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Dr. Ralph Matson Asks What Is to Become of Victims of White Plague.

DANGER WHOLLY ABSENT

Physician Declares That Sanitariums Are of Positive Benefit to Surrounding Communities. Appeal Made to Reason.

Dr. Ralph C. Matson has come to the defense of the proposed tuberculosis sanitarium for Mount Tabor, and in a communication he sent yesterday to The Oregonian he points out the value of such an institution, at the same time explaining that he has no financial interest therein.

Following is Dr. Matson's letter:

Inasmuch as it is alleged that I am cherishing the establishment of a tuberculosis sanitarium at Mount Tabor, much to the displeasure and fear of the residents, I trust that you will give sufficient space in your paper to publish this plea for justice to the community.

I desire in the first place to state that I am not interested in a financial way in the sanitarium. My interest is purely that of a humanitarian. Every physician realizes the necessity of having a place in the city where tuberculosis cases can be properly taken care of. With the exception of St. Vincent's Sanitarium, where a limited number of cases are cared for, there is not a single institution in the City of Portland that accepts cases of tuberculous patients.

What is to become of these unfortunate individuals? Hospitals, hotels, boarding houses and private homes do not accept them or drive them out when their affliction is shown. In fact, in the majority of cases, tuberculosis is a curable disease. It should be a matter of deep humiliation to our citizens, municipal authorities and ophthalmologists that there are at this moment hundreds of our fellow citizens suffering from tuberculosis and they must continue to suffer and die, not because their disease is incurable, but because there are too few places in which to cure it.

In this state at the present time there are accommodations for about 75 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis in sanitariums. Those beds must be of necessity be filled with the earlier cases, and the later cases cannot be taken care of because the too few beds are occupied by cases that have a chance to be well.

The object of a sanitarium is to teach the patient personal hygiene and habits of preventing others from getting his disease. A consumptive trained in the prevention of his disease is not a danger to those with whom he may live and work. The educated consumptive has his own disease, but he never kisses anyone or permits himself to be kissed, he does not use the public toilet without covering the mouthpiece, and neither sneezes nor coughs when talking to others; he never uses a public drinking cup or puts anything in the mouth which other people might touch.

Sanitariums Prove Value.

That the presence of a tuberculosis sanitarium is not a menace to public health is shown by statistics in this country and Europe. Tuberculosis among the inhabitants of villages and cities has always been considerably reduced after the establishment of such institutions. The bad habits and customs involuntarily inculcated by the villagers have resulted in diminishing consumption in their homes. The well-kept sanitarium for consumptives serves not only as an institution to cure, but also as a school for the prevention of the spread of the disease.

To prevent the spread of consumption by teaching practical and feasible hygiene, and covering the premises against those who are afflicted with the disease, to cure when cure is possible, to teach the patient to rest, to prolong life and render comfortable when absolute cure seems impossible, to relieve the suffering of the individual, be it mental, physical or social, should be our only aim as true workers in the anti-tuberculous crusade.

It was alleged that those patients would split everywhere, and thus menace health. And it is true that in many city parks for a recreation ground, it is really deplorable to consider the degree of cleanliness and hygiene to which this insane and exaggerated fear of the presence of consumptives has driven people. This cruel injustice must be called to a halt.

Consumptives must give up tight work such as they are sadly in need of. Employers will not engage them; they are not going to run the risk of catching the disease from them. Here a clerk suspected of tuberculosis is discharged; then a woman is consumed in her family. Even our powerful Government at Washington has dismissed without a pension \$7,000,000 on plant health and animal health every year. Hundreds of thousands are being killed by the lives of men trees from the attacks of beetles; in warning farmers against the use of fertilizers, the Department of Agriculture has expended the last 10 years over \$40,000,000. But not a wheel of the official machinery at Washington was ever set in motion for the alleviation or cure of tuberculosis of the human race.

Public Must Learn.

The general public must now be impressed with the fact that the phthisis, which exists to a deplorable degree and is the cause of so much unbridled conduct and such inhumanity toward the consumptive, has little reason for its existence. We know the method of infection; we know the human sputum, and that, unlike the contagious diseases, contact must be frequent, repeated and long continued. It is not to be communicated, and that the honest, conscientious consumptive is not a source of infection or a menace to public health, but a safe individual to associate with in any one else. He should be treated with the utmost kindness and consideration.

