

12 EPIDEMIC SPREADS

Violent Form of Smallpox in Eastern Oregon.

LOCAL DOCTOR DIDN'T KNOW IT

Treated Patient for Poison Oak, and Allowed Man to Be Exposed -Dr. Woods Hutchinson Will Take Charge of Fight.

Smallpox of a malignant type is raging through Eastern Oregon. One death has been reported, and several patients are on the point of death. The disease has spread from Shanks, its starting point to the surrounding country, and has now asserted itself in The Dalles, Prineville and other points along the road.

The smallpox reported in Eastern Oregon is of a different type to that which Oregon has known for some years. The cases before have been of such mild form as to even raise a question among the physicians as to whether or not they were really smallpox. The cases reported thus far in Eastern Oregon are very severe, and regarded as highly dangerous.

The difference between the present epidemic and those of recent years is accounted for by the fact that it started from a case which was contracted in Pennsylvania. A man who came to Shanks for the purpose of his work, but his claim was taken with the disease, and all of the cases can be traced directly to this one.

At the time that the visitor came to Shanks he was feeling indisposed, but did not think that there was anything serious the matter with him. He went into the store to buy some goods, but was taken so sick that he had to return home. The doctors never dreamed of smallpox, and did not think of such a thing as vaccination or of disinfecting the stage he rode in.

In their ignorance regarding the disease, the people of Shanks were not enlightened in the least by the Shanks physician, who is said to have pronounced the case a serious case of poison oak, and to have treated the patient for it until he died a few days later.

No Quarantine Enforced. During all of this time the patient was kept at the home, no effort was made to keep him secluded. The doctor did not recognize the disease, and the people did not see why they should question the word of their physician. Disease germs were scattered broadcast, and the epidemic was in fact.

People who rode in the same stage as the sick man had become infected, and the disease did not break out until several days later. People who stopped at the hotel were exposed, but not knowing of their danger, went there as usual. The epidemic manifested itself, and by that time had scattered the contagion further.

A sister of Dr. Homer L. Keeny, of this city, was among the first to contract the disease, and Dr. Keeny went to Shanks at once to attend to the case. He saw the danger at a glance, and communicated with the State Board of Health regarding the matter. Dr. Alfred King, of Astoria, was called and assisted Dr. Keeny in an attempt to check the disease.

Dr. Hutchinson, who has been in the city for some time, has been exposed to the disease, and has exposed others to the past before any precautions have been taken.

Situation Seems Serious. Yesterday the State Board decided that the condition was so serious that Dr. Hutchinson should take charge of it in person. Eleven cases were reported at Shanks, and it is feared that the disease is breaking out in The Dalles and other places where residents have visited Shanks within the past few weeks.

Vaccination Most Effective. Dr. Woods Hutchinson's plan of fighting the disease is based upon quarantine and vaccination. "There can be no question as to the effectiveness of vaccination," said he. "During an epidemic of this kind every one should be vaccinated." It is in the power of the State Board of Health to enforce a rule of compulsory vaccination, and a member of the board has said that this means would be considered if the epidemic continued to spread.

"After a patient has been vaccinated, and the vaccination has taken effect," said Dr. Hutchinson, "smallpox will not occur in a violent form, and it is only upon the rarest occasions that it will occur at all."

Every case of smallpox that is reported will be strictly quarantined. In this way people will not be exposed to the disease, but without vaccination they are able to spread it. The State Board says they are able to do this. Often before a case is discovered several people have been exposed. The doctors have no way of knowing who has been exposed, and cases will appear where they are the least expected.

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HER FAVORITE POEM.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox Has Very Many of Them.

"Which of my poems is my favorite? Oh, I am sure, I don't know. There are so many of them."

Ella Wheeler Wilcox stood in the hall of the Portland Hotel last evening, at the feet of a black gown that seemed composed of naught but lace and glistening black beads. She fingered three calling cards in her hands, shuffling them over, "The Poems of Passion," the reporter began.

