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Mansbridge
~~(1876-1952)~~
38, HIGH OAKS ROAD,

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WELWYN GARDEN CITY,
HERTFORDSHIRE.

Dec 26th 1933.

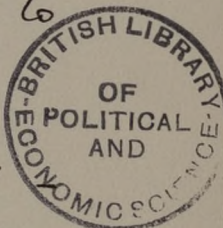
Dear George Lansbury

No answer please

We were so sorry to hear
of your accident - but
cheered from time to time to
read of your progress.

May you soon be about
in the power of the Spirit - M449
doing your utmost, in your
high place, in our time.

We pray that every
blessing rest on you and that
Wisdom from the Holy Heavens
will guide you
Yours
Albert & Frances Mansbridge



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27th December, 1933.



The Rt. Hon. G. Lansbury,
P.C., M.P.,
The Manor House Hospital,
North End Road,
N. W. 11.

Dear Mr. Lansbury,

I am writing to say that the interview we made with you for the film was successful in every way, and is now showing in various cinemas all over the country.

I informed your daughter, Mrs. Postgate, of various cinemas in the East End where it is showing and she has doubtless directed people she wished to see it where to go.

I am sorry we took up so much of your time, but as you know our camera let us down and we had to send to the office to get another.

If, when you are up and about again, you would care to see it here at any time, we would be only too happy to show it to you at our private theatre.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

B. B. S. Veall

B. B. S. VEALL.
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Amy Golder
(niece of G.L.)
or Mrs. G.L.

16 Deerbrook, Rd. (203)

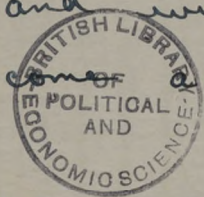
Herne Hill

S.E. 24.

Dec: 27th 1933

My dear Uncle

I was so very happy in being able to see you on Christmas morning, if only it could have been under happier circumstances. So many times have I been coming to see you all at Bow Rd. only have not had the courage, for you see you have climb the tree of fame since I stayed with you at St Stevens Rd and I was rather afraid, but I found on Christmas day that you were the same dear old Uncle I knew in St Stevens Rd, I am writing to Annie before going along, as you suggested, we do hope that you are making good progress, and will soon be home again, I shall gain and see you very soon



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Amy Golder²

27 Dec. 1933. (204)

We went along to my brother Jim
yesterday, He has two very nice
children and very proud of them,
so he is bringing them to-morrow
afternoon (Thursday) to see you, hoping
that you will be able to see them.

I remain your loving niece

Amy. Golder.



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Edwin George Gooch

(1889)

Telephone: TERMINUS 3913

Telegraphic Address: NATAGRIC, KINGCROSS, LONDON.

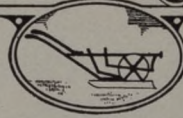
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From

Councillor E. G. GOOCH, J.P., C.C.
PRESIDENT.

**RYDAL MOUNT,
WYMONDHAM,
NORFOLK.**

(To whom all replies should be sent)

Dec. 27th. 1933.

Mr. George Lansbury, M.P.,
Manor House Hospital.

Dear Mr. Lansbury.

I do not like bethering you in the midst of your own great trouble, but we are holding a Memorial Service to George Edwards, as you will see by the enclosed, and I should very much like to be able to read to the meeting a tribute from you.

If you do not feel up to it I shall know, but if you can manage a brief letter I shall be grateful.

We read every day of your progress and we are all hoping to have you with us again before very long.

Hurry up and get well again!

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

E. G. Gooch.

[see Lansbury's letter to Gooch of 2 Jan. 1934 below]



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Labour Party:

W. R. OWEN,
Penrallt Fawr,
Rhosgadfan,
LLANWYDA,
Caernarvon.

27 Dic. 1933

Anrhyf Frawd.

In gyfarfod y Seiciat yn
Hermon. A. Wylstryfan, nws fereses
Rhag 27. 1933. Seiciat olaf y fluyddlyn. "Pasinyd."
Ein bod ni yn Hermon yn dymuno adferiad
iechyd i chi, gan gredw fod trefn ddaeth
lluw ein Tad. yn gwemi arweh mewn llawenydd,
ac yn datguddio yn llawnach oleuni mwy
ein h'iechawdwr Iesu Crist.

Ein dymuniad i fluyddlyn Newydd dda, moidd
y cawn glywad iech llawr eto yn cyhoeddi
yn glirach nag eriod. "Leynas yr Ben i
Llywodraethu."

Yr eiddoch yn fas.

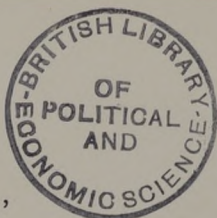
W. R. Owen.

Rhag. 27. 33.

Ysg. yr Eglwys.

Edgar Isaac Lansbury
d. 1935

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BERESFORD HOTEL,

BIRCHINGTON-ON-SEA,

KENT.

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Wednesday

[Sat 27 Dec. 1933]

Dear Dad,

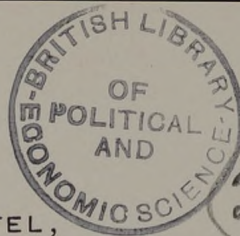
We have seen by the papers that you have not been left much alone over the holidays. Everyone send their love & wish you could have been here amongst us. This place is full of prosperous people such as lawyers, army officers

Sailor-men, etc. and nearly
all have asked most kindly
after you. If kind Wray's
could have got you better, I
believe the Conservatives
^{alone} would have cured you long
ago!

The children have had
the time of their lives with fancy
dress parties etc. I sold to a
1st prize at the real Ball as
a "Shepherdess". The twins
went to the babies' party as
Middy & Minnie Mouse -
Nurse & Maya had their
costumes brought. They looked

Edgar Lansbury 2

TELEGRAMS: BERESFORD BIRCHINGTON.
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BERESFORD HOTEL,
BIRCHINGTON-ON-SEA,
KENT.

so funny. They keep all the
jossers alive with their
vestibly & other antics in
the lounge.

We are all very well
Moya & I especially send
my deepest love & hope
you are not having so much
pain as you were having
earlier. The children

...
were delighted with their
top & books. So were
we.

Once again love from
us all

Emmeline

No pens or ink here.

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[Say 27 Dec. 1833]

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NORMAN MACDERMOTT

ROYALTY CHAMBERS

DEAN STREET, W.1.

27. 12 33

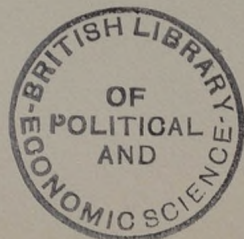
Dear Mr Lausberg.

