

Programme For P.E.I. TB League For 1945

About forty years ago, the Charlottetown Tuberculosis Society, now known as the Charlottetown Free Dispensary, began its anti-tuberculosis work in this Province. The next to engage in this work was the Red Cross Society and they were the first to undertake the sale of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals which began in 1927. About 1931 the Charlottetown Gyro Club took over the Seal Campaign. By the union in 1936 of this Club with the Women's Institutes, an organization which today is known as the Prince Edward Island Tuberculosis League was formed with the object of waging continual warfare against a disease oftentimes referred to as 'The White Plague'. A short time later the Y Men's Club of Summerside and a number of branches of the Catholic Women's League united with this body.

Today these organizations can look back with a great deal of satisfaction and pride in their past work, for the success which marked their efforts has been noteworthy. Figures recently gleaned from annual Public Health Reports show that, in a ten year period from 1924 to 1933, the average annual death rate from Tuberculosis in the Province was 97.5. In a similar period from 1935 to 1943 the rate was 68.5. The number of deaths for the year 1943 dropped to 46.2 and, when we consider that in 1921 that number was 141, surely these pioneers mentioned above can be truly proud of the results obtained in their battle against this dread disease.

Dr. G. J. Wherrett, National Executive Secretary of the Tuberculosis Association, recently published an article entitled 'Stalemate Reached in Battle against Tuberculosis'. In it he points out that ever since the war began, slight fluctuations have occurred in the tuberculosis death rate and, although there has been no considerable rise or fall, we seem to have lost the offensive. He says further: "The time has come to launch a great new crusade against Tuberculosis. Given adequate treatment facilities and a strong preventive programme, tuberculosis could be reduced from its present place of eminence—seventh in the list of death-dealing diseases—to a comparatively minor threat to public health. Tuberculosis associations the country over are mobilizing the public to launch the new campaign."



MOBILE X-RAY UNIT

BEING PURCHASED BY THE

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND TUBERCULOSIS LEAGUE

OBJECTIVE

To X-RAY EVERY MAN, WOMAN & CHILD on P.E.I.

By This Means Tuberculosis Can Be Wiped Out

BUY CHRISTMAS TUBERCULOSIS SEALS AND MAKE THIS POSSIBLE

The Prince Edward Island Tuberculosis League, ever alive to conditions prevailing in the different communities of our Province, has this year decided to launch that new crusade spoken of by Dr. Wherrett. It will in 1945 launch the greatest offensive against Tuberculosis ever seen in the history of the Island. Already, in some factories, an order is being filled which will provide us with a Mobile X-ray Unit, a photo of which is before you. The three words—Mobile X-ray Unit—explain its characteristics—Mobile—This unit can move about. It will not be stationed in any one locality but will travel about to all communities of the Province doing its life-saving work. It will actually seek this disease in your home and that of your neighbor's and root it out. X-Ray—The term is self-explanatory. This is its particular job and you can be assured that in the main body, the equipment necessary for chest X-Rays will be of the best and most modern type. Unit—This is perhaps the most outstanding of its characteristics. In the trailer pictured is housed the apparatus which operates the apparatus in the main assembly. The advantages of such an arrangement are tremendous in this Province because there are many communities still without the benefits of electricity. It is really a unit, needing no outside mechanical assistance but absolutely complete in itself. Since doesn't permit of a detailed description of the unit but, with your Christmas Seals, you will find this year a pamphlet giving a very clear picture of just what the main assembly and the trailer contain.

Naturally, the League's programme, being in its incipient stages, is still very general. Work of a particular nature has been done in the recent appointment of an Executive Secretary in the person of Mr. A. P. Donnette, who has already addressed several meetings in order to set an educational background for this gigantic enterprise. Mr. Donnette will continue to do this work and some time before the unit is in operation, will set an organizer of clinics throughout the Island. The Mobile X-Ray Unit will be handled with the most capable staff obtainable.

In conclusion, just a few facts about the cost of each X-Ray and the type of film used.

1. The cost per person will be nominal.
2. The type of film used will be of a 4" by 5" size.
3. These films will be interpreted at a central place, probably the Provincial Sanatorium.
4. Persons found needing medical attention will be investigated by the Department of Public Health.

Surely a programme of this scope deserves the unqualified support of every right-thinking citizen of this Province so, when your Christmas Seals symbolized by the Merry Little Postman come around, give as you never gave before and be assured of a future healthy and prosperous population in our Island province.

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Hangman Now the Headman ?



