

and have a picture of three little cherubs. No mention is made of Tuberculosis, but each seal bears a small double-barred Red Cross, the international symbol of the fight against the disease. Attractive Christmas cards in similar colours are also available, and a new departure this year—though not especially linked with the Christmas Seal Sale—is the publication of brightly coloured Whist score cards, which may be of interest to social clubs, promoters of Whist Drives and others. The cost of the Christmas Seals is 4s. per 100, of the Christmas cards, including envelopes, 6d. each, and of the Whist score cards, 10s. per 100, and all can be obtained from the Duchess of Portland, Chairman, N.A.P.T., Tavistock House North, London, W.C.1.

Although a great deal has been done to bring Tuberculosis under control, the serious position with regard to the disease is everywhere causing much concern. In this country there are about 450 deaths a week, a quarter of a million sufferers and 11,000 waiting admission for treatment, while in the Colonies and in countries such as India the disease is one of the most serious health problems.

Although diagnosis and treatment are dealt with by the Health Service, it is everywhere recognised that voluntary effort in the fields of prevention and welfare—in co-operation with local health authorities—is still a vital part of the campaign. During the past year the work of the N.A.P.T. has been more in demand than ever before. Leaflets written in non-technical language are produced and distributed in large quantities; two interesting health magazines published; an enormous number of enquiries answered on all aspects of Tuberculosis; refresher courses and conferences held and research encouraged by scholarships, surveys and other means. In addition, the social welfare work of the Association in the care and after-care of the patient and his family provides the human touch to official schemes for treatment and rehabilitation.

Nowadays it is difficult for people to subscribe largely to

voluntary funds, and small sums often do not seem worth sending. But to buy Christmas Seals, which cost only a half-penny each, is within everybody's means, and the record of what has been achieved by these contributions, so small in themselves, is amazing. In 18 years a total of £350,000 has been raised for direct assistance to the tuberculous through local Care Committees, and for the activities of the N.A.P.T., and last year it was estimated that one person per 1,000 of the population subscribed.

Book Reviews.

A Review of Tuberculosis

*being the Annual Report of the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis of Great Britain, 1949-1950.**

THIS IS AN INTERESTING REPORT nicely presented in a manual-pamphlet form. It describes the various activities of the Association, its Social Welfare work and its affiliated Societies.

* Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.1; 65, Castle Street, Edinburgh 2; 28, Bedford Street, Belfast.

Aids to a Vegan Diet for Children.†

By Kathleen V. Mayo.

THIS LITTLE MANUAL consists of an interesting introduction on the right food for children who will grow up as complete vegetarians; and then it is composed entirely of specimen menus for children. It is illustrated with photographs of remarkably healthy looking children. The book provokes thought.

† The Vegan Society, Rydal Lodge, Ambleside, Westmorland. Price 1s.



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