May I send you my
sympathy & say how delighted I
am to read for are recovery will
I hope you will soon be about again
& fully none the worse for your experience

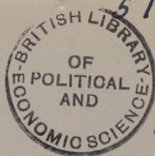
My sincerely yours

Norman Macdermott

Please do not forget
to acknowledge this.



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51 Grosvenor Rd

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L. Nunn, Yaz

Highbury

N.5.

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London 27/12/33.

Dear Mr. Lansbury,

It was with feelings of regret that I heard some weeks back, of the accident which had befallen you, which necessitated an operation and your stay in hospital. I have since followed your progress and am glad to learn that you are well on the road to recovery and trust that this will be speedy and complete. I hope that you

to which my wife and family
join me.

I am

Yours sincerely

J. Nunes. Vaz,

The Right Honorable
George Lansbury Esq. M.P.

Sir Benjamin Drage

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PRIMROSE 0212.

28, ETON AVENUE,
N.W.3.

28 Dec. 1933

The Rt. Hon. George Lansbury,
Manor House Hospital,
North End Road,
N. 11.

My dear Mr. Lansbury,

I envy you your peace of mind, your thoughts of good will and good fellowship towards others at a time when the ordinary mortal would be bemoaning and deploring a stroke of colossal misfortune.

Good will and good fellowship, and thought for others peep out at me from the four corners of the very charming letter I have just received from you.

~~There is~~ *Here* just one little note of resentment when you deplore the need for lying in one position, but you can console yourself with the thought that every minute of this enforced stagnation brings you nearer to complete recovery.

I wish, so far as my personal health is concerned, I could say the same. I have had a dreadful heart attack, and it seems to me instead of getting better I am moving in the opposite direction.

You dwell a little too much upon our association in many good things, in good deeds, in the helping of others, and you think it strange that I should be so closely, intimately and gladly connected with one who is bravely fighting under the banner of socialism.

It is just because in every step of your grand and wonderful life you have given expression to true socialism, that I have looked upon it as a privilege to be associated with you.

I have known many politicians, but amongst them only one man in whom I could place implicit trust and confidence, and that man is my friend, George Lansbury. What little I have seen of political life contains a threat, a contamination to the individual who dares set his foot within that muddy pool. You have kept yourself clean, sweet and unpolluted, and those that know you, love you.

I don't know to what extent you are permitted to keep your mind engaged, whether you are allowed to read, and if you can indulge in that way the whole of my library, which I think is somewhat choice, is at your disposal. Perhaps

Drage

28 Dec. 1933

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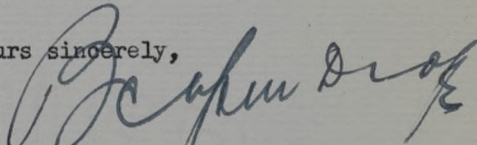
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PRIMROSE 0212.

28, ETON AVENUE,
N.W.3.

Mrs. Postgate would like to come along and pick out any books she believes would interest you, and then one day, when you will allow me, I should like to drop in and say "how do".

Yours sincerely,


Benjamin Drage

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Wilfred Paling
(1883-)

Wayside ⁽²¹⁴⁾
Scawthorpe
Woodlands
Fareaster
Dec 25/33 ⁽²⁸⁾

The Rt. Hon. Geo. Lansbury M.P.

Dear Comrade

Many Many Thanks for your letter. I shall be glad to get back to the House of Commons and be proud to serve such a fine body of men and women as we have in the Wentworth Division. We shall all be better pleased though when you are able to be there also. Look sharp and get well. What a shock you gave us when the news of your accident came through, and what a relief when we knew your recovery.

was assured. The Wentworth
Comrades along with my family
and self wish you a speedy
return to full health and
vigour. Best Wishes for
the New Year from
Yours sincerely
W. A. Ainslie



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Wait Chester Sewell

(215)

76, KINGS ROAD,

LEYTONSTONE, E.11.

Dec 28. 33

Dear George

I am glad, (we were all glad) to hear the good news of your progress - hope it will continue & increase.

I had an interesting chat with Mr. Osgdale about things that happened in the 70's & 80's

I wonder if you remember seeing Orsack & the old lady

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Salisbury, when they brought
back "Peace with Honor from
Berlin?"

We reviewed matters like debate
of interest in 1874/5
of the "Eastern Question" Capital
punishment "can a man be
a brachman if he is not an Indian
Empire jingoism & Redoubts
exalting a nation" & he he
have done all our folk
but better to reply

Yours sincerely
Wait.



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Sir (T.) Drummond Shiels
(1881—1953)

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159, Kent House Road,
Beckenham,
Kent.

28th December, 1933.

Dear Mr. Lansbury,

I am delighted to have your card and to hear the good news otherwise of your progress.

You are doing good service with your fine messages from the hospital, but we look forward to having you back in the flesh to carry on your great and kindly work.

I am,

Fraternally yours,

T. Drummond Shiels.



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 "BALFIS HOUSE"
 215, QUEENS ROAD,
 PERKHAM, S. E. 15.

Arthur Leonard Bateman
 (1879-)

G.L.:
 very many thanks for the
 delightful basket of fruit &
 flowers & cards
 congratulations on handshakes.
 Best wishes

29th December 1933.

Copied

Dear Uncle George;

To present to you my compliments, To express the hope that you make good progress to recovery, that we of the House and the Country can have your services so ably rendered for so many long years.

To wish you a very happy and prosperous New Year, in which Miss Bateman (my daughter joins.

I have made the basket with my own hands, and packed same, and hope you will accept it with my whole hearted sincere good wishes.

Sincerely.

Arthur Leonard Bateman

Member for North Camberwell.

The Rt Hon George Lansbury M.P.. P.C.
 Manor Hospital.
 Golders Green.
 N. London



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Edward Crouse

123 Usher Road

Bow E. 3.

29-12-1933

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G. Lansbury Esq. M.P.

Dear Comrade a few lines, trusting you spent
a Merry Christmas, under the circumstances.

We all trust the New Year will bring to you a
speedy recovery and complete restoration to the
injured thigh.

It must be a tremendous blow to you in these
times, not to have been amongst the Men, Women
and Children in and around your own division,
still everybody has been so nice and kind
in their thoughts of your welfare, that you must
feel, there is a little recompense in this direction,
for your absence, over which you had no control.

The Children at Hutton and Conyar thought of you
on Christmas Eve and expressed deep regret, also
wishing you a speedy recovery, I know you had
this message.

St. Andrews Hospital and the Poplar Union on
Christmas morning, also were deeply in sympathy,
even our own Pantomime Audience, last evening
did not forget you. Well I hope good progress
has been made since we met and every wish
T.T.O

of mine and family is that this will continue.
I shall be going round on Monday with the
Mayor and others, seeing the Children at their
Carnival.

