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RED CROSS ROLL CALL FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK

American Public Asked to Respond With Universal Membership.

Is your name written there? Where? On the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, of course.

Beginning with Red Cross Sunday, December 15, the entire American nation will be given the opportunity during the week of December 16 to 23 to line up for all those errands of mercy that the bright Red Cross against the white background has come to symbolize.

This is in no sense a call for funds. It is the annual call for service. Every member of every household, from the grandfather to the nursery, should be represented on the Red Cross Service Flag. Only dollar memberships are being asked for, and these are for the calendar year of 1919.

Everywhere throughout the fourteen Red Cross divisions the week will be celebrated as a rededication to personal service and self-sacrifice. No matter what may be the immediate task ahead, there are bound to be increasing demands made on the Red Cross during the coming year, and every American, whether here or in foreign parts, has his part to play.

Through the Divisions every Chapter, and through the Chapter every Branch and Auxiliary will spread the Red Cross Message and endeavor to enroll every person in every community. Already the membership in this national organization has grown from some few hundred thousand in 1916 to more than twenty millions since our own country entered the world war. There are no limits set for the 1918 Christmas enrollment. Every American everywhere is the hoped for goal.

Programs subject to local conditions will be arranged for the week, based on suggestions worked out by national campaign managers at Headquarters. On Roll Call Sunday the Red Cross message will be preached from every pulpit, and all church meetings will arrange special programs of Red Cross activities.

With the co-operation of local artists, every community will be decorated with Red Cross posters. Posters will be used on all packages sent out from the stores during Roll Call week, and the movies will show films picturing the various Red Cross agencies at home and abroad. "For All Humanity" shows scenes taken on the actual battlefield. There will also be Women's day, club programs on Red Cross, special exercises in the Red

Cross workrooms, Employees day (when special tribute will be paid to the contribution made by the laboring man), the week ending with a general "Clean-up" day, when every person in the community not yet enrolled will again be personally solicited for membership.

It is believed that some time during the week at least one performance of the masque, "The Roll Call," especially written by Mr. Percy Mackaye, with stage settings designed by Robert Edmond Jones, will be given in every community. This has but twelve speaking parts and is arranged especially for community presentation, with men, women and children in the pantomime parts. It can be given either elaborately or very simply, as conditions warrant. In its dramatic theme it expresses the emancipation of the human spirit from tyranny through the humanizing agency of the American Red Cross. Copies of the masque, as well as directions for costuming and incidental music, can be secured at Red Cross Headquarters in every town and city.

One of the most novel and interesting features of the campaign promising to be the One-day and One-Hour plan of enrollment. This consists of dividing the community into units of one hundred houses, the idea being to have sufficient workers to canvass these homes practically simultaneously, a sort of "home stretch," distributing the work among many with a minimum of time consumed by each.

The official uniform worn by Roll Call workers will be a cap and arm brassard. These are to be made of red flannel and a small paper circle in white will carry the Red Cross emblem. This uniform will serve both as protection against the unscrupulous and as an aid to the workers themselves.

Corporations, business firms and industries will be supplied with a 100% Service flag. There will be no Christmas sale of tuberculosis seals this year. Instead, the Red Cross has made a direct appropriation of \$2,500,000 for this work, and ten seals will be awarded each person who joins the Roll Call as a reminder of the very important work being done by the National Tuberculosis Association.

Wars may come and wars may go but the Red Cross goes on forever.

Will you not be among the first to place your name on the 1919 membership roll?

Xmas Greetings

Ye mellowed chimes ring in the day,
Fair Christmas tide makes no delay,
To cheer the dreary world along,
Which greeted once a child in song.

The Angels came with harps of gold,
To cheer the God-like kingly soul;
In minor keys, they lulled the Child,
His Virgin-mother meek and mild.

On yon Judean hills afar,
The Shepherds saw, the glowing star;
Thru' snowy dells by night they drugged,
O'er Hills of old renown, they trudged.

He came not in a palace-hall,
But in a stable like a thrall,
Upon a straw-decked manger fair,
Laid He so rich in beauty rare.

The star which made the dark night light,
And let the Magi thru' the night,
O'er yonder lone old cattle shed,
It sparkled bright and never fled.

Joseph F. Melancon,
Kenrick Seminary.

U. S. HEALTH SERVICE ISSUES WARNING

Increase in All Respiratory Diseases After the Influenza Epidemic Probable.

Influenza Expected to Lurk for Months, How to Guard Against Pneumonia, Common Colds Highly Catching—Importance of Suitable Clothing—Could Save 100,000 Lives.

Washington, D. C.—With the subsidence of the epidemic of influenza the attention of health officers is directed to pneumonia, bronchitis and other diseases of the respiratory system which regularly cause a large number of deaths, especially during the winter season. According to Rupert Blue, Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, these diseases will be especially prevalent this winter unless the people are particularly careful to obey health instructions.

