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THE ARMY Y. M. C. A.

This is what David Lloyd George said of the Army Y. M. C. A.: "You cannot overstate the value of the Young Men's Christian Association work in the army camps."

Still it is not necessary to go across the Atlantic for testimony. The service of the army Y. M. C. A. among our own troops at the Mexican Border last year is well known to every line officer and every enlisted man.

Says Colonel John L. Hayden, commanding the Northwest Department United States Army: "For many years I have had opportunity to observe the Army Y. M. C. A. in camp and garrison. The work it has done is so valuable that it has gained official recognition as an agency almost indispensable in connection with the welfare of the men."

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WILL FIGHT WHITE PLAGUE IN NEW ARMY.

Cincinnati, O., May 10.—(United Press)—How to combat tuberculosis in the nation's new army was the problem placed before the opening session of the national convention of the Society for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis here today by its president, Dr. Edward R. Baldwin of Saranac Lake.

Dr. Baldwin did not attempt to solve the problem, but referred to "unknown difficulties that must be met and overcome."

At the request of the Council of National Defense, he said, the association had appointed a committee of three, who are co-operating in plans for dealing with the question of keeping the white plague out of the army. He said our army will profit from experiences in European armies in the past three years and that plans are already under way to care for those who inevitably will become ill.

That latent tuberculosis conditions are made active in a large percentage of cases by pregnancy was the theory advanced by Dr. Stephen A. Douglass, superintendent of the Ohio State Sanatorium at Mt. Vernon, O.

Every state in the union now has an organization actively fighting the white plague. This information was given delegates to the convention today by Dr. Charles J. Hatfield, executive secretary of the organization.

Dr. Hatfield said that in the past year field secretaries have assisted in the organization, or reorganization, of state associations in ten different states. Organizations have also been formed in Porto Rico, the Philippine Islands, the Canal Zone and Hawaii.

The war has given a new impetus to the work, said the executive secretary. He told of the establishment of "The American Review of Tuberculosis," the first publication

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Savoy. Mrs. Jas. P. Sanders, Enterprise; E. T. Stoggy; D. W. Moffatt, Boise; R. H. Barber, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Tom Queen, N. Y.; Ruth A. Miller, San Francisco; Mrs. Rayburn; J. A. Wiseman, Portland; Mrs. M. A. Stevenson; Mrs. J. W. Clark; Will Turnkey, Fossil, Ore.; Clyde A. Porter, Portland; Toy L. Young; Ray Chapman, Baker; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clemens, Boise; J. M. Mitchell; Wm. Miles, Edward Miles and wife, Evans; Mrs. L. Gilroy, Detroit; Edwin Deacon, Baker; J. H. De Haas, Cove; Jack Orphart, Cove; C. Dodson, North Powder; Geo. Winchester, Enterprise.

of its kind in English. "The mortality from tuberculosis is steadily declining," said Dr. Baldwin. He said constant improvement of sanitation, living and working conditions was having its effect. More emphasis is needed, he said, upon the importance of invigoration of the individual than upon the danger of infection, which he said was to a certain extent uncontrollable.

BABIES NEGLECTED, SAYS DOCTOR.

Cincinnati, O., May 10.—(United Press)—Delegates to the national convention of The Society for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis were told today that thus far the propaganda of the organization had neglected the babies.

"A tuberculous mother," said Dr. Alfred F. Hess of New York, "gives birth to a healthy and normal baby and promptly, within the next few months, infects it with tuberculosis so that its chance of reaching the age of childhood is slight. If we are to progress in our fight against tuberculosis, these infants must be looked after."

Dr. Hess said the best plan was to separate the babies from their diseased mothers during the first days of life.

Dr. H. Kennon Dunham of this city spoke of the value of the X-Ray in exposing false "cures" and in making possible exact surgical operations in the chest.

The so-called "gold cure" for tuberculosis was discussed by Dr. Lydia M. De Witt of the University of Chicago, who said salts of gold, though reported to have given favorable results, were still experimental as a tuberculosis cure and should not be used on human patients.

The surgeon's knife may check tuberculosis of the bowels, prolonging life, but will not effect a permanent cure, said Dr. Edward Archibald of Montreal.

Dr. Donald B. Armstrong declared that it is possible to discover and place under control every case of tuberculosis in a manufacturing community, and eventually rid it of the disease by discovering the social and economic causes—and removing them. In a town of 16,000 population this is being done, he said, by the means of a fund of \$100,000 donated by the Metropolitan Life Insurance company.

"If tuberculosis is to be prevented, every community must know exactly how many of its citizens lack food, clothing, shelter, recreation, and medical care," said Wilbur C. Phillips, secretary of the National Social Unit Organization.

"SOLDIERS OF THE SOIL."

Every farmer in Oregon is requested by the head of the more food campaign to lay aside even his most important work for a few hours next Saturday to attend the agricultural defense meeting to consider the best means of marshalling the state's agricultural resources for use of the nation in its hour of trial. Governor Withycombe has issued a proclamation making Saturday, May 12, Agricultural Defense Day, and asking all organizations and individuals aiding in the agricultural preparedness movement to devote the day to devising ways and means of securing the most effective means for carrying the task to a successful completion.

