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Christmas Mailing

We use a portion of this column to urge that you do your Christmas mailing early, or your friends may be disappointed when Christmas arrives.

The mails will be heavier than ever this year. Another difficulty is that the postal department is short on manpower and transportation facilities. Mail cannot be moved in great quantities as rapidly as in former years.

We presumed that the postal authorities knew what they are talking about when they urge that you mail your packages and cards by December 10.

The warning has been given plainly, and if you want that Christmas mail to get to its destination before Christmas, there is no time to waste.

Buy Christmas Seals

The accomplishments of the Tuberculosis association in fighting one of the worst diseases in the world are so well known that it is hardly worth while to make additional comment.

But we do wish to point out that the organization is supported by funds from the sale of Christmas seals, and for that reason we urge that you buy seals in large quantities this year.

If you have received seals in the mails, send your contributions in return to Mrs. Jack Swofford, Wilkes chairman for the campaign. If you have not received seals, send your contribution anyway. It will do as much good in fighting tuberculosis, which is the main objective.

Cut a Cord of Pulpwood

When the big artillery shells of the A. E. F. fell on Sedan, France, in early November, twenty-five years ago, the East and West armies of the Kaiser were cut in two and the Kaiser's goose was cooked.

Then came the Armistice. De Fuhrer's goose will be cooked one day, too, and then Tojo's. How soon depends on us at home as much as on our fighting men. For they can't win victories unless we keep them supplied with more and better equipment than the enemy's.

Planes, ships, tanks and guns are essential needs, we know, but just as essential are ammunition, equipment, food, medical supplies and a hundred other materials of war needed in each day's battle.

One of the essential products for hundreds of items of war today is pulpwood. It goes into the manufacture of smokeless powder, surgical dressings, mine covers, cargo parachutes, vests for aviators, weatherproof maps, containers for blood plasma, first aid kits, emergency rations, just to name a few.

Tons of food and equipment are shipped overseas each month in waterproof boxes and bags made of pulpwood which has replaced millions of pounds of critical metals.

Now the nation, at war, is suffering from a serious pulpwood shortage which can only be relieved by the farmers and woodcutters in pulpwood producing areas like ours.

We can't all work on the planes and ships and tanks and guns but every able-bodied man in the community can give them life by the fruits of his axe and saw. Remember the Victory Pulpwood Campaign slogan:

"Cut a Cord of Pulpwood for every Local Boy in Service".

Tuberculosis takes an American life every nine minutes; when the Christmas Seal Campaign started it killed at the rate of one person every 3 1-2 minutes.

Borrowed Comment

IF TURKEY ENTERS THE WAR (Lenoir News-Topic)

There is much speculation about the probability of Turkey giving active assistance to the United Nations. Already, according to an Associated Press dispatch the Turks are giving secret assistance to the Allied armed forces.

With the advance of the Russian Army, which threatens the entire Balkan region, the entrance of Turkey into the war, which would afford the Allies bases for attacks in the Balkans, would be of vast importance. Nevertheless, it would be foolish to conclude that the action of Turkey might precipitate peace.

Certainly, there is little justification, so far as we can see, in extravagant assertions that Turkey's belligerency would "be more important than the Soviet attack, the bombing of the Reich or the invasion of Italy."

The fact is that the offensive of the Soviet Army is of paramount importance and the bombing of the Reich is a close second. The invasion of Italy represents a military development that equals, if it does not exceed, in importance the entrance of Turkey.

The observation is made that the Turks "will open to us territory from which to stab at the very heart of Germans". This is additional verbal extravagance. Turkish belligerency will assist in the overthrow of the Axis throughout the Balkan area, but so far as the "heart of Germany" is concerned, we are much closer to it at bases in England.

Tuberculosis deaths have mounted in the warring countries. Latest available figures show that the death rate in England and Wales increased 12 per cent in 1941, and in Scotland to 20 per cent over the 1938-39 mortality.

More than 500,000 Americans are now suffering with tuberculosis, and the disease claims the lives of 60,000 in our nation every year.

LIFE'S BETTER WAY
WALTER E. ISENHOUR
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VICTIMS OF DISCOURAGEMENT

It seems that some people are victims of discouragement. Undoubtedly this is the means the devil uses to defeat them in life, especially if he sees that they have the ability and sincere desire to accomplish something good, great and worth while. However, where one has ability, aim, plan and purpose to live nobly and bless mankind, and prays and trusts God as he should, he wins out over the discouraging obstacles he meets along life's pathway. Praise God. But it is sad to see those who should be bright, burning and shining lights for our God, and who should be real leaders in the cause of righteousness, and should be blessed soul-winners, and should be helping their fellowmen heavenward, plodding through life defeated themselves and accomplishing nothing toward the salvation and uplift of others, all because of grim discouragement. God would not have it so. God's words to Joshua, "Be strong and of a good courage", (Joshua 1:6), can well be applied to us. God would have us say with the Apostle Paul, "I can do all things through Christ which strengthened me". (Phil. 4:13).

If the discouraged would pray much and wait upon God, it is unknown what they could accomplish in life. Listen to the exhortation of the Psalmist: "Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord". (Psalm 27:14). It takes patient waiting and lingering in prayer before God to receive courage and strength oftentimes for the conflicts, tests, temptations and trials that would utterly discourage and defeat us.

