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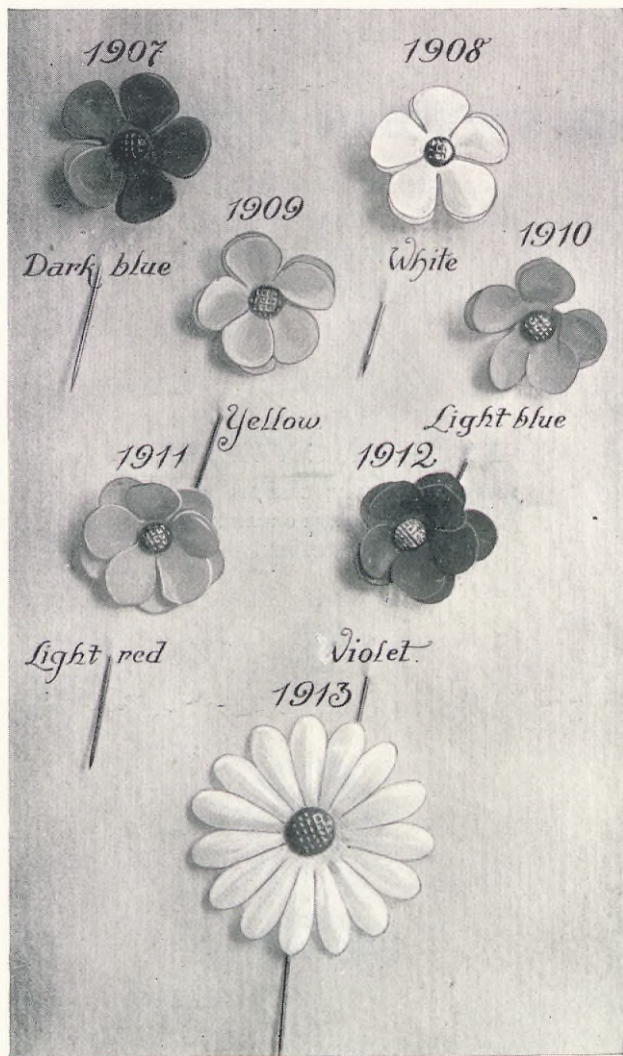
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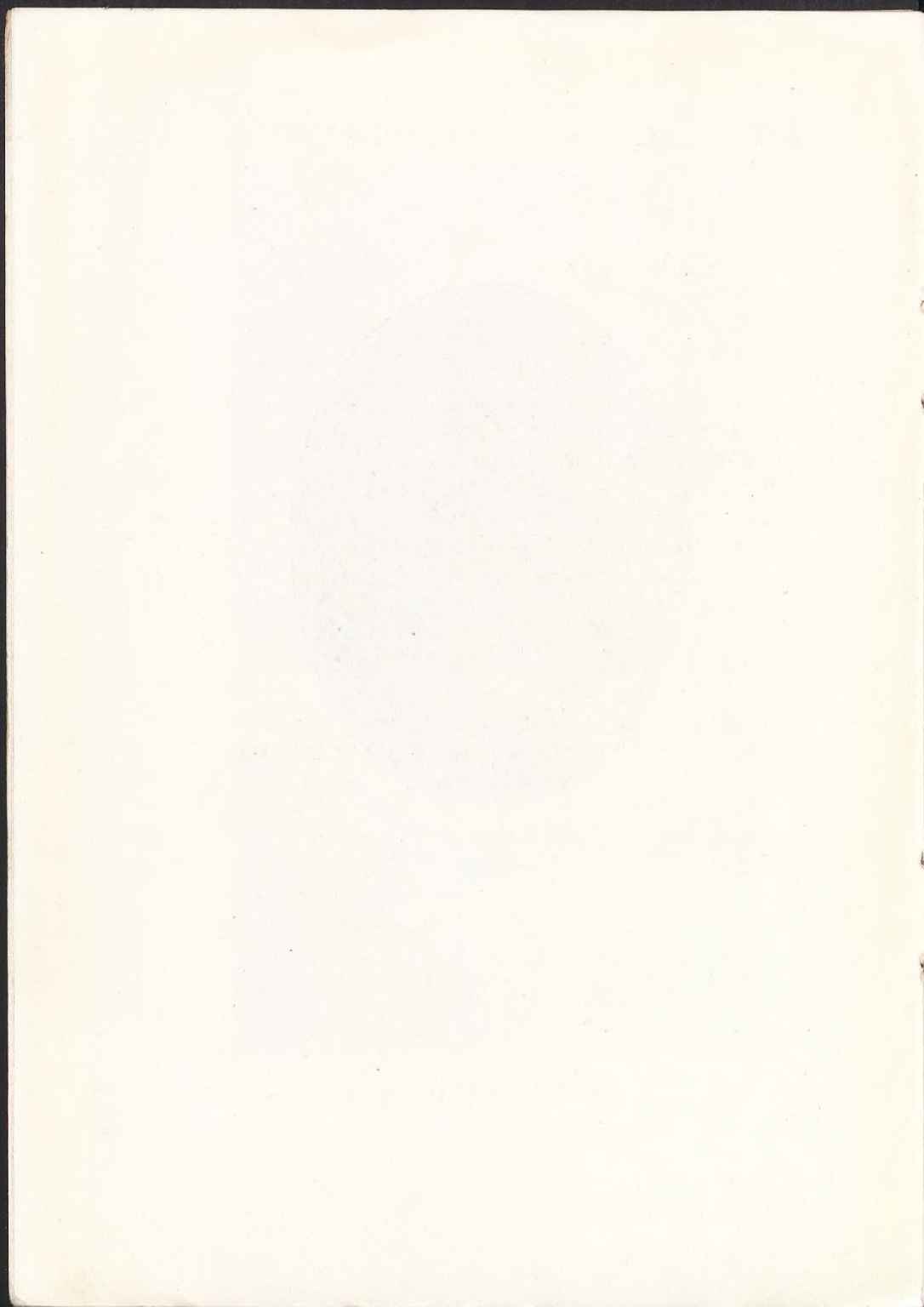
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MAY-FLOWER 1907-1913



