

NEW ENGLAND'S
WINTERS BETTERNature Storms as Usual
But Man Eases Load
Boreas Brings

BOSTON, Feb. 11 (AP).—New England winters are as cruelly cold as in Puritan days, with the frost giants battling a bit harder than usual this year, but man has put them so completely on the defensive that old timers feel the "winters are not what they used to be."

There have been all the elements of a "real old fashioned winter" this year, with 11 snowstorms, steamers and barges lost and 30 seamen dead. There have been storms, deaths from freezing and enough snow to block all roads.

Yet the old timer who says winters were more severe when he used to jog along in an open sleigh now rides in a warm, closed motor car over city streets or country roads scraped clear of snow immediately after a storm. Farm houses that used to be cut off from the world for months each winter now maintain contact by telephone and radio.

Between three and four feet to snow fell in New England during December and January, but in the more settled regions motor cars, snow equipped with sleigh runners, scarcely paused in their activities.

Nevertheless winter still holds the upper hands when the storm king exerts himself. Snow drifts 25 to 30 feet deep in remote regions, halting traffic for the winter and increasing the demand for snow fences to catch the drifts. Blizzards, driven by howling gales, force fishing schooners and steamers to harbor, leaving under a burden of ice and a cargo of snow. Flaps at half mast announce victims of the elements.

After the storm abate New England dips out and begins counting the toll. Youthful New England takes to the hills with sleds and skis, to the ponds with skates, or to their front yards to build snow men. Many youngsters emulate young Gaylord Steel Jr., of Farmington, Conn., who erected a seven foot Aunt Jeannine, froze her solid with water for the winter, and gave her electric light eyes to make her useful as a night guard.

Medical Springs

Stockmen Meet

MEDICAL SPRINGS, Feb. 11.—(Special).—The annual meeting of the stockmen's association was held at the J. R. Wanker home Saturday. Joe Lay was re-elected president of the association and J. R. Wanker was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

J. F. Kennedy, M. Morris and W. Burke were elected members of the advisory board.

CULINARY QUEEN



NEA, New York Bureau. Famed as a cook throughout Great Britain is Mrs. Rosa Lewis. From the range, she rose to proprietress of the Cavendish Hotel, London. This was taken upon her arrival in New York.

MORE WORK



Henry G. Wise, attorney for Albert B. Fall, will have only begun his work when the Fall-Doherty trial ends. For Fall again goes on trial, this time along with Harry Sinclair.

YOUR INCOME
TAX

No. 23

Business property kept in repair may be the subject of a depreciation allowance. The allowance for depreciation is intended to cover the estimated lessening in value of the original property, due to the wear and tear, decay, etc., which, in time will require the abandonment or replacement of the property, in spite of ordinary current repairs. The cost of incidental repairs, which neither materially add to the value of the property nor appreciably prolong its life, may be deducted as a business expense, provided the plant or property account is not increased by the amount of such expenditures.

If, however, the repairs are of such kind as to make good the depreciation, for example, a new floor or a new roof, the cost is not deductible. The amount expended by a taxpayer during the taxable year for improvements, replacements, or renewals of a permanent nature is a capital expenditure, and may not be deducted from his gross income for such taxable year. The amount so expended should be charged directly to the property account or to a depreciation reserve account, according to how depreciation charges are treated in the taxpayer's books of account. A pro rata portion thereof may be deducted as depreciation each year of the life of such improvements.

Deductions for depreciation must be made as a separate item of the return, and must be explained by showing separately each class of property, its cost (fair market value as of March 1, 1913, if acquired prior to that date), depreciation charged off for the taxable year, and total depreciation charged off for all taxable years.

HEALTH

"PREVENTIVE MEDICINE"
KEEPS YOU WELL
By James M. Anders, M. D.,
Philadelphia

Member Gorgas Memorial Inst. Higher standards of medical education and practice grew out of the arrival of a new epoch of so-called research medicine which began a little more than a half century ago, and soon thereafter the germ theory of disease was announced. Thus a more rigid scientific tendency was introduced into American medicine and as a natural consequence laboratory

JUST AS SOON AS HE IS ABLE TO DIGEST IT



workers, members of the regular

medical profession, began to increase in numbers in this and other countries. Then followed the discovery of the specific cause of one leading and prevalent communicable disease after another.

For example, in 1880 Laveran, an Italian investigator, isolated the plasmodium malariae or cause of malarial fever. In the same year Elberth discovered the germ which caused typhoid fever and is known as the typhoid bacillus. Not until about three decades later was

Wright, an English experimentalist enabled to announce the discovery of a successful preventive serum which, when inoculated into susceptible persons, rendered them im-

mune to this disease, for five or

six years at least. In 1881 Koch announced the discovery of the tubercle bacillus, the specific cause of all forms of tuberculosis and, while neither prophylactic nor curative, specific means have since been discovered, our knowledge of this subject has advanced an extraordinary degree, and as a consequence the mortality rate has been reduced fifty per cent during the last two decades.

The germ of bacillus that causes diphtheria was discovered in 1883 by Klebs and first cultivated by Louffier a year later, but it was many years after that diphtheria

antitoxin was given to the medical world by Von Behring and still many years later before toxin-antitoxin, which is a safe and dependable specific preventive of that dreaded disease, was made available for use.

Similar additional illustrations might be given but enough have been presented to show that preventive medicine is a potent factor from the viewpoint of human welfare. Scientific knowledge of a subject however, thorough, is without any definite value unless it has its human or practical side. Unfortunate our positive knowledge is often far in advance of our

many years after that diphtheria performance, due to both profes-

Motorist Burned
When Steam Blows

MEDICAL SPRINGS, Feb. 11, (Special).—G. W. South was badly burned about the face Sunday when steam blew the cap from his radiator and the steam went into his face. He was trying to remove the radiator cap when the accident occurred.

One eye was badly burned and is swollen nearly shut. His car was stuck in the mud, making it necessary for him to walk about for miles home.

sional and public indifference.

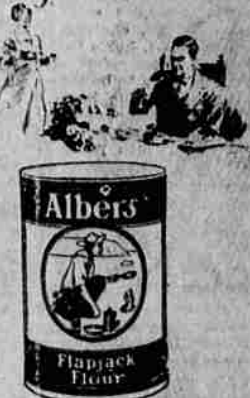
The co-operation of individual men, women, and children is an absolute necessity in the practical application of the scientific discoveries such as those mentioned above. It is believed by Dr. Park and other scientific men that diphtheria could be eradicated in five years, if toxin-antitoxin were universally used in susceptible children between the ages of six months and ten years. Most authorities recommend that this agent be used in children from six months to four years of age without first employing the Schick test to determine whether or not they are susceptible.

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