Those who, as official authorities or private citizens, are in a position to influence a sanitarium must be convinced of their error. Any patient who has been in a sanitarium even a few months, must of necessity, on account of the training he has received, become a hygienic factor in the community to which he may return.

Disregarding the moment the inherent immunity of phthisis, one must know that it would be much better to have tuberculosis individuals under supervision than scattered over the entire community, in houses, tenements and boarding-houses, private homes and long corridors, propagating the disease and knowing not how or taking no care whatever to act against the spread of the infection.

Crusade and wisdom are any laws which make the establishment of an institution difficult. Have the opposing forces ever thought how really few families there are who have not at least one more or less tuberculous individual? Tuberculosis is the most common of all diseases, and is most prevalent in the pulmonary form. It is a disease of the old and young, of the poor and rich; it is surely worth while, then, both from a humanitarian and an economic standpoint, for us to concentrate all our forces, for it is not only a fight for life, but a struggle for existence against the most murderous foe, the most ruinous affliction, that has ever attacked the white race.

SELLWOOD COMMERCIAL CLUB ELECTS BOARD OF GOVERNORS TO RULE PROSPEROUS ORGANIZATION.



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The club has become the social and business center of the South East Side. It is the home and meeting place of the Sellwood Board of Trade and the Westmoreland Improvement Association. It is the meeting place of all civic organizations in that part of the city. The Women's Auxiliary has Friday for its day.

On its membership roll are the progressive and leading citizens of the suburb, and every night its rooms are open to the citizens of the place. On its tables are to be found the daily papers and current magazines. The club has an ample income to meet all current expenses. The new board of governors are all well-known citizens of Sellwood and enjoy the confidence of the people of the suburb.

WINDSOR MEN ROUTED GAS BURNER COMPANY SECRETARY MAKES STATEMENT.

Directors-Elect of Company Wait Now Only for Sheriff to Give Them Possession of Building.

Having routed the J. N. Windsor faction of stockholders in Campbell's Automatic Safety Gas Burner from control of the property at Twenty-second and Thurman street, the newly elected directors and officers of the company announce that the factory is to remain in Portland. They will organize as soon as the Sheriff places them in peaceful possession.

After all the old officers of the company, except Windsor, had resigned for the purpose of effecting a new organization, it is alleged that Windsor appointed a new corps of officers and assumed the direction of the plant and business. Windsor was forced to yield possession after deputies from the office of the Sheriff kicked down the doors of the factory and served replevin papers.

Secretary N. Campbell yesterday issued the following statement concerning the difficulties of the company: Portland, Or., July 8.—To the friends and neighbors of the Campbell's Automatic Safety Gas Burner Company: The friends and neighbors of the Campbell's Automatic Safety Gas Burner Company, who are present at the present time, are the following: A. J. Quackenbush, vice-president; C. L. Windsor, assistant secretary; and the following gentlemen, whose references are as follows: A. L. Sproul, the present postmaster of Ontario, Or., who has held that position for the past 25 years; J. E. Murrphy, a contractor and builder, whose references are the First National Bank of Walla Walla, Wash., Boyer & Baker, of Walla Walla, Wash., and the Fidelity Bank of Spokane, Wash.; Henry Haggelstein, of San Angelo, Tex., a resident of this city for 25 years, who has just retired from the presidency of a large retail and wholesale business in this city, which business he has engaged for the past few years. He is known to all the large business men of the State of Texas and has the confidence of all the banks and business men of his home city, who are well known to all the banks and business men of this city; H. O. Luter, of Meridian, Idaho, a farmer and successful business man, whose reference is any bank in Meridian or Boise, Idaho; C. E. Belding, of Ontario, Or., owner of the Ontario Meat Market, owner of a fine ranch in his home city, who is well known to all the banks and business men of Ontario, Or., or Fayette, Idaho, or Nyssa, or Vale, Or.

These directors-elect were selected from different sections of the country where the greater portion of the stock had been sold and is now held.