BEDA HALLBERG





## The May-flower (Förstamajblomman)

Motto: A union of all who love  
to serve all who suffer.

*W. T. Stead.*

"The May-flower" is a well-known name in the history of America. It was painted on the ship that brought the first Puritans—fugitives for their religious faith — and with them a strong element of moral health to "the land of freedom". — In our time a Swedish May-flower — Förstamajblomman — is bringing health and strength to our people, especially to the young ones among us.

What is then "Förstamajblomman"?

Litterally translated it signifies "The-first-of-May-flower" and is a little artificial flower, each year varying in form or colour, sold at the price of about 3 cents, to help in the hard fight against "the great white plague" — the tuberculosis.

It was Mrs BEDA HALLBERG, a guardian of the poor in Göteborg, Sweden, who, seven years ago, got the idea of selling a little flower for the benefit of tuberculous persons on the 1:st of May, of old a sort of holiday, to celebrate the arrival of spring, so welcome in our country with its long and cold winter.

The idea was met with joy and sympathy. Every





*The Mayflower colony for Schoolchildren from Göteborg*

one, man and woman, from the oldest ward in the poor-asylum to the newborn babe in the nursery, the labourer, demonstrating for eight-hours-work-a-day, the police-man on duty, the millionaire and the beggar, wears this day "Förstamajblomman", and feels a link in the great chain of helpers.

The little flower soon made its way into all parts of the country, and local committees were formed from north to south, numbering at present 433, all united into a national alliance — "Förstamajblommans Riksförbund" — with a central-board in Göteborg, and the Hon. Carl Lagerberg, Chamberlain to H. M. the King, as its president.

For the past seven years, the May-flower has contributed about one million Swedish crowns to the campaign against the terrible enemy.