With all the best wishes for the New Year and
heaps of Love from home

Very kind regards
Yours fraternally
E. Cruise

P.S. Hope to see you again
shortly.



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JAMES HAMILTON LASH, D.D.,



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James May



HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD AT SYCAMORE AVENUE
GRANITE 9906

Right Honorable
George Lansbury, P.C. M.P.
% Manor House Hospital
Golders Green, N.W.
London, England.

Hollywood 6811 Cahueuga Trail
Congregational Church
Los Angeles, California

Dec 29, 1933

My dear friend Lansbury. I have just read with much regret that you have fractured your thigh at Lainsborough, but am glad the announcements add "you are going on well." at this season of the year, had it been some other folk I know it might have been suggested that "Scotch" was the cause of your rolling over in this fashion, but of course, Brusselsor George Lansbury, even his greatest critic (I was going to say "enemy" but you have none) could not fairly ^{name} this as the cause of your fractured limb. Under Sir Ambrose Woodall's care you will, with the fortitude and patience which is characteristic of you, gradually recover your usual health. You will have my prayers to this end. This world needs men of your type, badly. There are so many Crooks & Rogues in the public life of most countries. - U.S.A. is full of them, honesty is the exception in this country. President Roosevelt is amongst the exceptions. He is honest, but has a



Photograph taken at the close of a Sunday morning service.

Within Our Parish: Glimpses of Many Forms of Service

About This Letter-Folder

WE want the people of this community to be more fully acquainted with the work of the Hollywood Congregational Church. Its services in this parish, in this community, and in the world outside, are far greater than many realize.

Under the impression that we are incalculably busy with important things, many of us are in serious danger of neglecting that which, next to our homes, is the most important of all.

Indeed, our homes will get more than a just share of our thought, and our deeper instincts will have a better chance to take root, if religion is given its rightful place in our lives. The church is the one institution of our time best fitted by tradition and ideals for the propagating and cultivating of the spiritual.

The photographs on these pages were taken recently as an evidence of the church's human contacts on a typical Sunday. They show the church as a unit, a principality in the Kingdom of the Master, seeking in these various ways to attain an eternal spiritual objective.

Please read between the lines. Picture the individual lives that are being nurtured and enriched, and make this brief recital a glimpse into human hearts, each of which needs to know the love of God, to feel the inspiration of worship, and the joy of service.

As you picture yourself one of a noteworthy group sharing, in His name, in the bringing in of the Kingdom among men, there will open before you opportunities for service through which the ideals of your own life may be realized and your contribution made to the Kingdom's coming.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL aims to help lay the proper foundation on which to build the superstructure of Christian character.

It seeks to do this through its carefully selected curriculum and thoroughly graded courses showing the background of religion as given in the Bible, set forth in the teachings and portrayed by the example of Jesus, and illustrated by the lives of great souls of all time.

Supplementing the work of the Church School and coordinating with its program, are the boys' and girls' clubs of the weekdays, and the young people's societies.

The Boys Clubs are the Friendly Indians, the Pioneers, and the Comrades carrying out the Christian Citizenship Program, of the Y. M. C. A., meeting weekly.

The girls have the Girl Reserves Clubs in conjunction with the Y. W. C. A., meeting weekly.

The Young Peoples Societies are the Friendship Circle and the Six-Fifteen Club, meeting on Sunday evenings.

THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY. A large group of women who are making a great contribution through their social contacts, through their public weekly and monthly meetings and programs, and their organization for service. Their work is educational, humanitarian, charitable, missionary—the outreach to the ends of the earth.

THE BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUB. This group consists of women actively engaged in the business and commercial life of the community, who see the modern world from the business standpoint. Through this Club they find opportunity for social contacts under Christian auspices, and are also enabled to hear speakers on topics of special interest to them, book reviews, lectures, travelogues, and other themes of like nature which would be denied them but for this Club.

KAPPA SIGMA ALPHA. This is a group of college and business young people, combining youthful enthusiasm, broad Christian sympathy and an earnest purpose to interpret Christianity in terms of everyday living.

Their sessions are held every Sunday morning in the Woman's Club House, under the finest leadership.

WORLD FRIENDSHIP. A committee seeking to push back horizons, and enlarge human sympathies. Students of world peace, and international relations bring their messages to large groups many times a year. The issues discussed and the problems presented for solution are the most vital with which Christianity is faced, and we believe a definite contribution is made to the desired end.

THE BROTHERHOOD. An organization of the men of the congregation for the purpose of acquaintance, fellowship, civic betterment and social service.

Their interests and activities center in the boy life not only of our own congregation but of the under-privileged boys on the outside. Civic matters also bulk large in their programs and plans.

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC. A rich expression of religious devotion, by a group of Christian-minded singers, under fine leadership, with the cooperation of the Music Committee.

In the choir is gathered a group who find a real joy in their ministry of song, who add greatly to the service of worship and the inspiration of the worshippers.

Through sacred music, through the great hymns, anthems, and oratorios of the church, the highest aspirations of the human spirit are fostered.

THE MOTHERS' CLUB. A group of mothers sharing their experiences and seeking together to solve their common problems. The social forces in modern life influencing the lives of children receive the earnest attention of the mothers in the meetings held at the homes of the members.

Outstanding books and current events are subjects of discussion. Distinguished speakers, expert in their various lines are heard on child nurture, training, nutrition, recreation, education and every phase of child life.

In addition to the meetings, the Club is rendering a definite service to the church in sponsoring the Church Nursery during the hour of Sunday morning worship.

THE FORUM. A cross-roads of world opinion and progress, viewed in the light of Christian belief.

This group of men seeks to interpret the trend of events and present-day problems through free discussion, critical analysis, and the application of Christian principles to current life. The ideal that the Forum has set for itself is very high and deserves the whole-hearted support of a great group of men.

NOTE TO THE READER: This folder is devoted to the work of the church within the parish. Subsequent literature will treat of the church's wonderful service to the community as a whole, and its splendid share in Christian work throughout the World.

Our Church School: A photograph which visualizes for the congregation and its friends the widespread influence of our activities in the field of Christian character building.



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I am secretary of this forum

The Church in the Ministry of Music, in Child Guidance and in the Lives of Young People



Above: The Vested Choir under the leadership of Ivan Edwardes.



Right: A group in the Beginners' Department



Below: Young People from the Senior High School Group

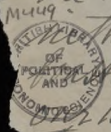


James May 29 Dec 14/33

A very tough job in hand. Personally I think he is trying the impossible, to bring the dead horse of Capitalism into life again but he meantime is being driven into Socialistic measures by force of circumstances. Millions of Republicans & Democrats here are having their eyes open to the fact that the old Individualism with its slogan "Every man for himself & the Devil take the hindmost." will not work.