Preliminary arrangements for the meetings in this part of the state have been made by representative committees of farmers and other business men, and to get the best results from their work it is necessary that the producers attend the defense day meeting and furnish the required information on the food and seed supply on hand, the amount of capital and labor available and required, and other items of the survey plans by which the United States expects to arrive at a fairly accurate estimate of the exact situation. The time spent in assembling this information is expected to prove as useful to the food producing campaign as the drafts and estimates of buildings are to the architect.

By inquiry of County Agriculturist Spillman further



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Society and Personal

ANNOUNCEMENT. Social and club news for this department should be given to the Observer by phone or otherwise, during the forenoon. Such news turned in after 12 o'clock, noon, will frequently have to be held for publication the following day.

Mrs. Isaac Vanduy Monday entertained with one of the largest and most elaborate receptions of the season, honoring her house guest, Mrs. Edward P. Mossman, of La Grande. The rooms of the Vanduy residence were thronged all afternoon with a smart assemblage of Portland women. The drawing-room was a bower of Springtime blossoms, all the pastel tints being used in artistic array, flowering fruit branches predominating in the drawing-room, while the dining-room was decked with crystal baskets filled with Spring blossoms in pastel shades. Yellow was the keynote of the library decorations, the ensemble being most artistic and pleasing.

Presiding at the prettily decked tea table were Mrs. David Loring and Mrs. Edwin Caswell. Mrs. Fletcher Linn and Miss Ella Stephens served ices from the library, and the hostess was further assisted in the drawing-room by Mrs. Frank Vanduy and Miss Elizabeth Bond. Little Frances Vanduy received the guests at the door, and was charming in a dainty embroidered frock.

Mrs. Mossman is a charming matron and a former resident of this city. She has a host of friends here, many of whom already have entertained her.—Portland Journal.

The regular monthly business meeting and social of the South M. E. Church Epworth league was given Monday evening at the home of Claude Eaton on Ash street. The evening was spent in social games after which refreshments were served.

A delightful evening was spent by the Elks, their wives and sweethearts last Tuesday evening at one of their informal dancing parties in a series they are giving.

The recital given by the pupils of Mrs. Cornelia Barker-Carse in the Presbyterian church Tuesday was a huge success. Mrs. Carse was very ably assisted by Aladene Serogzin and Florence Lynch and Mrs. Metzler was the accompanist. The program was as follows: Sight Reading, Class; Butterflies, (Edward Rohde) Isabelle Miller; Seale Building-Rhythm, Class; Flying Leaf (Spindler) Virginia Bryant; Eartraining, Class; Air Melodieux (Bohm) and Polish Dance (Scharwenka) Aladene Serogzin; Keyboard Harmony, Class; Scherzetto (Schmoll) Laura Jane Talbott; History-Musical Terms, Class; Madrigal (Simonetti) and Serenade (Pierne) Florence Lynch; Presentation of Certificates; Violin Duet, by Aladene Serogzin and Florence Lynch. Mrs. Carse announces that Mrs. P. M. Robinson will succeed her in the same method of instruction. The program

was very ably rendered and the pupils showed much care in training.

Robert C. Alexander and Miss Eva Pluma Moss were married in the Presbyterian Manse by Rev. G. L. Clark, Tuesday night at 8:00 p. m. The couple was attended by the bride's mother and the groom's sister, Miss Anna Alexander. The groom is deputy assessor and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Moss of Moss Chapel, north of Island City.

Whitman College, Walla Walla, Wash., May 10.—(Special)—Mildred Oliver, of La Grande, Oregon, who is a student at Whitman College, participated on one of the committees of Campus Day, which occurred this year on Wednesday, May 9. Classes were suspended for the day and faculty and students, working in squads under the direction of captains cleaned up the campus, trimmed trees and put the tennis court in shape. At noon faculty and students met for a picnic dinner, and in the afternoon occurred the crowning of the May Queen, the annual May Pole Dance and various folk dances. An informal dancing party was given in the evening.

Mrs. I. L. Haller and son Harold, of Teocasset, are visitors in the city today.

Mrs. William Bollons and daughter, Madeline, left last night for Portland for a week's visit.

The Ladies Aid society of the Presbyterian church was entertained at the home of Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp yesterday.

The following registered at the Imperial hotel, May 8: H. E. Coolidge, R. R. Huron, La Grande; S. D. Trumbull and wife of Enterprise.

Floyd Maxwell, manager of the Oregon Scout, and Frank Wilson of Union, spent last evening in the city. They are over in the Wilson car.

Frances McKenzie, of Bellingham, is in the city visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Grace Willet, after visiting here she will leave for Lostine.

Mrs. Sadie Hall spent yesterday afternoon in the city enroute to her home in North Powder. She has been visiting friends in Lostine.

Harris French who has for the past ten weeks been very ill with typhoid fever and critically ill for the past week is reported to me much better today.

Mrs. J. W. Baxter of Cove, was brought over to the Grande Ronde Hospital last evening for an operation. She is resting as easily today as can be expected.

Howard Stoddard drove Dr. DeBusk, of the University of Oregon and County Superintendent A. E. Ivanhoe to Union yesterday in the Stoddard car. They report that they had a most enjoyable trip through the valley after which Dr. DeBusk lectured at the Union high school.