Numerous institutions with the aim of checking the spread of the disease have been founded by the localcommittees, who have free disposal of the money,



»The Birthday» a Home for children of consumptive parents, Göteborg



»Birthday-children», Göteborg

collected by the sale of the flower in their respective districts. In the board of each committee is usually a medical authority, competent to judge as to the best plans, according to the local circumstances. The matter of hygienic education has been pushed by lectures, leaflets and and the press, so that every one nowadays is aware of the fact, that tuberculosis is infectious, is preventable and, if diagnosed in due time, curable.

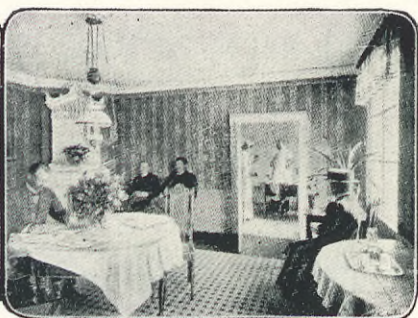
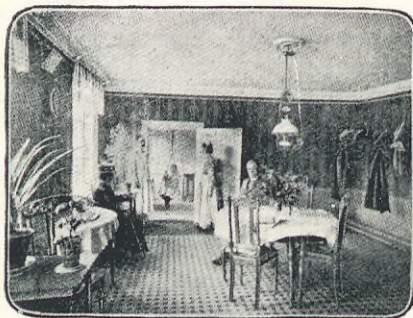
Perhaps the most important institutions of preventive work in this line are Dispensaries-Helping-stations and Homes for children of consumptive parents. Thus the sick little ones may be cured, and the children not yet infected may be spared.

The pictures show something of what is being done in Sweden to protect children from "the white plague" by the help of the little May-flower.

May its loving work spread far and wide!



*Crownprincess Margareth's hospital at Kullsveden for consumptive children*



*Helping-station in Gävle*



*Mayflower-children from Örgryte*



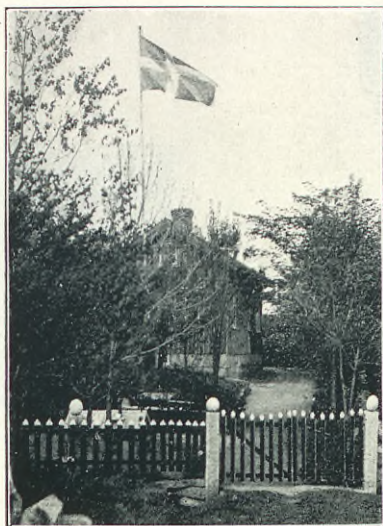
*Mayflower children in Norrköping*



*A Home for children. Glösbo*



*The Mayflower's Home for children from  
Norrköping*



*The Mayflower in Gräbbestad*





*A Summercolony for children from Lidköping*



*Children selling Mayflowers  
in Motala*



*Some Mayflower-children in Boden*



*A Mayflower-colony for children from Örebro*



*Children selling Mayflowers in Nynäshamn*



*Mayflower-children in Piteå*



*Helpingstation in Angelsberg*



*A Mayflower-colony for children from Örebro*



*The Mayflower's summercolony in Hälsingborg*



*A Home for children. Kungsör*



*A Mayflower-colony from Sandviken*



*A Summer-colony for children from Nyköping*





*Children selling Mayflowers. Nyköping*



*Children selling Mayflowers. Vadstena.*



*Summercolony for schoolchildren. Ystad*



*A Mayflower-colony in Malmö*



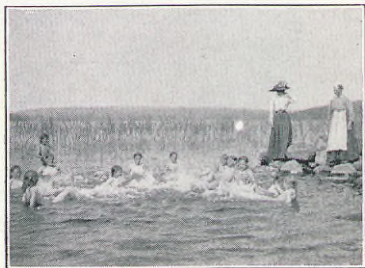
*»The Health», a Sanatorium for children.*







*Summercolony for children from Arvika.*



*The Mayflower-colony for schoolchildren from Göteborg.*



*Girls selling Mayflowers. Tidaholm*



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