The interest of the group they begin to see, must be paramount. A very active Journalist, named Andrae B. Wordskog, addressed a large assembly of friends & supporters here. I was present & enjoyed the meeting very much, as I am a subscriber to "The New American". Wordskog is a man of strong convictions, born a born fighter against what he considers wrong in favor of the Right. I have had two fairly long talks with him & attend most of his meetings in Los Angeles district.

W. W. Thomas the leader of Socialism in America & who stood as Socialist Candidate at last election for President of the U.S.A. when Roosevelt beat Hoover by a landslide majority. American working people are very dumb & backward & think they can get all they want & need politically & economically through the medium of the present political parties, they are in my view 50 years behind the dear old Country in this and other respects. Americans are always in a state of confusion of their "land of freedom & liberty". Well, after 10 years residence here in California I am convinced there is much less freedom & liberty in this Country than in Great Britain. California has a Hate law against Syndicalism.



and it is used to suppress every meeting of Communists, Socialists or Advanced Radicals which the Authorities think will denounce or criticise them and their methods. At this moment there are two labor leaders - Tom Mooney & Billings - in jail, and have been since 1916 on conviction on a charge of murder in San Francisco. Who it has been subsequently proved beyond reasonable doubt - that they were innocent. The chief State witness against them had publicly confessed he gave perjured evidence at the trial of these two men & also the judge that tried the case & sentenced them has joined a large & influential body of citizens in an appeal to the various State Governors who have held office during their incarceration - none of them have had the courage or honesty to free Mooney & Billings. There are other states where advanced men & women have no freedom of speech. but I think California is the greatest sinner in this respect. Of course I am an alien in this country & cannot even vote in Municipal matters, altho' I pay taxes & rates. - which as you can well imagine does not go down well with yours truly & this brings me to something I want to tell you frankly it is just possible I may return to the old country next year for good. as my wife & I have very strong ties in England. My wife is from Essex and is one of a family of 12. - 10 of whom are living in Essex - the neighbourhood of London. I have a son, and daughter, both married with children, some of whom I have never seen in the flesh. so from time to time a feeling of "home sickness" comes over both of us. now circumstances seem to point to our return to

James May 29 Dec. 1933

London where we spent so many happy years of our early life. Of course we are a little reluctant to leave this beautiful California, land Sunshine, Fruits & Flowers, where all year round our gardens have roses & other flowers in bloom. I enclose a bud, cut for my button hole this morning from a bush in our front garden there are many more coming along. In another part of our garden, Chrysanthemums are in full bloom, and on Monday Jan 14 1934 The Pasadena (suburb of Los Angeles) Rose Tournament and Parade is held, when 10's of thousands of Roses and other blooms go to form the mile half long Cavalcade, a wonderful unique show, it is repeated every 1st of January. Needless to say many thousands of people from all around the country come to see it. My wife, self, & party, saw it last year.

I am indulging in a fairly long epistle, as I feel you may be interested and have time to spare in your bed to read it - free from the "drudgery" of Office.

As when I return to London I purpose taking an active part in politics, as of yore, and am ready & very fit to help in my small way "Labor" back to Office of Power. The latter it has never had, always in a minority in the House of Commons, where the Tories & Liberals by temporarily joining hands could defeat the Govern. Next General Election. (1935?) The Labor Party must organise & work hard to secure a clear Majority in the House & then it will be able to put forward a real Labor program & carry into law some of the

5. measures that lie dear to our hearts.
By the by, what just is the future of Ramsay MacDonald
has he cut himself off from the Labor Party for good, or is
he likely to retire from further participation in politics?
I am well acquainted with "Mac" & am much interested
to learn what is generally thought of his position & future.
Now my dear friend, I feel I must not trouble you any
further. It has been a pleasure to write you thus &
if it affords you a little relaxation on a sick bed
it will have accomplished my object.

With my very best wishes for a speedy
return to your normal good health, &
that 1934 may be one of your happiest
years, & your fairly long life is my prayer
in which my dear wife joins

Very sincerely yours
James May
(Your old L.C.C. Colleague)

PS. The first page is written on a sheet of our Hollywood
Congregational Church of which I am Chairman of the Board
of Deacons & Hon Secy of The Men's Forum. I have been a
member of this Church since 1923. I enclose copy Nordstoy's
paper.

J.M.



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Gleenthorne

John Allen Parkinson
(1870 - 1941)

Orrell Mount.

Kewgan.

Dec 29th 1930.

My dear Laurburg.

Many I say how extremely sorry both Mr Parkinson & I were, when we heard of your unfortunate accident, but at this time, we are delighted to hear of your steady progress towards recovery.

We can all afford you being out of action, for the time being, as the party, & the movement, need that rallying power, which you alone possess, it is really wonderful in a man of your years, to be able to hold the affections of a whole movement like ours, & it even extends beyond, into the minds of people who don't hold our outlook on life, but who see in you the embodiment of Love, as being the greatest power in human life.

We sincerely hope you will be fully restored to your usual health & strength at an early date, for this we pray.

With our united love. Yours faithfully
Edmund & Ida Parkinson.



"COMRADES" IN DISTRESS.—Mr. George Lansbury, who broke a



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I beg of you just to forward 2p 2/10/18/33
 to adopt a just & honorable attitude
 towards me & my wife, as victims of
 blackmail, in a fair charge.
 For seven years, myself & wife have
 suffered the most cruel & shameful
 treatment & torture, just as in so
 many camps, & maintained in us by
 2p 2/10/18/33, to cover up another man's
 crime. It is this murder by others, have
 the Central Prisoners & others, have
 placed my wife on a sick bed near
 death in more than one occasion, &
 just after the prison & torture - just
 as she have laid on a sick bed
 through the & medical, but after the
 prisoners & tortures given, which 2/10/18/33
 is now impossible for, & make him, make
 you clear, to stop the this murder of
 my wife by the British of Reading & 2/10/18/33
 at my wife's house. It is unbearable.

George Lambing

[Ranger]

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Reading 2/10/18/33

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Bank of Montreal, Gen. Sec., N.Y.C.

[Robert Roberts]

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Gwelfon Houseboat Beach Road
Port Dinorwic
North Wales

Very many
thanks.

