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Observations, Opinions, Etc.

The air has cooled somewhat lately, but around about Lincoln's Birthday, there surely must have been a lot of citizens who were bent downright aghast that this Republic has the type of so-called "high officials" that are nothing more than malicious blabbermouths. The McCarthy's, Jenner's, and even the Deweys, must regard partisanship far above the good of our nation. Statements so false as to be ridiculous always have a kick-back. Fortunately there are men in both political parties that are Americans first, and not "wildmen" as the New York Times so critically calls them.

Youngsters are still having the time of their lives playing with loaded guns in Pennsylvania, and in the past several weeks there have been several accidents. Loaded guns around any home are always dangerous. Eventually they lead to disaster, accidentally, of course, or so the reports say. Having guns about the home unloaded, with ammunition available to children, invites disaster as well. And the gun "that was supposed not to be loaded" is sometimes a bringer of tragedy as well.

It's getting to be about the time of year that we can look backward upon winter, and it hasn't been too bad, at all. Of course we can get some bad weather in the weeks to come, but the backbone of winter is over, and we have been fortunate. In fact there were times when the eastern seaboard and even some of the southern states had more snow this season than did we atop the Alleghenies. This has been true a lot of times in recent years. While we had more ice on our ponds this year than last, and the youngsters had a chance to do some skating, last year there wasn't any at all. There have been less icy road conditions this season than for a number of years.

Plagued by a big increase in juvenile problems during the past year, Judge John M. O'Connell, of Westmoreland County, came up with a solution of his own while conducting court in Greensburg. Five ten-age boys were before the court on larceny charges involving thefts of motor parts in six localities in the county. "It is ridiculous for an 18-year-old boy to have a car and to roam the countryside after midnight," said the judge as he lectured the parents of the youths. Each of the five boys was a "car owner" and had access to a vehicle. The judge sentenced the five to three years on probation, and each must dispose of his car and be home before midnight.

All Can Live Longer

Babies born today will live longer in years, according to medical experts, provided that they can avoid death by violence, for violence is accomplishing wonders in the way of enabling all to survive longer and more comfortably than our ancestors. Babies born today can live to be 100 years old, so say the medical authorities. Sixty-four out of each 100 boy babies can be assured they'll reach the age of 65 years. For the girl babies the chances to survive to the threshold of old age are even greater. Currently 77 out of each 100 new-born girls will reach the age of 65.

Men who are 30 years old, the statisticians note, now have two chances in three of living to age 65, and those who are forty have seven chances in ten of reaching that age. Most persons who reach age 65, it is pointed out, can expect to live for a number of additional years. On the basis of the current mortality statistics, more than one-half the men who attain that age will survive another 12 years, and one-fifth for 20 years. Similarly one-half the women who reach 65 will live to age 80, and about one-fifth will survive to celebrate their 85th birthday.

With the present good prospects for further reductions in mortality the chances of survival to age 65 and the expected lifetime thereafter will probably continue to increase, it is observed. "This means that the problems of the aged, which already are receiving considerable attention, will grow in importance in the years to come," the statisticians comment. "In planning for his own and his family's future, the individual should make provision not only for an extended period of retirement, but also for his wife after his death, because in most families the wife outlives the husband."

Take a stroll through some of our older Northern Cambria County cemeteries and read the inscriptions on the headstones. It will probably amaze you that the percentage is high of men who died in their forties. Modern medical science now cures or forestalls a lot of diseases that proved fatal to many people in early middle age in the past—and that's not too many years back. Pneumonia was one great killer some years ago, and today it is fairly well controlled.

Air Raid Evacuation

A most thorough evacuating warning was handed the people of Pennsylvania recently by the Director of the State Council of Civil Defense, who cautioned that attempts at evacuation of metropolitan areas in time of air raid warnings would be the equivalent of mass suicide. The action was recommended that at best only a ten-minute warning can now be expected, which obviously would hardly provide adequate time to arrange for the family and depart to most any place. It is true that the more advanced warning systems are on the way but it may be some time before the vast network is completed and installed. Meanwhile it would be wise to heed the words of the Civil Defense Director, which are simple:

Use the few minutes warning period to prepare yourself the best possible way; "Duck and take cover." Unfortunately, there are many in our own North Cambria area who view the possibility of an air raid lightly—just as at the time of Pearl Harbor there were many who viewed lightly the seemingly almost impossible task Japan would attack the United States. In this alarm hour we are slightly hazy to both Altoona and Johnstown, which could be prompt targets for an attack. And the bombardment of the "bomb" spreads for many miles.