"The present epidemic," said Surgeon General Blue, "has taught by bitter experience how readily a condition beginning apparently as a slight cold may go on to pneumonia and death. Although the worst of the epidemic is over, there will continue to be a large number of scattered cases, many of them mild and unrecognized, which will be danger spots to be guarded against." The Surgeon General likened the present situation to that after a great fire, saying, "No fire chief who understands his business stops playing the hose on the charred debris as soon as the flames and visible fire have disappeared. On the contrary, he continues the water for hours and even days, for he knows that there is danger of the fire rekindling from smoldering embers."

"Then you fear another outbreak of influenza?" he was asked. "Not necessarily another large epidemic," said the Surgeon General, "but unless the people learn to realize the seriousness of the danger they will be compelled to pay a heavy death toll from pneumonia and other respiratory diseases.

Common Colds Highly Catching.
"It is encouraging to observe that people are beginning to learn that ordinary coughs and colds are highly catching and are spread from person to person by means of droplets of germ laden mucus. Such droplets are sprayed into the air when careless or ignorant people cough or sneeze without covering their mouth and nose. It is also good to know that people have learned something about the value of fresh air. In summer, when people are largely out of doors, the respiratory diseases (coughs, colds, pneumonia, etc.) are infrequent; in the fall, as people begin to remain indoors, the respiratory diseases increase; in the winter, when people are prone to stay in badly ventilated, overheated rooms, the respiratory diseases become very prevalent.

Suitable Clothing Important.
"Still another factor in the production of colds, pneumonia and other respiratory diseases is carelessness or ignorance of the people regarding suitable clothing during the seasons when the weather suddenly changes, sitting in warm rooms too heavily dressed or,

what is even more common, especially among women, dressing so lightly that windows are kept closed in order to be comfortably warm. This is a very injurious practice.

Could Save 100,000 Lives.

"I believe we could easily save one hundred thousand lives annually in the United States if all the people would adopt the system of fresh air living followed, for example, in tuberculosis sanatoria. There is nothing mysterious about it—no specific medicine, no vaccine. The important thing is right living, good food and plenty of fresh air.

Droplet Infection Explained in Pictures.

"The Bureau of Public Health, Treasury Department, has just issued a striking poster drawn by Berryman, the well-known Washington cartoonist. The poster exemplifies the modern method of health education. A few years ago, under similar circumstances, the health authorities would have issued an official dry but scientifically accurate bulletin teaching the role of droplet infection in the spread of respiratory diseases. The only ones who would have understood the bulletin would have been those who already knew all about the subject. The man in the street, the plain citizen and the many millions who toll for their living would have had no time and no desire to wade through the technical phraseology."



COLDS, INFLUENZA, PNEUMONIA, AND TUBERCULOSIS ARE SPREAD THIS WAY

Copies of this poster can be obtained free of charge by writing to the Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.

YOU CAN NOT VOTE

For President of the United States, For Governor or State Officials For Municipal or Parochial Officers at the NEXT ELECTION unless Your 1918 Poll Tax is paid. Pay It Now!

HUNTING NOTICE.

Hunting and trespassing on the Keystone plantation, in the 1st ward of St. Martin parish, is strictly prohibited and the public warned that violators will be prosecuted according to law.

Keystone Plantation,
O. Durand, Manager.

NOTICE

I will not be responsible for any debt contracted by my wife, Clarice Girard, or any other person, from this date.

FARFAIT ROBERTSON,
D-e. 14, 1918. St. Martinville, La.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo,
Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY.

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Merry Christmas.

As our next issue will only reach our readers after Christmas, we take this occasion in wishing all a Merry Christmas.



This week, under the management of Mr. J. H. Duchamp, parish manager, the Red Cross was in full operation, and it was the intention to cover the whole parish in two days, but as this would be a big accomplishment, it is probable that the work will have to be continued some time next week.

Mr. Chas. Foti has bought from Mr. John Dugas his pumping outfit, complete, including crude oil engine, thresher and other rice implement, which machinery he will erect on his place on the east side, a few miles south of town, and cultivate a rice crop.

The Billeaud and Smede Refineries completed their grinding season last Saturday, which was the shortest grinding these mills ever had due to the serious drouth of the summer in that hilly section. That section made less than one third of a normal crop.

The cane planters are slow saving their cane this year, the crop around here being large and the big St. John and those being shipped by rail is not sufficient to take the crop as rapidly as the planters would like, grinding will continue into January, which will cause the planters to be late in getting their lands ready for early spring planting.

RED CROSS SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

The American Red Cross has established a manual training school for Belgian boys at Vaulruz, Switzerland.

Do not turn your back upon the boys now that they have set you free, back them to the last. Join the working force. Red Cross Xmas Roll Call Membership drive Dec. 15-23rd. - J. H. Duchamp, Campaign Manager.

Married couples would be happier if home troubles were kept within the four walls of the home; if each would remember that the other was a human being, and not an angel, and if husband and wives would sometimes remember that they were once sweethearts and lovers and should be so always.

A carload of pity is not worth a handful of help.

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