sick but is some better at this writing.

BLUE LICK

(Mrs. Nina Barnett, Cor.)

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sellers, of Lexington, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. M Sellers.

Bobby Chandler, of Millersburg, spent Thursday night with Blake Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Cooper and two sons, of Georgetown, Ohio, at-tended the funeral of her grand-mother, Mrs. Emma Moore this week. Mrs. Moore lived in this community for a number of years and is survived by three sons and one daughter. She was a member of Mt. P. M. Church. Mission. Interment was in the Paris cemetery. We extend our sympathies to the bereaved.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowee Hall and two sons, Travis Hall were in Paris shopping one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schaffer, of Mt. and Mrs. Will Brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bookham Peterce, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Anderson and Will Wells were in Cynthiana one day during the week shopping and attending the tobacco sales.

JACKSTOWN

(Mrs. F. L. Auxier, Cor.)

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Riddle and daughter were week end guests of relatives in Owingsville.

Mr. Malcolm Hardwick spent Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Auxier.

The farmers of this vicinity have been busy hauling their to-bacco to market.

Mrs. George Sexton and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Estill Honaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard McIlvaine and family visited relatives in Paris Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bailey spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Ern-est Riddle.

SCRUB GRASS

(James P. Minton, Cor.)

Mrs. Myra Everett spent Thurs-day in Mt. Sterling.

Mrs. Lucy McCarty was in Lex-ington Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Reynolds, Mrs. Lutie Cronan, Mrs. Dee Bowe-on, Miss Judie Hill, Bettie Bowen and John H. Cronan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Walton.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagar Whitt are spending a few weeks in Knox county.

Mrs. Russell Bowles and son, Bobbie Allen, spent Sunday with James Minton.

BARTERVILLE

(Bira Snapp, Correspondent)

Mr. Jess Crawford, wife and two children and Mrs. Ina Argo spent Sunday with Lloyd Small and family.

Mrs. Bira Snapp, who was in-jured in a fall, remains about the same.

Odis Broaderick and family, of Lexington, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. John Broderick.

Mrs. Pearl Smith, of Lexington, spent a few days last week with her mother, Mrs. Bira Snapp.

Additional Purchasers Of Christmas Seals

The following citizens purchased Christmas Seals the past week:

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gaunce, Mrs. Stewart Dorsey, Miss Bobbie Harney, Miss Jane Giffin, Captain Beall, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Nichols, Miss Ruth Clark, Mrs. Catherine Smart, Miss Nettie McClanahan, Miss Alpha Brierly, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Walt-er Bell, Judge D. M. Curry, A. R. Fisher, Miss Effie Clinkenbeard, Mrs. Q. T. Gatewood, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harp-er, Mr. and Mrs. William Harper, Harold Crouch, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Talbert, Mrs. Stanley Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanebrink, Mr. and Mrs. Pirtle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Orcutt, Mrs. Louise Linville, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Darrell, Mr. and Mrs. Hiexl Asbury, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Berry, Ellisville school and teachers, Mr. Richey, Miss Flora and Miss Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hardesty, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Willet, Mrs. Claude Whaley, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Brothers, Mr. and Mrs Henry Brumbleit, Mr. and Mrs. Cully Baughn, Mrs. Lillian Ferguson, Parks school, Harvey Collins, Jim Vice, Fleet Allison, Mrs. Blanch Shaw, Mrs. Estle Hos-telter, Miss Dulcy Ashley, Mrs. John White, Mrs. George D. Scott, Jr., Mrs. Chas. Toy, Mrs. Jesse Kerns, Miss Myrtle Gauncy, Mrs. Park Crump, Mrs. James Mcgarvey, Mrs. Ben Brewer, Mrs. Glenn Hughes, Mrs. Albert Hamilton, Miss Parker Talbert, Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Campbell, Mrs. Bromagene Collins, Homeland school, Mrs. Howe Blount, Lawrence White, Rev. and Mrs. C. V. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Brooth, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ross, Miss Lala Burgess, Miss Lillie Ad-ams, Mary Lee Bowe, Miss Talmadge Hatton, W. H. Scott, Dick Kersch-ner, Roger Brown, Calvin Wills, Genevie Pettitt, John Barr, Wil-liam Newell, Lucian Morris, Betty Owings, Pansy Hatton, Eunice Mc-Carty, Curtis Martin, Gladys Ingra-ham, Pauline Bussell, Edgar Craig, Jimmy Terrell, Lawrence Newell, Leith Scott, Brooks Hurst.

Surplus Foods Feed 5,000,000 Poor Pupils

About 5,000,000 undernourished school children will sit down this winter to free lunches made pos-sible early by a federal gift of more than 240,000,000 pounds of surplus food valued at $180,000,000.

Officials of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation outline the reasons for the program in relating this story:

Walking through a hallway where pupils kept their lunch, boxes, a North Dakota school prin-cipal opened thirty of them. Seven were empty. The children carried them to school every day out of pride.

