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TUBERCULOSIS AND THE CHRISTMAS SEAL

During the year 1937 there were 1,753 deaths from tuberculosis in North Carolina. Some of the cases, no doubt, were doomed from the beginning, while others could have been saved, had they been discovered in time and proper treatment received. Still others might have been prevented.

Buncombe County had the highest rate in the state with 366 deaths, of which 306 were non-residents of the county. This is to be expected, for hundreds of persons come to the hospitals in Buncombe, seeking the cure, many of them in the last stages, too late for the climate to benefit them. In Haywood County there were 11 deaths, with one non-resident.

The Tuberculosis Christmas Seal which goes on sale this Friday, has a meaning far beyond its colorful pictures. "Like the candle in the window it has lighted the way for millions and it still beckons the way to millions."

Tuberculosis is one of the most expensive diseases known to man. Once it reaches certain stages, only through long months and sometimes years, with the patient relieved of work and responsibility and given rest and the best nourishing food, can the cure be brought about. Often hospitalization, not only for the sake of the patient, but for the safety of the family, is desired.

There was sold in this community last year \$125.00 worth of seals. Three fourths of this money was kept locally, with one fourth going to national headquarters. The money was spent in preventive measures. Milk was bought in several schools for tubercular suspects and undernourished children.

As you sit down to your table with its well balanced meals, and your child has what nature intended it should have to develop into a strong normal body, remember there are many right here, maybe in the shadow of your own roof, who are not getting enough to eat. We had occasion to check up recently in some of the schools, and it was surprising how many children, by not being properly nourished are laying the foundation for tuberculosis. We resent outsiders speaking of such cases, but if we are honest we must admit that they exist.

One fine thing about the Christmas Seal is that it is within everybody's reach. If you have only a small amount to spend, your "widow's mite" will serve the same noble cause as the dollars of the more fortunate.

Remember the undernourished children in this community and even if you tuck the Seals away and forget to use them Christmas, buy them.

50 YEARS OF NEWSPAPERING

The Charlotte News has always made it a policy to publish human interest news, presented in such a way, that even the busiest of us take time to read "the largest afternoon newspaper in the Carolinas."

Last week, however, we found we had to take more time than usual, when the 172-page edition of their 50th anniversary came in. While most special editions are "samey" and filled with dry material, we found that The News ran true to form in their anniversary edition, and had prepared an edition brim full of human interest material.

It is encouraging to know that such a progressive newspaper can still remain so close to its readers. Here's wishing the entire "force" another 50 years of success.

THANKSGIVING DAY IN AMERICA

Once upon a time Thanksgiving Day meant family reunions and festive boards groaning with all the competent housewife could get on the table. Today Thanksgiving is almost synonymous with Football. It means in many cases just a holiday for a trip. Perhaps you have turkey, maybe you don't, you might just grab a sandwich, at a filling station while you are getting gas, in your hurry to some point of interest.

But be that as it may, each generation has its own idea of pleasure. The point of this is that whether we are enjoying the day quietly at home, or on the highways, or in the excitement of a football game, we Americans should not forget to be thankful.

For our many blessings do not alter with the march of time, but if we stop to compare them with other nations they are on the increase. We may criticize our government for this policy and that, but we still have faith, and we know in our hearts that this confidence is justified.

It's an old story to hark back to the principles upon which this great nation was founded, but when we see how the Jews are being treated and banished from Germany, we should all turn back unconsciously and feel a deep spirit of gratitude enveloping our souls, for the freedom and tolerance we have always had and continue to enjoy in this country.

ANOTHER STEP

The passage of the \$25,000 bond issue for a municipal building last Thursday, was another step toward local ownership of a town hall. Waynesville is one hundred and thirty years old, and it has often been pointed out that there are few towns boasting such an age in North Carolina, which do not own their own town hall.

The rents paid during the past few years would have built a very creditable building.

The Turbyfill property which has been bought for the site of the proposed municipal building is ideally located.

A building of this kind has been needed and desired by the civic minded citizens of the town for many years, but it has never seemed feasible in the past or the matter was not pushed sufficiently for promotion. It is hoped that the realization of the recent efforts by the local authorities will culminate in the construction of a municipal building.

LEGISLATIVE PROBLEMS

It is only a few weeks until the 1939 session of the General Assembly will convene in Raleigh. It is time to consider legislative problems, which should be thrashed out before this body of state law makers.

The regional meeting held here last week of the state league of municipalities spent the entire session discussing new laws and the repeal or modification of old ones, which affect the towns and cities of the state.

They are recommending to the Legislature the continuation of the sharing of the state-wide collected highway funds with towns and cities for the maintenance of municipal streets used by state highways. The extension of this principle, they wish, to include an appropriation of not less than 10 per cent of state collected gasoline and automobile license taxes to be returned to municipalities on a definite and fixed basis, of population and mileage. They also urge that there be no diversion of highway funds to non-highway uses.

They are recommending the return to counties, cities and towns, all revenue collected by the state from intangible personal property without any deduction by the state other than for actual collection expense.

They desire a modification in the existing legislation regulating tax collection procedure, including making the tax listing date as of January 1, instead of April 1, moving forward tax due dates to the first Monday in October each year, reduction of one per cent in the discounts for repayments. They also urge the imposing of penalties for non payment of taxes, beginning November the 2nd, of the year in which taxes are levied and due at the rate of one per cent per month, until the tax sale is held, the sale to be held the second Monday in May of the year in which taxes are levied and payable.