Discouraged soul, look up. Your help must come from God. Remember He is still upon His throne, and that He still hears and answers prayer, and brings courage to His dear children when they call upon Him sincerely, and will tarry until He speaks to their hearts. Refuse to be overcome through discouragement. It is a trick and plan of the devil to defeat your life, and to defeat the lives of others, and to keep you out of the kingdom of heaven.

Everybody who has made a success in life at something good, great and worth while have had discouragements to contend with. But they kept on in the right way, and kept sticking to the right, and holding to God, hence won out. This is life's better way.

ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES

By
DWIGHT NICHOLS
et al

HERE AND THERE

Some people believe in dreams. There was the fellow who dreamed of eating flannel cakes and woke up to find the blanket was gone.

The little boy in school defined hypodermic as one who goes to school with a smile on his face.

Some people claim to be self-made, in which case they relieve the Lord of a great responsibility.

FIGHTING OVER WOMAN
It is told around town that two people from "way back" were talking and one said that he had heard "they are fighting a war". The other wanted to know what the fighting was over. "I think it is a woman by name of Pearl Harbor".

SOUND ADVICE
Don't be what you ain't,
Just be what you is,
If you is not what you am,
Then you am not what you is,
If you're just a little tadpole,
Don't try to be a frog.
If you're just the tail,
Don't try to wag the dog.
You can always pass the plate,
If you can't exhort and preach,
If you're just a little pebble,
Don't try to be the beach,
Don't be what you ain't,
Just be what you is.

A GLIMPSE OF BEAUTY
"Some men", writes Louis Tucker in his book Clerical Errors, "can see the beauty of a tree, some men love well-tilled fields, or sunrises and sunsets, some love flowers, the sea, good-looking people, a good dog, or a good horse; many love nothing".

"Now and then, though," he continues, "there bursts upon some sordid soul the synthesis of beauty; and suddenly he rediscovers paradise... Every convalescent, walking out for the first time after a long illness, knows what that is, and every man who has escaped death by a hair's breadth sees it; but most forget again."

WHY THEY DRESS
The belief that women dress to please men is a masculine fatuity. They don't dress to please anybody. A woman dresses to make some other woman burn up; the triumph is achieved when the other woman betrays herself by a certain glint in the eye, a certain cattiness of phrase couched in terms of poisonous sweetness. — Baltimore Evening Sun.

Mrs. H. M. Call, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Curry, of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Hugh Smithy, of Baltimore, Md., and Mr. and Mrs. Gray Harris, of Brier Creek, visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Shew and family, of Roaring River route two.

Money can fight, buy bonds.

Sam Ervin, Jr. Resigns Post In Judiciary

Raleigh.—Gov. Broughton announced today that Sam E. Ervin, Jr., of Morganton, had resigned as special judge to resume his law practice in Burke county.

Justus C. Radtall, of Newton, has been named special Superior court judge, the governor said, and will begin his duties January 1.

"The superb record made by Judge Ervin has received the highest commendation of lawyers, judges and the public generally," Governor Broughton said, "and his retirement from the bench is a distinct loss to the state and its judiciary."

Radtall, a native of Catawba county, attended Lenoir-Rhyne College and Wake Forest law school. He has practiced law in Newton since 1920. His appointment is for a term expiring June 30, 1945.

Three In Wilkes Are Facing Liquor Case

Charges of illicit liquor activities have been made against Clyde Turner Anderson, Junior Combs and James Parks, Wilkes county men, the office of United States Marshal Edney Ridge states.

J. W. Dula, federal commissioner at Wilkesboro, found probable cause for an alcohol tax unit complaint charging Anderson and Combs with manufacturing and possessing whiskey and possessing an unregistered distillery.

Both were bound over to the May term of United States District court at Wilkesboro, Anderson being at liberty under \$500 bond and Combs committed to Stanley county jail after failing to post bond in that amount.

Parks posted \$500 temporary bond to come before Commissioner Dula Saturday, December 18, for preliminary hearing on an ATU complaint charging him with manufacture of whiskey and possession of an unregistered distillery.

LEGISLATOR DIES
Greenville, S. C., Dec. 1.—Wilton H. Earle, Greenville attorney and a former state senator from this county, died in a hospital here today of a heart attack he suffered Monday.

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Induction Brings Riches to Negro

Jackson, Miss.—The old saying, "Boys in the army and you'll never get rich," didn't apply to a Jackson negro porter today.

Thirty-six-year-old Parke Booker, father of 11 children, earned \$15 a week in civilian life. When he was inducted into the army yesterday, his family's income rose to over \$800 a month under the new dependency law.

His wife will receive \$50, the first child, \$40, and each of the remaining children, \$20.

In addition, the soldier must throw in \$75 out of his own \$50 pay check.

Although three of the children

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Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to soothe, loosen and expel mucus laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

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Tan Bark will have very good market this coming year.

Information given by:
W. F. DECKER, ASHEVILLE, N. C.
Care Langren Hotel

ALONG THE HOME FRONT

Service Man...

The job of your service man is to help you continue to enjoy the use of your range and refrigerator and your other aids to efficient housekeeping.

He cannot come immediately, as he used to, because tires and trucks are rationed, too. Besides that, many of his fellows are among the 740 Duke Power men in uniform.

But he is hard at it day after day, repairing here, patching there, lending a helping hand somewhere else. He is proud of the service he renders; he appreciates your friendly co-operation in calling him only when you absolutely have to and—above all—in taking such good care of the equipment you have that it will require no mending.

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