"Oh, my, they are ancient history, all past you know. Now, of my later, there is 'High Noon,' I think that 'High Noon' is my favorite. But you know it's just like a mother with several children." And Mrs. Wilcox looked up with a "You-know-how-tha-it-is" smile.

"Now, have you a copy of 'High Noon,' which appears in Poems of Power. Neither have I a copy of 'Gethsemane,' which is another favorite. But I like it much more than any other poem I know which I have with me. You might say it is the favorite of the past year."

New Year, 1936. When with changing and with ringing Comes the year's initial day, I can feel the rhythmic swinging Of the world upon its way.

And the Right still wears her fetters, And the Just still wears his blind, Time's hands are always better Than the paths he leaves behind.

In our seas of existence As we circle through the night, We annihilate the distance Between the darkness and the light. From beginnings crude and lowly Round and round our souls have trod, Through the circles winding slowly Up to knowledge and to God.

With each century departed, Some old evil found a tomb, Some old truth was newly started In proportion souls to bloom. With each decade some number Thee has handiapped the race, (Worn-out crowd or superstation) Unto knowledge yields its place.

Though in folly and in blindness And in sorrow still we grope, Yet to man's increasing wisdom Lies the world's stupendous hope. For our darkest hour of error Is as radiant as the dawn. Yet hasten the swift terror Of the ages that have gone.

And above the sad world's sobbing, And the strife of clan with clan, I can hear the mighty throbbing Of the heart of God in man. And as waves change through the chiming Of the bells, and seems to say: We are climbing, we are climbing, We are climbing, we are climbing.

Mrs. Wilcox visited Mrs. Eva Emery Dye at Oregon City yesterday afternoon, and had lunch with the authoress of "The Conquest." When she arrived back in Portland she was the subject of callers, and was in consequence very tired at the close of the evening. Mr. Wilcox left last night for Seattle, from which city he will return on Tuesday.

NO FRIEND OF CLUB WOMEN

Writer Takes Exception to Their Reception of Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

PORTLAND, April 12.—(To the Editor.)—I have been watching with considerable interest the manner in which Portland club women have attempted to lay violent hands on the organization of the woman's department of the Lewis and Clark Fair, and in consequence very tired at the close of the evening. Mr. Wilcox left last night for Seattle, from which city he will return on Tuesday.

I believe that the success of the Fair will not depend upon the women of Portland, although the women of the state who are all par of the state, who certainly have as much interest in it as their sisters in Portland, and who should be given an opportunity to assist in the work, as well as credit in the success thereof.

Not satisfied with creating considerable animosity among the members of the Fair, I see by the Sunday Oregonian, that they are to have charge of the reception to be tendered to Ella Wheeler Wilcox, and that same has been posted in the city. I am sure that the club women may bring to the attention of the fair, whose friend she is, had arranged for a reception at the Portland Hotel, and in consequence very tired at the close of the evening. Mr. Wilcox left last night for Seattle, from which city he will return on Tuesday.

When Dr. Keeny returned to Portland a few days ago, he reported that the disease seemed to be under control, and said that he did not feel that the disease was spreading from that source. The doctor had not taken into account, however, the number of people that had been exposed before he arrived on the scene, and before any one knew that smallpox was in the community.

During the past few days starting reports have been reaching the State Health Board. "People who have been exposed several days ago have only within the past few days commenced to break out with the disease. In some cases they have gone for some time before they realized their condition, and have exposed others to the past before any precautions have been taken."

It is the old form of smallpox, said a member of the State Board of Health last night. "It is not the mild form we have been having in Oregon for the past few years. One must be careful, for the disease has been that the people are not afraid of it. But few deaths have occurred, and they say they would as soon have smallpox as not. We have to be careful that it may become severe at any time, but they have still been as careless as ever. The disease that is now raging in Eastern Oregon is the kind we have been trying to tell them about, and if it gets much of a foothold they will change their minds about smallpox not being dangerous."

