

WASHINGTON LETTER

(Special Correspondence)  
The Municipal Tuberculosis Hospital, Fourteenth and Varum streets, northwest, an institution which is regarded as the best equipped of its kind in the country, was recently opened for patients.

The structure is of brick and is four stories. It is situated in the center of a thirty-five acre tract, high and healthy, and is set out with trees, lawns and park-like grounds. It has accommodations for 120 patients, who will be from the indigent class. Forty patients are under treatment at the institution.

**Arrangement of Hospital.**  
Dr. George M. Kober, who has done more than any one else for four years past to make the hospital a reality, succeeded in working out one of the most difficult problems connected with the hospital—how to provide open air wards. The fourth floor of the wings is left open on each side for outdoor patients, while the bath and dressing rooms are on the upper part of the central tower. The wards are high above the ground, and they will get plenty of fresh air and be free from dampness.

On the first floor are the dispensary, diet kitchen, examination room, dark room for X ray work, linen closets, isolation room for serious cases, nurses' rooms, baths, two large wards and sun parlors. The third floor has dressing rooms for the open air wards, four small open air wards, and a room on the north by windows. In the basement are storerooms, scullery, cold storage plant, kitchen, heating plant, coal bins, rooms for the distribution of clothing and bedding and dining rooms.

**New Fire Headquarters.**  
The fire alarm headquarters of the District of Columbia, which for a number of years has been located in the building used by No. 14 engine house on Eighth street above D street, northwest, has been removed to the new District building.

The fire alarm headquarters not only send out alarms of fire, but act as a telephone exchange for the offices of the District government and supervise the telephone patrol system used in the police department.

The mechanism and apparatus used in the fire alarm headquarters are particularly intricate and expensive. Great care and skill had to be exercised in moving them from the old quarters to the new building. Still greater care had to be exercised in installing them in the new building. In connection with the transfer the District has purchased considerable additional apparatus.

**New Governmental District.**  
Not in a long time has a municipal subject aroused such deep and universal interest among business men of Washington as the proposal of President Roosevelt to ask Congress to do away with the control of the District government and empower him to appoint one responsible head, a governor or a mayor, charged solely with the administration of the District.

The proposal of Roosevelt is particularly interesting because it would place in the hands of one man the powers of government and the powers of a mayor, and it would place in the hands of one man the powers of government and the powers of a mayor, and it would place in the hands of one man the powers of government and the powers of a mayor.

**Decorative Architecture.**  
Decorative architecture on both the exterior and interior of business houses and residences is playing more and more of a part in the work of the designers of the nation's buildings. Carving in stone, wood and cement, cast ornaments in plaster, cement and composition and castings in iron are being used in a number of the handsomest houses now building in the national capital.

**Bus-relief of Boston.**  
Louis Meynall, a Boston artist, is working upon a relief of the bus relief conference room at the Portsmouth navy yard, New Hampshire. This is the room in which the peace conference between Japan and Russia took place. The artist was commissioned to do the work by Dr. Estes, a wealthy New Englander.

**An Opium Commission.**  
President Roosevelt has appointed three commissioners to represent the United States on the joint international commission to investigate the opium question in the far east. They are Thomas Burke, an attorney of Seattle; Dr. Hamilton Wright of Maine and Dr. Charles D. Tenney, Chinese secretary of the American legation at Peking. Similar commissioners will be appointed by all the powers interested in opium suppression. The joint commission will meet in Shanghai Jan. 1 next. Messrs. Burke and Wright will collect information on the opium traffic in the United States and the Philippine Islands, and Dr. Tenney will study the situation in China.

SEAT OF PNEUMONIA.

**Germ of the Disease in a Bony Structure of Nose.**

The announcement of a new theory as to the cause of pneumonia and the discovery of a remedy for the disease was made recently at a meeting of the Chicago Medical Society.

Dr. H. Manning Fish, who made the announcement, based upon his assertions with a scientific argument the case of acute pneumonia which he declared had been cured in twenty-four hours by means of the saline method which he described.

From these cells the disease virus rapidly down to the lungs, and to all appearances these organs immediately become the seat of trouble," said the physician.

**The Simple Remedy.**  
The simple remedy consequently is to draw the disease virus from these cells. That is what was done in the case which I have described, and in twenty-four hours the disease had disappeared. The lungs, of course, were still affected, and it took days before the patient finally was able to leave his bed.

**Motor Street Cleaner.**  
Machine Sprinkles and Scrapes Asphalt in One Operation.  
A movement in foot moving property owners in Berlin to have the motor propelled asphalt washing machine brought into use on the streets of the city.

**Woman and Fashion.**  
This stylish and serviceable hat of dark blue straw is prettily trimmed with white gardenias and foliage and is a most attractive affair.

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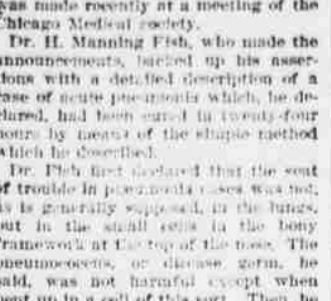
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**A Military Hat.**



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**Stand Up Straight.**  
The sempiternal frock so fashionable this season demand a good figure and carriage to sustain the long, graceful lines.

**Substitute for the Bell.**  
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