And then there are those who this time want to be prepared—or at least as prepared as humanly possible. Nothing seems to be impossible or impossible in this day and age—and the best civil defense at this point seems to be the best preparation possible. Therefore these four words to the wise should be sufficient: "Duck and take cover."

Wrongfully Spent

Individuals on relief rolls in Pennsylvania and the number, if large, who are termed "drunk or relief" will be deprived of money through state payments if the proposal of the Dauphin County grand jury is carried out. The members had a case of an individual who was in a getting away, using a knife on a fellow inmate. The man was on relief but he spent a good part of the state check on liquor. The grand jury recommended that the DPA should not pay him until he had gotten his feet out of the money. It is not clear how the grand jury would give those individuals who are on relief the same treatment. No one who drinks excess-

"As I See It" STATE SENATOR JOHN J. HALUSKA

At the conclusion of last week's story we informed our readers that we would reveal the findings of the late Sen. Tobey's investigation which is being conducted by a special committee for his committee namely: Benedict F. Fitzgerald. Relative to the Hoxsey Clinic, Mr. Fitzgerald issued this statement which became a public record at the nation's capitol:

I have very carefully studied the court records of three cases tried in the Federal and State Courts of Dallas, Texas. A running fight has been going on between officials, especially Dr. Morris Fishbein of the American Medical Association through the Journal of that organization, and the Hoxsey Cancer Clinic.

Dr. Fishbein contended that the medicines employed by the Hoxsey Cancer Clinic had no therapeutic value; that it was run by a quack and a charlatan. (This clinic is manned by a staff of over 30 employees, including nurses and physicians.) Reprints and circulation of several million copies of articles so prepared resulted in litigation. The Government thereafter intervened and sought an injunction to prevent the transmission in interstate commerce of certain medicines.

It is interesting to note that in the Trial Court, before Judge Atwell, who had an opportunity to hear the witnesses in two different trials, it was held that the so-called Hoxsey method of treating cancer was in some respects superior to that of X-ray, radium and surgery and did have therapeutic value.

The Circuit Court of Appeals of the 5th Circuit decided otherwise. This decision was handed down during the trial of a libel suit in the District Court of Dallas, Tex., by Hoxsey against Morris Fishbein, who admitted that he had never practiced medicine one day in his life and had never had a private patient, which resulted in a verdict for Hoxsey and against Morris Fishbein.

The defense admitted that Hoxsey could cure external cancer but contended that his medicines for internal cancer had no therapeutic value. The jury, after listening to leading Pathologists, Radiologists, Physicians, Surgeons and scores of witnesses, a great number of whom had never been treated by any Physician or Surgeon except the treatment received at the Hoxsey Cancer Clinic, concluded that Dr. Fishbein was wrong; that his published statements were false, and that the Hoxsey method of treating cancer did have therapeutic value.

In this litigation the Government of the United States, as well as Dr. Fishbein, brought to the Court the leading medical scientists, including Pathologists and others skilled in the treatment of cancer. They came from all parts of the country. It is significant to note that a great number of these doctors admitted that X-ray therapy could cause cancer. This view is supported by medical publications, including the magazine entitled "CANCER" published by the American Cancer Society, May issue of 1948.

I am herewith including the names and addresses of some of the witnesses who testified in the State and Federal Court. It has been determined by pathology, in a great many instances by laboratory studies wholly disconnected from the Hoxsey Cancer Clinic that they were suffering from different types of cancer, both internal and external, and following treatment they testified they were cured.