In order that the General Assembly may be freed from the bother of local legislation so that it may devote its entire time to matters of state-wide importance and further permit the people of local communities to determine their own local policies, the league favors the principal of constitutional home rule for cities and towns.

The league has also gone on record as strongly opposed to the tax exemption of homesteads as unsound and ruinous to the financial structure of local government.

These are all pertinent problems in which tax payers should be interested and inform themselves, as they will affect all municipalities in the state.

THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY



BLACKIE BEAR
 BY D. SAM COX

BLACKIE BEAR MEETS BILLIE POSSUM
 Story 12

When Blackie broke out of Mr. Man's wagon and started for home, his hair was so ruffled up from the harness rubbing him while he was in the wagon, that he didn't want to go near Dr. Coon's house, for fear he would have to tell him what a joke Hee-Haw played on him, and he was mighty ashamed of having to do a donkey's work. So he took another road up the other side of the creek, and was galloping along as fast as he could go toward home, when who should he meet right square in the road but Billie Possum!

Now, Billie is the greatest fellow for laughing you ever saw, and every time he meets anybody he grins, whether there is anything to laugh at or not. But there really was something to laugh about this time. A few days ago Rover Dog had found out where Billie Possum lived, so Billie decided to get him another house, and he moved over to a big hollow tree on the edge of Mr. Man's field. He was sitting in his door and looking at Blackie Bear when Hee-Haw kicked him down, and when Mr. Man hitched him to the wagon, so he had been watching Mr. Man and Blackie all the time.

When Blackie broke loose and started for home, Billie Possum thought he would have some fun, so he ran down his tree and started on the road to meet Blackie Bear. When Blackie met Billie and saw him grinning, he thought Billie was laughing at the way his hair was all ruffled up, and so he thought he must make up some excuse for it. But Billie got right after him with questions.

"Where have you been, Blackie, and what ails your hair? You certainly do look mighty tired and hot. You must have been running after a mighty fast rabbit."

"I haven't seen any rabbit," said Blackie, "but I was running a deer and he jumped a creek that was wider than I could jump, and when I tried it, I fell in. That's why my hair is so wet."

The Billie certainly did grin. That story was funny enough to make a dog laugh, much more a possum, whose regular business was grinning. So Billie just laughed "ha-ha," and said: "What made all those streaks on your head and across your back, pray?" It looks to me like somebody has been working you in hard.



Met Billie Possum right square in the road.

ness. You couldn't get streaks like that in the creek." And then Blackie grinned, too, but it was what you have heard people call a "dry" grin, and he didn't know what to say. But Billie had some more to say, and he said it. "I know you are awfully ashamed of having to pull that wagon, after all of your big talk about what you would do;

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"ATHEISM"
 "The fool hath said in his heart there is no God."—Psalm.

"God never wrought miracle to vince atheism, because His ord works convince it."—Francis Bacon.

"Mock on, mock on, Voltair, seau; Mock on, mock on; 'tis all in You throw the sand against wind, And the wind blows it back ag —William Blake.

"A faith which teaches that ha atheism, that discord is poison that gloom is sin, has a mission can be readily grasped by sic well."—Mark Baker Eddy.

"Infidelity does not consist in lieving or in disbelieving; it con in professing to believe what one believe."—Thomas Paine.

"What behaved well in the pas behaves well today is not such a der. The wonder is always always how there can be a mean or an infidel."—Walt Whitman.

RAILROADS NOW AND THEN
 OGDEN, Utah.—A 60-year train resembling those at the dr of the golden spike at Promonty Utah, in 1869, stopped here for pairs recently en route to sou Utah for use in the motion pic "Union Pacific."

Although the two old engines 27 cars were being pulled by a ern locomotive, one of the eng developed a hotbox between Spa Nev., and Ogden. The speed, h had been 30 miles an hour, wa to 15 miles.

The old train was salvaged discarded equipment of the Virg & Truckee Railroad of Nevada. of the engines was the one w pulled Gen. U. S. Grant's train. he passed through the West on round-the-world trip, said road men. The 27 cars includ passenger coaches, box cars, blacksmith car, wooden tank car, a wood car with fuel for the wood burning locomotives.

but it's too good to keep, and un you want to make a little trade me, I'll have to tell the boys abou I could keep mighty quiet about of this, if I had your sheep-skin to sleep on, and I don't know an thing that would keep me making some other folks laugh. I would have to ride on your back your house to get it." "Climb up," said Blackie, "it's worse than hauling wood." (To be continued.)

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Never Pass On A Prescription

Often individuals feel they are doing a neighborly act by letting someone have their prescription filled, just because the medicine helped them, and their neighbor appears to have the same symptoms. This is a dangerous thing to do. To their untrained eyes, it may appear to be the same trouble which they had, yet be entirely different. Perhaps there may have been some condition in their case which the doctor did not mention, but which had an important bearing on that particular case. Therefore, never give another person a dose of medicine which has been prescribed for YOU. To do so is to take a chance with Fate.

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What's the Answer?
 By EDWARD FINCH



WHERE DID THE GAME OF FOOTBALL ORIGINATE?

MOST of us today think of football as strictly an American game and will be very much surprised to learn that it was conceived and first played in Japan as early as the Seventh century. It was very popular among court circles and was limited mostly to those enjoying high royal rank. It was called football to distinguish it from the Roman national game of handball.

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