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RUN OFF WITH \$1000

E. C. Bulman Flees With a Client's Money.

ARRESTED IN GRANT'S PASS

Miss Clara Kroenke Gave Him Commission to Buy a Lodging-House—Abused the Trust, She Says.

Erwin C. Bulman, a well-known real estate man of this city, was arrested yesterday at Grant's Pass. Claiming wife against him is Miss Clara Kroenke, who says that she has been defrauded out of \$1000.

Bulman when searched had over \$500 in cash on his person. He will be brought back to Portland at once, arriving here today.

Miss Kroenke is a young woman, who has had a considerable amount of money left to her from an estate in the East and came to Portland for the purpose of going into business. W. E. Groat, who lives at 62 Hawthorne avenue, is an old friend of the man and knows to know she came to the city, she went to his place to stay.

Miss Kroenke's idea of business was to buy a lodging-house and for the first payment she had a check for \$1000. Living at the same house as E. C. Bulman, whose business is dealing in real estate, but who does not exercise any of his description that look good.

"I think I can find the kind of a lodging-house that you want," he told the young lady, after he had several conversations with her and she had expressed her opinion of what she wanted and a better opinion of what he wanted out of the money himself.

"I will let you have a lodging-house for sale," he continued, "that is a great bargain. If I do, shall I bind the bargain at once?" "Of course," she said, "make the bargain at once if you find a place that you know is a good one."

When Mr. Bulman came home the next night he had not bought anything, but he had noticed a good bargain. It took some time before he was able to find an eager real estate agent had stepped in ahead of him before he could get the money. To make it a sure thing that he would not lose the money, he had suggested to his customer that he had better take the \$1000 check in order to have it ready when the opportunity came.

Pleased to avoid the responsibilities of business, the trusting young lady readily turned the check over to her agent, and fully expected that he would come home Friday morning with the money. But when he had bought a fine place for her.

Saturday morning he was out of bed early, supposedly to have time for a good search for a bargain. He had to get up early morning train for Grant's Pass. He didn't come home to dinner. Perhaps he was then making a contract with some one, or maybe in his kindness he was mistaking his dinner in order to argue with some stubborn property-owner.

Night came and he did not come to supper. Now the woman felt very much ashamed and she was waiting for a stranger to so much trouble for accommodation. Only when a friend came in in the evening and suggested that a man could do a little traveling in Portland, did she suspect that anything had happened. The friend at once went to the police station and reported that the man, who was missing his dinner, was a stranger to the man, and also advised to the report that the man was a stranger to the man.

It was thought that he had gone toward California, and Chief Hunt wired to Ashland to stop the man if he was on the train. "Your man got off at Grant's Pass," was the answer from the Chief of Police of Ashland, and word was wired to arrest Bulman. He was arrested at Grant's Pass, and the answer came back that he had been arrested, and that he had over \$500 on his person when searched. He will be brought back to Portland at once, arriving here today.

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WORK FOR THE FAIR.

Plan for a Board of Men and Women Commissioners.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 12.—(To the Editor.)—Many of us have been anxiously waiting for the action of the Legislature whether the women of Oregon and the Northwest were to be recognized in the organization for the promotion of the work of the Lewis and Clark Fair.

Funds have been raised by private subscription, by both men and women, amounting to many thousands of dollars. The Legislature now upon the subject of its citizens, male and female, has appropriated \$50,000 for an Exposition fund. Yet, while all the world knows that the pioneer women of Oregon and the Northwest were to be recognized in the organization for the promotion of the work of the Lewis and Clark Fair, it is not so generally known that the women of the Federated Clubs wanted to control the women's work of the Lewis and Clark Fair is erroneous.

MRS. W. WYNN JOHNSON.

HE MADE A QUICK PROFIT

HILLSBORO MAN CLEARS \$12,500 IN PORTLAND REAL ESTATE.

Property on First Avenue Shows Rapid Increase in Value, Owing to Erection of New Buildings.