J. A. Johnson, Ranger, Texas, Squamous Cell No. 2. (type cancer).
Mrs. R. J. Hickman, 1225 E. Allen St., Ft. Worth, Texas. Melanocarcinoma. (type cancer).
Robert Thane, Avoca, Texas. Myelocarcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. H. E. Johnson, Denton, Texas. Adenocarcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. Elmer Smith, Wellington, Tex. Malignant Melanoma. (type cancer).
Dallas, Texas. Melanoma. (type cancer).
G. G. Burgess, 3416 Wymann St., Dallas, Texas. Basal Cell Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. Poston, 3222 Victor St., Dallas, Texas. Basal Cell Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. E. Harmon, Grapeville, Texas. Prickle Cell Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. J. A. Robb, Weatherford, Tex. Basal Cell Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. Louise Hester, Lubbock, Texas. Adenocarcinoma of Ovary. (type cancer).
Mrs. Lora Barnett, Penick, Texas. Adenocarcinoma of Ovary. (type cancer).
Mrs. E. E. Bickett, Pomeroyville, Texas. RFD, Prickle Cell Carcinoma. (type cancer).
E. E. Truina, Waco, Texas. Epidermoid Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Fritz Trojan, Waco, Texas. Squamous Cell. (type cancer).
Mr. C. W. Malone, Brownwood, Tex. Basal Cell. (type cancer).
Val Seurer Hinton, Oklahoma. Malignant Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Texas. Malignant Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. R. M. Hoffman, 5-0. J. R. Baird Co., Sheppard, La., Spindle Cell Ovary. (type cancer).
Tom Coates, Merkey, Texas. Basal Cell Carcinoma. (type cancer).
J. L. Benford, Merkey, Texas. Malignant Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. J. D. Douglas, Fort Worth, Texas. Duct-cell Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. R. B. Turner, Squamous Cell Carcinoma. Grade 3. (type cancer).
Mrs. C. H. Mallory, Squamous Cell Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Mrs. Herman Thomas, 822 Marimead St., Dallas, Texas. Melanocarcinoma. (type cancer).
Clifton E. Smith, Malignant Carcinoma. (type cancer).
Rev. Horace W. Irwin, West War, Rhode Island. Malignant Carcinoma. (type cancer).

Therefore on previous occasions we have given names of people who have testified that they have been cured from this dreadful disease by the Hoxsey treatment. We have in addition thereto given our readers and the public as a whole, first hand information pertaining to members of our own family. We shall refrain, names, if possible, from mentioning any more names of people who have submitted themselves to this most miraculous treat-

Urge That Complete Investigation Be Made . . .

Cambria Medical Society Backs Sen. Haluska's Stand

February 20, 1954
Thomas A. Owens Sr., Editor
Union Press-Courier,
Paton, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Because of the interest and comment caused by the articles on the Hoxsey Cancer Clinic written by Senator Haluska and published in recent editions of your paper, we, of the Cambria County Medical Society, feel that, in all justice to the public whom we serve, the position of our organization, speaking for the physicians of this area, should be made known to the public. Therefore, we are requesting you to publish in your paper the enclosed copy of a letter sent by us to Senator Langer, the same correspondent to whom Senator Haluska addressed his open letter, and in which our position is stated.

Sincerely yours,
Cambria County Medical Society,
Joseph W. Raymond M.D. President.

(The Cambria County Medical Society's letter to Senator William E. Langer, follows.)

February 20, 1954
Honorable William E. Langer,
U. S. Senate Office Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

During the past several weeks there have appeared in some of this district's weekly newspapers articles written by State Senator John J. Haluska of Cambria County, Pennsylvania, in which he has made claims that the Hoxsey Clinic of Texas has successfully treated cancer. The Senator also has asked, in a letter to you, that an investigation of the "conspiracy" by the American Medical Association against the Hoxsey Clinic be made, and that facts concerning the methods of treatment be made available to the public. Since Senator Haluska is the administrator of an accredited hospital to which several of our members are attached, and since one of the "cures" claimed for the Hoxsey Clinic directly affects some of our members, we, of the Cambria County Medical Society, wish to make our position clear so that there can be no misunderstanding.

But we will continue telling our readers the moves that are contemplated by powerful groups to curtail the treatment of cancer by medication. In our next week's issue, we will point out the dangers involved in the treatment of cancer by the method which is now employed by the AMA.