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Dear Mr Lansbury

From my heart I say God Bless you I am
at this distance more indebted to you than
I can express in words your inspiring
articles how they uplift us poor people.
bring joy to our hearts and strengthen
our Faith. even the Tories appreciate
them. they say that your wonderful message
in John Bull was worth John Bull's
weight in gold. and it was and worth
more than gold. This Village of
Port Dinorwic Nr Caernarvon was
stirred to its depths by your messages
and it seems to me that they competed
with each other to do acts of kindness
to those in need. because you showed
them that it was better to give than
receive

[Robert Roberts]

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When I think of your Articles and the spirit they infuse into us: the words of Henry Drummond recur to me: This Law of Assimilation is the second and by far the most ~~of~~ impressive truth which underlies the formula of Sanctification, the truth that men are not only mirrors, but that these mirrors so far from being mere reflectors of the fleeting things we see, transfer into our own inmost substances and hold in permanent preservation the things that they reflect. no one knows how the soul can hold these things, no one knows how the miracle is done. no phenomena in nature, no process in chemistry, no chapter in necromancy can even help us to begin to understand this amazing operation. For, think of it. The past is not only focussed there, in a man's soul, it is there. How could it be reflected from there if it were not there? All things that

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all things that he has ever seen.
Known. felt. believed of the surrounding
world are now within him. have
become part of him. in part are
him - he has been changed into
their image. He may deny it. He
may resent it. But they are there.
They do not adhere to him. They
are transfused through him. He
cannot alter or rub them out.
They are not in his memory.
They are in him. His soul is as
they have filled it. made it.
left it. - These things. these books.
these events. these influences are
his makers. in their hands are
life and death. beauty and deformity;
when once the image or likeness of
any of these is fairly presented to
the soul. no power on earth can
hinder two things happening. - it must
be absorbed into the soul and forever
reflected back again from character

[Robert Roberts] 29 Dec. 1983

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Dear Mr Lansbury in your
Hospital Bed just think of the influences
of your Life and Work on Me and
Millions of others like me. in helping to
form beautiful characters. When I
read your Article some time back
in the Daily Herald on the Second
Resurrection: the flowers were
more ~~beat~~ beautiful. the songs of
the birds more sweet. and the lives
of men had a loftier meaning for
me. than before

Dear Friend although I'm an old age
pensioner in an old houseboat on the
shores of the Menai Straits living alone:
I'm happy. with the image of your
beautiful spirit ever before me. or
rather the Spirit of Christ reflected
from you. through you. inspiring me on.
I have made Friends with the little
children of this Village for the last two
years. and Oh. what blessed company
they are. So guileless. So pure. so innocent

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please forgive my horrid
writing as I have only the use
of one eye and that very weak: that
reminds me that I also have been in a
Hospital. and from that day to this
I have learnt to love the nurses:
please remember me to them
They are wonderful

Robert Roberts

"Tory Working Man"

Coventry.

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29. 12. 33!

Dear Sir,

It grieved me very much when I read of your cruel accident. Since then I have followed the press reports of your progress in hospital. I am pleased you are doing so well. I hope you will soon be on your pins again.

As we are strangers that would be no point in me signing my name.

Wishing you a Happy New Year,

Yours sincerely,

A Tory Working man

Mr George Lansbury M.P.



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Bow Central Hall Mission,

BRUCE ROAD, BOW, E.3.

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Deaconess:

SISTER HONOR,
12, Wellington Road,
Bow, E.3.

Superintendent:

REV. H. WILLIAMS,
41, Addington Road,
Bow, E.3.

Tel. - EAST 6283.

Dec 29th

1933.

Some of our Activities.

- GOSPEL SERVICES.
- SUNDAY SCHOOLS.
- BIBLE CLASSES.
- SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR.
- WOMEN'S OWN.
- BLANKET CLUB.
- SAVINGS BANK.
- SECONDHAND CLOTHES.
- GYMNASIUM.
- BOYS' CLUBS.
- GIRLS' CLUBS.
- MID-WEEK BIBLE READING.
- YOUNG PEOPLE'S CIRCLE.
- REGINAL CIRCLE.
- BOYS' BRIGADE.
- GIRL GUIDES.
- BROWNIES.
- CINEMA EVENINGS.
For Children and Adults.
- THE GOOD COMPANIONS.
(Older Men.)
- NEIGHBOURS' PARTY.
- SATURDAY POPULAR CONCERTS.
- OPEN-AIR WORK.
- VISITATION OF THE SICK.
- Etc., Etc.

My dear Mr Lausbury.

Friendships - somehow, seem dearer as the year closes - I suppose our hearts are more sensitive & tender - So - as the year closes - I wave my hand to you & bid you good cheer - 1933 has been a trying year for us at 41 Addington Road. More shadows than we have had for many years - and for you - dear old friend - the mystery of inactivity - while the land is calling for action so loudly.

I read in my Old Testament Scriptures - that "Moses went into the thick darkness - where God was." Perhaps the shadows have brought to us new meanings of life - new thoughts of God -

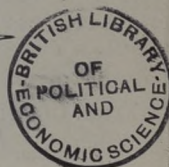
And during those days when we seemed to
be doing nothing - perhaps we were doing
most - or, shall we say - God was doing
most.

All of us at 41, Addington Road
Send our love to you - & more than us -
all our people at the Central Hall -
all Bow & Bromley - join in the wish
which this year assumes a new
significance - A Happy New Year -

I will see you, all being well - before
many days of the New Year have
gone - in the meantime - we are all
trying to share your present
experience.

Ever faithfully yr.

W. Morrison



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W. W. Bartlett

11 Queen Street

Ensworth

Hants

30-12-33

Dear W. Lansbury,

I am happy to know that you are making a good recovery from your unfortunate accident.

In January of last year I also sustained a broken thigh while at a Co-operative Social at Portsmouth. As I was in my seventieth year it came a bit awkward. However I made first class progress & now walk as well as ever. So you'll be all right!

In case you have forgotten who I am, I may say that I was a member of the Old Socialist League at the time you were a member of the S.D.P. Of course we met upon

W.W. Barrett #

30 Dec. 1933

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many occasions, particularly in connection with the first 8 Hour Demonstration in Hyde Park. I was then secretary of the Bloomsbury Socialist Society which inaugurated it.

Well, I hope before very long you will be marshalling the Labour forces again in the House of Commons

Now for the best of all possible wishes for the New Year to you and family

Yours faithfully
W.W. Barrett

[S. Butchins]

TELEGRAMS:

"Gresham,"
Dublin

GRESHAM HOTEL

DUBLIN

(of Jewish Charitable Aid Soc.)

TELEPHONES:

44311

(6 lines)

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Dear Mr Lausbury.

[Sat 30 Dec. 1933]

I am delighted to read of your daily good progress and sincerely hope that you will speedily entirely recover from any ill effects of your unfortunate accident.

