

PHYSICIANS DEMAND TUBERCULOSIS WAR

Health Insurance by States Advocated as Weapon in Fighting White Plague

INFLUENZA BORN IN RUSSIA

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger. Atlantic City, N. J., June 17.—Practical men discussed practical measures for cutting in half America's ratio of 140 deaths annually from tuberculosis of every 100,000 of population, before the post-bellum convention of the American Tuberculosis Association here today, while reviewing over statistics showing a saving of 30,000 lives yearly during the last decade through concerted action and awakened public opinion.

"There can be no solution of this great problem among workmen and women without health insurance," declared John A. Lapp, of Modern Medicine, Chicago.

"Any municipality and state can afford, in self-protection, to assure every wage earner his family will be provided for while he is regaining his health," said Walter S. Ufford, of Washington.

Mary A. Myers, a campaign director in Indiana, reported that, as a result of an educational movement there Indiana has created by law a tuberculosis department in its state board of health and provided a budget appropriation for clinics, nurses and housing inspection.

Donald B. Armstrong, of Massachusetts, advocated community health drives to discover tuberculosis, declaring too much responsibility has been placed upon a small group of workers in most states.

"When we appreciate that man emerged from his more primitive, ape-like ancestors and that this is as nothing compared to the fifty or one hundred million years during which living forms have evolved, it is conceivable how important may be the consideration of tuberculosis from the broader time concept," said Lieutenant J. P. Givlor, of New Haven.

Dr. Julius Dworothky surprised the convention by declaring after several years of study he is convinced that the former conviction that tuberculosis of the larynx is a hopeless complication, is due chiefly to a faulty classification of cases. The seriousness of this complication does not depend as much on the extent as on the character of the lesion. Sub-acute cases, under proper treatment, present a hopeful outlook.

"Every epidemic has a home," Dr. Simon Flexner, of the Rockefeller Institute, declared last night in his presidential address before the Congress of Physicians and Surgeons. "In the case of influenza, it is not Spain, but the Russian border, of Turkey, from which all the influenza epidemics have started."

"The new task of a revolutionized medical profession is to catch these epidemics at their source and to organize a service to clear up these areas."

In comparing the two recent epidemics, Doctor Flexner said infantile paralysis was made inconsiderable by the inroads made by the "Spanish flu." Influenza caused the greatest number of deaths in the same space of time than any epidemic we know, he declared.

ATLANTIC CITY PRIEST HEADS CAPITAL HOUSE

Father McShane, Once Villanova Official, to Direct Home for Theological Students

By a Staff Correspondent. Atlantic City, June 17.—Father F. J. McShane, long identified with St. Nicholas Catholic Church in this city, will have charge of a new house which the Augustinian Fathers will open at Washington, D. C., next fall.

The house will be used to lodge theological students from Villanova College, who will go to Washington to pursue special studies or to take post-graduate courses at the Catholic University.

Within a few years the Augustinian Fathers plan to build a large house for studies at Washington, where all their theological students will be trained. The projected house will accommodate from fifty to sixty students. There will be from eight to ten students at the temporary house. The theological school of the Augustinians at present is at Villanova, Pa.

Father McShane will not sever completely his connection with St. Nicholas Church here. He expects to continue to spend a considerable part of his time in Atlantic City.

Father McShane was at one time in charge of Villanova College. He is perhaps most widely known for his work in the erection of St. Nicholas Church and the other parish buildings here. The church is considered one of the finest Catholic edifices in the Trenton diocese.



DR. WILLIAM ABERNETHY OF 1865 Frankford avenue, member of the 101st Military Police, who returned to the United States on the liner Madonna Saturday. A sergeant in Paris arrested the officer-crook who sold the Paris Metro for a down payment of 30,000 francs, and who would have got rid of an interest in the Red Cross had he not been seized in time.

AMERICAN SURGERY FULLY UP TO DATE

Effectiveness Proved in Discussion on Rehabilitation of Human War Wreckage

PHILADELPHIANS TAKE PART

By the Associated Press. Atlantic City, June 17.—Philadelphia taking a leading part today in a symposium of the American Surgical Association on rehabilitation of human wreckage of war learned that American procedure is fully abreast of the most advanced practice in Europe. Sir Robert Jones, of Liverpool, and Colonel Anton De Page, of the Belgian medical corps, participated in the discussion.

Dr. Robert G. Le Conte reported upon results attending the delayed or late extraction of intra-thoracic projectiles, while Dr. Charles H. Frazier discussed surgical problems encountered in the reconstruction of peripheral nerve injuries. Salvage of the hand by plastic reconstruction was the topic of Dr. John B. Roberts, also of Philadelphia.