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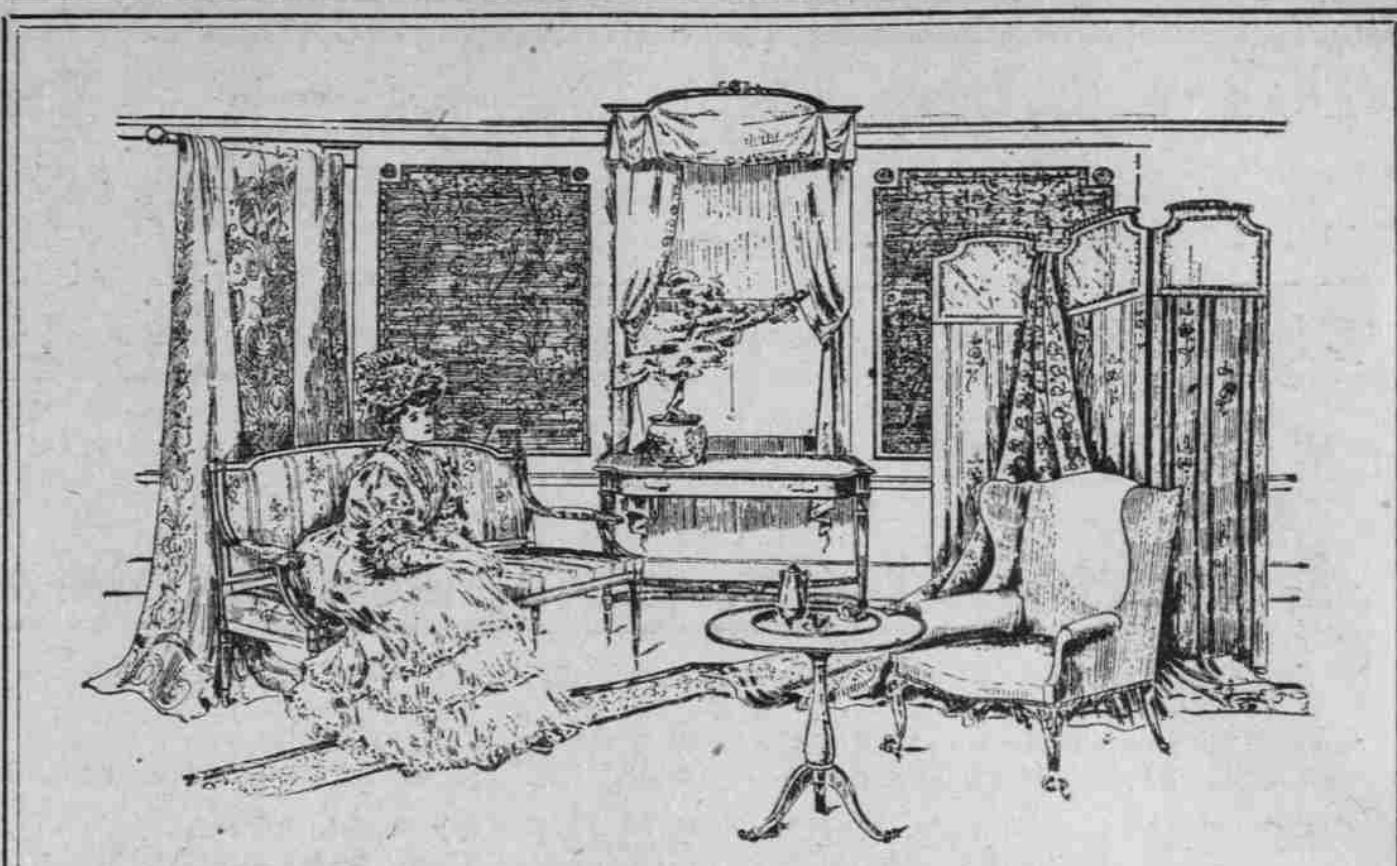
CONCERTS BEGIN TODAY

Brown's Band to Play in City Park for Opening Musicals.

Beginning at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, Brown's Park Band will give its regular Sunday concert in the City Park. Wednesday evenings the concerts alternate between the Holladay Park and Chapman Square, and all are given under the auspices of the City Park Commission.

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