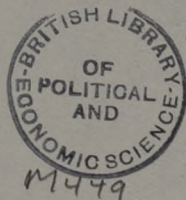
I had hoped previous to my departure for Ireland to call upon you but hope to do so if I may immediately upon my return.

With best wishes I am

Very sincerely yours.

S. Butchins

I do wish you a Happy +
Very Prosperous New Year.



Rev. John Wilcockson, Lion Green Vicarage

Farnworth Lane
Dec 30/33

Dear Mr. Lausbury

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I thought I would wait until the
avalanche of letters had abated before
writing you -

I am sorry about the serious accident
that has befallen you & our Cause -
However if you quickly make a good
recovery - it will have its compensations -
for I am sure - if you are not worrying -
that the rest will do your body good -
& you will come back with restored vigour -
May you soon be blessed with healing -
and all the best blessings God can confer -
so that you will be amongst us again -
advancing the great cause of the people of
this & other countries - Please do not
trouble to reply -
Yours truly
J. Wilcockson

Dudley Leigh Aman (1st Baron Marley)

FROM LORD MARLEY, MARLEY EDGE, NR. HASLEMERE, SURREY.

STATION; HASLEMERE (2 MILES).

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAMS: HASLEMERE 308.

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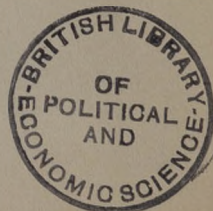
My dear Laurburg,

a line to wish you a quick recovery & every thing good for 1934. You are very greatly missed throughout the country & Parliament is quite different without you.

My wife joins with us in warmest good wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

Marley.



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New Year's Eve

31 Dec. 1933

Rev. Samuel Bickersteth

(1857-1937)

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REC'D
CANTERBURY.

Dear Mr. Laubury

At Christmas I forbore
to write & express our sympathy
in your accident, for you will
have been fairly snowed under by
your correspondents. But on the
threshold of the New Year Mrs. Bicker-
steth who is blind joined with me
in ~~the~~ signing the enclosed letter,
which may have some interest for
you, as you visited Canterbury
2 years ago. Do you remember also
coming to us year ago, when I was
vicar of Leeds. Trusting that the
New Year may bring you new
strength & recovery.

Yours sincerely
Samuel Bickersteth

The Rev. Mr. Horner
George Lambury
M.P.

MEISTER OMERS,
THE PRECINCTS,
CANTERBURY.

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Christmas, 1933
and New Year, 1934.

Rev. Samuel Bickersteth
(1857-1937) [with letter 31 Dec: 1933]

"Hark how all the welkin rings" was Charles Wesley's first line in his well-known Christmas hymn, "Hark the herald angels sing." In this hymn, written in 1743, the word "welkin," Anglo-Saxon in origin, means "upper air" and was so used by King Alfred, Chaucer, Shakespeare, Edmund Spenser and others. This word was altered in Wesley's life-time by another hand, but it might have been allowed to stand as he wrote it. Both the original line and its revised version state that which is believed as a fact by Christian folk, and with reason. Whatever broadcasting has done it has made us familiar with the fact that "a very lovely song" sung in one place can be transmitted to all parts of the world.

It is noteworthy that Canterbury has become in recent years from time to time a centre from which Christian messages are broadcast for all who care to listen, for instance the New Year greeting by the Archbishop of Canterbury. In the same way H.M. The King's message from Sandringham last Christmas was broadcast "to all, to each" over the wide world and eagerly listened to in all parts of the British Empire. It is remarkable that Canterbury, notably by three buildings, has proclaimed its own triple message for centuries.

First, the message of the CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN'S, on a green hill outside the city walls. That tiny church stands, as a church there had stood for long before the coming of St. Augustine, on its deep-laid Anglo-Saxon foundations. There the earliest missionaries had planted the seed of the Gospel and by hallowing that ground as a place for worship have revealed the principle that *from small beginnings can grow far-flung and abiding results.*

Secondly, the message of the CATHEDRAL itself, which also stands on an Anglo-Saxon foundation. Let us gratefully acknowledge how much the Cathedral also owes to the Christ-like zeal of the Italian mission sent by that great-hearted Pope, Gregory *XI.* in 597. The message of the Cathedral to-day surely is that *continuity with its past can be maintained* by creed, sacraments, and ministry in a Church, reformed, indeed thank God, but never uprooted and started again.

Thirdly, the message of ST. AUGUSTINE'S MISSIONARY COLLEGE. Founded as a monastery immediately after his arrival by the Italian first Archbishop of Canterbury, it fell on evil days after the dissolution of the monasteries in 1538, but it rose again as a religious house in 1848, fifteen years after the Oxford Movement began. Its resurrection from the ashes of neglect reveals *how indestructible is religion*, how adaptable its institutions and also how, if rooted in the past, it can so re-act to the present as to be ready to obey the calls of the unknown future. To-day it is in full use as a Missionary College, training and sending out men, after their ordination, all over the world.

This triple message of Canterbury is, if one may use the phrase, continually being "broadcast" by those three buildings ever before the eyes of those of us who live here; and appeals no less to the eyes, as we rejoice to know, of the ever-increasing number of "pilgrims" who come here from the British Commonwealth of Nations year by year.

Mindful of Bacon's words, "When a traveller returneth Home let him not leave the Countries where he has travelled altogether behind him; but maintain a correspondence by letters with those of his acquaintance which are most worth," we count it a privilege to wish God's benison once again to our friends overseas as well as at home, both for Christmas and for the New Year. We take this opportunity, however, of saying, especially to friends made on two journeys round the world (1919-1920, and 1922-1923), as well as in the Near East (1925-1926), that, whatever further length of service may be God's will for us, we cannot at our age expect time or strength to continue sending out so many hundreds of letters.

The words of our friend, the late Bishop Phillips Brooks of Boston, U.S.A. sum up our deepest hopes for all to whom we write:

"O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend on us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us to-day.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell:
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel."

Samuel Bickersteth
Eugene Bukersteth



The Cathedral occupies the centre of this photograph taken from the air, showing the great West window, the central tower and the North Western Transept (Canterbury is remarkable for having double transepts Eastern and Western).

Exactly behind this Western Transept is seen one of the towers of St. Augustine's College and the Guest House roof; to the South of the Cathedral is seen the second tower of the College, standing among the trees.

The tower of St. Martin's Church is a small white spot in the trees beyond, and to the North East of the Cathedral.

