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SPREAD OF PARALYSIS COUNTERACTED.

West, Fearing Infection, Takes Course for In Gotham Serum.

Counteracting the snappy feat at the rapid spread of infantile paralysis toward the Pacific coast is the information from New York that the newly-discovered serum to check the dreaded disease is showing encouraging results. With Montana already infected with this terrible malady, it is not at all impossible or impractical that Oregon—or the Grande Ronde valley for that matter—might some day feel the sting of infantile paralysis; on the other hand now that New York doctors have found a serum of effectiveness, much of the alarm for the future is reduced.

The current edition of the New York World deals with this serum question in the following words:

Thirty-two ounces of blood—enough to make a pint of precious serum—was taken at the Willard Parker hospital yesterday from the veins of six persons who called in response to the World's appeal to former victims of infantile paralysis who wish to aid present and future sufferers.

By tomorrow the serum derived from this blood will be ready for use in treating sixteen babies, or from eight to twelve older children, half of whom will become permanent cripples unless this treatment saves them.

Fourteen children were treated yesterday with serum derived from the blood of those who responded to the appeal on Monday or Tuesday. It is too early yet to determine what the results are going to be, but so far as they could be judged in a single day they were favorable.

More significant are the results obtained in a group of six cases that have been under treatment three days. Three of these patients were not paralyzed when the treatments began, and much to the satisfaction of the physicians, two of them continue in that condition, though the time at which paralysis might be expected to set in is past. In fact, one of the two is out of danger. In the third case, paralysis has appeared. The physicians believe the serum was administered a little too late. The three other patients were paralyzed at the time of treatment. They seem to be improving.

Of the six volunteers who responded yesterday, only two would permit their names to be published. One of them was Miss Amy Oldort, the fourteen-year-old daughter of the Vice-President of the People's hospital. She had the disease in infancy and when she heard there was a chance to help some child younger than herself she told her parents that she wanted to give some of her blood. She called at the Willard Parker with her family physician and seemed not to mind her experience in the least.

Another who responded to yesterday's appeal was Miss Grace M. Lytle of No. 607 Fifth avenue, who had suffered from poliomyelitis nine years ago. She bravely watched eight ounces of blood flow from her veins. Another, who insisted that his name be kept secret, is a student in a university. A fourth is a member of an old and wealthy New York family. The student was not very strong and gave but three ounces. The other man gave eight. He told Dr. Zingher he would try to raise a fund with which blood might be bought from those not willing to give it on any other basis.

New Yorkers were not the only ones who responded to the call. By letter and telephone came messages from New Jersey residents who wanted to make the sacrifice. A letter from Washington offered the blood of a comparatively recent sufferer from the disease. In the last named case

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The principle of bathing inside is not new, as millions of people practice it. Just as hot water and soap cleanse, purify and freshen the skin, so hot water and a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. Limestone phosphate is an inexpensive white powder and almost tasteless.

arrangements will be made to have the blood drawn there and sent here. Already a new use for the serum has suggested itself. This is in the case of children who are exposed because their brothers or sisters have the disease. In hundreds of instances in the present epidemic the disease has swept through whole families because there was no means of prevention. There are scientific reasons for believing the serum may hold the power of preventing an exposed child from becoming a victim. It is being tried cautiously along these lines. Three children whose brothers and sisters are ill were inoculated yesterday.

Arrangements are also being made to place the serum in the hands of skilled field workers, who will at once inject the serum into the spinal canals of patients in whom the paralysis has not set in. Removal to contagious disease hospitals will follow.

After the mayor's advisory committee yesterday had approved the decision to delay the opening of the city schools, it was decided to postpone announcement of the exact date on which they will be opened. Representatives of the parochial schools said these institutions will remain closed as long as do the public schools, which means that fully 1,000,000 children will have at least a month added to their vacations.

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