Is the mouthpiece now the mouth? Is the Hangman of the Gestapo now the iron hand that rules the destiny of Germany? Heinrich Himmler's delivery of Adolf Hitler's recent radio proclamation has given rise to these beliefs, although vigorously denied by Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels, who attempts to tell all that Hitler is in "excellent and vigorous health." Himmler is shown here broadcasting.

Legion Asks M. P's To Stand Firmly For Conscription

(Special To The Guardian)

OTTAWA, Nov. 20 — The Canadian Legion in a letter to every member of the House of Commons, today sought parliamentary support for conscription of draftees for overseas service. "We know," the letter said, "that we may be asking many members of parliament to take a stand which may affect their political standing. We are asking you, however, to recognize the peculiar responsibility that is yours and come out publicly for conscription for overseas service as the only way in which we can adequately fulfill our responsibility as a nation to our fighting men and to our Allies."

The letter, signed by Alex. Walker, Dominion president and first vice-president, stated that they went into caucuses, had copies enclosed of the Legion's manifesto issued by the Dominion council of the organization at its recent meeting in Ottawa and of its appeal to the Prime Minister made in an interview with Mr. King. It also pointed out that among the Legion membership there were "many French-Canadians and representatives of other races," and added, "we hold them all in deep affection and respect. However, the letter continued, there was only one possible course that would really unite Canada and that was "by utilizing forthwith all the trained men, whether draftees or volunteers, as reinforcements for overseas."

Minds Unchanged

This latest move on the part of the Legion follows a public state-

ment calling for conscription, the interview between the Legion Dominion Council and Prime Minister King, and a call to all branches to rally public opinion. Following the interview with the Prime Minister a brief and terse statement said that at the end of an hour and twenty minutes of discussion "the minds of Legion members remained unchanged."

The Legion letter follows: "From the disclosures made during the past week it is apparent that a critical point has been reached in supplying reinforcements for our army overseas. The Legion believes that the situation demands decisive action and the replacement of the voluntary method of recruitment by conscription for overseas service and that the trained draftees available should be used for reinforcements and thus assure the men now fighting that the fullest measure of support that Canadian people are capable of giving will be theirs."

"Enclosed are two statements recently issued by the Dominion council of the Canadian Legion which set forth the views of this organization and which, judging by the messages received from all parts of the Dominion, are endorsed by a very large number of our fellow Canadians."

A Moral Issue

"The issue is one affecting Canada as a whole. It is a moral issue as well as a political one and there is every evidence that the people of Canada are determined that she shall be true to her responsibilities and her pledged word. It is incumbent upon the representatives in Parliament of both French-speaking and English-speaking Canada, and all other elements in our population, to see that the realities of the situation are brought home to their people and that no partisan, local or sectional interests shall be placed ahead of the need to support our men now fighting for us on the battlefields of Italy and Holland."

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"The Legion has among its members many French-Canadians and representatives of other races which make up Canada's population. We hold them all in deep affection and respect. These same elements are all represented in our armies now fighting overseas, where they are serving as true Canadians in a spirit of unity and comradeship."

M. P.'s Responsibility

"The people of Canada and the men overseas have the right to expect that the nation's representatives in Parliament will face the present issue squarely and deal with it in the same united spirit, thus reassuring them of their integrity, loyalty and statesmanship. It is obvious that the need for reinforcements is urgent. Let us therefore take the only possible course that can really unite this Dominion by utilizing forthwith all the trained men, whether draftees or volunteers, as reinforcements for overseas."

"You, with us, have a responsibility, which we cannot evade, of standing behind our fighting men. We of the Legion shall use all our power and influence to mobilize and give expression to the dominant determination of Canada to honourably meet her pledged obligations. You, because of your position as a legislator, have more immediate and greater responsibility, and we urge you to come out publicly and in parliament for conscription for overseas service. It is the only self-respecting and adequate way left to fulfill the nation's responsibility to our gallant men overseas and to our Allies."

LOOKED LIKE SILVER

Because of its resemblance to silver, platinum was named from the Spanish word "plata."

A MAMMOTH GUN

Bertha, daughter of Friedrich Alfred Krupp, gave her name to the "Big Bertha" cannon of the First Great War.

SOURCES OF RUBBER

Practically all butadiene rubber now produced is extracted from either petroleum or ethyl alcohol.

This is Sunny Italy



It is winter now on the Italian front and the snow-covered fields in preference to steel helmets. (Official British Army Photo).