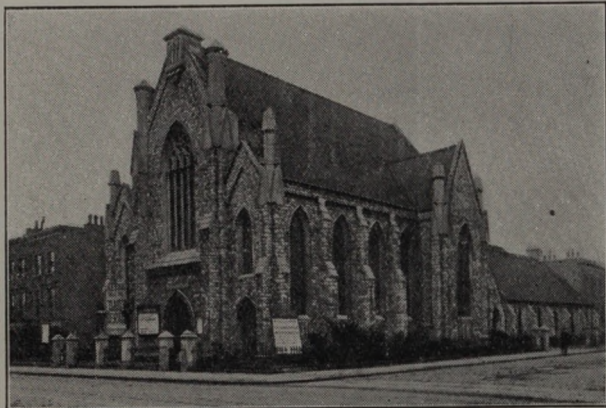
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Brotherhood Church, Southgate Road, Hackney, N.

(Affiliated to the London Congregational Union)

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For the New Spirit, Progressive Thought, Social Health, World Freedom and Peace.



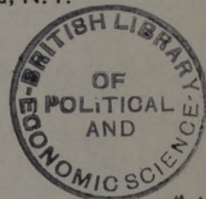
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100 Church Road,
Southgate Road, N. 1.



See 31. 33.

My dear Lansbury -
His - - our glad thoughts
that you are on the way back to health
and service. May the healing Spirit make you
as whole again as possible.

You get all sorts of news. So I thought
you would be interested in mine. This will be
not so very encouraging.

You will recollect my references to our
Ground Landlord's demands for thorough
renovations. Impossible for us to meet them -
we have been obliged to agree to certain proposals

which I may briefly summarize.

We shall give up our tenancy at the end
of March 1904.

The Freeholders - though under no legal obligation -
have agreed to give us a sum of £200 - for
the continuation of our Church work in other
premises, and they will take possession.

I have no idea what they propose to do with the
buildings on the site.

We hope to start anew if a more suitable
accommodation can be obtained. A very difficult-
business. But I believe so strongly that there is
urgent need for our message - that I will try to
raise out of the dead - we shall see.

In the ordinary course of things - you would have
been the first of my friends to write to give a
cheering message - as it is - I hardly know just
what you will be able to do in March - therefore you
will understand - as I know you will - would do
just what is possible. Either in the old or in the new church.

Please accept our united and best wishes for
a joyful & wonderful New Year -
Yours faithfully,
F. R. Swan

Stream Farm
Maynards Green
Horeham Road

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Frederick Seymour Cock, East-Sussex.
(1882-1953)

Dec 31st 1933

My dear George

As this is the last day of the Old Year I am writing you this brief line to wish you a very happy new year and a speedy recovery from the effects of your most unfortunate and painful accident.

The courage and cheerfulness you are showing under this heavy blow should be an inspiration to us all and I feel that it will be up to all of us when the House reassembles after the holidays to show by working and fighting harder than ever that we are still following the beloved leader who in spirit, if not yet in actual physical form, will still be sitting on the Front Bench.

Well you won't want to hear any more of this from me but I do want to assure you, on my wife's behalf as well as my own, that we wish you everything you desire & every

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possible Happiness in the coming year and
I trust that very soon you will be back again
with us in the House to lead your faithful
band against the Goliath of Midian.

Ever yours

F. Seymour Coombs



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Stream Farm
Maynards Green
Horeham Road
Cockfield East-Surrex

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Frederick Seymour
to

Dec 31st 1933

Dear Mrs Portgalt (Mrs Daisy Lanbury)

In sending you this line of New Year's good wishes I just want to sympathize with you ~~is~~ regarding the calamitous accident to your father & to express the hope that the bone is knitting and that he is making a good recovery. His cheerfulness & courage are an example & should be an inspiration to us all.

That the meetings on Jan 14 in Brocton & Mansfield cannot now take place is of course a sad disappointment to all the local workers & comrades as there is no one living who can take his place & make his appeal. At the same time I quite agree with you that even when he has recovered he must not be allowed to go rushing about the country again. How he has been able to manage

(2x5)
to take meetings every week end and to sit-
& speak in the home all the week is a
marvel to everyone.

Thanking you for your ~~card~~ note and
with best wishes for 1934

Yours sincerely

F. Seymour Locks



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Margaret^{E.} Lewdlyn Davies
(1862 - 1944) 26 Well Walk

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N.W.3

December 31. 1933

Dear Mr. Lansbury

Although you are, I know, overwhelmed with letters, I cannot refrain from sending you my deep sympathy, & best wishes for the New Year, and at the same time expressing to you my gratitude & admiration. All your life you have been in the forefront in fighting injustice & selfishness, & have given new hope & courage to the Labour Party in these dark years. What an inspiration it has been to have your faithful & fearless championship of all that will create a noble form of society!

I am sending you the enclosed card to express my affectionate Greeting, & as a little memento of the Jubilee demonstration of the Women's Co. op. Guild, which you so kindly addressed. Yours most sincerely and gratefully

Margaret Lewdlyn Davies.

Frank Knowles
(1865-1934)

3/12/33 Vale View (247)
Bentham
W. Lancaster

My dear Comrade.

I am just putting a few lines along with my dear Mother's to wish you a very happy New Year & to send a hope that you are going on well & that ere long we shall read of you getting out of bed.

I always come ~~over~~ to see my dear Mother & Dad at this time of the year, right at the foot of Dopleborough & at the extreme end of the Skipton Division. Both of them went to vote & both voted for Percival Davis.

They are both really wonderful & can do odd jobs about the house & garden in a way which makes us all truly thankful for both of them have got every faculty & they use them. Last year you will remember you sent them a greeting for their Diamond Wedding anniversary.

You are beloved in our home & never a day passes but in our prayers we pray for strength for you. We shall "carry on" along your road & we know you will lead us to Love & Peace. Every blessing be yours this year
Ever yours in Unity
Frank Knowles

Mrs. Joseph Knowles
(mother of Frank Knowles)

Gale View
Bentham
31 12 33

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Dear Comrade
just a line to let you know we are
thinking about you and we all hope
you are as happy as can be expected
under the circumstances I hope you
dont have a lot of pain and that
every one is kind to you what a nice
time of year to look forward to when
you come home again the Spring and
all nature will be springing up the
flowers hear again and the birds
with their song to cheer us each day
As we pass along if spared untill the
first of April I shall be 84 years old
I am thankfull to say I am as well as I
can expect to be I am writing this
without any glasses I have had a very
happy time lately I hope when you get
right you will be able to go about and
speak for the good cause yours in unity
I am Knowles

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Lees
(Red. 1941)

12, The Avenue,

Gibfield Lane,

Belper.

31.12.33.

Dear Comrade George.

We wish to add our wishes to the thousands you have already received, we would have written sooner, but have been suffering from Flu etc.