The principal applied through county and state welfare agencies for surplus commodities and now the hungry youngsters get hot lunches at school.

Last year 600,000 to 800,000 chil-dren were given lunch. They ate 29,000,000 pounds of surplus com-modities, which provided from a third to half of their lunches, the rest being furnished locally.

As far as possible, officials said, food are allocated to provide a balanced diet to fill gaps in the meals of low-income families. Eighteen different foods are avail-able.

In proportion to population, Ok-lahoma and South Carolina feed the largest numbers. Both began pro-viding free lunches before the fed-eral program was started. Okla-homa is serving 121,000 children and expects to feed 225,000 at the year's peak. South Carolina is feeding 110,000.

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Lesson for December 24

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THE CHILD AND THE KINGDOM

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 1:18-25; 18:1-14; 19:13-15.

GOLDEN TEXT—A little child shall lead them.—Isaiah 11:6.

The children's holiday!

Yes, Christmas is the children's day of days, and it is also the day for those who have been "converted and become as little children" (Matt. 18:3). It is quite proper that it should be so, for Christmas really means nothing very significant ex-cept as we gather at Bethlehem's manger and there we find a child, the Christ-child. Those who come on the morrow to do homage to Him in the spirit of childlike faith will truly keep Christmas. In that spirit the writer of these notes wishes for you who read these lines just that kind of a holy day of joy and glad-ness.

Let us then go first of all to Beth-lehem, and there learn from the One who "became flesh and dwelt among us" as a little child, we shall be ready to go on and learn from Him what a blessed example, re-sponsability, and opportunity there is in the childhood which we see all around us.

I. The Child—Jesus Our Saviour (Matt. 1:18-25).

The virgin mother Mary "brought forth her firstborn son, and called his name Jesus"—the one who "should save his people from their sins" (vv. 21, 25). In order that He might be the Saviour, He had to be both God and man. This could only be true as God sent His own only-begotten Son into the world by giving to Him a human nature. To prove He as the eternal Son of God was "conceived by the Holy Ghost," we express it in the creed and became the Son of Man.

For anyone who believes that God has all power and all wisdom to do what He will, it is but a step fur-ther to believe that Christ was pre-existent as the Son of God be-fore His incarnation, there is no difficulty in believing in the virgin birth. In fact, no other manner of incarnation would have been possi-ble. It necessarily follows that the one who denies the virgin birth of Christ thereby declares that He does not believe in the God of the Script-tures and in Jesus Christ His Son our Lord.

II. The Child—Our Example (18:1-14).

The disciples had been having a discussion about who was to be the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. This was not because they desired their brothers' advancement, for each one wanted to be the greatest (Luke 9:46).

Jesus frankly told them that they needed a real change of heart, a conversion. True greatness is not a matter of worldly position or am-bition, but of a childlike humility. Such an idea was absolutely revo-lutionary in the day of Jesus, and in fact sounds unbelievable to the worldly man today. But it is none-theless true that the great man or woman is the one who knows and recognizes himself to be utterly de-pendent on God in every moment, every circumstance, every trial, and in every opportunity of life. We need to learn of our children.

III. The Child—Our Responsibili-ty (18:5, 6).

These awful, solemn words should be considered with great care. What a terrible judgment awaits those who cause little ones to stumble by reason of their false teaching, their failure to bring God's Word to bear upon their lives, improper discipline in the home, or the influence of a bad example. There are probably preachers, teachers in the Sunday School, grandparents, uncles, aunts, mothers, fathers, yes, even friends of little children who need to reread these verses and then cry out to God in repentance before it is too late.

IV. The Child—Our Opportunity (19:13-15).

Jesus knew the real value of a child and His loving heart reached out to invite the children to come unto Him in love, in obedience, and in trust. When they came, He never failed to bless them.

The glorious thing is that we are privileged to thus bring little children to Him. Someone may say, "Jesus is no longer on earth, I can-not take my child to him." Jesus is not here in the flesh, but He is here ever present with His children. You can bring your child to Him, for the coming which He has in mind in these verses is not in any physical sense but rather spiritual. The parents who teach their little ones about the birth of Christ on this Christmas day have brought them to Him. Every word of in-struction, every encouragement to pray, every example of devotion to Christ which the child may follow is the true bringing of that child to Him.

Will you do it this Christmas—in the home, in the Sunday School, in the church, anywhere? If you do, there will be blessing beyond your ability to contain it and you will have

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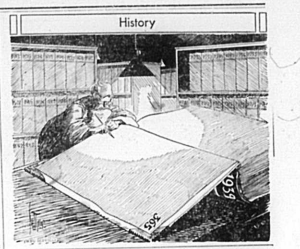

THEY WOULD READ YOUR AD TOO, IF IT APPEARED HERE

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THE "DOCTOR'S WIFE" WRITES

Dear Folks:

It's a far flung cry from the room in which I write my letter to you tonight to the misery and suffering of the war torn nations abroad, yet, I feel keenly—makes me thankful that the war our country wages today is a war against disease; a war to save hu-man life, not to take it.