Dr. Solomon Solis Cohen, of Philadelphia, in describing before the Association of American Physicians a new method for testing pneumonia immunity by means of the whole blood, declared the bactericidal action of the latter may readily be measured and that it is a far more sensitive indicator of immunity to pneumococcal infection than the agglutination test; non-pathogenic organisms are killed by the whole blood which possesses bactericidal properties wanting after coagulation.

Dr. C. C. Bass said analysis of blood examination of more than 30,000 people living in Mississippi, in the most malarious regions of the United States showed malaria much more prevalent in children than in adults. The highest point is reached at seven years. The greater relative frequency of malaria in children is indicated by the fact that more than 50 per cent of all the malaria found was in persons under twenty years of age.

Dr. Alfred Stengel reported excellent results attained in the treatment of eight cases of lobar pneumonia by intravenous injections of serum from recently recovered cases of pneumonia.

Trench Fever's Persistence. Little has been said thus far, Dr. R. D. Rudolf told the convention, about a chronic form of trench fever, which may last for months and even years, with a great tendency to develop into an acute strain if the patient undergoes any strain, physical or mental, producing pains in various parts of the body, anemia and heart disturbances. Many erroneously diagnosed affections really are trench fever still lurking in the system of ex-fighting men and which may stay with them indefinitely.

The suggestion of Dr. Simon Flexner, head of the Rockefeller Institute, in his annual address last night, that public officials who fail to keep streets clean and enforce health laws in large cities, shall be held personally accountable by voters for epidemics in their communities, caused a mild sensation among delegates to the Medico-Surgical Congress. One application of the personal liability indictment, Dr. Flexner said, would go further toward eliminating slums than any amount of highbrow appeals on moral grounds.

ANNOUNCES NEW INFLUENZA CURE

Doctor Claims Discovery by Which Patient Is Immunized

PNEUMONIA YIELDS TO IT

By the Associated Press. New York, June 17.—(By A. P.)—Influenza and pneumonia are no more to be feared than a boil on the back of the neck, according to Dr. Charles H. Duncan, one of the founders of the Volunteer Hospital, who, in an address here today before the convention of the Allied Medical Associations of America, described his method of combating Spanish influenza by means of "immunizing a patient to his own poison."

Upon 240 patients ill with pneumonia and influenza last winter Doctor Duncan said, he had used the treatment "without a single fatality or any complications."

"Briefly," the physician said, "I take one drachm of mucus from the infected area and pasteurize it in one ounce of filtered water where it remains several hours. One cubic centimeter of this toxin, injected subcutaneously, will effect a spontaneous cure of Spanish influenza, pneumonia, catarrh, or any similar localized infection. It will stop any cough, except tuberculosis, inside of twenty-four hours."

Doctor Duncan declared that his discovery was based upon his observation of a dog licking a sore paw. He said the dog, by increasing germs of resistance at the place of infection brought about a natural healing and the method he employed was similar in that it increased the leucocytes or white corpuscles of the blood and these in turn carried the poisons out of the human system.

Dr. George F. Laidlow, professor of the history of medicine and diagnosis at Flower Hospital, in discussing the Duncan method, said that the discoverer "has solved a problem that has been germinating in medicine for 2,000 years. Doctor Duncan's work marks the conclusion of Pasteur, Koch and Wright and is a decided step forward in the regular development of bacterial therapy."

Doctor Duncan said that by taking the poison from a boil and subjecting it to his process and injecting the sterilized product into a patient's body he not only cured him of the boil but rendered him immune against a repetition of such affections.

4 PHILADELPHIANS HONORED AT SMITH

Four From This City Get Degrees Today at College Commencement

Four Philadelphia students received the degree of bachelor of arts from Smith College, which concluded its commencement exercises today. They are Miss Eleanor Fitzpatrick, Miss Jennette Everett Laws, Miss Helen Ledoux and Miss Caroline Yale Crouter.

During her four years at college Miss Fitzpatrick has been a member of one of the senior "prom" committees and several other organizations. In her senior year she was college representative for the crew.

Miss Crouter, of Mount Airy, besides being class secretary in her sophomore year, president of the Consumers' League, senior year, and a member of the Colloquium and Physics' Club, has been active in sports, particularly in hockey.

Miss Ledoux has been one of the best-known athletes of the institution. Tennis and basketball were her specialties. She was a member of the Glee Club.