W. B. Huston, the Hillsboro attorney, was a party in two large Portland real estate deals last week. He sold the northwest corner of First and Washington streets for \$72,500 and bought the northwest corner of Park and Morrison streets for \$24,500. Both transactions were conducted through Rountree & Diamond.

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The other deal with which Mr. Huston was connected was the purchase of 90 by 100 feet at Park and Morrison streets. This lot is occupied by a one-story brick on the corner and a residence in the rear. The deal was made by the firm of Rountree & Diamond, who are the owners of the property. The amount involved in this transaction was \$34,500. Deals in which one person is concerned to the amount of \$100,000 are not made every day in any city.

The fact that Mr. Huston profited to the extent of \$12,500 within a few months on a single piece of Portland real estate is an excellent evidence of the rapid appreciation of value in property in this city. The deal, both purchasing and selling, were conducted as ordinary business transactions; there were no forced sales under the Sheriff's supervision, nor was a financial price charged when the property was sold. It was merely an instance of the marked rise which has overtaken Portland real estate within the past few years.

First street for several years was dead to the world as far as transactions in real estate were concerned. When the retail trade moved further up town this thoroughfare remained out in the cold for a long time. Within the past few months, however, a new spirit has been felt, and First-street property is again in demand.

The new buildings of the George Lawrence Company, J. W. Cook and Cook Brothers, have had much influence in starting the new movement in this direction. When more than \$100,000 is placed in new brick buildings all within a block in one another, surrounding property feels the influence of the investment and responds with added values.

The northeast corner of Eleventh and Alder streets, purchased by two lodges of the Knights of Pythias of Portland some weeks ago, will soon be the scene of a new building. Though the deal with the Hamilton heirs was chronicled more than two months ago, the transaction was definitely closed Saturday. The price of the property, 50 by 100 feet, is \$1200.

It was the original purpose of the Knights to buy the ground before it increased in value, not to erect a building for several years. Since the deal was made, however, several proposals have been made to the lodges. One which they are now considering is to place a building upon the property at once. Part will be reserved for the use of the lodges, while the remainder will be put to business purposes. The matter will be decided this week at a meeting of those interested.

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PARK TAKES ON COLORS

ASSUMES COAT OF GREEN WITH COMING OF SUMMER.

Lewis and Clark Shaft of Granite Is in Place—Soon Will Be a Monument.

With the coming of Spring, the City Park has awakened, and is now donning its coat of green for the Summer months. Yesterday a goodly crowd of nature-lovers visited this place of recreation, and strolled over the soft grass, or watched the animals at their play.

During the Winter and the early Spring Superintendent Lewis has had his force of men busily engaged in getting things into shape for the Summer. Banks and terraces that were washed out of shape by the winter rains have been put in place again, and are already verdant with a new growth of lawn grass. The walks and paths have been worked over, and the annual cases of plants and trees so that even the occupants do not know them.

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IMPROVEMENT OF STOCK

Valley Farmers No Longer Satisfied With Scrub Animals.

EUGENE, Or., April 12.—With the opening of Spring weather in Lane County there is evidence among the farmers and stockmen of the county that more enterprise is displayed in the matter of improvement of the stock industry than ever before.

The stock raisers in the county are becoming more and more interested in the improvement of their stock, and the exports for the past year of stock have amounted to approximately \$250,000, which is a greater figure than would be estimated by most people without careful study.

The present time is the introduction of improved blood and an effort at scientific improvement in breed. The cattle on all the ranges show evidence of this and their value in the market is correspondingly higher. Like sheep that graze upon the hills bear evidence of breeding and the wool as it comes into the markets is of a superior quality and brings a correspondingly high price.

Time was that almost anything with wool was called a sheep, and a clip of four to six pounds was sufficient to satisfy the demands of the market. But now the most improved breeds are in demand, and careful attention is given them so that a clip of six to eight pounds is the standard. The heavy fleeces and improved quality are produced without greater expense than was the inferior clip a few years ago, and the farmer reaps the additional profit.

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