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Speaks Over National Net-
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Christmas Seals Sale

Ottawa, December 8.—(P)—Prime Minister Mackenzie King told Canadians in a radio address tonight that ground may be lost in the fight against tuberculosis unless they are "vigilant and active" in support of work being carried out to keep the disease controlled.

Mr. King was speaking over a national network of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation on behalf of the Christmas seal campaign of the Canadian Tuberculosis Association and affiliated anti-tuberculosis societies across Canada.

"In 1941 this great humane organization will need your help more than ever, in order to maintain the health of Canadian youth," Mr. King said.

"Men and women between the ages of 15 and 45 are especially liable to the onset of this white plague.

"At a time when youth is doing so much to save the world, it is our manifest duty to help save youth for the world."

Mr. King said it was significant that the double-barred cross on the Christmas seals—the international emblem of the anti-tuberculosis crusade—was a combination of the doubled-barred cross of Lorraine, now the emblem of Free France, and the cross of the Church of Greece, "that of the little land which was the first to define freedom, as it is the latest to defend it."

Despite the decrease in the tuberculosis death rate in the past 40 years of organized tuberculosis work in Canada, and the advances in treatment and preventive measures, there was danger ground might be lost, the Prime Minister said.

"Today unless we are vigilant and active in our support of this work, there is a danger that ground won will be lost, and that the foe will return with all his former strength to wreck havoc in our land. War, especially when it is accompanied by the living conditions that prevail in Britain and in many European countries, will be followed by an inevitable increase in the number of tuberculosis cases in the beleaguered countries."