Make Plans to Give the Poor Here Bit of Christmas Cheer

City Board of Welfare Will Remember the Needy With Baskets of Food and Clothing—No Way to Do It Except Through the Generous Hearts of Greensboro People.

The poor of Greensboro will have their touch of Christmas this year. The city board of welfare, Mrs. Blanche Carr Sterne in charge, will, through the people of Greensboro and anybody else who wishes to have a part, distribute Christmas baskets on Christmas eve.

Mrs. Sterne has started her appeal, and she is confident that it will receive a ready response. She said yesterday that she was very very pleasantly surprised at the warmth of the answer to last year's appeal and she expects more this year. Last year more than $1,300 was donated for the Christmas baskets for the poor.

It is the part of a very comprehensive Santa Claus that the board of welfare plays to those who find Christmas bleak and bare except for the board and the people whose donations make its work possible at the Christmas season. The board will remember those in Greensboro and the vicinity.

The board does not give Christmas dinners, that being the province of the Salvation army. It does give groceries, fruit, clothing, cloth, coal and wood and some toys for the children. It plans its work along utilitarian lines, seeking to alleviate distress and furnish a bit of Christmas cheer at the same time.

What is Christmas without a fire? was one question that Mrs. Sterne asked yesterday. Still, there will be people without even a handful of coals to shiver over, while others pay homage to the King in pleasant steam heated houses, unless the warm take time, just a few minutes, to remember their unfortunate brothers and sisters, time to remember little underclad, shivering children. Mrs. Sterne is strong for warmth on the Christmas day.

There are few things more acceptable to a girl than fresh, new gingham cloth nor to the woman than warm outing—where the girl or the woman has nothing like that, Mrs. Sterne said. There is really no gift more acceptable than a new pair of shoes in time of sleet and slush—where the old footwear has worn past all serviceability. Mrs. Sterne and the board believe in clothing the needy. And those things are not so costly. They are easily purchasable, provided one who has a warm overcoat and furs and all that will just take a few minutes and do a little hard thinking and a little quick action.

There are old women, who have seen many Christmas come and go, Mrs. Sterne said, some of them happy ones when they did not give the warmth giving qualities of the clothes they wore a thought. It wasn't necessary. But now Christmas is not so happy for them and a bit of clothing, a piece of outing, a simple, cheap dress makes Christmas really Christmas to them.

Of course the board and Mrs. Sterne know that nobody can really be happy if they are hungry. For that reason they see that the needy have something that will last for several days—bread, for example, canned goods, meat, plain food that appeals to people who really never have enough of it. For that reason groceries of all kinds are very acceptable. Besides that, the children are given fruit and the little knicknacks that go with Christmas.

Toys, provided they are not disreputable, are welcomed. Something that depends upon a spring to run and that had its spring snapped about 10 months ago should not be sent. Even the poor little children know the difference. But there are many toys that children have outgrown that are in fairly good shape. They can be used.

The board, of course wants money. Mrs. Sterne has not set any figure. "All we can get," she said. As has been stated before, the board got over $1,300 last year for the poor at Christmas. It should receive more this year. Times are not as flush as they were last year and more people are in need. There is more distress to be alleviated; more homes to go to; more stomachs to try to fill for once. Also, it is supposed that when people are not so prosperous themselves they are quicker to recognize the needs of others.

In addition to money, Mrs. Sterne would like to get all the groceries that anybody feels like giving, things like flour and meat and canned goods—everything that people eat. Besides that, clothing, clean and in fairly good condition, is very acceptable, things like overcoats that have been outgrown and thrown aside or any piece of clothing. It can all be used.

Mrs. Sterne makes it clear that it is the people of Greensboro who will have to furnish these things. She and the board of welfare are only the agents of the people here. Without a generous response to her appeal she cannot do anything. And she has faith in them. It is rather extraordinary, that faith. Talking to her one does not catch a single note of worry or irritation lest there be suffering because of a lack of generosity. It may be that donations come in slowly, but—"They will not forget. They will 'remember' She has an immense amount of confidence in the size of the heart of Greensboro. It would not do to abuse that confidence. It would not be fair to those who would be thankful for just "the crumbs from the table" of the fortunate, from those to whom Christmas means something, whose children do not have to trust to the generosity of others.

Checks should be made payable to Mrs. Blanche Carr Sterne, Board of Welfare, or just to the board, and should be mailed to Mrs. Blanche Carr Sterne, Board of Welfare, Courthouse, Greensboro. They may be carried to her office, also cash. Other gifts of a heavier nature may be carried to her office, on the third floor of the courthouse, or if she is notified the board will send for them.

Christmas eve is only 11 days distant and those whose hearts are not granite should waste no time.

SEVEN REALTY DEEDS REGISTERED YESTERDAY

Rural, Urban and High Point Property Figure In List Of The Transactions.

Seven real estate deeds were recorded in the office of the Guilford register yesterday. None of them were for large sums of money. The list of transactions follows:

Blount Tonkins and wife to Garland Tonkins, 22 acres in Sumner township adjoining the lands of W. J. Groome and H. Bishop, consideration $550, the grantors to retain possession of the woods, woodland and dwelling houses as long as they live.

Edward Hendrix to D. Wray, lots 47, 48, 49 and 50 in block C of R. L. Michael sub-division, Morehead township; $10 and other valuable considerations.

C. A. Hamilton and wife to Charles D. Benbow, Jr., lot 16, Springdale court sub-division, Mochead township, $10 and other valuable considerations.

Blount Tonkins and wife to Isaac Tonkins, 14 acres in Sumner township, the grantors to retain woods, wood land and dwelling house as long as they live.

A. L. Stockton and wife to J. P. Lanning and J. N. Coe, lot on North Elm street, Morehead township, Greensboro; $10 and other considerations.

E. J. Stuart and wife to Oscar Raper and wife, lot 2 of sub-division of J. H. Idding property along Southern railroad near Pomona, $10 and other considerations.

T. F. Wrenn and wife to R. E. Biles and wife, lot 2 in the J. M. Hedgecock plot, Tipton street, High Point; $250.

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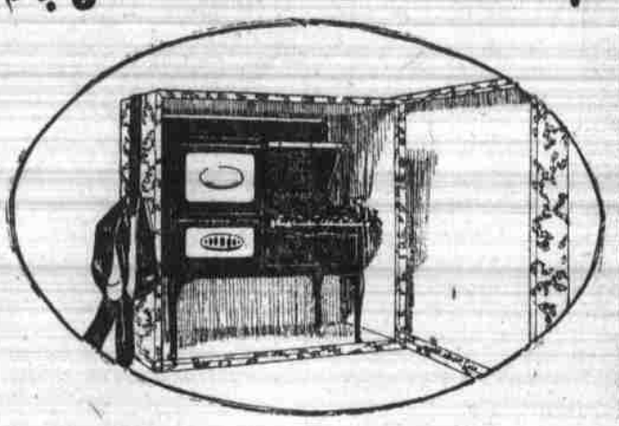
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