Miss Laws, of Swarthmore, has devoted most of her time to writing. She is associate editor of the Smith College Weekly, and has written the dedication poem of the 1919 Class Book to the Smith College relief unit in France.

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A Raincoat Special for Women 250 Raincoats at \$3.90

It is a full-length belted model with buttoned pockets, as you will see in the sketch. The rubberized material is in a good tan shade and is light enough in weight to be used comfortably as a duster when motoring. When folded away it takes up scarcely any space.

Other raincoats in black, navy and tan at \$4.75 upward; capes and dolmans of light and heavy materials, \$4.50 upward.

Cloth Wraps Are marked at clearaway prices. Many are now \$9.75 to \$29.50.—A fourth to a half less.

A Touch of Ribbon Smartens the Sports Hat

Smart ribbon bands are correct for sports hats—Panamas, light straws and dark straws. Some unusually good-looking ribbons in odd colorings show patterns of coin dots, Roman borders or black and white effects. A band of any one will quite transform an old hat or smarten a new one. 50c and 65c a yard.

Taffeta Frocks for Little Girls

They are so easily slipped on and are so comfortable on Summer evenings, especially when it is a little bit cool. Tan, rose or plaid taffeta frocks with pleated skirts have white silk collars and cuffs. The pockets are also trimmed with white silk. Sizes 6 to 10 years, \$5.50.

Lovely Beaded Georgette Dresses, \$18.50 to \$35

The material is fine and in such delicate Summer shades—white and delightful hues of flesh and pink, pale coral. Most of the dresses are beaded in charming patterns and in rows on the overskirts and skirts.

72-inch White Net, 75c a Yard

The kind that women want for blouse and dress foundations.

Colored Organdie Flouncing, \$1.25 a Yard

It is prettily tucked, and may be had in rose, Copenhagen blue, pink, tan, orchid and white. 40 inches wide.

Coolness for the Choosing in Summer Draperies

It is the selection of colors and color combinations that counts. We have an excellent assortment of cool-looking silk madras in lovely colors: green, blue and rose. It is double width, 50 inches. \$2.75 a yard.

Men's Durable Percalé Shirts Special, \$1.10

A new lot of these good soft-cuff shirts has just arrived.

There's No Gainsaying the Fact That Palm Beach Suits Are Coolest

They are the lightest in weight and the wiriness of the weave seems to make them airier than other clothes. They come in dark grays and mixed patterns, as well as the usual Palm Beach tan. The coats are made with waist lines or on plain sack suit lines. \$12.50 and \$15.

Young Men's Suits With Two Pair of Trousers, Each

Light-weight mixed cheviot suits with waist-line coats have just the right touch of youthfulness for young men. The patterns are new and the coats are half lined. With each suit there are two pair of trousers—and you know that means twice the wear and service. \$32.50.

A Negligee That Promises a Pleasant Afternoon

Restful and cool is this negligee of soft silk-and-cotton crepe, corded a little at the high waist line in back and front. Around the neck and sleeves satin ribbon is softly shirred and soft little satin balls bob gayly from the points of the sleeves. In purple, rose, Copenhagen, light blue, pink and lavender at \$5.

These Aprons Cover Every Inch of Your Frock

In fact, they're almost dresses in themselves. Of navy blue and white percale, light printed percales and plaid ginghams. They are trimmed only with white pipings or ricrac braid. \$2.

New Skirts of White Gabardine Made in Five Ways and Special at \$7.75

One is smartly tucked, another is embroidered in clear China blue and the rest are trimly tailored with big pearl buttons, the only concession that simplicity makes to adornment.

Dainty Pink Silk Underthings

Seven styles of lovely envelope chemises are \$3.85. They are of good quality crepe de chine, soft satin, or Georgette crepe, all cut generously full. The trimmings are rows of pretty laces, ribbons and medallions and you may have ribbon shoulder straps or the usual tops. Pink and blue is combined effectively in one.

Cool Caps for Smiling Babies

Dainty, fine lawn caps are quite inexpensive and unusually pretty. Touches of Valenciennes lace, tiny tucks and embroidery individualize each one. For little teemies to babies of 2 years. 50c, 85c to \$2.

Comfortable Corsets Special \$1.50

Average to full figures need good corseting, yet want comfort, too. You get both in this white broche model with wide spoon-shaped steel in front. It is well-boned, but not too heavily, and leaves free hip space.

Gray Kidskin Oxfords Have a Trim, Cool Look

Women find that they harmonize with almost any kind of Summer gown, too. New ones have turned soles and high covered heels. \$5.75 the pair.

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