SEN. JOHN J. HALUSKA

The Cambria County Medical Society has gone on record as wholeheartedly endorsing Senator Haluska's proposal for an investigation of the American Medical Association's "conspiracy" against the Hoxsey Clinic. We have gone even further and are now asking you to make public the results of any such investigation for we are of the opinion that the question involved is of such vital importance to mankind that the public should be given a full disclosure of all the facts. If the method of treatment used by the Hoxsey Clinic is successful, as has been claimed, it is the duty of any investigating body to make available to suffering humanity the diagnostic and clinical methods used by the Hoxsey staff. Further, we believe that the method of operation of the Hoxsey Clinic should be disclosed so that, if the Hoxsey method of treatment is set-up in other parts of the country to remove the threat of the dread killer, cancer.

To remove the possibility that any investigation would be subjected to the charge of bias or partisanship, we would suggest, in accordance with the views of

Senator Haluska, that an impartial body be assigned the task of investigating the matter fully and of making a full disclosure of the results of that investigation. We are of the opinion that, on the basis of impartiality and of qualifications, the investigation should be conducted by the U. S. Department of Public Health as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made.

We sincerely hope that this matter will receive your prompt attention and we wish to assure you that we will render any assistance we can possibly give, not only to you, but also to any investigating body involved. We are on record as being willing to personally appear, either individually or by committee, before any investigating group, and to cooperate in every way possible in bringing out the true facts for the benefit of mankind.

Sincerely yours,
Cambria County Medical Society,
Joseph W. Raymond M.D. President.

Plans were outlined for a cubbing training course at 7:30 p. m. Monday, March 8, in St. Bernard's Church Hall, Hastings. Archie Lehmer, leadership training chairman of cubbing in the district, said the class is open to all adult scout leaders.

Three district troops have con-

ducted winter camping activities. They are Troop 18, Hastings; Troop 71, Carrolltown and Troop 72, Bakerton. The Hastings troop also plans to participate in winter camp at Blue Knob to be conducted by Admiral Robert E. Peary Council Feb. 26, 27 and 28.

Use of operating committees by individual units was urged by Cletus Lehmer, district chairman. He said many units have been conducting training and camping individually without utilizing services of the trained leaders of the district.

It was reported that the North Cambria District has not conducted a financial drive in the past year. Plans were discussed to select a finance chairman and conduct a drive for funds within the next few months.

The next district meeting will be held in the Paton Legion Home at 7:45 p. m. Thursday, March 11.

Wyland Will Head Scout Expansion Program In Area

Cleon Wyland, Barnesboro postmaster, was appointed chairman of the organization and extension committee of North Cambria County Boy Scout District at a meeting Thursday night in the Hastings VFW Home.

Barnesboro Lady Ninety Years Old

Mrs. Rebecca Boring of Barnesboro R. D. observed her 90th birthday Tuesday in the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Martin Thompson, with whom she resides.

Mrs. Boring is in very good health for her age. She spends some of her time reading and helping her daughter with household chores.

The nonagenarian is a member of Free Gospel Mission in Greensburg, near Barnesboro. Rev. Thompson is pastor of the church. Mrs. Boring was born Feb. 23, 1864, in Indiana County, daughter of John and Jane (Shankle) Stumph. She has resided in this area since childhood. Her husband, James Boring, died Dec. 1, 1943.

Mrs. Boring is the mother of six children. They are Mrs. Opha Conner, Indiana; Earl, Marsteller; Edward, Cherry Tree; Mrs. Reenie Kujik, Barnesboro R. D. 1; Mrs. Zula Thompson, Barnesboro R. D. and Leroy, Erie. There are 30 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Be pleasant, know what to say, sincerely give praise, and you'll find today one of your really best days.

Mrs. Tibbott Takes Over County Post

Mrs. Richard G. Tibbott of Ebensburg has taken over the duties of home economics representative of Cambria County.

The new home economics representative said last week she accepted the post on a temporary basis and will work in that capacity until a full-time representative can take over the position.

Mrs. Tibbott served as an assistant to Mrs. June K. Griffith and Mrs. Christine Schmitt, home economics representatives who since have resigned.

A native of Kansas, Mrs. Tibbott holds a bachelor of science degree in home economics and business from Kansas State College. She previously was employed as a home economist by the Pet Milk Company.

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