We were very distressed when we heard of your accident, & have listened attentively to broadcasts, & looked for reports in Daily Herald, pleased to see from same that you are going on well and trust you will have a speedy & most successful recovery. There is still a great deal of work for you to do, & we feel there is no one can do the work & put the soul into it as you have always done. We trust 1934 may bring you real happiness, may some of your dreams & activities for the people be realised.

Accept our sincerest sympathy & our wish for a speedy recovery.

We are

Your affectionate friends
Jack & Marie Lees

[7. Rev.] Reuben Lincoln
(author of "Outspoken addresses,"
1935)

THE OAKS,

GOLDERS GREEN, N.W.11.

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[say 31 Dec. 1933]

Dear Mr Lansbury,

We do all
hope you will make a
very speedy recovery &
be spared to carry on
the great work for
humanity into which

You have thrown so much
energy & enthusiasm. May the
new year give you health &
very success.

Yours very sincerely,
Reuben Lincoln.



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Peter Petroff

96, Lexham Gardens,
Kensington, W.8

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Mr. George Lansbury, M.P.,
London.

December 31st, 1933

Open
after 3--

Dear Comrade Lansbury,

We have read in the newspapers about your overflowing daily post-bag. Therefore we did not find the courage to add to the mountains of letters you are receiving. That of course does not mean that our sympathy was less sincere.

In this serious and complicated world situation it must be very trying for you to find yourself chained to your bed.

We wish that the new year, that will begin within a few hours shall bring you a speedy and full recovery so that you may soon be in your old place in the forefront championing the cause of labour and humanity.

Half of our time in England

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Peter Petroff

31 Dec. 1933

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is now over. We have seen our children who are doing splendidly at the schools they are attending. They are now both feeling very happy although the elder one at the beginning had to pass through a very difficult time.

We believe we will manage to publish our little book which we are now translating into English with the assistance of an English friend.

We should be very happy if it would be possible to see you before ~~before~~ we return to France & before the 1st of February.

Wishing you a speedy recovery and a happy and healthy new year

We are

yours fraternally,

Peter Petroff

Irma Petroff.

[Seymour]

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30, Cornwall Road,
Harrow.

Hon. Secretary :

MR. E. SHEPPEY,
22, Edward Road,
Harrow.

31/12/33.

Dear Comrade,

I have composed a little crossword puzzle which I thought might amuse you for a few minutes. It contains a message for you which I send in all sincerity.

Yours fraternally,

H. B. Seymour

Rt. Hon. George Lansbury.



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Clues Across

1	Quick.	22.	Connected with a wish bone.
4	What the world seeks.	25.	Same as No. 8
8	Towards.	27.	Person addressed.
9	Physical well being.	28.	In favour of.
10	Connective.	30 & 31.	Nearly a score.
13	Usually goes with No. 9.	33.	Number for game of Rugby.
18	Likewise.	34.	" " " " Bridge
20	Can't be improved.		

Clues Down

- 1 Bugbear of the householder.
- 2 Father.
- 3 No. 1 should be paid when this.
- 4 Lighted again.
- 5 Smart (reversed).
- 6 By way of.
- 7 Common name of a Socialist.
- 11 River in Africa.
- 12 Proportional Representation.
- 14 One of ten.
- 15 Consume.
- 16 What a Cockney says when surprised.
- 17 Is in possession of.
- 19 Associated with sea breezes.
- 20 Irish river famous in history.
- 21 What you must possess in patience.
- 23 Gadfly's audience.
- 24 The end (reversed).
- 26 Sudden fit of petulance (reversed).
- 29 Capet's play about mechanical men.
- 31 Add E for faithful.

H. B. Seymour
New Year Crossword Puzzle

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134, Stockwell Gardens
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The Rt Hon. George Lansbury, M.P.,
Mansel House Hospital
Golders Green
N.W.

Dear Mr. Lansbury,

Even though you have had 2000 greetings, I feel I must make the 2000 + 1, to wish you a happy New Year, & also I wish that you may soon be restored to health & your splendid vitality. Ever since your accident I have wanted to write to you, to tell you how pained I was about it & how my prayers went up to God for your speedy recovery. When I tell you that my mother lies very seriously ill, you will understand.



She had a break down just over a year ago, & she has been in bed ever since - I expect you remember her coming to see you one morning soon after she came into possession of "The East-End News"? She was 83 then, & she was going about town like ordinary folk, & then came this break-down - We have had a lot of anxiety connected with the paper & when you have recovered & back home again I shall hope to come & see you for a little talk, concerning the change of proprietorship. Major Attlee was so kind & sympathetic about it - when he heard about our lost-law-case! As I am still greatly interested in the paper, & in all the happenings in Poplar & surrounding districts I am sending you last Friday's issue, in case they have neglected to send you one, for of course you will like

To see "The East-End News" - The best paper for news of the East-End. It is written by a man who has been in the East-End for over 50 years & is a very good writer. It is also the best-kept - that is, the most accurate & most interesting.

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Dear Mr Sansbury

The undersigned members of the Bow
Training Centre, are sending you
this little fruit Basket, which we
hope you will accept as a token of
our appreciation of all the kindnesses
and interest you have shown to our
work.

Now we send you our very
sincere wishes for a speedy recovery
which is Mrs Shields and Mrs Smith

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our instructors joins

yours sincerely,

H. Philis

J. Stiles

E. Lee

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D. Mc. Carthy

Will Furnston
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111 Baldock Road
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Dear George

I was sorry when I heard of your accident and was going to write, only I thought well everybody will be writing and the hospital letter box wont hold it all. now I can see it was meant to make you a greater power for good than ever. Your message in John Bull will be read by millions to say nothing of the other bulletins. Well I had two turns in hospital one with fistula & the other with double hernia so I know how you are being looked after. Finest in the world our nurses. I used to lay & write poetry to them awful stuff it was. Well I am sending a little book to tell you how Letchworth is getting on and how

much it has grown since you
had tea with us at the Skittles Inn,
and I was the only person in
nowh flerts that would let a
hall to Ramsey Mac and Euston Wake.
Well the time goes on, people get
older, not you and I of course
we are the Peter Pans waiting
to see the new age. Its coming
even amongst all our troubles
the Leaven is working and
us of the Labour party are helping.
When they said I must leave the
I L P if I did not leave the Labour
Party, I told them, if ever I had to leave
the Labour Party I should join The
Socialist Party (S.P.G.B) that done em.
Good bye old man you are a
wonder. As ever Will Farmston

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TELEPHONE, RIVERSIDE 2287.
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Naomi M. Mitchison
(1897—)

RIVER COURT, (261)
HAMMERSMITH MALL,
W. 6.

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all good wishes from Dido & Naomi Mitchison
— the books are my own property they want to be kept
about as damp as they are now. N.M.



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