Since the cold rains and winter winds blew out of the north, we have seen much of one of our greatest enemies—pneumonia. Our fight against disease, that uses the lungs of our citizenship for its battlefield and crushes those the lives of every 10th person in a pow-erful drive, must be intensified. We must put up a well planned fight against this enemy. To wage this fight successfully, we must know more about pneumonia; so, I asked the doctor to tell me about it. It was fresh in his mind because Luke Simmons has it and he had just come from his bedside. He was tired, too, and glad of a chance to pull his chair up close before our cozy open fire, relax and talk to me for awhile.

I learned things that I wish every one knew about this treach-erous disease; things that should be talked about at bridge clubs, wo-men's clubs and town hall meet-ings; facts that would startle us as bombshells against pneumonia and help to drive it back from ly as possible, the things the doc-tor suggested would help in pre-venting the disease.

Pneumonia is a "catching" dis-ease caused by a germ, and there are thirty-two different types of the germs which cause the dis-ease. Pneumonia attacks all ages. You get pneumonia by coming in direct or indirect contact with one of these many types of pneumonia germs. There are three things it will be well to remember. Con-tracting pneumonia depends upon these combinations of circum-stances:

1. Getting the pneumonia germ.
2. Specific susceptibility to the germ.
3. Lowered vitality through chill-ing, injury, improper diet, lack of adequate rest, alcoholic excesses, etc.

To avoid the disease, then, you should stay away from people who have pneumonia, colds or influ-enza. Keep your body in good con-dition by eating the proper foods, including milk, eggs and green vegetables. Sleep at least eight hours out of twenty-four. Exercise out of doors every day and take plenty of fluids. Train your skin to stand temperature changes by proper bathing. Wear sensible clothing. Never leave a warm room and go out into a cold atmos-phere without adding clothing enough to keep you warm. Do not cough or sneeze in public without covering nose and mouth with handkerchief. Without knowing it, you might be a pneumonia carrier.

If you get your feet wet, remove your shoes and dry your feet, rub-bing them briskly until they are warm. Breathe through your nose. Air that passes through the nasal passage is filtered into the lungs. See your doctor if you can't breathe through your nose. Always wash your hands before eating, so that no germs will be carried on your hands to your mouth. Keep all rooms well ven-tilated, with the thermometer read-ing about seventy. Sleep with a window open winter and summer. Avoid anything which tends to re-duce vitality, such as lack of sleep, overwork, worry, poor or in-sufficient food, lack of exercise, and alcohol.

Evidently, from what the doctor said as he talked to me between nods about pneumonia, the surest, safest plan is to stay away from those who have it; do nothing to lower your vitality, and if you have a severe cold, go to bed. If you develop a temperature or pain in the chest, call your family phy-sician at once.

Practicing these simple rules will go a long way toward the pre-vention and control of pneumonia. Pneumonia Kills one out of every four people who have it. "A stitch in time saves nine," reads an old adage, and nine stitches away from pneumonia is as good as being thousands of miles from the fu-man sufferings in the countries experiencing the miseries of mod-ern war.

$3.38 to $34.28 Range Listed In States' Relief

The Council of State Govern-ments reports that the average monthly allowance paid by state and local governments to each of their general relief "cases" ranges from a high of $34.28 in New York to a low of $3.38 in Oklahoma.

Payment in Kentucky was listed at $7.57 and in Indiana at $11.96.

It is better to water evergreens and shrubs well a few days before transplanting. They will be trans-planted more successfully if full of moisture.

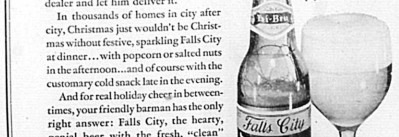
Yours for good health,
The Doctor's Wife

One of the greatest pleasures of Yuletide is the opportunity to wish each of our customers and friends a Merry Christmas.

TOWNSEND CLEANERS

May this Christmas season bless you and yours with all the good things in life; may success, happiness and health be yours in full measure.

DIXON'S SERVICE STATION



Your generosity in keeping me employed throughout the year is gratefully appreciated. May your Christmas be as Merry and your New Year as Happy as you have made mine. I hope to serve you in the coming year.

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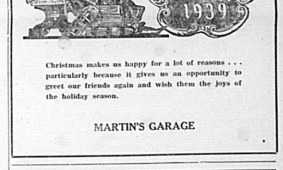

Christmas makes us happy for a lot of reasons . . . particularly because it gives us an opportunity to greet our friends again and wish them the joys of the holiday season.

MARTIN'S GARAGE

May this glorious Christmas season bring you contentment, happiness and good cheer.

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